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Organised Methodism in Australasia, as a part of the Foreign Missions under the direction of the British Conference, dates from the appointment of the Rev. Samuel Leigh to New South Wales in 1815.—(Mins. Brit. Conf., 1814).

“The Missions in Australia, Van Diemen’s Land, the Friendly Islands and Feejee” were constituted by the British Conference of 1854 “a distinct Connexion, to be denominated ‘The Australasian Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion,’ with an Annual Conference, affiliated to the Parent English Conference.”—(Mins. Brit. Conf., 1854).

The first Australasian Conference was held in Sydney in the year 1855.

A Scheme of Annual and General Conferences was determined by the Australasian Conference of 1873.

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### THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

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### THE TWENTY-FOURTH NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church, which was also the First United Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, the United Methodist Free Churches, and the Bible Christian Church in New Zealand, was held in 1897.

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### THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Methodist Church of Australasia in New Zealand was held in 1903.

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### THE FIRST CONFERENCE

of the Methodist Church of New Zealand was held in 1913, separation from the General Conference of Australasia having become operative on January 1st of that year by declaration of the President of the General Conference.

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Mr James H. Oldham was elected Vice-President, and was welcomed to that office.

The Secretary, the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A., took up his duties.



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\*Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc.  
\*Wallace S. Neal  
James W. Parker  
Thomas Skuse  
\*Herbert Ford  
William Gatman  
Alfred E. Jefferson  
\*Hector C. Orchard  
Henry Benny  
J. Henry Allen  
Leslie A. G. Brooks  
J. Francis Jack  
Albert Blakemore  
\*Eric W. Hames, M.A.  
\*Herbert Spencer  
John H. Bailey  
\*Frank Bateup  
Hubert G. Brown  
Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.  
Harry S. Kings  
Robert McGregor  
\*Cecil R. Taylor  
Gordon R. H. Peterson  
James H. Hall  
G. Raymond Harris  
\*Arthur H. Voyce  
George I. Laurenson  
Athol R. Penn  
\*Ivo M. Raynor  
\*A. Wharton E. Silvester  
Harry V. Utting  
\*John D. Grocott, B.A.  
Charlie O. Hailwood  
\*Francis J. Handy  
Charles E. Dickens  
\*Leonard C. Horwood  
Arthur T. Kent  
Walter Parker  
J. Montgomery Blight  
Joseph C. Draper  
E. Clarence Leadley  
Mathew A. McDowell  
Wesley Parker, M.A.  
Thomas H. Carr  
W. E. Allon Carr  
Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D.,  
F.R.E.S.  
William W. H. Greenslade

- William E. Moore  
 Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph. D.  
 Herbert W. Payne  
 David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D.  
 Reginald Day  
 D. J. Donald Hickman  
 V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E.  
 William C. Jenkin  
 Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.  
 J. Ainsley Daglish  
 A. Everil Orr  
 Ralph E. Patchett  
 George H. Goodman  
 Andrew J. Johnston  
 Howard C. Matthews, B.A.  
 Clifford L. Duder  
 L. Gordon Hanna  
 Clarence T. J. Luxton  
 \*William A. Mills  
 Robert Thornley, M.A., Dip.Soc.Sc.  
 Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.  
 \*H. Ian K. Hopper, B.A.  
 John Churchill  
 William R. Francis, B.A., B.D.  
 Leslie T. Norwell  
 Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.  
 Ernest S. Hoddinott  
 William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.  
 Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A.  
 John Silvester, M.A.  
 Harris Whitfield  
 Herbert A. Cochrane  
 Reginald Grice  
 \*Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Sc.(Agric).  
 Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th.  
 Charles B. Oldfield  
 \*Frederick O. Prosser  
 J. Stanley Waite, B.A.  
 John K. Watson, M.C., B.A.  
 John B. Dawson, B.A.  
 Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D.  
 Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.  
 Lawrence Greenslade  
 Alan O. Jones  
 Charles H. Bell, B.A.  
 Harold K. Brown  
 Harold A. Darvill  
 Gordon V. Thomas, B.A.  
 J. Henry Woolford, M.A.  
 \*Robert F. Clement, B.A.  
 Alan F. Collins  
 Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com.  
 John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D.  
 William J. Morrison, M.A.  
 George R. Thompson  
 Leonard V. Willing  
 \*J. C. Aldwyn Williams  
 Clifford G. Brown  
 George W. Cramond  
 W. Selwyn Dawson, B.A.  
 Wilfred E. Falkingham  
 Edmund D. Grounds  
 Albert Jolly  
 Robert H. Allen, B.A.  
 R. Graham Bell, M.A.  
 Leslie F. Bycroft  
 Wesley A. Chambers, B.A.  
 \*A. Peter Dorrian  
 Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed.  
 Harry Moore  
 Donald G. Sherson, B.A.  
 Leslie C. Clements  
 Frederick W. Harland  
 William M. Garner  
 \*Warren Green  
 \*William H. Gregory  
 D. I. Alister McDonald  
 Norman W. Olds  
 Francis H. Parker  
 Benjamin H. Riseley  
 \*Leonard Shapcott  
 \*Trevor Shepherd  
 \*A. Francis Attwood  
 \*W. Lloyd Divers  
 \*Allen H. Hall, B.A.  
 Donald Haylock  
 Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A.  
 Kenneth A. Robinson  
 Edward Baker  
 Wilf G. Eisner, B.A.  
 Wilfred F. Ford  
 Basil J. Hilder  
 J. Stanley Olds  
 Edmond S. Stewart  
 Eruera Te Tuhi  
 T. Ralph Benny  
 H. Maurice Brasell  
 Douglas H. Burt  
 Clifford J. Keightley  
 A. Roger G. Nuttall, B.A.  
 R. Hori Pratt, B.A.

**Maori Ministers—**

- Rakena P. Rakena  
 Matarae Tauroa  
 Ngatete Kerei Kukutai  
 Ranginohora Rogers



## 2.—LAY REPRESENTATIVES.

(a) Vice-President of Conference, 1950, S. E. Chappell.

(b) Representatives of Circuits.

### Auckland District.

Auckland Central	....	....	....	A. E. Freeman
" Central Mission	....	....	....	H. L. Clark
Auckland South	....	....	....	F. M. Souster
Auckland West	....	....	....	R. Howell
Auckland East	....	....	....	Miss H. Marter
"	....	....	....	P. R. Osborne
"	....	....	....	H. M. Denton
"	....	....	....	Miss E. Rishworth
"	....	....	....	Miss L. Hendra.
Avondale	....	....	....	G. Spooner
"	....	....	....	G. W. Turley
Devonport	....	....	....	Miss S. L. Mortimer
Takapuna	....	....	....	F. B. Wallis
Birkenhead	....	....	....	J. F. Wrigley
Onehunga	....	....	....	N. A. Wilson
Otahuhu	....	....	....	R. G. Laking
"	....	....	....	Mrs. M. Winiata
Papakura	....	....	....	F. M. Shepherd
Pukekohe	....	....	....	R. Craig
Waiuku	....	....	....	Mrs. E. A. McEwen
North Waitemata	....	....	....	J. H. Dixon
Mahurangi	....	....	....	J. Goodall
Paparoa	....	....	....	Mrs. J. H. Thompson
Dargaville	....	....	....	H. Lendrum
Ruawai	....	....	....	Mrs. J. Dennis
Whangarei	....	....	....	W. J. Court
Hikurangi	....	....	....	
Whangaroa	....	....	....	J. Keightley
Port Albert	....	....	....	H. Neal
Kawakawa-Kaikohe	....	....	....	Mrs. A. Clifford
Mangonui	....	....	....	R. C. Williams
Hokianga	....	....	....	E. Jones
North Hokianga	....	....	....	G. R. Fergusson

### South Auckland District.

Thames	....	....	....	
Hauraki Plains	....	....	....	Mrs. M. Shilton
Paeroa	....	....	....	
Waihi	....	....	....	J. B. Beeche
Te Aroha	....	....	....	Mrs. T. M. Qualtrough
Morrinsville	....	....	....	P. Rushton
Cambridge	....	....	....	
Hamilton	....	....	....	Miss P. G. Sansom
"	....	....	....	H. H. Fow
Hamilton East	....	....	....	W. B. Young
Huntly	....	....	....	
Matamata	....	....	....	
Putaruru	....	....	....	Mrs. T. R. Benny
Rotorua	....	....	....	
Tauranga	....	....	....	S. G. Couch
Whakatane	....	....	....	
Opotiki	....	....	....	

Te Awamutu	....	....	....	....	A. Glass
Otorohanga	....	....	....	....	W. F. Walters
Te Kuiti	....	....	....	....	M. McConnell
Taumarunui	....	....	....	....	
Ohura	....	....	....	....	

#### Taranaki-Wanganui District.

New Plymouth	....	....	....	....	M. S. Hughson
Waitara	....	....	....	....	J. Holland
Stratford	....	....	....	....	Mrs. Crow
Eltham	....	....	....	....	D. I. West
Hawera	....	....	....	....	L. T. Haycock
Manaia	....	....	....	....	Miss P. Bates
Opunake	....	....	....	....	H. J. Berry
Wanganui	....	....	....	....	P. C. Hill
Wanganui North	....	....	....	....	Mrs. F. J. Parker
Gonville	....	....	....	....	N. S. Barlow
Taihape	....	....	....	....	E. L. F. Buxton
					M. R. Edgar

#### Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District.

Napier	....	....	....	....	J. H. Oldham
Hastings	....	....	....	....	J. P. Boyd
Gisborne	....	....	....	....	F. J. Butler
Wairoa	....	....	....	....	
Dannevirke	....	....	....	....	
Woodville	....	....	....	....	A. Olsson
Pahiatua	....	....	....	....	Mrs. H. V. Utting
Palmerston North (St. Paul's)	....	....	....	....	E. Lock
Palmerston North (Cuba Street)	....	....	....	....	A. H. Fisher
Ashhurst	....	....	....	....	
Feilding	....	....	....	....	H. Smithers
Sanson-Rongotea	....	....	....	....	T. M. Henson

#### Wellington District.

Wellington Central	....	....	....	....	C. J. Freeman
Wellington West	....	....	....	....	A. G. Worboys
Wellington South	....	....	....	....	Mrs. A. G. Worboys
Wellington East	....	....	....	....	E. Ferguson
Johnsonville	....	....	....	....	J. C. Riddell
Hutt	....	....	....	....	Mrs. M. Brown
Upper Hutt	....	....	....	....	Miss A. E. Johnston
Petone	....	....	....	....	V. Ackroyd
Greytown-Featherston	....	....	....	....	W. O. Thomas
Carterton	....	....	....	....	
Masterton	....	....	....	....	E. M. Hodder
Eketahuna	....	....	....	....	R. Farrow
Levin	....	....	....	....	Mrs. H. S. Kings
Otaki	....	....	....	....	W. Drew

#### Nelson District.

Nelson	....	....	....	....	H. J. Savage
Richmond	....	....	....	....	D. H. Williams
Motueka	....	....	....	....	E. S. Wratt
Murchison	....	....	....	....	—



Blenheim	....	....	....	....	F. H. Southgate
"	....	....	....	....	A. E. Pinkham
Reefton	....	....	....	....	—
Westport	....	....	....	....	—
Greymouth	....	....	....	....	A. Evans
Hokitika	....	....	....	....	R. Parker

#### North Canterbury District.

Durham Street	....	....	....	....	N. P. Alcorn
"	....	....	....	....	C. D. Barrell
Christchurch East	....	....	....	....	Mrs. V. R. Jamieson
"	....	....	....	....	H. J. S. Harrington
"	....	....	....	....	S. W. Ayers
"	....	....	....	....	H. Smith
"	....	....	....	....	Mrs. S. Ayers
Cambridge Terrace	....	....	....	....	Mrs. L. W. Firth
Woolston	....	....	....	....	S. Falkingham
"	....	....	....	....	H. Falkingham
Sydenham	....	....	....	....	E. J. King
Addington	....	....	....	....	—
Riccarton	....	....	....	....	Mrs. G. R. Harris
St. Albans	....	....	....	....	P. A. Le Brun
"	....	....	....	....	B. A. Caygill
Papanui	....	....	....	....	W. Archbold
Lyttelton	....	....	....	....	—
Springston	....	....	....	....	W. R. Chambers
Leeston	....	....	....	....	L. G. Eade
Kaiapoi	....	....	....	....	—
Ohoka	....	....	....	....	F. A. Sheat
Rangiora	....	....	....	....	—
Woodend-Sefton	....	....	....	....	—
Greendale	....	....	....	....	—
Oxford	....	....	....	....	C. W. Markham

#### South Canterbury District.

Banks St. (Timaru)	....	....	....	....	Mrs. D. G. Sherson
Woodlands St. (Timaru)	....	....	....	....	A. Marshall
Timaru South	....	....	....	....	T. Simmons
Waimate	....	....	....	....	A. A. McKenzie
Temuka	....	....	....	....	—
Geraldine	....	....	....	....	—
Ashburton	....	....	....	....	T. Wakelin
Willowby	....	....	....	....	—
Oamaru	....	....	....	....	—

#### Otago-Southland District.

Dunedin Central	....	....	....	....	Mrs. G. Hewitt
"	....	....	....	....	J. Heatherington
Dunedin Central Mission	....	....	....	....	J. Adam
"	....	....	....	....	H. C. Vince
Dunedin North	....	....	....	....	A. L. Stanton
Dunedin South	....	....	....	....	—
"	....	....	....	....	—
St. Kilda	....	....	....	....	J. J. Kernohan
Mornington	....	....	....	....	A. J. Ganderton
Roslyn	....	....	....	....	W. Launson
Port Chalmers	....	....	....	....	—

Milton	....	....	....	....	—
Roxburgh	....	....	....	....	—
Invercargill Central	....	....	....	....	P. Bell
St. Peter's (Invercargill)	....	....	....	....	—
Gore	....	....	....	....	G. H. Anderson
Western Southland	....	....	....	....	—
Edendale	....	....	....	....	—

(3) Representatives of Departments, Committees and Funds—

Theological College	....	....	....	....	K. J. Rosser
" "	....	....	....	....	W. F. Winstone
Home Mission Department	....	....	....	....	F. Penn
" "	....	....	....	....	J. S. Bayes
" "	....	....	....	....	J. H. Blackwell
" "	....	....	....	....	H. M. Patrick
Home Missionaries' Representatives	....	....	....	....	W. J. Bryant
" "	....	....	....	....	C. Robinson
Foreign Mission Department	....	....	....	....	G. S. Gapper
Youth Department	....	....	....	....	Miss E. J. Hartley
" "	....	....	....	....	Miss P. Yearbury
" "	....	....	....	....	S. Fellows
Connexional Secretaryship Committee	....	....	....	....	—
Supernumerary Fund	....	....	....	....	—
Contingent Fund	....	....	....	....	A. H. Winstone
Church Building & Loan Fund	....	....	....	....	H. de R. Flesher
Fire Insurance Fund	....	....	....	....	—
Children's Fund	....	....	....	....	—
Wesley College	....	....	....	....	J. Tyler
Removal Expenses Fund	....	....	....	....	—
Deaconess Institution	....	....	....	....	Mrs. P. A. Le Brun
Methodist Women's Missionary Union	....	....	....	....	Mrs. T. Hallam
Local Preachers' Association	....	....	....	....	F. J. Vinicombe
Methodist Men's Fellowship	....	....	....	....	G. H. Coley
Rangiatea College	....	....	....	....	—
Women's Guild Fellowship	....	....	....	....	Mrs. O. Burnet
Deaconess Order	....	....	....	....	Sister Ivy Jones
" "	....	....	....	....	Sister Ruth Hilder

District Secretaries of Church Property.

Auckland	....	....	....	....	S. E. Chappell
South Auckland	....	....	....	....	—
Taranaki-Wanganui	....	....	....	....	J. Drake
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	....	....	....	....	L. A. Davis
Wellington	....	....	....	....	—
Nelson	....	....	....	....	H. Oldham
North Canterbury	....	....	....	....	—
South Canterbury	....	....	....	....	—
Otago-Southland	....	....	....	....	J. McIndoe
Maori Missions	....	....	....	....	P. Moke
" "	....	....	....	....	R. Rihimona
" "	....	....	....	....	Te Hira Ratete



**QUESTION II.—Who are now admitted as Ministers in Full Connexion with the Conference?**

T. Ralph Benny  
H. Maurice Brasell  
Douglas H. Burt  
Clifford J. Keightley  
A. Roger G. Nuttall, B.A.  
R. Hori Pratt, B.A.

Who have travelled three years.

**QUESTION III.—What Preachers remain on Probation?**

Gordon A. R. Cornell (Who has travelled three years)  
Colin D. Clark  
D. Bruce Gordon  
Phillip D. Ramsay  
Leonard P. Schroeder  
Frank H. Woodfield  
Owen T. Woodfield

Who have travelled two years.

George G. Armstrong  
H. David Besant  
Amos W. Burrough  
Geo. G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed. (see Question VI.)  
Ivan J. Clucas  
David W. Edmonds (see Question V.)  
Ronald Elsom (see Question V.)  
Geoffrey T. Gilbert  
Ernest Hepplethwaite (see Question VI.)  
Archibald W. McKay (non-resident student) (see Question V.)  
O. McLennan Olds  
Charles H. Raynor  
Percy P. Rushton (see Question VI.)  
Peter A. Stead  
Harry W. Toothill  
George R. Trebilco (see Question V.)

Who have travelled one year.

Also Robert C. Groves.

**QUESTION IV.—What Preachers are now received on Probation?**

Edward P. Boyd  
Wilfred J. Cable  
Ronald L. George  
Loyal J. Gibson  
John Grundy, B.A.  
John R. Hall  
Allan J. Handyside  
Arthur W. R. Mead  
John A. Penman  
Ian W. Reid  
Harry I. Shaw  
Sidney J. Spindler  
Alfred E. Tardif  
John H. Thompson  
Ronald H. Wood

**QUESTION V.—What Students are to continue to have Theological Training?**

Frederick J. K. Baker  
Hughan M. Craig  
David W. Edmonds (see Question III.)

Ronald Elsom (see Question III.)

Alan Newman

John H. Osborne

Rakena D. Rakena

David G. Stubbs

George R. Trebilco (see Question III.)

Who are continued for a third year.

Noel D. Billingham

Arthur W. Dickie

Eric R. Eastwood

E. Raymond Le Couteur

Archibald W. McKay (see Question III.) (non-resident student)

Alan A. Morgan

Alan H. V. Newton

E. Keith Ordish

Wattie T. Tahere

Edward G. P. Turner

Lane M. Tauroa

Who are continued for a second year.

**QUESTION VI.—**What Candidates are now Received for Theological Training?

William K. Abbott

Trevor L. Bennett

George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed. (see Question III.)

Ernest Heppelthwaite (see Question III.)

Harvey J. Hoskin

Cuthbert F. Peart

Frank S. Rigg

Alan K. Robert

Percy P. Rushton (see Question III.)

Neville Thornicroft

David L. Trebilco

Alexander C. Watson

Placed on President's List of Reserve:

Donald J. Reisterer

**QUESTION VII.—**Who are now admitted as Native Ministers?

None.

**QUESTION VIII.—**Who remain as Native Ministers on Probation?

None.

**QUESTION IX.—**Who are now received as Native Preachers on Probation?

None.

**QUESTION X.—**Who are now received as Native Students for the Ministry?

None.

**QUESTION XI.—**What Home Missionary Probationers are there and have they passed their examinations in their respective years?

Fourth Year:

J. R. Hall

F. D. Peterson

Third Year:

A. E. Tardif

First Year:

G. Armitage

I. J. Fowler

G. R. Payne



**QUESTION XII.—What Ministers or Probationers have died since last Conference?**

Jacob Featherston  
William Grigg  
Arthur Mitchell  
John R. Nelson  
G. Knowles Smith  
Hedley White

**Home Missionaries:**

James Belshaw  
Heemi Winiata  
Wetini Hotu

**JACOB FEATHERSTON.**

Jacob Featherston was born on October 27th, 1864, in Weardale, Durham, England. After some experience in preaching, he came to New Zealand in 1892. In 1893, finding the Wesleyan Church was needing helpers, he applied and was accepted as a Home Missionary and appointed to Tapanui in Otago, where he remained for three years. Two years later, he was appointed by the Primitive Methodist Church to Waihi as a Home Missionary and later was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry. For thirty years he exercised an active ministry during which he was ably assisted by his wife.

He superannuated in 1931, but for many years acted as Hospital Chaplain in Christchurch, and was much loved by the patients. After a long and trying illness, he fell on sleep on 23rd June, 1951. He was a good man, a sound preacher of the Gospel, a diligent pastor and a careful administrator. Every Church was the richer for his ministry and he had many spiritual results as the fruit of his faithful labours for the Master.

**WILLIAM GRIGG.**

William Grigg was born in Cornwall, England, on 27th February, 1862. He became a fully accredited preacher in the St. Calomb Circuit, Cornwall, where he served for five years. In 1888 he came to N.Z. and was immediately accepted as a candidate for the Bible Christian Ministry. The ministry which followed was a very full and conspicuous one. His fine mind, fervent zeal and spiritual gifts qualified him to be a preacher, pastor and an administrator of ability and it is not surprising to find that he was elected Chairman of District on ten occasions. In 1921 he was elected President of the Conference and worthily sustained the high traditions of that office.

During World War I he served overseas as a Chaplain to the Forces for more than three years and was esteemed and trusted by men of all ranks. He was severely wounded on two occasions.

He was a brave soldier, the embodiment of cheerfulness and courtesy. He esteemed and delighted in friendships. He was well read, and he loved the English classics. Above all, it was a man with a radiant heart, a strong, winsome Christian gentleman, who served valiantly the Kingdom of God, who passed to his reward on the 3rd October, 1951.

**ARTHUR MITCHELL**

Born in Truro, England, on May 25, 1866, Arthur Mitchell began to preach at an early age. In Australia in 1888 he entered the ministry of the Bible Christian Church, coming to New Zealand in 1893. Following Methodist Union in 1896 he was stationed at Newmarket.

During the first World War he was overseas as a Chaplain for nearly four years. He was a keen Freemason and held important

offices in the craft. He always left his Circuits in good heart. In one District he held office as Chairman.

His wife, Miss Maria Wood Robb, a lady with considerable musical gifts, ably seconded her husband in all his work. She predeceased him by eight months. For some years prior to his passing he conducted the choir of the Auckland Methodist Central Mission, a position he had accepted as a temporary one but which lasted over a period of six years. In all his circuits he laboured with great acceptance, his magnificent musical gifts always being freely used for the enrichment of his ministry. After a full life and an effective ministry, he entered into his reward on August 19, 1951.

#### JOHN R. NELSON

John R. Nelson was born in West Cumberland, England, on January 23, 1883. In 1913 he came to New Zealand, and the following year, entered the Home Mission work, being received into the Ministry in 1917. For 29 years he was a faithful circuit minister, retiring for health reasons in 1946. In their retirement, the Rev. J. R. and Mrs. Nelson lived on Waiheke Island, where they exercised a gracious influence. His early experience as a reporter was put to the service of the Church and he served as Conference reporter for some years.

A man of deep spiritual experience, a wide reader, having a cultured mind, he was a true and helpful Pastor, and was deeply loved by the people. He was for many years an active worker in the cause of Temperance. He died at Auckland on 22nd February, 1951.

In his wife, previously Miss Ileen Ferrier of Timaru, he had a life companion who aided him nobly in all his labours for Christ and His Kingdom.

#### G. KNOWLES SMITH

George Knowles Smith entered into his rest at Greytown on 1st June, 1951, at the advanced age of 81 years. He represented the third generation of Primitive Methodist ministers, and from this heritage the son derived great mental and evangelical gifts with considerable pulpit and administrative ability. Born in Yorkshire on 17 April, 1870, he received the call to preach in 1892 and entered the Primitive Methodist ministry, serving for 17 years in some of the most important circuits in England and Scotland. At the invitation of the Primitive Methodist Conference in N.Z. he embarked for this country arriving in February, 1909, being appointed to the Dunedin Circuit. In 1912 he was elected President of the Primitive Methodist Conference to fill that office capably during the last year before Methodist Union and to render marked service on the Union Committee which brought it about in 1913. After Union he served in the Wellington Central Mission and other circuits of the United Church until his retirement in 1940 with a record of 48 years of active work. Always an effective and earnest preacher, an able lecturer, a capable administrator, and a genial and efficient minister and friend, he is still gratefully remembered in the circuits where he travelled. With advancing years his sight became impaired but he bore the affliction with cheerful Christian fortitude and also the bereavement which shrouded his declining years.

#### HEDLEY WHITE

Hedley White was born on 18 December, 1883, at Silchester, England, and emigrated to New Zealand where in 1906 he commenced his ministry in the Primitive Methodist Church, being ordained in 1910. He participated in the Methodist Union of 1913, and except for a short break during the recent war, continued with great usefulness an active ministry until his superannuation at the Conference of 1948. His was a ministry of fine fidelity. Blessed with ready utterance and



a detailed knowledge of the Scriptures he gave to his congregations dependable expositions of the teachings of Christ and reinforced them with his own life and example. His care for his flock was marked by true sympathy and understanding. Aided by his gracious wife and a loyal family, he gave to the community an exemplary pattern of a Christian home, from which radiated helpful influences to bless his Church and people. His retirement was spent at Greytown where the Home Call came suddenly on the 14th December, 1950.

#### JAMES BELSHAW.

On 10th July, 1951, an honoured retired Home Missionary passed away in the person of James Belshaw. Mr. Belshaw was born in 1867 in Wigan, Lancashire, and at an early age commenced work in the coal mines. He began preaching at 16, and became a fully accredited Local Preacher at 17. He came to New Zealand in 1905 and twelve years later offered for Home Mission Service and commenced a faithful and fruitful ministry in many Home Mission stations until his retirement in 1931. He was a quiet, thoughtful Preacher, and his pastoral work in country areas has left a deep impression on all who knew him.

#### WETINI HOTU.

Wetini Hotu, a member of a leading King Country family, was educated at Three Kings College and for more than twenty years served the Church as an honorary Maori Home Missionary. His leadership was of a quiet and unassuming kind, and by his quality of life and his great interest in, and concern for the young people of his race, he has left an influence which lives after him. He possessed a wise and thoughtful outlook on the problems which face his people, and by both word and example sought to bring together the best elements in the Maori and Pakeha way of life.

Though enjoying only indifferent health for many years, he was always keenly interested in the work and progress of the Mission. In his passing on 7th May, 1951, we share with his people the loss of one of their best sons.

#### HEEMI WINIATA.

Whirinaki Church life and Hokianga Maori Methodism in general suffered a sad loss on the 20th August, 1951, in the passing of Heemi Winiata, a farmer by profession.

Mr. Winiata in his late twenties became converted under the guidance and inspiration of the late Tahupotiki Haddon. He later offered his services to the Church and became a faithful Pastor to his people. His loyalty to the Church he loved, his devotion to his Lord, his zeal for the physical and spiritual welfare of his Maori people—together with a family heritage of high rank, held him in good stead as a leader.

#### QUESTION XIII.—What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries?

Charles H. Laws, B.A., D.D.  
Henry L. Blamires  
Fred Greenwood  
Arthur Hopper  
Edward Drake  
T. Arthur Pybus  
Walter J. Oxbrow  
Arthur J. Seamer  
William H. Speer  
R. Purcell Keall  
Jonathan H. Haslam

George P. Hunt  
Frank E. Leadley  
Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.  
Benjamin J. James  
Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D.  
Albert H. Fowles  
E. Percy Blamires  
Henry Ryan  
J. Frederick Martin  
Thomas Coatsworth  
Ernest D. Patchett

Basil Metson  
Charles M. Roberts  
William Walker  
Ernest O. Blamires  
William W. Avery  
Fred Copeland  
Charles Blair  
Charles B. Jordan, M.A.,  
B.D., (hons.), F.R.E.S.  
Harold A. Sharp  
Edwin S. Harkness  
William Gatman  
Hector C. Orchard  
Albert Blakemore  
Walter J. Enticott  
H. Leslie Richards  
Herbert Ford

Frederick O. Prosser  
Harry Cottom  
George B. Hinton  
Frederick B. Lawrence  
John D. McArthur  
William Rowe  
Herbert Spencer  
Robert B. Tinsley  
Frank Bateup  
Arthur A. Bensley  
James W. Parker  
William A. Burley, M.A.  
John F. Goldie  
Archer O. Harris  
Charles H. Olds, B.A.  
James Richards

**QUESTION XIV.—What Ministers now become Supernumeraries?**

Percy I. Cooke  
Leslie B. Neale, M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S., E.D.  
Frederick J. Parker  
Arthur H. Scrivin

**PERCY I. COOKE.**

Percy I. Cooke, after several years spent in Home Mission work, was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry in 1915 and was sent into Circuit work. After two and a half years service in World War I he was invalidated home as permanently unfit.

During the years since he has proved himself a capable minister, giving himself to his tasks with a wholeheartedness which has made his work fruitful and lasting. He has been a sympathetic pastor and a diligent expounder of the Word. Interested in Divine Healing he has shared in some remarkable instances of answered prayer. His organising ability was seen particularly in the social service rendered in Dunedin during the depression years. During his term at Otahuhu his active association with the R.S.A. led to his being made a life member of the Association from which he received the honour of the Gold Star. In entering into retirement he carries with him the esteem and affection of all who have known him, with a record of most faithful and fruitful service for the Kingdom of God.

**LESLIE B. NEALE.**

Leslie B. Neale was born at Devonport, Auckland, in 1886. He began preaching before he was 17 years of age. He received his theological training at Pukekawa College. For three years he served overseas in World War I, being wounded at Passchendale. In 1931, after his previous successful pastorates, he was appointed to the Dunedin Central Mission where, for the past 21 years, he has exercised an outstanding ministry.

In all his Circuits Mr. Neale has given great attention to detail and property matters. During his ministry he has been a national voice on the radio and has adopted modern methods of reaching the outsider. He has been a pioneer in the founding of Eventide Settlements and established the first Health Camp in Otago.

During the economic depression of the 30's he courageously tackled the problem of unemployment and formed a Church Committee to provide food, clothing and shelter for many unfortunate people. He was twice Chairman of the Otago-Southland District and became



the Centennial President of the Conference in 1940. During his Presidential year he launched the Centennial Thanksgiving Fund. In 1949 he was awarded the M.B.E. and in 1950 received the Efficiency Decoration. Throughout his ministry Mr. Neale has been ably supported by his wife who has brought culture and dignity to the work. Mr. Neale retires with the affection of his brethren who wish for him a long and contented retirement.

#### ARTHUR H. SCRIVIN.

Arthur H. Scrivin was born in London in 1883 and came to N.Z. in 1907. Responding to the Call to the Ministry, he was accepted as a Candidate in 1909. After two years at New Brighton he offered for Foreign Mission work and proceeded to Papua in 1914. From that time onwards his whole life has been devoted to the work of Overseas Missions. With marked ability and unflagging zeal, he laboured in Papua for 18 years. The world financial depression led to the withdrawal of many missionaries and Mr. Scrivin returned to N.Z.

In 1932 he was appointed to Hastings during which year the present Church was rebuilt. In the following year he was appointed General Secretary of the F.M. Department. On assuming office he was confronted with a difficult situation. The annual income had fallen to a low level. Retrenchment became inevitable and the outlook was foreboding. The future was faced with faith and courage. The debt was gradually lowered, and finally liquidated. Many new workers were appointed to the Solomon Islands and the outlook was full of promise. In 1942 the war reached the Solomons causing the withdrawal of the staff and the destruction of every Mission Station. Once again Mr. Scrivin's faith matched the task and a Rehabilitation Fund of £105,000 was realised. With marked ability and sound judgment he helped to re-establish the work. He retires from the office after 18 years of untiring service, and from the active ministry with the love and gratitude of the Church he has so faithfully served. In 1945 he served as President of Conference.

In all his labours, involving much travelling and long periods from home, he has been greatly aided by the sacrifices and the care of Mrs. Scrivin whose zeal for Overseas Missions has equalled his own.

#### FREDERICK JOHN PARKER.

After 35 years of able and devoted ministry Frederick J. Parker is compelled on medical grounds to withdraw from the active work. He was born in Dunedin in 1892. After his acceptance as a Candidate he received his theological training at "Dunholme" College. Throughout the years his ministry has been marked by a buoyancy and quiet efficiency, the Church's confidence in him being shown by the many executive positions he has held. District Secretary of four Synodal Districts, Secretary of the Home Mission Board and Trinity College Council and Senior Chaplain, were positions he filled with distinction. He retires with the love and esteem of all his brethren, and we pray for him and Mrs. Parker many years of happy service free from the strain of Circuit administration.

**QUESTION XV.—What Supernumeraries return to Regular Work?**

J. B. Dawson

Walter Parker

(Without Pastoral Charge.)

**QUESTION XVI.—What Home Missionaries are to be—**

**(a) Retained on the Retired List?**

A. L. Witheford	S. Keen
J. Common	T. W. Featherstone
H. Ashworth	W. H. Wilson
J. W. Bayliss	H. J. Malcolm
W. Sussex	W. E. Sleep

**(b) Placed on Retired List?**

R. T. Alexander  
Roy Coombridge  
Cyril Robinson

**R. T. ALEXANDER.**

In the retirement of Mr. R. T. Alexander, the Church loses the full time services of one of its most experienced and faithful Home Missionaries.

Brought up in a Christian home, he served as Sunday School teacher, Bible Class leader, and local preacher. In 1923 his offer for Home Mission service was immediately accepted.

For twenty-seven years he has given faithful service in many appointments. In Mrs. Alexander he has had an excellent helpmeet and their home has been a centre of gracious Christian home life.

Mr. Alexander retires with the goodwill and gratitude of the whole Church for a splendid term of service.

**R. COOMBRIDGE.**

In 1928 Mr. R. Coombridge was accepted for service with the Home Mission Department for special duty as a Colporteur. From that date he has, with minor breaks, been on the staff of the Department as a valued Home Missionary. His retirement has deprived the Church of the full-time services of a man who has rendered excellent service in many difficult stations. A faithful preacher and pastor his devoted service has brought him a spiritual harvest in many lives.

He retires from the active work with the goodwill and esteem of all who have worked with him.

**CYRIL ROBINSON.**

Mr. Cyril Robinson commenced work as a Home Missionary in 1922 and has since then served the Church with earnestness and devotion. Of a humble and self-sacrificing character his life and work have attracted to him a wide circle of young and old inside and outside his own Church. His preaching has been of a deep devotional character born of a rich personal experience. His organising ability and courage in facing difficult situations resulted in efficient circuit work. For some years he has been President of the Home Missionaries' Association and Representative of the Association at Conference, winning the esteem and affection of all his brethren. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Robinson a very happy period of retirement.

**QUESTION XVII.—What Ministers or Probationers have permission to rest during the Year?**

John H. Bailey  
Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Agr.Sc.  
John D. Grocott, B.A. (who is permitted to serve with  
the Council of Christian Education)  
Leslie T. Norwell  
Wesley Parker, M.A.



QUESTION XVIII.—What Ministers are left without Pastoral Charge?

A. Francis Attwood  
Basil J. Hilder  
William A. Mills

QUESTION XIX.—Is any Minister or Probationer Designated for Foreign Missions?

No.

QUESTION XX.—What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or Receive from any other Conference?

Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. (from N.S.W. Conference).

QUESTION XXI.—Are there any objections to any Minister, Probationer or Home Missionary?

The Districts were called one by one and the answer in each case was "No Objection."

QUESTION XXII.—What Persons who were in Full Connexion now cease to be recognised as Ministers of this Conference?

Norman P. Larsen, who has voluntarily resigned on account of ill-health

J. Stanley Waite, who has voluntarily resigned

QUESTION XXIII.—What are the Arrangements for the Annual Examinations of Probationers, Students, Candidates for the Ministry, Home Missionaries, Deaconesses and Local Preachers?

#### BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

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#### (A) Examiners for Probationers.

Hebrew: Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.

Greek, N.T.—1st year: Rev. R. G. Bell, M.A.

2nd year: Rev. R. Dudley, M.A., D.D.

3rd year: Rev. W. Parker, M.A.

English Bible (O.T.)—1st year: Rev. V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E.

2nd year: Rev. L. Greenslade.

3rd year: Rev. W. Rowe.

English Bible (N.T.)—1st year: Rev. B. Metson.

2nd year: Rev. R. E. Patchett.

3rd year: Rev. A. H. Fowles.

Theology: 1st cycle: Rev. J. D. Grocott, B.A.

2nd cycle: Rev. R. Thornley, M.A., Dip.Soc.Sc.

3rd cycle: Rev. W. R. Francis, B.A., B.D.

Wesley's Sermons—Rev. E. E. Sage.

Methodism—Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore, B.A.  
 Religious Education—Rev. W. Selwyn Dawson, B.A.  
 Religion and Psychology—Rev. Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph.D.  
 Social Ethics—Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade.  
 Comparative Religion—Rev. R. F. Clement, B.A.  
 Pre-Collegiate Course—  
 Theology and N.T.: Rev. W. J. Morrison, M.A.  
 O.T. and Homiletics : Rev. W. A. Chambers, B.A.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### Tutors in Theology.

1st Cycle	....	....	....	....	Rev. H. C. Dixon, M.A., B.D.
2nd Cycle	....	....	....	....	Rev. C. H. Bell, B.A.
3rd Cycle	....	....	....	....	Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D.

#### Tutors in Greek.

1952	....	....	....	....	Rev. H. E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
1953	....	....	....	....	Rev. A. K. Petch, B.A.
1954	.....	.....	.....	.....	Rev. J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D.

### (B) Examiners for Students.

#### Theology—

(a) God, Man, Sin	....	....	....	Rev. B. M. Chrystall, B.A.
(b) Person and Work of Christ	....	....	....	Rev. J. Silvester, M.A.
(c) Holy Spirit, Church, Ministry and Sacraments, Last Things	....	....	....	Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D.

#### Pastoral Theology—

(a) Homiletics	....	....	....	Rev. L. C. Horwood
(b) Pastoral Practice	....	....	....	Rev. W. E. Allon Carr
(c) Religious Education	....	....	....	Rev. M. A. McDowell
(d) Church Worship and Organisation	....	....	....	Rev. W. Walker
English Essay	.....	.....	.....	Mr. K. J. Dellow, M.A.
Elocution and Public Speaking	.....	.....	.....	Messrs. F. Penn, C. K. Wigglesworth and Rev. F. J. Handy.

### (C) Examiners for Candidates.

Bible Knowledge I	.....	.....	.....	Rev. J. C. Draper
Bible Knowledge II	.....	.....	.....	Rev. F. J. Handy
Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. L. A. G. Brooks
English and Greek	.....	.....	.....	Rev. A. R. Witheford, B.A.
Geography and History	.....	.....	.....	Rev. G. V. Thomas, B.A.
Book-keeping	.....	.....	.....	Rev. A. H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com.

### (D) Examiners for Home Missionaries.

English	.....	.....	.....	Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A.
Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. J. H. Bailey
Bible Knowledge	.....	.....	.....	Rev. H. A. Darvill
Church History	.....	.....	.....	Rev. A. R. Penn
Homiletics	.....	.....	.....	Rev. A. J. Johnston

### (E) Examiner for Native Probationers.

Rev. A. O. Harris.

### (F) Examiners for Local Preachers.

Bible Knowledge	.....	.....	.....	Rev. H. K. Brown
Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. C. O. Hailwood
Homiletics	.....	.....	.....	Rev. A. T. Kent



(G) Examiners for Deaconesses.

Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. J. M. Blight
Church History	.....	.....	.....	Rev. H. W. Payne
Old Testament	.....	.....	.....	Rev. L. G. Hanna
New Testament	.....	.....	.....	Rev. J. H. Woolford, M.A.
English	.....	.....	.....	Rev. D. G. Sherson, B.A.
Psychology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. R. G. Bell, M.A.
Homiletics	.....	.....	.....	Rev. A. T. Kent

(1) COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS.

1. Either—A. Hebrew Old Testament.  
1st year, as for N.Z. B.D. Stage I, Paper A, but including only the first of the two set passages and no unseen translation.  
2nd year, as B.D. Stage I, Paper A, but no unseen translation.  
3rd year, as B.D. Stage II, Paper A, but no unseen translation.  
OR—B. English Old Testament.  
1st year: Deuteronomy (Cambridge Bible) and I. and II. Samuel (Century Bible).  
2nd year: Isaiah—(2 vols.) (Cambridge Bible).  
3rd year: Ezekiel (Cambridge Bible).
2. A. Greek New Testament.  
Section for 1952 (from N.Z. B.D. course Stage I). Twelve chapters selected from St. Mark's Gospel and Thessalonians. (First year selection six chapters.)  
1st year: Translation, Grammar and Exegesis.  
2nd year: As above with retranslation.  
3rd year: As for second year with greater emphasis on exegesis.  
OR—B. English New Testament.  
1st year: St. John's Gospel (Reith 2 vols.), and Wm. Temple's "Readings in St. John".  
2nd year: Romans. C. H. Dodd (Moffatt Comm.).  
3rd year: Hebrews. Peake (Century Bible).
3. THEOLOGY. A. For 1952—"God, Man, Sin."  
As for B.D. Stage II, Paper A, with the addition of the word "systematic"—viz., "A branch of Biblical, Historical, and Systematic Theology"; with reading as follows:—  
1st cycle: God, Man, Sin. "The Christian Idea of God"—H. M. Hughes (Duckworth). "Christian Doctrine of Man", H. Wheeler Robinson; "Christian Estimate of Man", Cave (Duckworth); "God and the World", Farmer (Nesbit); "Christian Doctrine", J. S. Whale. (Use relevant parts for each series.)  
2nd cycle: The Person and Work of Christ. "The Person of Jesus Christ"—Mackintosh, Books 1 and 3 only; "Doctrine and Work of Christ"—Cave (London Theol. Lib.); "The Person of Christ"—Cave (Duckworth); "Jesus and His Sacrifice"—V. Taylor (Macmillan).  
3rd cycle: The Holy Spirit, Church, Ministry and Sacraments, Last Things.  
"The Holy Spirit in the N.T."—Swete; "Christian Experience of the Holy Spirit"—Wheeler Robinson; "Jesus and His Church"—W. N. Flew; "The Christian Sacraments"—O. C. Quick; "World to Come and Final Destiny"—Leckie; "The Life Everlasting"—J. Baillie.

B. WESLEY'S SERMONS (with Lawson's Notes). Each cycle to be co-ordinated with A. above. (A two-hour paper.)

1st cycle : Salvation by Faith.

Justification by Faith.	The Righteousness of Faith.
Scriptural Christianity.	The Way to the Kingdom.
The Almost Christian.	The First-Fruits of the Spirit.

2nd cycle : The Spirit of Bondage and of Adoption.

The Witness of the Spirit.  
The Witness of our own Spirit.  
The Means of Grace.  
The Marks of the New Birth.  
The Great Privilege of those that are Born of God.  
Sermon on the Mount (III).  
The Original Nature, Property, and Use of the Law.

3rd cycle : The Nature of Enthusiasm.

A Caution Against Bigotry.	
Catholic Spirit.	The New Birth.
Christian Perfection.	Self-Denial.
Original Sin.	The Use of Money

#### 4. GENERAL.

1st year : Methodism. "Wesley and his Century"—Fitchett; "The Evangelical Revival and Christian Reunion"—A. W. Harrison; "England, Before and After Wesley"—Bready.

2nd year : One of the following :—

- (1) Religion and Psychology, as for B.D. (N.Z.) Theology I, Stage I, A and B (one paper only), "Introduction to Psychology of Religion," Thouless; "The New Psychology and Religious Experience"—T. H. Hughes.
- (2) Social Ethics, "Christian Ideal for Human Society"—Garvie, "The Relevance of Christianity," Barry; "The Christian Way" (S. Cave, D.D.). "The Problem of Right Conduct" (Peter Green).
- (3) Comparative Religion (as for B.D. Theology II, paper b), "Comparative Religion"—Bouquet (Penguin); "The Dawn of Religion"—E. S. Waterhouse.
- (4) Religious Education. "Church, Community and State in relation to Education" (Oxford Conference—Allen & Unwin); "Religion and the Growing Mind" (Yeaxlee).
- (5) Maori Language (for 2 years).

3rd year : One of the subjects for the second year not already taken, or taken to a further stage.

N.B.—Probationers on F.M. Field take in this section, "Methodism" and "Comparative Religion".

#### THESIS :

Ministers shall be encouraged to produce and present a thesis of not less than 10,000 words, within two years after their reception into Full Connexion, on some subject of theological or religious character, approved by the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, who shall, on its completion, submit it to a panel of judges. A system of honours for those producing such theses will be followed, and a precis of suitable theses will be published in the "Methodist Times".



## REGULATIONS.

1. All Probationers who have completed the two-year Hebrew Course in Auckland University College shall take Hebrew Old Testament, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D. Course may substitute in lieu thereof the Hebrew prescribed in the B.D. Syllabus for that year.
2. Unless special exemption is granted by the Examination Committee, Greek New Testament shall be compulsory for all Probationers who have been through College, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D. Course, may substitute in lieu thereof the Greek prescribed in the B.D. Syllabus for that year.
3. Probationers, to whom (1) and/or (2) do not apply, shall be permitted to take the alternative English Old Testament and/or English New Testament in lieu of Hebrew and/or Greek respectively.
4. The Examination in Hebrew Old Testament and Greek New Testament shall be mainly on translation, grammar, and exegesis, and that in English O.T. and English N.T. shall be mainly on the exegesis of the sections specified.
5. (a) Greek and Theology shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors, marks being assessed as follows:—Correspondence work, 40; Examination, 60. Each Tutor appointed shall send out study papers for four consecutive months beginning in mid-January and mid-May respectively. He shall mark the work sent in, return the corrected work together with suitable guidance. (Maximum marks for each study paper, 10). Each Tutor shall keep full records of every individual case, and, on or before October 1, forward a complete report to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.  
(b) Any Probationer taking a Theological subject for a B.D. Course shall be permitted to substitute the same for that set down for his Probationary year.
6. Examinations, when not specifically limited to one particular textbook, shall be on the subject as a whole. Text-books are intended to provide a basis for wider and more thorough reading in the subject, and Probationers are encouraged to pursue the more extensive study, rather than limit it to one or two works.
7. Any Probationer pursuing a University Course shall be entitled to exemption from subjects (1) and (4) for two years of his Probation, but such exemption shall not be granted in his third year. Examination results shall be reported immediately to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
8. Examinations in the subjects 2, (Greek or English New Testament) and 4 (General) shall be conducted in May and in the subjects 1 (Hebrew or English Old Testament) and 3 (Theology) be conducted in September.
9. Book List. Every Probationer shall forward to his Chairman, not later than August 15th, a Book List as specified for the year. A small committee, appointed by the March District Ministerial Committee, shall conduct a private examination in books on the submitted list and report to the Ministerial Committee of Synod.

## II.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR NATIVE PROBATIONERS.

### FIRST YEAR.

1. Bible : St. Mark (Guild T. Books).
2. Hunter's "Notes on the Catechism".
3. McLeod's "Church, Ministry and Sacraments" (first half).

## SECOND YEAR.

1. Bible : St. Luke (Guild T. Books).
2. McLeod's "Church, Ministry and Sacraments" (second half).
3. Telford's "Short History of Methodism".
4. Protestant Missions (Bible Class Primers).

## THIRD YEAR.

1. Bible : Acts of the Apostles (Guild Text Books).
2. Wesley's Forty-four Sermons, 1 to 12 (inclusive).
3. Lilly's "The Principles of Protestantism".
4. Trumbull's, "Individual Work for Individuals".

## FOURTH YEAR.

1. Bible : St. Paul's Teaching (Guild T. Books).
2. Wesley's Sermons, 13-20, 40, 43 and 44. (Forty-four Sermons.)
3. Fitchett's "What Methodism Stands For".
4. Stalker's "Life of Christ".

## III.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS.

### 1.—Old Testament.

Elementary Hebrew (Selected Students only) 1 hour weekly.  
(Further stages to be taken at University College.)

#### General Introduction—

To include, besides questions of authorship, date, canon etc., a knowledge of the contents in English, and some appreciation of their significance for Biblical Theology.

#### 3 year cycle—

1. Historical Books and General.
2. Psalms and Wisdom Books.
3. Prophetic Literature.

### 2.—New Testament.

N.T. Greek.

Junior Year—Grammar.

Intermediate—Grammar and Translation of selected passages.

Senior—Translation with Exegesis of passages taken from syllabus for N.Z. B.D. Stage I.

N.T. Introduction—

#### 3 year cycle:

1. Synoptic Gospels.
2. Paul and the Pauline Epistles.
3. Johannine Literature and other Epistles.

N.T. Exegesis in English of passages taken from Books dealt with in Introduction (Senior Greek Class excused).

N.T. Theology—3 year cycle as above.

### 3.—Historical and Systematic Theology :

#### 3 year cycle:

1. God, Man, Sin.
2. Person and Work of Christ—Christian Ethics.
3. Holy Spirit, Church, Ministry, Sacraments, Last Things.

### 4.—Church History :

#### 3 year cycle:

1. History of Christian Church to 500.
2. 500 to 1600.
3. 1600 to present day, with special reference to Wesley and Methodism.



#### 5.—Pastoral Theology :

Junior Year:—Pastoral I including elementary Homiletics and Religious Education.

Second and Third Years:—Homiletics and Pastoral Practice, alternately. Also every other year a class is held in Worship, Conduct of Special Services, Church Organisation, etc.

In addition, each man will attend a weekly Criticism Service followed by a Criticism class, and a class is held weekly in Voice Production and Speech Training.

### IV.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES.

#### SECTION A.

##### BIBLE KNOWLEDGE AND THEOLOGY.

1. Bible Knowledge I: A General Knowledge of the Old and New Testaments: Text Books, Maclear's Primer (N.T.) and "Preparation for Christ in the O.T." (Welch).
2. Bible Knowledge II: A detailed knowledge of the following books of the Bible:—I and II Kings, Hosea, Malachi, Luke, Acts of the Apostles, Galatians. (No questions on Introduction to be set).
3. Theology.—Text Book: Christian Foundations, Maldwyn Hughes (English Edition).  
The New Catechism of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with Hunter's Lesson Helps on the New Catechism.

N.B.—Candidates are required by Conference to read carefully Wesley's Forty-four Sermons and Notes on the New Testament; but questions on these will not be included in the Candidates' written examination.

#### SECTION B.

1. English—(a) Grammar and Composition, Olifant's "Matriculation and General English Course" (Gregg Publishing Company). (b) An essay on some familiar subject to be named by the Examiner. (A guide to the principles of Essay writing will be found in "English for Pleasure and Profit", Clark's College).
2. Greek.—The Elements of New Testament Greek (Nunn), pp. 1-50: (Exercises—Greek into English).  
N.B.—The Conference urges all Candidates to take Greek.
3. Geography.—Whitcombe's Intermediate Geography.
4. History and Current Events.—History of England, 1714-1921. (Warner and Martin, Part III); and a knowledge of current events, questions on which to comprise one-fourth of the paper.
5. Book-keeping.—Whitcombe's Practical Book-keeping, Chaps. 1-13 (omitting Chap. 11).

Matriculated Candidates take Section A only, and Book-keeping unless a pass has been secured in a bona fide examination in that subject. Non-matriculated candidates take sections A and B including Book-keeping unless a Pass has already been secured. Greek is optional for all candidates, but is strongly recommended to be taken at the Candidates' stage.

### V.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR NATIVE CANDIDATES.

#### SECTION A.

1. General Bible Knowledge (Native).
2. Second Catechism (English).

## SECTION B.

1. English Language.—(a) Nesfield's "Outlines of English Grammar"; (b) Correction of Common Errors; (c) Essay on some easy subject of importance to the Young Maori Movement (subject to be chosen by the Examiner).
2. Geography.—"Southern Cross Imperial Geography", for Standards V. and VI., Part I and II only.
3. History.—Warner and Martin's "Groundwork of English History". Part III.
4. Arithmetic.—"New Southern Cross", for Standard V.

## VI.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES.

### FIRST YEAR.

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 1-6.
2. Theology.—New Catechism of Wesleyan-Methodist Church with Hunter's "Lesson Helps on the New Catechism".
3. Bible Knowledge.—Adam Welch's "The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament".
4. Homiletics.—Manual for Preachers (W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D.).

### SECOND YEAR.

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 7-12.
2. Theology.—Hunter's "What a Christian Believes, and Why". (First half to p. 152.)
3. Bible Knowledge.—J. S. Stewart's "The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ". (First half to p. 105.)
4. Homiletics.—A Primer of Homiletics (Edwards).
5. Church History.—Cowan's "Landmarks of Church History". (Guild Text Books.)

### THIRD YEAR.

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part II, Chs. 1-6.
2. Theology.—Hunter's "What a Christian Believes, and Why". (Second half, p. 153 to end).
3. Bible Knowledge.—J. S. Stewart's "The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ". (Second half, p. 106 to end).
4. Homiletics.—Local Preachers' Course (Whittome), Chaps. 1-10.

### FOURTH YEAR.

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part II, Chs. 7-11.
2. Theology.—Maldwyn Hughes' "Christian Foundations". (Revised Edition), omitting small print on pages 38-45, 95-99, 119-122, 139-140, 165-167, 180-186.
3. Bible Knowledge.—The New Testament, its Writers and their Messages. (C. F. Hunter), Chaps. 9-14.
4. Homiletics.—Whittome's "Local Preachers' Efficiency Course". Chaps. 11-20.
5. Church History.—Workman's "Methodism" (Cambridge Manuals).



## VII—COURSE OF STUDIES—DEACONESSSES.

### ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

Theology.—“The Faith”, F. A. Farley—with the New Catechism.  
Bible Knowledge—2 papers.

(a) General Knowledge of the Old Testament with detailed knowledge of 1 and 2 Kings, Amos and Hosea.

(b) General Knowledge of the New Testament with detailed knowledge of Matthew and The Acts of the Apostles.

English.—Caddick’s English Course for Junior and Middle Forms; a set book, “A Tale of Two Cities”; an essay on a selected subject.

### STUDENTS. FIRST YEAR.

Theology.—“What a Christian Believes, and Why” (Hunter), pp. 1-152.

Church History.—“A First Church History” (Vera Walker), S.C.M., pp. 1-136.

Old Testament.—“The Old Testament Writers and their Messages” (Healing). First Half.

New Testament.—“The New Testament Writers and their Messages” (Hunter). pp. 1-110.

English.—“English for Pleasure” (Strong); “Short History of English Literature” (Evans); Lectures and Selected Works.

Elocution and Voice Production.—“Speak Out” (Watson), and Lectures.

Psychology.—“Basic Psychology” (J. S. Ross).

### SECOND YEAR.

Theology.—“What a Christian Believes, and Why” (Hunter), pp. 153-309.

Church History.—“A First Church History” (Vera Walker), S.C.M., pp. 137-264.

Old Testament.—“The Old Testament Writers and their Messages” (Healing). Second Half.

New Testament.—“The New Testament Writers and their Messages” (Hunter). pp. 111-303.

English.—“English for Pleasure” (Strong); “Short History of English Literature” (Evans); Lectures and Selected Works.

Homiletics.—Edwards “Primer of Homiletics”; Lectures.

Psychology.—“Basic Psychology” (J. S. Ross).

## VIII.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR LOCAL PREACHERS.

(Two Hour Papers)

1. General Bible Knowledge. Text Book: “The Book Supreme”—J. I. Brice (Epworth Press).

2. Theology.—“What a Christian Believes and Why”—Hunter.

3. Homiletics.—

(a) “Art of Sermon Construction”—Sangster.

(b) “Heralds of God”—Stewart.

N.B.—In addition to the Written Examinations, a Local Preacher must conduct a Trial Service and be orally examined before the Preachers’ or Quarterly Meetings before he is granted status.

## DATES OF EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations for 1952 shall commence on the following dates:—  
Probationers: Tuesday, May 20th, and Tuesday, September 16th.  
Tutorials Commence: Greek—Feb. 1st; Theology—June 1st.  
Candidates for the Ministry: Tuesday, July 29th.  
Home Missionary Probationers: Tuesday, September 16th.  
Deaconess Entrance: Tuesday, August 12th.

### Local Preachers:

- (1) The first weeks of June and of December.
- (2) Circuit Superintendents nominating Local Preachers shall notify the Chairman on or before May 1st or November 1st as the case may be, and he shall report the names to the Assistant Secretary.
- (3) The Examination may be taken in sections provided that the full course be completed within two years.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1952 be the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.
2. That when University work is taken by a Probationer he shall report to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners the results as soon as they are known.
3. That Rev. G. R. Harris be thanked for his services as Secretary and be re-appointed.
4. That Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A., be thanked for his services as Assistant-Secretary and be re-appointed.
5. That the Board of Studies be requested to examine the question of the admittance of private students to the Theological College, their subsequent presentation as candidates for the Ministry, and the effect of the year(s) taken at their own expense upon their subsequent training in College, and report to the Examination Committee, 1952.
6. That the Rev. Wilf G. Eisner be congratulated on obtaining the B.A. Degree and that this be printed in the Minutes.

**QUESTION XXIV.—(a) Do we sanction the Alteration or Division of any District, Circuit, or Home Mission Station?**

### AUCKLAND:

**Point Chevalier:** That the Report of the Commission be received and referred to the Auckland Central Circuit and the Auckland District Executive for report to next Synod and Conference.

### TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

**Patea:** That the Hawera Circuit and Patea Home Mission Station Quarterly Meetings consider altering their boundaries to include Patea Home Mission Station in the Hawera Circuit and report to Synod and Conference 1952.

### WELLINGTON:

**Johnsonville-Ngaio:** That the name of the Johnsonville-Ngaio Circuit be changed to the Wellington North Circuit.

### NELSON:

**West Coast Sub-District:** That a Chairman's Deputy and a sub-District Executive be appointed in the Northern or West Coast areas of the Nelson District, determined by the place of appointment of the District Chairman, Murchison to be included in the Northern Area.



**NORTH CANTERBURY:**

1. **Christchurch Methodist Central Mission:** That the Christchurch Central Mission be separated from the Christchurch East Circuit and be constituted a City Mission.

2. That the question of the amalgamation of the Woodend-Sefton and Rangiora Circuits and the Hawarden Home Mission Station be referred back to the respective Circuits and Hawarden Home Mission Station for further consideration and report to Synod and Conference of 1952.

**SOLOMON ISLANDS:**

That the Bougainville-Buka Circuit be divided to make three Circuits as from 1953.

**QUESTION XXIV.—(b) Do we sanction any change in the Status or Staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?**

**AUCKLAND:**

1. **Bombay-Tuakau:** That the Bombay-Tuakau Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit, the staffing to be a married probationer, with a suitable grant.

2. **Auckland West:** That the staffing be an ordained minister and a probationer.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

**Te Kuiti:** That the staffing be an Ordained Minister and a Home Missionary.

**WELLINGTON:**

**Paraparaumu:** That the Paraparaumu Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit, the staffing to be a Married Probationer, with a suitable grant.

**NELSON:**

**Reefton:** That a Single Agent be appointed pending the provision of a more suitable parsonage."

**SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

**Ashburton:** That the staffing be one ordained Minister and a Married Home Missionary.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

1. **Mosgiel:** That the Mosgiel Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit, the staffing to be a Married Probationer with a suitable grant.

2. **Cromwell:** That the Cromwell Home Mission Station be constituted the Cromwell-Alexandra Circuit, the staffing to be a Married Probationer.

3. **Bluff:** That the Bluff Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit, the staffing to be a Married Probationer.

**QUESTION XXV.—(a) To what Circuits are Additional Preachers to be Appointed?**

(See Question XXIV. (b).)

**QUESTION XXV.—(b) From what Circuits are Preachers to be Withdrawn?**

None.

**QUESTION XXVI.—What New Stations are now Constituted?**

None.

**QUESTION XXVII.—What Circuits are due to provide for Married instead of Single Ministers?**

Huntly is due, but is relieved for a twentieth year.  
Morrinsville (2nd) is due, and will take a Married Probationer.  
Hauraki Plains is due, and is taking a Married Home Missionary and is prepared to take a Married Probationer.  
Putaruru is due, and is taking a Married Probationer.  
Taihape is due, and is seeking to fulfil its obligation.  
Wairoa (H.B.) is due, but is relieved for a twenty-third year.  
Greytown-Featherston is due, but is relieved for a tenth year.  
Wellington East (3rd) is due, but is relieved for a fifth year.  
Johnsonville-Ngaio (3rd) is due, but is relieved for a seventh year.  
Timaru South is due, but is relieved for a seventeenth year.

**RESOLUTION.**

That the South Auckland District Executive confer with the Morrinsville Circuit Quarterly Meeting concerning the provision being made to provide for a married appointment, in view of the fact that the present position is not adequate.



QUESTION XXVIII.—How are the Ministers and Probationers of the Conference Stationed for the Ensuing Year ?

LIST OF STATIONS  
OF THE  
**Methodist Church of New Zealand**

President : REV. GEORGE I. LAURENSEN.

Vice-President : MR JAMES H. OLDHAM

Secretary : REV. HERBERT L. FIEBIG, B.A.

STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1952

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 143 and [1] to [8] for Maori Stations and the Solomon Islands Mission Circuits is the head of a Circuit or Mission, and the Minister first named is the Superintendent. The Superintendent or other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits or Missions is or are appointed by the Conference to preach and perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline in each and every one of the Methodist Churches already erected, or to be erected, in each Circuit respectively, during the current connexional year, at such time or times, and in such manner as to him or them shall be deemed proper, subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister and to the existing Laws and Regulations of the Conference.)

I.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

1. **Auckland Central**—Robert Thornley, M.A., Dip. Soc. Sc., John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D. (Kingsland) One Wanted (Richmond Avenue) One Wanted (Pt. Chevalier), A Deaconess, Leslie B. Neale, M.B.E., B.A. (Sup.).  
**The Foreign Mission Department**—Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip. Ed. (Gen. Sec.).  
**The Home Mission Department**—George I. Laurenson (Gen. Supt.), President of the Conference, Bernard M. Chrystall, B. A. (Asst. Supt.) Harold A. Darvill, (Maori Missionary), Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E., (Senior Maori Supt.)  
**Youth Department**—Youth Director (see Question 29).
2. **Auckland Central Mission**—A. Everil Orr, Arthur J. Seamer (Sup.), One Wanted, Two Deaconesses.
3. **Auckland South**—W. E. Allon Carr, Wilfred F. Ford (Roskill) Walter Parker (Sandringham), George P. Hunt (Sup.).
4. **Auckland West**—Harris Whitfield, One Wanted.
5. **Auckland East**—Joseph C. Draper, Alfred E. Jefferson, Leslie A. G. Brooks, Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D., Charles H. Laws, B.A., D.D., (Foundation Fellow of Trinity College) (Sup.), William Walker (Sup.), Edwin S. Harkness (Sup.), Ernest D. Patchett (Sup.), James W. Parker (Sup.), Arthur H. Scrivin (Sup.), Wesley Parker, M.A. (Resting).  
**Epsom Orphanage**; Chaplain, Joseph C. Draper.  
Trinity Theological College; Principal, Eric W. Hames, M.A., Resident Tutor, David O. Williams, M.A., Litt., D.
6. **Auckland (Avondale)**—George E. Brown, Edmond S. Stewart (Avondale), Allan J. Handyside (Glen Eden), Phillip D. Ramsay (C.F.), Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D. (Fellow of Trinity College), (Sup.), Fred Copeland (Sup.).  
Mt. Albert Orphanage; Chaplain, George E. Brown.
7. **Auckland (Devonport)**—William Green, E. Percy Blamires (Sup.).

8. **Auckland (Takapuna)**—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., One Wanted, William Gatman (Sup.), Albert Blakemore (Sup.).
9. **Auckland (Birkenhead)**—Athol R. Penn, A Home Missionary.
10. **Onehunga**—E. Clarence Leadley, Frank E. Leadley (Sup.), A Home Missionary.
11. **Otahuhu**—Thomas Skuse.
12. **Papatoetoe**—One Wanted.
13. **Papakura**—J. Francis Jack, John Grundy, B.A., Robert B. Tinsley (Sup.)
14. **Pukekohe**—James H. Hall (who shall supervise the Bombay-Tuakau Circuit), Wesley Training College, Paerata: Principal, Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip., Ed.
15. **Bombay-Tuakau**—Idris J. Ruck.
16. **Waiuku**—George W. Cramond.
17. **North Waitemata**—One Wanted, A Home Missionary.
18. **Mahurangi**—Reginald Day, John H. Bailey (Resting).
19. **Paparoa**—John H. Thompson.
20. **Dargaville**—One Wanted. A Home Missionary (Te Kopuru).
21. **Ruawai**—John Dennis.
22. **Whangarei**—J. Henry Allen (who shall supervise Hikurangi Circuit).
23. **Hikurangi**—One Wanted.
24. **Whangaroa**—One Wanted (Kaeo), Basil J. Hilder (Without Pastoral Charge).
25. **Port Albert**—J. Stanley Olds, A Home Missionary.
26. **Kawakawa-Kaikohe**—A. Roger Nuttall, B.A., A Home Missionary (Kawa Kawa).
27. **Mangonui**—John Churchill.
28. **Hokianga**—One Wanted.
29. **North Hokianga**—One Wanted.

**Maori Mission—**

[1] **Auckland—**

Circuit Superintendent (One Wanted), Matarae Tauroa (Resting), Ranginohoora Rogers (Waima), 13 Home Missionaries, 6 Deaconesses.

ALBANY—A Home Missionary.

BAY OF ISLANDS—A Home Missionary.

COLPORTEUR WORK—A Home Missionary.

GEORGE I. LAURENSEN, (President of the Conference)  
Chairman of the District.

WILLIAM GREEN, Deputy Chairman.

J. HENRY ALLEN, Chairman's Deputy  
for North Auckland.

L. R. M. GILMORE, B.A., Financial Secretary.

**II—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT**

30. **Thames**—Gordon V. Thomas, B.A. (who shall supervise the Hauraki Plains Circuit and the Coromandel H.M. Station). Frank Bateup (Sup.).
31. **Hauraki Plains**—One Wanted.
32. **Paeroa**—Robert E. Fordyce, Walter J. Enticott (Sup.).
33. **Waihi**—Douglas H. Burt, A. Francis Attwood (Without Pastoral Charge)
34. **Te Aroha**—Norman W. Olds.
35. **Morrinsville**—H. Kilford Brown, One Wanted.
36. **Cambridge**—Ivo M. Raynor, Charles H. Olds, B.A., (Sup.).
37. **Hamilton**—Howard C. Matthews, B.A., Samuel J. Warren, R. Leslie George (Raglan Union Church—Pres. Appointment).
38. **Hamilton East**—Charles B. Oldfield.
39. **Huntly**—Sidney J. Spindler.
40. **Matamata**—J. Montgomery Blight (who shall supervise the Putaruru Circuit).



41. **Putaruru**—Charles H. Raynor, A Home Missionary.  
 42. **Rotorua**—John Silvester, M.A., Walter J. Oxbrow (Sup.), William H. Speer (Sup.).  
 43. **Tauranga**—Arthur T. Kent, One Wanted, Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).  
 44. **Whakatane**—William C. Jenkin (who shall supervise the Opotiki Circuit).  
 44. **Opotiki**—One Wanted.  
 46. **Te Awamutu**—Donald Haylock (Who shall supervise the Kawhia H.M. Station), William A Mills (Without Pastoral Charge).  
 47. **Otorohanga**—Clifford G. Brown.  
 48. **Te Kuiti**—Ivan J. Clucas.  
 49. **Taumarunui**—T. Ralph Benny (who shall supervise the Ohura Circuit)  
 50. **Ohura**—Geoffrey T. Gilbert.  
 [2] **Waikato**—One Wanted (Ngaruawahia), 10 Home Missionaries, 4 Deaconesses.  
 [3] **Maniapoto**—Ngatete K. Kukutai, 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
 NGARUAWAHIA—A Home Missionary.  
 KAWHIA—A Home Missionary.  
 COROMANDEL—A Home Missionary.

SAMUEL J. WERREN, Chairman of the District,  
 HOWARD C. MATTHEWS, B.A., Financial Secretary.

### III TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

51. **New Plymouth**—E. Thomas Olds, William H. Gregory, Edward P. Boyd, Charles M. Roberts (Sup.).  
 52. **Waitara**—Leonard Shapcott.  
 53. **Stratford**—Harry Moore.  
 54. **Eltham-Kaponga**—Herbert W. Payne, A Home Missionary.  
 55. **Hawera**—L. Gordon Hanna (who shall supervise the Patea H.M. Station)  
 56. **Manaia**—Charles H. Kendon.  
 57. **Opunake**—Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th., A Home Missionary.  
 58. **Wanganui**—George R. Thompson (who shall supervise the Raetihi-Ohakune Home Mission Station), H. Spencer (Sup.), Frederick J. Parker (Sup.).  
 59. **Wanganui North**—Edmund D. Grounds (who shall supervise the Taihape Circuit.) One Wanted.  
 60. **Gonville**—Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A., J. Frederick Martin (Sup.).  
 61. **Taihape**—One Wanted.  
 [4] **Taranaki-Waimarino**—Rakena P. Rakena (Hawera), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
 INGLEWOOD—A Home Missionary.  
 MARTON—A Home Missionary.  
 RAETIHI-OHAKUNE—A Home Missionary.  
 PATEA—A Home Missionary.

E. THOMAS OLDS, Chairman of the District.  
 L. GORDON HANNA, Financial Secretary.

### IV—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

62. **Napier**—William R. Francis, B.A., B.D., H. Maurice Brasell (Greenmeadows), Henry Ryan (Sup.).  
 63. **Hastings**—Thomas H. Carr ; Arthur Hopper (Sup.)  
 64. **Gisborne**—Ernest B. Chambers, Wilfred Cable.  
 65. **Wairoa**—Harry I. Shaw  
 66. **Dannevirke**—J. Ainsley Daghish.  
 67. **Woodville**—Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B. Com.  
 68. **Pahiatua**—Harry V. Utting.  
 69. **Palmerston North** (St. Paul's)—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.  
 70. **Palmerston North** (Cuba St.)—Lawrence Greenslade (who shall supervise the Foxton-Shannon H.M. Station), Thomas Coatsworth (Sup.).  
 71. **Ashhurst-Bunynthorpe**—Robert McGregor.

72. **Feilding**—Francis H. Parker (who shall supervise the Apiti H.M. Station),  
A Home Missionary.

73. **Sanson-Rongotea**—Benjamin H. Riseley.

WAIPAWA-WAIPUKURAU—Two Home Missionaries.

FOXTON-SHANNON—A Home Missionary, William A. Burley,  
M.A., (Sup.).

APITI—A Home Missionary.

NORSEWOOD—A Home Missionary..

WILLIAM R. FRANCIS, B.A., B.D., Chairman of the District.

#### V—WELLINGTON DISTRICT

74. **Wellington Central**—William W. H. Greenslade, J. Henry Woolford,  
M.A.( Brooklyn), One Wanted, A Deaconess, Fred Greenwood (Sup.).  
Ernest O. Blamires (Sup.)

**Youth Department**—(Senior Youth Director,) One Wanted.

75. **Wellington West**—Francis J. Handy R. Graham Bell, M.A., (Thorndon)  
John D. Grocott, B.A., (Resting).

76. **Wellington South**—William M. Garner ; William Rowe (Sup.)

77. **Wellington East**—George H. Goodman, Leonard V. Willing, G. Graham  
Armstrong, A Home Missionary (Island Bay).

78. **Wellington North**—Reginald Grice, W. Selwyn Dawson, B.A., (Porirua),  
H. David Besant (Ngaio).

79. **Hutt**—Matthew A. McDowell (who shall supervise Upper Hutt Circuit),  
Robert F. Clement, B.A., Amos W. Burrough, R. Purcell Keall (Sup.),  
(Taita Union Church—Pres. Appointment).

80. **Upper Hutt**—Leonard P. Schroeder.

81. **Petone**—John B. Dawson, B.A.

82. **Greytown-Featherston**—Colin D. Clark.

83. **Carterton**—Ernest E. Sage (who shall supervise the Greytown-Feather-  
ston Circuit).

84. **Masterton**—William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.; One Wanted.  
Masterton Children's Home : Chaplain, William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.

85. **Eketahuna**—One Wanted.

86. **Levin**—Harry S. Kings.

87. **Otaki**—Warren Green.

88. **Paraparaumu**—Harry W. Toothill, A Home Missionary.

GEORGE H. GOODMAN, Chairman of the District.

#### VI—NELSON DISTRICT

89. **Nelson**—Charlie O. Hailwood, Ronald H. Wood, Charles Blair (Sup.).  
Charles B. Jordan, M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S., (Sup.).

90. **Richmond**—Charles H. Bell, B.A., One Wanted, Frederick B. Lawrence  
(Sup.).

91. **Motueka**—Edward Baker.

92. **Murchison**—One Wanted.

93. **Blenheim**—Alan O. Jones, Clarence T. J. Luxton (Picton) One Wanted,  
John D. McArthur (Sup.).

94. **Reefton**—Arthur W. R. Mead.

95. **Westport**—Wilf G. Eisner, B.A., A Home Missionary.

96. **Greymouth**—A. Peter Dorrian.

97. **Hokitika**—William E. Moore.

CHARLIE O. HAILWOOD, Chairman of the District.



### VII—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

98. **Christchurch** (Durham Street)—Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A., Alan F. Collins, Henry L. Blamires (Sup.), Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A. (Sup.), Benjamin J. James (Sup.), H. Ford (Sup.), Archer O. Harris (Sup.).  
**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE—**

Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A., (Secretary of the Conference).  
**YOUTH DIRECTOR—**Robert H. Allen, B.A.

99. **Christchurch Central Mission**—Wilfred E. Falkingham.  
 100. **Christchurch East**—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D., Ralph E. Patchett, Leslie F. Bycroft, Albert H. Fowles (Sup.), James Richards (Sup.).  
 101. **Christchurch** (Cambridge Terrace)—Alfred M. Costain, Dip. Soc.  
 102. **Christchurch** (Woolston)—Herbert A. Cochrane (who shall supervise the Lyttelton Circuit), W. Lloyd Divers (Opawa), Frederick O. Prosser (Sup.).  
 103. **Christchurch** (Sydenham)—Andrew J. Johnston, One Wanted.  
 104. **Christchurch** (Addington)—Leonard C. Horwood,  
 105. **Christchurch** (Riccarton)—G. Raymond Harris, Peter A. Stead.  
 106. **Christchurch** (St. Albans)—Henry J. Odell, Frederick W. Harland, D. Bruce Gordon, Edward Drake (Sup.), Harold A. Sharp (Sup.), George B. Hinton (Sup.).  
 107. **Christchurch** (Papanui)—William T. Blight, B.A., B.D., (Connexional Editor).

**SOUTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE—**Chaplain, William T. Blight, B.A., B. D.

108. **Lyttelton**—One Wanted.  
 109. **Springston**—D. I. Alister McDonald, A Home Missionary, Harry Cottom (Sup.).  
 110. **Leeston**—Henry Benny, H. L. Richards (Sup.).  
 111. **Kaiapoi**—Oswald Burnet.  
 112. **Ohoka**—One Wanted.  
 113. **Rangiora**—Charles E. Dickens, Basil Metson (Sup.)  
 114. **Woodend-Sefton**—Wesley A. Chambers, B.A., (who shall supervise Hawarden H. M. Station).  
 115. **Greendale**—Kenneth A. Robinson.  
 116. **Oxford**—One Wanted. Leslie T. Norwell (Resting).

**HAWARDEN—**A Home Missionary.

WILLIAM T. BLIGHT, B.A., B.D., Chairman of the District.  
 A. M. COSTAIN, Financial Secretary.

### VIII—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

117. **Timaru**—Banks Street—Donald G. Sherson, B.A., William W. Avery (Sup.), Hector C. Orchard (Sup.).  
 118. **Timaru** (Woodlands Street) William J. Morrison, M.A.,  
**MARCHWIEL UNION CHURCH,** Ian W. Reid.  
 119. **Timaru South**—One Wanted.  
 120. **Waimate**—Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph.D., Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Agr.Sc. (Resting) Jonathan H. Haslam (Sup.).  
 121. **Temuka**—one Wanted.  
 122. **Geraldine**—One Wanted.  
 123. **Ashburton**—D. J. Donald Hickman, A Home Missionary.  
 124. **Willowby**—J. C. Aldwyn Williams.  
 125. **Oamaru**—Cecil R. Taylor.

DONALD G. SHERSON, B.A., Chairman of the District.

### IX—OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

126. **Dunedin Central**—John K. Watson, M.C., B.A., (who shall supervise the Waikouaiti H.M. Station), Wallace S. Neal.  
 127. **Dunedin Central Mission**—Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., John A. Penman, One Wanted, Two Deaconesses.

128. **Dunedin North**—H. Ian K. Hopper, B.A.  
 129. **Dunedin South**—Ernest S. Hoddinott, Hubert G. Brown (who shall supervise Mosgiel H.M. Station), One Wanted (Abbotsford).  
**Corstorphine Union Church**—Owen T, Woodfield..  
 130. **Dunedin** (St. Kilda)—Gordon R. H. Peterson, Robert C. Groves, T. Arthur Pybus (Sup.)  
 131. **Dunedin**—(Mornington) Albert Jolly.  
 132. **Dunedin** (Roslyn)—One Wanted.  
 133. **Port Chalmers**—R. Hori Pratt, B.A.  
 134. **Milton**—O. McLennan Olds.  
 135. **Roxburgh**—Clifford L. Duder (who shall supervise the Cromwell-Alexandra Circuit).  
 136. **Invercargill** (Central)—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A., (who shall supervise the Edendale Circuit). One Wanted.  
 137. **Invercargill** (St. Peter's)—Leslie C. Clements (who shall supervise the Bluff H.M. Station).  
 138. **Gore**—John R. Hall  
 139. **Western Southland**—Clifford J. Keightley. One Wanted,  
 140. **Edendale**—One Wanted.  
 141. **Mosgiel**—Alfred E. Tardif.  
 142. **Bluff**—One Wanted.  
 143. **Cromwell-Alexandra**—Loyal J. Gibson.

WAIKOUAITI—A Home Missionary.  
 BALCLUTHA—A Home Missionary.  
 LAWRENCE—A Home Missionary.

ERNEST S. HODDINOTT, Chairman of the District.  
 G. R. H. PETERSON, Financial Secretary.

#### X—SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

##### [5] **Roviana Circuit**—

John R. Metcalfe (Chairman) Allen H. Hall, B.A. (Training Institution), Frank H. Woodfield, Two Missionary Sisters (Teachers), 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse) Wanted, Paul Havea, Timothy Piani, (the last named to be under the direction of the Chairman of the District). 8 Native Catechists, 55 Native Teachers, 2 Native Medical Assistants.

##### **District Training Institution.**—

John R. Metcalfe (Principal), Allen H. Hall, B.A. (Vice-Principal).

##### [6] **Vella Lavella Circuit**—

A. Wharton E. Silvester, M.M. (U.S.A.), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), Two Missionary Sisters (Nurses), 3 Native Catechists, 34 Native Teachers and one Native Medical Assistant.

##### [7] **Choiseul Circuit**—

One Wanted (Supervised by the Chairman of the District), One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister, One Missionary Sister (Teacher) 4 Native Catechists, 32 Native Teachers, One Native Medical Assistant.

##### [8] **Bougainville and Buka Circuit**—

A. Harry Voyce (Buin), Trevor Shepherd (Teop), Gordon A. R. Cornwell (Buka), George G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed., (Education Liason Officer, Buin), One Lay Missionary (Technical Instructor) (Buin), One Missionary Sister (Nurse) (Buin), One Missionary Sister (Teacher, Buin), Wanted, One Missionary Sister (Nurse, Buka), One Missionary Sister (Teacher, Buka), One Missionary Sister (Nurse, Teop), One Missionary Sister (Teacher, Teop), Wanted, John Taufu (Kieta), Daniel Palavi (Tearaka), One Native Minister (Siwai), Wanted, One Native Minister (Kunua) Wanted, One Native Agriculturalist (Toburuai, Buin), 2 Native Catechists, 155 Native Teachers, 6 Native Medical Assistants.



### Helena Goldie Hospital—

Gerald E. Houtt, M.B., Ch.B., B.D.S., One Missionary Sister (Nurse),  
One Missionary Sister (Nurse) Wanted.

JOHN R. METCALFE, Chairman of the District.

N.B.—It is understood that the Chairman of the District shall have discretionary powers regarding new appointments.

### QUESTION XXIX A.—How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

#### Auckland District—

- Youth Director—One Wanted (Dorothea Jones, B.A., (Employed by the Youth Dept.)
- Auckland Methodist Central Mission (Franklin Road)—One Wanted.
- Auckland Central—(Richmond Avenue) Supply A. W. McKay, Non-Resident Student. (Pt. Chevalier—One Wanted).
- Auckland, Takapuna.—(2nd, One Wanted), W. Sussex and W. H. Wilson (retired).
- Auckland, Birkenhead—(Northcote) One Wanted.
- Onehunga (Waitangi Road)—One Wanted.
- North Waitemata.—F. D. Peterson, One Wanted (Kaukapakapa).
- North Hokianga (Kohukohu).—F. Johnson.
- Hokianga (Rawene).—G. R. Payne.
- Albany.— One Wanted.
- Dargaville (Te Kopuru)—One Wanted.
- Port Albert (Wellsford).—One Wanted.
- Dargaville—Supply Rev. P. I. Cooke, (Sup.).
- Bay of Islands—One Wanted.
- Hikurangi—I. J. Fowler.
- Kawa-Kawa.—One Wanted.
- Whangaroa—One Wanted().
- Papatoetoe—Supply, R. Elsom (non-resident student).

#### Home Mission Department.—

Colporteur Work : Sister Rita F. Snowden (Supply).

#### Maori Mission.—

- Matauri Bay—Supply.
- Batley—Supply.
- Kawakawa (Waiomio).—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti.
- Paihia—Supply.
- Punakitere—Te Hira Ratete.
- Waimate North—Supply.
- Orowau—Rameka Eru.
- Kaikohē.—Houtai Mita Hohepa.
- Whananaki—Nehana Pu.
- Rewiti—Supply.
- Dargaville—Wiremu Paki Ihaka.
- Poutu (Kaipara Heads)—Paraire Paraone Kena.
- Rangitane (Poutu)—Henare Kapa.
- Pokere (Bay of Islands)—Piripi Livingstone.
- Pakiri—John Harris.
- Mangamuka—Supply.
- Auckland.—Supply and Paikea H. Toka.
- Whirinaki.—Supply.
- Te Kohanga—Waaka Kukutai.
- Tuakau—Ngaweke Tuhimata.

### South Auckland District—

Hamilton—A. L. Witheford (Retired).  
Ngaruawahia—Supply (T. Walker).  
Tauranga (Te Puke).—F. J. Climo, J. W. Bayliss (Retired).  
Coromandel.—Supply, (J. Caldwell.)  
Kawhia—C. E. Roke.  
Morrinsville (Waitoa)—One Wanted.  
Hauraki Plains.—One Wanted.  
Opotiki—J. M. Daley, B.A.  
Putaruru (Tokoroa)—One Wanted.

### Maori Mission.

Waikato Circuit Superintendent Supply (Rev. A. J. Seamer).  
Te Kuiti—One Wanted. John Nicholls (retired).  
Kawhia—Supply.  
Frankton.—Tita Tauī Wetere.  
Raglan—Tuteao Manihera.  
Mokau—Supply.  
Ngaruawahia—Heemi Rihimona and Roi Moke.  
Waimiha—Tame Ponui.  
Arimiro—Enoka Marumarū.  
Rakaunui—Wene Herangi.  
Waitomo—Supply.  
Otorohanga—Paki Manga.  
Whatawhata—Poo Kingi and Te Aho-o-te Rangi Pihama.  
Hangatiki.—Supply.  
Taharoa—Supply.  
Huntly—Supply.  
Waikaretu—Mu Maihi.  
Hauraki Plains—Supply.  
Maketu Pa (Kawhia)—Waiwera Rangawhenua.  
Te Kopua (Te Awamutu)—Supply.  
Marokopa.—Nguru Winikerei.  
Ngutunui—Rangi Katipa.  
Makomako—Tumu Te Huia.  
Aotearoa.—Wiremu Tonga and Pukerau Rangitūtia (Hamilton).  
Te Hoe—Tutea Rau.  
Atawa—Te Urunga Wetere.  
Mourea—Te Iwikau Waaka.

### Taranaki-Wanganui District—

New Plymouth (St. Aubyns).—(T. W. Featherstone and H. Ashworth, (Retired).  
Opunake (Okato).—Supply (A. J. Webster).  
Eltham—One Wanted (Kaponga).  
Patea.—Supply. One Wanted.  
Raetihi-Ohakune—Supply (W. E. Sleep) (retired).  
Wanganui North—One Wanted (Wanganui East).  
Inglewood.—I. D. Grant.  
Marton.—H. R. Wright.  
Taihape—Supply. (M. R. Edgar).

### Maori Mission :

New Plymouth—Paahi Moke.  
Rahotu—Whatarau Ira Wharehoka.  
Nukumaru—Supply.  
Urenui—Supply.  
Pariroa Pa—Supply



Kai Iwi—Supply.  
Wanganui—Supply.  
Whenuakura—Supply.  
Rangitikei—Supply.  
Raetihi—Supply.  
Wanganui River—Supply.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District—**

Feilding (Halcombe).—H. Prowse.  
Foxton-Shannon—J. C. R. Ashworth.  
Apti.—G. Armitage.  
Norsewood—Under Dannevirke Superintendent (Vacant).  
Waipawa-Waipukurau—W. J. Bryant; One Wanted (Waipukurau)

**Wellington District—**

Youth Director. One Wanted.  
Paraparaumu.—One Wanted. (Paekakariki)  
Masterton—One Wanted (Kuripuni).  
Levin—J. Common (retired).  
Otaki—S. Keen (retired).  
Wellington East—N. R. Hooper (Island Bay).  
Eketahuna—W. J. Henderson.  
Wellington Central 3rd—One Wanted.

**Nelson District—**

Blenheim (Third) —One Wanted  
Murchison—Supply—(H. A. Holdaway.)  
Westport (Granity)—One Wanted.  
Richmond (Wakefield-Dovedale)—Supply (Rev. C. Blair).

**North Canterbury District—**

Christchurch (Papanui)—H. J. Malcolm (retired).  
Springton (Tai Tapu)—One Wanted.  
Hawarden—Vacant (Under Woodend Superintendent).  
Ohoka—T. Steele.  
Lyttelton—Supply (F. E. Trim).  
Oxford.—One Wanted.

**South Canterbury District—**

Ashburton 2nd—One Wanted.  
Temuka.—Supply (William Isitt).  
Geraldine.—Supply. (Rev. W. Gatman).  
Timaru South—One Wanted.

**Otago-Southland District—**

Dunedin Central Mission (3rd)—One Wanted.  
Lawrence—Vacant (Assoc. with Milton Circuit).  
Balclutha—O. L. Christian.  
Western Southland (Ohai), P. C. Carter.  
Waikouaiti-Palmerston—A. W. Barnes (Supply).  
Roslyn.—E. J. Carter.  
Edendale—L. E. G. Sharp.  
Dunedin South 3rd (Abbotsford.)—Supply, (Rev. A. G. Woodnutt).  
Bluff.—One Wanted.

Alfred G. Woodnut is a superannuated Minister of the British Methodist Church residing in New Zealand.

**NOTES**

Ministers are expected to arrive in their New Circuits between the first and second Sundays in February.

Probationers and Home Missionaries appointed to separate stations are under the direction of the Chairman of the District.

**I.—Home Work.**

- Sister Rita Snowden, Home Mission Dept., Auckland.  
 Sister Ivy Jones, Orphanage Board, Auckland.  
 Sister Margaret Taylor, Central Mission, Dunedin.  
 Sister Rona Collins, South Island Children's Home and Orphanage,  
 Christchurch.  
 Sister Elmsie Dixon, Wellington Central.  
 Sister Fiona Summerell, Central Mission, Auckland.  
 Sister Marcia Powell, Invercargill Central.  
 Sister Evelyn J. Taylor, Central Mission, Christchurch.

**II.—Maori Work—**

- Sister Eleanor Dobby, South Island.  
 Sister Nicholls, 61b Taylors Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland.  
 Sister Arini Hobbs, South and West King Country.  
 Sister Olive Bott, Hokianga (leave of absence).  
 Sister Madeline Holland, Kurahuna School.  
 Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Hamilton and Central Waikato.  
 Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea School, New Plymouth.  
 Sister Dorothy Pointon, Maori Centre, Auckland.  
 Sister Anne Wilson, Hawera.  
 Sister Nance Davidson, Auckland (leave of absence).  
 Sister Ruth Hilder, Bay of Islands.  
 Sister Jean Miller, Auckland Outer Districts.  
 Sister Mavis Dickie, Opunake.  
 Sister Daphne Lye, Auckland Central. (Leave of Absence).  
 Sister Grace Clement, Central King Country.  
 Sister Rona Keightley, Upper Waikato.  
 Sister Frances Smith, Hamilton.  
 Sister June Winchcombe, Dargaville.  
 Sister Betty Yearbury, Rangiatea College.  
 Sister Te Atakohu, Fitzpatrick, Hokianga.

**III.—Foreign Work.**

- Sister Effie Harkness, Roviana.  
 Sister Winifred Poole, Bilua, Vella Lavella.  
 Sister Merle Carter, Teop, Sohana.  
 Sister Lucy Money, Choiseul.  
 Sister Eva Saunders, Skotolan, Sohana.  
 Sister Joyce McDonald, Bilua, Vella Lavella.  
 Sister Joan Brooking, Koau, South Bougainville.  
 Sister Davinia Clark, Roviana.  
 Sister Jessie Grant, Roviana.  
 Sister Myra Fraser, Roviana.  
 Sister Jane Bond, Bilua, Vella Lavella.  
 Sister Pamela Beaumont, Koau, Bougainville.  
 Sister Nancy Ball, Choiseul.

**IV.—Retired.**

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| Sister Mabel Morley      | Sister Lily White     |
| Sister Ruth Fawcett      | Sister Lina Jones     |
| Mrs W. J. Williams       | Mrs C. B. Jones       |
| Sister May Barnett       | Sister Olive Coleman  |
| Sister Ethel McMillan    | Sister Ada Lee        |
| Sister Annie Tocker      | Sister Edna White     |
| Sister Winifred Beaumont | Sister Merle Farland  |
| Sister Mildred West      | Sister Grace McDonald |

**V.—In Training.**

- Misses Winnie Bennett, Joyce Gribble, Mary Whitlow.



**QUESTION XXX.—Who are Elected as Chairmen and Secretaries of Districts and as Statistical Secretaries for the ensuing year?**

**1. CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS.**

Auckland—George I. Laurenson (President of the Conference).  
South Auckland—Samuel J. Werren.  
Taranaki-Wanganui—E. Thomas Olds.  
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—William R. Francis, B.A., B.D.  
Wellington—George H. Goodman.  
Nelson—Charlie O. Hailwood.  
North Canterbury—William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.  
South Canterbury—D. G. Sherson, B.A.  
Otago-Southland—E. S. Hoddinott.  
Solomon Islands—John R. Metcalfe.

**2. DISTRICT AND STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.**

General Statistical Secretary—W. C. Jenkin.  
Auckland—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.  
South Auckland—J. Montgomery Blight.  
Taranaki-Wanganui—L. Gordon Hanna.  
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—Harry V. Utting.  
Wellington—Reginald Grice.  
Nelson—Charles H. Bell, B.A.  
North Canterbury—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.  
South Canterbury—Cecil R. Taylor.  
Otago-Southland—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.

**QUESTION XXXI.—Who are Elected as President and Secretary of the Conference for the year 1952?**

President: J. H. Allen.  
Secretary: H. L. Fiebig, B.A.

**QUESTION XXXII.—What is the Report from the General Statistical Secretary?**

**REPORT, 1951.**

**General:**

Mistakes in the compilation of individual returns have made it impossible to make a report on the question of Statistics. It was necessary to contact 16 men on this question.

The mistakes fall into two main divisions:

1. Those who failed to refer to last year's membership return and therefore had not checked the accuracy of their figures.
2. Those who had the misfortune to take over Rolls that had not been kept by the previous minister.

This question of the keeping of the Rolls was covered by resolution No. 4 in the Minutes of Conference 1950. This is a matter of very grave seriousness, especially from a Statistical point of view.

It is with pleasure that for the first time since the 1942 Conference the Returns for the Solomon Islands District will be available. These were discontinued because of the war in the Pacific when our Mission activities were very seriously disrupted.

**Buildings:**

The returns show a decrease of 3 churches and 4 schoolrooms for the year. In one District 2 vestries were previously returned as schoolrooms. There is an increase of 1 parsonage.

### **Preaching Places:**

The number of Other Preaching Places remains the same as last year, 346.

### **Staffing:**

It is revealed that we have 5 more Ministers and Probationers, while there are 3 less Home Missionaries than last year. There is also an increase of 2 Deaconesses for the year.

The number of Local Preachers stands at 651, being an increase of 15 on last year's figures.

### **Membership:**

Membership as at the 30th June was revealed as 26,418, a net increase of 300 for the year.

New Members for the year numbered 1138, slightly less than last year.

It is gratifying to note that the Transfers to and from Circuits differ by only 20 out of a total number of 1370 "Notices of Removal" sent, and it is quite possible that this figure will be further reduced when Notices issued on the last days of June come to hand in the respective Circuits.

388 Members have died during the year, a decrease of 43 on the previous year's total of 431.

The most serious loss that is apparent from this year's Returns is the fact of 430 members recorded as having "Ceased to Attend."

Since 1945 when the present system was inaugurated no less than 2907 members have been recorded as having "ceased to attend," a period of 6½ years. Approximately 430 members are lost each year in this way.

This leakage in membership is extremely serious and ministers and officials are urged to endeavour to find an answer to this very real problem.

On this year's figures it has been necessary for a Net Increase of 3 members to admit into Church membership 11.3 new members. This is offset by Deaths 3.8, Loss in Transfers .2, Ceased to Attend 4.3; making a total loss of 8.3 members. This leaves us with a net increase of 3 for every 11.3 members.

Communicants are returned at 21,034, a decrease of 48 on last year's figures, while the number of Baptisms stands at 2727.

### **Finances:**

Circuit Finances reveal an increase of £196/5/11 in the Credits and a decrease of £78/19/1 in the Debits.

Trust Accounts show an increase of £640/3/1 in the credits while the debits reveal a decrease of £18,560/13/1. Synods no doubt have been made aware of these facts.

Stipends have increased by £7784/19/3, while travelling expenses show an increase of £49/5/4. Ten Circuits failed to supply the amounts paid out for travelling.

There are 3 Circuit cars less this year and 12 more cars owned by ministers than last year.

### **Youth Returns:**

Three District returns are still to be received and until these come to hand no comparison on a Dominion basis is possible.

### **Maori Mission Returns:**

The returns for our Maori work are approximately the same as last year. 19 Churches and 250 Other Preaching Places are revealed the latter being 3 less than last year.



There are 3 less Home Missionaries and 10 Local Preachers less than last year. An increase of 1 Deaconess is reported.

Church membership stands at 4094, an increase of 25 for the year, while the Junior and Infant membership stands at 5068, an increase of 50.

There are 5240 Sunday School Scholars and 1616 Bible Class members, 66 Sunday School Teachers and 10 Bible Classes are also returned.

Compared with the 1941 Returns, Membership has risen from 3081 to 4094, an increase of 1013; while the Junior and Infant Membership has risen from 3637 to 5068, an increase of 1431.

While membership has increased by 2444, the number of Local Preachers has decreased from 146 in 1941 to 60 in 1951; this is a decrease of 86 in 10 years. This would suggest that a strong challenge and appeal must be made to the younger members of our Maori people to close the ranks and take the place of the older men who have served the Church so well.

#### Solomon Islands District Returns:

These were due in Auckland about the 24th September from the Islands, but have not yet come to hand.

#### Conclusion:

With a little more care in the filling in of the appropriate forms by the Ministers it is hoped that we may be able in future to have our report included in the Conference Agenda.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

### SUPPLEMENTARY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1951.

#### SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT RETURNS.

This is the first occasion since Synod returns of 1941 that the Statistical Report of the Solomon Islands District has been available.

In spite of the disruption to our work caused by the war in the Pacific the Statistics show very encouraging signs of progress.

The number of Churches in the Districts stands at 209, only 3 less than the number in 1941. Other Preaching Places show a slight decrease of 4, the total now being 43.

Catechists and Native Teachers now number 280, an increase of 2.

This year's return for Membership gives the number of 12,912 Native Members, while the 1941 Return places the figure at 9,436; showing an increase of 3,476 members in ten years. This is approx. 36.83%, a remarkable increase, especially when viewed in the light of difficulties overcome.

The work among the Young People also shows very gratifying progress during the past 10 years.

The number of Sunday Schools now stand at 107, an increase of 60, which equals approximately 127.6% increase.

Sunday School scholars number 3,386, an increase of 1,603, representing an increase of 89.9%.

Day Schools number 205, showing a decrease of 15, but as against this decrease the number of teachers has increased by 42, to give a total now employed of 316. The scholars attending number 6,112, being an increase of 1,119 for the ten years, approximately 22.4% increase.

Adherents number 17,651, as compared with 17,567 in 1941, an increase of 84 in 10 years.

There is cause for sincere gratitude to God for His outstanding power in the period under review. Our thanks are due to those who representing us under great difficulties have together with the Native Church and its wonderful loyalty, shown under the guidance of God such marvellous progress.

WM. C. JENKIN,  
General Statistical Secretary.

8th October, 1951.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That an earnest endeavour be made in every Circuit to reduce to a minimum the number of members who "Cease to Attend" by challenging them to a re-discovery of their Personal Experience in Christ.
3. That the Church Council be requested to give consideration to the General Statistical Report with a view to recommending:—
  - (a) Some system of supervision in the matter of Members' Rolls and other records;
  - (b) Measures to meet the leakage due to members having "ceased to attend."
4. That in view of Membership Year being held in 1952 the Church endeavour to increase membership by 10 per cent. in each Circuit.
5. That a suitable statistical form be prepared for Maori Mission returns and forwarded through the Senior Maori Superintendent to each Maori Minister and Home Missionary before the end of June each year.
6. That Rev. W. C. Jenkin be thanked for his services as General Statistical Secretary and that he be reappointed.

QUESTION XXXIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Welfare of the Church?

## A—Welfare of the Church Committee

### REPORT 1951.

The Committee has considered the questions referred to it by Conference and now presents its report, together with the constitution for the Methodist Social Service Association prepared in consultation with the Law Revision Committee. Pending the confirmation by Conference of the Constitution the Committee has acted as the Social Service Association.

#### Ministerial Invitations.

Conference of 1950 set up a Commission to examine the system of invitation to Ministers to consider whether the system at present observed is in harmony with the intention of Conference and in the best interests of an undisturbed ministry. The need for such a Commission reveals to some extent misgivings concerning this practice. Many would like to see the invitation system dropped, while some ministers will not have anything to do with it. In a statement provided by the Secretary of Conference for the guidance of the Stationing Committee at last Conference it is revealed that the majority of the Circuits in which the ministers were changing had left the decision of the new minister to Conference. Eleven Circuits only had accepted invitations to report, while more than twice as



many left matters to Conference. While the system is far from perfect it does help to guide the Stationing Committee, and the Conference can over-rule any invitation it sees fit to do so.

The system is not in the best interests of an undisturbed ministry. It is unsettling when Circuits begin to angle for a man 18 months on two years ahead. It is still disturbing to have the invitation issue raised when a minister has been only 2½ years in his Circuit. Also the system is open to abuse by premature action on the part of the Circuits. We consider that the practice of approaching an agent without consulting the local minister and Quarterly Meeting is wrong in principle and merits strong disapproval.

Many Circuit stewards know too little about the ministers individually to be able to invite someone with confidence when the need arises. At the same time an invitation may be accepted by a minister without sufficient knowledge of the Circuit extending the same. In general, the Stationing Committee of Conference has a better knowledge of ministers and Circuits than individuals can have, and at the same time is aware of the needs of the whole connexion. Information relevant to the invitation system has been received from England and Australia and has been considered by the Commission. There is little difference between their system and our own. In Australia the minimum term of a ministry is four years normally and the maximum five years, except in the case of City Missions when a longer term is permitted. Then the practice of the British Methodist Connexion is to extend an invitation to a minister to remain in or to enter into a Circuit at the March Quarterly Meeting preceding the Conference in July. This shorter period between the invitation and the appointment should help to give a more stable ministry.

#### **Methodist Social Service Association.**

In conjunction with the Law Revision Committee our Committee has revised the constitution of the M.S.S.A. and now presents it to Synods and Conference.

During the year the Social Service needs of the Church were placed before the Minister of Health by an official delegation appointed by the Welfare of the Church Committee. Such needs were to be re-submitted through him to Cabinet in the form of a Memorandum. The Committee has asked Rev. W. H. Greenslade to act as M.S.S.A. representative to negotiate on behalf of the Church with the Government, pending the confirmation by Conference of the M.S.S.A. constitution.

In order to prosecute a definite policy of Social Service throughout the Dominion, and to ensure complete coverage of all cases, we recommend the establishment of central homes (preferably not too large) near main centres; and also of individual cottages in certain regions rather than the larger central homes, such cottages to be within reasonable distance of the complete unit at the centre to which guests could be brought where necessary.

#### **Mental Hospitals.**

Information concerning the relation of our Church to Mental Hospitals in Auckland, Wellington, Nelson, Canterbury and Otago Districts has been considered.

Suggestions have been made that suitable ministers be trained as mental specialists, but the Committee feels that this is an ideal which appears to be impracticable at present.

We note with pleasure that Sister Ruth and Miss D. Roseveare in Otago, and Rev. W. E. Falkingham in Canterbury have been appointed as Chaplains to Mental Institutions in these areas.

## Publicity.

The Committee is convinced of the value of publishing the policy of Dominion Methodism. An informed membership can give intelligent and effective support to such a policy. In this way also a valuable witness can be made to the community and nation concerning the Church's contribution to social, educational, national and international affairs.

L. B. NEALE, Chairman,  
I. K. HOPPER, Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. **Ministerial Invitations:** (a) That the matter of ministerial invitations be referred to the Church Council for consideration in 1952, to prepare a comprehensive series of recommendations defining the complete regulations covering the method of ministerial invitations. (b) That the Church Council consider the suggestion that the Secretary of Conference prepare a list of all Ministers and Circuits seeking a change of appointment, and make this list available to District Chairmen prior to the June Quarterly Meetings.

3. **Methodist Social Service Association:**

(a) That in order to constitute the N.Z. Methodist Social Service Association and to clarify its constitution and objectives, a special meeting be convened in 1952 of those concerned, viz.:—Representatives of Auckland, Dunedin and Christchurch Central Missions, Wellington Social Service Trust, St. John's Community Centre, the Orphanages and the Home Mission Department, and report to next Synods and Conference. Convener, Rev. W. H. Greenslade.

(b) That until the above Committee operates, any new venture in Social Service involving capital expenditure be referred to District Executives and the President of Conference for approval.

(c) That the Church Council in conjunction with the M.S.S.A. Committee formulate the policy of the Connexion as a whole in the matter of Social Work in the cities and large centres in its relation to existing Central Circuits and Churches.

(d) That the Church Council and the M.S.S.A. meet to formulate a policy for the establishment and governance of Methodist Youth Hostels and report to Conference 1952, making recommendations to include proposals concerning financing, erection or requirement, responsibility and administration, priority in location.

(e) That for the immediate objective of the Christchurch City Mission only (the purchase of an Eventide Home) and until such time as the M.S.S.A. finally defines Social Service Area boundaries, the Christchurch City Mission southern boundary be the Waitaki River.

(f) That the M.S.S.A. give consideration to the inclusion of the name "Methodist" in the title of all organisations carrying on Social Service work under its auspices.

4. **Schools and Colleges:**

That the Church Council review the matter of policy in connection with Methodist Schools and Colleges.

5. **Mental Hospitals:**

(a) That District Executives nominate Chaplains to Mental Hospitals and that the names be printed in the Minutes of Conference.

(b) That services conducted at such institutions should appear on the preaching plan of the Circuit concerned.

(c) That ministers concerned be asked to notify Chaplains of Methodist patients entering these institutions.



## 6. Publicity:

(a) That Conference appoint an agent to report and publish matters of Methodist interest.

(b) That details of such an appointment be referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee for consideration and report to next Synods and Conference.

(c) That Church departments be urged to make available for display in Churches photographs of their work in support of their appeals.

### Committee for 1952:

Revs. E. S. Hoddinott, G. R. H. Peterson, R. Dudley, J. K. Watson, W. S. Neal, J. A. Penman, A. Jolly, I. K. Hopper, Mesdames E. W. Ashby, A. T. Timms, Sister Ruth Fawcett, Misses E. Purdie, M. Guthrie. Messrs. G. A. Henderson, G. R. Galbreath, H. H. Johnson, J. McIndoe, with power to add. Convener, Rev. I. K. Hopper.

# B—Spiritual Advance Committee

## A—REPORT, 1951.

During the year the Committee has met each second month, while an executive of the Committee met at least once and sometimes twice before each general meeting. The Crusade continues to occupy the major portion of our time. Some changes in Area Organisers were necessitated by Stationing, these adjustments being known to the Synods concerned. Crusade Sunday was generally observed throughout the Dominion early in March, while in many places the special "Week" held in April proved worthwhile. Objectives were laid before the Church early in the year and these have been a stimulation to our endeavour.

### Visitation Evangelism.

Once again the Committee would stress the importance of Visitation Evangelism as the means by which the Crusade becomes effective in the local Church, and through each of the "Years" of the Crusade, is to be a continuing emphasis. There is no question that where Teams are trained and active the results both to the visitors and visited alike are continuing to be of great value. From information received the Committee believes the Crusade to be gaining ground throughout the Church, while the disquieting situation reported to last Conference has changed to the extent that some of the Circuits once doubtful of the methods of the Crusade are now seeking to implement it, and visitors in some Circuits who cautiously began this work are now wondering why they did not do this before. While this is a healthy sign much still remains to be attempted in many Circuits and H.M. Stations. It will be evident that the decision of last Conference to observe "Local Church Year" was a wise one, and we as a Church are now more prepared to begin "Membership Year".

### Director.

While the Director's report appears separately the Committee would express sincere gratitude to the Rev. G. I. Laurenson for his fine contribution this year. He has given an inspiring lead to the whole Church, first by his appeal to the March Ministerial Committees, and secondly, by visiting each Regional area throughout the Dominion. Mr. Laurenson's approach together with his grasp of the ideals of the Crusade has done more to inspire local initiative than almost any other factor.

## Membership Year 1952.

The Committee has given careful consideration to matters relating to next year, and submits the following:—

### Aims I. To improve the QUALITY of our Church Membership:—

1. By regular attendance at Public Worship.
2. The regular habit of Prayer, Bible Reading, and Communion with God.
3. Greater stress on attendance at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
4. More encouragement given to every member to belong to one, at least, of the appropriate groups within the local Church fellowship.
5. That members be urged to undertake some definite service, e.g., Visitation Evangelism, S.S. Teaching, Local Preaching, Sick visitation, Inviting others to worship, etc.
6. A deeper interest in Church government, e.g. (a) the resuscitation of the Church Members' Meeting, and attendance thereat. It is suggested that there be three such meetings for members only each year—(1) The first for fellowship, acknowledgment of members received, or received on transfer, and the reading of the Members' Roll; (2) the second, a social occasion with "family worship"; and (3) the annual election of officers and a survey of the spiritual programme for the ensuing year. (b) Education in Connexional interests.
7. A "Week" when all members be urged to attend with the object of emphasising the significance, responsibility, and privilege of Membership. (The Committee suggest making "Our Fathers' Faith and Ours", by C. T. Symons, the basis of such a "week", together with addresses, discussion and prayer.)

### II. To increase our Membership by 10 per cent. at least during 1952.

#### Recruiting fields:—

1. Adherents.
2. Bible Class Members, and other young people not in B.C.
3. Parents of Sunday School children.
4. Families with old Methodist connections.

It is urged that Preparation Classes be held, wherever possible, for all candidates for membership, and for a period of at least six weeks' duration. It is also suggested that during the Reception Service the new members sign their names in the Roll book.

#### Ministerial Committee Studies.

Two studies were made available and were used as the basis of discussion at the March Meetings. It is the intention of the Committee to prepare other studies for next year.

#### Decision and Communion Cards.

These are available from the Convener, the former free of cost, and the latter at a small charge per hundred. Bible Reading Cards have again been available from the Epworth Bookroom. A joint Committee in Timaru representative of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches has the suitability of the selection of readings under review at the present time.



### Publicity.

A Poster has been distributed to all our Churches. Use has been made of the "Methodist Times", including a special inset in an issue in February.

J. F. JACK, Chairman.

C. B. OLDFIELD, Convener.

### B—REPORT OF CRUSADE DIRECTOR.

At the time of writing this report, visits have been paid to every Regional Organiser's area except Greymouth, where transport was impossible through flood and strike conditions. It is hoped before the year is completed, to cover this area as well as several more scattered districts not effectively covered by the early series of meetings.

With very few exceptions where weather conditions militated against successful or comfortable gatherings, excellent meetings were held, and the concern and interest shown were very encouraging indeed.

It is evident that many Circuits and ministers had failed to catch hold effectively of the idea behind the Crusade. They had seemed unable to conceive of the immediate point of urgency for some practical activity. Others felt that in a country area, or in a town church with a full programme of activities during the week, the Crusade did not apply. A few with a strange and dangerous sense of complacency claimed that their present programme of work was so effective that they did not need the Crusade.

I believe that as a result of the meetings held, the true perspective was gained. It became clearer that no minister or Circuit could contract out of the Crusade, and that there was a serious challenge facing the Church which could be met to a large extent by a faithful application of the technique set out in the Crusade programme.

I would like to express deep appreciation of the splendid lead given by the Spiritual Advance Committee and its Convener, and of the excellent co-operation given by the Area Organisers.

Our Church can undoubtedly be a better Church if the lessons and spirit of the regional meetings can be carried down into the domestic life of the Church.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, Director.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of £25 each be made from the H.M. Fund, and the Contingent Fund for the work of the Committee.
3. That the first Sunday in March, 1952, be "Crusade Sunday".
4. That the Committee be authorised to prepare studies for the March Ministerial Meetings in consultation with the Ecumenical Committee.
5. That all Circuits and H.M. stations be urged to continue to give generous financial assistance to the Spiritual Advance Committee.
6. That Circuits and H.M. Stations be urged to form, train, and send out visitation teams.
7. That where there are no Church Members' Meetings held Circuits and H.M. Stations be urged to revive such meetings on the lines suggested in the Report.
8. That it be urged upon Circuits and H.M. Stations to study effective methods of raising the quality of our membership.

9. That a more faithful examination of the Members' Roll be made, and a personal interview by the minister and one other, of all persons whose names are under review.

(N.B.—The Law of the Church is that no name should be removed without the person concerned being interviewed.)

10. That Visitation Evangelism be extended to include an invitation to attend Preparation Classes, with a view to becoming members of the Church.

11. That the attention of all Ministers and Leaders' Meetings be drawn to the law regarding the public recognition of Church members and that they be instructed to give it more general observance.

12. That Conference calls on all Ministers and Home Missionaries to give wise and strong leadership to our people during Membership Year.

13. That Conference expresses its deep appreciation of the work of the Director of the Crusade, the Rev. G. I. Laurenson, and reappoints him for 1952.

14. That Conference expresses thanks to the Committee, especially to the Chairman and Convener, and that the latter be appointed corresponding members of the Committee.

15. That Conference, desiring to maintain continuity of policy within the Spiritual Advance Committee, requests the Hamilton East Quarterly Meeting to make the retiring Convener, Rev. C. B. Oldfield, available to the Committee from time to time.

16. Committee for 1952:—Revs. W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, F. H. Parker, A. H. Ivory, G. R. Thompson, H. V. Utting, H. S. Kings, W. Green, B. H. Riseley, G. H. Goodman, G. I. Laurenson, B. M. Chrystall, Messrs. L. G. Potts, T. M. Henson, I. G. Baber, G. Greathead, W. S. Thrush, E. L. F. Buxton, R. Doughty, Mesdames I. A. Taylor and W. A. Boniface—with power to add, and Corresponding Members, Revs. J. F. Jack and C. B. Oldfield.

## C—Local Preachers' Association

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

In presenting this Annual Report and Balance Sheet, the N.Z. Executive desire to express their gratitude to all the brethren who have co-operated and served our Church so faithfully during the past year.

**Obituary.** It is with deep regret we have to record the death of Bro. R. Thomas, a late President of the Association. He will be greatly missed. He has given distinguished service not only to the Church but to the community. There are many others who have given long and faithful service: Bros. Alfred E. Dobson (aged 85), Frederic Utting (aged 94), G. E. Thompson, J. Shaw (aged 61), Lancelot Watson (aged 85), Harry Bartlett (aged 69), J. A. Ordish (aged 85). Also Bros. F. W. Solloway, A. H. Brooks, J. Dick, who were reported too late to be included in last year's report. There must also be others of whom we have not yet been informed. To all who mourn their loved ones we extend our deepest sympathy.

**Local Preachers' Examinations.** The following have passed their Examinations and have been presented with the Association's Certificate and Book and publicly recognised as "Fully Accredited":—Hugh Wheatley, J. Fowler, Peter Carter, Trevor Bennett, David L.



Trebilco, Clarence Pace, Cuthbert Peart, Harvey Hoskin, Laughton P. Harris, J. Grundy, E. A. Johnson, Matthew Park, John E. Hodder, Allen K. Robert.

**Long Service Diplomas.** The following have received Long Service Diplomas during the year:—Bros. Cecil R. Norgate, W. J. Bray, W. Chas. Francis, F. J. Vinicombe, H. B. Moore, F. A. Sheat, E. A. Woodfield, F. G. Early, J. Rudd, J. Henney, L. G. White.

**Food Parcels.** We are grateful to all those who have made a further consignment possible to be sent to the aged and needy brethren in Britain. These parcels are sent to the Local Preachers' Secretary in London and distributed from there.

There are 26,300 Local Preachers in Britain, with 650 Branches. About 60 parcels will be forwarded for Christmas, bringing good cheer to the home in need.

**Book Scheme.** A new list has been prepared and is as varied as possible. These books are supplied at half-price, post free. 120 books have been ordered on the old list, and 15 Preachers' Magazines.

We must exalt our ministry by acquainting ourselves with the thought and need of our times. The list will be forwarded on application.

Bro. W. Chas. Francis, who is on holiday in England, was our delegate to the Local Preachers' Mutual Aid Aggregate Meeting at Blackpool. These contacts are most helpful both to our brethren overseas and to ourselves.

**Tests for Local Preachers.** The Executive has been concerned at the fact that in some cases men are given the full status of a Local Preacher without adequate previous experience in the practical work of preparing sermons and conducting services. In order to safeguard this position and make the regulations more explicit certain amendments to the existing law are recommended to Conference.

**Bro. S. E. Chappell.** We take this opportunity of congratulating Bro. Chappell on being elected Vice-President of Conference. We feel it an honour to our Association as well as to him. As he lays aside his office we desire to pay this tribute.

We are glad to be able to report that a goodly number are entering our ranks as Local Preachers, particularly from some Branches, although almost all those who have become "Fully Accredited" during the past year appear to have an end in view.

A noteworthy feature is the number of young women coming forward. We trust that this and the increasing enthusiasm for the work, will have far-reaching spiritual results.

The most honourable name that can be given to any of us, minister or layman, as well as the highest office to which a man can be called within our Church, is that of a "Methodist Preacher." It has been said, "With its preaching Christianity stands or falls."

The Executive is still in Christchurch.

On behalf of the Executive,

F. E. OLDS, President.

F. J. VINICOMBE, Hon. Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That Conference record its appreciation of the loyal work of the Local Preachers of the Connexion.

3. That the Local Preachers' Association consider during the year the following recommendation:—

Full Status for Local Preachers:—

That Law Book pars. 253 and 254 be amended as follows:—

(1) **Par. 253:** After the words "on probation" add "During that period he shall conduct at least 12 services of worship and prepare and preach at least 6 different sermons."

(2) **Par. 254:** Add to (c) after "Preachers' Meeting"—  
"and the required number of services conducted and sermons prepared and preached."

4. That the Welfare of the Church Committee consider ways and means by which—

(a) Encouragement shall be given to young men and women to offer for the office of Local Preacher.

(b) Greater use can be made of the present Local Preachers in city and suburban Circuits.

5. That Circuits be encouraged to form Mission Bands and Study Groups towards training for Local Preachers.

6. That the Local Preachers' Association prepare a scheme whereby mutual aid and inspiration may be brought to the Local Preachers in various areas and centres.

## D—Methodist Men's Fellowship

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

In terms of Clause 14 of the Methodist Men's Fellowship of N.Z. Constitution (approved by 1949 Conference held at Napier) the Dominion Executive will alternate each three years between the North and South Islands. As a consequence the control of the Fellowship Movement was vested in the North Canterbury District Executive, the term of office commencing on 1st February, 1951.

The Dominion Executive had previously been capably and efficiently managed, under God's guidance, by our Auckland brethren, from whom we have recently received the complete records of the Movement.

On April 10th, 1951, the North Canterbury District Executive met, and from this body the Dominion Executive was duly elected, comprising the following officers:—

Dominion President, Mr. G. H. Coley (Papanui Fellowship); Vice-President, Mr. H. W. Heslop (Woolston Fellowship); Dominion Secretary, Mr. F. W. Pitcher (Bryndwr Fellowship); Dominion Treasurer, Mr. Fred Wayman (New Brighton Fellowship); together with a Committee of 10 additional members representing each Methodist Men's Fellowship in North Canterbury, with two ministers as Ministerial Representatives.

Although Fellowship Secretaries have not, as yet, sent in reports regarding their individual Fellowships, which enables an accurate estimate of our Movement to be made, from records in our hands it appears that there are about 90 Fellowships in New Zealand, with an estimated membership of over 2,000 men.

In Auckland City and suburbs, together with South Auckland districts, the Movement is very active and is in a flourishing condition. Other areas of the North Island seem to be maintaining their



efforts to expand and we wish them every success in this direction. In the South Island, the North Canterbury District operates under a keen and energetic Executive and is in close liaison with the Dominion Executive. In Otago and Southland the Fellowship continues in good hands and we believe that headway is being made.

Applications for affiliation continue to be received, recent applications coming to hand from Morrinsville and Epuni (Lower Hutt), while enquiries regarding formation of a Fellowship have been received from Aramoho and Wanganui.

It is the intention shortly of the new Dominion Executive to circularise all Fellowships with the expressed intention of making contact and obtaining up-to-date information relative to Fellowship Officers, attendances, etc.

To enable closer contact to be made with North Island Branches, the Dominion Executive intends to ask the Auckland District Executive to reciprocate and act as North Island Branch of the Dominion Executive. We have no doubt that they will willingly co-operate with us.

We are pleased to be able to report that the Fellowship Movement in the South Island gave willing and enthusiastic support to the 1951 Home Missions Deputation appeal. Fellowships, when requested, arranged programmes and a speaker, and in each case worked in conjunction with the local H.M. Secretary. We thank all Fellowships for their good work, some of whom journeyed a considerable distance to honour their obligations.

The North Canterbury District Executive has also played an important part in connection with assistance given to the Christchurch Methodist Central Mission. The Mission's activities relative to the supply of wood and coal to the old and needy, during a most severe winter, are well known and our North Canterbury Fellowships have helped in a very Christian and practical manner.

We continue to keep active the Methodist Men's Fellowship Column in the "Methodist Times," and reports regarding Fellowship activities will be gratefully received for publication in that journal.

The potentialities of our Movement in New Zealand are enormous and much good can come if our efforts, with God's help, are directed in the right quarter. The Dominion Executive is very conscious of its responsibilities and we ask your continued support and prayers. We also ask that we all may experience a richer realisation of true Christian Fellowship while in the service of our Master. It is our hope that the day may soon come when all men of the Methodist Church will become whole-heartedly united under our motto "Strength through Fellowship," and give of their utmost to serve Him, while linked together in the bonds of Christian Fellowship.

For and on behalf of the Dominion Executive,

FRED PITCHER, Dominion Secretary.

Christchurch,  
18th July, 1951.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express its appreciation of the work done by Men's Fellowships during this year as Home Mission deputations.

## E—New Zealand Women's Guild Fellowship

The N.Z. Guild Fellowship reports that the first Annual Conference was held in Christchurch on October 31st, 1950, thereby making history for N.Z. Methodism. There was a representative gathering, many observers also attending.

Mrs. O. Burnett, N.Z. President, was in the chair. She welcomed all present, and sounded a high spiritual note in her address. The Secretary traced the history of the formation of the Fellowship, and of the approval of the Constitution by the Church Conference.

Of the six District Fellowships, five have formed the N.Z. Fellowship. The total number of Guilds in New Zealand is 252, 139 of which are in the N.Z. Fellowship. All District reports showed a healthy interest in both Guild and Church affairs, thus proving their worth. This notable Conference ended with North Canterbury entertaining at a social evening.

The next Conference will be held in Auckland on November 1st next. An invitation is given to all women representatives to Church Conference to attend as observers.

The President has contacted all Guilds by letter during the year, and numerous letters of appreciation have been received, and many enquiries have been made regarding the forming of Fellowships in several Districts. Country Guilds have been helped, and grateful thanks have been received by the Executive.

A forward move was made when the Executive decided that the District Presidents be made associate members of the Executive.

We have pleasure in reporting that the Methodist Women's Fellowship of England have sent their best wishes for our efforts, and supplied some literature in the hope that it may form a closer link between us.

The N.Z. Guild Fellowship goes forward, seeking the guidance of the Unseen Hand in any forward step, and the assurance that In Unity There is Strength.

D. M. BURNET, President.

L. W. FIRTH, Secretary.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

## F—Church Council

### REPORT, 1951.

The Council met in Wellington in May and dealt with the following matters:—

**Staffing:** As instructed by Conference, this matter, which was considered at its 1950 session and reported on to Conference of that year was, by instruction, given further attention and the following conclusions arrived at:—

(a) That for the ensuing five years (to 1956) present parsonages occupied by Married Home Missionaries or Supplies, or vacant, should be sufficient to meet our requirements in respect to anticipated number of Ordinands for this period, as follows:—

- i. There will be approximately 49 men due for Ordination by 1956.



- ii. There should be approximately 23 Circuits with Parsonages so supplied which should be able to revert to full status. (List as under (C).)
  - iii. There will be approximately 25 retirements from the ordained ranks within this period.
- (b) The following Districts reported new Parsonages as likely to be available within that period as follows:—
- Taranaki-Wanganui (2)
  - South Auckland (3)
  - Wellington (4)
  - Nelson (1)

(c) **Full Circuit Status:** The following Circuits (or Churches) are at present served either by Home Missionaries or Supplies. They are urged to prepare for the time in the near future when they should be ready to take an Ordained Minister:—Kaikohe, Richmond Avenue, Glen Eden, Papatoetoe, North Waitemata, Paparoa, Hokianga, North Hokianga, Hauraki Plains, Putaruru, Opotiki, New Plymouth (3rd), Eketahuna, Greytown-Featherston, Ohoka, Geraldine, Milton. Home Mission Stations such as Waipawa-Waipukurau, Paraparaumu, Bombay-Tuakau and Balclutha should be preparing to rise to Circuit status in the near future.

(d) In view of the fact that approved and effective Married Home Missionaries will be withdrawn gradually from Circuits named in (c), the need for more new Parsonages will become an urgent necessity and Circuits due to take married men instead of single men will be required as far as possible to be prepared to meet this situation.

**Related Subjects:** Arising out of the discussion on the urgent matter of staffing, consideration was given to the related matter of Candidates for the Ministry, both single and married men, and the value of prior experience in the practical work of the Church in the sphere of Home Mission service.

**General:** This was the fifth session of the Council. Being a meeting between Conferences of the Executive officers of Conference, Chairmen of Districts and lay representatives of the same, the value of the sessions was increasingly felt. It was considered that greater benefit would accrue from the Annual Meeting of the Council if the sessions were held at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, where the representatives under living-in conditions would have fuller opportunity for the sharing of views on the urgent matters remitted to the Council from time to time.

**Council, 1952:** It is recommended that the special matter for consideration in 1952 be the powers of District Synods and District Executives.

H. J. ODELL, Ex-President, Chairman.  
H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary of the Conference,  
Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That District Executives be requested to study carefully the facts set out in the report and to take necessary action in regard to the questions of staffing, Circuit boundaries and population trends as affecting their respective Districts.
3. That the Council in 1952 examine the questions of
  - (a) District boundaries;
  - (b) Powers of Synods and District Executives,
 and report to Conference.

QUESTION XXXIV.—What are the Resolutions respecting our Sunday Schools and the Youth of the Church?

## A—Youth Department

ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

### SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES, PUBLICATIONS AND FINANCE.

#### Statistics.

<b>Easter Camps—</b>	1951	1950
No. of Camps held ....	31	29
Total Attendance ....	2783	2798
Reported Decisions for Christ ....	570	510

<b>Leadership Schools—</b>	1951	1950
Advanced Schools held ....	1	1
Attendance ....	17	12
3-day Schools held ....	9	8
Attendance (approx.) ....	450	428

<b>Leadership Course—</b>	1951	
Enrolments during year ....	75	

#### Examinations:

September—Entrants 28, Subjects 40, Passes 31, Honours 11.  
 April—Entrants 11. Results not available.

<b>Youth Conference—</b>	1951	
Attendance ....	130	

<b>Home Sunday School—</b>	1951	1950
No. of Pupils—Pakeha ....	196	120
Maori ....	110	110
Attendance at Holiday Camp ....	51	45

#### Publications in 1950-51.

Posters and Publicity for Youth Conference, Easter Camps, Youth Week, Missions, Leadership Training, "Christian Education".

Studies and Orders of Service for Youth Conference, Leadership Schools, Easter Camps, Youth Day; Junior C.Y.M.M. Badges, Pledged Membership Cards, "You and Your Badge," "A Message to Pledged Members," "Christian Education."

Finance	Amt. Allocated	Amt. Received	
1950-51	£2,355	£2,297	97%
1949-50	£2,305	£2,122	92%

#### Introduction.

Throughout the year under review the full work of the Board and the Department has been maintained at an encouraging level of achievement. All the normal activities of Camps, Rallies, Retreats, Vacation Centres, Leadership Schools, Youth Conference and Convention, Leader and Teacher Training Courses, Youth Weeks, Pledged Members' Groups and Family Services have again found a place in the life and work of the Church. There appears to be a rising tide of devotion to Christ and His Church on the part of young people throughout the country. The consecrated service of Sunday School teachers, Bible Class leaders and other youth workers, though it varies in quality from place to place, is nevertheless proving invaluable in the "Christian Education" of children and young people. The Youth Department has allied itself with "Local Church Year" and has endeavoured to make "Youth Week" the focal point of the Crusade so far as youth is concerned.

In some respects the year has been a difficult one. In addition



to a continuing shortage in office staff and the return of the Senior Director to circuit work, the Northern Youth Director, Miss Jean Hartley, met with an accident shortly before Easter and has so far been unable to resume full duties. This has meant that extra and sustained burdens of responsibility have fallen on the Rev. J. K. Watson, Acting Senior Director, and Miss P. Yearbury, Board Secretary. The whole church is indebted to them for the splendid way in which they have served the Department throughout the year.

Since last Conference the Board has given its closest attention to a thorough review of the present and future organisation and policy of the Department. All Ministers, Home Missionaries, and a wide cross section of youth leaders were invited to forward to the Board their frank criticisms of the general organisation and policy of the Department, together with constructive suggestions for its future development. The dominant suggestion emerging from widely scattered places and people was in harmony with the findings of the Board and the Directors; namely, that the main emphasis in youth work over the next period of years must be at certain urgent and essential points of need, rather than over a wide general field of organisation and activity. The effective accomplishment of the proposed future policy as outlined in this report will place much greater responsibility upon ministers and youth leaders for the general organisation and oversight of youth work at the local and district level. It is felt, however, that the present stage of development and strength of the C.Y.M.M. makes it an opportune time for this step to be taken.

In order to set forth clearly the need, reasons, and proposals for future policy it is first necessary to give some summary of the work of the Board and Directors to date.

#### **SUMMARY OF WORK OF DIRECTORS AND BOARD.**

The activities of the Youth Department are manifold. All that is attempted and accomplished in any one year, therefore, cannot be adequately reviewed here. With a view to setting the present and future work of the Department in its correct perspective the purpose of this report will be two-fold:

- (a) Indicate the variety of ways in which the Board and Directors influence and guide the work on the local, district and national levels; and
- (b) Set before the Church, with factual evidence in support, the urgent need for continuation and development of the Youth Director Policy.

So many facets of the work inaugurated and developed by the Board and Directors have become integrated into the pattern of the youth work in the local church that some might underestimate the part which the Board and Directors have taken in inspiring and leading the work. The general acceptance, too, of the organisation and policy of the Department might lead further to the belief that the local field would suffer no set-back if the Youth Directors were withdrawn from the field, or the number on the field was reduced. This, then, must be answered by a closer examination of the activities of the Department, which are listed below:—

##### **1. Work of the Youth Board.**

###### **(a) Home and Church:**

The importance of a closer relationship between Home and Church is, as it has always been, strongly emphasised in the Department. Invitations to join the Cradle Roll, Certificates of Membership

and Annual Greeting Cards, together with study material, literature, pictures and film-strips for Parent-Teacher groups are supplied through the Trading Department. Youth Directors encourage the formation of Cradle Roll Parents' Groups, Parent-Teacher Groups, and always endeavour to challenge parents with their responsibilities in the religious education of their children.

**(b) Sunday School and Bible Class:**

1. **Materials.** Recognising that teaching aids and expression work material are constantly necessary for the efficient organisation of, and teaching in Sunday School and Bible Class, the Department continues to supply lesson materials through the Joint Board of Graded Lessons, expression work materials, aids for worship, film strips and slides. Studies for Bible Class, Easter Camp and Retreats are also supplied by the Department. Special mention should be made of the temperance literature and film strips, and of the material supplied for Home Sunday School.

2. **Relationship to C.Y.M. (M).** An endeavour has been made to relate the C.Y.M. (M.) to the Sunday School by the provision of a Junior Badge. Much still has to be done to make Pledged Membership a vital and indispensable aid to meeting the needs of the young adolescent for worship, fellowship and service. The Pledged Membership Group, as experience has shown, can become within the local Church, a "cell" of consecrated youth, whose primary aim is evangelistic in character. A handbook on Pledged Membership, a newly designed Pledge Card, and a leaflet for every Pledged Member, together with the handbook of the C.Y.M. (M.) are supplied by the Department. Designs for pennant and banner have been prepared for schools and classes. The Board has also encouraged the work of Fellowships, Easter Camps, Week-end Retreats, believing them to be valuable ways of nurturing the spiritual life of the adolescent. Through the Order of St. Stephen young people are invited to give a year of voluntary service to the Church.

3. **Missionary and Ecumenical.** To encourage the support of missions, both by monetary contribution and in service, a publicity poster has been prepared, and ideas and activities suggested through news-letters to D.Y.C.'s and L.Y.C.'s. Constant interest has been maintained in the work of the Youth Committee of the National Council of Churches through representation at Annual Meetings, and in news-letters Districts have been invited to participate in the pen-friend scheme, and appeals from needy countries for relief.

4. **Leadership Training.** Subsequent remarks in the report will emphasise anew the importance of this aspect of the work. Through the Leadership Training Committee in Christchurch studies have been prepared for Schools, and publicity for the Diploma Course of the Y.C.N.C.C. has been widely distributed. Through the National Committee on Recreation and Leisure endeavours are made to develop the recreational aspect of leadership. Film strips on teaching and leadership, slides, pictures and teaching aids are available through the Trading Department. An Advanced Leadership Training School (including the Government 36-hour Church Leaders' Recreational Course) has been held at Rotorua. Constant help is given to districts to develop their own Leadership Training Groups, using the Diploma Course as the basis.

5. **Extra Activities.** Week-day activities, clubs, Girls' Life Brigade and Boys' Brigade, together with Vacation service projects



such as Holiday Camps for Home Sunday School children, Vacation Schools, Holiday Centres and Beach Missions have been encouraged.

## 2. Work of the Directors.

In association with the work of the Board the following is a summary of the main activities of the Youth Directors:—

Acting in an advisory capacity to the Board, D.Y.C.'s and L.Y.C.'s.

Making personal contacts with ministers, officials and youth leadership of the local churches.

Representing policy and programme to Church groups, L.Y.C.'s, Sunday Schools, Bible Classes, D.Y.C.'s, Fellowships, Youth Conference and representing the Board at Conferences.

Visiting Sunday Schools, Bible Classes, Churches, Camps, Rallies.

Advising superintendents, teachers and leaders concerning worship, methods, materials, buildings, child problems.

Giving technical guidance and advice personally and by correspondence on all aspects of Youth Work and problems.

Preparing projects, studies, lessons, booklets, publicity, literature, Orders of Service.

Making available supplies of books, films, literature, pictures.

Establishing contacts to link children with the Home Sunday School, and leaders and teachers with the Training Course.

Conducting services, camps, schools, rallies, retreats, conferences, training classes, leadership courses, holiday camps, Easter missions.

Stimulating Cradle Roll and Home contacts and week-day activities such as Clubs and Brigades.

Assisting National Committees in their work.

Attending Ecumenical Conferences and conferring with Youth Directors of other churches.

In summary, the Board and Directors have together attempted to develop a policy which will cater for the needs of the Church in its Youth Department. Because Youth Work must always progress into wider fields, it is necessary to stock-take at intervals to discover what general lines of action need to be followed in the future.

## FUTURE POLICY.

### The Facts.

It is recognised that several factors combine to make the present time opportune for a thorough review of the policy as it affects the appointment of Directors, the number required, the nature and field of their activities, as well as other matters relating to the total field of work among children and young people at the local, district and national levels. Some of the factors which make it both wise and essential to determine the broad outlines of future policy are as follows:—

(1) The present stage of development in terms of departmental co-ordination and organisation in Local and District Youth Councils, the C.Y.M.M., Pledged Membership, Order of St. Stephen and Annual Convention is such that in future the Directors will not require to give the same amount of attention to this aspect of the work.

(2) An entirely new team of directors will take up their tasks in the next year or so, and the nature of the appointments to be made depends on the work they will be required to do.

(3) In the next ten years at least two challenging facts will

have a vital bearing on the results achieved in the total field of youth work—

(a) Leaders must be recruited from those who were born during a record low-level birth rate period (1929-1939), thus reducing the field in which potential leaders may be found.

(b) The expected inflow of children into our Sunday Schools, and later to the Bible Classes, will come from a record high-level birth rate period (1940-1950), thus greatly increasing the demand for teachers and leaders in every field of youth enterprise. The following figures, giving the number of actual and expected full-time pupils on all day school rolls, speak for themselves:—

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|---------------------------------------------------|---------|
| i. From 1930 to 1943 rolls remained at about .... | 280,000 |
| ii. By 1950 rolls had risen to ....               | 348,000 |
| (An average yearly increase of 10,000)            |         |
| iii. By 1955 rolls will have risen to ....        | 435,000 |
| (An average yearly increase of 17,000)            |         |
| iv. By 1960 rolls will have risen to ....         | 480,000 |
| (An increase of 200,000 in 17 years)              |         |

From these figures it may be assumed that the number of young people in the care of the Methodist Church should increase from about 35,000 in 1950 to approximately 45,000 in 1960.

#### Areas of Need.

Both the figures quoted above and the situation as reported by the Board, National Committees, Directors, teachers and leaders lead to the conviction that there are certain areas of opportunity and responsibility which must receive special attention in the next few years. They are as follows:—

(1) **Leadership:** In order to meet the position as outlined, there must be increased and sustained development of Teacher and Leadership Training Classes, Courses and Schools, particularly those which extend over a period of ten days or more.

In anticipation of the strong support of the whole Church in its emphasis on trained leadership, the Board is planning a series of Leadership Courses and Schools which it is believed will cater for the needs of city and country areas, as well as full-time and part-time trainees.

(2) **Week-day Activities:** Closely linked with the need for trained leadership is the fact that Brigades, Clubs and other planned activities for Sunday School children must receive more expert guidance and development if the greatly increased inflow is to be adequately catered for and held to the life of the Church. Of equal importance is the need for adolescent recreational activities and programmes to meet varying conditions of locality, numbers, size of available halls, etc. After due consideration the Board is strongly of the opinion that the Girls' Life Brigade and Boys' Brigade Movements provide the most adequate form of week-day activity for Sunday School children and early adolescents. In addition to providing healthy instruction and recreation, the constitutions of these Movements require definite allegiance to the Church on the part of both leaders and members. It is the intention of the Board to sponsor the development of these Movements as being the best organised method of catering for the physical and recreational development of the rapidly increasing numbers of young people who will undoubtedly come within the life and influence of the Church. It is recognised, however, that in some places kindred organisations are already established and catering for



the week-day needs of some of these young people. It is not suggested that these should be changed in order to conform to a rigid pattern of uniformity. Other less organised forms of activity are necessary for smaller groups and the Board is giving attention to this important aspect of recreational leadership.

**(3) Cradle Roll-Home Contacts and Young Women's Work:**

(a) At the present time the Cradle Roll figures are the highest on record. This emphasises the need for increased attention and endeavour to strengthen the ties binding the child and the home to the Church.

(b) During the past 12 years the greater part of the Dominion has been without the guidance and influence of a woman Director, and it is possible that problems associated with some aspects of young women's work are in part due to this fact. The Board is convinced that it is essential to continue the appointment of one woman Director who will give special attention to the important issues raised in this section of the report.

**(4) National, Board, District and Local Leadership:** Any policy ceases to be realistic if it is thought that past emphasis can be dropped entirely without immediate and long-term loss and disruption of the work generally. It is also true that the creative and administrative head of the Department must be as free as possible to give leadership on any matter, in any district, and at any time it is essential to do so; as well as having ample time for research, study and preparation of material, projects and literature for various aspects of the work.

**The Remedy.**

In the light of the foregoing facts and considerations the Board is confident that the Church will recognise the vital necessity of continuing a minimum of three Youth Directors in the service of the Department. In order to meet the urgent needs associated with the training of adequate and efficient leadership, as well as more effective home contacts and work among the various young women's groups, it is proposed that while the Directors remain located as at present, each Director will be responsible for giving particular emphasis throughout the Dominion to certain aspects of the work. This will involve certain adjustments at the local and district levels, but it is confidently believed that the throwing of extra responsibility on the youth leadership of the Districts will strengthen rather than weaken the effectiveness of the work done.

**Further Steps.**

Having in mind both immediate and long-term planning, the Board believes that the following steps are essential to a further strengthening of the youth work of the Church:—

(1) Recognising that the central place for all youth work is the local church, in which the minister must be the key person, the training and equipment of the ministry for this important phase of the work must ever be to the fore. The Board gladly expresses appreciation of the quality of the training given in this connection at Trinity Theological College at the present time, and believes that increasingly the effectiveness of this training will be felt in the youth work of the Church.

(2) The appointment of honorary District Organisers, ministerial or lay, to carry out visitation, organisation and leadership work within a given area or district. In the past such appointments were a valuable source of inspiration and strength to the B.C. Movements

and it is believed that the time is again opportune for such appointments to be made.

(3) The establishment of regional Training Schools for lay workers, on a resident, week-end or "night-school" basis according to the needs or opportunities of a particular locality. It is believed that the services of qualified teachers and specialists in various subjects would be readily available for well-organised courses or schools of this nature.

(4) The appointment of part-time Youth Workers, ministerial or lay, giving portion of the time to the work of a particular circuit and the remainder to the oversight of youth work in an area to be agreed upon. In this connection training Deaconesses specifically for youth work should not be overlooked.

Proposals concerning the more immediate steps to be taken are contained in the recommendations of the report.

#### **Appointment of Directors.**

During the year the Board has utilised every known agency in its attempt to secure applications or nominations of persons fully qualified to fill the positions of (1) Senior Youth Director and (2) Field Director.

A carefully prepared schedule of duties, qualifications and requirements together with suitable advertisements were sent to England, America and Australia. Similar action was taken in regard to prospective applicants or nominees within New Zealand. A number of enquiries were received from overseas and within New Zealand and to date certain applications and nominations are to hand.

As applications from overseas do not close in New Zealand until 31st July, it is not possible for the Board to make nominations to Synod at this stage, but a supplementary report on this subject will be sent direct to Synods.

It is encouraging to note the interest taken in the spheres of service which these positions make available.

#### **General.**

At the Annual Youth Convention requests for guidance were received on certain significant issues. Young people desired that in the preparation for Church membership more adequate instruction should be given in the fundamentals of the faith. They also desired that guidance be given by the Church on tithing of money in order that this aspect of stewardship in the Christian life might be more effectively practised. These instances are encouraging signs of the rising tide of spiritual awareness in the lives of young Methodists.

**Order of St. Stephen:** Miss Dorothea Jones, B.A., has been serving as a youth worker in the Northland area, assisting Sunday Schools, training leaders, holding vacation centres and visiting isolated Christian communities. Miss Jones has now become the first person to qualify for the Order.

The Board desires to place on record its deep sense of appreciation of the devoted and painstaking work of the Rev. J. K. Watson throughout his term as Youth Director in the South Island. As he returns to circuit work he will carry the goodwill and confidence of the Board, the circuits and the youth for whom he has laboured with unremitting zeal.

Miss Jean Hartley will relinquish her position as Northern Director in November because of her approaching marriage. In



extending good wishes to this lady-elect of a parsonage, the Board also expresses thanks for the gifted service she has rendered, particularly in the fields of leader and teacher training. It is gratifying to know that her talented services will be available still through her share in a future ministry.

The Board looks forward with confidence to the commencement of the work of the Rev. R. H. Allen, B.A., as a Youth Director. In circuit work, in district youth activities and in association with the Board he has revealed that he is well qualified for this important task.

The Board wishes to express its appreciation to the Trustees of Wesley Church for their continued generosity in making available their premises for the Youth Office and Board meetings. Since the inception of the Youth Office and Trading Department the Trustees have provided these facilities together with lighting and heating, and made any necessary alterations without any cost whatsoever to the Board.

GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.  
P. T. YEARBURY, Secretary.  
J. K. WATSON,  
Acting Senior Director.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report, Financial Statements and Budget be received and adopted.
2. That the Statistical Returns be received and adopted.
3. (a) That this Conference, recognising the urgent need to place special emphasis upon certain aspects of the work as revealed in the report above under the heading "Future Policy," gives its whole-hearted support to the lines of action marked out for special attention by the Board and Directors during the next three years.  
(b) That in the emphasis upon leadership in its future policy the Youth Board give more consideration to the devotional training of our young people.
4. (a) That Rev. R. H. Allen, B.A., be appointed Youth Director for a period of six years, from 1st February, 1952.  
(b) That Miss Dorothea Jones, B.A., be appointed as a Youth Director for three years from 1st February, 1952.
5. That the Youth Board be empowered to continue its endeavours to secure the services of a Senior Youth Director, and the President's Committee of Advice in consultation with the Youth Board be empowered to make the appointment.
6. That the Youth Board arrange, if possible, for the visit of Rev. Dr. George Wheen, M.A., New South Wales Youth Director, for the purpose of conducting leadership Schools and Courses in strategic centres throughout the Dominion.
7. (a) That on the nomination of D.Y.C.'s the Board be empowered to appoint honorary District Organisers to work in co-operation with the D.Y.C.'s in matters of visitation, organisation and leadership.  
(b) That the matter of financing the travelling expenses of the District Organisers be referred to the Youth Board and to the Youth Convention for consideration.
8. That Conference authorises the Youth Board to investigate the possibility of employing part-time Youth Workers who would supervise the work in particular areas.

9. That Conference draws the attention of the Church through the Youth Board to the urgent task of relating the Christian message to the needs of adolescents in the Church and the Community, and that every local Church be asked to give consideration to the following:—

- (a) The importance of forming and developing a Pledged Members' Group.
- (b) The need for adequate instruction on the significance of the Church and in the privileges and duties of Church membership.
- (c) More effective ways of bringing the Christian message to adolescents at present outside the fellowship of the Church.

10. That Conference expresses to the Rev. J. K. Watson, M.C., B.A., its deep sense of gratitude for his devoted and painstaking work as South Island Youth Director during the past six years, and prays for him much blessing in his future ministry.

11. That good wishes be extended to Miss Jean Hartley, B.A., upon her approaching marriage, and thanks be tendered for her skilled service as Northern Youth Director during the past four and a half years.

12. That in extending congratulations to Miss Dorothea Jones, B.A., on her reception as the first member of the Order of St. Stephen, deep appreciation be expressed of the quality and worth of the service she has rendered as a full-time voluntary Youth Worker in the Northland area for one year.

13. That the Youth Department consider the question of Christian Vocation, not overlooking emphasis on rural pursuits, with a view to giving instruction on this subject to our youth.

14. That in future all Youth Department Statistical Returns be sent to Superintendent Ministers who shall be responsible for their return to District Youth Council Statistical Secretaries.

15. **Youth Board:** That the Board for 1952 be The Chairman of Wellington District; Ministers: Revs. J. D. Grocott, W. H. Greenslade, M. A. McDowell and R. F. Clement. Lay Reps.: Messrs. S. Fellows, G. E. Brown, G. C. Burton and W. Kelly. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs. E. Pain, Misses M. Heggie, M. Bucknall and P. Yearbury. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. H. Hart and C. Couch and two others. S.S.: Messrs. G. F. Briggs, A. G. Worboys and T. Kennedy and Miss B. Stewart, and the Youth Directors.

## **B.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE RELATIONSHIP, STATUS AND DUTIES OF YOUTH DIRECTORS, BOARD, AND OFFICE.**

(1950 Mins. of Conference, page 68.)

As directed by last Conference, a committee drawn from the personnel of the Church Council was appointed by the President of the Conference to consider the above matter.

The Committee consisted of the Revs. H. J. Odell (ex-President of Conference), William Green (Deputy-Chairman of the Auckland District), and H. L. Fiebig (Secretary of the Conference), Messrs. H. de R. Flesher (Legal Adviser), M. S. Hughson (New Plymouth), and A. L. Stanton (Dunedin). In accordance with the direction of Conference, members of the Youth Board were present for the purpose of consultation—Revs. G. H. Goodman (Chairman), M. A. McDowell and Messrs. S. Fellows and G. C. Burton.



Memoranda were previously sought from and submitted by the Youth Board, and the Revs. C. T. Symons and W. E. Allon Carr, setting out the position from their respective points of view.

The chief difficulty seems to have been lack of clarity respecting the precise functions of the Senior Youth Director and the Office secretary, resulting in some degree of dual responsibility and authority. The Committee considers that in respect to this matter there should be no difference in the over-all organisation of the Youth Department as compared with other Connexional Departments of the Church—in that there must be one recognised executive head of the department. To bring this about the Committee makes certain recommendations as set out below. If these are adopted the constitution of the Youth Board will be brought into harmony with that of other Connexional departments.

The matter of office accommodation for the Senior Youth Director was fully considered. It was revealed that steps had been taken by the Board in the past to satisfactorily deal with this question. The matter is still under consideration and adequate provision will be made in the future.

The Committee was satisfied that the Youth Board in the past has been working within the framework of the Constitution as approved from time to time by the Conference. The main issue was, however, whether or not that constitution could be improved with resultant beneficial changes in the practical working of the Department. The Committee feels that its recommendations will achieve the desired end.

H. J. ODELL, Ex-President of the Conference.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary of Conference, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS,

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following amendments to the existing constitution as in the Law Book be made:—
  - i. Section 503, par. 3 (Personnel of the Board). That sub-clause "G" ("The Secretary of the Board") be deleted.
  - ii. Section 503, par. 8 (c) (Appointment of Board Secretary). That this sub-clause be deleted.
  - iii. Section 503, par. 12 (Senior Director). That this be repealed and the following substituted:—"The Conference shall designate and appoint one of the Youth Directors as Senior Director. He shall be the chief executive and administrative officer and adviser of the Department."
  - iv. Section 503, par. 13 (Duties of Board Secretary). That this paragraph be deleted.

### District Youth Councils.

#### AUCKLAND:

Ministers: Revs. E. C. Leadley, W. E. Allon Carr, E. S. Stewart.  
S.S. Reps.: Messrs. G. Michie, S. Pye, F. Paine. Y.W.B.C.: Misses A. Adams, J. Knight, M. Baillie. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. E. Cameron, J. Astléy, P. Hames. Lay Reps.: Miss B. Brooke, Messrs. W. Behan and W. Patterson, Junr.

Northland Sub-district.—Ministers: Revs. J. Dennis, A. R. Nuttall, J. S. Olds. S.S. Reps.: Messrs. R. Pearce, S. Neal, Miss Hills. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs. T. P. Lane, Miss Parlane, one other. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs.

A. P. Lane, L. Corkill, H. Lendrum. Lay Reps.: Messrs. R. Williams, R. F. Lindesay, J. Paine. Secretary: Mr. R. F. Lindesay.

#### SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Chairman: The Chairman of the District. Revs. D. Haylock, C. G. Brown, H. K. Brown. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. F. Gilbert, E. Smart, J. Bycroft. Y.W.B.C.: Misses K Rogers, G. Thomas, V Eastwood. S.S. Reps.: Messrs. A. Smart, G. Dyson, Miss Mary Sealey. Secretary: Miss H. Fear. Treasurer: Miss G. Thomas.

Bay of Plenty Sub-Council.—Revs. W. C. Jenkin, A. T. Kent, J. Silvester and J. M. Daley; Mesdames A. Thompson, E. R. Lewis and R. Brown; Misses L. Christian and D. C. Abbott; Messrs. A. Young, A. Lowe, J. Sanne, E. R. Lewis, F. Olsen. Secretary: Mr. A. F. Barwell.

#### TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Ministers: Revs. H. Moore, C. P. Lucas and L. Shapcott. Lay Reps.: Mrs. A. N. McGaughey, Mr. T. F. Whimster and one other. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. C. Riesterer, A. Symmans and J. Pattinson. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs. Hanna, Misses P. Ranford and R. Tozer. S.S.: Mrs. Jago, Messrs. T. P. Hughson and D. Bennett. Secretary: Mr. T. F. Whimster.

Wanganui Sub-District Council.—Ministers: Revs. G. R. Thompson, E. D. Grounds, I. C. E. Ramage. Lay Reps.: Messrs. J. Beaven, A. Taylor and A. Benny. Y.W.B.C.: Misses A. Good, J. Tulloch and M. Infield. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. N. Barlow, D. Groves and D. Nieuport. S.S.: Messrs. A. Scott, S. Whyte, S. Laurenson. Secretary: Mr. A. Scott.

#### HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Manawatu.—Chairman of District. Ministers: Revs. W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, F. H. Parker. Laymen: Messrs. J. Fabrin, A. H. Fisher and R. Martin. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. G. R. Woodfield, D. Roberts and J. L. Boniface. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs. J. Fabrin and reps from Rongotea and Feilding. S.S.: Mr. E. Lock, Miss D. Collins, Mr. M. Simpson. Secretary: Mr D. Roberts.

Hawkes Bay.—Revs. W. R. Francis, H. M. Brasell, T. H. Carr. Lay Reps.: Miss J. Johnstone, Messrs. D. Hopcroft, A. H. McGregor, L. Bowen. Y.W.B.C.: Misses B. Boyes, D. Loach, M. Lyth. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. R. Lewis, E. Downer, T. Loach. S.S.: Messrs. F. Yates, J. Doherty, P. Mercer. Secretary: Mr. T. Loach.

#### WELLINGTON:

Chairman: Rev. G. H. Goodman. Ministers: Revs. L. V. Willing, J. H. Woolford and R. G. Bell. Lay Reps.: Messrs. J. Maret, A. Olsson, F. Torrance. Y.W.B.C.: Sister E. Dixon, Miss L. Crisp, and one to be appointed. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. H. Moseley, J. Phillipps, G. Shakes. S.S.: Messrs. A. Angel, R. E. Sullivan, and one to be appointed.

Wairarapa Sub-Council.—Deputy-Chairman: Rev. Dr. W. G. Slade, Masterton. Ministers: Revs. E. E. Sage, C. D. Clark, W. J. Henderson. Y.W.B.C.: Miss E. Willis, Mrs. C. D. Clark, and one to be appointed. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. A. D. Griggs, T. F. Mannell, and one to be appointed. Lay Reps.: Mrs. A. Ross, Miss D. Jamieson, Mr. H. C. Wood.

#### NELSON:

Lay Reps.: Messrs. S. B. Wratt, A. Thomas, Mrs. L. Masters. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. G. B. Trathen, I. Holdaway, B. Young. Y.W.B.C.:



Misses G. Holdaway, J. Boyd, J. Ching. S.S. Reps.: Messrs. R. C. A. Marshall, L. Palmer, A. Russell. Secretary: Mr. D. W. Silvester. (Ministerial members to be appointed.)

**West Coast Sub-Union.**—Wesport: L. Tregurtha, Miss A. Evans, Miss L. Hodgson. Rev. W. G. Eisner. Hokitika: Mr. R. Parker, Mr. N. Parker, Mr. M. Moore, Rev. W. E. Moore, Miss C. Muir. Reefton: Miss L. King, Miss S. Watson, Mr. B. Honey, Minister of Reefton Circuit. Greymouth: Miss N. Hayden, Mr. D. Nissen, Mr. F. Lindon, Rev. A. P. Dorrian.

#### **NORTH CANTERBURY:**

Ministers: Chairman of District, Revs. R. E. Patchett, W. L. Divers, D. I. A. McDonald. Lay Members: Messrs. E. Smith, K. James and H. Hayman. Y.W.B.C.: Misses M. Sharp, P. Switzer and N. McLean. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. A. A. Dingwall, G. E. Hill, L. Ayers. S.S.: Miss O. M. Duder, Messrs. W. J. Burnell, P. T. Battersby. And one representative from each Local Youth Council.

#### **SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

Chairman of District, and three other Ministers; Misses E. V. Duggan, H. McCone, E. Hodson, P. Smail, M. Cumberbeach, M. Beswarick, Mrs. G. Thin; Messrs. R. Ellis, B. Scammel, A. S. Brown, N. Hawkey, and C. Hopwood.

#### **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

District Chairman. Ministers: Revs. A. Jolly, O. T. Woodfield, J. A. Penman. Lay Reps.: Messrs. H. Wilson, J. Hetherington, C. Chirnside. Y.W.B.C.: Misses M. Guthrie, T. Muir, J. Crawford. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs. R. MacArthur, H. Hodges. S.S.: Misses K. Kane, L. Hetherington, B. Stanton. Local Youth Council Representatives. Secretary: To be appointed.

#### **SOUTHLAND Sub-Council:**

Chairman: Rev. A. R. Witheford. Ministers: Revs. L. C. Clements, J. R. Hall and C. J. Keightley. Invercargill Central: Mr. E. Butler, Mrs. Stead. St. Peter's: Mrs. R. Bell, Mr. A. R. Jordan. Gore: Miss E. Watson, Mr. L. Stevens. Western Southland: Mr. E. Pearce, Miss J. Dooley. Bluff: Miss Bovan, Miss Edwards. Edendale-Wyndham: Mr. Humphrie, Miss A. Botting, and Mr. G. Winwood.

**QUESTION XXXV.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to Public Questions?

## **A—Public Questions Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.**

The Public Questions Committee examined a great number of questions this year and through the delegation of the preliminary questions to sub-committees was able to produce findings which reflect considerable study.

#### **Industrial Dispute.**

The Committee has been greatly concerned at the problems which arose associated with the Waterfront Dispute. Special meetings were held in association with Wellington ministers, to discuss the issues with national leaders. A sub-committee consulted a Presbyterian sub-

committee and shared a consultation with the Prime Minister and the Minister of Labour. After exhaustive examination, it was decided that the Committee should not make public comment during the continuance of the acute stages of the dispute. Major matters of very great importance have arisen from the dispute, but the Committee believed that during the heat of the controversy, any statement would be liable to grave misinterpretation. However, it may be possible by Conference for an objective recommendation to be made.

#### **Council for Christian Education.**

The Council is experiencing its first year with a full staff. A letter was sent by the Council, signed by Archbishop C. West Watson and Rev. L. V. Bibby, expressing their gratitude for the release of the General Secretary from Circuit work. There has been an immediate response to the new activities. In various parts of the country there has been a noticeable increase in schools using the Nelson system. A new service book is published: the "Hayes" Guides are used as an agreed syllabus and a committee is preparing a new syllabus for 1954. A special committee is examining Christian education in post primary schools, and consideration is being given to the widening of the sphere of activities to include the University and other Colleges. District Committees are formed in every Education Board's district, and Methodist members, ministerial and lay, are giving enthusiastic support. The General Secretary is studying the system of religious teaching in Great Britain. On the whole the Council of Christian Education is receiving support and encouragement, and seeks the continuing loyalty of the Church in its work. The Rev. G. H. Goodman is Vice-Chairman of the Council.

#### **Commission on Marriage and Divorce.**

No progress has been made in this Commission. Possibly more information on this will be available next year. It is important to note that the statistical trend which initiated the enquiry has now shown a decline in divorce—though this does not alter the doctrinal implications.

#### **Marriage Guidance.**

(1) Marriage Guidance Councils have been established now in Wellington, Christchurch, Timaru and Dunedin, and the nucleus of a council in Auckland. Some are concentrating on the provision of premarital lectures, whereas others, notably Christchurch and Dunedin, are offering a full counselling service. The most significant recent event has been the formation of a National Marriage Guidance Council. This body, whose executive meets in Christchurch, exists in order to preserve a link between the local councils and in particular, to arrange for the provision of a uniformly high standard of counsellor training. General recommendations regarding training and the qualifications of counsellors have been drawn up and approved by the regional councils.

(2) In regard to the provision of assistance for ministers in premarital training, the Public Questions Committee is awaiting the publication by the Methodist Church in Australia of a book prepared for this purpose. Should this publication prove suitable for New Zealand conditions, it will be recommended to ministers.

#### **Alternative Service.**

As requested, the Committee gave consideration to defining the term "Alternative Service," and reports as follows:—

(1) In seeking to define the term "alternative service," the acceptance of certain basic facts and principles is necessary. (a) In



a time of war, every citizen of a country so engaged is involved in the war situation, and the most that can be granted to bona fide "conscientious objectors" is the greatest possible exemption from actual participation in direct or indirect war activities.

(b) It should be recognised that when the right of "conscientious objection" has been established, this carries with it the right of the person concerned to have some choice of the fields in which "alternative service" may be rendered.

(2) There are two main fields in which "alternative service" may be performed.

(a) **Non-combatant service.** There are some who on conscientious grounds object to combatant service, in the "Armed Services," but are prepared to do non-combatant duty in the armed services. Their right to such alternative service is fully recognised, respected and granted where sincerity of conscience is established.

(b) **Civilian Service.** There are those who on conscientious grounds cannot accept non-combatant duties. Where their sincerity of conscience is established, the same right to some form of alternative service should be recognised, respected, and granted.

#### **Inter-Church Council of Public Affairs.**

The Inter-Church Council has given consideration to immigration matters during the year. Chaplains were appointed to ships, and particular attention given to the care of "displaced persons." Archdeacon J. R. Young was again liaison officer in the Pahiatua camp. A committee was appointed to report on Penal Reform, and a discussion is to take place with the authorities on the subject. A deputation waited on the Minister of Social Welfare, concerning the so-called "Comics." The Council has given time and thought to the problems of ship desertion, and has taken up the matter with the Government, and is now awaiting reports of the effect of the new amendment to the Shipping and Seaman's Act. An enquiry was made into the standing of the New Zealand Peace Council, and it was agreed that the N.Z. Peace Council could not be commended to the Churches. The Council supported the Russian Orthodox community in securing a priest for New Zealand. Information was received that the regulation causing disfranchisement of defaulters lapsed as from the end of 1950. The matter of the issue of new hotel licenses without granting to local residents any right of determination in the matter has been taken up with the Government. The Defence Department has been approached in the matter of compulsory Sunday military training. The work of the association of Intellectually Handicapped children has been supported. The work among Discharged Prisoners is being reviewed.

#### **Minorities in New Zealand.**

##### **A. Displaced Persons.**

(1) **Future policy re immigration.** The Committee has become concerned about the future policy of the Government on the question of Displaced Persons. It is felt that the position is still very grave, and that no slackening of efforts should be made in restoring refugees to a better environment. The Inter-Church Council was asked to enquire into the position.

(2) **Assimilation.** Some reports indicate that there is a real problem, both as regards Displaced Persons, and British immigrants. These people tend to live isolated lives in the community, and many

are ill-adjusted. The only solution is that in the local situation, Christian people should offer warm friendship and a welcome into home life and community activities.

#### **B. The Jewish People.**

The Committee has been represented on the Joint Conference arranged by the National Missionary Council, and is continuing its investigations in order to ascertain whether special action is needed. Sufficient data has not been produced for any action to be taken at this stage. The matter will be kept under review.

#### **C. Asian Minorities.**

There is restriction on the issue of permit to persons of Asiatic race. Very few permits are granted, and the object of these few is to re-unite within certain limits the members of immediate families. Only 107 permits were granted under this heading during 1950. The current official Year Book shows 2174 male Chinese, and 383 female Chinese as being registered in New Zealand, this being a slight decrease over the previous year.

#### **Off Course Betting.**

The establishment of the Off Course Betting scheme means that the Church must give even stronger emphasis than it has in the past to the teaching of the evils of gambling. There is a great danger that unless this is done, forms of betting which the State approves and society accepts may gradually be adopted as in accord with the Christian ethic. The recent legislation has made it necessary to emphasize especially two aspects of this evil:—

(a) The need for Christian people to resist the temptation of becoming in any way the servants of the Off Course Betting scheme, by not yielding to the attraction of large financial rewards which are and will be offered.

(b) The dangers of young people learning the gambling habit through the use of the readily available postal betting forms.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.

W. S. DAWSON, Acting-Convenor.

### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. **Law and Sedition:** While recognising the clear duty of any government to maintain law and order, Conference expresses concern that modern legislation in democratic states tends to narrow down the freedom of the individual citizen, and urges the government in framing new legislation to safeguard those vital and hard won principles which are the marks of a true democracy. In particular Conference requests the government to safeguard in the proposed Police Amendments Act, such principles as the right of a citizen to trial by jury and the onus of proof to rest upon the prosecution. Conference also asks for a fresh scrutiny of the definition of sedition in the Act which appears to threaten certain established and legitimate forms of political activity and free speech.

3. **Council for Christian Education:** (a) That the work of the N.Z. Council for Christian Education be commended to all churches, and that each church be urged to make a contribution towards its funds.

(b) That the representatives on the Council for Christian Education be—The Chairman of the Wellington District, Rev. M. A. McDowell, Messrs. G. Briggs, G. C. Burton, and that Rev. R. F. Clement and Mr. R. Hardie Boys be proxies.



(c) That the Methodist Church commends the Council on its continued emphasis on the need for providing for the religious education of all the children of the Dominion. It also supports the Council in seeking to do that work only in ways that will strengthen the national system of education.

4. **Non-combatant Service:** That the following definition be adopted:—By alternative service is meant: (a) Non-combatant service in the Forces. (b) Some form of civilian service which is of value to the community, rendered outside of military control.

5. **Conscientious Objectors:** (a) Conference expresses its appreciation to the Government for the fair and reasonable manner in which Conscientious Objectors are being treated by the tribunal.

5a. That Conference protests to the Minister of Defence against the continuance of regular Sunday parades of trainees under the compulsory Military Training Act.

6. **Immigration:** (a) Conference again impresses upon Churches the necessity and importance of welcoming new settlers and overseas students upon their arrival into respective districts, and extending to them the hospitality of private homes and privileges of Church fellowship.

(b) That the question of revocation of the licenses of certain students from Fiji be referred to the Public Questions Committee.

(c) **Asian Minorities:** Conference requests that the Public Questions Committee investigate the lack of facilities existing for the re-union of Asian families in New Zealand, and if necessary, refer the question to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs.

7. **Of-course Betting:** (a) Conference urges all Ministers to educate their congregations on the evils of all forms of gambling, including raffles, art unions, weight guessing competitions, and the like.

(b) Conference warns its people of the dangers of becoming involved in the "Off Course Bettings Schemes," either as its employees, or through the use of the increasingly available facilities, extension of which to shops, hairdressing establishments, etc., is becoming an added inducement to gambling.

(c) That the Publications Committee be asked to publish in pamphlet form the Church's statement on gambling, and also, if possible, prepare an abridgement suitable for the use of our young people.

(d) Conference strongly urges the Government to resist the pressure now being made to increase the already widespread facilities for gambling such as the suggestions for a National Lottery and for Sports Pools.

8. **Indecent Literature:** That the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs investigate the character of undesirable literature at present on sale in the Dominion. It also draws the attention of the Council to certain types of film posters.

9. **World Peace:** Believing that the basis of the World Peace Council is generally inadequate and insufficiently based upon Christian principles, this Conference is unable to associate itself with the World Peace Council, but is nevertheless greatly concerned with the growing threat to peace implicit in the present international situation. It does not believe in the inevitability of war, and calls upon

all Methodists to work resolutely for the removal of causes of enmity between nations.

Conference urges the mobilising of the forces of the Christian Church for a consecrated effort, in the name of the Prince of Peace, to prevent the present drift towards a further world war.

As a first step in this direction, it urges that on all levels, from that of individual Circuits to that of the National Council of Churches, there be organised prayer and study groups to consider the causes of the present international tension and what is the will of God for followers of Jesus Christ in this situation.

We call upon our people to recognise afresh their kinship with all other peoples of the earth, seeing them as equally subject with ourselves to the moral law of God, and equally under His Fatherly providence and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Whatever tensions exist, do so within the world family, and ought to be seen in terms of our essential kinship.

We call upon all our people to continue to assist in every way open to them in the restoration of lands shattered by warfare; peoples displaced and in want because of the effects of war, and backward people who need generous and brotherly assistance from their more technically developed neighbours.

In particular, we call upon all our people and upon the Government of New Zealand to offer full support to Korean relief; to support enthusiastically the Colombo Plan for the economic development of under developed countries, and to offer asylum to such displaced persons as those who, through age or disability, will not be able to make much economic contribution to New Zealand, but who, nevertheless, have a right to claim our Christian compassion and help.

Above all, we call upon our people not to surrender to pessimism and hatred, prejudice nor hasty judgment, but to "seek peace and pursue it" with all men.

10. **State Aid for Private Schools:** Conference re-affirms its opposition to any extension of State Aid for private schools. It is aware of the determined efforts being made to undermine the present system of our national education by which education is free and unsectarian; and calls upon the Government and all people called Methodists to resist strongly all such attempts towards the further appropriation of public funds for these purposes.

11. That the representatives on the Inter-Church Council be the Chairman of the Wellington District, Rev. J. D. Grocott, and Mr. A. E. Hurley. Proxy, Rev. W. S. Dawson.

12. That the usual grant of £20 be made from the Contingent Fund.

13. **Christian View of Capitalism and Communism:** That Conference give general approval to the Statement and commend it to our people for study.

14. That the Committee for 1952 be: The Chairman of the District, Revs. F. J. Handy, J. D. Grocott, W. H. Greenslade, M. A. McDowell, R. F. Clement, W. S. Dawson, W. M. Garner, R. Grice, J. H. Woolford, Mrs. E. O. Chapman, Miss R. McBride, Messrs. D. Hay, A. E. Hurley, H. W. Kelly, M. R. Jones, G. Briggs, G. C. Burton, N. Marris, A. R. Low, R. Hardie Boys, Dr. W. A. Brooker. Convener: J. D. Grocott



# Christian View of Capitalism and Communism

The Christian view of man is that he was created in order that he may know worship and serve God and live in fellowship with his fellow men. This relationship between men must therefore reflect this view by emphasising the inherent value of every individual by establishing social institutions which are an expression of human fellowship, and by using the material resources of the world responsibly and honestly for the satisfaction of the needs of all men. Christianity believes that spiritual values are far more important than the production and consumption of wealth; but it also emphasises that economic activities provide a field in which men can fulfil (or fail to fulfil) the will of God.

Christians believe that all present social, political and economic systems, being human, contain sinful elements and therefore come under the judgment of God; that even the best systems fail to achieve the Christian ideal for human society, and that Christian men must live in the light of the ideal and hope of the consummation of the Kingdom of God.

Of all the various forms of social organisation existing in the modern world, there are two extreme forms which stand in opposition to each other, namely Capitalism and Communism.

## COMMUNISM.

Communism is not easy to define. There was a form of Christian Communism, or Communalism, in New Testament days, and from time to time other attempts have been made, right up to the present day, to establish small local societies, the members of which "hold all things in common." Quantitatively these experiments have not been significant, and they are very different from what is now generally known as Communism. The social-political-economic system with which we are concerned derives from the writings of Karl Marx, Frederick Engels, and others, who believed:—

- (a) That there is an irreconcilable conflict between the interests of the wealth-owning class (employers, property-owners), ("capitalists"), and the property-less employees (the "proletariat");
- (b) that this conflict becomes progressively more acute, and that in the course of achieving the classless society the proletariat will, in desperation, overthrow their oppressors by force and establish a new system in which the proletariat will rule absolutely, the means of production will be owned by the State (thereby eliminating the capitalist class), and all economic, social and political activities will be directed by the State;
- (c) The distinction between right and wrong is based on the belief that economic factors determine human life and history. Such distinction is merely one of expediency: if a thing or an idea conforms to the Communist viewpoint or contributes to the Communist goal, it is right; if not, it is wrong;
- (d) That all religion and Christianity in particular, is an illusion, based on a false perception of reality. There is, therefore, diametrical opposition between the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and Communism. The fulfilment of the Communist programme requires the complete eradication of religion, although, where expedient, there may be a temporary toleration. Christianity being both a product and a tool of corrupt and decadent bourgeois capitalism, must be destroyed.

Since these ideas were first formulated, several attempts have been made to put them into practice, the most important being that which began in Russia in 1917 and led to the formation of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics (U.S.S.R.). Since then the U.S.S.R. although not yet a completely Marxian system, has become the model for Communist societies and also the focus of an international Communist movement designed to undermine the political systems of other countries by every possible means, and to replace them with totalitarian regimes after the Russian model. Their methods are propaganda, infiltration, "fifth columns," industrial strife, and in some cases even military action. Communists' agents are present probably in every country, particularly in countries where there is poverty, political instability, economic insecurity and racial discontent. There the Communist seed falls on fertile ground. In some countries they have been successful, but so far their success has been confined to several of Russia's neighbours (the "Iron Curtain" countries) which were economically backward and politically unstable. In the post-war turmoil of Europe they came close to control of France and Italy. They have lent their support to indigenous revolutionary movements in China and Korea and South-East Asia. In fact the whole non-Communist world is on the defensive against aggressive Communism in a grim "cold war."

The Christian attitude to this form of pagan, violent materialism should be obvious. It is simply impossible for a person to be a Christian and a Communist in the sense described above. On the other hand the Christian should not have a closed mind on this subject, blind to the possibility of extenuating circumstances (e.g., the fact that Russia in 1917 was ripe for revolution of some sort) or of the existence of perhaps a few favourable features of the Russian and Chinese social systems under Communist control (e.g., many people will agree that there are virtues in state ownership of the means of production, which is one of the attributes of Communism). In so far as the ideal of Marxist Communism is improve economic organisation in backward countries, to encourage education and health and good local government, to remove racial discrimination and to redistribute wealth more equitably, it deserves at least the understanding sympathy of Christians.

It should be borne in mind that the peoples who have embraced the doctrines of Communism and embarked on political and economic revolutions are children of God seeking for justice, misguided and sponsors of an anti-Christian ideology though they be.

But these more acceptable attributes of Communism are not peculiar to it—and unfortunately they are over-shadowed by the unacceptable characteristics we have outlined earlier.

When all this has been said, however, it must be remembered that Communism is also a faith which inspires. Its appeal is not only to the disinherited, but also to the visionary. As a faith, it has filled a vacuum which a full orb'd Christianity would never have allowed to appear. The primary responsibility of the Christian Church is to present a richer, stronger and truer faith.

### CAPITALISM.

Though the Christian condemnation of Communism must be quite emphatic, yet this must not be assumed to constitute an approval of the opposite extreme in the range of possible economic and social systems—namely capitalism. As an economic system, capitalism is based on private ownership (as distinct from collective or state ownership) of the means of production, i.e., the land, buildings, machinery,



and equipment. This means also that each person is free to choose, as best he can, what part he shall play in the economic system; and that the decisions which determine what is produced and how and where, and how goods and services shall be bought and sold, are made by individuals or groups of individuals with a minimum of interference by the state. The assumption is that the aggregate of independent decisions will be such that economic resources will be used in the best possible way, and that rewards in the form of income will be fairly distributed according to merit. Reliance is placed on the competitive spirit, private enterprise, supply and demand to ensure a smoothly running, progressive economy.

There are aspects of capitalism which must be condemned. Capitalism claims that in the competitive struggle, only the fittest survive; but fitness to survive in the economic struggle is not always related to ethical values, or to ability or wisdom, or to physical effort. Rather the people who "survive" (i.e., who obtain the highest money incomes) are often the aggressive, shrewd, and unscrupulous ones whose objective is primarily to make money. At the same time many worthy people find themselves in a weak economic position, dependent on other people for employment and never sure of a regular income. There are many over-paid people, some of them wielding a dangerous power; and there are many under-paid people, insecure and frustrated. One of the most obvious defects of capitalism is thus its tendency to produce a degree of inequality of wealth, income, opportunity and privilege which cannot be justified. It does not provide regular and stable employment for everyone. Too often human needs are sacrificed to the pursuit of profit. Modern industry can be impersonal and inhuman. Capitalism, by its monetary standard of success, can contribute to a secularism as godless in practice as Communism is in theory and practice. In the international sphere, capitalism has been sometimes associated with imperialism and the exploitation of backward countries, resulting in the revolt of many Colonial peoples. So with all its virtues capitalism falls short of achieving economic justice. It is an "acquisitive society," based on self-interest and individualism. These attributes of capitalism are not acceptable from a Christian viewpoint.

On the other hand, there can be no reasonable doubt that other attributes of capitalism are desirable ones. A substantial degree of private ownership of wealth; reliance on individual initiative; the competitive spirit (in moderation); differential rewards for skill, responsibility, and effort; letting supply and demand react on price and thus influence the pattern of production—all these things can and usually do contribute, though imperfectly, to human welfare by stimulating production and improving general living standards. In fact the high living standards which we enjoy, and the improvement in the living standards of backward countries, have been made possible largely through the application of scientific knowledge and methods to the problems of producing and distributing wealth; and this has been done mainly by "capitalists." Attempts by the opponents of capitalism to modify it by introducing some government planning or control are not invariably successful, depending on the wisdom of the legislators and the skill of the administrators.

### CONCLUSION.

In a modern democracy the choice is not between communism and capitalism. These are merely the extremes. Somewhere between them there is a workable society which combine the virtues of both while



avoiding their errors—a society in which there is a well-balanced mixture of private ownership and state ownership, of private enterprise and state planning, of progress and security; in which everyone will have incentive to work well and the assurance of reasonable—but not excessive rewards; in which there are adequate safeguards against the excessive concentration of power in the hands of any person or group of persons. The modern economic-social-political problem is to establish such a society. Some progress in this direction has already been made in the 20th century, in the growing concept of the “welfare state” which seeks to remedy some of the worst defects of capitalism. We are gradually learning by experience to obtain the best practicable balance between private and state enterprise.

The report of the Amsterdam Conference 1948 significantly and appropriately states—

“The Christian churches should reject the ideologies of both Communism and laissez-faire capitalism, and should seek to draw men away from the false assumption that these extremes are the only alternatives. Each has made promises which it could not redeem. Communist ideology puts the emphasis upon economic justice, and promises that freedom will come automatically after the completion of the revolution. Capitalism puts the emphasis upon freedom, and promises that justice will follow as a by-product of free enterprise; that, too, is an ideology which has been proved false. It is the responsibility of Christians to seek new, creative solutions which never allow either justice or freedom to destroy the other.”

## B—Temperance Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The past year has shown the full effect of the operations of the Licensing Act which was claimed to remove many of the anomalies in the licensing law. It will be remembered that both parties in the House claimed that the position would improve, but after the first full year of operations, it is obvious that the position is worse. Trust Control, if the intentions of the Government are carried out, will, we believe, tend to entrench more firmly the sale of liquor. The position concerning Trust Control is chaotic, and unless serious amendments are introduced, will tend to confirm a greater control of the liquor industry in the hands of the wholesale and brewing interests. The Licensing Control Commission has tended to disregard the expressed wishes of electors in the granting of licenses, or else has granted licenses without first securing the views of electors. The statements of responsible Ministers of the Crown over the King Country cause grave concern to Maori and European leaders alike. We believe that Synods should carefully examine the position in their own districts so that the strongest representations may be made to the Government.

The granting of a license at Eastbourne giving electors the right to vote on the method of control without first asking them to vote on the principle is a case that has received wide publicity. We are glad to note that the result of the poll was not sufficient to enable the Borough to proceed with the establishment of a municipal Trust. We strongly affirm that before a license is granted, there should be a poll of all electors on the licensing issue before any referendum on the method of control.

The decision of the Government that those desiring Trust Control must make their own arrangements for finance may throw the



control into the hands of the trade. In Masterton, it was proposed to issue a large number of debentures to the public, but we understand that so far no issue has been made. Trust Control was designed to remove the incentive of private profit, but the method of finance now proposed may re-introduce what has always been an unsatisfactory feature in the sale of liquor.

It is a matter for regret that there is yet no clear picture of the position in the King Country. Rev. A. J. Seamer forwarded to the Committee a petition signed by Maori leaders representing some 2,000 Maoris protesting against a canteen at Mangakino. It was pointed out to the Maori people that this was provided for in the Licensing Act, but we cite the petition to show the grave concern that Maori leaders are taking at the constant encroachments on what they regard as their traditional rights. It has been stated by a responsible Minister of the Crown that he does not consider that there is either a moral or a legal obligation on the Government to continue the proclamation over the King Country.

Close contact has been maintained with the Presbyterian Temperance Committee. It is regretted that it was impossible to hold the joint conference authorised last year. The lack of response from other churches was disappointing. It has been decided therefore to concentrate this year on the preparation of a comprehensive agenda for a conference in May, 1952.

The Committee has been in touch with the Departments of Psychology of the University Colleges, and has obtained a comprehensive list of recent literature on the psychological bases of intemperance. This has been handed to Dr. Gordon Parker who hopes to complete a study in time for May next year. In the course of our investigations, we learned that one of the most experienced psychologists in New Zealand is working on the problem of intemperance among the Maoris.

The search for educational material still proceeds. The Committee has referred to the Youth Board a recent sound film from the University of Chicago, prepared by the Professor of Physiology of the Chicago Medical School. The possibility of preparing and publishing strip film with a New Zealand background has been investigated. Difficulty has been found in getting expert educational advice, but the Committee hopes to do something along this line in conjunction with the Presbyterian Committee.

Last Conference, the Alliance submitted resolutions concerning amendments to the ballot paper. The resolution was:—

“That we request the Government to provide:

- (1)- That State Purchase and Control be eliminated and that there be a triennial Poll on a two-issue ballot paper, Continuance or Prohibition.

OR

- (2) That the issue of State Purchase and Control be eliminated from the triennial ballot paper and a special referendum be taken on Continuance or National Trust Control, and if the latter is carried that thereafter the vote be taken triennially on Prohibition or Trust Control, but if the latter is not carried at the special Poll, then thereafter the triennial vote be on Continuance or Prohibition.”

The Committee has considered this resolution of the Alliance and has had the benefit of the opinions of other church leaders. It is obvious that the present three issue ballot paper is misleading, and

the introduction of a fourth issue even on a separate ballot paper will tend to create even greater confusion. The Committee believes that the licensing issue should be between Continuance and Prohibition, and that only after this issue is decided in an election should any referendum on method of control be submitted. We cannot see any practicability in seeking a national referendum on Trust Control—the economics of the position is perhaps the strongest argument. But after Continuance is carried on a two issue ballot paper, then, we think that any district desiring Trust Control should seek a separate referendum in that district only. In saying this, the Committee is not committing itself to Trust Control as a policy, but is seeking to preserve to the electors their democratic right to decide these matters for themselves.

L. B. NEALE, Chairman.

A. H. IVORY, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference invites the Temperance Committees of other Churches to a further conference so that a concerted educational policy can be formulated and a method of law enforcement discussed: That the New Zealand Alliance be invited in a consultative capacity.
3. That Conference believes that a two-issue ballot paper is the only way of deciding the question of liquor control, and that only after Continuance is carried should matters of ownership and control be submitted.
4. That Conference again stresses the right of the electors to decide whether a license should be granted in their district, and urges the Government to provide that where it is proposed to grant a license, a poll of all electors be held to decide on the principle before any poll on methods of ownership.
5. That Conference request the New Zealand Alliance to press for amendments to the appropriate licensing laws with regard to the operations of Trusts, their control and finances.
6. That Conference thanks the Rev. Gordon Parker for agreeing to undertake the preparation of study on the psychologic and social causes of intemperance and requests the Committee to pursue its investigations.
7. That Conference deplors the organised attempts made to discredit six o'clock closing which principle was re-affirmed by an overwhelming majority at the 1950 Referendum, and assures the Government of its continued wholehearted approval of the measure.
8. That Conference views with concern the continued disregard of the laws regarding the sale and distribution of alcoholic liquor, particularly those relating to after-hour trading. It calls upon the Government to provide for a more rigid observance of the existing laws and the re-enforcement of the wartime regulations respecting after-hour trading.
9. **King Country Licensing:** Remembering the assurances which early missionaries gave Maori chiefs that in all treaties and agreements they could trust the Christian conscience of the British Crown, and that over 100 years ago our own missionaries went first into the area, known later as the King Country, this Conference, being the highest court of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, dare not fail to declare its abhorrence of the Government's proposal to nullify the



King Country no licence proclamations and submit to a combined poll of Maori and Pakeha residents, the future status of that area.

After exhaustive enquiry the 1945 Royal Commission on Licensing declared the Maori vote to be crucial on this question when it stated: "If the Maori people decide against open Licences, the Europeans cannot complain . . . , the Europeans came into the King Country knowing the nature of the present restrictions and they must await the decision of the Maori residents."

In view of the principle thus established, Conference finds the new proposal repugnant to its sense of Christian justice and regards it as a serious breach of faith, degrading the concept of democracy by using it to camouflage an attempt to abrogate an inter-racial agreement.

To Pakeha residents of the King Country, licensing is a matter of mere convenience and commerce; to the Maori people it is a vital question of racial, physical and spiritual welfare. In approving this resolution, Conference trusts that the fair name of New Zealand will never be besmirched by such a calculated breach of faith with a racial minority. It is in effect a unilateral renunciation of an agreement which is treasured by the other party as vital to its moral and spiritual welfare.

10. That the Connexional Temperance Committee for 1952 be:—  
Revs. J. K. Watson, A. E. Tardif, E. J. Carter, Messrs. A. L. Stanton, C. Chirnside, H. H. Johnson, A. S. Hancock, Mrs. Dickinson, with power to add. Corresponding Members: Revs. D. J. D. Hickman, A. P. Dorrian, A. H. Ivory, E. Te Tuhi, and H. A. Darvill. Convener to be appointed by the District Executive.

**QUESTION XXXVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Church and other Properties?**

**A.—GENERAL REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.**

The following table summarises the financial activities of Trusts in respect to our Church properties:—

**1.—Trust Accounts.**

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
Credit Balance from Last Year—General Account .....		33,917	11	10
Balance from last year held for Special Purposes .....		194,231	6	0
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund .....		4,750	0	0
Loans from Other Sources .....		19,186	0	0
All Other Receipts .....		161,738	10	7
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>		<b>413,823</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Debit Balances .....</b>		<b>12,498</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>£426,321</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>

## EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Debit Balance from last year .....	17,103	15	1
Loan Fund Instalments .....	4,663	9	2
Other Loans Repaid .....	9,437	10	10
Interest on Loans and on Bank Overdraft .....	2,328	16	11
Purchase of Land, Erection or Additions to Buildings .....	79,686	8	3
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc. ....	76,003	12	8
<b>Total Expenditure</b> .....	<b>188,623</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>
Credit Balances .....	34,073	16	10
Balances held for Special Purposes .....	203,424	9	4
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>£426,321</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>

### 2.—Statement of Debt.

	£	s.	d.
Mortgage Debt at end of previous year .....	75,263	4	7
Add New Loans received during year .....	27,420	5	0
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>£102,683</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>
Deduct Loans Repaid during year .....	14,181	8	1
Amount of Mortgage Debt at end of year .....	£88,502	1	6

3.—Total of Fire Insurances .....

	£1,555,800	18	0
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Several District Secretaries for Church Property report a number of errors in property schedules received, and difficulty in reconciling returns submitted. Circuit Superintendents should co-operate with their Trust Treasurers more carefully in respect to this matter.

Fuller reference is made to general property matters in the report of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

H. L. FIEBIG,

Christchurch,                      General Secretary for Church Property.  
21st September, 1951.

### 4.—District Secretaries for Church Property.

Auckland—Mr. S. E. Chappell, 27 Balmoral Rd., Epsom, Auckland.  
 South Auckland—Mr. W. B. L. Williams, 60 River Road, Hamilton.  
 Taranaki-Wanganui—Mr. J. Drake, 22 Muir St., Gonville, Wanganui.  
 Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—Mr. Gordon E. Bisson, Box 40, Napier.  
 Wellington—Mr. S. N. Roberts, Box 62, Wellington.  
 Nelson—Mr. H. Oldham, 24 Leitrim Street, Blenheim.  
 North Canterbury—Mr. J. W. Hillary, Box 552, Christchurch.  
 South Canterbury—Mr. P. G. Woodnorth, Box 254, Timaru.  
 Otago-Southland—Mr. J. McIndoe, 17 James Street, Dunedin.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That thanks be tendered to the District Secretaries for their services and that the appointments for 1952 be as named in the Report.
3. That where moneys are raised for special purposes, they should not be used temporarily for other purposes, as such breach of trust involves the trustees in personal liability.
4. That all moneys held in Trust for special purposes be invested only in those securities authorised by the "Trustees Act, 1908," or its amendments. (See Minutes, 1940, page 90.)



# B—Church Building and Loan Committee

## ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The report herewith submitted reveals a great deal of progressive work being carried on in all Synodal Districts. It is not a mere tabulation of figures which is given but rather a statement of the spiritual faith and activity of our people. The purchase of land, the erection of Churches, Sunday Schools, Community Centres and Parsonages—all this speaks of a vital faith in the continued work and witness of the Church. The actual value of work taken in hand during the year under review is hard to assess in exact figures, but must be in the vicinity of £70,000. That of course is in reference to expenditure, actual or envisaged, on property only. Translated, as it should be, into spiritual terms it is an impressive witness to the vital faith of a living, working Church.

### Loans Current.

The Committee has been embarrassed this year by the number of applications for interest-free loans. It has tried to distribute its resources in such a way as to do the greatest good for the greatest number, and regrets that in some cases Trusts have had to wait for an advance. A number of Trusts which have been in the position to do so have prepaid loans. This has been greatly appreciated and has been of considerable assistance. In this connection mention is made of the following:—Auckland Central Mission (Hospital), Richmond Avenue, Te Kopuru, Kawhia, Ashhurst, Karori, East Belt, Cashmere, Palmerston, Caversham, and Maori Hill.

The amount on loan at present is £19,754/16/2 advanced to 70 Trusts. A detailed statement has been supplied to each Synod showing loans current in the District. A summary of the position is as follows:—Auckland, £8,009/19/7; South Auckland, £2,134/5/3; Taranaki-Wanganui, £833/15/-; Hawke's Bay-Manawatu, £2,811/5/6; Wellington, £839/13/3; Nelson, £259/0/6; North Canterbury, £2,506/4/1; South Canterbury, £129/16/3; Otago-Southland, £2,239/16/9.

New Loans advanced during the year are as follows:—Mt. Roskill £500, Mission Bay £500, Birkenhead £1,000, Tauranga £500, Sanson £1,000, Bryndwr £1,000, Roslyn £250. Total £4,750. Applications for loans which have not yet been advanced total £10,800.

**Arrears.** The buoyant finances of Trusts in general is revealed in the gratifying fact that there are no cases of arrears to be reported. No solution of the position of St. Clair, Dunedin, has yet been found, however.

**Sites Fund.** To assist in the purchase of new sites the following grants have been made: Onerahi (Whangarei) £50, Mt. Maunganui £50, Himintangi Beach £50, Christchurch Central Mission (Pars.) £75, Hills Road (Christchurch) £25, Oamaru South £50, Forbury Corner (Dunedin) £100. Total £400.

**Publications.** The following are in course of preparation and should be available for use in 1952: (a) A standard set of account books for Circuit Stewards and Trust Treasurers. What will be issued will be something that is simple yet comprehensive enough for use in all Circuits. (b) A handbook on Church Architecture, freely and suitably illustrated, dealing with basic principles to be observed

in preparation for the erection of Churches, Sunday Schools and Parsonages.

**District Advisory Committees**, consisting of the Chairman, District Secretary for Church Property, together with at least one other minister and one layman, are to be nominated to Conference by each Synod.

**Central Committee.** (a) The work of the Committee would be facilitated if among a number of ministers and laymen there were a better appreciation of its function and also a clearer understanding of the powers of trustees. There is definite need for clarity on both of these matters. Under our constitution, based on the Model Deed, local trustees are appointed, and given certain powers. They have no power, however, to buy, sell, or mortgage property nor to erect or alter Church buildings without the consent of Conference. In view of the fact that Conference meets only annually it appoints a Standing Committee to act in its name and on its behalf. That committee is the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, which reports annually to Conference what it has approved on its behalf. On the other hand, Trustees do not act solely on behalf of a local congregation. They are Trustees on behalf of the whole Church—to which they are responsible. A clearer understanding of these facts would avoid confusion and some unnecessarily complicated situations.

(b) One project, the purchase of a property at Te Atatu, was completed before full information had been submitted to the Committee. The proposal had the approval of the District Executive, but the Committee was in a position to receive the information only.

(c) **Personnel.** The following Committee for 1952 is nominated to Conference:—Connexional Secretary, District Chairman, Revs. E. Drake, A. M. Costain, A. O. Harris, V. R. Jamieson and W. T. Blight, Messrs. H. de R. Fleisher (Lay Treasurer), H. J. S. Harrington, W. Melville Lawry, R. A. Marsh, A. G. Harris, L. A. Swift, C. A. Waters.

### SALES.

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of the following properties. If not acted upon by the 31st January, 1953, the sanction will lapse.

#### Auckland District.

- Murrays Bay: 32.7 per., £300. Proceeds for new section at Rothersey Bay.
- Manurewa: Exchange (approx. 20ft.).

#### South Auckland.

- Claudlands: 27.5 per., £665. Proceeds for rebuilding scheme.
- Mt. Maunganui: 21.88 per., £775. Proceeds for new Church.
- Thames: Tennis Courts, £1,725. Proceeds for rebuilding scheme.

#### Taranaki-Wanganui.

- Omata: Church (only), £100. Proceeds for developmental work in district.
- Normanby: Hall (only), £360. Proceeds for Church rebuilding scheme at Normanby.
- Douglas: Parsonage, £420. Proceeds, half each for Church renovations at Douglas and new Parsonage at Patea (G.P.T.).
- Tataraimaka Church: Use of timber at Okato.

#### Hawke's Bay-Manawatu.

- Feilding: Parsonage and 1 section, £1,700. Proceeds for new Parsonage.
- Rongotea: Building and Site (ex-Prim.), £260. Proceeds for new S.S.



### Wellington.

Youth Director's Parsonage: £2,650. Proceeds for new Parsonage.  
Otaki Beach: 1 rd., £200. Proceeds for new S.S. at Otaki.  
Eketahuna: 2 acres, £125. Proceeds for capital expenditure on Church property.

### Nelson.

Granity: Parsonage, £450. Proceeds for developmental work in the area.

### North Canterbury.

Madras Street: 36.4 per., £400. Proceeds, with Church Building, for use at Hills Road, Shirley.

### South Canterbury.

Fairton: 2 roods, £3/5/-.

### Otago-Southland.

Coal Creek: 20 per., £40.

Bluff: Parsonage, £1,200. Proceeds for new Parsonage.

Leases.—Nil.

Mortgages.—Nil.

### LAND PURCHASES.

The following purchases of land have been approved:

#### Auckland.

Te Kopuru: 1 rood, £200.

Rothesay Bay: 1 rood, £300.

Astley House (addit.): 2 roods 29.9 per., £1,000.

Onerahi (Whangarei): 2 roods 0.19 per., £280.

Ruawai: 1-5th acre, £75.

Waipapa: 29.5 per. (Gift).

#### South Auckland.

Mt. Maunganui: (a) 1 rood 30 per., £340; (b) 34.5 per., £225.

#### Taranaki-Wanganui.

Opunake: 1 rood, £75.

Eltham (Pars.): 32 per. (Gift).

Waitara: 23.7 per. (Gift).

#### Hawke's Bay-Manawatu.

Hastings (St. Aubyns): 1 rood 5 per., £700.

#### Wellington:

Upper Hutt: 33 per., £340.

#### South Canterbury.

Oamaru South: 2 roods, £300.

#### Otago-Southland:

Fairfield: 1 rood 10 per., £175.

Riselaw: 29.71 per., £300.

Forbury Corner: 19.6 per., £1,270.

### PURCHASES, ERECTION AND ALTERATION OF BUILDINGS.

Approval has been given as under.

In so many cases estimates of costs are so general that figures have not been included in this report.

(P., purchase; E., Erection; A., Alteration or addition.)

#### Auckland District.

P. Pitt Street: Parsonage (Grafton Road) (on Land Lease).

E. Hikurangi: Sunday School.

- E. Weka Weka: Church Hall.
- A. Dargaville: Infant Room.
- A. Pukekohe: Sunday School.
- A. Waitangi Road: Infant Room.

**South Auckland.**

- P. Rotorua: Dwelling (for Parsonage).
- E. Hamilton East: Youth Centre (Gift).
- E. Morrinsville: Church.

**Taranaki-Wanganui.**

- E. Eltham: Parsonage.
- A. Gonville: Church.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu.**

- E. St. Paul's (P.N.): Youth Centre.
- A. Hastings: Youth Centre.
- E. Woodville: Sunday School.
- E. Foxton Beach: Church Hall.
- E. Roslyn (P.N.): Church Hall.
- E. Himitungi: Church Hall.

**Wellington.**

- A. Plimmerton: Church.
- E. Pukerua Bay: Church Hall.
- A. Greytown: Parsonage.
- E. Taita (Hutt): Parsonage.
- E. Upper Hutt: Parsonage.
- E. Otaki: Sunday School.

**Nelson.**

- E. Lower Moutere: Sunday School.
- A. Stoke: Sunday School.
- E. Richmond: Sunday School and Kindergarten.

**North Canterbury.**

- P. Christchurch Central Mission: Parsonage.
- A. Wainoni: Church Hall.

**South Canterbury.**

- E. Oamaru North: Church Hall.

**Otago-Southland.**

- P. Bluff: Parsonage.
- A. Invercargill North: Church Hall.

**SUMMARY.**

The following summary sets out briefly the main building activities within the Church during the year to which approval has been given:—

- (a) In 9 instances land has been sold that has not been required for our purposes. 6 Parsonages, 4 Churches and 1 Hall have been sold, having outlived their usefulness.
- (b) 16 new sites have been acquired (or purchase approved) as distinct from (c).
- (c) Work has been approved for 3 new Churches, 11 new Halls, and 6 new Parsonages.
- (d) Additions have been approved in respect to 3 Churches, 6 Halls, and 1 Parsonage.

H. J. ODELL, Chairman.  
H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

Christchurch, 30/6/51.

**RESOLUTION.**

That the Report be received and adopted.



#### 5. District Advisory Committees.

That the District Property Advisory Committees be as named, together with the District Property Secretaries and the Chairmen of Districts as members ex-officio. Convener in each case—District Chairman.

#### AUCKLAND:

(a) Revs. J. C. Draper and A. E. Jefferson, Messrs. J. Tyler and H. M. Patrick.

(b) Northland—Rev. J. H. Allen, Messrs. W. J. Court, A. H. M. Farrell, and S. Oldcorn.

#### SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Ministers of Hamilton, Hamilton East Circuits, Messrs. W. A. Smith, and W. B. Young.

#### TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Rev. W. H. Gregory, Messrs. K. F. Andrews, M. S. Hughson, L. M. Moss.

#### HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Revs. T. H. Carr, W. R. Laws and L. Greenslade, Messrs. A. H. Fisher, C. V. Woodfield, L. A. Davis, J. P. Boyd, and J. H. Oldham.

#### WELLINGTON:

Rev. W. M. Garner, Mr. T. M. Pacey.

#### NELSON:

Revs. A. O. Jones and C. T. J. Luxton, Messrs. J. S. White and F. Southgate.

#### NORTH CANTERBURY: Nil.

#### SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Rev. W. W. Avery, Messrs. H. C. B. Withell and A. L. Hudson.

#### OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Revs. G. R. H. Peterson and A. R. Witheford, Messrs. A. S. Froggatt, R. T. Sando and E. McLeod.

## C—Report of Custodian of Deeds—1951

In this department the following work has been carried out during the year ending June 30th.

### 1. New Trusts.

The following new trusts have been registered:—

Auckland District—Tamaki, Glen Eden (Parsonage), Te Atatu, Waipapa, Weka Weka, Orewa, Hikurangi, Onerahi, Papatotetoe (Parsonage).

South Auckland—District Youth Council.

Taranaki-Wanganui—Westown (N.P.), (Parsonage), Eltham (Parsonage).

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—St. Aubyns (Hastings), Roslyn (P.N.).

Wellington—Waiwhetu.

Nelson—Lower Moutere, District Youth Council.

North Canterbury—Christchurch Central Mission, Woodend (Parsonage).

South Canterbury—Oamaru South.

### 2. Deeds.

Deeds have been received for property in connection with the following Trusts:—

Auckland District—Astley Home, Papakura, Three Kings, Mangere East.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—Himitangi Beach.

North Canterbury—Greendale, Sockburn.  
 South Canterbury—Oamaru South.  
 Otago-Southland—Dundas Street.

### 3. Trustees.

Changes in the personnel of Trusts have been registered as follows:—

District.	Trusts.	Removals.	Registrations.
Auckland	34	40	128
South Auckland	26	50	67
Taranaki-Wanganui	18	30	60
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	14	29	49
Wellington	15	42	44
Nelson	9	16	28
North Canterbury	16	28	48
South Canterbury	9	13	25
Otago-Southland	16	47	36
<b>Totals</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>485</b>

### Trustees not registered.

It is necessary to draw the attention of District Chairmen, Circuit Superintendents and Trust Secretaries to the fact that there have been many cases during the year where persons have been acting as trustees without being registered in the Connexional office. Our law states that no person may act as a trustee until he has been so registered. Those concerned should take immediate steps to see that the list of trustees entered in the Circuit Schedule book is checked with the official register and brought up-to-date.

H. L. FIEBIG,

Christchurch, 30/6/51.

Custodian of Deeds.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

**QUESTION XXXVII.—What is the Condition of the various Mission, Educational, and General Connexional Properties and Investments?**

#### 1.—THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND.

The Board has pleasure in reporting on a satisfactory year. The revenue is up £25, but the total general expenses are up £509, largely due to the extensive roof work required to be done at Probert Chambers. We have, however, been able to further reduce the mortgage by £1,000, which now stands at £29,900.

The contribution to Trinity College was £400. Work on the fire escapes for Probert Chambers was delayed to the end of the year, so these payments are carried over to next year.

During the year consideration has been given at the request of the Auckland Central Mission to the sale of Probert Chambers to the Mission. In view of the fact that the Mission can provide a more satisfactory plan for the future building and that our Trust would be relieved of the heavy mortgage and thus enable it to contribute at least a further £900 per year to Trinity College, we have agreed to negotiate for the sale to the Mission at valuation, providing Conference approves.

The Trust regrets to report the resignation for health reasons of Dr. Ranston, who has been a valued member for over 20 years, and the loss by death of Mr. S. C. Burton.



The members of the Trust are:—Revs. E. W. Hames, J. C. Draper, Mr. Justice Stanton, Messrs. A. E. Astley, J. H. Blackwell, P. Dellow, T. L. Hames, W. E. Lewisham, J. Tyler and F. M. Winstone.

JAS. TYLER, Chairman.

F. W. W. IZZARD, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That in view of the agreement between the Probert Trustees, the Trinity College Council and the Auckland Central Mission, together with the approval of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for the purchase of the Queen Street property at valuation by the Auckland Central Mission Trustees, Conference approves of an appeal in the coming year in Auckland, South Auckland, Hawke's Bay-Manawatu and Taranaki-Wanganui Districts.

That the appeal organisers be Revs. A. E. Orr and L. B. Neale.

### 2.—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST.

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1951.

The Board of Trustees has pleasure in presenting a brief report for the year. The tenancies of the Trust's shops and "People's Palace" (Salvation Army) are the same as last year, with the rents in a satisfactory position.

In compliance with the City Council's regulations, provision of fire escapes from the shops, all of which have residential accommodation, has become essential. The total liability is approximately £700, and included in the charge for maintenance this year is the amount of £280 which is the first payment made on the contract.

The Board has been pleased to again make a grant of £200 to Trinity Theological College, and a further sum of £2,000 has been paid in reduction of the Mortgage to the Bank of New Zealand. A total sum of £9,500 has now been paid off the mortgage, leaving a principal sum of £10,500 still owing.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

PERCY DELLOW, Secretary.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

### 3.—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

### 4.—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS.

#### ANNUAL REPORT FOR CONFERENCE FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference the Annual Report and Accounts of the Board for the year ended 31st December, 1950.

#### Masterton Children's Home:

According to the usual practice, the Management Committee of the Home has reported direct to the Conference. The Board endorses the report and the recommendations contained therein, and records

its appreciation of the services of the members of the Management Committee, the Master and the Matron of the Home, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bateup, and their assistants, Misses Fell and Potter.

It is indeed gratifying to observe the family atmosphere which pervades the Home, and the obvious affection which the children have for the staff.

**Rangiatea Maori Girls' College:**

Messrs. A. E. Hurley and T. M. Pacey have continued to represent the Board on the College Board of Governors, whilst Mr. A. D. Priestley has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Mr. N. R. Seddon.

Once again we would express the hope that the Conference will give consideration to the development of the major scheme for the College so that a worthy contribution, beyond the scope of the present interim school, may be made towards the education of our Maori girls.

**Finance:**

Income from rents remained unchanged, whilst there was a small increase in investment income.

Total expenses were the same as last year, a reduction in general expenses being off-set by an increase in insurance following the revaluation of the Masterton Home.

Balance of general revenue amounted to £1,206, which was disbursed as follows:—

Grant, Rangiatea Maori Girls' College	.....	£600
Grant, Masterton Children's Home	.....	131
Depreciation, Masterton Home	.....	150
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		881
Balance transferred Capital Account	.....	325
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£1,206

In common with many similar bodies, the Board is experiencing difficulty in finding suitable avenues for investment, and the bulk of its funds are invested in Government Stocks returning only 3%. A further mortgage of £1,000 was repaid just at the close of the financial year, and accounts for the bank balance being higher than normal.

Bequests totalling £1,106/6/8 have been received on behalf of the Masterton Children's Home and transferred to the Capital Account of the Home in the books of the Board, bringing the balance in that account to £12,406/17/-.

**General:**

Reference was made in an interim report to the last Conference to the death of Mr. N. R. Seddon and to the retirement of the Rev. W. A. Burley, but as the interim report was not reproduced in the Minutes of the Conference, we desire to record our deep appreciation of the services which these two gentlemen rendered to the Board.

The Rev. G. H. Goodman was appointed to succeed the Rev. W. A. Burley as Chairman, and it is the unanimous wish of the Board that he be reappointed.

On behalf of the Board,

GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.  
J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

**RESOLUTION.**

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.



**5.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST.  
ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.**

On behalf of the Trustees of the Grey Institute Trust, I have pleasure in submitting the following Report:—

The past year has been one of the most active ever experienced by this Trust. The several blocks of land, within the area controlled by the Trust, which had been acquired for sub-divisional purposes, have created a considerable amount of additional work for the Trustees in arranging survey, formation of new streets, allocation of sections, approval of plans, legal documents, and the numerous other matters surrounding the sub-division and development of property.

The cost of carrying out this development has been considerable. Leases have had to be bought-in by the Trust, and the cost of survey, street formation, and legal formalities have all been substantial. Finance for this purpose has been obtained by way of loan from the Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board.

On the other hand, the increase in rentals in perpetuity will amount to approximately £400 per annum.

All the new sections have been taken up immediately they became available. Most of them already have dwellings erected thereon.

This development has resulted in a substantial increase in the annual rentals obtainable from the whole of the property administered by the Trust. Prior to this development the total annual rentals amounted to just over £600, whereas to-day the amount is in the vicinity of £1,050.

The Trustees now have under consideration the development of the one remaining sizeable block of land suitable for subdivisinal purposes, while several lessees who hold fairly large areas have subdivisinal schemes under consideration at the present time. Development of these will add still further to the annual rentals received.

The Board regrets to record the death during the year of William Francis Short, who had served as a Trustee continuously since his appointment in April, 1914.

For the Trustees,

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

**RESOLUTION.**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

**6.—THE METHODIST (NORTH ISLAND) REST HOUSE  
TRUST BOARD.**

**Trustees:** The Chairman of the District, the General Superintendent of Home Missions, the General Secretary of Foreign Missions, Rev. Dr. C. H. Laws, Rev. G. I. Laurenson, Mr. W. H. Cocker, Secretary-Treasurer: Mr. J. E. Nicholson, 31 Raurenga Avenue, Epsom, Auckland.

Financial Statement as at 31st March, 1951:	£	s.	d.
To Balance in Auckland Savings Bank Account, No. 7809—Brought Forward	510	15	5
Interest to 31st March, 1951	10	0	0
Credit Balance in Bank	£520	15	5

At last Synod the Trustees of this Board were requested to give consideration during the year to the possibility of merging its funds into the Auckland Central Mission with a view to fulfilment of the terms of the Trust. During the year I have had the opportunity of looking over "Astley House" with Rev. Everill Orr, and I am very impressed with the work being done there and the possibilities which may be available to the Rest Home Trustees in merging with the Central Mission work there.

Before calling the Trustees together I consulted Mr. W. H. Cocker, solicitor and one of our Trustees, and he was to look into the position for the Board to see if the Trustees had power to comply with the Synod's request.

Mr. Cocker and I have had several interviews since last year, but the matter has not yet been finalised and has now been further delayed by Mr Cocker's untimely accident, and it may be a while yet before this Board is able to give its consideration to the request.

J. E. NICHOLSON, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report and financial statement be received and adopted.

2. That the time for consultation between the Trustees and Central Mission over this property be extended.

**QUESTION XXXVIII.—What is the Report of the Board of Connexional Insurance?**

#### CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND BOARD.

##### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The Board is able to report a very satisfactory year's working. The audited Financial Statements are presented to Conference with this report.

**Additional Insurance:** During the current year new and additional insurance was written up for some 139 Trusts to the amount of £181,775. This indicates in the main that Trustees are taking in hand the important matter of seeing that the properties under their care are adequately insured. The steady increase in the amount of cover retained by the Fund after proportionate reinsurance has been effected, necessitates an increased appropriation for fire loss reserve and this is indicated under that heading.

**Claims:** Claims totalling £1,028/6/- were paid during the year, the nett loss to the Fund after re-insurance being only £56/15/3.

**Income:** The earned income from all sources totalled £3,750/4/10, made up as follows:—Premiums, less re-insurance, £2,070/3/3; Mortgage, Debenture and Deposit Interest, £1,680/1/7. After payment of office expenses £659/8/6 and fire loss £56/15/3, the amount transferred to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account was £3,034/1/1.

Adding to this the balance brought forward from last year, £1,908/17/2, the total is £4,942/18/3. Grants paid as approved by last Conference amounted to £1,611. The sum of £1,500 has been transferred to the Fire Loss Reserve, and £200 to the Investment Contingency Reserve. Grants recommended to Conference this year as set out below amount to £1,611. Transfers and anticipated grants thus amount to £4,922, leaving a net surplus of £20/18/3 to carry forward.

**Accumulated Funds and Reserves:** Accumulated Funds now stand at £33,500.



In view of the increased amount of insurance now being held, £1,500 (instead of the usual £1,000) has been added to the Fire Loss Reserve, making it now £10,615. To the Investment Contingency Reserve £200 has been added (instead of the customary £100), making a total of £1,216/2/2.

**Grants Recommended:** The following grants are recommended to Conference:—

Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund .....	£326
Home Mission Fund .....	200
Church Building and Loan Fund .....	200
"Methodist Times" .....	200
Foreign Mission Fund .....	150
Trinity Theological College .....	150
Youth Department .....	100
Natural Calamities Fund .....	100
Deaconess House .....	100
Church Sites Fund .....	50
Supernumerary Benevolent Fund .....	25
Maori Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund .....	10
	£1,611

**Insurance for Ministers and Voluntary Workers:** By the Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 1950, provision has now been made for the insurance of persons who are not "Workers" within the meaning of the Act, i.e. those who have no contractual relationship with an employer. By this Amending Act provision has been made for the insurance of such persons on a Statement of Wages being submitted to an Authorised Insurer, who may assess a premium to be paid by the person making the statement and requesting the cover. Thus advantage can be taken of the above-quoted section to cover ministers of religion and voluntary workers.

The procedure is for an estimate to be made of the value of these persons' services, this figure being taken as the equivalent of the wages to be paid, and the premium charged at so much per £100 of wages. In the case of ministers of religion, the premium rate has been set at 6/-, and in the case of other workers the rates are dependent on the particular type of work they undertake; for example, if a certain number of church workers formed themselves into a "Bee" for the erection of a church building, the estimated value of their services would be charged at the rate applicable for builders. Full information can be obtained from the Connexional Office, and Circuits are urged to avail themselves of this new provision.

**Board for 1952:** The following are nominated for 1952:—Connexional Secretary, Revs. E. Drake, W. T. Blight, H. J. Odell, Messrs. E. R. Caygill (Lay Treasurer), C. H. Perkins, A. A. Dingwall, W. H. Price, W. A. Bascand, and F. S. Allot.

EDWARD DRAKE, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION XXXIX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?

## Connexional Secretaryship Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1951

Last Conference designated the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A., for re-appointment by the 1951 Conference as Connexional Secretary for a further term of six years, commencing 1st February, 1952. The Committee now formally recommends that the appointment be made.

The staffing position during the year has been very satisfactory. Each year sees a steady increase in the volume and extent of the work carried through in the office. For example, in connection with the Methodist Times department the number of subscribers is almost 60% more than in 1941—which means a proportionate volume of detailed work and supervision. In respect to the Fire Insurance Fund, a comparison with the 1941 figures reveals an increase of approximately 70% in the amount of cover handled, with the consequent required attention to the detail involved. Similar development, although not to such a marked extent, is evident in connection with the Supernumerary Fund, the General Purposes Trust Fund and the Church Building and Loan Fund, as well as the more general aspects of the work of the office itself, which are many and varied.

The following appropriations are requested for the ensuing year:—Supernumerary and Allied Funds, £700; Fire Insurance Fund, £600; Church Building and Loan Fund, £380; "Methodist Times," £270; Contingent Fund, £260. Total, £2,210.

The following Committee is nominated for 1952:—Revs. H. J. Odell, A. M. Costain, W. T. Blight, H. L. Fiebig, Sir Ernest Andrews, Messrs. G. S. Salter, H. de R. Flesher, E. R. Caygill, A. H. Winstone, J. E. Purchase.

J. E. PURCHASE, Chairman.

Christchurch, 1/8/51.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A., be re-appointed Connexional Secretary for a further term of six years, commencing 1st February, 1952.

QUESTION XL.—What are the resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

### A.—REPORT OF COLLEGE COUNCIL, 1951.

It is with pride that we present this year's report, because of the splendid work being done by a record number of students and by the staff.

#### Students.

This year 35 students have been taking lectures, including two Congregational men. This is a record in the history of our Church. The Hostel has again had its full complement, and a very fine spirit exists throughout the whole Institution.

#### Gifts to Library.

Amongst a number of valuable gifts donated to the Library during the year special mention must be made of the magnificent



gift by Dr. Ranston of 200 volumes from his own library. Further volumes have also been added to the Alexander Reed memorial section. Full details of the individual gifts are given in a separate report.

#### **Finance.**

Rising costs have meant added worries for those in charge of the domestic arrangements, but the economical way in which the College is run is a credit to all concerned.

During the year the Council has given consideration to ways and means of meeting the extra costs entailed in training the larger number of men. An appeal has been made to Circuit Quarterly Meetings for an increase in the number of "Friends of Trinity College" to meet immediate liabilities. But something further will have to be done. The Council has decided to leave details of the appeal for a larger capital fund until after the return of the Principal from Britain.

#### **Brackenrig Memorial Lecture.**

This year's Lecture was given by Mr. Mervyn Rosser on April 25th. He was assisted by members of the Onehunga Methodist Junior Choir. The Lecture was an illustration of the new Methodist Sunday School Hymnal. There was a good attendance.

#### **The Staff.**

The Council records its appreciation of the manner in which the Principal has given such excellent service to the College, while at the same time carrying out his duties as President of the Conference and Chairman of the Auckland District. High praise is also due to Dr. Williams, upon whom many extra responsibilities have necessarily fallen, in view of the Principal's extra duties and his absence for some months overseas. On the eve of the Principal's departure a happy social function was held at the College, in which members of the Council and their wives and the students joined to bid Mr. and Mrs. Hames bon voyage. Revs. J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., and Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D., have rendered excellent service as tutors. Mrs. Williams has again made a great contribution in her handling of the College domestic arrangements, nor has Mrs. Hames spared herself.

#### **College Film.**

The Colour Film of the College, taken by Rev. B. H. Riseley, will be ready for screening at Conference or soon after. The Council warmly appreciates this contribution by Mr. Riseley, who has charged only the bare cost of the actual film used. The film should be most valuable in advertising the work and life of the College.

A. H. SCRIVIN, Chairman.

ATHOL R. PENN, Secretary.

#### **B.—REPORT OF THE ACTING-PRINCIPAL, 1951:**

Lectures have been given during the year to 35 students. Of these 27 are in residence, 5 are non-resident student pastors, 1 is a non-resident student on rehabilitation and two are private students both in residence. Methodist students in all categories total 33, and there are 2 Congregational students, 1 in residence and the other a student-pastor.

Fourteen of our students are attending lectures at Auckland University College.

The students have given themselves to their tasks with industry

and devotion, and the spiritual life of the College is a source of strength and encouragement to all. The Class Meeting has been revived as a feature of College life and is proving to staff and students alike the continuing activity of the Holy Spirit. Some of the Hostel men have been participating in the movement and this, together with their support of Chapel Services, has helped to draw the two sections of the residential college closer together.

The Principal, Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., left at the end of the first term to visit Australia and England. To ensure that the curriculum would be adequately covered, College opened a week earlier this year and during the first term, the time given to Biblical and Systematic Theology was doubled. The Principal conducted lectures in Biblical Theology (St. Paul) and in Systematic Theology (Holy Spirit, Church, Last Things, etc.).

Extension of the scope of lectures in previous years made it unnecessary for the Principal to lecture in Church History or Pastoral Theology (Worship, Circuit Organisation, etc.) this year. The Rev. Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D., has assisted us this year by lecturing in N.T. Introduction (Pauline Epistles, etc.). The visiting lecturer, Rev. J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., has taken N.T. Exegesis in two sections. To third year men he has taught N.T. Greek and has lectured on Exegesis from the Greek Text. He has conducted separate lectures for the first and second year men in Exegesis on the English Text. Mr. Lewis has also taken the Principal's class in Hebrew at the University. The Resident Tutor is teaching O.T. Studies (Wisdom Literature), Junior N.T. Greek, Intermediate N.T. Greek, Pastoral Theology I (Religious Education), Pastoral Theology II (Pastoral Practice). He also conducts the weekly Sermon Criticism Class and a class in Voice Production and Speech Training.

The Rev. G. I. Laurenson visited the College during the year and delivered an instructive lecture on the Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom.

The sermon criticism section of the work has been extended to cover Religious Broadcasts. This has been made possible by the gift of the Tape Recording Machine, by means of which the third year men are able to record a complete devotional service which is then replayed at the Sermon Criticism Class. We are greatly indebted to those whose contributions made this gift possible.

During the absence of the Principal the Resident Tutor has received the enthusiastic help and co-operation of the whole student body. The Senior Student, Mr. J. Penman, has undertaken many extra duties and has been of great assistance.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Acting-Principal.

### C.—TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1951.

In presenting the Annual Accounts of the Trinity College, I have to report that the year closed with a debit balance of £172/15/7.

During the year we have had a general increase in costs and an increase in wages, and I feel great credit is due to Dr. and Mrs. Williams for their careful administration and leadership and for the co-operation of the whole staff. Also I would like to thank the students for their assistance in doing many jobs which in no small measure conserved expenditure.

We wish to place on record our thanks to the various Trust Boards and Connexional Funds for their financial assistance and support to the College.



We also gratefully acknowledge the increasing support from friends of Trinity College and College Sunday, £329/8/9. This is an increase of £138/4/8 on the previous year. Through College Sunday, we would ask that all churches be made aware that we are training more men than ever before, and to train these men we must have increasing financial support.

We have formed a special Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. K. Lawry to organise and if possible to have an interested person in every church to enrol friends of Trinity, people who realise their responsibility and are prepared to give annually to further the training of our future ministers.

We anticipated a deficiency of £400, and it is gratifying that the College finances are in a much more favourable position than anticipated. However, we are committed to considerable expenditure in the immediate future in repairs to property and the renewal of furniture, etc., some of which has been delayed in the past year through shortages of material.

The College Council recommends to the Conference, the adoption of the Annual Accounts.

W. F. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

### D—TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

#### PROPOSED BUDGET

For the year ended 30th June 1952

						INCOME		
						£	s.	d.
Probert Trust Board	—	—	—	—	—	500	0	0
Emsly Trust	—	—	—	—	—	85	0	0
Contingent Fund	—	—	—	—	—	1400	0	0
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	—	—	—	—	—	150	0	0
Home Mission Fund	—	—	—	—	—	150	0	0
Foreign Mission Fund	—	—	—	—	—	75	0	0
College Sunday & Friends of Trinity College	—	—	—	—	—	1000	0	0
Collegiate Church	—	—	—	—	—	60	0	0
Congregational Church	—	—	—	—	—	50	0	0
Students' Contributions	—	—	—	—	—	30	0	0
Hostel Fees	—	—	—	—	—	3000	0	0
Pitt Street Trust	—	—	—	—	—	100	0	0
Prince Albert College Trust	—	—	—	—	—	300	0	0
Estimated Deficiency 30th June, 1952	—	—	—	—	—	446	0	0
						£7346	0	0
						EXPENDITURE		
Debit Balance, 30th June, 1951	—	—	—	—	—	172	0	0
House and Service	—	—	—	—	—	3900	0	0
Stipends and Allowances	—	—	—	—	—	1308	0	0
Tutors' Fees	—	—	—	—	—	150	0	0
Connexional Charges	—	—	—	—	—	146	0	0
Bursaries	—	—	—	—	—	216	0	0
Rates	—	—	—	—	—	200	0	0
Insurance	—	—	—	—	—	78	0	0
Telephones	—	—	—	—	—	52	0	0
University Fees	—	—	—	—	—	180	0	0
Furnishings	—	—	—	—	—	250	0	0
Repairs	—	—	—	—	—	600	0	0
			(£200 for 134 Grafton Road)					
Printing, Postages and Stationery	—	—	—	—	—	50	0	0
Advertising Church Services	—	—	—	—	—	8	0	0
Rent Board Room	—	—	—	—	—	15	0	0
Sundries	—	—	—	—	—	21	0	0
						£7346	0	0

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports, Budget and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That Rev. D. O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D., be re-appointed as Resident Tutor for a further term of six years.

3. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the excellent work being done at Trinity College, of the service rendered by the Principal, Resident Tutor and assistant tutors, and of the manner in which Dr. and Mrs. Williams have accepted extra responsibilities during the absence of the Principal and Mrs. Hames.

4. That the Treasurers of the Library, Prize and associated funds (the Principal and Mr. F. E. Sutherland) be thanked and be re-appointed.

5. (a) That in view of the increased number of students, Conference designate a minister as third member of the College staff for appointment in 1953.

(b) That the name of the Rev. J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., be commended to Synods and Conference of 1952 for appointment in this connection.

6. That the Council for 1952 be:—Revs. E. W. Hames, M.A. (Principal), D. O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D. (Resident Tutor), H. Ranton, M.A., Litt.D. (Fellow of Trinity College), W. Walker, E. D. Patchett, A. H. Scrivin, G. I. Laurenson, A. E. Orr, J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., J. C. Draper, R. Thornley, M.A., G. E. Brown, A. R. Penn, W. E. A. Carr, H. C. Dixon, M.A., B.D., Messrs. J. Tyler, F. E. Sutherland, T. L. Hames, J. S. Caughey, L. W. Peak, C. K. Wigglesworth, J. H. Blackwell, W. E. Burley, B.A., W. Robson, W. F. Winstone, C. W. Firth, K. J. Rosser, G. S. Gapper, H. Halstead, S. Sayers and K. Lawry. Life Members: Rev. Dr. C. H. Laws and Mr. F. M. Winstone. Council Officers: Chairman, Rev. A. H. Scrivin; Vice-Chairman, Mr. G. S. Gapper; Secretary, Rev. A. R. Penn; Treasurer, Mr. W. F. Winstone.

## E.—EXTRA-MURAL STUDENTS.

The Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand views with deep concern the Resolutions of the Senate of the University of New Zealand as set out in the University Calendar, 1951, re the granting of exemption to extra-mural students in any subject at Stage 3, and for the degrees of Master of Arts and Master of Science. Conference believes that the effect of these resolutions, if implemented, will be to make it impossible for any extra-mural student to gain a Master's degree, and extremely difficult to gain a Bachelor's degree. It will also thereby affect the post-graduate Divinity degrees.

As this policy, if pursued, will have very serious effects on our younger ministers, and therefore on the standard of our ministry in years to come, we respectfully submit the following:—

1. (A) A considerable percentage of our ministerial trainees (at present 33) take University lectures concurrently with their theological training. Only a very small number are graduates when accepted for training.

(B) On the completion of their Theological College training these men are appointed to a parish, at which stage they will have 3, 4 or 5 units of B.A., and in almost every case will have their Stage 3 subject still to do. Many of them are appointed to rural parishes where it will now be exceedingly difficult for them to complete their degree. It may be many years before they are stationed in a University centre, and even then circumstances of parish life may well prevent their attending lectures.



(C) We would submit that these young ministers are in exactly the same position as teachers who complete part of their B.A. during their Training College course. The inevitable result of the policy now adopted by the Senate must be a lower standard in the Teaching profession with consequent difficulties in staffing and recruitment at this most critical period. It must also mean a lower standard among our parish ministers with all the attendant problems for the Church.

2. In more general terms, we would respectfully submit that in a small country such as New Zealand, with almost half of its population rural, the University must have a two-fold function within the community:—

(A) It must provide full University courses with all the opportunities for research and advanced study that that implies, for the intellectually gifted, who will naturally benefit most from this study and will always be the core of the University.

(B) Secondly, however, and in our judgment, equally important, it must provide facilities and encouragement for those who for various reasons, some of them economic, are not able to attend full-time, or maybe not at all, but who are prepared by hard study and very great sacrifice to work either as part-time or extra-mural students to qualify themselves more highly in their professions. We believe that this is one of the essential functions of the University in our society, and that these people are entitled to full University degrees, and not some lesser diplomas, provided they reach the standard required by the University. We are aware that such students may not reap the full benefit of University study, being largely cut off from the community of the University, but we submit that in our society the privileges of University education should not be denied to those, who possessed of the requisite ability, are prevented by economic or other reasons from attending full time. At the same time we would point out that the facilities are freely available to the economically privileged, whatever their ability, who are able to attend full time.

This Conference of the Methodist Church therefore requests:

1. That the Senate re-examine its attitude towards extra-mural study with a view to a modification of its measures so that bona fide extra-mural students may obtain full University degrees and not some lesser diplomas.

2. That to this end, the University Colleges continue to provide and to improve facilities for extra-mural study, such facilities to include general guidance, book lists, library facilities, detailed prescriptions, and wherever possible, tutorial facilities.

3. That while carrying on the specially gifted student to the highest possible standard it continue to provide the facilities for the general leadership of the Church and community in all professional fields, arts, science, engineering, and commerce.

QUESTION XLI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Wesley Training College?

## Wesley Training College

### A.—REPORT OF THE BOARD, 1951.

The Board has pleasure in reporting an income surplus of £1,275 for the year ended 31st December, 1950. At that date the Board's accumulated funds stood at £148,502, an increase of £1,963 as compared with the previous year.

Throughout the year the College Roll was full and there are no

vacancies for scholars in 1952. The Board is fortunate in having retained the services of capable staff at both the College and the Farm. During the period under review they have all rendered loyal and efficient service.

The farming operations at Paerata, mainly as a result of buoyant market conditions, have been conducted at a satisfactory profit. As well the returns from scoria and rent at Mt. Wellington have been encouraging. It should be noted that the earlier practice of crediting one half of the scoria royalties to Capital has been discontinued as the Board believes that the Mt. Wellington Property Account has been sufficiently written down. Its real worth is much in excess of the book values.

The Board regrets that the cost of conducting both schools has been so great. Although the gross income from fees has substantially increased it has been totally inadequate to meet the immensely increased costs arising from salaries, provisioning, and many items of maintenance and overhead.

For some time past the Board has been deeply concerned regarding the wisdom and cost of conducting two schools in Auckland. It therefore set up a strong Special Committee to consider thoroughly the Board's future policy in the matter. That Committee, after exhaustive enquiry, reported to the Board with its recommendation as follows:—

“When the United States Forces in 1942 obtained the consent of the Board to establish a divisional base hospital at Wesley College, Paerata, it became necessary to close the College at the end of the Second Term, and Principal R. C. Clark and family were transferred to the homestead at Mt. Wellington.

“As a considerable period of time was likely to elapse before the College could re-open it was decided to experiment with the establishment of a Preparatory School. The School was opened at Mt. Wellington on 17th November, 1942, with a roll number of 24. In recent years the number has been increased to 34, which is the utmost the present buildings can accommodate.

“Experience has revealed that a School of this size cannot be run without incurring heavy loss. During the past four years the loss on the School and the Estate has been in the region of £7,000, if the revenues derived from rents and the sale of scoria had not been included. The Board is therefore confronted with the alternative of either incurring very large capital expenditure in buildings and equipment, or of closing the School. The Board is not in a position to finance such a large scheme, as it is already committed to a policy of providing additional dormitories, classrooms, playing fields, and other necessities at Wesley College.

“The Board therefore resolves to discontinue the Preparatory School at Mt. Wellington from the end of the Third Term.

“In reaching this decision the Board places on record that it both recognises and appreciates the capable and efficient services of the Principal, W. E. V. Lowe, and also the great help which Mrs. Lowe has rendered to the School as well as her motherly care of the boys. By their untiring zeal they have brought the School to a high standard of efficiency. The closing of the School is in no way due to any lack of care or ability on their part but is prompted solely by the inability of the Board to find the money required to develop it to an economic standard.”



The Board duly adopted the Committee's Report and Recommendation.

Parents of Preparatory School scholars have been notified of the Board's decision. A deputation of parents waited on the Board but they were unable to submit any practical proposal for the carrying on of the establishment on economic lines or the financing of a major rebuilding scheme at Mt. Wellington, which the Principal estimated would cost immediately £25,000.

In the decision to close the Preparatory School at Mount Wellington, the following should be noted:—

(1) The Board intends to continue its educational work amongst boys at the Preparatory School level. Its present action is not to be regarded as anything other than a step towards co-ordinating and developing the work where it can most effectively be carried out.

(2) In order to meet possible cases of hardship caused by the closing of the School, the Board has approved of the enrolment at Wesley College, Paerata, of boys into Standard 4 for 1952 only.

Acting on medical advice, the Rev. Dr. H. Ranston recently tendered his resignation as a member and this the Board most reluctantly accepted. Dr. Ranston has devoted long years of service to the welfare of the College, and it is fitting that the Board should place on record its appreciation of his efforts.

Attached to this statement will be found the Reports of the Principal of the College and the Preparatory School.

JAMES TYLER, Chairman.

LEONARD KNIGHT, Secretary.

Auckland, 16th July, 1951.

### B.—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.

#### Roll.

We have again had a full Roll for this year. The 1952 Roll is also full, and numerous applications have been received for as far ahead as 1956.

There is little change in the relative numbers of Europeans and non-Europeans, or in the proportion of Seniors to Juniors. It may be of interest to note that of 74 students in Forms 4, 5 and 6, 22 are taking Academic subjects, 25 General and Commercial, 27 Agriculture and Farm Management. Form 6 this year is the largest we have yet had with 9 in the Lower Sixth and 2 in the Upper Sixth. Seventeen boys from Forms 5 and 6 are members of the Divinity group, some of them preparing for the Local Preachers Examination, and all taking part in services and Evening Chapel.

Examination passes in 1950 were good. Seventeen succeeded in passing School Certificate, and two the University Entrance.

Two boys gained Partial Passes in the Local Preachers' Examination, July, 1951.

#### Staff.

There is little change to report on Farm and Teaching staff. The domestic position has been acute for a long period. In common with other institutions, we have found it extremely difficult to obtain workers with both the ability and the spirit of service required. It is really only through the faithful service rendered by such as Miss A. M. Cliff, the Senior Matron, that we have been able to continue as satisfactorily as we have done.

The teaching staff as at July 1, 1951, is as follows: Messrs.

F. Parks, M.A. (First Assistant), A. W. A. Parkes, B.Sc., B. Barnitt, M.Sc., A. L. Walker, B.A., T. I. Malcolmson, A. G. Bready.

On July 1, Mr. K. S. Crawshaw, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., took up residence as Bursar.

On August 1, Mr. Walker leaves to continue his studies abroad.

#### **The Farm:**

Under the capable management of Mr. H. J. Barber, Farm Manager, the Farm has flourished over the period under review. In spite of a somewhat severe winter to date, the herd and the flock are in excellent condition, and production is high. Equipment is adequate and up-to-date, and the farm is working to capacity.

#### **General.**

1. The health of the boys has been excellent. The College is fortunate to have available medical officers who take a personal interest in the welfare of the boys. All non-European boys are also especially tested each year by officers of the Department of Health.

2. It is very necessary that in such a school as this clubs and teams should flourish. The Scout Troop stands at a maximum of 35, and Ambulance Brigade at 25 (boys in one group not being permitted to belong to the other); aero and radio clubs are active; Rovers number 8. To the masters who give so much of their time to these groups we are always grateful. In sport and Physical Education the boys are fortunate to be under the control of masters who are enthusiastic and competent in all departments. All those who are medically fit take part in cricket, tennis, swimming, athletics, football, softball, harriers, table tennis. The Choir is 70 strong, and voice training under Mr. Claude Laurie is an important feature of our work.

3. The school is grateful to the Board of Governors for the making of a new sports area which will give us two extra football fields, and incidentally a cricket field and a full-sized athletics ground.

4. It is gratifying to know that the Old Boys' Association, small in numbers as yet, is active, and has made a generous gift to the College of Library facilities as a War Memorial.

5. The College, set as it is in such attractive surroundings, has been visited by many folk from far and near. In increasing numbers Methodists of both Islands are applying for the enrolment of their sons. The College takes its place alongside other Post-Primary Boarding Schools of other denominations in Conferences and Quarterly Meetings of Heads. The Principal is also representing Church Schools on the Auckland Branch of the N.Z. Council of Christian Education. The Principal, when in Australia in 1950, visited the Brisbane Boys' Grammar School, Newington College, Sydney, and the Methodist Ladies' College, Burwood. He was able to make useful contacts in New South Wales and Queensland, and to join in fellowship with many who are interested in Education and the Church.

E. M. MARSHALL, Principal.

### **C.—WESLEY PREPARATORY SCHOOL.**

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, 1951.**

During 1950 the Wesley Preparatory School maintained a capacity roll of 34, with a waiting list of boys for admission. Sound progress was made scholastically, and competitions with other schools in both football and cricket commenced.



The new Hall, completed in October, 1949, has proved most useful, being utilised for all large group activities—prayers, assemblies, art and craft work, and for the showing of films. The playing fields have come away very well indeed, and the organised games have benefitted as a result. By the end of February the conversion of the Recreation Room was completed, one half being used as a gymnasium and the other for play by the boys in wet weather, with locker space for their toys and sports gear.

The purchase of a 16m.m. sound-film projector was made possible by donations from parents and by an interest-free loan from Messrs. P. Dellow, P. Salmon and W. Haythorn-Thwaites, to whom our grateful thanks are due.

In the winter of 1950 domestic staff shortages proved a very great handicap, but since November we have had no vacancies at all. I wish to place on record the sterling service performed by Mrs. Lowe and Miss E. Pethybridge during those dark months.

With the increased costs of running such an institution as this, the fact that the School is not an economic unit, already reported to Conference, has become even more painfully evident. Due to the high costs of building—it would need about £30,000 to provide facilities for 56 boarders and 28 day-boys—the Board has been forced to the decision of closing the School as from December 31st, 1951. Though the very real value of the work done at the school is attested by the parents, there seems no decreasing of the rise in costs, both in running and of extension. It is a pity, but the Board's decision is the most sensible expedient in the circumstances, for the huge amount required cannot be found.

W. E. V. LOWE, Principal.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the work of the Principals of both Colleges, the College Board, the Chaplain to the Preparatory School, and the teaching and domestic staffs.
3. That Conference express its appreciation of the work of the Chairman and members of the Wesley College Board.
4. That Conference approves of the intention of the Wesley College Board to retain the Mount Wellington property, in view of its position adjacent to the new University site, and in the heart of a developing area.
5. That the Board for 1952 be:—Mr. J. Tyler (Chairman), Revs. F. Copeland, W. Walker, A. H. Scrivin, E. Te Tuhi, E. W. Hames, G. I. Laurenson, Messrs. J. T. Bryant, Stuart Caughey, P. Rushton, A. C. A. Sexton, J. Stanton, A. W. Wesley, K. J. Dellow, E. P. Salmon, W. E. Burley, C. N. Nicholls, C. Darby, and R. D. Miller.

QUESTION XLII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Funds ?

#### 1.—SUPERNUMERARY FUND BOARD.

##### A—ANNUAL REPORT 1951.

The Board is able to report in general a very satisfactory year's working.

**Annuitants and Contributors:** The number of annuitants at date is 54 (57) supernumeraries and 43 (44) widows. The figures reported

last year are shown in brackets. Two supernumeraries and three widows of supernumeraries have died during the current year. Four new annuitants came on to the Fund at the commencement of the Connexional year and one widow became a beneficiary during the year. The number of contributing ministers is 170 (165).

**Annuities:** The sum of £8737/0/11 was paid out during the year for annuities, with £375 for furniture grants. This represents a decrease of £312/11/0 for annuities and an increase of £225 for furniture grants.

**Commutation and Withdrawals:** Three ministers exercised the option of commutation, the total amount involved being £3656/12/6. Two ministers withdrew from the work on account of ill-health, and one entered the ministry of another Church. Their connection with the Fund was severed on receipt of cash payments totalling £1319/14/10.

**Arrears of Subscription:** In eleven cases only do arrears extend beyond the current year. Two cases have called for special attention by the Board. Otherwise the situation is satisfactory.

**Financial Statements:** The audited financial statements presented with this report indicate the following position:—

**ACCUMULATED FUNDS** amount to £132,769/5/6, representing an increase for the year of £604.

**INVESTMENTS** are represented in the following categories:

- a. Mortgages, £63,948/10/7.
- b. Government stock and local body debentures (including £40,278/15/7 held on behalf of allied funds), £64,610.
- c. Freehold property (Epworth Chambers), £48,712/8/5.  
(Depreciation reserve £8750).

**Earnings:** The trend for interest earnings on investments such as are enumerated above is to become lower. Under such conditions the position of the Fund may be considered very satisfactory. On the actuarial formula the net earnings represent an over-all rate of 4.43%.

**Allied Funds:** A. Home Acquisition Fund. The personal accounts of 182 contributors now stand at £18,242/11/11. Four supernumeraries received their deposits while two ministers who withdrew on account of ill-health and one who entered another Church were paid out of the Fund. The total amount involved was £1641/1/6.

B. Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, reveals the amount of £6369/16/11 held on behalf of 34 contributors. Retiring allowances paid amounted to £768/14/11.

C. Deaconess Retiring Fund similarly indicates the sum of £9398/8/7 held on behalf of 45 contributors. Retiring allowance paid amounted to £405/19/-. In these three funds benefits are in the form of cash payment in full on retirement.

**Increasing Annuities and Contributions:** Special reports have been submitted on this matter.

**Board for 1952:** The following are nominated as the Board for 1952:—The Connexional Secretary (Managing Treasurer), Revs. E. Drake, H. J. Odell, A. O. Harris, V. R. Jamieson and W. T. Blight; Messrs. G. S. Salter (Lay Treasurer), L. G. K. Steven, W. Charles Francis, R. G. Pearce, W. A. Hadlee, J. E. Horrell.

L. G. K. STEVEN (Acting Chairman).  
G. S. SALTER,  
H. L. FIEBIG, (Treasurers).

Christchurch, 1/10/51.



## RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statements for the Supernumerary Fund, Supernumerary Benevolent Fund, Home Acquirement Fund, Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, Deaconess Retiring Fund, be received and adopted.

### SUPERNUMERARY FUND BOARD.

#### B.—SPECIAL REPORT, 1951.

The Conference of 1950 authorised the Board to investigate the matter of increasing annuities payable to members of the Fund, together with the related matter of raising the level of personal contributions and Circuit levies. This has been done in consultation with the Board's actuary, who submitted a full memorandum on all the matters involved, and on the basis of same the following facts are stated and recommendations made. The facts fall into three categories.

(a) **Future entrants to the Fund.** The present scale of annuities is basically related to a stipend of £250 per annum. While the standard minimum stipend has been increased during the past twenty years from £250 to £376/5/-, with a recommendation from the Standing Committee that it be raised to £402/11/9 per annum, no corresponding increase in personal subscriptions and Circuit subsidies has been made during that period. The subscription is at present £10 p.a. with Circuit subsidy £15 p.a. On the £250 standard stipend, that represents a total percentage contribution of 10%, the minister paying 4% and the Circuit contributing 6%. To maintain the 10% contribution (which is reasonable and necessary) on the proposed new standard of £402/11/9, the total payment should be £40, that is Minister 4% (£16), Circuit subsidy 6% (£24). Such payments will maintain the correct relation between stipend and annuity, that is 60%, and would enable a similar percentage increase in pensions, that is 60%.

(b) **Existing Contributors.** If the above rates of subscriptions, i.e. £16 and £24, are adopted for existing contributors, the extra income that the Fund will receive will not be sufficient to raise by 60% the benefits which will become payable in respect of these members. Some members will retire on pension immediately after the proposed new arrangements come into force; they will have contributed throughout practically the whole of their service on the present scale and therefore the Fund will have little above the amount necessary to pay their benefits on the present scale. At the other extremity some members will have joined the Fund just before the change takes place; they therefore will contribute on the new scale throughout practically the whole of their service, and the Fund will have sufficient funds in hand when their benefits become payable to pay at practically the new rate. Thus for all existing members the new subscriptions will be sufficient to increase the rate of benefit from 0 to 60 per cent., the actual increase in each case depending upon the proportions of the member's service under the present and the new bases respectively.

(c) **Present Annuitants.** Increasing subscriptions for future entrants and current contributors will not provide any additional funds with which to increase the annuities now being paid. If these are to be increased the finance must be sought elsewhere.

The particular problem which faces the Board in connection with

existing annuitants is found in the fact that most of them are in receipt of income from sources other than our Fund. In most cases, it is revealed, to grant a straight-out increase in annuity would mean a decrease in benefits obtainable from other sources. That there are anomalies here is freely recognised, but at present there is no way out of the difficulty. The problem facing the Board is to give our beneficiaries real benefit and not imaginary or fictitious benefit. The Board would like to effect a general increase in the scale of benefits, but it is obvious that to merely do that would not meet fully the situation. Circumstances vary so much in respect to different beneficiaries that every case practically must be considered on its own merits.

It is pointed out that future contributors will be able to receive full benefits under Social Security legislation because of our new system of commutation. That, however, does not apply to the majority of the present annuitants.

It is clear then that to assist present beneficiaries some arrangement must be made other than effecting an increase in annuity. This is the subject of a special investigation which is being pursued at present, the results of which will be reported on later.

Whatever method is adopted it will mean raising a substantial capital sum. For example, our Actuary has indicated that to effect a 60% increase in present annuities the Board would have to increase its capital by some £45,000. The sum that is actually raised will determine of course the amount of additional benefits which can be made available.

**Home Acquirement Fund.** The Board was also instructed by last Conference to consider the matter of increasing the contributions by ministers to this Fund.

This matter has been examined, and in view of the recommendations which the Board is making concerning payments to the Supernumerary Fund, its judgment is that no alteration should be made to the regulations in connection with this Fund. The following reasons are given: If the personal contribution to the Supernumerary Fund is raised to £16 p.a., that amount, added to the present compulsory contribution to the Home Acquirement Fund of £4, will raise the minister's payment to £20 per annum, which is 5% of his stipend, which is a reasonable proportion. Compulsory contribution should not go beyond such a figure. On the other hand, under the existing regulations the way is open for any minister who is able to do so to pay more than the minimum £4. No subsidy, however, is received on any such additional payments. The Fire Insurance Fund subsidises the present payment by a contribution of £2 p.a. It is improbable that that Board could raise the subsidy without decreasing grants made to other Church departments. It is also pointed out that under our new system of Commutation, the amount made available in a lump sum is so received to be invested in a home. Under the proposals of the Board for increased benefits in the future from the Supernumerary Fund (based on increased payments) the amount so commuted will be greater than at present. In other words, ministers on retiring will be in receipt of a larger cash sum to put into their home, and this should largely enable them to meet the situation created by the continuing currency inflation.

**Furniture Grant.** Our present regulations provide for a grant of £75 to be made to each minister when he superannuates. The Board is recommending that this be increased to £120.



**Home Missionaries' and Deaconesses' Retiring Funds.** The Board received no instruction concerning these Funds. However, in the light of present-day conditions and in view of increases in stipends, it is making recommendations as set out below. These have been considered in consultation with the Home Mission Board and the Deaconess House Board and the recommendations have their approval. The nett result in each case is that the over-all contributions to the Funds is raised to approximately 10% of the new standard stipend, this being the principle followed throughout. All benefits in these Funds are received in the form of a cash payment in full on retirement. The increases recommended will effect a more balanced relationship as between stipends and the contributions made and the benefits received.

**General.** The Board is confident that its recommendations will receive the sympathetic support of the whole Church. No appeal has been made on behalf of the Supernumerary Fund for many years. It will be freely recognised and acknowledged that at any time adequate provision for old age should be made for those who give a lifetime of service to the Church and because of that service must largely be dependent upon the Church for such provision. Present-day conditions demand that there be a stepping-up of benefits received in order that they may be more in harmony with living costs.

L. G. K. STEVEN, Acting Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

#### SUPERNUMERARY FUND BOARD.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, 1951.

The Board, as directed by Conference, submitted to Synods a report dealing with the question of increasing annuities, with the related matter of increasing personal subscriptions and circuit levies. The same principle applied to the retiring funds for Home Missionaries and Deaconesses. The Board made certain recommendations, the details of which are set forth in that report. Six Synods adopted them. Three Synods (Auckland, Nelson and Otago-Southland), expressed the view that recent increases in benefits under the scheme as for Social Security Age Benefits and/or Universal Superannuation called for modification of the recommendations of the Board or for review of the whole policy of our Supernumerary Fund in the light of present Social Security legislation. It will be of value to examine the matter in the light of this attitude.

The Board cannot agree that benefits obtainable under that legislation make unnecessary any extension of benefits from our Fund. Its judgment is that in order to enable ministers on retirement in the future to make adequate provision for their latter years, something additional will be required over and above what our Fund now makes available together with maximum benefits obtainable from the State.

The following table illustrates the position. It is impossible to make an exact statement but it is sufficiently accurate for the purpose.

1. A.B. husband, £2/17/6; wife, £2/17/6; other allowable income (see 5), £1; total (at present), £6/15/-. Commutation (40 years), say £1,200; Home Acquirement Fund, say £400; total, £1,600.

2. Presuming the cost of house and furniture to be £2,600(?), an additional £1,000 would be required to provide an unencumbered home.

3. If annuitant cannot live rent free, his income would have to

provide (say) £50 p.a. interest, plus (on the average) £75 for maintenance, leaving £4/5/- per week for other living costs.

4. A widower or widow would have £2/17/6 per week less than in the above table. A widow's annuity is less than two-thirds of the minister's scale. A widow who came direct on to the Fund would commute also on the widow's scale.

5. Note: £1/10/- is the present allowable income—but the figure of £1 has been used as it enables a larger sum to be obtained in commutation. The ultimate result is not altered either way. If the higher sum is received in the form of annuity the commuted amount will be decreased in proportion, between £200 and £250.

6. The position under Universal Superannuation at its maximum would be no better than as shown above, except that "allowable income" could be greater—but—where is it to come from for the average supernumerary?

7. It is possible that the Age Benefit will be increased in the future. It may also be assumed that any such increase will only be adopted to keep pace with a parallel rise in general living costs.

On the other hand the position of an annuitant would be greatly improved if he were in the position of being able to live rent-free. The important question then is that of a house to live in. How can the average minister on stipend received, accumulate enough to provide an unencumbered house? Ordinary income received makes that an impossibility. The Supernumerary Fund with its provision for Commutation provides the answer to a very large extent. Increased benefit under Commutation would put into his hands a larger cash sum with which to procure a home and to save him from having to use his income for this purpose. As stated in the earlier report the maximum increase under the proposed new scale would be 60%. That would mean a commuted sum of say £1,800 instead of £1,200 as at present.

To make available a larger sum in this way the Fund must receive greater income. That is the reason for the recommendations made by the Board in its earlier report. The crux of the matter is this—that Universal Superannuation (or increased Age Benefit) is not the answer to the problem as far as our ministers are concerned.

One Synod recommended that payments into and benefits from the Supernumerary Fund should remain as at present but that attention should be given to providing a more reasonable Home Acquisition Fund. Two observations should be made. Firstly, it is evidently recognised that the acquiring of a home is the major problem. That has been dealt with above. Secondly, it must be asked—how is this more reasonable Home Acquisition Fund to be provided? It can only be created by increased payments and/or subsidies. It was pointed out in the earlier report that it cannot be assumed, for example, that the present subsidising Fund (the Fire Insurance Fund) will be able to grant increased subsidies without penalising other organisations of the Church which at present benefit from its grants. To double the present subsidy to ministers (that is £4 instead of £2) would mean another £350 per annum from its surplus. On the other hand the system of Commutation is the best method of ensuring that an adequate cash sum could be made available to a minister on retirement. To that sum the minister himself contributes regularly and the Church subsidises his payments.

The Board therefore reiterates its conviction that the most effective method of assisting ministers to make adequate provision for



their old age is through increased personal contributions to the Supernumerary Fund subsidised by increased levies.

The Board also stresses the necessity of receiving the assistance of the Church in its efforts to increase its capital in the immediate present and so enable it to grant added assistance to present annuitants. The result of discussions with governmental authorities is that under present conditions each case will have to be taken on its merits and dealt with individually. Variation in circumstances will determine the action that will be possible in each case. The main avenue of approach will have to be that of commutation. The situation that confronts the Board is that a real need still exists for assistance to present beneficiaries. By stabilising the Fund and increasing its capital something can be done. Until that step is taken, however, nothing can be done. By an examination of the situation as it affects each annuitant the Board will take such steps as are necessary and practicable to enable present supernumeraries or widows to grapple with the economic problems they face today.

It therefore emphasises the importance of the recommendations sent down to Synods and now submitted to Conference.

L. G. K. STEVEN, Acting Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

Christchurch, 8/10/51.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. (a) That as from 1st February, 1952, for present contributors and future entrants to the Supernumerary Fund, personal contributions shall be at the rate of £16 per annum and the Circuit Levy at the rate of £24 per annum.

(b) That annuities and/or benefits for such present and future contributors be determined according to the new scale to be recommended later by the Board's Actuary.

2. That in order to increase the capital of the Fund and so enable an increase in benefits to be made available to present annuitants, the Board be empowered to solicit special gifts from our people and that this appeal be given first priority in 1952.

3. That as from 1st February, 1952, the Furniture grant to ministers on retirement be increased from £75 to £120.

4. That as from 1st February, 1952, the contributions to the Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund be as follows:—

a. Personal	....	....	£12 per annum
b. Circuit	....	....	£ 9 " "
c. Department	....	....	£ 9 " "

5. That as from 1st February, 1952, the contributions to the Deaconess Retiring Fund be as follows:—

a. Personal	....	....	£12 per annum
b. Circuit	....	....	£ 9 " "
c. Department	....	....	£ 9 " "

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.

2. That owing to insufficient time being available for consideration of the above recommendations (except 3) they be sent down (with the reports) to next Synods and Conference and that priority be given to them in the Conference Agenda of 1952.

3. That as from 1st February, 1952, the Furniture Grant be £120.

## 2.—METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD.

### A.—ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The Board now administers 82 Trusts. These vary greatly in nature and evidence the usefulness of the Board in the working life of the Church.

During the year the following new Trusts were accepted:—Emily Turner (Eventide Home, Christchurch), Geo. Devonport (Ashhurst). Deposits have been received on behalf of the following Churches:—Baring Square Ashburton, Granity, Harewood, Lyall Bay, Papanui, Raetihi, Waimate (Morven) and Wairoa.

The assets held by the Board on behalf of all trusts amount to £49,130/5/3.

### B.—WINSTONE MEMORIAL TRUST FUND.

Grants were made during the current year to 16 Ministers, Probationers and Home Missionaries. The best thanks of the Church are due again to those whose thoughtfulness and generosity make possible year by year these grants in aid where the minimum stipend has not been received by the agent in question.

L. G. K. STEVEN, Acting-Chairman .  
G. S. SALTER,  
H. L. FIEBIG, Treasurers.

Christchurch, 1/10/1951.

### RESOLUTION.

That the reports and financial statements be received and adopted.

## 3.—METHODIST CHILDREN'S FUND.

### TREASURERS' REPORT.

In presenting the Financial Statement for the Children's Fund for the year ended 30th September, 1951, we have to advise that it was again necessary to reduce the grant in respect of each child from £7 to £6/15/-. This was done under authority given by the last Conference when by the adoption of our Report, the decision of the 1949 Conference was re-affirmed to the end that the Treasurers were authorised to reduce the annual allowance in respect of each child to such a figure as would permit of the Fund meeting its obligations out of the existing total Levy on Districts, amounting to £1800. From the Financial Statement it will be noted that a sum of £1751/8/9 has been expended in grants and expenses. A total of 258½ allowances for children have been provided, the district allocations being as under:—

Auckland	65
South Auckland	31½
Taranaki-Wanganui	14
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	16
Wellington	26
Nelson	21½
North Canterbury	54
South Canterbury	7
Otago-Southland	22½
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	258½

The total number of children's allowances provided in 1950 was 253½, and in 1949 it was 252½.

The Treasurers again recommend that the decision of the 1949 Conference be adopted for the coming year.



The indications are that the claims on the Fund for the year 1952 will be at least as great as those for the past year, and it is most unlikely that it will be possible to increase the grant per child. It is noted, however, that Ministers along with all other parents throughout the Dominion, will be receiving additional children's benefits from the Social Security Fund.

Conference is reminded, that during the year 1949 when the Children's Fund was in a most difficult position, the Fire Insurance Fund, in addition to making a grant, made a loan of £100. So far it has not been possible to make any provision for the repayment of this advance, but it is hoped that this will be achieved, either wholly or in part, during the coming year.

We would again stress the need for Ministers to give more prompt advice of the birth of children. There have been cases recently where as long as eighteen months have elapsed before a child's name has been sent in for registration and, as in each case a retrospective adjustment has to be effected, an undue stress is sometimes placed on the distribution for a particular year. It should be noted that to qualify for inclusion in next year's distribution births should be notified to the Treasurers, care Box 1792, Wellington, on or before 31st December next.

W. H. GREENSLADE,

T. M. PACEY, Honorary Treasurers.

Wellington, 3rd October, 1951.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### 4.—CONTINGENT FUND.

##### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and adopted.

2. That the following grants be authorised:—Trinity College, £1,400; Connexional Office, £260; Deaconess Institution, £125; Methodist Times, £75; Methodist Times Editorial, £75; Overseas Travel Fund, £50; University Fees, £50; Natural Calamities Fund, £25; Spiritual Advance Committee, £25; Public Questions Committee, £20; World Council of Churches, £34; National Council of Churches, £6; Ecumenical Committee, £5; Times Editors' Expenses, £20. Total, £2,170.

3. That the estimated budget for the coming year as presented by the Treasurers be approved.

4. That the Consultative Committee be the President of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Messrs. J. Tyler, F. E. Sutherland and J. H. Blackwell.

5. That Mr. J. C. Wigglesworth, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.S.N.Z., be thanked for his services as Honorary Auditor and be re-appointed.

6. That the Treasurers, Rev. W. Walker and Mr. Alan H. Winstone, be thanked for their services and be reappointed.

#### 5.—REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND COMMITTEE.

##### REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1951.

During the year 54 removals were carried out at an average cost of £36/1/9. Despite greatly increased freight charges, the Committee has been enabled to save money by a greater use of road transport within each island for many moves of comparatively short distance.

The financial position of the Fund remains satisfactory. Cash in hand at the above date was £873, with £708 still due from circuits for the year. The Committee will be able to continue with the present levy provided that long-distance moves are kept to the minimum. The average cost of an inter-island move is approximately £115, with costs still increasing. Hence we would once more request the Stationing Committee to avoid, wherever possible, long inter-island moves, for if many such are undertaken an increase in the levy is inevitable.

The Committee has made every endeavour to move ministers as quickly as possible and has again received the utmost consideration from the Railways Department. The increase in the limits of expenses allowed for removals has made it easier for all circuits and this year it has not been necessary to ask any circuit for a refund of any amount above the allowable limit.

H. J. ODELL, Chairman.  
C. H. ELMSLY,  
L. C. HORWOOD,  
Treasurers.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the Levy for the ensuing year remain at £2,500.
3. That the Committee for 1952 be: The Chairman of the District, the Connexional Secretary, the Revs. V. R. Jamieson, A. K. Petch and L. C. Horwood; Messrs. C. H. Elmsly, S. H. Maddren, M. Hosking, B. A. Undrill and J. T. Eltoft.
4. That the treasurers, Revs. L. C. Horwood and Mr. C. H. Elmsly, be thanked for their services and that they be re-appointed.

**QUESTION XLIII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Foreign Missions?

### FOREIGN MISSION DEPARTMENT.

#### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

In presenting this report, the Foreign Mission Board returns thanks to Almighty God for continued guidance and blessing in the Overseas work of the Church and for the privilege of sharing with the workers on the Field in the extension of the Kingdom. Events in China and elsewhere continue to emphasise the vital importance of strengthening the younger Churches against the occasion, at times very sudden, when they must carry on alone.

#### Staff:

At a series of deeply moving meetings, the Rev. J. F. Goldie bade farewell to the people to whom he had been father in God for 49 years. The men to whom he carried the Light struggled under deep emotion to express their love and gratitude. His Honour, the Resident Commissioner, and others at the seat of Government also expressed high appreciation of the outstanding service he has rendered to the Solomons. At the invitation of the Board, Mr. Goldie will visit New Zealand later in the year and will also attend the Golden Jubilee celebrations on the Field next year.

With the confidence of the Board and his colleagues on the Field, the Rev. J. R. Metcalfe has assumed the Chairmanship of the District, and we bespeak for him the prayers of all our people in this honourable but onerous office.



Other movements of staff include the return to the Field from furlough of the Rev. A. H. and Mrs. Voyce and Grenville, the Rev. A. H. Hall and his bride, and Sister Lucy Money. Sisters Pamela Beaumont and Nancy Ball have been warmly welcomed as new teachers, and Messrs. H. L. J. Newton, Brian Sides and Philip Taylor as builders.

#### **Native Church:**

The work in the District has been disrupted to some extent by a poliomyelitis epidemic. This dread disease has taken toll in lives and suffering. Mr. Chris. Palmer was the only one of our European staff affected seriously. He is still badly crippled and is undergoing special treatment in Auckland. One of the effects of the consequent quarantine restrictions was the cancellation of the annual conference of workers that was so successfully initiated last year.

Following the decision to transfer the District College to Banga Island, temporary buildings have been erected there and the move from Roviana (two miles away) took place upon Mr. Hall's return from furlough in July. This move constitutes a major task and will involve a lot of work for some years to come.

The work of the Bougainville-Buka Circuit has been greatly facilitated by the purchase of the motor-vessel "Malakuna" to replace the "Daphne," at a cost of nearly £5,000 (Aus.). Another pleasing incident in this Circuit has been the award of the British Empire Medal by His Majesty the King to Luke Zale, our catechist at Petats, Buka, for great courage and devoted service during the recent war. Zale has been an outstanding spiritual leader for many years.

#### **Medical:**

There has been gratifying development in the re-establishment of the Medical Unit, the headquarters of which have been transferred to Roviana. The hospital buildings and staff quarters at the latter place are temporary, but permanent buildings, in addition to those reported last year, have been erected as follows:—

Don Alley Memorial Hospital, Kekesu (almost completed).

Dispensary at Leper Hospital, Ozama.

A further source of gratification is a full medical and nursing staff, as is also a further generous grant of £2,500 from the Lepers' Trust Board. The terms of this grant permit of one-third of the amount being used in general medical work, as it is thus that leprosy is often detected. We are profoundly grateful for the continued substantial help from the Lepers' Trust Board.

After long and devoted service Sister Grace McDonald has notified her intention of retiring in September, and Nurse June Hilder has been appointed to replace her but will not be available until June, 1952. Further mention will be made later of Sister Grace's outstanding work.

#### **Educational:**

With the arrival on the Field of Sisters Pamela Beaumont and Nancy Ball and the appointment of Misses Thelma Duthie and Helen Whitlow, as from the end of this year, the Teaching Staff in the Solomons will be in the same happy state as the Nursing Staff—that is, full. The fact of this full and highly qualified staff of Sisters will give peculiar satisfaction to the M.W.M.U. which, through the years, has striven so nobly to make it possible.

The time is not far distant when a higher academic standard will be set for all native teachers, and the importance of the teacher-training work carried out by our competent and considerable teacher-training staff cannot be over-estimated.

#### Literature:

The Rev. J. F. Goldie, since his return to Australia, has interviewed the British and Foreign Bible Society regarding publication of the New Testament in the Roviana tongue, and also has the matter in hand of new editions of the Roviana hymn book and dictionary.

The Rev. A. H. Voyce is in touch with our Fiji Book Room regarding publication of a new and enlarged Bougainville-Buka hymn book.

For the first time since the publication of their first number in 1922, it has been found necessary to increase the cost of the "Open Door" and "Lotu," the present circulation of which is approximately 7,000 and 9,000 respectively.

#### Golden Jubilee:

The Golden Jubilee of the Solomon Islands District will be celebrated in May, 1952, and preparations for this important event have been afoot in the District for nearly two years. First and foremost in the plan is an evangelical campaign, and to this end the Rev. Paul Havea has been set aside to visit the principal villages during this year to ensure adequate preparation. Unfortunately, the 'polio' epidemic has restricted his movements.

The Native Church is also making a special financial effort in order to establish a Jubilee Memorial, and of its contribution of £6,243 last year £2,415 was set aside for this purpose. An even larger sum will be raised this year. The desire of the people is that the Memorial shall take the form of a District College, to be known as the John Francis Goldie District College.

The idea of a Jubilee Cruise from New Zealand has been abandoned owing to insufficient applications and the non-availability of the contemplated ship. A small official party, however, will represent the Home Church, including, it is hoped, the President of the Conference, the new General Secretary, a member of the Maori race, and the Dominion President of the M.W.M.U. Negotiations are afoot with Tasman Empire Airways Ltd., and it may be possible to include some 15 others who are prepared to pay their own expenses.

#### Rehabilitation:

With four qualified tradesmen in the District, definite progress is being made in the rebuilding programme, but shortage of materials and inadequate transport still constitute a serious "bottle-neck." Reference has already been made to new permanent hospitals, dispensaries and stores. The new Mission House, Sisters' Home and Girls' Hostel at Bilua, Vella Lavella, were declared open by the General Secretary on September 5th. These buildings are roomy and convenient and reflect great credit on the builders.

The unavoidable delay in permanent rebuilding has involved the Board in considerable expense in repairs and renewal of temporary buildings. The Rev. A. H. and Mrs. Voyce, for instance, have just moved into their fourth temporary home and the Rev. A. H. Hall into his third. With the exception of those recently appointed none of the European workers has lived in less than two temporary homes since the war.



A high-light in the rehabilitation programme has been the recent successful conclusion of the effort of the "Lotu" readers to raise £1,000 towards re-building the Church on the District Institution. Conceived and organised by the Rev. A. A. Bensley, Editor of the "Lotu," this splendid objective captured the imagination of the readers of our Children's Magazine and they have steadfastly pursued it and brought it to a noble conclusion. The profound thanks of the Board are extended to Mr. Bensley and the "Lotu" readers.

**Home Base:**

**General Secretaryship:** Acting under urgent medical advice, the Rev. H. K. Bartlett, L.Th., regretfully withdrew from his appointment by last Conference as General Secretary and the Rev. A. H. Scrivin, at the request of the Board and with the sanction of the President, has continued in office.

The Board is now happy to report the nomination of the Rev. S. G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed., who, at present, is Principal of Davuilevu College and Acting-Chairman of the Fijian Section of the Fiji District. Mr. Andrews is a New Zealander who has given fourteen years' outstanding missionary service to Fiji and had decided to return to this country for family reasons. Mrs. Andrews is also a New Zealander and a daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. Hedley White. The nomination of Mr. Andrews was unanimously approved by the Board after full consultation with the Australian Board.

**M.W.M.U.:**

Through yet another year the M.W.M.U. has proved a tower of strength and a great inspiration to the Board. At its last Conference it generously assumed yet greater responsibility in respect of Sisters' salaries and maintenance, towards which it has contributed £2,445 during the current year. In addition generous grants have been made direct to Sisters and others for special work amongst women and girls and a large number of valuable gift cases, drugs, etc., have been forwarded to the Field.

This year's Special Objective of the Union was for Girls' Hostels at Roviana and Bilua, and reached the splendid total of £2,381. The Bilua Hostel has been opened and is in occupation. It is a fine permanent structure, 50ft. by 18ft., attached to the Sisters' Home, and will be of great value for many years to come. The girls who will be trained there and nurtured in the love and admonition of God will rise up and call the M.W.M.U. blessed.

More important still than the wonderful and sustained financial effort of the M.W.M.U. is its deep personal interest in the workers and the work and its prevailing prayer and service. For all this and the Union's continued loyal co-operation the Board is profoundly grateful.

**Youth Board:**

The Board also extends grateful thanks to the Youth Board and its Directors and all those associated with them in seeking to keep before the youth and children of the Church the responsibility and privileges of sharing in the work of the Kingdom Overseas, and trusts that the vision of the rising generation will grow clearer and its devotion greater in this vitally important branch of the Church.

**Loss:** The Board has suffered serious loss during the year by the death of Mr. Richard Thomas and serious illness of Mr. W. E. Burley, and the resignation, on medical advice, of Revs. Dr. H. Ranston and W. W. Avery, and records its indebtedness for the long and able service of such devoted members. The Board also records

its sense of deep loss in the death of Mr. B. J. Lynneberg who for many years was one of its most valued members.

**Finance:** The present finances of the Board occasion profound gratitude to God for the way He has guided us through a very critical period. The depression years and the subsequent total destruction of all our mission stations, boats, stores and equipment created a tremendous problem. Under the guidance of God and with the loyal support of the Church at home and overseas, the Board has been enabled to establish the finances of the Society on a firm foundation. This, however, will not serve to maintain the rapidly expanding work unless the Church continues to pray without ceasing and to contribute generously. With the present high price of copra the contributions of the Native Church have reached a record level, for which we thank God.

The Board has complied with the recommendation of the Connexional Committee on Stipends and has increased stipends and salaries of its Staff by 15% on the rate obtaining in 1950.

Then, following Thee, may we fulfil our mission,  
True to ourselves, our brethren and our Lord.

W. GREEN, Chairman.

A. H. SCRIVIN, General Secretary.

#### METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF N.Z. TREASURERS' REPORT, 1951.

**Circuit Income:** The returns for the financial year ended 31st August, 1951, show a decrease of £643 in Circuit Income as compared with the previous year. This, however, does not present a true picture of the situation. Circuit Foreign Mission appeals are made during the calendar year (not the financial year) and our books reveal that the income from the Circuits for the year ended December, 1950, was £700 higher than that for the year ended December, 1949. We anticipate a further small increase during the current calendar year.

Legacies received during the financial year amounted to £1,747, and this has been credited to the Solomon Islands Building and Equipment Fund.

The Native Church has again contributed generously to the funds of the Society, £5,000 being credited to the General Fund and £5,656/16/- to the Jubilee Fund.

**Rehabilitation Fund:** During the year £1,828 has been expended from this Fund. This, however, does not represent the whole story. Considerable expenditure has been incurred in the erection of buildings, etc., but not all this expenditure has come to charge.

**Leper Fund:** The generous help of the Lepers' Trust Board is shown in the grant of £2,500. Donations and interest add a further £485 to the income of this beneficent work.

**Printing:** Costs under this heading still mount up and the increase is reflected in the charges for all printing and especially of publications. It is pleasing to record that the increased charges for the "Open Door" and "Lotu" have been well received. Only £47 was lost on these publications during the present financial year and, unless prices advance still further, we trust that next year's income will meet expenditure.

**Government Grants** this year towards salaries of teachers and nurses amount to £4,820.



Special Expenditure for purchase of the boat "Malakuna" amounting to £4,630 not provided for in last year's estimates, has been charged against the funds accumulated by reason of exchange differences between Australia and New Zealand.

**Financial Position:** It will be noticed that a deficiency is disclosed in the Income and Expenditure Account, due to the writing-down of the Russell Islands Buildings stock to the figure shown in the Islands' accounts. But a survey of the financial position and tendencies makes it evident that any further increase in costs will result in greater deficiencies being shown in next year's accounts unless considerable increase takes place in the income from Circuits.

G. S. GAPPER,

A. BLAKEMORE, General Treasurer.

**FOREIGN MISSION DEPARTMENT.**

**HOME BASE ESTIMATES, 1952.**

	£	s.	d.
General Secretary—			
Stipend .....	460	0	0
House Maintenance .....	75	0	0
Travelling .....	100	0	0
Hospitality Allowance .....	25	0	0
Clerical Treasurer's Expenses .....	50	0	0
Connexional Charges .....	76	0	0
Office Assistance .....	400	0	0
Rent—Office .....	91	0	0
Printing and Stationery (Reports £230, General £150) .....	380	0	0
Stamps, Exchange, Cables, Telephone, etc. ....	120	0	0
Auditor's Fee .....	21	0	0
Deputation Expenses .....	80	0	0
Annual Board Meeting—Travelling .....	20	0	0
"Methodist Times" .....	20	0	0
Sundries : Legal Expenses, etc. ....	50	0	0
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	£1,968	0	0

**GENERAL ESTIMATES, 1952.**

**INCOME.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>New Zealand :</b>						
General .....	16,500	0	0			
Medical .....	2,000	0	0			
Leper .....	1,900	0	0			
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				20,400	0	0
<b>Solomon Islands :</b>						
Circuits (A£5,000) .....				4,032	5	2
Government Grants (A£3,300) .....				2,661	5	10
Exchange Account .....				3,328	18	1
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				£30,422	9	1

**EXPENDITURE.**

	£	s.	d.
Solomon Islands (N.Z. Currency) .....	27,606	9	1
Home Base (as above) .....	1,968	0	0
Orphaned Missions .....	100	0	0
National Missionary Council .....	48	0	0
Trinity College .....	75	0	0
Deaconess Institution .....	25	0	0
Jubilee Fares .....	600	0	0
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	£30,422	9	1

## SPECIAL EXPENDITURE, 1952.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Munda's Engine, etc. ....	600	0	0				
Electric Lighting Plants—							
Roviana .....	£700	0	0				
D.T.I. ....	£350	0	0				
Vella Lavella .....	£500	0	0				
Choiseul .....	£400	0	0				
	1,950	0	0				
Isolation Ward T.B., Buka .....	100	0	0				
Kekesu, D. C. Alley Memorial Hospital .....	2,500	0	0				
Sawmill .....	655	0	0				
Workshop, Buin .....	190	0	0				
Huller Engine, etc. ....	360	0	0				
Meccano Huts, Banga .....	1,110	0	0				
Special Lands, Vella Lavella Circuit .....	1,000	0	0				
Girls' Boarding School, Vella Lavella .....	1,000	0	0				
Meccano Huts, Vella Lavella .....	125	0	0				
	9,590	0	0				
<b>Rehabilitation Expenditure :</b>							
Minister's House, Dormitories, etc.,							
Roviana .....	3,880	0	0				
Minister's House, Buka .....	3,000	0	0				
Kihili Rehabilitation .....	350	0	0				
Minister's House, Choiseul .....	3,000	0	0				
Hospital Buildings, Choiseul .....	1,100	0	0				
Minister's and Sisters' Houses, Vella Lavella .....	6,000	0	0				
	17,330	0	0				
	£26,920	0	0				

(Australian Currency)

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Annual Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Treasurer's Report, and Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet be received and adopted.
3. **Sympathy:** That Conference records its deep sense of loss in the death of Messrs. B. J. Lynneberg and R. Thomas, valued members for many years of the Foreign Mission Board.

**Mr. C. R. Palmer:** That Conference has been deeply concerned at Mr. C. R. Palmer's serious attack of poliomyelitis during the recent epidemic on the Mission Field, thus cutting short, for the time being at least, the valuable service he and Mrs. Palmer were rendering. The deep sympathy of the Conference is extended to Mr. Palmer and the sincere hope that he will be restored to health and enabled to return to the work in which he has been so successful and happy.

**Rev. G. A. R. Cornwell:** That the sincere sympathy of the Conference be extended to the Rev. Gordon Cornwell in his recent accident with best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.

4. **Greetings to the Native Church:** As the time of your Golden Jubilee draws near the N.Z. Church extends to you, our sisters and brethren of the Solomons, greetings and love. We rejoice with you on this great occasion and remember with gratitude all the way God has let you since the pioneers of the Gospel landed among you on 24th May, 1902. We are glad that the President of the Conference and the new General Secretary and others from N.Z. will be



present to share your rejoicing and to convey in person the continued love and goodwill of both the Mission Board and the whole Church.

We trust that during the next 50 years you will continue to grow in grace and stature and so exercise Christian leadership and example that, as a Church, you may be a shining light in the South West Pacific that will guide the feet of the people into the way of life everlasting.

We sympathise with you in the recent poliomyelitis epidemic, particularly with those who lost loved ones and those who have been permanently affected.

We congratulate you upon your growing membership and your generous contribution to the work of God, and assure you of our continued love and help.

**5. Greetings to Workers on the Field:** The Conference conveys its affectionate greetings to all sisters and brethren of the Mission staff and congratulates them upon another year of arduous work under conditions rendered still more difficult by the poliomyelitis epidemic and its consequent restrictions. With special regret we have learnt of the serious illness of Mr. Chris Palmer and pray for him a full recovery.

We regret circumstances have compelled us to abandon the idea of a Jubilee Cruise which would have enabled numerous members of the Home Church to share with you the joy of your Golden Jubilee, but are glad the President of the Conference, the new General Secretary and others expect to be with you. They will convey the joy and thanksgiving we share with you on this great occasion and our confidence that "the best is yet to be."

We rejoice that, after many delays and disappointments, the rebuilding programme is taking shape and some houses completed, in addition to hospitals, stores, workshops, etc.

**6. Honorary Life Membership:** That the Rev. J. F. Goldie be appointed an Honorary Life Member of the Foreign Mission Board as a mark of the high appreciation of both the Board and the Conference of his unique service to the Church in the Solomons.

**7. General Secretaryship:** That the Rev. Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed., be appointed as General Secretary to the Foreign Mission Board as from 1st February, 1952.

**8. M.W.M.U.—Appreciation:** That Conference learns with great pleasure of the continued progress of the M.W.M.U. and warmly congratulates the Dominion Executive and the whole movement upon its remarkably fine and successful service during the past year.

An occasion for special gratitude is the splendid gift of £2,381 for girls' hostels at Bilua and Roviana. The Union will be gratified to know that the Bilua Hostel has been virtually completed and is in occupation, and that the foundations of the building at Roviana are likely to be laid during October or November of this year.

The largely increased Sisters' staff has involved considerable increase in expenditure, and the Board's hands have been strengthened by the sustained loyalty and generosity of the M.W.M.U., to which the Conference herewith extends its warm thanks and appreciation.

**9. Youth Board:** That grateful thanks be extended to the Youth Board and its Directors and all those associated with them in seeking

to keep before the youth and children of the Church the responsibility and privileges of sharing in the work of the Kingdom Overseas, and trusts that the vision of the rising generation will grow clearer and its devotion greater in this vitally important branch of the Church.

10. That every effort be made to secure three new ministerial appointments for the Solomons as follows:

Immediately—One for Choiseul.

Conference, 1952—One for Vella Lavella.

Conference, 1953—One for South Bougainville.

11. **Sister Grace McDonald:** That the Conference associates itself very heartily with the Solomon Islands Synod in its resolution of appreciation of Sister Grace McDonald's long, able and devoted service in the District.

12. **Annual Reports:** That Conference refer to the Foreign Mission and Home Mission Boards the matter of alternative methods of acknowledging personal contributions, and report to Synods and Conference of 1952.

13. That Conference express its appreciation to Rev. W. W. Avery for his contribution to the Foreign Mission work of the Church, both as a member of the Board and by the sale of bulbs over a long period of years.

14. That Conference expresses its deep appreciation of the willingness of the Rev. A. H. Scrivin to continue in office an additional year owing to his appointed successor being unable to take up his appointment, and on his retirement confirms the resolution concerning his services entered in the 1950 Minutes of Conference.

15. **Foreign Mission Board, 1952:** Revs. G. I. Laurenson (President of the Conference), Wm. Green (Chairman), S. G. Andrews (General Secretary); Rev. A. Blakemore and Mr. G. S. Gapper (Treasurers), Rev. J. R. Metcalfe (Chairman, Solomon Islands District); Revs. A. H. Scrivin, Fred Copeland, Wm. Walker, E. W. Hames, E. C. Leadley, J. C. Draper, A. E. Jefferson, A. E. Orr, H. C. Dixon, R. Thornley, W. E. A. Carr, A. A. Bensley, Dr. R. Dudley, C. T. J. Luxton, W. R. Francis; Messrs. T. L. Hames, J. Tyler, L. W. Peak, J. H. Blackwell, R. T. Garlick, W. Elliott, H. Denton, Miss E. M. Rishworth, Messrs. S. E. Chappell, R. N. Rowe, W. C. Francis, H. Oldham, J. H. Oldham, G. Cyril Burton; Mesdames T. Hallam (President M.W.M.U.), A. H. Scrivin, H. Nicolson, E. S. Stewart, Sisters Edna White, Lina Jones, Mrs. M. E. Virtue, Miss E. Purdie.

**Honorary Life Member:** Rev. John F. Goldie

16. **Representatives to National Missionary Council:** Revs. S. G. Andrews, W. M. Garner, Mr. G. Cyril Burton, Mrs. E. M. Riddell.

#### DISTRICT FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEES.

**AUCKLAND:** Superintendent Ministers of Auckland City and Suburban Circuits, Presidents of Auckland, Waitemata and Franklin District M.W.M.U., Mrs. H. Nicholson, Miss E. Rishworth, Messrs. A. B. Whitehead, L. W. Peak, R. G. Laking and G. W. Turley. Convener: Rev. F. E. Leadley.

**Northland Sub-District Committee:** The Northland Sub-District Executive.



- SOUTH AUCKLAND:** Ministers of Te Aroha, Hamilton and Hamilton East Circuits; Messrs. P. Rushton, W. A. Clark, E. P. Baty; Presidents of Morrinsville, Hamilton and Hamilton East Women's Missionary Auxiliaries; two youth representatives to be appointed by Morrinsville and Te Aroha. Convener: Rev. D. Haylock.
- TARANAKI-WANGANUI:** The Chairman of the District, Ministers and F.M. Secretaries of New Plymouth and Waitara Circuits. Convener: Rev. R. McGregor.
- HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:** Hawke's Bay—Ministers of Napier, Hastings and Gisborne Circuits; Messrs. A. Tunnicliffe, W. E. Donnelly and J. H. Oldham (Convener). Manawatu—Ministers of Palmerston North and Feilding Circuits; Mrs. C. E. Taylor (Convener).
- WELLINGTON:** To be appointed by District Executive. Convener: Rev. W. M. Garner.
- NELSON:** Ministers of the Blenheim Circuit, Messrs. H. Oldham, W. S. Harris, H. J. Savage, and M. A. Nightingale. Convener: Rev. C. T. J. Luxton.
- NORTH CANTERBURY:** Appointed by District Executive. Convener: Rev. A. F. Collins.
- SOUTH CANTERBURY:** Revs. D. G. Sherson, W. J. Morrison, W. W. Avery, Mrs. L. G. B. McAlister, Messrs. S. Smith, T. Simmons and A. Dale. Convener: Rev. D. G. Sherson.
- OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:** District Chairman and the Ministers of St. Kilda, Dunedin South, Mornington, Central Mission and Mosgiel Circuits, Messrs. W. Cable and W. Common, Mesdames A. Coulter, M. L. McIndoe, R. H. Botting, F. Ganderton, S. A. Prout, and Misses P. West, E. Blackwood, T. Shilcock, W. Ellis, and E. Purdie. Convener: Rev. \_\_\_\_\_.

## Methodist Women's Missionary Union

### THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

In presenting this abridged report of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union for the year ending 31st August, 1951, we of the Executive are deeply thankful to our Heavenly Father for spiritual blessings and the progress that has been made.

**Membership:** 5,413, which includes 1,338 Gleaners. This is an increase on last year's figures of 222. Total number of Auxiliaries 205, an increase of 2. Four new Gleaners' groups have also been formed.

**District Councils:** These still remain at 18, and all report a year of steady progress with interest well maintained.

**Finance:** Income for the year, £10,342/6/2. The Special Objective, "Native Girls' Hostels at Bilua and Roviana," amounted to £2,381/10/4. All other funds show an increase.

**Kurahuna School Hostel:** This branch of our work has had another satisfactory year, under the capable leadership of Sister Madeline Holland and her loyal assistant, Miss Joyce Riddick. The Hostel has been occupied to its full capacity and is undoubtedly fulfilling a very useful purpose.

**Smethurst Rest Home:** Once again this Home has been taken advantage of by the Sisters. All express their gratefulness for being allowed the use of it.

**Home Sisters:** The number supported by the Union is 15, and these are kept well supplied with parcels and sacks of used clothing. The number sent by the Auxiliaries is 411. Our contribution to the Home Mission Board towards Sisters' salaries was £2,400, an increase of £250.

**Overseas Sisters:** During the year two more Sisters have joined the staff on the Overseas Field, bringing the number to 14. The amount contributed towards the Sisters' salaries was £2,445, an increase of £250.

**Stamp Fund:** For 1950-51 shows a slight increase on the previous year, £501/16/10 being the amount received.

**Prayer Cycle:** A new Prayer Cycle has been compiled and printed, each member receiving a copy.

We feel that this has truly been a year of inspiration and uplift, and in the words of the hymn—

We'll praise Him for all that is past,  
And trust Him for all that's to come.

F. L. HALLAM, President.

C. FEATHERSTON, Secretary.

Christchurch, October, 1951.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That Conference record its appreciation of the fine contribution to the life of the Church by the M.W.M.U.

**QUESTION XLIV.**—What are the Resolutions of Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?

## Home Mission and Church Extension Dept.

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

We present this report to Synods and Conference with a deep sense of gratitude to Almighty God for His continued blessing through another year on the work of the Department in our Mission to this young nation.

#### Staff.

The number of vacant appointments left by last Conference has been reduced during the year, but we are concerned at the continuance of vacancies in so many appointments which in many cases can only go back through lack of guidance of a resident agent. We must have more single men, and we are glad that this problem was discussed as an urgent matter at the Church Council. We have been encouraged by the applications received from several suitable married men.

#### Home Missionaries' Study Conference.

The Study Conference held at Trinity College in February was attended by every Home Missionary and Home Mission Probationer on our staff. Two non-College Ministerial Probationers were also present.

We are very grateful to all the lecturers and to the Council and Staff of Trinity College for their co-operation. The men worked well at a very full programme, and we are sure the benefit of the Conference will be revealed in greater efficiency than ever before on the part of the staff.



### **Visit of Rev. A. G. Manefield, B.A.**

At the time of preparation of this report, Mr. Manefield is in New Zealand and he is fulfilling a very full programme of speaking and travelling. We believe his visit will result in much closer understanding between our Conference and Australasian Methodism.

### **National Council of Churches—Methodist Contribution.**

To assist the Ecumenical Committee, the sum of £63 was forwarded as a temporary advance to enable the Methodist payment to the National Council of Churches to be made in full at the due date. We trust that our Circuits will send in their donations for this important work early in each year so that this procedure will not be necessary in the future.

### **Literature and Colporteur Society.**

In accordance with the resolution of last Conference, the constitution of the Literature and Colporteur Society was drafted, and after approval of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, acting on behalf of the Conference, the Society was incorporated.

We shall be reporting on the year's financial operations after the close of the Bookroom year at 31st July.

### **Maori Mission.**

A separate Maori Mission Report is submitted herewith.

### **Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom.**

The General Superintendent has given many weeks this year to visiting District Centres as well as a number of smaller places as Director of the Crusade. The bulk of the Deputation work has thus fallen upon the Assistant Superintendent. We are grateful to some of the Home Missionaries and some Branches of the Men's Fellowship for their valuable help in taking some of the meetings.

### **Finance.**

For some years past, the annual income for our Fund has not reached the figure of expenditure approved by each Conference, and this is again the case this year. The rise in standard minimum stipends on each occasion adds a considerable amount to the budget of the Board, as we carry the full stipend payments of Departmental Officers and all Maori Mission Staff. The Home Mission Fund is the Circuit Fund of the Maori Mission.

This annual leeway has caused an accumulated deficit of £10,500 at June 30th. We have been compelled to seek special assistance from some of our people for relief of this position, as the above figure represents almost the maximum of our overdraft limit at the Bank. The situation has compelled the Executive to defer agreeing to the extra rise in stipends recommended by the Committee on Stipends for the meanwhile.

Many Circuits and some Districts have endeavoured successfully to reach or exceed their targets, and we give them our special thanks. Every Circuit or District that fails to reach its target, nullifies the splendid generosity of other places to that extent. We would urge once more that the targets be accepted as a general principle as being the minimum that each place should raise for this central Fund of the Church.

### **Proposals for Church Extension Work (Mins. of Conf., 1950, p. 122).**

The Board having reviewed these proposals makes the following observations:—

1. We recognise the urgency of the situation these proposals seek to meet.

2. We point out that the scheme proposed is based on the plans of another communion which commenced a group of strong central Churches and later commenced aggressive extension work. Our Church has been an aggressive extension Church from its beginnings. The Home Mission Department is already committed to assisting many old-established causes, and shepherding others through times of crisis. It has also shouldered throughout its whole history, very wide-spread Maori Mission activities.

3. The major responsibility of the Home Mission Fund is support of Circuit Funds rather than the purchase of properties.

4. However, the Home Mission Department is already lending money for the immediate purchase of building sites in strategic localities, and making no charge for interest on such loans until a cause is commenced. It is also advancing money at a low rate of interest, to supplement the splendid work of the Church Building and Loan Fund. This is the different structure in use in our Church.

5. We welcome and encourage District initiative in support of new enterprises within the District, provided that financial appeals for such enterprises do not divert funds from the meeting of the District's responsibility to the Dominion Home Mission Fund which must go on, and on whose stability so much depends.

6. We do not favour the suggested special annual appeal for £3,000 for Church Extension, as this would compete undesirably with present appeals for existing commitments.

7. We do point out, however, the need for two main lines of appeal for special Funds:—

(a) At an early date, a Dominion-wide appeal for a greatly increased Capital for the Church Building and Loan Fund.

(b) As soon as possible, a further appeal on the lines of the Peace Thanksgiving Fund, for the making of cash grants for property erection or purchase.

8. In the meantime we point out that the matter of stipend subsidies and Circuit Fund assistance for existing causes or new extension causes, still calls for a greatly strengthened Home Mission Fund in its normal annual appeal.

9. The Board favours the suggestion of appealing to ministers with special gifts to accept the challenge of special tasks of Church Extension.

#### **Conclusion.**

We again urge upon the whole Church, the special seriousness of the position of the Board's finances, but we are convinced that prayerful loyalty on a uniform level throughout the whole Dominion, could easily meet our needs for carrying through our God-given task.

WILLIAM GREEN, Acting-Chairman of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

J. C. DRAPER, Secretary of the Board.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, 1951.**

##### **Annual Reports and Lists of Subscribers.**

The Board members feel that the production of an annual Report and salient financial facts and balance sheets is an essential element in Department publicity.

In a voluntary organisation dependent on the good-will of the whole constituency, it is most necessary that a system be operated that protects both voluntary donors and voluntary collectors against the slightest criticism or uncertainty.



It is the judgment of the Home Mission Department repeatedly expressed, that the most satisfactory method of doing this is the printing of the lists of individual subscriptions in the annual reports.

However, owing on the one hand to the steeply rising costs of printing and on the other to the growing criticism in many quarters of the present method of acknowledgment, it has been decided that in future the printed annual report will contain for each Circuit the following details only:—

- (a) The targets for the previous three years and actual total sent in.
- (b) Sunday offering from the various preaching places, and offerings at week-night meetings.
- (c) Individual donations of Church organisations such as Bible Classes, Sunday Schools, etc.
- (d) Total amounts raised by individual collectors. Such totals to agree with the figures in official collecting books and certified by the Circuit Auditors as agreeing with amounts forwarded to the office.

To this end we request Conference to endorse this programme as set out in the attached recommendations, and to call on all Circuits to co-operate loyally.

#### **Visit of Rev. A. G. Manefield.**

The visit of Rev. A. G. Manefield was a great success and his meetings, though not adequately attended in some centres, were a source of much effective education and inspiration. The Board is very grateful to him for the very acceptable services he rendered during his busy and extensive tour.

#### **Literature and Colporteur Society.**

The Society has had a satisfactory year as is revealed in the accompanying Balance Sheets. The incorporation of the Society was not completed owing to new developments, and a report will be submitted to next Synods and Conference.

The Bookroom is understaffed and working in cramped and inadequate premises, but good work is being done, for which we are grateful.

The devotional booklet, "The Upper Room," though like all periodicals, rising in price, is steadily increasing in circulation.

#### **Maori Work.**

**Te Kuiti Maori Centre:** Since the main report was prepared the Board has been able to purchase from the Salvation Army their Hall in Te Kuiti as a Maori Centre. At an early date an official re-opening will be held. The building will be a great asset to the work. Gifts for this special advance move will be sought and will be greatly appreciated.

**Visit of Rev. E. Te Tuhi to Solomon Islands Jubilee:** We appreciate the action of the Native Church in the Solomons in inviting Rev. E. Te Tuhi to attend the Jubilee Celebrations as representative of the Maori Race, and we heartily commend him to the task.

#### **Special Debt Reduction Appeal.**

The result of the special letters of appeal sent to eleven hundred names throughout the Dominion has not yet been assessed, but we have been greatly encouraged by the generous and cordial tone of the letters that have come to hand thus far with gifts. We must ask the Conference to seek ways and means of developing the regular support of our Fund and progressively eliminating our debt.

### Commission of Enquiry.

We note the recommendation of two Synods that a special independent commission be set up to examine certain aspects of the work of our Board and Department. We will welcome any such enquiry and will gladly co-operate in making any material available to such a commission, the result of whose examination we can confidently await. Anything that makes the problems and opportunities of our work known to a wider circle in the Church is all to the good.

WM. GREEN, Acting-Chairman.

G. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

J. C. DRAPER, Secretary of the Board.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Annual Report, together with the Supplementary Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statements as follows be received and adopted:—

(a) The Home Mission Fund, including the abstracts showing the position of the Home Missionaries' Removal Fund, the Picture Department, the Home Missionaries' Training Conference Account.

(b) The Investment Funds Board, including the abstracts showing the position of the Special Loans Account, the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust, the Buddle Centennial Gift Account, and the Buttle Centennial Gift Account.

(c) The Mission Property Trustees.

(d) The Literature and Colporteur Society.

3. That Rev. G. I. Laurensen be re-appointed as General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department for a further term of six years.

4. That Rev. B. M. Chrystall, B.A., be re-appointed as Assistant Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department for a further term of three years.

5. That Conference directs that the stipends of the General Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent be raised to a standard commensurate with the positions occupied.

6. That having surveyed the operation of the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust Fund, Conference again expresses its appreciation to Mrs. J. H. Blackwell for her thoughtful and generous gift.

7. That the Estimates for Income and Expenditure of the Home Mission Fund for 1952 be received and adopted.

8. That Conference express its appreciation to Greymouth, Wellington East and Hutt Circuits for voluntarily ceasing to apply for a Grant from the Home Mission Fund.

9. That Conference cordially thanks the retiring auditors of the Funds of the Home Mission Department, Messrs. P. Dellow and J. L. Crawford, who, for 17 years and 14 years respectively, have rendered conspicuous and invaluable service in an honorary capacity to the Department.

10. That Conference expresses its appreciation to the Men's Fellowships for their assistance in deputation work in those districts where official deputations could not be arranged.

11. That Conference once again expresses its thanks to its many helpers, District Home Mission Secretaries, Circuit Secretaries and collectors for their work during the year.



12. Acknowledgment of Annual Subscriptions to Home Missions: That the procedure continue as at present but that only the totals as indicated in paragraphs (a) to (d) in the Supplementary Report be printed in the Circuit Records in the Annual Report.

13. That with a view to meeting the spiritual needs of the many Methodist people living outside the range of a settled ministry, Conference requests the Home Mission Board to consider the possibility of meeting such needs by the development of a Home Mission Patrol working such areas with a suitably equipped van on an itinerant basis.

14. That Conference requests Circuits to make a more consistent effort annually to raise the Home Mission Target by making sure that the appeal is brought before all our members and adherents through some such system as posting the literature supplied by the Department to the homes of all our people or by personal canvass.

15. That Conference learns with pleasure of the pledge undertaken by the North Canterbury Synod to raise this year an additional amount equivalent to the Home Mission Grant asked for in the District, and notes the challenge to the Men's Fellowships.

16. (a) That Conference expresses its confidence in the present policy of the Home Mission Department, and realising that its present financial difficulties are due to rising costs, and opportunities for extension work, calls upon every Circuit and Home Mission Station to meet its 1952 Target. This shall be based upon the amount of £15,000 required to meet the 1952 budgeted expenditure plus one-third of the accumulated debt as at 31st January, 1952, which is estimated to be £2,000; the total sum of approximately £17,000 to be allocated to Circuits on a membership basis.

(b) That the District Home Mission Committees and/or District Executives set up in each District strong sub-committees to direct the appeal and to take whatever steps considered necessary to ensure that the District Target is achieved.

17. That the Rev. B. M. Chrystall and Mr. Frank Penn be re-appointed as Treasurers.

18. That the Home Mission Board for 1952 be:—Revs. G. I. Laurenson (President of the Conference), B. M. Chrystall, H. A. Darvill, E. Te Tuhi, S. G. Andrews, Wm. Green, E. D. Patchett, L. R. M. Gilmore, A. E. Orr, H. Whitfield, A. E. Jefferson, J. C. Draper, W. Walker, A. Blakemore, J. J. Lewis, W. E. A. Carr, A. R. Penn, W. F. Ford, R. Thornley, G. E. Brown, F. D. Peterson, Mesdames T. Hallam, H. Nicolson, Misses E. Rishworth, E. M. Pearce, Messrs. F. Penn, L. T. Hayman, J. H. Blackwell, H. M. Patrick, H. S. Crowe, S. E. Chappell, J. C. Tietjens, P. Dellow, T. W. Hemer, G. S. Gapper, R. G. Laking, J. S. Bayes, G. E. Spooner, W. A. Woodward, W. E. Burley and S. Sayers. Corresponding Members, Rev. H. L. Fiebig, Life Members, Revs. A. J. Seamer, Dr. H. Ranston; Secretary, Rev. J. C. Draper.

#### DISTRICT HOME MISSION COMMITTEES.

AUCKLAND: The District Executive. Convener: Rev. Harris Whitfield.

NORTHLAND: The Northland Sub-District Executive.

SOUTH AUCKLAND: The District Executive. Convener: Rev. H. C. Matthews.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Ministers of New Plymouth, Opunake, Waitara and Stratford Circuits; the Home Missionary at Okato; Messrs. T. P. Hughson, A. K. Surrey, and W. H. C. Clemow. Convener: Rev. H. Moore.

**Wanganui Committee:** Ministers of Wanganui Circuits, Messrs. E. L. F. Buxton, F. Whitlock, W. H. S. Newsome. Convener: Minister of Wanganui North Circuit.

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:**

(1) **Manawatu:** District Chairman, Ministers of Palmerston North, Ashhurst and Sanson Circuits; Mrs. H. Richards, Messrs. L. H. Bycroft and O. Greathead. Convener: Rev. B. H. Riseley.

(2) **Hawke's Bay Sub-Committee:** Ministers of Napier and Hastings Circuits; Mr. D. G. Laws, Mr. M. Craven. Convener: Rev. T. H. Carr.

**WELLINGTON:** To be appointed by the District Executive.

**NELSON:** District Chairman, Ministers of the Blenheim Circuit, Messrs. H. Oldham, H. J. Savage, E. S. Wratt, and R. C. A. Marshall. Convener: Rev. A. O. Jones.

**NORTH CANTERBURY:** Appointed by District Executive. Convener: Rev. A. J. Johnston.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY:** Superintendent Ministers of Ashburton, Willowby and Geraldine Circuits; Miss A. Clucas, Messrs. W. B. Elwood, and A. H. S. Barker. Convener: Rev. J. C. A. Williams.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:** District Chairman, Ministers of Dunedin South, Dundas St., Roslyn, Port Chalmers Circuits; Misses E. Heatherington, F. McCrone, P. Hancock; Messrs. P. Nixon, E. A. Bennett, H. H. Johnson, T. McMillan, C. H. Kitchin, J. R. Bain, E. D. Smyth, and one other. Convener: Rev. W. S. Neal.

**QUESTION XLV.—**What is the State of the Maori Work, and what can be done to Promote its Interests?

## Maori Mission Report

The continued development and activity of our Maori Mission gives us reason for much thankfulness. A faithful staff and many willing helpers make much of the work a great joy. There are numerous grave problems confronting the Mission as well as the Maori people themselves, and our work calls for much prayerful support throughout the Church.

### Obituary.

We record the loss of two faithful workers in the passing of Revs. Wetini Hotu and Heemi Winiata. Fuller reference will be made in the obituary minute of Conference.

### Honours to the Senior Maori Superintendent.

The Board greatly appreciated the action of last Conference in receiving the Reverend E. Te Tuhi into Full Connexion. To this has now been added the bestowing upon him by His Majesty the King, of the Order of the British Empire. We are sure the whole Church rejoices with him in this further great honour.

### Staff.

During the year Mr. Wiremu Kamana withdrew from our Honorary Staff. We are very glad to welcome on to the staff Mr. Pukerau Rangitutia of Aotearoa.

### Ngaruawahia.

We have carried on our budget for several years the contingent provision for a Deaconess Nurse at the Health Clinic at Ngaruawahia. Owing to shortage of staff and the difficulty of finding a suitable person hitherto, the appointment has not been made. During the year



the Board decided to appoint Sister Airini Hobbs to the Clinic for this year as a Supply appointment. We hope to find a suitable trained nurse to take up this appointment.

#### **Hawera Maori Centre.**

An important advance in our work this year has been the opening of the R. Tahupotiki Haddon Memorial Centre in Hawera. Mrs. Hallam, Dominion President of the M.W.M.U., declared the building open, and the Minister of Maori Affairs, the Hon. E. B. Corbett, addressed the gathering and unveiled a portrait of the late Mr. Haddon. Rev. R. P. Rakena also dedicated a lectern in memory of the late Sister Nellie (Mrs. Williams). The building and its equipment have drawn most favourable comment.

#### **Dargaville Maori Centre.**

With the co-operation of a strong and enthusiastic local committee, construction is now in progress on the new Maori Centre for our Deaconess in Dargaville.

#### **"Te Rahui," Hamilton.**

Te Rahui is growing even more effective as a centre of religious and social service. The new additions erected last year are proving a great acquisition, and the happy family there under the guidance of Rev. A. J. Seamer and Sister Heeni Wharemaru, with the other Mission workers, are proving the wisdom of our venture of faith in providing such a Hostel and Mission Centre.

#### **Pukekohe.**

During the year the Board were delighted to accept the offer of a young layman, Mr. George Bennett of Te Kowhai, to give a year of special sacrificial service in our Maori Mission. The urgency of the need at Pukekohe caused the Board to appoint him there, and he is doing excellent work developing Maori Sunday Schools, and assisting in Pastoral Visitation.

This is an area where important community developments make it imperative that our Church should continue to have a full-time representative on the spot, if at all possible. It will call for additional trained staff, and considerable addition to our annual Budget.

#### **Hostels and Education.**

Owing to change of Government and uncertainty as to policy regarding Government subsidies for such work, the Board has shared with Rangiatea Board its sense of frustration at delay in construction of the long-promised Educational Hostel unit in New Plymouth.

Increasingly we see the urgent need of Hostel accommodation in our larger centres of Maori population for youth seeking education, or for apprentices and others. We welcome the announcement by the Minister of Maori Affairs, of the policy to be implemented of pound for pound subsidies for capital cost on hostels in cities. We trust that this will apply also to such educational hostels as that proposed at Rangiatea.

The great usefulness of the present small units at Rangiatea and Kurahuna, as well as the larger unit at Te Rahui, gives clear proof of the effectiveness of the service rendered by our Church in Hostel activities. We must anticipate having to extend this work very greatly if we are to fulfil our responsibility adequately.

#### **Maori Section, N.C.C.**

As will be seen from the report of this section in the report of the Ecumenical Committee, our Mission continues to share in the tasks and benefit of this great movement. Our Mission is to be host to the next General Meeting of the Section in February, 1952.

### Financial Helpers.

We again record our grateful thanks to the M.W.M.U. for their continued special assistance to our Funds. Their generous support is a continual inspiration to us all. We also appreciate very much indeed, the support given by the Youth of the Church in their interest in several individual members of our staff.

### A Plea.

In conclusion, we would once more appeal to our members to use their influence in every way possible, to create the best atmosphere for the solution of problems confronting Maori and Pakeha in N.Z. There is great need for patience and tolerance on both sides. Many of our Maori people are making worthy and successful efforts to meet the challenge of these difficult days, and the failure of some of them should not be used to discourage the others. There is a grave responsibility resting on all right thinking Christian people to offer moral and practical support to every movement seeking the advancement of our great Maori Race. In this task our Mission fills no mean place and we commend it again to the whole Church.

WILLIAM GREEN,  
Acting Chairman of the Board.  
GEO. I. LAURENSEN,  
General Superintendent.  
ERUERA TE TUHI,  
Senior Maori Superintendent.  
J. C. DRAPER, Secretary of the Board.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That in view of increased drinking among the Maori people, the question of suitable action be referred to the Temperance Committee for discussion with the Home Mission Board with a view to making suggestions to the Government concerning legislation to deal with the problem which will apply equally to Maori and European.
3. That the suggestion that as an immediate special and urgent objective, an appeal with an accompanying envelope be sent to all senior Maori members, and that they be invited to contribute a special Thank-offering gift, be referred to the Home Mission Board for consideration.

### RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST. ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

I have the honour to report that a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust was held at New Plymouth on Saturday, 6th October, 1951.

Mr. A. Eaton Hurley presided and there were present:—Revs. E. T. Olds, G. I. Laurenson, R. P. Rakena, E. Te Tuhi, Mrs. W. H. Aburn, Miss E. B. Cannell, Sister E. B. Marriott, Messrs. M. S. Hughson, W. P. Griffith, F. H. Barnitt, H. T. Awarua, and the Secretary, W. P. Okey.

Apologies for absence were received from Miss Lorna Hodder and Messrs. Frank Penn and T. M. Pacey.

The chairman feelingly referred to the untimely death of Nathan Richard Seddon who had been a member of the Board of Governors from the inception of the Trust and who had passed away since the last meeting of the Board.



The chairman reported having received from the Minister of Maori Affairs a letter under date of 3/10/51 stating that Cabinet had authorised the payment of a £1 for £1 subsidy for the erection of an Hostel at Spotswood, New Plymouth, to accommodate 40 to 50 Maori girls attending secondary school and at the same time providing for post-school accommodation for one year for 10 girls, subject to the conditions laid down in respect of the payment of subsidies to religious and other social organisations for the purchase and erection of Hostels for Maori youths working in urban areas.

The chairman also reported that he had received from the Under-Secretary of Maori Affairs a letter dated 5/10/51 setting out the conditions attaching to subsidies for Maori hostels.

The Chairman was requested to take up with the Department of Maori Affairs the enunciation as to the amount and the coverage of the subsidy and whether or not any part of the land can be included in the subsidy.

It was pointed out by the Chairman that the terms and conditions of the subsidy would necessitate the Board amending its original intentions and accordingly moved:

"That this Board recognises that its original function to provide a school for Maori children cannot within the foreseeable future be realised by reason of the lack of sufficient finance, and being satisfied that the functions can be satisfactorily fulfilled by the establishment of an Hostel for Maori children who will attend State schools in New Plymouth, and bearing in mind its further functions to use its funds and properties for the benefit and maintenance of Maori children and youth, this Board is prepared to accept, on the conditions hereafter set out, the terms of the Minister's letter of 3rd October, 1951, as to the provision of accommodation for ten girls for one year after leaving school, and the Board believes that in such acceptance there is no barrier to the eventual development of a school in conjunction with the Hostel if the Board should at any future time determine to proceed with the erection of a School Building.

"Further, that this Board agrees that admission of Boarders shall be open to all members of the Christian faith, but must reserve its absolute discretion in the final selection. The Board believes that to maintain discipline and good behaviour it is desirable, though not essential, that all such boarders should have had experience in the Rangiatea Maori College Hostel, or in a school or hostel of similar standing."

It was resolved: "That subject to satisfactory replies being obtained from the Department of Maori Affairs to inquiries upon the terms and conditions of the subsidy offered then this Board to proceed with the erection of an Hostel for Maori Girls."

#### The "A. J. Trewin Bequest."

The Treasurer reported that since the close of the Board's financial year final particulars in connection with this Bequest had come to hand. These disclosed the total value of the Bequest to be £4,831/12/11.

The Treasurer also reported that a bequest of £25 had been received from the estate of the late Mrs. M. E. Brown of Christchurch, and that Whites Ltd., Drapers, of New Plymouth, had donated the sum of £50 to the Capital funds of the Trust.

#### Cash and Investments.

The Cash and Investments of the Trust with the full amount of the "Trewin Bequest" added, but exclusive of fixed Assets, now stand at £20,701.

### Resignation.

Miss Lorna Hodder of Palmerston North, having resigned from the Board on account of her aged mother requiring her close attention, Miss C. Trewin of New Plymouth was appointed to fill the vacancy.

### Nominations for the Board.

The following nominations for the Board of Governors are submitted to Conference for approval:—Messrs. A. Eaton Hurley, T. M. Pacey and A. D. Priestley (representing the Wellington Charitable & Educational Endowments Board); Rev. G. I. Laurenson, Rev. E. Te Tuhi and Mr. Frank Penn (representing the Board of Maori Missions); Mrs. W. H. Aburn, Miss E. B. Cannell, Mr. J. Horn, Rev. R. P. Rakena and Mr. H. T. Awarua (nominated by Synod for Taranaki); Messrs. M. S. Hughson and W. P. Griffith (nominated by the Grey Institute Trust); Miss C. Trewin (nominated by the Rangiatea Maori College Trust); Rev. E. T. Olds (Superintendent Minister of New Plymouth Circuit); Kai Iwi Farm Trust: Rev. G. R. Thompson.

**Chairman:** Mr. A. Eaton Hurley was re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

For the Board,  
M. S. HUGHSON, Conference Representative.

### RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

**QUESTION XLVI.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting City Missions?

## A—Auckland Central Mission

### REPORT, 1951.

As life becomes more complex the demands made upon a City Mission grow more varied and exacting. While the "Welfare State" has endeavoured to distribute the fruits of production, it is still true that "the poor ye have always with you." Problems arising from the needs of elderly people make it imperative that the community as well as the Church make further provision for housing and generally caring for the aged. Children below par, the housing shortage, the loosening of the marriage tie, accommodation for immigrants, the training and guiding of youth, as well as visiting the sick and prisoner are part of our daily programme.

### Centennial 1851-1951.

One hundred years ago the Rev. Robert Ward, first Primitive Minister in Auckland, received as a Crown grant, the land upon which the Mission premises still stand. To mark the occasion the foundation stone of the new building was laid by Mr. James Tyler (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Board of Trustees) followed by a reunion Banquet in the Concert Chamber of the Town Hall. The Centennial services were conducted by the President-Elect, Rev. G. I. Laurenson, and the Mission Superintendent. A reunion social gathering and a Youth Demonstration were greatly appreciated. Gifts of a reception desk from the City Council, a new piano from Mrs. H. Kasper (first Sunday School scholar of the Helping Hand Mission) and a Cross from the members of the late Rev. J. Cocker's family have been gratefully received.

### New Premises.

The laying of the Foundation stone marks the first step towards the fulfilment of the scheme. The fund now stands at £50,700, but owing to the high costs, further monies will be needed to complete



minimum requirements. Due to the information gathered from overseas and the trend in population, the previous plans are being modified in order to meet modern City Mission needs for both old and young. Negotiations are proceeding with the Probert Trustees in conjunction with the Church Building and Loan Fund, with a view to using both sites to the fullest advantage.

#### **Sunday Services.**

Our present entrance just off Queen Street and up a steep incline militates against the attendance of would-be worshippers, but we are inspired by our increasing membership. We have been pleased to welcome new settlers and to pass them on to other circuits.

#### **Youth Work.**

The two Sunday Schools have an attendance of one hundred, some of the children being transported by the Goodwill van. Through Bible Classes, Scouts, Cubs, Brownies, Guides and Clubs, young folk are challenged to a life of service, and are encouraged, with proper oversight, to run their own affairs. To supplement religious education, vacation schools have been conducted at Campbell's Bay Health Camp and the Mission Centre under the direction of Sister Fiona.

#### **Campbell's Bay Health Camp.**

There has been no diminishing of the number of children under par. At present there are over six hundred children in the Auckland area who require treatment. Until recent weeks, the Camp functioned under a full-time schedule. Further negotiations for the appointment of a Matron are proceeding so that the Camp may function to capacity in the summer months. Week-end retreats and vacation schools have been held and accommodation has been arranged for many without a home. Further fencing, tree planting and grounds equipment have been carried out at the cost of £900. We record our thanks to the Auckland Central Council and staff for their ready co-operation.

#### **The Aged.**

(a) **Astley House.** The extensions which were officially opened in May, 1950, have proved a blessing, and the house now accommodates thirty-three ladies. The Trustees recently acquired an adjacent half-acre with a right-of-way on to New North Road. The total cost of the extensions, furnishings, and land is over £25,000. The Trustees are anxious to make further provision for elderly women; to establish a home for elderly men, and flats for elderly couples. These will be proceeded with as money is available. The house has been extremely well managed by Mrs. H. Brown (Matron) and Miss L. Kirkpatrick (Sub-Matron), and latterly by the new Matron, Mrs. I. Palmer. To these good folk, together with the guests who readily co-operate, our thanks are due for the homely atmosphere and the excellent running of the house. It should be remembered that the ladies of the house, on their own initiative, stocked and manned a stall at our Annual Fair, thus contributing one hundred pounds.

(b) **Wesley Convalescent Hospital.** The Hospital was officially opened by His Worship the Mayor, Sir John Allum, C.B.E., on September 30th last. Its purpose is to receive medical and surgical patients from general hospitals, to care for elderly folk while relatives recuperate on holiday, and to co-operate with the Astley House management, when ladies need hospital attention. Though the Hospital has not been operating a full year, we find the need for such a place (the first of its kind in New Zealand) greater than we anticipated. The Matron, Sister Arline Preece, is one of Auckland's best-

trained and efficient Sisters, and we are grateful for her Christian devotion and capable management. The total cost of purchasing the site and buildings, alterations and equipment, was £14,500. Of this amount, we received £3,879/3/11 from the Government.

(c) At the Mission centre Mrs. A. Davis conducts an elderly people's Fellowship. These folk receive spiritual food, drink tea together, and are generally cared for by the Mission visitors.

(d) Many emergencies arise when we are called to assist elderly folk living in rooms, and sometimes without relatives in New Zealand. Hours are spent in gracious loving service by a team of visitors. During winter months, fuel and hot-water bottles have also been distributed. Special thanks are due to the Wellsford Church of Christ members for two trucks of firewood, and other comforts.

#### **Need for Youth Hostels.**

For many years, we have brought to the notice of the Church, the need for hostels for young people. Many of them are away from home, others need the kind of atmosphere we can provide, while many parents are anxious as their families are parted on account of their vocations. In Auckland the position is accentuated on account of a large population of Europeans, Maoris and Islanders who enter industry or pursue their studies. A worthy hostel centre would have a tremendous value in directing the lives of many who need such guidance and shepherding during adolescent years. Our Board has already recommended that provision for this work be made, and a course of action planned, so that the district may work together in order to meet the modern challenge.

#### **Goodwill Industries and Community Service.**

The Goodwill Store is a blessing to those on small incomes. Mrs. N. Gallavin who has been in charge of this department for eleven years has also distributed goods to those in need. There are still handicapped folk and others, who are glad of an opportunity to help themselves through "Not charity but a chance." The Superintendent represents the Church on the Immigration Committee, the Discharge Prisoners' Aid Society, The Society for Protection of Women and Children, the Honouring Age Committee and other Community Welfare organisations.

#### **Franklin Road.**

The Sunday School of forty children and the Sunday Church services are both well attended. We continue to meet the need in this district, where the members are loyal, and a worthy guild operates.

#### **Immigration.**

Apart from assisted immigrants, we are also asked to sponsor families who must be assured of work and accommodation. This has been done for many families, and it is a very effective method of helping new arrivals. Displaced persons are adapting themselves very well and are deeply grateful for being allowed to settle here.

#### **Property Matters and Finance.**

The Mission buildings were recently painted and other properties are in good order. Our debts on the completion of Wesley Hospital and Astley House, were four thousand more pounds than we anticipated. The present debts now total £6,900. It is gratifying to report that a well-wisher has loaned five thousand pounds free of interest. As our liabilities are reduced, we will make further provision for our Social Services. A brick garage has been erected at the Parsonage,



and is part of the new parsonage scheme which will be completed when the time is opportune. It is our intention to sell the present parsonage and section, which will help towards erecting a new one on the adjoining one-third of an acre.

Legacies of £950 have been received from the estate of the late James Coe for the Halth Camp, and £900 from John Trewin towards Social Services.

#### **Staffing.**

Eighteen years ago, the Conference Minutes stated "that the time was opportune for a forward movement in the City." Since then there has been a gradual building of the congregation, youth work and social services. It is our intention to concentrate on more efforts for the shaping of plans for the Mission Centre, carrying forward the building scheme and intensifying our evangelical work. This cannot be adequately accomplished without an associate minister who could devote his full time to our religious education programme, industrial and open air work, etc. Such is the nature of modern legislation and our way of life that it may not be out of place to suggest that younger ministers who feel called to City Mission work should prepare themselves by taking advantage of the Social Science course at the Victoria College. Sister Fiona Summerell has proved a loyal and worthy colleague and is applying herself assiduously to her task.

#### **General.**

Both Sister Fiona and Mrs. A. Davis conduct religious exercises in six schools, and the sick in hospitals are regularly visited. The Superintendent conducts regular services in Mt. Eden prison, and interviews the men.

We are grateful to Mrs. T. Wright and Miss P. Chorley for faithful secretarial work. To our office bearers, ladies' guilds, ladies' auxiliary committee, youth workers, choir master (Rev. Arthur Mitchell), organist (Mrs. F. M. Souster, L.R.S.M.), the Press, ministers and laymen, subscribers, and a large band of voluntary workers, the Board of Management extends its sincere appreciation. We trust that the work will commend itself to all people of goodwill and inspire the necessary resources to maintain and extend the kingdom.

A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.

JAMES TYLER,

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Board of Trustees.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. **Board of Management for 1952:** Supt. Central Mission (Chairman), Supt. Home Mission Dept., Chairman of District, Revs. H. Ranston, E. W. Hames, Wesley Parker, L. R. M. Gilmore, G. E. Brown, J. C. Draper, W. Green, A. J. Seamer; Mesdames M. Spurge, I. Young, and Miss E. Booth; Messrs. J. Tyler, T. Trenwith, L. J. Moore, F. Penn, E. A. Astley, C. K. Wigglesworth, R. Garlick, J. S. Caughey, L. Simpson, L. T. Hayman, L. C. Crawford, W. E. Burley, R. Mortimer, R. W. Verry, W. Woodward, A. E. Hayman, together with the Circuit Officials and Trustees of the Mission Properties.
3. **Law Book Amendment:** That Question 41 in Synod Agenda (Book of Laws, p. 68) with the following recommended alteration be referred to the Law Revision Committee:

What is the report of:

- (a) Any City Mission in this District?
- (b) Other Social Service Activities.

## B.—THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE, PONSONBY, REPORT, 1951.

The Christian Community Centre, under direction of the Auckland West Quarterly Meeting, again reports a successful year of over twenty activities, catering for the physical, cultural, social and spiritual needs, of people of all ages. The Balance Sheet shows an overall cost of £1,200 for the year, and there is £900 worth of equipment.

Since the erection of the Auditorium, Canteen and Cloak Rooms, opened free of debt, at a City Council valuation of £3,500, the officials have been able to accommodate a larger number of people to better advantage. The Director's work as an Honorary Probation Officer has brought him into contact with a vastly increased number of problem cases throughout the city and province. This work has been recognised with commendation by the Justice Department. The psychological approach to these problems has been the means of bringing new life to many people and especially to adolescent youth.

The outcome of this growing work has led to the forming of a Youth Town Trust, of fifteen Christian business men in the city, who recognise the necessity of further development work of an institutional character.

A property has been bought at Te Atatu comprising of 19 acres of fertile land, with an eleven-roomed house and outbuildings. The situation leaves no room for improvement. Throughout the development of procuring this property, the Trustees have been in close consultation with the Auckland District Executive, and the Property Secretary for the District, who is one of the Trustees and acknowledges the good value at the purchase price of £5,000.

Because we believe that there is a greater virtue in forming manhood than in reforming youth, the Trustees have launched a scheme of rehabilitation where by psychological help, and Christian environment, young manhood can be saved.

It is proposed to spend £4,000 on making the property suitable for an "Opportunity Youth Hostel," and between £3000 and £4000 on a qualified Supervisor's house. The Government has agreed to the giving of a substantial grant for the initial cost of the buildings; the alterations to be subject to Government regulations. After this work is completed the Trustees contemplate building a Gymnasium Hall with woodwork and other rooms attached.

A number of business men associated with the Trust estimate the overall cost at £25,000, and they have undertaken to associate themselves with the immediate raising of the money.

The admission to this Hostel will be a matter of privilege and not of compulsion, but it will include young men who have been before the Court, and others who are recommended for this remedial treatment. This responsibility to help those who are emotionally disturbed, and who will embrace the opportunity to make good, has come to the Church.

The Church is grateful to Dr. D. O. Williams for the help he has given in furthering this scheme.

The Auckland West Quarterly Meeting, and the Youth Town Trustees have recommended to Synod the above proposals. The Architect's plans and method of appeal have been agreed to by the District Executive, and now seek the approval of the above by Conference.

The Board of Management can be nominated at Conference.

H. WHITFIELD, Chairman.

P. R. OSBORNE, Secretary.



## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. **Board of Management, 1952:** Rev. Harris Whitfield, The Chairman of the District, Revs. D. O. Williams, J. J. Lewis, Sister Rita Snowden, Messrs. P. R. Osborne, L. C. Barker, T. E. Price, S. S. Chappell, F. E. Sutherland, A. Matheson, C. A. Davidson, J. Prescott, L. T. Hayman, R. A. Craig, D. R. Mewa, H. N. Hansen, R. M. Barker, W. C. Mackay, J. H. Luxford.

### C.—WESLEY CHURCH (WELLINGTON CENTRAL) SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST (Incorp.).

**Eventide Homes Settlement:** The Trust reports progress in three main directions.

**State Subsidy Negotiations:** Early in the year the Government confirmed approvals given by the previous Administration in so far as these had related to the first phase of the scheme. Thus a subsidy of 50% of construction costs was assured for the erection of blocks of detached wards. Since this approval concerned but one part of a total scheme involving capital expenditure four times greater than that of the phase approved, and since it was the desire and intent of the Trust to pioneer for N.Z. a complete coverage scheme, it seemed politic to negotiate for definite assurances of subsidies for the entire project before embarking on any part of it. While writing this report, a memorandum has been received indicating that full approval is now given, and that a conditioned subsidy will be available for a Settlement as originally planned. Provision will be made for the full range of needs—the aged, aged infirm, aged sick, and the aged psychiatric—by way of independent villas, detached wards of bed-sitting rooms with one attendant for each block, and a main nursing lodge. The Trust has now instructed its architect, Mr. H. MacDowell Smith, to proceed to call tenders for the early erection of the first phase, which will provide one detached ward with nurses' service room and a nest of independent villas, kitchen, services, and porter lodge.

**Property Layout:** Extensive ground development and layout has gone forward in preparation for building. The young men of Wesley B.C. have co-operated in the planting of many thousands of trees. It is hoped to interest Men's Fellowships and the D.Y.C. in the development of this very beautiful 150-acre property.

**Solicitation of Financial Support:** The Superintendent Minister has sought support for the project, and we are able to report that half the amount required for the construction of the first phase is now promised, and that it is anticipated that by the day of opening the total requisite finance will be in sight.

**Methodist Youth Hostel:** Following report by the Wellington District Executive that it could not undertake the provision of a Youth Hostel at the Taranaki Street old Parsonage site, Wesley Trust resolved to take action to obtain possession of these premises for the purpose of establishing a Wesley Church Youth Hostel.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

T. M. PACEY, Hon. Secretary.

## RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

# D—Christchurch Central Methodist Mission

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING

30th JUNE, 1951.

The Interim Council of the Christchurch Methodist Central Mission presents this, its first Annual Report, with a sense of gratitude to Almighty God. This report covers a period of five months only.

We record with joy our sincere appreciation of the action of the Methodist Conference in incorporating the Mission in the Methodist Church of New Zealand and appointing a Superintendent to direct our work.

Since this action on the part of the Church, there have been opportunities of Christian service to our fellows and marked development in the life and work of the Mission beyond all expectations. Today the officials of the Mission are more convinced than ever of the unique opportunities in Kingdom-building opening before us in this Southern city.

## **Future Policy.**

In the past the main emphasis of the Mission has been upon the proclamation of the Gospel. Today, having prayerfully and thoughtfully considered our future task, we have determined that the preaching of the Word and a sane and compelling evangelism shall be central in all our activities. Nevertheless, mindful of our Lord's command to love our neighbour, we are convinced that we must communicate the Eternal Word and Power of the Risen Christ by demonstrating a Christianity that is intensely practical. This means we must love the unlovely, befriend the lonely, guide the perplexed and minister to those who are in the eventide of life. That we may implement this Call of God, we have mapped out our course for years ahead, and by the Grace of God, we trust our aims will be achieved.

Our policy includes establishment of Eventide Homes' Settlement, Maori Hostels, "Clubland," Clinical Ministry, and, eventually, the acquirement of a building in a strategic position for a permanent Home for the worship and work of the Mission.

## **Staff Appointed.**

Miss O. G. Searle has been appointed office secretary; she is also undertaking deaconess duties. Miss Searle is well-equipped for the position as for the last ten years she has been head-typist at a large Government office and, prior to that, was doing education and missionary work for thirteen years in China. The Rev. Harold Sharp, who is employed as Supernumerary Supply, has endeared himself to all members of the Mission. Every day the office staff has been augmented by voluntary workers from the Mission and neighbouring Circuits. To this loyal band of regular workers we tend our thanks. The rapid development of our Social Service work makes it imperative that, in the near future, we appoint additional full-time office staff.

## **Office and Goodwill Store Built.**

An Office and Goodwill Store have been built on the second floor of our premises. The purpose of the Goodwill Store is to provide clothing, footwear, bedding, etc., at a nominal charge to genuine needy families. Applications for assistance are increasing as the purpose of this Store becomes known.



### **Premises.**

For the information of Methodists throughout the country, we point out that we are situated in Cathedral Square and occupy two floors of a large building in which is situated our Chapel, Hall, Lounge, Offices, Store, etc. This building is being rented, and as our work develops, we are cognisant of the fact that serious consideration must be given to the purchase of a larger building.

### **Eventide Settlement Envisaged.**

Serious consideration is being given to the establishment of an Eventide Settlement. Our Architect is drawing tentative plans to provide an Eventide Settlement, comprising small units for aged couples, a women's block, men's block, community dining rooms, lounge and hospital. More detailed information regarding this scheme will be presented to Synod and Conference. A well-wisher has promised to leave a house and property and a thousand pounds toward this venture.

### **Maori Hostels.**

Our Maori brethren have approached us with a request that we establish Hostels for Maori Youth in the city. We have conferred with the Minister of Maori Affairs, the Maori Affairs Department, Christchurch, the Superintendent of the Methodist Home and Maori Missions Department. Serious consideration is now being given to the establishment of such a Hostel.

### **Aid to Needy Pensioners.**

We have brought material aid to many hundreds of needy families. During the fuel crisis, approximately 6,000 sacks of firewood were distributed. About half of this amount was given free of cost to needy families. Willing co-operation in this scheme was given by the Men's Fellowship Movement, the Drivers' Union and the Master Carriers' Association. We record appreciation of the Mayor's Coal and Blanket Committee in this venture. Blankets, clothing, footwear and finance have also been made available to many folk in genuine need.

### **Chaplaincy.**

The Superintendent has been appointed Chaplain to H.M. Prison, Paparua, and to Sunnyside Mental Hospital.

### **Finance and Property.**

We are pleased to report that the total income for the year is £1,949/9/2, compared with £924/12/10 last year. The increased support is encouraging when viewed as an earnest of things to come. The Superintendent has not had opportunity to undertake extensive canvassing, nevertheless, when appeals have been made excellent response has been forthcoming.

A Parsonage has been acquired and furnished at a cost of £3,820. Loans to the extent of £3,000 have been secured for this purpose.

### **Constitution of Separate Circuit.**

The Mission Board and the Christchurch East Quarterly Meeting are unanimously of the opinion that the Christchurch Mission should now be constituted a separate circuit.

We desire to record our sincere appreciation of the services of the Rev. V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E., who acted as Superintendent for two years. To the East Belt officials, the Christchurch East Quarterly Meeting and the Superintendent, we acknowledge our indebtedness for their interest and actions which ultimately led to the incorporation of our Society in the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Our Liquidator, Mr. S. W. Ayers, finally handed over finance and property to the President of the Conference, the Rev. H. J. Odell, on August 23rd, 1950.

#### **Board of Management.**

Believing that the Mission must become the agency of the whole Church in the realm of Social Service for this part of the South Island, we believe a widely representative Board of Management should be constituted to share the responsibilities and privileges of this work.

#### **General.**

The way in which the whole Church has accepted the responsibilities and opportunities of City Mission work in Christchurch has been an inspiration. Indicative of this is the fact that thirty-three Women's Guilds are co-operating in a Community Fair for Social Service funds.

Our Sunday services are now well established, with a marked increase in attendance at the Evening Service. The Hall has been remodelled to include a worshipful and well-furnished Chapel.

Lunch-hour meetings are being organised in co-operation with the North Canterbury Youth Fellowship.

In this formative stage, the progress evident has been made possible by the generosity of many business firms and individuals in the community. Valuable office equipment has been given as well as finance; free service has been rendered in numerous ways. To all who have supported us we offer our grateful thanks.

WILFRED E. FALKINGHAM, Superintendent.

SIDNEY D. WALLIS, Secretary.

STANLEY W. AYERS, Treasurer.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. Board of Management for 1952:—Chairman of the District, Revs. H. J. Odell, H. L. Fiebig, H. Sharp, V. R. Jamieson, L. C. Horwood, A. J. Johnston, W. L. Divers; and W. E. Falkingham and A. K. Petch; Messrs. A. A. Dingwall, E. A. Crothall, F. Christian, G. S. Salter, T. Colechin, F. Colechin, F. Pitcher, B. Allen, P. A. Le Brun, J. D. Gray, N. J. Rhind, Sir Ernest Andrews, Lady Andrews, Drs. S. Peddy and D. Orchard, and Mission officials.

## **E—Dunedin Central Mission**

### **61st ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.**

The Dunedin Methodist Central Mission may be described as an adventure in evangelism with its main emphasis on the basic elements of the Christian faith. It is an endeavour to relate the social programme of the Gospel to life and to win decisions for Jesus Christ. Throughout the year the work has been maintained at high pressure, but at no time has it been easy. Few departments are capably and fully staffed, which results in modified programmes and added burdens. It is obvious that new additions must be made to the staff to maintain the work and to lessen demand upon the time and energy of the executives.

#### **Building up the Centre.**

The main need of the Mission is to strengthen its central witness in the city. For some years the staff has been engaged in creating



assets to rebuild the centre. Social service work, purchase of property and construction of buildings have necessitated superintendence which has made inroads upon pastoral work. Periods of canvassing in the country have meant the superintendent's absence from the centre. The consolidation and extension of the main work has come to a successful conclusion, and now the task is to strengthen the Mission itself. Home visitation is the immediate need. The present buildings have few modern amenities for specialised activities and the decision to rebuild the centre is commendable. The central building fund inaugurated two years ago approximates £700. The way is now clear for concentrated effort.

#### **Specialised Ministry.**

In some respects a City Mission exercises an unorthodox ministry incomparable with that of an ordinary Circuit. Private conferences, special calls, community service, correspondence, 'phone calls, organisational work combined with pastoral work and Sunday preaching demand considerable time. It is a full time job for one man to attend to details. Much service is rendered without any seeming result though it has a community and spiritual value.

#### **Integration Needed.**

A problem confronting the leaders of departments is an obvious lack of unity. There are so many clubs and organised movements, guilds and classes operating in various buildings that each tends to become a law and end unto itself. Although each organisation is a channel of service there is definitely a lack of unity and co-operation. The pursuance of the individual programme tends to disintegration. In an endeavour to weld these factional movements into the life of the Mission periodic Church parades and socials are held, but these have not altogether produced the desired results. Many of the members of the organisations sponsored by the Mission have no Church consciousness and reside in areas a considerable distance from the centre. The Youth Council and the leaders of departments are doing what they can to combat this weakness.

#### **The Mission and Geriatrics.**

In recent years an acute community problem has arisen in respect to aged and infirm people. The present Act is so worded that people who become mentally infirm and physically incapable of looking after themselves may be committed to mental institutions. Many of these people, after a lifetime of service, no longer able to fend for themselves, become solely dependent upon the ministries of Christian institutionalism. For the Church—and particularly our own Methodist Church—to relegate to the State or to Hospital Boards this responsibility is to deny an effective form of Christian evangelism. For this reason the Mission has created an Eventide Settlement involving a quarter of a million pounds as its contribution to what is now medically termed geriatrics. The Mission has built a Settlement containing almost every known form of ministry to those in life's eventide. It is with pride that our Church enjoys the unique distinction of being one of the pioneers in this particular work and to some extent has inspired similar service in their Christian communions.

#### **Installations and Repairs.**

There has been considerable expenditure in construction, installations and repairs during the past year. Clubland for youth has been established with almost every known device to counteract delinquency and minister to the needs of youth. Clubland is fulfilling

a vital role in dealing with the leisure and pleasure of young people. This project has cost £2,000. During the year it was found necessary to re-roof the Octagon Hall at a cost of £1,500. An extensive drainage scheme, new macadamised roadway, implement shed, pig-stye, a considerable amount of fencing, pasture, purchase of stock, etc., have been undertaken. Repairs have been effected to all the buildings in town. The interiors of the two main blocks at Eventide have been painted—all this work has been undertaken without debt. The Committee has just spent £600 in replenishing stocks of blankets, sheets and towels.

#### **Erection of Chapel.**

A very beautiful building with figured windows and individual seats specially designed for the comfort of age has been constructed at the Eventide Homes at a cost of £5,500. The interior faces the harbour and hills and is dominated by a huge plate glass window emblazoned with the Cross. It is a unique building of its kind with facilities for private communion, meditation and corporate worship. The building was opened free of debt.

#### **The Staff.**

The extensive work of the Mission could never be carried out without the able oversight and administration of a very loyal team of workers. The Rev. L. C. Clements, Sister Margaret Taylor, Sister Margaret Frampton, Miss E. L. Geddes, Mrs. L. B. Neale and Mr. H. H. Johnson have shared with many other loyal and devoted workers the strain and stress of the work. The officials of Guilds, Choir and Youth Department have worked unceasingly. Conference cannot praise too highly the unselfish service of these workers.

#### **Nursing Staff.**

It is a matter of regret that there is a most lamentable lack of nurses and other workers. We could immediately employ twelve young women prepared to dedicate their lives to Christian service. Constant appeals have failed to evoke any response, and although extensive advertising has been done in this land and Overseas the position is still tragic. We respectfully suggest that Conference make an appeal to the young women of Methodism to come to the assistance of institutions and organisations now being sponsored by the Church. We record our appreciation of the work of our solicitors, auditors, doctor, chemist and architect, who have shown considerable personal interest.

#### **Amalgamation of Circuits.**

For some years many have considered the possibility of an amalgamation of adjacent Circuits in an endeavour to strengthen our Methodist witness in the city. The amalgamation of Trinity and the Mission would mean an accession of manpower which would be of vital importance in the promulgation of an effective programme and add strength to all branches of service. The unification of the two Boards of Trustees, the merging of the youth movements of both Churches, a combination of the Choirs, would create a strong central church. We suggest that Conference request the officials of the two Circuits to consider the possibility and advisability of such an amalgamation, and that the President and Secretary of the Conference interview both groups of officials and offer guidance.

#### **Bequests.**

During the year we have received word of five bequests. The Trustees are grateful for such recognition of the work. There may



come a time when it should be possible to form a capitation fund from bequests and other sources using the interest only for administration.

### Finance.

Constant vigilance is necessary to meet current expenditure on all departments. Some idea of the annual costs may be gained from the following figures:—

	Income.			Expenditure.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Social Service Department	11,512	1	3	11,185	6	10
Eventide Homes	23,349	8	4	24,151	11	0
Circuit	1,467	0	0	1,472	0	0
Trust	5,482	17	6	10,473	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£41,811</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>£47,281</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>

The total debt on all properties is approximately £15,000—made up as follows:—Social Service Department, £10,000; Trust, £5,000.

### Industrial Evangelism.

Weekly lunch-hour meetings have been conducted by Revs. L. C. Clements and L. Greenslade at Hillside Workshops. There is still keen interest by the workers increasingly evidenced by questions concerning the relationship of the Gospel to man's needs. The ministers know that at least the Christian answer to life's problems is heard by a number of men not normally attached to the Church. Such meetings help to strengthen several Christian men in their witness to workmates and definitely prove the Church is on the job. It is difficult to forecast the ultimate result of these weekly chats. Who knows but that they might yet lead to a full time appointment of an industrial evangelist.

### The Voice Over the Radio.

Every Sunday morning the Mission broadcasts a half-hour's service from Station 4XD. These services are popular with thousands of people. Members of the Radio Church of the Helping Hand during the year contributed over £1,000 towards the beneficent work of the Mission. The officers of the Mission gratefully acknowledge their appreciation of the facilities provided by the executive of the Otago Radio Association and particularly to Mr. Gordon Mitchell and his staff of honorary helpers.

L. B. NEALE,  
L. C. CLEMENTS,  
Ministers.  
H. H. JOHNSON,  
W. H. EDWARDS,  
Circuit Stewards.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference places on record its gratitude to Almighty God for the unique ministry of the Rev. L. B. Neale as Superintendent of the Dunedin Central Mission for the past 21 years. In connection with the Eventide Homes Settlement and the Radio Church, he was a true pioneer and has rendered outstanding service. Besides raising the sum of \$250,000, he has exercised a highly spiritual ministry.

QUESTION XLVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the Training of Deaconesses?

## Deaconess Board

ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

### Candidates for 1952.

After a year in which no students have been in training, four candidates have applied, and, subject to their meeting the necessary requirements, will begin their training in 1952. From enquiries already to hand, a steady flow of candidates is assured for the future.

### Prospectus.

An attractively printed Prospectus has been sent to every Minister, Home Missionary and Deaconess, so that any likely young women might be given the necessary information for applying as candidates. The use of this pamphlet in Young Women's Easter Camps this year aroused the interest of a number of our young women, and influenced some of the candidates in offering themselves for Deaconess work.

### Deaconesses on Probation.

Three students were received on probation this year, Misses Lynne Taylor and Marcia Powell to Circuit work, and Miss Te Atakohu Fitzpatrick to the Maori field.

### Liaison with Deaconesses in the Field.

In order that the Board might be more conversant with the problems and difficulties of Deaconesses in the field, and as a further means of inter-relating the work, a letter is being sent out regularly to every Deaconess, giving her news of interest from the Board, and from fellow-Deaconesses. That this is appreciated by the Deaconesses is evident from replies received.

### New Superintendent.

The Board has given careful consideration to the question of a suitable successor to Mrs. E. A. Linyard, M.A., and has in mind the possession by the future Superintendent of those qualifications that are necessary to implement the policy endorsed by Conference for an improved standard in the status of Deaconess Training. The assistance of the President of Conference and Sisters Rita Snowden and Dorothy Pointon has been enlisted to seek a possible suitable nominee overseas. Meanwhile the Board is pursuing independent enquiries.

### Staff.

We were fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. M. H. Davies as Matron of the Hostel at the beginning of the year, and under her efficient leadership the domestic affairs have been harmonious. Mrs. Davies hopes to leave for England at the end of the year, and the Board wishes to place on record its appreciation of the splendid service rendered during her term of office.

### Curriculum for Overseas and Maori Workers.

Enquiries made from sister churches in N.Z. and from the Australian Methodist Church have provided valuable information in the present task of drawing up a curriculum for Deaconesses proceeding to the Foreign and Maori Mission Fields.

### Conference Minutes, 1950, p. 136, (6).

After due consideration of the question, the Board is of the opinion that when a Deaconess marries, thus relinquishing her Deaconess work which the Board regards as a full-time vocation, she should cease to be a member of the Order.



### Dedication Service.

In order that the Dedication of our Deaconesses might receive due recognition, we strongly urge that this Service be held in the Conference Church in future, as is the case with the Ordination of our Ministers.

RAYMOND DUDLEY, Chairman.

ALAN F. COLLINS, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the question of the status of Deaconesses who marry be referred to the Faith and Order Committee for consideration.

3. That whenever possible the service for the Dedication of Deaconesses be held in the Conference Church.

4. **Board for 1952:** The Chairman of North Canterbury District, Connexional Secretary, Superintendent Ministers of the Durham Street and Riccarton Circuits, the Revs. A. O. Harris, H. E. Harkness and A. F. Collins; Messrs. A. A. Harrow, H. W. Beaumont, R. G. Pearce, and A. G. Harris; Mesdames P. A. Le Brun, C. Colechin, H. W. Beaumont, W. McHarg, F. Crespin and E. McNeil. Corresponding Member: President of Deaconess Association.

**QUESTION XLVIII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Orphanages?

## A—Auckland Children's Home & Orphanage Mt. Albert and Epsom

### THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

Under the blessing and guidance of Almighty God we report the past year's work among the children committed to the Board's care in Auckland.

It is the determination of the Board that these children, who are deprived of their right to normal family life, shall be given an environment in which they can grow and develop, that they will know that they are wanted and loved, and that there are Christian people who are interested and concerned for their present and future welfare. If this is to be carried out, it is necessary that we provide happy surroundings and a Christian staff who will not only give the necessary supervision but who will give to these children the personal interest and love that they require.

#### The Family.

86 children have been cared for during the year. 12 have been admitted and the record number of 31 have left our care. Several children have been returned to their parents who have re-married or started life again. We are grateful to have been able to care for them during times of need, trial and bereavement.

#### The Girls' Hostel.

This has met a great need, but it is realised that it is not ideal to have a hostel and younger girls under the one administration. According to their earnings these girls contribute to their maintenance until they are able to support themselves. During the year two girls left to board in private homes and one, who had been in

Epsom since a very small girl, was married in our Epsom Church and the reception was held at the Home.

#### **Property.**

Properties continue to be maintained over a period of transition. The building of the New Home, delayed owing to the war and shortage of building materials, will be proceeded with at the earliest possible opportunity. Over the interim period certain repairs and additions are envisaged to enable the present homes to be maintained at the highest level.

#### **Finance.**

The cost of maintaining any Institution these days is difficult, but clothing and feeding a number of children as well as maintaining property and staff is a real problem. As this is an interim report and final figures are not yet available, it is not possible to give the cost per child. In the last five years the cost of keeping a child has risen from £52 per annum to £100 per annum. Rising costs in provisions, services, clothing and wages makes it impossible to run an Institution without a loss. Our only hope of raising our income is in the giving of our people. The work must be better supported if we are to have worthy Homes. Our Church members need more knowledge about the work being done among the children. It is difficult to bring the information to our people but a way must be found in which we can bring them into vital touch with the children and the work being accomplished.

#### **Bequests.**

Among the Bequests received we have been left an interest in the Estate of the late Mrs. Florence Findlay. Included in this Bequest is a property which has been left as a holiday resort for the children and to be known as "Florence Findlay House." Although at present unsuitable for this purpose, the Board will make every effort to carry out the wishes of the donor.

#### **Staff.**

We cannot speak highly enough of the women who give their lives to this work. The Matrons and their assistants are concerned with all aspects of the children's lives. Their health, diet, the care of teeth and eyes, their clothing and footwear, their manners and school progress. They must iron out their little difficulties and sooth their childish fears; also they have much to do with their religious training.

The housemaster at "Wesley," Mr. F. Long, has been replaced by a young University student, Mr. B. Takhar, as Male assistant. He is exerting a good influence and is liked by the boys. We are in urgent need of a Christian young woman as Sub-Matron in the Boys' Home.

The Ladies' Committee continue by their devotion and energy to raise funds to help clothe the children. The House Committees, under the Leadership of Mrs. Wigglesworth and Mrs. Myers, spend many hours replacing linen and keeping the furniture in repair. The President, Mrs. Chris Burton, and the Secretary, Miss Wagstaff, with their committee have worked hard to organise teams to sew, mend and patch, as well as supply help at the Homes when needed. Their Annual Treat and gift to each child is eagerly looked forward to, and the Staff as well as the Board are grateful for their fine spirit.

#### **United Orphanage Council.**

We record once more our indebtedness to this Council, who by



their hard work and enthusiasm have created public interest in the Children's Homes. The Board desires to express gratitude to the organisers and collectors in the Street Day Appeal. This year our Secretary was asked to give the Broadcast Appeal.

#### Chairman.

During the year the President, Rev. E. W. Hames, had to relinquish this position and the Rev. W. E. Allon Carr was nominated as Chairman. His keenness and vision have already made themselves felt and we are grateful for the thought and time he is giving to this important work.

#### Thanks.

This Report would not be complete without recording our gratitude to the many people who give in service and goods to this work.

Mr. F. C. Matthews has given hours of time in giving oversight to the grounds at Epsom and the Rev. F. Copeland has willingly taken the same position at "Wesley."

To the many friends who provided the children with a holiday at Christmas time we say "Thank you" and trust you will be able to open your homes again to these little ones.

This work among the homeless and unwanted children is surely the responsibility of Christian people. These children must be assisted to find their rightful place in society. They have been deprived of so much, and if their lives are not adjusted the nation will be deprived of good citizens.

We commend this work to your prayers and support.

W. E. ALLON CARR, Chairman.

IVY H. JONES, Secretary-Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That thanks be tendered to Revs. J. C. Draper and G. B. Brown for their work as Chaplains to the Auckland Orphanages.

3. **Board of Management, 1952:**—Chairman, Rev. W. E. Allon Carr. Life Members: Mesdames W. R. Emerson and A. H. White, Mr. J. E. Astley, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Faulkner. Secretary-Treasurer, Sister Ivy Jones; Lay Treasurer, Mr. P. Dellow; Revs. E. W. Hames, W. Walker, Walter Parker, A. E. Orr, F. Copeland, the Ministers of Mt. Albert, Dominion Road, Epsom and Remuera Churches, Mesdames A. L. Caughey, C. J. Burton, C. K. Wigglesworth, and R. C. Hemmings, Miss C. E. Waffstaff, Messrs. F. Penn, A. L. Caughey, J. Tyler, R. T. Gaplick, C. K. Wigglesworth, C. E. Goode, W. E. Burley, F. C. Matthews, N. North, and the Chairman and Secretary of the South Auckland District.

## B—Masterton Children's Home

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The Home continues to care for the needs of a large family. We now have 37 children in our care and have been full to capacity for most of the year and it has been necessary to decline a large number of applications for admission for this reason. There were seven children admitted during the year, six of whom are brothers and sisters. Four of the family have been discharged. One of these was

under school age and returned to relatives; one boy took up a position in a music store where he will receive tuition in piano tuning. Of two girls who left the home one is at photographic work and the other is engaged in domestic duties.

Twelve of the children were received into Church membership and to each a Bible was presented. These were provided from special trust funds.

The Committee is indebted to the Master and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bateup, who together with the able assistance of Misses Fell and Potter, have rendered excellent service in the interests of the children. We are singularly fortunate in the staffing position.

Substantial renewals of furnishings and household linen have been undertaken in view of anticipated price increases and scarcities. Total expenses for the year were over £700 higher than last year, an increase of over 25%. On the other hand there was a small increase in maintenance fees received but collections from circuits were slightly lower. This meant that an increased amount was required by way of grants from the Wellington Board.

The following legacies were received and remitted to the Wellington Board for the credit of the capital funds of the Home:—Estate George Devonport £50, Estate E. P. E. Sunnex £100 and income from other estates £55/12/6. The Committee has been notified of legacies in the Estates of F. A. W. Frost and George Jones.

Investigation was made of the possibility of laying down hard tennis courts but it was soon apparent that the cost was prohibitive. There was little or no interest shown by contractors when tenders were invited. It has now been decided to sow grass courts and the preparatory work has been commenced. Funds held for providing recreational amenities now stands at £379/0/9, including £74/9/- received this year from the Police Charity effort for which we are very grateful.

The Committee desires to express thanks to all who have assisted the Home and the children. Financial support from the Circuits and individuals is gratefully acknowledged. Many friends have given produce and clothing and others have opened their homes to the children over holiday periods. We thank the members of the Wellington Board for their efforts in the interests of the Home.

We give thanks to God for what has been achieved on behalf of the children and seek His guidance and blessing on the activities of the Home and the young lives cared for within it.

#### Committee.

The following Committee is nominated for the ensuing year:—Mr. A. K. Hodder (Chairman), Mr. D. E. Lyttle (Vice-Chairman), Mr. W. R. Nicol (Secretary-Manager), Mr. J. F. Cody (Assistant Secretary), Dr. N. H. Prior, Rev. Dr. W. G. Slade, Mesdames J. H. Conly, C. D. Shoosmith, A. K. Hodder, D. E. Lyttle, W. G. Slade and H. C. Wood, Misses M. Burton and L. Cocker, Messrs. F. E. Wells, L. H. Daniell, C. D. Shoosmith, H. C. Wood, J. H. Conly and W. E. Layton.

For the Committee,

A. KEITH HODDER, Chairman.

WELLINGTON:

Report adopted.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.



# C—South Island Children's Home

## ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

It is with a deep sense of thankfulness to God that we present this brief Report of another year of service among the children of our Home. In many respects the past year has been a most encouraging one.

### Staff.

The good results anticipated by having the Master and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. G. Howells, reside in the Home have been fully realised. Their ready accessibility to members of the Staff and the confidence they have won among the children is both evident and pleasing to see. This, added to the fact that there have been fewer changes than usual in the personnel of the Staff, has brought a sense of continuity. Miss Melville, who has been a valued member of the Staff for over two years, has relinquished her position. Her personal gifts and graces endeared her to all. For a long time Sister Rona was without an assistant in the Boys' Block, but we are glad to welcome Miss Dale, a retired Nurse, at least temporarily, to this position. All other members of the Staff continue to render untiring service for Christ among the children and for the good of the Home. To them all we tender our grateful thanks.

### Children.

There are 57 children in the Home at present, comprising 25 girls and 32 boys. During the year there have been 17 admissions and 13 discharges. Some of those who have left us have gone to re-established homes, while others have found suitable employment. One boy is apprenticed to the carpentering trade, another has gone farming, while several girls have found positions as shop assistants. Suitable accommodation has always to be found for those who leave the Home and for as long as they are under our supervision. In this respect we are fortunate to have some private homes available to our boys and girls.

In the recent Scripture Examinations our children acquitted themselves well. Of the 26 who sat for the Examination, 24 passed with the high average of 75 to 80 marks. To the delight of all, they won the A Shield this year.

The health of the children has been good. We are grateful in this connection for the continued services of Dr. S. C. Peddie.

### Friends.

Among the many friends who take a practical interest in the welfare of the children, mention must again be made of "Uncle" Ern Smith who arranges for Saturday night games. The Rotary Club has generously donated sports equipment for football and basketball. This gift was in lieu of the usual Christmas Party. Mr. L. J. Dale, a one-time member of the Board, continues to take a personal interest in the children and is proving a real friend. We are grateful to Mr. S. W. Worner, of Southbridge, for the gift of 50 sacks of potatoes.

### Maintenance.

The expense of maintaining such a Home as ours continues to call for the closest scrutiny. On the one hand young lives are being rescued, whose value to society cannot be estimated. No legitimate expense must be spared which will enable these children to take their

place as worthy Christian citizens. But the provision of all the facilities we have, educational, social and spiritual, becomes more costly each year. In spite of all our efforts to keep down expenditure our financial statement indicates that for the current year our running costs were more than £1150 in excess of income.

We record our thanks for legacies received, and for the increased amount sent in through the Combined Street Appeal. Without these gifts we would be greatly restricted in our work. At the same time, we appeal to the Circuits throughout the South Island to increase their Annual Subscriptions. We urge the appointment of Circuit Agents to keep the needs of the children before our people and to collect promised amounts. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

#### Hospitality.

Mention must be made of the homes which have been opened to the children at Christmas time. This has served the double purpose of giving our children an insight into Christian homes and of relieving the Staff.

#### Thanks.

To the Conveners and members of Committees, who have given constant oversight to the affairs of the Home, both inside and outside, we express our grateful appreciation.

The following Board of Management is nominated for 1952: The Chairman of the District, Connexional Secretary, Superintendent Ministers of Durham Street, Christchurch East, Cambridge Terrace, St. Albans, Woolston, Papanui Circuits, Revs. A. N. Scotter and A. O. Harris, Messrs. H. de R. Flesher, H. J. S. Harrington, W. S. Worner, F. A. Sheat, C. J. Palmer, A. A. Harrow, Mesdames M. A. R. Pratt, F. C. Thornton, R. A. Marsh, A. Black, and Miss D. Horrell.

H. J. ODELL, Chairman.

A. O. HARRIS, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION XLIX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?

## A—Methodist Times Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

#### Circulation.

Interest in our Church paper is being maintained and increased, as evidenced in our circulation figures which now reach 4,650.

This is particularly gratifying in view of the fact that this year it has been necessary to increase the cost of the annual subscription from 7s. 6d. to 10s. Our people have shown their desire for the paper by steadily maintaining their subscriptions with no more withdrawals than is normal in any year through a variety of circumstances.

It is necessary to repeat what has been stated in this report on previous occasions, that much more can be done locally in Churches to interest people in this important phase of our Church work. There is ample evidence that where there are definite efforts to enrol subscribers good results are obtained. One Circuit, for example, with a membership of well over 200, returns 11 subscribers; while one Home Mission station with a membership of about 100 records 44.



The following table indicates the position as showing in the various districts the percentage of Church members in each Synodal District subscribing to the paper:—

Auckland, 13%; South Auckland, 15.5%, Taranaki-Wanganui, 17.4%; Hawke's Bay-Manawatu, 17.8%; Wellington, 15.7%; Nelson, 16.6%; North Canterbury, 18.5%; South Canterbury, 17.6%. Otago-Southland, 15.7%.

It is difficult, of course, to state exactly what proportion of homes the above figures represent.

#### **Finance.**

The Conference of 1950 unanimously supported the recommendation of the Committee that the subscription should be increased from 7s. 6d. to 10s. per annum as from May 1st, 1951. The former rate has obtained since 1921, and it has been possible to continue it so only by strict economy and careful management. Increased costs for labour, paper, postage and materials have made necessary this substantial rise in the subscription rate.

For the first time for many years the annual financial statement for the year ending 30th April shows a loss on the year's working, namely of £142 11s. In view of all the circumstances, however, this must be regarded as very satisfactory. It is anticipated that increased revenue during the ensuing year from subscriptions and advertising will balance higher costs of publication and distribution.

#### **Editorial.**

The Committee again places on record its deep sense of appreciation of the excellent service rendered by the Editor, the Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D. While it is recognised that our policy of asking a Circuit minister to fill this important position places a heavy burden on the appointee, it has many advantages, not the least of which is the fact that a Circuit minister is in close touch with the vital life and work of the Church, and can the more readily interpret its mind and spirit. That undoubtedly is the case with our present Editor, whose spiritual insight is constantly enriching the life of our Church through the columns of our paper. To those who assist him by regular contributions we also accord our best thanks:—Sister Rita Snowden (Home Circle Column), Rev. J. Silvester, M.A. (Question and Answer Column), Rev. G. V. Thomas, B.A. (Devotional Column), Rev. H. A. Cochrane (Home Mission Column), Rev. A. H. Scrivin (Overseas Mission Column), Rev. R. H. Allen, B.A. (Youth Column). Our special thanks are due to the Rev. R. E. Fordyce, who for six years was responsible for the L.Y.M. section. To maintain this column for such a long period is an exacting task, and it has been carried through by Mr. Fordyce with great devotion and profit to our young people. He has been succeeded by Mr. H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip.Ed. The detailed work of seeing the paper through the press has again been in the capable hands of the Rev. H. S. Kings, to whom, with all our Circuit agents, the best thanks of the Church are due.

#### **General.**

We must emphasise the fact that a Church membership that is constantly being informed as our own Church paper alone can inform it, is a more virile spiritual constituency than one which is not so reading.

In any age when books and papers of every description are pouring from the printing press, the need of a Church journal becomes more and more urgent. It gives our people information which they

do not obtain from other sources; it stimulates their spiritual experience; and it corrects the distorted view of life and of the world that so often and so easily a secular press and literature can give.

E. H. ANDREWS, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Business Manager.

Christchurch, 21/5/51.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., be cordially thanked for his continued able editorship of our Church paper.

3. That the Associate Editor, the Rev. H. S. Kings, be thanked for his efficient service and that he be re-appointed.

4. That appreciation be expressed of the services of all regular contributors and of our Circuit agents.

5. That the Rev. R. E. Fordyce be thanked for his able editorship of the L.Y.M. Column during the past six years.

6. That the Committee for 1952 be:—The Connexional Secretary, Revs. H. J. Odell, E. Drake, A. O. Harris, L. C. Horwood, A. J. Johnston, W. T. Blight and H. E. Harkness, Sir Ernest Andrews, Messrs. H. de R. Flesher, D. McHarg, H. W. Beaumont and B. Bascand. Corresponding Members: Chairman and Convener Board of Publications.

## B—Board of Publications

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The Board's work during the year has been mainly that of planning for a more vigorous publishing programme which will follow as funds permit and authors are available.

Working within the powers which Conference has already given, the Board is proceeding along the following lines:

#### General Publications:

It is the intention of the Board to publish material which will meet two broad requirements. There is the need for publications suitable for extensive distribution while other publications are needed to intensify and deepen the faith of our own people. The policy of the Board is to encourage Laymen and Ministers of our own church to write the MSS. for these booklets.

Publishing Programme: (1) For extensive use: Mrs. Joan Cochran is writing the MSS. for a persuasive statement of the case for Christianity for non-Christian readers. This should be published at the end of this year. The Rev. C. O. Hailwood's booklet "The Church and You" should be available to circuits early next year.

(2) For a more limited distribution: A series explaining the doctrines of the church (e.g., the Doctrine of Baptism), and a further series defending the faith (this could possibly include the type of articles on the Sects published by the "Methodist Times").

(3) At the suggestion of the Spiritual Advance Committee, the Board will publish, as soon as funds permit, the material required for the Crusade for Christ.

Over 10,000 copies of the three booklets published during the past two years have been sold, indicating that there is the demand, and



certainly the need, for inexpensive but good literature in the work of the local church.

#### **Finance:**

The appeal authorised by Conference is being prosecuted. The Board is grateful to the Spiritual Advance Committee for waiving its claim to an appeal and supporting the one for the Board of Publications. All money raised will be used as "working capital" to finance general publications as outlined above.

#### **Co-ordination:**

To assist in the maintenance of a high standard in Methodist publications, and to avoid overlapping, the Board is anxious to carry out its function as approving authority in respect to all manuscripts submitted for publication in the name of the church.

#### **Director of Publications:**

The Board accepts the commission of Conference for the nominating of a Director of Publications who will be the Editor-Manager of the "Methodist Times" and the chief executive officer of the Board. It is considered that, while that policy must remain the objective towards which the church moves, the present time is unfavourable for carrying it out. Furthermore the uncertain conditions of supply and costs in the printing trade make it impossible for the Board to prepare estimates now which will be reliable even in 6 months' time. The Board expresses its warm appreciation and approval of the improvements which have already been made to the Connexional Paper.

#### **Press Publicity:**

One of the prescribed objects of the Board is to give publicity to the work of the Methodist Church of N.Z. The church is often at a disadvantage in the cities in obtaining adequate press publicity because there is no regular liaison between the church and the local newspapers. It is therefore suggested that District Executives should appoint a Press Agent. Individual churches and organisations would then find it easier to get sufficient publicity by working through that agent. Newspapermen themselves suggest that it would be advisable to appoint a minister to the position.

#### **The Board:**

The Board has been working under the leadership of new Executive officers and is pleased to have been able to fill vacancies in its membership with Mr. S. G. Gapper (journalist) and Mr. J. C. Wigglesworth (Public Accountant, nominated as Lay Treasurer), whose professional qualifications will be most valuable in the work of the Board.

W. E. A. CARR, Chairman.

W. F. FORD, Convener.

### **RESOLUTIONS.**

- (1) That the Report be received and adopted.
- (2) That Conference urge members of the church to submit ideas and manuscripts for possible publications to the Board.
- (3) That Conference re-affirms that all publications which will appear in the name of the church (with the exception of routine departmental publications) be submitted to the Board before publication.
- (4) That District Executives be asked to appoint a Press Agent, if possible a Minister, and to provide him with written credentials.

(5) That the Board of Publications consider the preparation of a "Dictionary of Church Terms" and offer it to members at a nominal rate.

(6) That Conference refer to the Welfare of the Church Committee the need to publish a new Book of Offices containing alternative Forms of Service for use in the set Offices and Ritual of the Church as well as a variety of liturgical material for use in the conduct of public worship, including a Lectionary suited to the requirements of our Church. That the Contingent Fund and the Home Mission Board be asked to assist with the financing of such publication.

(7) That the Board for 1952 be: The Chairman of the Auckland District, The Connexional Secretary, the General Secretary of F.M., the Principal of the Theological College, the Senior Youth Director, the Revs. W. E. A. Carr (Chairman), A. R. Penn, Wm. Green, D. O. Williams, B. M. Chrystall, L. R. M. Gilmore, J. J. Lewis, W. F. Ford (Convener), Sister Rita Snowden, Miss L. Hendra, Messrs. L. T. Hayman, F. Penn, H. M. Patrick, H. J. Beavis, E. P. Salmon, W. Haythorn-Thwaite, S. G. Gapper; Bryan Burton, J. G. Wigglesworth (Lay Treasurer). Corresponding Member: The Connexional Editor.

**QUESTION L.—**What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Military and Naval Chaplaincy Affairs?

## Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

### Navy.

The Rev. W. Green, Devonport, continues to render excellent service to the trainees at the Auckland Naval Base.

### Army.

No Methodist was due for service with the second intake to T.T. camps. The calling up of the third intake has been delayed, consequently the Rev. R. F. Clement has not been called upon to enter Camp. There is a possibility that a limited number of Chaplains will be granted short term appointments in N.Z. At the present time it is not possible to say whether our Church will be asked to participate in this scheme.

### Air Force.

The Rev. P. D. Ramsay is doing excellent work. Although stationed at Whenuapai he shares the responsibility of chaplaincy duties at Hobsonville and has to travel as far south as Te Rapa. His time is fully occupied by the families living on the various Stations as well as the serving personnel. He is now living on the Station at Whenuapai and is developing fairly extensive youth work.

V. R. JAMIESON,

Senior Chaplain.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E., be re-appointed Senior Chaplain.
3. That District Advisory Committees be as under:—  
(a) AUCKLAND: Revs. J. C. Draper, J. Dennis, B. M. Chrystall, Wesley Parker and P. D. Ramsay.



- (b) **CENTRAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Revs. W. H. Greenslade (Chairman), V. R. Jamieson (Senior Chaplain), H. S. Kings, R. F. Clement, W. S. Dawson, and Messrs. T. M. Pacey, R. Hardie Boys, A. J. Johnston, S. Roberts and H. J. Steptoe. Convener: Rev. R. F. Clement.
- (c) **SOUTHERN DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** Revs. V. R. Jamieson and L. C. Horwood, Messrs. A. A. Dingwall and H. G. Smith.
4. That Mr. A. J. Johnston be thanked for his services as Treasurer and be re-appointed.
5. That the Rev. W. H. Greenslade be appointed an Honorary Naval Chaplain.
6. That the Ministers at Bluff and Port Chalmers be appointed Honorary Navy Chaplains in their ports.
7. That Conference express regret that the official history of the R.N.Z. Chaplains' Department contains no record of the fact that the Rev. G. R. Thompson received the award of "Mentioned in Despatches."
8. That our Church continue to accept responsibility for appointing Chaplains to Camps when the opportunities are offered, whether for three-monthly periods or for a three-year term.

**QUESTION LI.—What is the Report of the Custodian of Early Church Records, Libraries and Museums?**

**A.—CONNEXIONAL OFFICE.**

Since last reported, the following lodgments have been made and acknowledged:—

Photograph, First Primitive Methodist Conference in N.Z.	Mr. Lewis Yarrall
Stratford, various Registers and Minute Books	Rev. H. Moore
Greendale, Registers and Minute Books	Rev. J. B. Dawson
Thorndon and Karori, Registers and Minute Books	Rev. J. D. Grocott
Woolston, Registers and Minute Books	Rev. H. A. Cochrane
Thames, Registers and Minute Books	Rev. G. V. Thomas
Durham Street, Minute Books	Rev. R. Dudley
Springston, Registers and Minute Books	Rev. D. I. A. McDonald
Norsewood, Registers	Mr. D. M. Nielsen
Methodist Literature	Miss E. R. Thomas
United Free Church Marriage Register	Mrs. M. E. Taylor
Rakaia, S.S. Minute Book	Mr. R. H. Whiting
N.C.Y.M.B.C. Union Minute Book	Mr. B. A. Caygill
St. Peter's, Invercargill, Trust Minute Book	Rev. W. R. Laws

**H. L. FIEBIG,**  
Custodian of Early Records.

**B.—TRINITY COLLEGE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.**

During the year many volumes have been presented to the College Library. The Alex. Reed Memorial Library has been increased by the gift of 14 volumes from Mr. A. W. Reed and by the gift of a copy of "Life of Father Dolling," bound by Alex. Reed, from Mr. J. B. Beeche.

Rev. E. P. Y. Simpson, of Oakland, California, has forwarded booklets relating to Rev. Shirley Baker and Tonga. Mrs. Shirley Baker, daughter-in-law of the above, has presented a number of

volumes on Tongan missionary affairs, together with a Memoir of Rev. Shirley Baker.

Dr. H. Ranston has further enriched the Library by the gift of a five-volume edition, in English translation, of Bengel's Gnomes.

Valued gifts of books have also been made by Mr. J. Belton, Rev. W. E. Allon Car, Rev. E. P. Blamires, and Rev. A. H. Ivory. A specially bound and inscribed presentation copy of "Wesley His Own Biographer" has been received from Miss Bowron, of Christchurch. Mrs. C. M. Wright, the niece of the author, has presented a copy of Morley's History.

Quite a number of gifts to the Museum have been received. Mr. Fletcher Wallis has given to the Museum the Mallet presented to Rev. J. Wallis at the stone-laying of the Grafton Road Church in 1885. Mrs. Boucher, Dr. C. H. Laws and Rev. P. I. Cooke have forwarded photographs and drawings of historical interest.

From Rev. A. H. Hall we have received a conch shell from the Solomons. This specimen was captured alive and therefore retains its distinctive colourings. It is a beautiful shell and has been greatly admired.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Acting-Principal.

### C.—WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(New Zealand Branch)

#### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

Membership of the Society has now passed the two hundred mark and is steadily increasing. Proceedings published during the year were:—

- Vol. 9, No. 1—Tua Marina 75th Anniversary.
- „ 9, No. 2—“Dunholme.”
- „ 9, No. 3—“75 Years of Methodism in Woodville.”
- „ 9, No. 4—“A Goodly Heritage” (Whitely Memorial).

There is evidence of an increasing interest in history amongst Methodists, and the Society has been glad during the year to help a number of churches with historical information and suggestions about Anniversary celebrations, etc. A number of students have also been put in touch with source material to assist them in research work.

It is pleasing to note a high proportion of young people among the new members, and to find a number willing to do research work. Our Annual Meeting lecturer for 1951 is Miss Margaret Blight, M.A., who will speak on “The Life of James Buller.”

G. I. LAURENSEN, Vice-President.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That Conference learns with pleasure of the appointment of the Rev. E. W. Hames as President of the International Methodist Historical Society, and offers hearty congratulations.
3. That Conference commends the Dargaville Circuit for its desire to place a Memorial Plaque to the Rev. James Buller at the old Tangateroria Mission Station site, and suggests that the project be carried out in consultation with the Standing Committee of the Wesley Historical Society.



**QUESTION LII.—**What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods for Committees to Report?

## **1—Church Union Committee**

**REPORT, 1951.**

### **Consultations with Presbyterian Representatives.**

The consultative committee appointed by the last Conference (Conf. Mins. 1950, page 151, Res. 4 (a) and (b)) met with representatives of the Presbyterian Church under the chairmanship of the Moderator, in Wellington on March 28th, 1951. The conversations which were frank, yet cordial, dealt with questions affecting co-operation re sites, erection of buildings in developing areas, reciprocal membership in places where one negotiating church is not operating, and Union Churches. The resolutions arising from the discussions were forwarded to a meeting of the Joint Church Union Committee for consideration and action.

### **Meeting of the Joint Church Union Committee.**

The first Joint Meeting of the newly-appointed Church Union Committee of the negotiating churches was held in Wellington on May 30th, 1951. It was preceded by a meeting of our own Church Union Committee the evening before, May 29th, 1951, 31 members being present, at which a report on consultations with the Presbyterian representatives was received and recommendations affecting items on the agenda for the Joint Committee Meeting were made.

This Joint meeting of the Church Union Committees was significant for two reasons. It was the first meeting of representatives of the participating churches since the Vote on a Proposed Basis for Union was taken in 1948, and provided an excellent opportunity for members of the three committees to meet one another, especially since the personnel of the present committees include many who are new to Church Union discussions. Secondly, it revealed the way in which the Church Union Committees have come to fulfil a most important function in fostering co-operation and mutual understanding between the three Churches. Most of the business dealt with methods for facilitating and extending co-operation. It was generally felt that some of the difficulties which had arisen in certain areas were due in no small measure to the fact that the committees had not met in a joint session for almost three years.

The following matters received the attention of the Joint Committee meeting:—

**Standing Committee of the Joint Church Union Committee.** A major step in furthering united action on the part of the Church Union Committees and in fostering closer co-operation between the three churches was the appointment of a Joint Standing Committee to be located in Wellington and to consist of five Presbyterian, five Methodist and two Congregationalist representatives. This Standing Committee will function in between meetings of the Joint Church Union Committee.

**Reciprocal Church Membership.** Approval was given to the principle of reciprocal membership in areas where one of the negotiating churches is not operating and the Joint Standing Committee was requested to prepare a draft scheme and report to the Church Union Committees and through them to the higher courts of the Churches.

**Further Schemes of Co-operation.** Several suggestions for further co-operation among the three churches were referred to the Joint Standing Committee for consideration. These included: Shared youth activities; co-ordination of theological training; use of church periodicals; joint action by Bookrooms; joint publication of literature; possible Missions consultations; and an institution for Lay workers.

**Machinery for Methodist-Presbyterian Co-operation re Sites and Other Problems.** The Joint Committee approved the measures prepared by the Church Union Committees of the above mentioned churches to secure closer co-operation in regard to sites, erection of churches, and possible spheres of influence in developing areas. The Presbyterian Church Union Committee is seeking the Assembly's approval of certain recommendations which allow for negotiation at local and district levels, with provision for the referring of outstanding questions to the Church Union Committee and, where necessary, through them to the Joint Committee. When clarification was sought as to the relation of the authority of the Assembly to that of the Presbytery assurance was given that the Assembly is finally supreme.

The Methodist procedure is set out in a resolution of last Conference (Conf. Mins. 1950, page 151, Res. 9), and the approval of Synods and Conference is sought for the inclusion of an additional clause to bring it into harmony with the proposed Presbyterian procedure.

**Preparation of an Educational Programme.** The Joint Standing Committee was requested to appoint a representative sub-committee to prepare an educational programme dealing with the principles and history of Church Union, and report to the Union Committees of the negotiating churches, such programme to be implemented simultaneously in the three churches (See Conf. Mins. 1950, page 151, res. 7.)

**Union Churches.** One of the responsibilities committed to the Joint Standing Committee is that of maintaining close relations with Union Churches, watching the interests of these churches, and assisting in the solution of any problems which, from time to time, may arise. To this end it was recommended that Committees of Oversight be encouraged to forward minutes of their meetings to the conveners of the three Church Union Committees, together with the convener of the Joint Standing Committee.

The question of representation of local Union Churches in the higher courts of the three denominations was also referred to the Joint Standing Committee for careful examination and report.

It was a request from the Joint Committee meeting that the Missions and Youth Departments of the three churches confer as to the most effective method of keeping the Union Churches in close touch with the mission and youth activities in their denominations.

**Future of Church Union.** The Conveners of the Church Union Committees each presented a brief statement setting forth the present position in his church in regard to the future of organic church union. These statements provided a basis for what proved to be a most interesting and encouraging discussion. In outlining the Methodist attitude (see Conf. Mins. 1950, pages 150 and 151, res. 2 (a), (b) and (c)) it was made quite clear that as a church we were not seeking, at the present juncture, to re-open negotiations for organic union, but that when the other two churches were favourable towards, and ready for the re-opening of such negotiations, our Church Union Committee is empowered to participate.



### Appointment of Church Union Committee Executive.

Owing to the size of our Church Union Committee and the difficulty of calling members together more than once or twice a year at the most, it was decided to recommend the appointment of an Executive, to be located in Wellington, the Wellington members of it, together with the Church Union Committee convener, to act as a Standing Committee. At future meetings of the Joint Church Union Committee the Executive members, unless otherwise determined, will serve as representatives of our committee.

H. J. ODELL (Acting-President of the Conference), Chairman.  
A. K. PETCH, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the following additional clause be included in Resolution 9, page 151, Mins. of Conf 1950, after the words "such recommendations . . ."—"in consultation with the Church Union Committee and, where necessary, the Joint Church Union Committee . . ."
3. That the Church Union Committee for 1952 be:—The President and the Secretary of Conference, Chairmen of Districts, The General Secretary for Foreign Missions, The Senior Youth Director, the Revs. E. W. Hames, W. G. Slade, W. T. Blight, B. M. Chrystall, E. Te Tuhi, J. D. Grocott, C. O. Hailwood, R. Dudley, M. A. MacDowell, R. F. Clement, W. J. Morrison, W. S. Dawson, A. K. Petch (Convener), the Vice-President of Conference, Messrs. T. M. Pacey, J. H. Phillipps, H. de R. Flesher, S. N. Roberts, M. S. Hughson, E. L. F. Buxton, E. M. Hodder, W. M. King, R. H. Ellis, and Mrs. A. B. Cochran. Corresponding Members: Revs. A. T. Kent, H. C. Matthews, R. Thornley, W. R. Francis, W. R. Laws, H. C. Dixon, and Messrs. W. J. Court, L. G. White, L. A. Davis, P. Woodnorth, A. L. Stanton, Miss L. Hodder, and Sister Dorothy Pointon.
4. That the Executive members for 1952 be:—The President and the Secretary of Conference, Assistant Superintendent of Home Missions, General Secretary of Foreign Missions, the Legal Adviser, the Convener of the Church Union Committee, and the Rev. W. G. Slade, together with Wellington members of the Committee, viz., Senior Youth Director, Revs. G. H. Goodman, M. A. MacDowell, J. D. Grocott, R. F. Clement, W. S. Dawson, and Messrs. T. M. Pacey, J. H. Phillipps, S. N. Roberts, W. M. King, R. H. Ellis, and Mrs. A. B. Cochran.
5. That the Methodist representatives on the Joint Standing Committee for 1952 be:—Revs. G. H. Goodman, M. A. MacDowell, A. K. Petch, and Messrs. T. M. Pacey and R. H. Ellis.

## 2—Peace Thanksgiving Fund Committee

### REPORT, 1951.

The Peace Thanksgiving Fund Committee reports to Synods that it has continued with the task of making Grants as information has been received on proposed projects.

The Fund has now been fully allocated and all causes to which allocations have been made have been advised. The terms of the Grants have been stated as:—

1. No grant is actually paid in cash until the time of need.
2. No interest accrues on the grant.

3. Grants must be used before 1st January, 1954, otherwise such revert for allocation elsewhere but Circuits could make further representations.

Any further interest earnings over allocations already made have been donated to the Sites Fund, and any re-distribution of allocations not used under the terms of the grants, has been placed in the hands of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for use in accordance with the original object of this Fund.

The Committee would like to record in this closing report its appreciation of the action of the donors, whose combined contributions totalled £21,785/10/10. This has enabled the Committee to make grants throughout the Connexion totalling £22,175, the balance being accounted for by excess of interest earnings over the expenses of the Fund.

The Committee feels that the donors, through the Fund, have made a worthy contribution to the cause of Methodism. In all 53 Causes have received grants, 37 new places started or to be commenced, and 16 established Causes have been given assistance towards meeting the problem occasioned by the development of housing areas in their immediate vicinity.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

R. G. PEARCE, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference records with gratitude its thanks to all contributors to the fund and to Messrs. A. A. Dingwall and R. G. Pearce for their outstanding service to the Church through the Peace Thanksgiving Fund Committee.

## 3—Central Finance Committee

### REPORT ON CONNEXIONAL APPEALS.

The Committee's Report on Connexional Appeals (Minutes, 1949, pages 158-160) and the Synods' recommendations thereon was referred back to the Committee for consideration, the Committee to consult the Departments concerned and report again to the following Synods and Conference. As sufficient replies from Departments and Committees concerned with appeals did not come to hand to enable the Committee to submit a further report to the 1950 Synods and Conference, it was permitted to continue its investigations and now submits its report and recommendations. In its earlier report the recommendations of the Committee were as follows:—

1. The Home and Foreign Mission appeals to continue as before except that there be only one Mission deputation to a Circuit in a year.
2. Appeals for Children's Homes to be made just before Christmas as at present.
3. Each year Conference to fix the amount required to meet the claims of other funds and organisations, such amount being allocated throughout the Church on a membership basis. A special Sunday is to be set aside on which each Circuit will raise its quota.
4. No other appeals to be allowed during the year unless it receives the consent of the President and the Committee handling the general appeal.



5. That if the above recommendations are approved the matter be referred back to the Committee to finalise the details.

Five out of the nine Synods recommended that there should be a special appeal of its own for the Youth Department. Except for this and one or two minor alterations the Committee's recommendations were approved by all Synods.

Of the Connexional Departments and other interested Committees who were written to in connection with the Committee's recommendations, both the Foreign Mission Board and the Home Mission Board disapproved of the recommendation that visiting deputations should be limited to one Department only each year. The Youth Department desired that the present method of making the annual appeal should be retained. The Trinity College Council favoured the continuance of the present system and the Temperance Committee desired that there should be retiring collections on Temperance Sunday. All the other Committees approved of the budget system as suggested.

The Committee has given further consideration to its previous recommendations and has considered replies from the various Connexional Departments and interested Committees.

In view of the recommendations of the Synods and the Youth Department it now recommends that the appeal on behalf of this Department should be made on its own as at present.

With regard to the Mission appeals the Committee is still of the opinion that there is no need for a deputation from each Mission Department each year. In this it is supported by the recommendations of all the Synods. There are Mission Committees in each Circuit and in the opinion of the Committee if these do their work properly each Mission appeal should be successful. It ought to be possible for the Departments each year to make satisfactory arrangements so as to enable the deputations to be made from the Departments in alternate years. This Committee therefore recommends that there should be no alteration in the present procedure of Mission appeals except that there should be only one deputation.

In connection with the appeal for the Children's Homes the Committee recommends that this should still be made just before Christmas as at present.

With regard to the appeals which are usually made in each year on behalf of the following—Trinity College, National Council of Churches, New Zealand Alliance, University Chaplains, Armed Services Chaplaincy Fund, Council for Christian Education, and Hospital Chaplaincy—the Committee is still of the opinion that the only really satisfactory way is to co-ordinate these appeals and to adopt the budget system. The Committee suggests that a central committee should submit to each Conference for its approval estimates of the amounts required to be raised for such funds and organisations and after the Conference has approved thereof it shall allocate the same amongst the Districts say on a membership basis. The Committee suggests that a Sunday in the latter part of August or the beginning of September should be set apart on which collections would be taken in each Circuit to meet the Circuit's quota. It would be then sent through the District Chairman to the central Committee which would disburse the total amounts collected on behalf of the Church. Such Committee would report to Conference each year.

If the Committee's recommendations are acceptable then there would be only five appeals made to our people in a year, namely, the

Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Youth, Orphanage and General. It ought to be possible to space these at regular intervals throughout the year.

In its previous report the Committee urged strongly that there should be no retiring collections. The offertory, it pointed out, should be an act of worship and should be received and dedicated. This is not possible with retiring collections. Various ways of receiving any special gifts could be devised but such gifts should be dedicated during the service. Therefore the Committee recommends that there should be no retiring collection in connection with Connexional appeals.

The Committee is still of opinion that no other appeals should be made throughout the year except with the express permission of the President and the Central Committee. If in cases of urgency a special appeal had to be made then the Central Committee, once it approved, would specify the period of the appeal and the area in which it could be made. Thus any overlapping of appeals would be avoided.

It is recognised that there must be a Central Committee to handle the appeals under the budget system and in order to avoid the setting up of another Committee it seems appropriate that this should be done by the Central Finance Committee and the present District Finance Committees.

As the Central Finance Committee does not handle funds, it is suggested that all moneys received by District Chairmen should be sent to the General Purposes Trust Board and disbursements to the various beneficiary organisations and Committees should be made from that Board. If this proposal is acceptable existing organisations will be used.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the appeals for the following departments be made as at present:—Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Youth Department, and Orphanages.
3. That the Central Finance Committee shall obtain requirements from all funds and organisations and submit the same for the approval of Conference. The total amount shall be allocated by the Central Finance Committee throughout the Districts on a membership basis, the District Finance Committees to then allocate the amount to be raised in each Circuit on a membership basis, a special Sunday to be set apart at the end of August or the beginning of September in which each Circuit will raise its quota. The total amount raised in each District shall be remitted by the District Chairman to the General Purposes Trust Board, which Board, under the direction of the Central Finance Committee, will distribute the funds so raised.
4. That no new appeal shall be allowed during the year unless it receive the previous consent of the President and the Central Finance Committee.
5. That no retiring collections shall be made in connection with Connexional appeals.
6. That these proposals be given effect to as from the 1st February, 1952.
7. Realising the present financial difficulties facing the whole Church and its Ministry for capital expenditure, Conference refers the matter of the fuller utilisation of financial resources held by con-



nexional funds and not immediately required for the purposes of such funds to the Central Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

#### CENTRAL FINANCE COMMITTEES.

A. CENTRAL COMMITTEE: District Chairman (North Canterbury), Connexional Secretary, Messrs. H. Chapman, W. C. Francis, L. G. K. Steven, and H. de R. Fleisher (Convener).

#### B. DISTRICTS:

AUCKLAND: District Chairman, District Financial Secretary, Messrs. A. Turner, H. P. Mourant, G. S. Gapper and W. J. Court. Rev. J. H. Allen.

SOUTH AUCKLAND: District Chairman, Revs. H. C. Matthews (Convener), Messrs. B. Williams, W. B. Young, W. F. Walters and P. Rushton.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: District Chairman, Rev. L. G. Hanna, Messrs. M. S. Hughson and H. J. Craig.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: District Chairman, Revs. W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, F. H. Parker, Messrs. A. H. Fisher, H. Bycroft and W. N. Brewer.

WELLINGTON: District Chairman, Rev. M. A. McDowell, Messrs. T. M. Pacey, A. J. Johnston and D. Tayler (Convener).

NELSON: District Chairman, Rev. C. H. Bell, Messrs. H. J. Savage, E. S. Wratt and F. Southgate.

NORTH CANTERBURY: District Chairman, Rev. A. M. Costain, Messrs. C. H. Perkins, E. R. Caygill and M. Hosking.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: District Chairman, Messrs. E. Hight, H. C. B. Withell and P. G. Woodnorth.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: District Chairman, Rev. G. R. H. Peterson, Messrs. J. McIndoe, H. H. Johnson and A. L. Stanton.

## 4—Transport Trust Board

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

#### **Incorporation of Trust and Constitution.**

Following the adoption of the Constitution by the last Conference, the incorporation of the Transport Trust under "The Religious, Charitable and Educational Trusts Act, 1908," has been completed. Before registration, it was necessary to slightly amend the Constitution, as adopted by last Conference, to meet a small legal requirement. The word "social" appearing twice in clause two of the Constitution (1950 Minutes, Page 155) was altered to "charitable". Formal confirmation by Conference of this alteration is requested.

#### **Circuit Transport Committee.**

Following on the incorporation of the Trust, the work of the previous Transport Committee has now been taken over by the Board of Trustees. This report, therefore, also covers the operations of the Committee up to the time it ceased to function.

#### **Availability of Motor Cars.**

Formerly the car shortage position was entirely due to the Government's policy of Import Control and during the years 1949 and 1950 it was possible to meet the needs of the Church by means of Special Import Licenses issued as a result of representations made to the Government. Import Control on cars of British origin has now been removed and were it not for the international situation,

cars should have now become freely available. Due to the rearmament programme in England, the number of cars coming forward has instead been further drastically reduced and the supply position is more difficult than ever. It is not now possible to obtain Government assistance, and the distribution of such cars as are coming forward is now in the hands of the individual motor firms which all have a huge backlog of orders. Because of these changed circumstances, the Transport Board has been able to arrange for the supply of only a very limited number of cars which have been made available to the most urgent cases. The Board will continue its efforts to obtain cars, but the outlook is far from bright.

#### Travelling Allowances.

The 1949 Conference (Page 163 of Minutes) approved a scale of car allowances which Circuits were directed to adopt as minimum payments to Ministers and Home Missionaries. Since then, costs have again substantially advanced to such an extent that a further increased scale of allowance becomes necessary. The Board accordingly recommends that an amended scale be forthwith adopted as under:—

Mileage.	Up to 9.5 H.P.	9.6 H.P. to 14.5 (inc.)	Over 14.5 H.P.
Up to 1,000	.... 6½d.	.... 7½d.	.... 8¾d.
1,000 - 2,000	.... 5¾d.	.... 6½d.	.... 8 d.
2,000 - 3,000	.... 5¾d.	.... 6½d.	.... 7½d.
3,000 - 4,000	.... 5 d.	.... 6 d.	.... 7½d.
4,000 - 5,000	.... 5 d.	.... 5¾d.	.... 7 d.
5,000 - 6,000	.... 4¾d.	.... 5½d.	.... 6½d.
6,000 - 7,000	.... 4¾d.	.... 5½d.	.... 6½d.
Over 7,000	.... 4½d.	.... 5½d.	.... 6½d.

#### Tyres.

The last Conference directed the Board to investigate the matter of a bulk purchase of tyres with a view to obtaining a Trade Discount. The matter has been considered by the Board. It has been found that the supply position of tyres is such as to render such a proposal quite impossible. The Board is also of the opinion that even if the tyres were available those who would be interested in acquiring them are so wide-spread that their economic distribution would be impracticable.

#### Financial Assistance for the Purchase of Cars.

The Trust is now in a position to assist Circuits, Ministers and Home Missionaries in the matter of providing finance for the purchase of cars for use in Circuit work. Arrangements have been made with the Bank of New Zealand to provide the necessary funds by way of overdraft. Such overdraft is to be secured by the deposit of the Documents of Security which will be given by the borrowers concerned and supported by the deposit by the Home Mission Board of Government stock to a value equal to 25% of the total sum borrowed. The Board has now arranged to take over a number of temporary loans which had previously been made by the Home Mission Department. Apart from these, however, the demand for financial assistance has not been great because of the motor car supply position. In the case of new cars the Board is able to advance by way of loan up to 80% of the cost price. Interest is chargeable at the rate of 1½% over Bank rate (thus making the present rate 5½%), the loan plus interest to be paid off by equal monthly instalments over a period of five years. The addition of 1½% to the Bank rate



is necessary to cover the Board's expenses. It is a requirement of the Board that all applications for loans by Ministers and Home Missionaries be accompanied by a certificate from the Circuit Stewards concerned, that the proposed car is necessary for the work of the Circuit, and that an adequate travelling allowance will be paid to enable the Minister to promptly meet his obligations. In the case of purchase of second-hand vehicles the Board is only able to advance up to 60% of the purchase price. The Board is conscious that the proposed rate of interest, namely 1½% over Bank rate, will be regarded as being unduly high in some quarters. The Board would very much like to be able to provide finance at a cheaper rate but it is entirely without capital resources of its own and has to rely fully on Bank overdraft, on which normal rates of interest have to be paid. The rate being offered, however, is substantially better than that being charged by Motor Finance and other lending institutions on this class of security. The Board hopes to be able to build up a capital fund of its own, to which end it has been publicising its needs and has suggested that it would be glad to receive from Church members and others interested, gifts or loans repayable at call either interest-free or subject to low rates of interest. Such gifts and loans to the Board would enable it to make advances to Ministers and others on much more favourable terms. The Board asks Synods and Conference to commend to our members this form of assisting the work of the Church.

#### Annual Financial Statement.

As no advances had been made as at the 30th June last and as the only expense incurred to date is a small sum of £4 6s. 6d. for duplicating, there is no Financial Statement to submit to Conference.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.

T. M. PACEY, Hon. Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Trust Board for 1952 be, the Chairman of the Wellington District, Revs. G. I. Laurenson, B. M. Chrystall, B. H. Riseley, R. Grice, F. J. Handy, Messrs. A. J. Johnston, J. B. Beeche, S. Roberts, C. A. Russell, D. Tayler, J. C. Riddell, E. Holdaway, W. King, J. H. Phillips, R. Hardie Boys, W. J. Court, W. F. Walters, C. V. Woodfield, E. M. Hodder, G. E. Turney, F. Torrance and T. M. Pacey.
3. That the amendment to the Constitution as set out above be approved.
4. That the amended scale of travelling allowances set out above be approved and that Circuits be requested to loyally adopt such as a minimum scale. The attention of circuits is drawn to the constitution of circuit travelling advisory committees as set out in the 1949 Minutes of Conference, page 164, paragraph 3.
5. That Conference commends to our people the proposal of the Board calling for funds by way of gift or loan for assisting Circuits, Ministers and Home Missionaries to acquire cars on the lowest possible terms.
6. That Conference authorises the Transport Trust Board to raise by way of loan or bank over-draft such money as may be necessary for the objects of the Board.
7. That the Transport Trust Board be asked to consider, in consultation with the H.M. Department, the possibility of establishing

a scheme for the equalisation of travelling costs incurred in circuit work, and report to the Synods and Conference of 1952.

8. That Conference commends to the various Boards of the Church the objects of the Transport Trust Board and its urgent need of capital funds, and authorises such Boards, wherever it is possible for them to do so, to make loans to the Transport Board at P.O.S.B. interest rates.

## 5—Central Stipend Fund

REPORT, 1950.

### NOTE :

The following report, recommendations, and Synod resolutions were presented to the Conference of 1950. Owing to the fact that not sufficient time was available for the matter to be carefully considered, Conference resolved that it be deferred until this year and that it be given priority on the Agenda.

Having given careful consideration to all the factors involved, the Committee submits the following exposition and outline scheme for the operation of a Central Stipend Fund. In doing so it is recognised that a considerable amount of exposition and education in Church Courts and Quarterly Meetings would be necessary before such a scheme could be brought into full operation. Recommendations covering this important point follow the draft outline of the proposed Fund.

### EXPOSITION.

The following statement should be studied carefully before full consideration is given to the details of the scheme.

#### Name.

It is intended that there should be established a Central Stipend Fund into which Circuits shall pay their stipend allocation and out of which every Minister and Home Missionary shall receive his monthly stipend.

#### Purpose.

In addition to the basic purpose of ensuring that every Minister and Probationer shall receive the standard minimum stipend, as determined from time to time by the Conference, it has regard for such subsidiary purposes as the following :—

(1) The Minister being in the service of the Connexion rather than in that of a particular circuit, it is desirable that the Connexion should be responsible for the stipend.

(2) To give the Connexion control of the stipend paid and enable it to maintain a reasonable standard regularly and punctually paid.

(3) It could provide the avenue for deductions such as Wage Tax, Supernumerary Fund and such other payments which a minister is required to make.

In its present form the scheme does not include the principle of the strong helping the weak which is an integral part of our Connexional Charges system. Circuits, therefore, would pay only an amount equal to that required by the Conference in terms of the number of Ministers appointed to the Circuit. The scheme could be amended to include the above mentioned principle if and when the Conference desires to do so.

#### Administration and Organisation.

While the general pattern of administration and organisation would be the same as for the Central Finance Committee, one impor-



tant difference should be noted. Whereas the Central Finance Committee is authorised to use its own formula in assessing District allocations for Connexional levies, the Central Stipend Fund Committee would simply assess the total amount of stipend to be paid in each district, and at the same time notify each district of any grants which might be available to particular circuits and H.M. Stations towards their full stipend payments. Each district Committee would then notify every Circuit and H.M. Station in the District of the amount to be paid into the Central Stipend Fund, having regard to any grants that were available to particular Circuits and H.M. Stations.

The best method of making payments from Funds which give assistance to needy Circuits is a matter yet to be determined in consultation with those concerned. A suggested method of dealing with this matter is included in the recommendations.

The advantages of the co-ordination of payment of stipends and all Connexional payments, in and out, channelled through the one organisation, are obvious and appear to the Committee as a rational development that would result in greater efficiency and possible economy.

This will be achieved by merging the functions of the Central Finance Committee and those of the Central Stipend Committee under one administration. Working details of this proposal will be presented after consultation and agreement with the Central Finance Committee.

#### **Central and District Committees.**

In addition to notifying Circuits of the amount to be paid into the Stipend Fund, District Committees would receive these payments, together with connexional levies, and make District payments into the relative Connexional Funds. This would result in District responsibility for effective oversight, and a more personal handling of any difficulties which might arise in any Circuit. All payments of stipend and other allowances, including the Children's Fund, would be made by the District Treasurers.

#### **Circuits.**

From a Circuit point of view one cheque a month would cover stipend and Connexional payments and other allowances. Circuits would still be free to pay more than the standard minimum or other allowances, where they so desire, on the conditions set out in the general outline. Circuit Stewards would be able to consult with the District Committee over any problem or difficulty.

#### **Capital Fund.**

The Committee is of the opinion that a Capital Fund of at least £7,000 is essential for the effective operation of the scheme and believes that such could be provided by one of the Connexional Funds. Consultation with the appropriate authorities will be necessary to determine whether this is practicable within the spirit and terms of any existing Fund. If this is possible it will facilitate the presentation of the full working details of the scheme.

#### **Working Expenses.**

The amount required annually to cover the working expenses of the proposed Fund, would be less than  $\frac{1}{2}\%$ .

#### **OUTLINE OF SCHEME.**

1. Name : The Central Stipend Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

2. **Purpose** : To ensure that every Minister and Home Missionary receives at least the standard minimum stipend as determined by Conference from time to time.

3. **Administration** : The Fund to be administered by a Central Committee, operating through District Committees. Because of a similarity in organisation, the possibility of merging the work of the Central Finance Committee and the Central Stipend Fund under one administration to be considered.

**A. The Central Stipend Fund Committee.**

(1) To be responsible for assessing the amount to be raised for this purpose by each district.

(2) To arrange, in consultation with the treasurers of other Connexional and Trust Funds, for any amounts to be paid from such funds for the purpose of ensuring that the standard minimum stipend shall be paid to each minister and home missionary.

(3) The time and methods of such payments to be made by arrangement with the Treasurers.

**B. District Stipend Fund Committees.**

(1) To be responsible for notifying each Circuit of the monthly amount to be paid to the Central Stipend Fund through the District Treasurer.

(2) To make regular payments of stipend and other allowances to all ministers and Home Missionaries stationed in the District.

(3) To be responsible for making regular payments to Connexional Funds of all moneys received for Connexional levies and other purposes.

(4) To consult with Circuits on any matters relating to the purposes of the Committee.

(5) Payments to be posted on a day to be determined in each month.

**C. Circuits.**

(1) Circuit Stewards to be responsible for paying the Circuit monthly allocation for stipend and other purposes direct to the District Treasurer.

(2) Payments to be posted to the District Treasurer on a day of each month to be determined.

4. **Capital Fund** : A Capital Fund of at least £7,000 to be established before the inauguration of the scheme so as to ensure that the Fund can operate without bank overdrafts, etc. N.B.: £6,000 is approximately the amount required to cover one month's payment of stipends.

**5. Relationship to Other Funds :**

A. The H.M. Department to be consulted as to the best method of making District or Circuit H.M. grants within the framework of the proposed scheme.

B. The Trustees and donors of the Winstone Memorial Fund to be consulted concerning the possibility of making District grants based on the annual returns of the monthly allocation paid by Circuits where the amount paid is less than the standard minimum stipend paid to the minister.

6. **Exemptions** : Where desired Connexional Departments may be exempted from participating in the operation of the Central Stipend Fund.

**7. Additional Payments :**

A. Circuits and Connexional Departments desiring to pay in



excess of the standard minimum stipend shall be permitted to do so under the following conditions :

1. Provided that the monthly allocation is paid.
2. Provided that such additional payments are made through the District Treasurer and the Central Fund.

B. All travelling and other allowances to be paid through the District Treasurer and the Central Fund.

GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.

D. TAYLER, Acting-Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be extended to the Convener, Acting-Convener, and Committee for the work done, and resolves that the scheme be not proceeded with.

## 6—Closer Relations with Australia Committee

The sphere of work here envisaged is opening up new and important developments and bringing a real measure of satisfaction both to Australian and New Zealand Methodism.

Two high lights of this year's work are as follows. First of all the visit of the Rev. A. G. Manfield who visited the Dominion under arrangement with the Home Mission Department with Conference approval. Mr. Manfield is the Convener of the General Conference Closer Relations Committee and has met the N.Z. Committee in vital and worthwhile contacts, discussing all aspects of this enterprise.

Mention should be made of the warm reception with which the Australian Committee's report was received by the General Conference and its sincere desire to further every possible avenue of co-operation and closer relations between the two countries.

In this field there is priority given to closer relations between the Foreign Mission Departments of the two Conferences.

At the time of the acceptance by New Zealand Methodism of the Solomon Island field provision was made for co-operation which leaves the door wide open for future developments.

Both committees are in accord in regard to general principles respecting exchanges of ministerial staff, and other matters. This it is desired will take place on a Conference level and with responsibility accepted by the respective authorities in each land. Ministerial exchanges, short term visits for specialised study, student working holidays, visits from young people to Youth Conferences, and closer relations between the women's organisations, are envisaged and will be furthered through the appropriate sources.

The Rev. E. W. Hames, as President of the N.Z. Conference, has visited the Australian General Conference and also met the Closer Relations Committee. This has been a most valuable contact and will enable Mr. Hames to know the mind of those in Australia.

The Committee is confident that this is an appropriate and vital hour in the history of Methodism in these two Dominions to close the ranks, to study all possible methods of closer relations, and as part of the South Pacific in these fateful days, to move in unity and concord in furthering the work of Christ in this part of the world field.

E. D. PATCHETT, Chairman.

W. E. A. CARR, Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee for 1952 be:—President of Conference, Revs. E. D. Patchett (Chairman), A. H. Scrivin, W. Green, E. W. Hames, S. G. Andrews, E. Te Tuhi, W. E. Allon Carr and J. H. Allen; Messrs. J. Tyler, L. W. Peak, J. H. Blackwell, L. T. Hayman, S. E. Chappell, G. S. Gapper; Mrs. H. Nicolson, Sister Rita Snowden.  
Convener: Rev. W. E. Allon Carr.

## 7—Committee on Stipends

(Minutes of Conference, 1950, page 163)

At a meeting of the above standing Committee, held in Wellington on May 29th, 1951, the following recommendation to Conference was adopted:

“That, as from July 1st, 1951, the standard minimum stipends be increased by 15% on the minimum stipends as at May, 1950, and that this recommendation be communicated immediately to all circuits, and reported in due course to Conference.”

NOTE.—The stipends from July 1st as recommended would be as follows:—

### MINISTERS:

Ministers in Full Connexion	....	....	....	£402 10 0
Married Probationers	....	....	....	£345 0 0
Single Probationers	....	....	....	£299 0 0

### HOME MISSIONARIES:

Married Home Missionaries	....	....	....	£345 0 0
Married Home Missionary Probationers	....	....	....	£322 0 0
Single Home Missionaries	....	....	....	£276 0 0
Single Home Missionary Probationers	....	....	....	£258 15 0

### DEACONESSES:

- (a) £258 15 0 when dedicated and for 3 years afterwards.
- (b) £276 0 0 for the next 3 years.
- (c) £299 0 0 after 6 years.
- (d) £241 10 0 for Deaconess Probationers.

S. E. CHAPPELL (Vice-President of Conference),  
Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Standing Committee be directed to keep under review the matter of standard minimum stipends and each time the standard of wages is increased by the Government or Arbitration Court this Committee implement the change as far as the Church is concerned.

### QUESTION LIH.—Who are the Members of the Committee of Privileges?

The President, Vice-President, Secretary of Conference, Revs. W. A. Burley, W. W. H. Greenslade, and G. H. Goodman, Messrs. S. N. Roberts, T. M. Pacey, and H. de R. Flesher. Secretary of Conference, Convener.

Committee of Emergency to be the Wellington members of the above Committee.



**QUESTION LIV.—Who are the Members of the District Executive Committees ?**

**AUCKLAND.**—Revs. G. I. Laurenson, A. H. Scrivin, E. W. Hames, R. Thornley, J. C. Draper, W. Green, L. Gilmore, A. E. Orr, G. E. Brown, A. R. Penn, W. E. Allon Carr, H. Whitfield, Wesley Parker, and Messrs. C. K. Wigglesworth, T. L. Hames, A. E. Freeman, J. Tyler, S. E. Chappell, J. L. Crawford, E. Dalley, R. Laking.

**NORTHLAND.**—Rev. J. H. Allen (Chairman), all Northland Ministers, and Messrs. E. A. Fenwick, R. Dunn, W. G. Simpkin, H. E. Walters, H. Neal, Rhys Williams, George Pearson, G. Ferguson, W. J. Court (Secretary).

**SOUTH AUCKLAND.**—Chairman of the District, Ministers of the Hamilton, Hamilton East, Cambridge, Te Awamutu, Te Kuiti, Te Aroha, Matamata, and Morrinsville Circuits; Messrs. H. H. Fow, W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young, H. Longbottom, P. Rushton, E. J. Easter, W. A. Clark, J. T. Johnson, J. R. Cullen, G. E. Simpson, W. F. Walters, Mrs. H. G. Cook. Convener: Rev. J. M. Blight.

**WELLINGTON.**—District Chairman, Revs. W. H. Greenslade, J. H. Woolford, W. M. Garner, F. J. Handy, R. Grice, M. A. McDowell, W. S. Dawson and L. V. Willing, Messrs. C. G. Lovatt, C. J. Freeman, S. N. Roberts, W. S. White, S. H. Galbreath, H. A. Penny, R. Sullivan, Mrs. B. T. Clothier, Misses V. Roughton, A. Johnston, J. H. Hopley.

**NELSON.**—Charman of the District, Ministers of the Nelson, Richmond and Motueka Circuits, Mrs. L. G. White, Messrs. H. J. Savage, N. A. Nightingale, R. C. A. Marshall, A. Winn, C. E. Jordan, E. S. Wratt, D. W. Silvester, R. A. Leaper, and G. Everett.

**NORTH CANTERBURY.**—Revs. H. J. Odell, H. L. Fiebig, W. T. Blight, V. R. Jamieson, R. E. Patchett, A. J. Johnston, G. R. Harris, H. E. Harkness, W. E. Falkingham, and H. A. Cochrane (Convener); Messrs. W. C. Francis, H. de R. Flesher, B. A. Caygill, F. G. Turnpenny, S. D. McHarg, W. D. M. Jamieson, W. A. Clothier, J. Pryor, G. E. Hill, H. Falkingham.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND.**—Revs. G. R. H. Peterson, E. S. Hoddinott, T. A. Pybus, H. I. K. Hopper, W. S. Neal, R. Dudley, J. K. Watson, H. G. Brown, A. Jolly, Misses E. Wilson, E. C. Purdie, Sister Ruth Fawcett, Messrs. J. McIndoe, H. H. Johnson, A. L. Stanton, E. D. Smyth, G. R. Galbreath, E. H. James, C. Chirnside.

**QUESTION LV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Laws and Regulations of the Church, including the Rulings of the President during the year ?**

**LAW REVISION COMMITTEE**

**Report, 1951.**

1. The Committee was directed to consider and report on the following matters:—

(a) The possibility of each Synod electing its Lay Representatives to the Stationing Committee (1950 Minutes, page 167).

The Stationing Committee is comprised of an equal number of Ministers and laymen, the laymen being the Vice-President, ex Vice-President, a representative of the Solomon Islands Mission District, and a sufficient number of laymen to bring the number of laymen representing the Districts equal to the Ministers. The Ministerial members are the President, ex-President, Secretary of Conference,

Secretary of preceding Conference, Chairmen of Districts in New Zealand, Chairman of Solomon Islands Mission District or his substitute and one Ministerial representative from each District Synod in New Zealand.

It is quite possible for a Minister to be a member by virtue of his holding two offices. For example, it is possible for both the President and the ex-President to be Chairmen of Districts. Further, the Secretary of Conference and the Secretary of the preceding Conference may be the same person.

Thus the number of Ministerial representatives will vary each year.

Further, the position of the Vice-President and the ex Vice-President must be considered.

The Vice-President is elected at the opening session of Conference. He may be one of the Synod nominees and so there would then be one layman short.

Further, if the number of laymen exceeds the number of Ministers the ex Vice-President and, in certain cases, the Vice-President are then regarded as one of the members of his District.

Thus it is seen that under the existing law the number of members of the Stationing Committee will vary, and it therefore will not be possible to determine the exact number of both Ministers and laymen required for the Stationing Committee until after the opening day of Conference.

Therefore the Committee recommends that there be no change in the law.

**(b) Increasing membership of District Executives to 30, including all Lay Connexional Officers in the District (1950 Minutes, page 167).**

District Executive Committees consist of not fewer than three and not more than ten Ministers and a similar number of laymen. Their main duties are concerned with the work of the Church in the District and its extension. Except in the case of the District Property Secretaries all other Connexional lay officers are concerned with matters which affect the Church as a whole. The Committee does not see that it would be of any special benefit, for example, to have as a member of a District Executive ex officio the lay Treasurer of the Supernumerary Fund or the lay Treasurer of the Children's Fund. If the Synod is of the opinion that it particularly desires to have that lay officer a member of its District Executive then the way is open for the Synod to so nominate him.

Several years ago Conference decided to reduce the maximum number of members of District Executives to 20. It is submitted that the wisdom of this has been proved. Smaller committees are always more effective than large committees and are much better attended. If a District Executive desired the assistance of a Connexional lay officer for some special purpose surely it could co-opt officers.

The Committee does not recommend that the personnel of District Executives be increased.

**(c) Nomination of District Chairmen (1950 Minutes, page 51).**

The Committee has further considered difficulties that have arisen over the nomination of District Chairmen, Synods not being sure whether it is obligatory on them to make a nomination.



The Committee recommends that the second sentence, paragraph 159, of the new Law Book, be amended to read :

“ For the guidance of Conference, each Synod if it so desires may submit to it the name or names of a Minister as its nominee for the office.”

The Committee desire to point out that the office of Chairman of District is one to which Ministers of experience should be appointed.

No Minister of less than fifteen years' standing experience can be elected President. The Secretary of Conference must be a Minister of at least ten years' standing experience. It is recommended that a Chairman of a District should be a Minister of at least ten years' standing.

**(d) Representation of Home Missionaries and Home Mission Stations to Conference (1950 Minutes, page 122).**

In its Report to the last Conference (1950 Minutes, page 165), the Committee pointed out that a Special Committee is considering the question of Ordination of Home Missionaries. This Report is not yet available and until it is to hand and adopted it is not practicable to give proper consideration to this subject.

**(e) Officers of Ladies' Guilds and their relationship to the Church (1950 Minutes, page 60).**

The Committee recommends that provisions similar to those already approved in connection with the Constitution of the Men's Fellowship be adopted, i.e., that the officers of Women's Guilds and District Guild Fellowships “ where practicable ” be members of the Church. The recommendation has been approved by the Executive of the Guild Fellowship and has been incorporated in the text of the new Book of Laws.

**(f) General :** The amendments passed at last Conference affecting the Removal Expenses Fund, the Church Building and Loan Fund and also the provision of questions for Quarterly Meetings relating to Maori Work have all been incorporated in the text of the new Book of Laws.

**(g) NEW BOOK OF LAWS.**

The Committee is pleased to be able to report that the new Book of Laws has been completed and that as from the 1st October, 1951, the revised Laws and Regulations are in force.

In accordance with the Resolution of the Conference (1949 Minutes, page 170), the Revised Sheets (including all changes made by the 1950 Conference), have been signed by the Acting-President, the Secretary of Conference and the Convener of this Committee.

A certificate was supplied to the Acting-President that the Revision of the Laws and Regulations has been completed and thereupon the Acting-President determined that the revised Laws and Regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 1951.

Notification of this was given in the Methodist Times, published on the 22nd day of September, 1951.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

Report received.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That Section (a) of report (Synod's Lay Representatives to the Stationing Committee) be adopted.

2. That Section (b) of report (Membership of District Executives increased to 30) be referred to the Church Council for further investigation.

3. That Section (c) of report (Nomination of Chairmen) down to "nominee for the office" be adopted.

4. That Section (c) of report (last two paragraphs) be referred back to the Committee.

5. That Section (d) (Representation to Conference) be adopted.

6. That Section (e) of report (Ladies' Guilds and relation to Church membership) be adopted.

7. That Sections (f) and (g) be adopted.

8. That the thanks of the Conference be tendered the members of the Law Revision Committee, with particular reference to the convener, Mr. H. de R. Flesher, for their excellent work in the production of the revised Law Book.

9. That the Committee be re-appointed as follows:—Revs. Dr. C. H. Laws, W. A. Burley, E. Drake, H. J. Odell and H. L. Fiebig. Mr. H. de R. Flesher (Convener).

**QUESTION LVI.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on other Questions ?

## 1—Ecumenical Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1951.

The Ecumenical Committee again reports a growing interest in Ecumenical activities by the Church, but much educational work remains to be done. An increasing number of Churches observe World Communion Sunday and the brief liturgical addition to the Communion Service for the occasion was well received. It is pointed out that where Churches take a retiring offering for the National Council of Churches this would provide a suitable occasion.

#### National Council Budget.

While the Methodist allocation to the National Council of Churches for the year ending June 30th, 1951, was met in full this was only made possible by the action of the Home Mission Department in meeting the amount outstanding at the end of the year. The Committee appreciates this gesture of the Department but points out that this amount must be repaid to the Department by the Committee and believes that Circuits should be called upon to fulfil their obligations. A circular letter was sent to all Quarterly Meetings in March and all Chairmen were notified in June of the amount received from their District. The District contributions are as follows:—

District.	Amount Raised.	Allocation.
Auckland ....	£50 10 3	£65 10 0
South Auckland ....	29 15 10	36 10 0
Taranaki-Wanganui ....	9 6 6	25 0 0
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu ....	25 19 2	29 0 0
Wellington ....	35 16 6	36 0 0
Nelson ....	19 17 7	17 0 0
North Canterbury ....	50 15 4	48 0 0
South Canterbury ....	21 2 9	17 0 0
Otago-Southland ....	13 17 0	29 0 0



The Secretary of the National Council of Churches has expressed appreciation of the contribution of £469 from the Methodist Churches for the Korean Appeal. The Committee, while welcoming the expression of appreciation, was disappointed at the relatively small amount in contrast to the tragic need. While in Ecumenical affairs denominational loyalties are not of primary importance, yet it is a challenge to Methodism to learn that great numbers of the suffering Korean people are Methodists.

#### **Wallis House Consultation.**

During November, 1950, the National Council of Churches convened a consultation on the question of proceeding to a Faith and Order Conference. The Methodist Communion was well represented. The Consultation referred four questions to the constituent Churches, asking that the Churches examine the questions and report back by November, 1952, giving a general statement on the mind of the New Zealand Church on the questions. The Ecumenical Committee referred the questions to Fraternal, individual people, Women's and Men's Fellowships, and Youth Groups, and to the "Methodist Times," asking that study be given to them. All who are able to do so are requested to present their findings to the Secretary of Synod, 1951, who is requested to forward all replies to the Ecumenical Committee. The Committee will examine the replies and prepare studies for March Synods, if Conference approves. Following that, a statement will be made to Synods and Conference of 1952.

The questions are as follows:—

(a) **The Disunity of the Church.** In the light of the nature of the Church and of its Divine purpose, and in view of the missionary need in this country, what is the attitude of your Church to our present divisions?

If, in the course of history, your Church has become divided from other Churches in New Zealand, do you consider that the original issues at stake are relevant at the present time?

Can our condition of separateness appropriately be called sinful?

(b) **Ordination to the Ministry.** What is your view of the significance of Ordination to the Ministry?

What is the difference between an ordained "minister" and a lay member of the Church?

What is the nature of the Laity and its function as part of the Church?

(c) **Authority.** In the polity of your Church, where does authority reside and how is it expressed?

(d) **Church Order and the Scriptures.** What precise relationship does your Church claim between its worship, faith and order, and the Scriptures?

What degree of authority do you give to tradition?

#### **THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN N.Z.**

The work of the National Council of Churches continues to be of strategic importance in the life of the Churches and the community generally.

The Faith and Order side of the work which is perhaps the least conspicuous, is still regarded as fundamental. A Conference of 40 representatives of the various Church was held during the year, to discuss Faith and Order matters. Some important questions were remitted to each constituent Church, with the request that statements

be prepared to assist the ecumenical discussion. It is necessary that each of the Churches should take seriously the clarifying of their attitude in regard to these matters.

Study of a more general kind is forwarded by the production of the annual N.C.C. Studies which are commended to groups throughout all the Churches.

In regard to Inter-Church Aid, the Council has co-operated with CORSO, of which it is a part. It is notable that the World Council of Churches in Europe, and Christian agencies in India and China, have all been used as distributing agents for CORSO's relief contributions.

The Christmas Appeal for aid to the Churches in Korea, resulted in £4,500 being raised, and the Appeal is being continued by the N.C.C. Youth Committee, with a special emphasis on the orphanage work of the Churches. Reconstruction work in Europe has not been neglected, £2,500 having been contributed to various projects. The N.C.C. has appointed Chaplains on the ships bringing Displaced Persons to New Zealand, and also in the Pahiatua Reception Camp. The Churches are indebted to the Council for this service which has been arranged and financed by the N.C.C.

"Church and Community," the magazine of the Council, is commended to all Methodist people as a means of providing that wider perspective in regard to the Church in general, which is so important.

A number of outstanding visitors from overseas have laid emphasis on the importance of the ecumenical movement, particularly the Right Honourable Ernest Brown and the Archbishop of Canterbury. The main visitor under the auspices of the N.C.C., has been the Rev. Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, Associate General Secretary of the World Council of Churches, who toured extensively throughout New Zealand.

The work of the Branches of the N.C.C. has continued in the local areas, a number of important projects being carried through during the year.

At the Annual Meeting of the Council in July, the Very Rev. R. S. Watson was appointed Chairman of the Council, the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, Vice-Chairman, the Rev. Allan T. McNaughton, M.A., B.D., as the new Secretary as from 1st February, 1952. Many tributes have been received to the effectiveness of the work of the retiring Secretary, the Rev. Alan A. Brash, during his five years of service with the Council.

#### **MAORI SECTION: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES.**

1951 has seen further progress in the development of the Section. It is the firm conviction of the members that this Section is today the finest meeting point of Maori and Pakeha, and of the three Churches comprising the membership of the Section.

During the year, two executive meetings have been held, one at Aorangi Pa, Feilding, and the other at Otewa Pa, Hokianga. Both were well attended, and much time was given to following up the excellent work of the Annual General Meeting, at Kohupatiki Pa, last June. We have also carried out considerable correspondence with Government Departments and University authorities. We have been encouraged by the thoughtful reception given to the subjects submitted by us for urgent consideration.

We held our General Meeting for 1951 at the Presbyterian Maori Synod Headquarters at Ohope Beach. There was a very representa-



tive gathering and attention was given to discussion of many urgent matters dealt with in papers. These covered such subjects as Temperance, Maori Language, Maori Community Activities in Maori Meeting Houses and Halls, The Problem of Unwanted Maori Children in Cities, and The danger of segregation developing in New Zealand, set against the need for safeguarding the principle of voluntary grouping for cultural purposes. All relevant resolutions have been passed on to the Department or organization most vitally concerned.

The Officers of the Section for 1951-52 are:—Chairman, Very Rev. J. G. Laughton, C.M.G.; Vice-Chairman, Rev. G. I. Laurenson; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. John Smith.

Throughout this year the work of the Section has been overshadowed by a sense of loss in the death of the late Rev. F. A. Bennett, Bishop of Aotearoa. Feeling references have been constantly made to the significance of his contribution to the establishment and growth of the Section.

All members of the Section will welcome and commend the appointment of Rev. W. N. Panapa as the second Bishop of Aotearoa and our prayerful good wishes will go with him.

#### WOMEN'S COMMITTEE.

The period under review has been notable for the extended activity of the Committee in world-wide movements. The Commission on the Life and Work of Women in the Church, set up by the World Council of Churches, has made it possible for New Zealand women to make a contribution to this research and study. The World Day of Prayer, now nationally organized in New Zealand by this Committee, has given the opportunity for groups of united Church women to be encouraged to meet together more regularly and so arouse an ecumenical spirit in each community.

Fifteen more centres were added this year to the number participating in the Women's World Day of Prayer. This made a total of 160. 10,000 Orders of Service were printed, and 30,000 advertising leaflets were distributed, together with a supply of posters for notice boards. Collections received on the day amounted to £617/1/11, and, after payment of expenses, were disbursed as follows:—International Missionary Council £82/19/10; World Council of Churches for Inter-Church Aid £185/11/8, Christians in Korea £141/9/5, British and Foreign Bible Society £129/15/3.

The Committee has continued its policy of providing ecumenical educational material for study groups, and this year produced a set of Biblical studies based on the Sermon on the Mount, together with seven papers on "Christians in Action." Preparations are well in hand for the production of a further series in 1952. The series of papers on "Homes and Families," published early in the year, has proved very popular.

United groups of Church women have been addressed by various members of the Committee in Greymouth, Palmerston North, New Plymouth, Gisborne and Nelson, and we believe that ecumenical interest has been fostered. There are seven Women's Branch Committees at present operating in New Zealand.

Mrs. Cochran's work as Editor of the Committee's Newsletter has been greatly appreciated, and has been subject to much favourable comment. The Newsletter is now incorporated in the official organ of the National Council of Churches, "Church and Community."

The Committee received stimulus during the year from the visit of Mrs. Geoffrey Fisher, wife of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.  
 J. D. GROCOTT, Convener.  
 J. H. WOOLFORD, Acting-Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS.

- (1) That the Report be received and adopted.
- (2) That the Revs. H. J. Odell, H. L. Fiebig, R. Dudley, and J. D. Grocott be representatives on the Council of the National Council of Churches for 1952, and that the Rev. A. K. Petch be alternate.
- (3) That representatives on the Women's Committee of the N.C.C. be:—Mesdames R. Pearce, H. Ford, P. A. Le Brun, and A. B. Cochran (Corresponding Member).
- (4) That representatives on the Maori Section of the N.C.C. be: Revs. G. I. Laurenson, E. Te Tuhi, H. A. Darvill, and Sister Heeni Wharemaru.
- (5) That a grant of £5 be made to the Ecumenical Committee.
- (6) That £6 affiliation fee to the National Council of Churches be approved and £34 to the World Council through the National Council of Churches.

(7) That the allocations to meet the Budget of £300 be as follows:—

Auckland	....	....	....	....	....	£66	10	0
South Auckland	....	....	....	....	....	37	10	0
Taranaki-Wanganui	....	....	....	....	....	26	0	0
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	....	....	....	....	....	30	0	0
Wellington	....	....	....	....	....	37	0	0
Nelson	....	....	....	....	....	17	10	0
North Canterbury	....	....	....	....	....	49	0	0
South Canterbury	....	....	....	....	....	17	10	0
Otago-Southland	....	....	....	....	....	30	0	0

- (8) That our Church be again called to observe World Communion Sunday on the first Sunday of October.
- (9) That Conference request March meetings of District Ministerial Committees to study the subjects referred to the Church by the National Council of Churches, and that the Ecumenical Committee be instructed to prepare an outline for the Synods, in consultation with the Spiritual Advance Committee.
- (10) That the Christmas Appeal of the National Council of Churches be commended to the Church.
- (11) That Conference express its sincere appreciation of the outstanding services of Rev. A. A. Brash, M.A., B.D., as secretary of the National Council of Churches and the National Missionary Council in New Zealand for the past five years, and of his splendid contribution to the cause of Ecumenism in New Zealand.

(12) That the Committee for 1952 be:—The Chairman of the Wellington District, the Revs. J. D. Grocott, W. H. Greenslade, M. A. McDowell, F. J. Handy, F. Greenwood, R. F. Clement, W. S. Dawson, W. M. Garner, R. G. Bell, L. V. Willing, J. H. Woolford, Mrs. A. G. Worboys, Miss P. Yearbury, Miss R. McBride, Mr. R. Sullivan. Rev. J. D. Grocott, Convener.



## B.—N.Z. SECTION, WORLD METHODIST COUNCIL.

The eighth Ecumenical Methodist Conference met this year at Oxford. Our N.Z. Conference was represented by the President, the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., Rev. J. D. Grocott, Messrs. W. Charles Francis and H. M. Patrick, Mrs. Francis and Sisters Rita Snowden and Dorothy Pointon.

The Message from the Conference is set out below with an introduction by our own President. Attention is drawn to the request of the Conference that more emphasis be placed on Aldersgate Sunday as an opportunity for realising the bond that binds world Methodism together. It is expected that some of our representatives will be back in N.Z. in time for our own Annual Conference, when they will be able to give some of their impressions and experiences. It is desirable also that as far as is practicable they be given opportunity to address gatherings of our Church people, so that we may derive the maximum of benefit from his important Conference.

W. G. SLADE, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference receives with pleasure the Message from Oxford, being the message to world Methodism of the Eighth Ecumenical Conference.
3. That Conference urges that in all our Circuits, the Sunday falling upon or immediately preceding May 24th, be observed as Aldersgate Sunday and be used as a special occasion for emphasising the essential features of our Methodist Witness.
4. That the members of the New Zealand section of the World Methodist Council be Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A. (Chairman), the President and ex-President of Conference, Revs. J. D. Grocott, W. G. Slade, the Vice-President of Conference, Messrs. W. C. Francis, G. S. Gapper, H. M. Patrick. Convener: The Secretary of Conference.
5. That the decision of the World Methodist Conference concerning World Mission in 1953 be referred to the Spiritual Advance Committee for suitable action.

### REPORT OF NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES TO THE WORLD CONFERENCE.

It is fitting that a few words from the New Zealand delegation should introduce the Message from the World Methodist Conference. Our own Church was fully represented with eight members present, namely Mr. and Mrs. W. Charles Francis and Mr. H. Patrick, Sisters Rita Snowden and Dorothy Pointon, Rev. J. D. Grocott and Mrs. Hames and myself. We were received with the utmost kindness and generosity as the guests of the British Methodist Church, and were made to feel part of the family in the communal life of the Colleges.

Previous world conferences have been described as mainly speech-making assemblies, possessing some inspirational value at the time, but leaving little permanent effect. An attempt was made to get beyond this at Springfield, and at Oxford two significant changes were made. In the first place the programme provided not only addresses (which generally attained a high level and were of permanent value), but time was found for Tutorials followed by questions, and space was given every morning to discussion groups which

gave every member of the Conference an opportunity to take part. Thus the average humble representative occupied a much more significant place than hitherto. (It is to be noted also that there was a considerable number of young people present, and some of the ablest addresses came from men under forty years of age.) Secondly, by appointing a live Executive which is intended to function continuously, and a number of Standing Committees which are to undertake important studies between Conferences, Methodism is beginning to find a common organ of expression. The People called Methodists have always been one people, one in essentials of message and mind and heart, one too in essential Churchmanship, but hitherto they have lacked a medium for expressing that unity clearly and effectively to the world. If the proposals made at Oxford are put into effect, we will forge an instrument over the years which will both bind us together and manifest our unity to the world. In this there is no threat to a wider ecumenism (to revert to a horrid word), but a determination that we shall together fulfil our Providential task, and bring unimpaired the truth entrusted to us for the enrichment of the One Body, in God's own time.

It was a rare privilege to attend the Conference. We recognised the strength and wisdom of the Mother Church in Britain, the amazing size and vigour and resourcefulness of the American brethren (so charming and so tactful, a little bewildered amidst their riches as they looked at the pit from which they had been dug) and found a kinship much more than nominal with our fellows from Europe, from Africa and Asia and Australia and the islands of the sea. (It is surely a matter for pride and joy that India wishes to entertain the next World Conference.) For myself, I have made contacts on an easy and informal level which will be of the utmost value to the College in years to come.

As to the message, it should be pondered by our people, and laid upon our hearts.

E. W. HAMES, President of the Conference.

### MESSAGE FROM OXFORD.

#### Ecumenical Conference Speaks to World Methodism.

The Eighth Ecumenical Methodist Conference, assembled at Oxford, England, sends cordial greetings to all the Methodists throughout the world. Our meeting at Oxford recalls the close association of John and Charles Wesley with its University and the Holy Club, and the debt which they owed to its academic life and its place in Christian history.

We met together to look with clear eyes and critical appraisal at the Methodism which we have inherited from our fathers, and its development through the years. We have considered the life of our Church in all its parts, as it exists to-day. We have sought to make plans for the Church that is to be, so that, under God's guidance, it may fulfil His purposes for it. We have therefore reminded ourselves in addresses and in discussion, of those teachings which were committed to us from the beginning—the sin of man and his need for salvation which he cannot of himself secure, the invitation to all, of every race and colour, to receive the free grace of God, and find salvation and peace in Christ; the assurance of this salvation given by the Holy Spirit; the following of the way through fellowship and prayer and worship to perfect love of God and man; and the necessity for proclaiming to all men the truth which is in Christ.



Meeting, as we have done, in days so tragic and critical, we have been moved by the Gospel in which we believe to relate it to the present condition of man. At the root of all the world's disorders is sin, and apart from the salvation which is in Christ, there is no hope that these disorders will be cured. We have therefore sought to know God's will for man in all his relationships—in home, school, industry, society, national and international life. In particular, since in Christ all barriers of race and colour are broken down, we declare that race discrimination of every kind must be resisted by the Church because it is contrary to the mind of Christ.

In all our thought and discussion on these matters, we have rejoiced to recognise the fundamental unity of World Methodism in ministry, membership and life. We are convinced that the more this unity and understanding are acknowledged and developed, the more effective will be the contribution of our Church both to the universal Church and to the life of the world.

To this end certain practical decisions have been taken :—

- (a) A Constitution has been set up which provides for the representation on the Ecumenical Council of every branch of Methodism in the world.
- (b) To maintain the activities of the Council and to facilitate communications between its sections, a permanent Secretariat has been set up, to have offices in the United States and Great Britain.
- (c) The Conferences or the Council will meet at intervals of five years, the next meeting to be in 1956.
- (d) Permanent committees, in addition to the Executive Committee, have been set up to deal with such questions as evangelism, faith and order, women's work, education, the exchange of preachers, youth, and finance.
- (e) A special committee has been appointed to further the project, accepted by the Council, of a memorial in Oxford to the Wesleys in the form of an Ecumenical Methodist House.
- (f) The name will henceforth be the World Methodist Conference, and similarly, the World Methodist Council.
- (g) It has been decided to hold an evangelistic mission simultaneously throughout the world in 1953, the year 1952 to be used as a year of intense spiritual preparation.

We wish to affirm explicitly that, so far from being in rivalry with the World Council of Churches, or wishing to isolate ourselves from the movement towards the reunion of the Churches, our purpose in promoting the closer unity of Methodism is that this may make a stronger contribution to the larger unity of Christ's Church throughout the world.

The Conference most heartily commends to the Methodist people everywhere the observance of Aldersgate Sunday—the Sunday falling upon or immediately preceding May 24—as an occasion for remembering the faith of our founders and for re-dedicating ourselves in universal fellowship to the spreading of scriptural holiness in all the world.

In full consciousness of the need of man, and the imperfection of our service, we feel urgently moved to recall all the members of our world family to our first works of scriptural holiness, fellowship and evangelism, and to remind them of the insistent duty of applying the Gospel to all the conditions of human life. We say to every Methodist: "Let your walk and conversation be such as adorn the Gospel of Christ."

This is a matter which concerns every minister and member. We hope that it will be given prayerful consideration in every church.

We are, on behalf of the Conference :—

IVAN LEE HOLT,  
WILBERT F. HOWARD, Joint Presidents.  
OSCAR T. OLSON,  
HAROLD ROBERTS, Joint Secretaries.

## 2—Faith and Order Committee

REPORT 1951.

### 1. Ordination of Deaconesses and of Probationers and Home Missionaries as Deacons.

The Committee has given serious attention to the questions submitted for consideration (Minutes: 1949, p. 29, par. 9; p. 118, par. 7; p. 155, par. 2). Information has been sought from the British and American Methodist Conferences and from the United Church of Canada. While overseas the President, the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., is pursuing these inquiries.

The Committee has discovered that these questions involve large and important issues and cannot be discussed without reference to the larger question of the Doctrine and Practice of Ordination.

The present mind of the Committee is that Ordination is a one-for-all act which should be restricted to the full function and status of the Ministry, while such a term as "Licensing" should be used for the recognition and authorisation of Deaconesses, Probationers, and Home Missionaries.

The Committee seeks the permission of Conference to continue investigations for a further year and to widen the scope of the enquiry to include the Doctrine and Practice of Ordination and allied questions.

### 2. Faith and Order.

Handbook on Methodism: (Minutes 1950, p. 61).

The Committee has noted the request of Conference that consideration be given to the publication of a suitable handbook on Methodism embracing the main features of our history, doctrine and polity. The Committee seeks permission to continue the investigation for a further year when it will have the assistance of the President after his return from overseas.

E. W. HAMES, President of the Conference.  
J. J. LEWIS, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee continue for a further year its inquiry into the question of the possible ordination of Deaconesses, and of Probationers and Home Missionaries as Deacons.
3. That the order of reference be widened to include discussion of the Doctrine and Practice of Ordination and allied questions.
4. That the Committee continue for a further year consideration of the publication of the Handbook on Methodism.
5. That as the order of reference of the Ecumenical Committee includes "Life and Work" and "Faith and Order" (Min. 1946, p. 194,



par. 5), the Law Revision Committee be asked to clarify the relationship of the Faith and Order Committee to the Ecumenical Committee.

6. That until the relationship of the Ecumenical Committee to the Faith and Order Committee is clarified, all questions of Faith and Order be referred to the Faith and Order Committee.

### 3—Radio Report

The C.R.A.C. has been required to spend much time determining and taking such action as will ensure that all those enjoying religious broadcasting privileges will faithfully adhere to the guiding principles. We would urge the necessity for all broadcasters to familiarise themselves with these requirements and to follow what may be thought the lesser directions regarding making no intimations, no financial appeals and sending no greetings, etc., in the same way as they do those relating to the confining of the message to such truths as belong to the acknowledged main-stream of Christian truth, and the shunning, either by word or inflection of voice, of anything which could be regarded as reflecting on the beliefs of others.

A thorough investigation and study of Children's Sunday Service broadcasts is being made and direction will be given shortly which should make for a more efficient service. In this connection our own Committee has recommended the C.R.A.C. as follows: The aim be, to promote family worship and to give Christian teaching on a broad general field to all children. That an ideal control from a national committee would have many advantages, but because of existing local differences in procedure this is not urged. That "Uncles" be chosen irrespective of denomination on a basis of effectiveness. That the number of "Uncles" be reduced to a necessary minimum. That libraries of recordings of local children's choirs be used to augment studio choirs. That the session be reduced to thirty minutes and the remaining fifteen minutes be used as a religious cultural session for adolescent youth. That greater use be made of B.B.C. dramatisations. The C.R.A.C. has advised the Minister of the need for religious broadcasts from X Stations at other than Church hours. As a first step, an experiment in a N.Z. Christian Epilogue will be attempted from one of the X stations. If proved that it is possible to maintain a standard and provide a regular rota of minister and choirs, etc., from local resources, these Sunday evening 9.30 p.m. services will become the closing features of all X Stations, and in total of hours constitute a considerable extension, at most valuable listening-time, of our religious broadcasting.

The Director has given his committee most valuable information. There is a decided trend to follow the overseas pattern of developing two distinct types of religious broadcast: one for those whose association with the Church permits them to re-create the Church atmosphere as they listen to Church services; another for the unchurched who, being unable to do this, are more attracted and better served by studio-services which include a plain talk and/or discussion. There is also a deliberate endeavour to reduce the number of broadcasters to a needful minimum, thus encouraging chosen ministers to specialise, and also providing for the listener the "familiar voice".

The N.Z.B.S. has continued to provide every facility and assistance for improving standards and effectiveness. In one centre 15 of our ministers were microphone-auditioned and recorded—a most helpful test available to all. Our Methodist representative is the present Chairman of the C.R.A.C.

The Methodist Committee has continued to act as liaison body and has also arranged details re rotas, publications, etc. Again we request those responsible to forward to the convener at the earliest moment possible all data re Church and devotional services to be broadcast.

GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman of District.  
WM. H. GREENSLADE,  
Convener and Representative.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. W. H. Greenslade be reappointed Methodist Church Representative to the C.R.A.C.
3. That the Committee for 1952 be:—The Chairman of the Wellington District, Superintendent Ministers of the Wellington Central, South and West Circuits, Rev. L. V. Willing, Messrs. A. Alcorn, Cyril Burton, V. Edgar, W. R. Hill, Harold Johnson, Malcolm Rickard, and Mrs. A. D. Priestley. (Convener to be the representative of the C.R.A.C.)

#### 4—VISUAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The Committee has met during the year and its members, particularly Miss Jean Hartley, Youth Director, and the President, the Rev. G. I. Laurenson have given assistance in response to enquiries in the Circuits on questions of visual education.

The Committee would issue a warning to those Circuits contemplating the purchase of second-hand moving picture machines. Should the machine prove defective and there is evidence of consistent damage to films, further use of films may be denied the owners. In addition second-hand machines often involve heavy maintenance costs.

The Committee also suggest that when Circuits make application for films from the Religious Film Society an indication should be given of the nature of the occasion and also of the group to which they shall be shown. This enables the Office Staff to assist in the choice of suitable films.

While members individually have given assistance on these matters, the Committee as such has not been approached directly on any of these questions. The members of the Committee consider that its functions are already fulfilled on an interdenominational basis by the Religious Film Society on which there are duly appointed Methodist representatives. There seems no necessity for continuing the existence of a separate committee.

The Methodist representatives have attended the meetings of the Religious Film Society. The Rev. G. I. Laurenson has been re-elected President.

On behalf of the Society we present the Annual Report.

G. I. LAURENSEN, President.  
J. J. LEWIS, Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee be thanked for their services, and since the work of the Committee is covered by the Religious Film Society, the Committee be disbanded.



#### 5.—GENERAL.

1. **President's Committee of Advice:** That the Committee be: Revs. W. Walker, E. D. Patchett, G. E. Brown, William Green, J. C. Draper, the ex-President, President-elect, Secretary of Conference, Vice-President of Conference, ex-Vice-President, Legal Adviser, Messrs. J. H. Blackwell, G. S. Gapper, T. L. Hames, L. T. Hayman, J. Tyler, R. T. Garlick, A. H. Winstone. Convener: The Secretary of Conference.

2. **Legal Adviser:** That Mr. H. de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B., be thanked for his services and be re-appointed.

3. **Thanks:** That thanks be tendered to the President, the Secretary and his Assistants, the Arrangements Committee, the Trustees of Pitt Street Church, Auckland, and Hostesses, for services rendered to the Conference.

**QUESTION LVII.—When and Where shall the next Conference be held?**

St. John's Church, Nelson, on Thursday, November 6th, 1952, at 7.30 p.m.

G. I. LAURENSEN, President.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

Auckland, November 9th, 1951.

## PASTORAL ADDRESS

### THE ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE METHODIST CHURCH IN NEW ZEALAND.

Dearly Beloved in the Lord,

From the Conference assembled in Auckland we send greetings to all Methodist Societies; also the assurance of our love and of our interest in your welfare.

In the present crisis of world affairs, Conference assembled under a sense of urgency, convinced that if the world is to be saved from disaster, the voice of the Church must be clear and strong, calling men and nations to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sin has thrown into disorder man's relationship with God and with his brother-man. This is the root cause of the present chaos, strife and enmity in the world. As we have examined the tragedies and the fears of this present time we have become more than ever convinced that the only hope for security, and well-being, lies in the Christian way of life and in the application of the Gospel to all the conditions under which people live and work. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the only teaching capable of transforming human lives, of establishing right relationships between man and man, and nation and nation, thus bringing the Kingdom of God to earth.

We have been reminded of a converted Communist who declared: "Yes, the Church has the remedy if she only knew how to present it." Conference expressed its mind that the effective presentation of the Gospel lies not only in preaching, but in the distinctive quality of life in every Church member. This must be made manifest in the home, in business, in daily toil, and in all life's relationships. Only thus will men take knowledge that we have been with Jesus. This Conference could well be described as "Forward Looking." Providing the local Church faithfully endeavours to carry into effect the plan of campaign in the coming year, believers will be strengthened, precious souls will be saved, and the Kingdom of God advanced. Matthew Arnold once wrote, "An age which has its face to the future, and in which men are full of plans for the welfare of the world, is not an age which has lost its faith. Its temper and its mind is constructive and it is eager for new institutions, keen for new ideas, and already has a half belief in a future in which all things shall become new." These words can well be applied to this Conference. There is need to re-capture the ideal of Jesus to win the whole world, and every department of life for His Kingdom.

Many things of a most encouraging nature have been witnessed. Six men have been ordained to the full work of the Ministry; three Deaconesses have been dedicated to their life of service; seventeen candidates for the Ministry have been received. When Trinity Theological College re-opens there will be a record number of students. To meet this need in a growing Church, Conference decided to appoint an additional resident Tutor at the next Conference.

It has been reported that 1,138 new members were received during the past year, leaving a net gain of 300 above all losses.

Conference resolved to designate the year 1952 as **MEMBERSHIP YEAR**, and it now appeals to every Circuit and Home Mission Station to plan, and pray and work for a 10% increase. It calls every member to dedicate himself and herself to this great opportunity, and to work zealously towards its realisation.

The enthusiasm of small groups of devoted members will do more to advance the Kingdom of God than larger numbers of merely nominal Christians. The genius of Methodism has always been her evangelism, and evangelism is the outcome of a rich personal experience of Divine Grace.



Conference rejoiced to learn of the revived interest in the Methodist Class meeting, adapted to present day needs. This has been inaugurated in Trinity College and has already been re-established in several Churches. We believe that its adoption throughout Methodism would do much to further the spirit of fellowship and of service.

Conference draws the attention of the Church to the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the Solomon Islands Missions in May, 1952. It rejoiced to learn of the marked advance of the work of God in recent years and of the progress being made in the re-building programme. We have commissioned our beloved Father J. F. Goldie, Rev. Stanley G. Andrews, Rev. Edward Te Tuhi, Mrs. T. Hallam and Sister Edna White to accompany the President of the Conference to the Jubilee celebrations and to convey the loving greetings of the Home Church.

The Rev. S. G. Andrews, M.A., Dip. Ed., was received on transfer from Fiji and is appointed to succeed Rev. A. H. Scrivin as General Secretary to the Foreign Mission Department.

Conference greets its Maori people in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and is thankful to Almighty God for the blessings which have attended the work of the Maori Mission, particularly amongst the young people. Being aware of the many problems and temptations which beset the Maori race, Conference commends all those who are meeting and resisting these with courage and success, and prays that their influence and example may be used by God to strengthen others. Conference looks forward to further advance and the continued growing together of the people of both races in a Church to which both will bring their best gifts, and in which each will share the privileges of the Christian way of life.

Conference commends to the Church the Rev. R. H. Allen, B.A., and Miss Dorothea Jones, B.A., who have been appointed Youth Directors in the South Island and the Auckland Province respectively.

Conference desires that all its members and adherents, both at home and overseas, should be deeply conscious of their essential unity within the Church. It recognises that individuals are saved to serve, and that all efforts for good by the individual and by the community fail, unless they lead ultimately to the building up of the Church which is His Body. It therefore calls upon all its members to take every opportunity of co-operating in inter-Church relations by which that unity may be made manifest to the world. It sets great value upon those societies in country districts where small groups of people gather to worship God, and to enjoy Christian fellowship. It is from such small societies that many of our Ministers, Local Preachers and Church leaders are drawn.

Methodism is a Connexion, which means that every member and every society is linked in fellowship and in service with the Church as a whole.

The final act of Conference has been the gathering of its members and visitors around the Throne of Grace to renew their Covenant with God, and to pledge anew their loyalty and their service to Christ and His Church.

On behalf of Conference we urge you to a similar dedication, and appeal to you to press on with the task of evangelisation, with consecration, with courage and with confidence.

"And now we commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you the inheritance among all them that are sanctified."

(Signed) G. I. LAURENSEN, President.  
H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.



# APPENDIX





# THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. C. M. Luke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J. Serpell	E. Rosevear	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	H. Holland	William A. Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C. Lawry	G. Winstone	William A. Sinclair
Wellington	1917	William A. Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A. Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E. Bellhouse	J. H. Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E. H. Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W. Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Charles H. Laws, B.A.	L. M. Isitt, M.P.	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	D. C. Cameron	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1927	Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt. D.	J. A. Flesher, O.B.E.	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Christchurch	1928	William J. Elliott	J. W. Shackelford	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1929	John F. Goldie	T. P. Hughson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1930	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.	Arch. Peak	Jonathan H. Haslam
Dunedin*	1931	Ernest D. Patchett	Wm. S. Mackay	Jonathan H. Haslam
Christchurch	1932	M. A. Rugby Pratt	J. Voss	Jonathan H. Haslam
Auckland	1933	Arthur J. Seamer	S. T. S. Martin	Jonathan H. Haslam
Wellington	1934	Clarence Eaton	J. T. Johnson	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1935	Jonathan H. Haslam	W. Charles Francis	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1936	E. Percy Blamires	Richard Hampton	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1937	Fred. Copeland	Henry R. French	William A. Burley, M.A.
Wellington	1938	Percy R. Paris	John C. Tietjens	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1939	Angus McBean	Mark Kershaw	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1940	Leslie B. Neale, B.A., F.R.G.S.	David J. Wesley	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1941	William A. Burley, M.A.	Frank Penn, N.D.H.(NZ)	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1942	William Walker	G. H. B. Lill	William G. Slade, M.A.
Christchurch	1943	Charles H. Olds, B.A.	Hedley Oldham	William G. Slade, M.A.

PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Auckland†	1944	Robert B. Tinsley	Charlie E. Bellringer	William G. Slade, M.A.
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H. Scrivin	William E. Burley, B.A.	William G. Slade, M.A.
Auckland	1946	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.	James Tyler	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1947	William G. Slade, M.A.	Gordon S. Gapper	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Christchurch	1948	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington§	1949	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
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Dunedin	1950	Eric W. Hames, M.A.	Sidney E. Chappell	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Auckland	1951	George I. Laurensen	James H. Oldham	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.

\*William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assume Office. Died 19th August, 1931

†For Validating Regulations see 1944 Minutes, page 10. § February, Exec. Comm. of Conference.



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| <p>1887—Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D.,<br/>(Toronto) Foundation Fellow<br/>of Trinity College. (Sup.)</p> <p>1893—Drake, Edward (Sup.)</p> <p>1896—Blamires, Henry L. (Sup.)</p> <p>1897—Goldie, John Francis (Sup.,<br/>N.S.W.)</p> <p>„ Greenwood, Fred. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Pybus, T. Arthur. (Sup.)</p> <p>1899—Keall, Robert P. (Sup.)</p> <p>1900—Blamires, E. Percy (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Hunt, George P. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Leadley, Frank E. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.,<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>1901—Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D.,<br/>(Fellow of Trinity College)<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>1902—Coatsworth, Thomas (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Oxbrow, Walter J. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Patchett, Ernest D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1903—James, Benjamin J. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Seamer, Arthur J. (Sup.)</p> <p>1904—Blamires, Ernest O. (Sup.)</p> <p>1905—Copeland, Fred. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Metson, Basil (Sup.)</p> <p>1906—Avery, William W. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Roberts, Charles M. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Ryan, Henry (Sup.)</p> <p>1907—Blair, Charles (Sup.)</p> <p>1908—Jordan, Chas. B., M.A., B.D.<br/>(Melb.), (Hons.), F.R.E.S. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Martin, J. Frederick (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Speer, William H. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Tinsley, Robt. B. (Sup.)</p> <p>1909—Cotton, Harry (Sup.)</p> <p>„ McArthur, John D. (Sup.)</p> | <p>1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Su p)</p> <p>„ Harris, Archer O. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Olds, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Richards, James (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Sharp, Harold A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1911—Enticott, Walter J. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Fowles, Albert H. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Hopper, Arthur (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A.,<br/>F.R.G.S., (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Richards, H. Leslie (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Rowe, William (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Te Tuhi, Eruera</p> <p>1912—Hinton, George B. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Lawrence, Frederick B. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Scrivin, Arthur H. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Walker, William (Sup.) E.D.</p> <p>1913—Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1914—Burnet, Oswald</p> <p>„ Green, William</p> <p>„ Werren, Samuel J.</p> <p>1915—Cooke, Percy I. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Olds, E. Thomas</p> <p>„ Odell, Henry J.</p> <p>„ Slade, William G., M.A., D.D.<br/>(Toronto).</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E.</p> <p>„ Fordyce, Robert E.</p> <p>„ Harkness, Edwin S. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Kendon, Charles H.</p> <p>„ Metcalfe, John R.</p> <p>„ Sage, Ernest E.</p> <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.<br/>(Melb.)</p> <p>„ Chambers, Ernest B.</p> <p>„ Dennis, John</p> <p>„ Parker, Frederick J. (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.</p> <p>„ Neal, Wallace S.</p> <p>„ Parker, James W. (Sup.)</p> <p>„ Skuse, Thomas</p> |
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| <p>1919—Ford, Herbert (Sup.)<br/>         „ Gatman, William (Sup.)<br/>         „ Jefferson, Alfred E.</p> <p>1920—Orchard, Hector C. (Sup.)</p> <p>1921—Benny, Henry</p> <p>1922—Allen, J. Henry<br/>         „ Brooks, Leslie A. G.<br/>         „ Jack, J. Francis</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)<br/>         „ Hames, Eric W., M.A.<br/>         „ Spencer, Herbert (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H.<br/>         „ Bateup, Frank (Sup.)<br/>         „ Brown, Hubert G.<br/>         „ Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A.<br/>         „ Kings, Harry S.<br/>         „ McGregor, Robert<br/>         „ Taylor, Cecil R.</p> <p>1925—Peterson, Gordon, R. H.</p> <p>1926—Hall, James, H.<br/>         „ Harris, G. Raymond<br/>         „ Joyce, Arthur H.</p> <p>1927—Laurenson, George I.<br/>         „ Penn, Athol R.<br/>         „ Raynor, Ivo M.<br/>         „ Silvester, A. Wharton E.<br/>         „ Utting, Harry V.</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D., B.A.<br/>         „ Hailwood, Charlie O.<br/>         „ Handy, Francis J.</p> <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E.<br/>         „ Horwood, Leonard C.<br/>         „ Kent, Arthur T.<br/>         „ Parker, Walter</p> <p>1930—Blight, J. Montgomery<br/>         „ Draper, Joseph C.<br/>         „ Leadley, E. Clarence<br/>         „ McDowell, Matthew A.<br/>         „ Parker, Wesley, M.A.</p> <p>1931—Carr, Thomas H.<br/>         „ Carr, W. E. Allon<br/>         „ Dudley, Raymond, M.A.<br/>         „ D.D. (Dickenson, (U.S.A.)<br/>         F.R.E.S.<br/>         „ Greenslade, William W. H.<br/>         „ Moore, William E.<br/>         „ Parker, Gordon, M.A., Ph.D.<br/>         (Lond.)<br/>         „ Payne, Herbert W.<br/>         „ Williams, David O., M.A., LittD</p> | <p>1932—Day, Reginald<br/>         „ Hickman, D. J. Donald<br/>         „ Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E.<br/>         „ Jenkin, William C.</p> <p>1933—Chrystall, Bernard, M., B.A.<br/>         „ Daghish, J. Ainsley<br/>         „ Orr, A. Everil<br/>         „ Patchett, Ralph E.</p> <p>1934—Goodman, George H.<br/>         „ Johnston, Andrew J.<br/>         „ Matthews, Howard C., B.A.</p> <p>1935—Duder, Clifford L.<br/>         „ Hanna, L. Gordon<br/>         „ Luxton, Clarence T. J.<br/>         „ Mills, William A.<br/>         „ Thornley, Robert, M.A., Dip.<br/>         Soc.Sc.<br/>         „ Witheford, Arthur R., B.A.</p> <p>1936—Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A.</p> <p>1937—Churchill, John<br/>         „ Francis, William R., B.A., B.D.<br/>         (Lond.)<br/>         „ Norwell, Leslie T.</p> <p>1938—Harkness, Howard E., M.A.,<br/>         B.D. (Melb.)<br/>         „ Hoddinott, Ernest S.<br/>         „ Laws, William R., M.A., B.D.<br/>         (Melb.)<br/>         „ Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A.<br/>         „ Silvester, John, M.A.<br/>         „ Whitfield, Harris</p> <p>1939—Cochrane, Herbert A.<br/>         „ Grice, Reginald<br/>         „ Hayman, Leslie A. D. B.Agr.Sc<br/>         „ Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th.<br/>         „ Oldfield, Charles B.<br/>         „ Watson, John K., M.C., B.A.</p> <p>1940—Dawson, John B., B.A.<br/>         „ Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D.<br/>         „ Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A.<br/>         „ Greenslade, Lawrence<br/>         „ Jones, Alan O.</p> <p>1941—Bell, Charles H., B.A.<br/>         „ Brown, Harold K.<br/>         „ Darvill, Harold A.<br/>         „ Thomas, Gordon V., B.A.<br/>         „ Woolford, Henry J., M.A.</p> |
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| <p>1942—Clement, Robert F., B.A.<br/>           „ Collins, Alan F.<br/>           „ Ivory, Arthur H., LLB.,<br/>           B.Com.<br/>           „ Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.<br/>           (Melb.)<br/>           „ Morrison, William J., M.A.<br/>           „ Willing, Leonard V.<br/>           „ Williams, J. C. Aldwyn</p> <p>1943—Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.<br/>           Brown, Clifford G. Ed.<br/>           „ Cramond, George W.<br/>           „ Dawson, W. Selwyn, B.A.<br/>           „ Falkingham, Wilfred E.<br/>           „ Grounds, Edmund D.<br/>           „ Jolly, Albert<br/>           „ Prosser, Frederick O.—(Sup.)</p> <p>1944—Allen, Robert H., B.A.<br/>           „ Bell, R. Graham, M.A.<br/>           „ Bycroft, Leslie F.<br/>           „ Chambers, Wesley A., B.A.<br/>           „ Dorrian, A. Peter<br/>           „ Sherson, Donald G., B.A.</p> <p>1945—Green, Warren<br/>           „ Gregory, William H.<br/>           „ Shapcott, Leonard</p> <p>1946—Haylock, Donald<br/>           „ McDonald, D. I. Alister<br/>           „ Moore, Harry<br/>           „ Olds, Norman W.<br/>           „ Shepherd, Trevor<br/>           „ Thompson, George R.</p> <p>1947—Attwood, A. Francis<br/>           „ Clements, Leslie C.<br/>           „ Divers, W. Lloyd<br/>           „ Hall, Allen H. B.A.<br/>           „ Harland, Frederick W.<br/>           „ Parker, Francis H.<br/>           „ Riseley, Benjamin H.<br/>           „ Stewart, Edmond S.<br/>           „ Woodfield, Owen T.*</p> <p>1948—Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A.<br/>           „ Hilder, Basil J.<br/>           „ Marshall, Edward M., B.A.,<br/>           Dip. Ed.<br/>           „ Robinson, Kenneth A.</p> <p>1949—Baker, Edward<br/>           „ Benny, T. Ralph</p> | <p>1949—Brasell, H. Maurice<br/>           „ Burt, Douglas H.<br/>           „ Cornwell, Gordon A. R.<br/>           „ Edmonds, David W.*<br/>           „ Elsom, Ronald*<br/>           „ Ford, Wilfred F.<br/>           „ Garner, William M.<br/>           „ Keightley, Clifford J.<br/>           „ Nuttall, A. Roger G., B.A.<br/>           „ Olds, J. Stanley<br/>           „ Pratt, R. Hori, B.A.<br/>           „ Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A.*<br/>           „ Trebilco, George R.*</p> <p>1950—Clark, Colin D.<br/>           „ Gordon, D. Bruce<br/>           „ McKay, Archibald W.<br/>           „ Ramsay, Phillip D.<br/>           „ Schroeder, Leonard P.<br/>           „ Woodfield, Frank H.</p> <p>1951—Armstrong, G. Graham<br/>           „ Besant, H. David<br/>           „ Burrough, Amos W.<br/>           „ Carter, George G., M.A.,<br/>           Dip. Ed.<br/>           „ Clucas, Ivan J.<br/>           „ Gilbert, Geoffrey T.<br/>           „ Groves, Robert C.<br/>           „ Heppelthwaite, Ernest*<br/>           „ Raynor, Charles H.<br/>           „ Ruck, Idris J.<br/>           „ Rushton, Percy P.*<br/>           „ Stead, Peter A.<br/>           „ Toothill, Harry W.<br/>           „ Olds, O. McLennan</p> <p>1952—Boyd, Edward P.<br/>           „ Cable, Wilfred J.<br/>           „ George, Ronald L.<br/>           „ Gibson, Loyal J.<br/>           „ Grundy, John, B.A.<br/>           „ Hall, John R.<br/>           „ Handyside, Allan J.<br/>           „ Mead, Arthur W. R.<br/>           „ Penman, John A.<br/>           „ Reid, Ian W.<br/>           „ Shaw, Harry I.<br/>           „ Spindler, Sidney J.<br/>           „ Tardif, Alfred E.<br/>           „ Thompson, John H.<br/>           „ Wood, Ronald H.</p> |
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### NATIVE MINISTERS

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| <p>1914—Rakena, Rakena P.<br/>           1920—Tauroa, Matarae<br/>           1941—Kukutai, Ngatete K.<br/>           1942—Rogers, Ranginohoora</p> | <p>1931—Havea, Paul<br/>           1942—Piani, Timothy<br/>           1944—Taufa, John<br/>           1944—Palavi, Daniel</p> |
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# AN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

*in connection with the*

## METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

1. The figures in the first column mark the year in which each Minister entered on his work ; those in the second column the year of Annual Appointment. S denotes that the Minister is a Supernumerary, the year in which he became a Supernumerary being in parenthesis immediately after his address. The number of the Circuit in the Station Sheet is denoted in the right-hand column. The Foreign Mission and Maori Mission Stations are distinguished by numbers in square brackets.

2. H.M.—Home Missions. F.M.—Foreign Missions.  
M.M.—Maori Missions. C.S.—Connexional Secretary  
Y.P.—Young People's Dept. Th.C.—Theological College.

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1922	— 3	Allen, J. Henry, 149 Kamo Road, Whangarei	— 22
1944	— 1	Allen, Robert H., B.A., 57 Retreat Road, Christchurch N.E.1.	— Y.P
1943	— 1	Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.Ed., P.O. Box 23W Auckland, C.1.	— F.M
1951	— 2	Armstrong, G. Graham, 21 Freyberg St. Kilbirnie Wellington, E.3.	— 77
1947	— 1	Attwood, A. Francis, Katikati	— 33
1906	— S	Avery, William W., 58 Elizabeth Street, Timaru (1946)	— 117
1924	— 1	Bailey, John H., Warkworth	— 18
1949	— 1	Baker, Edward, Pah Road, Motueka	— 91
1924	— S	Bateup, Frank, Campbell Street, Thames (1948)	— 30
1941	— 3	Bell, Charles H. B.A., Queen Street, Richmond, Nelson	— 90
1944	— 1	Bell, R. Graham, M.A., 18 West Road, Northland Wellington, W.3.	— 75
1921	— 1	Benny, Henry, Selwyn Street, Leeston	— 110
1949	— 1	Benny, T. Ralph, Taitua Street, Taumarunui	— 49
1913	— S	Bensley, Arthur A., Omokoroa R.D. Te Puna, Tauranga (1950)	— 43
1951	— 1	Besant, H. David, 17 Abbot Street, Ngaio, Wellington	N.4 78
1907	— S	Blair, Charles, "Noeldene," Main Road, Stoke, Nelson (1947)	— 89
1923	— S	Blakemore, Albert, 29 Prospect Terrace, Milford, N.2., Auckland (1946)	— 8
1900	— S	Blamires, E. Percy, 43a Church Street, Devonport Auckland, N.1. (1944)	— 7
1904	— S	Blamires, Ernest O., 11 Beerehaven Road, Seatoun Wellington, E.5. (1946)	— 74
1896	— S	Blamires, Henry L., 23 Aikman's Road., St. Albans, Christchurch, N.W.1. (1930)	— 98
1930	— 3	Blight, J. Montgomery, Tainui Street, Matamata	— 40
1917	— 2	Blight, William T., B.A., B.D., P.O. Box 32, Papanui Christchurch, N.W.2.,	— 107
1952	— 1	Boyd, Edward P., New Plymouth	— 51
1949	— 3	Brasell, H. Maurice, Gloucester Street, Taradale, Napier	— 62
1922	— 1	Brooks, Leslie A. G., 42 Melanesia Road, Kohimarama Auckland	— 5
1943	— 6	Brown, Clifford G., Otorohanga	— 47



Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1916	— 3	Brown, George E., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2	— 6
1941	— 1	Brown, Harold K., 226 Thames Street, Morrinsville	— 35
1924	— 1	Brown, Hubert G., 95 Fitzroy St., Kew, Dunedin S.W.1.	— 129
1910	— S	Burley, William A., M.A., Thompson St., Shannon (1951)	—
1914	— 4	Burnet, Oswald, 53 Fuller Street, Kaiapoi	— 111
1951	— 2	Burrough, Amos W., C/- 5 Garden Rd., Lower Hutt	— 79
1949	— 1	Burt, Douglas H., Regent Street, Waihi	— 33
1944	— 1	Bycroft, Leslie F., 22 Union Street, New Brighton Christchurch	— 100
1952	— 1	Cable, Wilfred J., Gisborne	— 64
1931	— 3	Carr, Thomas H., 801E Queen Street, Hastings, C.F.	— 63
1931	— 2	Carr, W. E. Allon, 5 Paice Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland S.I.,	— 3
1951	— 2	Carter, George., M.A., Trinity College, Grafton, Auckland C.3	—
1917	— 5	Chambers, Ernest B., 463 Gladstone Rd., Gisborne	— 64
1944	— 5	Chambers, Wesley A., B.A., Woodend, Kaiapoi-Ohoka R/D	— 114
1933	— 7	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., 28 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland S.W.2., C.F.	— H.M
1937	— 1	Churchill, John, Te Reinga St., Kaitaia, Northland	— 27
1950	— 3	Clark, Colin D., Main Road, Greytown	— 82
1942	— 7	Clement, Robert F., B.A., 60 Norton Park Avenue, Lower Hutt, C.F.	— 79
1947	— 1	Clements, Leslie C., 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	— 137
1951	— 2	Clucas, Ivan J., Wesley Terrace, Te Kuiti	— 48
1902	— S	Coatsworth, Thomas, 47 Collingwood St., Palmerston North (1945)	— 70
1939	— 5	Cochrane, Herbert A., 46 Radley Street, Woolston, Christchurch, S.E.1.	— 102
1942	— 3	Collins, Alan F., 107 Dyers Pass Road, Cashmere, Christchurch, (C.F.)	— 98
1915	— S	Cooke, Percy I., Normandy Street, Dargaville (1952)	— 20
1905	— S	Copeland, Fred, 19 Linwood Avenue, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2. (1947)	— 6
1949	— 4	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., Methodist Mission, Buka, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea.	— [8]
1918	— 1	Costain, Alfred M., 237 Salisbury St., Christchurch, C.1.	— 101
1909	— S	Cotton, Harry, Springston R/D., Canterbury (1949)	— 109
1943	— 6	Cramond, George W., Queen Street, Waiuku	— 16
1933	— 2	Daglish, J. Ainsley, 230 High Street, Dannevirke	— 66
1941	— 8	Darvill, Harold A., Box 400 Hamilton.	— H.M
1940	— 1	Dawson, John B., 37 Nelson Street, Petone, Wellington C.F.	— 81
1943	— 5	Dawson, W. Selwyn, B.A., Huanui St., Porirua, Wellington, C.F.	— 78
1932	— 2	Day, Reginald, Bertram St., Warkworth, Northland	— 18
1917	— 3	Dennis, John, Ruawai, Northland	— 21
1929	— 2	Dickens, Charles E., 162 King Street, Rangiora	— 113
1947	— 3	Divers, W. Lloyd, 129 Radley St., Christchurch, S.E.1.	— 102
1940	— 1	Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D., 14 St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2.	— 5
1944	— 3	Dorrian, A. Peter, 20 Franklin Street, Greymouth	— 96
1893	— S	Drake, Edward, 100 Chapter Street, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.I., (1936)	— 106
1930	— 7	Draper, Joseph C., 17 Pukehana Avenue, Epsom Auckland, S.E.3., C.F.	— 5
1935	— 4	Duder, Clifford L., Roxburgh.	— 135
1931	— 1	Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., 56 Royal Terrace, Dunedin, C.2.	— 127

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1948	— 2	Eisner, Wilf. G. B.A., 112 Derby St., Westport	— 95
1911	— S	Enticott, Walter J., Nahum Street, Paeroa (1948)	— 32
1943	— 2	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission 53 Cathedral Square, Christchurch	— 99
1924	— 7	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., P.O. Box 931 Christchurch	— C.S.
1919	— S	Ford, Herbert, 24 Denman Street, Sumner, Christchurch (1948)	— 98
1948	— 4	Ford, Wilfred F., 27 Cambrai Avenue, Mt. Roskill Auckland, S.2.	— 3
1916	— 2	Fordyce, Robert E., Arney Street, Paeroa	— 32
1911	— S	Fowles, Albert H., 18 Lionel Street, Avonside Christchurch, N.E.1., (1941)	— 100
1937	— 6	Francis, William R., B.A., B.D., 8 Madeira Steps, Napier, C.F.	— 62
1949	— 4	Garner, William M., 24 Colombo St., Wellington, S.1.	— 76
1919	— S	Gatman, William, 80 Beach Road, Castor Bay, Auckland. (1947)	— 8
1952	— 1	George, Ronald L., c/o. 32 London Street, Hamilton	— 37
1952	— 1	Gibson, Loyal J., Cromwell.	— 143
1952	— 2	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., Ohura	— 50
1940	— 6	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A., 1 Tennyson Avenue Takapuna, Auckland, N.2.	— 8
1934	— 5	Goodman, George H., 18 Matai Rd., Hatatai, Wellington, E.2	— 77
1950	— 3	Gordon, D. Bruce, 63 Idris Road, Bryndwr, Christchurch N.W.1.	— 106
1945	— 2	Green, Warren, Kirk Street, Otaki	— 87
1914	— 5	Green, William, 17 Church St., Devonport, Auckland, N.1.	7
1940	— 1	Greenslade, Lawrence, 111 Wood St., Palmerston North	70
1931	— 6	Greenslade, William W. H., 38 McFarlane Street, Wellington, C.4., C.F.	— 74
1897	— S	Greenwood, Fred, 37 Charlotte Avenue, Brooklyn, Wellington, S.W.1. (1934)	— 74
1945	— 2	Gregory, William H., 9 Paynter's Ave., New Plymouth	51
1939	— 2	Grice, Reginald, Poriorua Rd., Johnsonville, Wellington	78
1928	— 2	Grocott, John D., B.A., 224 Karori Rd., Wellington, W.3	75
1943	— 1	Grounds, Edmund D., 135 Somme Parade, Aramoho Wanganui	— 59
1951	— 2	Groves, Robert C., 13 Harbour Tee., Broad Bay Dunedin	— 130
1952	— 1	Grundy, John, B.A., Manurewa, Auckland	— 13
1928	— 1	Hailwood, Charlie O., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson	— 89
1947	— 6	Hall Allen H., B.A., Methodist Mission, Roviana New Georgia, British Solomon Islands	— [5]
1926	— 6	Hall, James H., 12 Wesley St., Pukekohe	— 14
1952	— 1	Hall, John R., 5 William Street, Gore	— 138
1923	— 14	Hames, Eric W., M.A., "Richmond House," Trinity College, Grafton, Auckland, C.3.	— Th.C.
1952	— 1	Handyside, Allan J., West Coast Road, Glen Eden, Auckland	— 6
1928	— 2	Handy, Francis J., 235 Karori Rd., Wellington, W.3.	— 75
1935	— 5	Hanna, L. Gordon, 19 Regent Street, Hawera	— 55
1916	— S	Harkness, Edwin S., 14 Atanga Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1., (1947)	— 5
1938	— 6	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., 88 Linwood Avenue Christchurch, E.1.	— 100
1946	— 2	Harland, Frederick W., 38 Cranford Street, Christchurch, N.1.	— 106
1910	— S	Harris, Archer O., P.O. Box 931, Christchurch (1951)	— 101



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1926	3	Harris, G. Raymond, 15 Nelson St., Riccarton Christchurch, W.I.	105
1900	8	Haslam Jonathan H., 26 Rhodes St., Waimate (1940)	120
1946	1	Haylock, Donald, Bank Street, Te Awamutu	46
1939	8	Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Agr.Sc., c/o Mr F. Hayman Willowbridge, Waimate	120
1932	2	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 75 Havelock St., Ashburton	123
1948	1	Hilder, Basil J., Kaeo, Northland	24
1912	8	Hinton, George B., 28 Carrington St., Christchurch (1949)	106
1938	2	Hoddinott, Ernest S., 80 Wesley St., Dunedin, S.I.	129
1911	8	Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935)	63
1936	3	Hopper, H. Ian, K., B.A. 24 Passmore Crescent, Maori Hill Dunedin, N.E.I.	128
1929	7	Horwood, Leonard C., 336 Selwyn Street, Addington, Christchurch, S.W.I.	104
1900	8	Hunt, George P., 116 Peary Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland (1940)	3
1942	1	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., 77 Grey St., Woodville	67
1922	1	Jack, J. Francis, 35 Wood Street, Papakura, Auckland	13
1903	8	James, Benjamin J., 22 Winton Street, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.I. (1940)	98
1932	6	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., 170 Fitzgerald Avenue, Christchurch, C.I., C.F.	100
1919	6	Jefferson, Alfred E., 12 Poronui St., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I.	5
1932	3	Jenkin, William C., 43 King Street, Whakatane	44
1934	7	Johnston, Andrew J., 67 Brougham Street, Sydenham, Christchurch, S.I.	103
1943	1	Jolly, Albert, 60 Lawrence St., Mornington, Dunedin, W.I.	131
1940	6	Jones, Allan O., 45 High Street, Blenheim	93
1908	8	Jordan, Charles B., M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S., Maitland Avenue, Stoke, Nelson (1947)	89
1899	8	Keall, R. Purcell, 22 Trinity Avenue, Lower Hutt, (1940)	79
1949	2	Keightley, Clifford J., Otautau, Southland	139
1916	1	Kendon, Charles H., Hassard Street, Manaia	56
1929	3	Kent, Arthur T., 124 Devonport Road, Tauranga, C.F.	43
1924	7	Kings, Harry S., 112 Cambridge Street, Levin, C.F.	86
1927	14	Laurenson, Geo. I., Kakariki Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I.	HM
1912	8	Lawrence, Frederick B., Sadlier Street, Stoke, Nelson (1949)	90
1887	8	Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D., Foundation Fellow of Trinity College, 4 Tahuri Rd. Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3., (1931)	5
1938	1	Laws, William R., M.A., B.D., 524 Church Street, Palm- erston North	69
1930	7	Leadley, E. Clarence, 77 Grey Street East, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5.	10
1900	8	Leadley, Frank E., 26 Arthur St., Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5. (1940)	10
1942	4	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D., 10 New Bond St., Kingsland, Auckland	1
1939	5	Lucas, Campbell P. L. Th., 12 Domett St., Opunake	57
1935	3	Luxton, Clarence T.J., Auckland Street, Picton	93
1908	8	Martin, J. Frederick, J.P., 32 Karaka St., Castlecliff Wanganui (1944)	60
1948	5	Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip.Ed., Wesley College Paerata, Auckland	14
1934	6	Matthewa, Howard C., B.A., 32 London Street, Hamilton, C.F.	37
1909	8	McArthur, John D., Lakings Road, Blenheim (1949)	93

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1946	— 4	McDonald, D. I., Alister, Springston No. 4 R.D. church	Christ- — 109
1930	— 2	McDowell, Matthew A., 1 Knights Road, Lower Hutt	— 79
1924	— 3	McGregor, Robert Ashhurst	— 71
1952	— 1	Mead, Arthur W. R., Reefton	— 94
1916	— 33	Metcalfe, John R., Methodist Mission, Roviana, New Georgia, British Solomon Islands	— [5]
1905	— S	Metson, Basil, 27 Ashley St., Rangiora (1945)	— 113
1935	— 5	Mills, William A., 1 Rewi Street, Te Awamutu	— 46
1946	— 3	Moore, Harry, 179 Regan Street, Stratford	— 53
1931	— 3	Moore, William E., Tancred Street, Hokitika	— 97
1942	— 2	Morrison, William J., M.A., 142 North St., Timaru	— 118
1918	— 3	Neal, Wallace S., 811 George Street, Dunedin, N.I.	— 126
1911	— S	Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S., 243 Great North Road, Grey Lynn, Auckland (1952)	— 1
1949	— 2	Nuttall, A. Roger, B.A., Hillcrest Road, Kaikohe	— 26
1937	— 1	Norwell, Leslie T., Oxford	— 116
1915	— 6	Odell, Henry J., 3 Repton Street, St. Albans, Christchurch N.W.I.	— 106
1939	— 1	Oldfield, Charles B., 68 Firth Street, Hamilton East	— 38
1910	— S	Olds, Charles H., B.A., 21 Alpha St., Cambridge (1951)	— 36
1915	— 3	Olds, E. Thomas, 92 Liardet Street, New Plymouth	— 51
1949	— 2	Olds, J. Stanley, Port Albert, Wellsford R.D.	— 25
1946	— 2	Olds, Norman W., Church Street, Te Aroha	— 34
1951	— 2	Olds, O. McLennan, 137 Johnson Street, Milton	— 134
1920	— S	Orchard, Hector C., 8 Seddon Street, Timaru (1947)	— 117
1933	— 20	Orr, A. Everil, C.F., Box 104W, Auckland. C.I.	— 2
1902	— S	Oxbrow, Walter J., 66 Elizabeth Street, Rotorua (1938)	— 42
1947	— 1	Parker, Francis H., 100 West Street, Feilding	— 72
1917	— S	Parker, Frederick J., 11 Plymouth Street, Wanganui	— 58
1931	— 2	Parker, Gordon, M.A., Ph.D., 6 Coronation St., Waimate	— 120
1918	— S	Parker James W., 143 St. John's Rd., Meadowbank, Auckland, S.E.3. (1950)	— 5
1929	— 1	Parker, Walter, 433a Manukau Rd., Epsom, Auckland S.E.3.	— 3
1930	— 1	Parker, Wesley, M.A., Auckland, C.F.	— 5
1902	— S	Patchett, Ernest D., 36 Orakau Ave., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3., (1945)	— 5
1933	— 3	Patchett, Ralph E., 77 Shirley Rd., Christchurch N.E.I.	— 100
1931	— 1	Payne, Herbert W., 8 King Edward St., Eltham	— 54
1952	— 1	Penman, John A., 3 Delta Street, Roslyn, Dunedin	— 127
1927	— 2	Penn, Athol R., 49 Glenfield Road, Birkenhead, Auckland, N.5.	— 9
1938	— 1	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 54 Chester St., Christchurch, C.I.	— 98
1925	— 2	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh, Dunedin, S.2.	— 130
1949	— 1	Pratt, R. Hori, B.A., 3 Scotia Street, Port Chalmers	— 133
1943	— S	Prosser, Frederick O., 34 Stoke Street, Sumner, Christchurch (1948)	— 102
1897	— S	Pybus, T. Arthur, 269 Main Road, Ravensbourne Dunedin, (1939)	— 130
1949	— 4	Ramage, Ian C, E.. M.A., 8 Cambridge Street, Gonville Wanganui	— 60
1950	— 3	Ramsay, Phillip D., R.N.Z.A.F. Station, Whenuapai, Auckland	— 6
1901	— S	Ranston, Harry, M.A. Litt.D., Fellow Trinity College, 34 Alexis Avenue, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2. (1941)	— 6
1951	— 1	Raynor, Charles H., Marchant Street, Putaruru	— 41



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1927	— 2	Raynor, Ivo M., 43 Queen Street, Cambridge	— 36
1952	— 1	Reid, Ian W., C/o 98 North Street Timaru	— 118
1911	— S	Richards, H. Leslie, Leeston (1948)	— 110
1910	— S	Richards, James, 59 Quinn's Road, Shirley Christchurch (1951)	— 100
1906	— S	Roberts, Charles M., 286 South Road, New Plymouth (1945)	— 51
1947	— 4	Riseley, Benjamin, H., Box 34, Sanson, Manawatu	— 73
1948	— 2	Robinson, Kenneth A., Greendale, No. 1, R.D., Christchurch	— 115
1911	— S	Rowe, William, 5 Cavendish Square, Strathmore, Wellington, E.5., (1949)	— 76
1951	— 1	Ruck, Idris J., Bombay	— 15
1906	— S	Ryan, Henry, 8 Burns Road, Napier (1943)	— 62
1916	— 5	Sage, Ernest E., 274 High Street, Carterton	— 83
1950	— 3	Schroeder, Leonard P., Fraser Crescent, Upper Hutt	— 80
1900	— S	Scotter Adolphus N., B.A., 9 Elmwood Road, Fendalton, Christchurch, N.W.1 (1940)	— 98
1912	— S	Scrivin, Arthur H., "Roviana", 16 Empire Road, Epsom, S.E.3, Auckland (1952)	— 5
1903	— S	Seamer, Arthur J., Box 400, Hamilton (1939)	— 2
1945	— 2	Shapcott, Leonard, Mowatt Street, Waitara	— 52
1910	— S	Sharp, Harold A., 36 Ranfurly Street, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1 (1947)	— 106
1952	— 1	Shaw, Harry I., Wairoa	— 65
1946	— 6	Shepherd, Trevor, Methodist Mission, Teop, Buka Passage, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea	— [8]
1944	— 5	Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 98 North Street, Timaru	— 117
1927	— 18	Silvester, A. Wharton E., Vonunu, Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands	— [6]
1938	— 3	Silvester, John, M.A., 42 Malfroy Street, Rotorua	— 42
1918	— 5	Skuse, Thomas, 64 Station Road, Otahuhu, Auckland S.E.7	— 11
1915	— 5	Slade, William G., M.A., D.D., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton	— 84
1908	— S	Speer, William H., Whakaue Street, Rotorua (1937)	— 42
1923	— S	Spencer, Herbert, 24 Hipango Terrace, Ext., Durie Hill, Wanganui (1949)	— 58
1952	— 1	Spindler, Sidney J., Huntly	— 39
1951	— 2	Stead, Peter A., 45 Kirkwood Avenue, Christchurch, N.W.3	— 105
1947	— 4	Stewart, Edmond S., 1 Victor Street Avondale, Auckland	— 6
1952	— 1	Tardif, Alfred E., Mosgiel	— 138
1924	— 3	Taylor, Cecil R., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	— 125
1911	— 16	Te Tuhi, Eruera, 519 Mt. Albert Road, Auckland, S.1	H.M.
1941	— 4	Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 38 Sealey Street, Thames	— 30
1946	— 1	Thompson, George R., 33 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui	— 58
1951	— 1	Thompson, John H., Paparoa, Northland	— 19
1935	— 3	Thornley, Robert, M.A., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3	— 1
1908	— S	Tinsley, Robert B., Liverpool Street, Papakura, Auckland (1949)	— 13
1951	— 1	Toothill, Harry W., Paraparaumu	— 88
1927	— 2	Utting, Harry V., 64 Albert Street, Pahiatua	— 68
1926	— 27	Voyce, Arthur H., Buin Bay, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea	— [8]
1912	— S	Walker, William, E.D., 54 St. John's Road, Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1945)	— 5

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1939	1	Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., 149 Tennyson Street, Dunedin, C.2., C.F.	120
1914	5	Werren, Samuel J., 30 Matai Street, Hamilton	37
1938	6	Whitfield, Harris, 229a Ponsonby Road, Auckland, W.2, C.F.	4
1931	6	Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D., "Leigh House," Trinity College, Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3	Th.C.
1943	4	Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, Willowby R.D., Ashburton	124
1942	3	Willing, Leonard V., 39 Strathavon Street, Miramar, Wellington, E.4	77
1935	3	Wittheford, Arthur R., B.A., 5 Chapman Street, Invercargill, C.F.	136
1952	1	Wood, Ronald H., care 320 Hardy Street, Nelson	89
1950	3	Woodfield, Frank H., Methodist Mission, Roviana, New Georgia, British Solomon Islands	[5]
1950	2	Woodfield, Owen T., 6 Clermiston Avenue, Corstorphine, Dunedin	129
1941	2	Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., 39 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, Wellington	74

#### NATIVE MINISTERS

1914	9	Rakena, Rakena P., Waihi Road, Hawera	[4]
1920	10	Tauroa, Matarae, Tuakau	[1]
1941	12	Kukutai, Ngatete Kerei, Te Kuiti	[3]
1942	9	Rogers, Ranginohooa, Waima, Hokianga	[1]
1931	21	Havea, Paul, Marovo, Solomon Islands	[5]
1944	6	Taufa, John, Bougainville	[8]
1944	5	Palavi, Daniel, Bougainville	[8]
1944	5	Piani, Timothy, Mono, New Georgia	[5]

#### YOUTH DIRECTORS

1952	1	Miss Dorothea M. Jones, B.A., 75 Taranaki St., Wellington, C.1.	
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#### HOME MISSIONARIES

1907	S. Keen (Retired)	Kirk Street, Otaki	14
1909	T. W. Featherstone (Retired)	2 Roy Ter., New Plymouth	15
1913	J. Common (Retired)	Bristol Street, Levin	17
1917	A. L. Wittheford, (Retired)	14 Claude Street, Claudelands, Hamilton	18
1919	J. W. Bayliss (Retired)	Campbell Road, Judea, Tauranga	14
1922	H. Ashworth (Retired)	571 South Road, New Plymouth	16
1922	C. Robinson (Retired)	Napier	1
1924	R. T. Alexander (Retired)	Pah Road, Motueka	1
1924	W. H. Wilson (Retired)	19 Rangitoto Terrace, Takapuna, Auckland, N.2	14
1925	W. J. Henderson	Stanley Street, Eketahuna	3
1925	H. J. Malcolm (Retired)	31 Blair Avenue, Ch.Ch., N.W.2	12
1926	W. Sussex (Retired)	Bayswater, Auckland	14
1928	R. Coombridge (Retired)	Silverdale, Auckland	2
1930	J. C. R. Ashworth	18 Robinson Street, Foxton	6
1937	N. R. Hooper	22 Mersey Street, Island Bay, Wellington	3
1939	H. R. Wright	Wellington Road, Marton	1
1940	W. J. Bryant	Waipawa, Hawkes Bay	6
1941	L. E. G. Sharp	Edendale, Southland	3
1941	T. Steele	Ohoka, R.M.D., Kaiapoi	2
1943	E. J. Carter	46 Beresford Street, Roslyn, Dunedin	1
1944	C. E. Roke	Kawhia, King Country	5
1945	J. M. Daley, B.A.	Ford Street, Opotiki	2
1946	O. L. Christian	Balclutha	2



Ent.	Name and Address	Circuit
1946—	W. E. Sleep (Retired), Raetihi (Supply 5th Year)	7
1947—	F. J. Climo, Te Puke	1
1948—	H. Prowse, Halcombe	1
1948—	F. D. Peterson, Kaukapakapa	5

#### HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS

1951—	P. C. Carter, Ohai, Western Southland	1
1951—	G. C. Armitage, Apiti, Manawatu	2
1951—	I. G. Fowler, Hikurangi	2
1951—	G. R. Payne, Rawene, Hokianga	2
1952—	Ian D. Grant, Inglewood	1
1952—	F. L. Johnson, Kohukohu, North Hokianga	1

#### HOME MISSIONARY "SUPPLIES"

A. W. McKay, Non-Resident student of Trinity College, 19 Schofield Street, Grey Lynn, Auckland
R. Elsom, Non-Resident student of Trinity College, Kolmar Road, Papatoetoe, Auckland
F. E. Trim, 19 Exeter Street, Lyttelton
Thomas Walker, Westgate Street, Ngaruawahia
A. W. Barnes, Waikouaiti, Otago
James Caldwell, Coromandel
M. R. Edgar, Taihape
H. A. Holdaway, Murchison
A. J. Webster, Okato, Taranaki

#### MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES

1920—	Te Aho-o-te-Rangi Pihama, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton	23
1922—	Te Hira Ratete, Punakitere, Hokianga, Northland	25
1930—	Paahi Moke, 37 Breakwater Road, New Plymouth	9
1932—	Rameka Eru, Victoria Valley, Northland	3
1932—	Tuteao Manihera, Raglan	5
1932—	Paikea, H. Toka, Maori Community Centre, Freemans Bay, Auckland	3
1934—	Huru, Wiperi, 2a Cleveland Road, Parnell, Auckland	7
1934—	John Nicholls, 61b Taylors, Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland	19
1934—	Poo Kingi, Whatawhata, Waikato	19
1934—	Heemi Rihimona, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia	12
1936—	Ngaweke Tuhimata, Tuakau	7
1937—	Roi Moke, Box 400, Hamilton	1
1938—	Paraire Paraone Kena, Pouto, Kaipara Heads	15
1938—	Piripi Livingstone, Pokere, Bay of Islands	15
1938—	Wiremu Paki Ihaka, Aratapu, Dargaville	15
1939—	John Harris, Pakiri, North Auckland	14
1939—	Nehana Pu, Opuawhanga, R.D., Hikurangi	14
1940—	Wiremu Tonga, Box 400, Hamilton	13
1941—	Wene Herangi, Te Mania, King Country	12
1942—	Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio, Bay of Islands	11
1944—	Te Urunga Pura Wetere, Atawa Settlement, Waihou, R.D., Te Aroha	9
1944—	Paki Manga, c/o Dairy Factory, Otorohanga	9
1944—	Rangi Katipa, Ngutunui, Te Awamutu	9
1945—	Tame Ponui, P.O. Kopaki, King Country	4
1946—	Waiwera Rangawhenua, Maketu Pa, Kawhia, King Country	7
1946—	Tumu Te Huia, Makomako, via Kawhia	7
1946—	Waka Kukutai, Te Kohanga, Waikato	7
1946—	Henare Kapa, Rangitane Pouto, Kaipara Heads	7
1947—	Whaterau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki	6
1947—	Mu Maihi, Waikaretu, Waikato Coast	6
1948—	Nguru Winikerei Marakopa, King Country	5

Ent.	Name and Address	Circuit
1950—Maharaia Winiata, Cleek Road, Mangere, Auckland	—	— 3
1950—Enoka Marumaru, Aramiro, Waikato	—	— 3
1950—Houtai Mita Hohepa, P.O. Box 169, Kaikohe	—	— 3
1950—Tita Taui Wetere, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton	—	— 3
1950—Te Iwikau Waaka, Otaramarae, P.O. Rotorua	—	— 3
1951—Tutea Rau, Te Hoe, South Auckland	—	— 2
1951—Pukerau Rangitutia, Box 400, Hamilton	—	— 2

### MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main Road, Papanui, Christchurch, N.W.2  
 Sister Nicholls, 61b Taylors Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2  
 Sister Rita Snowden, 24 Empire Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3  
 Sister Airini Hobbs, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton  
 Sister Ivy Jones, Box 23w, Auckland, C.1.  
 Sister Olive Bott, Taheke, Hokianga. (Leave of Absence)  
 Sister Madeline Holland, "Kurahuna," 110 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5  
 Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Box 400, Hamilton  
 Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Maori Girls' School, New Plymouth  
 Sister Dorothy Pointon, 8 Airedale Street, Auckland, C.1  
 Sister Nance Davidson, 37 Murdoch Road, Auckland, W.2  
 (Leave of Absence)  
 Sister Anne Wilson, c/o 51 Victoria Street, Hawera  
 Sister Ruth Hilder, c/o Post Office, Kawakawa  
 Sister Jean Miller, 861 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland  
 Sister Mavis Dickie, Longfellow Road, Opunake  
 Sister Daphne Lye, 64 Belle Vue Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1, (Leave of Absence)  
 Sister Margaret Taylor, Dunedin Central Mission, 35 The Octagon, Dunedin, C.1  
 Sister Rona Collins, c/o Methodist Children's Home, Harewood Road, Papanui, Christchurch, N.W.2  
 Sister Grace Clement, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti  
 Sister Rona Keightley, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton  
 Sister Betty Yearbury, Rangiatea Maori Girls' School, South Road, New Plymouth  
 Sister June Winchcombe, c/o P.O. Dargaville  
 Sister Francis Smith, Box 400, Hamilton  
 Sister Elsie Dixon, Wesley Church, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington, C.3  
 Sister Fiona Summerell, P.O. Box 104W, Auckland, C.1  
 Sister Cecelia Te Atakohu Fitzpatrick, Waima, Hokianga  
 Sister Marcia Powell, c/o 5 Chapman Street, Invercargill  
 Sister Evelyn J. Taylor, c/o 53 Cathedral Square, Christchurch

### FOREIGN WORK

- Sister Effie Harkness, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.  
 Sister Winifred Poole, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands.  
 Sister Merle Carter, Methodist Mission, Teop, Sohana, Terr. of New Guinea,  
 Sister Lucy Money, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands.  
 Sister Eva Saunders, Methodist Mission, Skotolan, Sohana, Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands.  
 Sister Joyce McDonald, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands.  
 Sister Joan Brooking, Methodist Mission, Koau, Buin, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea.  
 Sister Davinia Clark, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.



- Sister Jessie Grant, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.  
Sister Myra Fraser, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.  
Sister Jane Bond, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands.  
Sister Pamela Beaumont, Methodist Mission, Koau, Buin, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea.  
Sister Nancy Ball, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands.

**IV—Retired.**

- 1907—Sister Mabel Morley.  
1909—Sister Ruth Fawcett.  
1913—Mrs W. J. Williams.  
1913—Sister May Barnett.  
1914—Sister Ethel McMillan.  
1914—Sister Annie Tocker.  
1918—Sister Winifred Beaumont.  
1920—Sister Mildred West.  
1923—Sister Lily White.  
1924—Sister Lina Jones.  
1927—Mrs C. B. Jones.  
1928—Sister Olive Coleman.  
1934—Sister Ada Lee.  
1935—Sister Vera Cannon.  
1936—Sister Edna White.  
1938—Sister Merle Farland.  
1952—Sister Grace McDonald.

**V—Students in Training.**

- 1952—Winnie Bennett.  
Joyce Gribble.  
Mary Whitlow.

# Methodist Church of New Zealand

## In Memoriam

### MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS

Who have laboured in New Zealand and were still in the Methodist Ministry at the date of their death

The following list of our honoured dead has been compiled by direction of the Conference. In some particulars it is incomplete. Information concerning any errors or omissions should be sent to the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, P.O. Box 931, Christchurch, C.I., New Zealand.

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Abbey, William H.E.	Melbourne	1883	1907	8th August, 1944	Wanganui
Abernethy, Christopher	Shetland Islands	1845	1879	29th April, 1927	Christchurch
Aldred, John	Suffolk, England	1818	1839	14th January, 1894	Christchurch
Allen, Alexander	Christchurch, N.Z.	1884	1910	8th May, 1918	France
Alley, Donald C.	Clinton	1906	1932	— June, 1942	Lost at Sea
Armitage, John	Leeds, England	1834	1875	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Ashcroft, Arthur	Lancashire, England	1869	1895	15th December, 1943	Palmerston North
Ayrton, Moses	Yorkshire, England	1879	1924	3rd October, 1950	Wellington
Bailey, Samuel	Staffordshire, England	1871	1901	27th October, 1949	Wellington
Barley, Charles E.	Fincham, England	1851	1874	5th October, 1888	Hawera
Bathey, Percy	Yorkshire, England	1886	1913	12th July, 1923	New Plymouth
Baumber, William	Lincolnshire, England	1852	1876	8th September, 1932	Christchurch
Bavin, Rainsford	Lincolnshire, England	1845	1866	2nd August, 1905	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Baxter, Matthew				1st May, 1893	
Beck, William Henry	Sussex, England	1837	1869	20th November, 1922	Blenheim
Beecroft, Charles E.	Lowestoft, Suffolk	1844	1870	17th November, 1913	Auckland
Bellhouse, Harold E.	Leeds, Yorkshire, England	1869	1894	4th October, 1948	Auckland
Benning, Job	Wednesbury, England	1858	1905	22nd November, 1915	Waikouaiti
Berry, Joseph	Preston, England	1846	1865	9th July, 1907	Payneham, S. Aust.
Best, Edward	Newry, Ireland	1824	1848	18th November, 1900	Auckland
Binet, Vincent Le C.	Channel Islands	1883	1914	10th January, 1943	Auckland
Blight, Joseph	Clare, South Australia	1858	1887	24th October, 1933	Auckland
Bond, George	Durham, England	1848	1871	6th November, 1931	Auckland
Bowie, William S.	Scarsdale, Victoria	1865	1896	19th December, 1914	Victoria



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Brooke, Thomas G.	Berkshire, England	1849	1880	31st August, 1931	Auckland
Buddle, Thomas	Durham, England	1812	1835	26th June, 1883	Auckland
Bull, Henry	London, England	1843	1868	1st August, 1919	Christchurch
Buller, James	Cornwall, England	1812	1837	6th November, 1884	Christchurch
Bumby, John Hewgill	Thirsk, England	1808	1829	26th June, 1840	Dr'wed, Hauraki Gulf
Bunn, Robert S.	Dublin, Ireland	1835	1860	22nd June, 1907	Sydney, N.S.W.
Buttle, George	Yorkshire, England	1810	1838	10th July, 1874	Auckland
Buttle, Joseph Newman	Waipa, N.Z.	1850	1878	23rd December, 1914	Christchurch
Cannell, William	Manchester, England	1836	1861	8th September, 1921	New Plymouth
Carr, Thomas Goodwill	Eastwood, Notts, England	1846	1871	2nd August, 1935	Auckland
Chappell, Albert B., M.A.	Southsea, England	1872	1896	28th August, 1942	Auckland
Chapman, John G.	London, England	1865	1889	30th December, 1925	Wellington
Clark, James R.	Maysbury, Bucks, England	1854	1906	1st August, 1928	Christchurch
Clement, George	Yorkshire, England	1860	1887	4th October, 1948	Dunedin
Clover, James	Suffolk, England	1850	1874	7th December, 1919	Hamilton
Cocker, James	Derbyshire, England	1862	1890	6th March, 1935	Masterton
Cook, George S.	Braidwood, N.S.W.	1864	1901	23rd February, 1945	Otaki
Cossum, Percy J.	Kent, England	1869	1897	9th September, 1933	Wellington
Creed, Charles	Somerset, England	1812	1837	18th February, 1879	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Crump, John	Kingsland, Herefordshire, Eng.	1828	1857	28th May, 1912	Stoke, Nelson
Daniel, Herbert	London, England	1881	1906	21st February, 1939	Matamata
Dawson, John	Keighly, Yorkshire, England	1859	1888	13th September, 1925	Wellington
Dawson, William	Northumberland, England	1865	1894	24th July, 1906	Christchurch
Dean, William John	Hereford, England	1826	1854	9th September, 1905	Wellington
Dellow, John	Kent, England	1851	1879	21st November, 1897	Woodend
Dewsbury, Henry R.	Alloa, Scotland	1849	1871	8th June, 1926	Auckland
Dudley, Ben	London	1872	1898	1st January, 1948	Christchurch
Dukes, John	Staffordshire, England	1845	1880	16th August, 1919	Manurewa, Auckland
Dumbell, John	Isle of Man	1830	1852	28th September, 1923	Wellington
Eaton, Clarence	Auckland	1878	1901	26th August, 1949	Christchurch
Eketone, Hare	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Elliott, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17th June, 1879	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C.	Hull, England	1879	1903	4th June, 1944	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, New Zealand	1882	1912	3rd May, 1920	Auckland
Fairelough, Paul W.	South Australia	1859	1874	12th April, 1917	Christchurch

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Featherston, Jacob	Weardale, England	1864	1901	24th June, 1951	Christchurch
Fee, Thomas	County Down, Ireland	1850	1876	18th April, 1940	Christchurch
Fellows, Samuel B.	Derbyshire, England	1858	1888	21st October, 1933	Mt. Barker, W. Aust.
Fletcher, Joseph Horner	St. Vincent, West Indies	1823	1847	30th June, 1890	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Fletcher, William, B.A.	Granada, West Indies	1829	1856	20th June, 1881	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Foston, Charles A.	Lincolnshire	1870	1914	4th June, 1944	Levin
Frost, George	Suffolk, England	1866	1893	29th March, 1944	Auckland
Garland, Charles H.	London, England	1857	1881	4th November, 1918	Auckland
Garlick, Samuel J.	Greenwich, England	1848	1876	27th August, 1917	Wellington
Ginger, Barton H.	Watford, England	1861	1885	27th January, 1914	Hutt
Gittos, William	Durham, England	1829	1856	26th May, 1916	Auckland
Gordon, Aldwyn Remington, M.A.	St. Leonards, New Zealand	1890	1915	26th August, 1918	France
Gosnell, Robert B.	Sydney, N.S.W.	1882	1912	20th August, 1944	Ashburton
Gray, Joseph H.	Cornwall, England	1841	1878	3rd January, 1902	Greymouth
Greenslade, William	Nelson, New Zealand	1875	1900	19th August, 1931	Christchurch
Griffin, Cornelius	Oldbury, England	1851	1876	18th June, 1929	Auckland
Griffin, John Wesley	Ireland	1853	1894	6th January, 1932	Auckland
Griffin, Thomas N.	Whitehaven, England	1853	1880	20th August, 1924	Christchurch
Griffin, Samuel	London, England	1859	1882	19th December, 1937	Auckland
Grigg, William	Cornwall, England	1862	1888	3rd October, 1951	Christchurch
Guy, James	Kent, England	1855	1875	6th March, 1934	Christchurch
Haddon, Robert Tahupotiki	Taranaki	1866	1900	5th November, 1936	Normanby
Hammond, Thomas Godfrey	Richmond, Nelson	1846	1874	15th December, 1926	Putaruru
Hana, Piripi	Wellington	—	1856	1857	Auckland
Harding, Arthur	Ludlow, Shropshire	1861	1887	25th November, 1938	Lower Hutt
Harding, Isaac	Wanstron, England	1815	1836	17th July, 1897	Toowong, Queensland
Harper, George S.	Yorkshire, England	1840	1864	24th September, 1911	Palmerston North
Harris, Francis Thomas	Christchurch	1888	1914	19th April, 1933	Christchurch
Harris, John	Cornwall, England	1874	1905	27th August, 1936	Christchurch
Harris, Walter	Warwickshire, England	1848	1872	9th March, 1926	Christchurch
Harrison, Colin C.	Allendale, England	1867	1893	22nd November, 1943	Wellington
Henderson, Samuel	Armagh, Ireland	1865	1894	28th April, 1942	New Plymouth
Heretini, Te Tuhi	Whirinaki	1857	1896	9th October, 1933	Whirinaki
Hobbs, John	Kent, England	1800	1824	24th June, 1883	Auckland



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Hosking, James Alfred	Coromandel, New Zealand	1872	1896	1st October, 1924	Auckland
Hounsell, George	Sussex, England	—	1879	3rd March, 1906	Gisborne, N.Z.
Hudson, Lewis	—	—	1879	13th April, 1922	Auckland
Innes, Jonathan	Newcastle-on-Tyne, England	1809	1845	6th May, 1864	Nelson, N.Z.
Ironside, Samuel	Sheffield, England	1814	1837	24th April, 1897	Hobart, Tasmania
Isitt, Frank Whitmore	Bedford, England	1846	1870	11th November, 1916	Dunedin
Jones, Peter W.	Cheshire, England	1846	1876	2nd December, 1929	Feilding
Jones, T. Francis	South Wales	1853	1882	16th May, 1943	Auckland
Jory, John D.	Cornwall, England	1846	1874	16th June, 1935	Auckland
Joughin, Thomas A.	Isle of Man	1863	1887	10th January, 1942	Auckland
Kakuere, Hori	Mangere	1863	1911	21st August, 1938	Pukekohe
Keall, William	Holbeach, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1838	1869	31st August, 1906	Palmerston North
Keast, W. H.	—	—	1880	—	Christchurch
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1825	1846	19th May, 1915	Wellington
Knight, Percy N., B.A.	Norwook, Australia	1867	1889	16th August, 1944	Auckland
Kuri, Te Hori	Hokianga	1828	1879	6th May, 1891	Hokianga
Law, John	Lancashire, England	1841	1868	1st August, 1908	Auckland
Lawry, Albert Charles	Auckland, New Zealand	1862	1885	21st June, 1940	Christchurch
Lawry, Henry Hassall	New South Wales	1821	1845	8th May, 1906	Auckland
Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26th July, 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30th March, 1859	Parramatta, N.S.W.
Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1858	1884	13th November, 1927	Christchurch
Lee, William	Yorkshire, England	1841	1864	12th November, 1925	Auckland
Leigh, Samuel	Milton, England	1788	1812	2nd May, 1852	Reading, England
Lewis, John James	Abergavenny, Wales	1844	1870	12th June, 1931	Auckland
Liddell, Ralph J.	Ballarat, Australia	1876	1903	21st July, 1948	Auckland
Liversedge, Arthur	Barnsley, England	1874	1898	31st December, 1948	Christchurch
Lochore, John Alexander	Westland, New Zealand	1869	1895	2nd June, 1931	Dunedin
Long, Joseph	Carlisle, England	1818	1843	24th February, 1892	Auckland
Long, Wesley L.	Onewhero	1902	1938	16th August, 1946	Paeroa
Luke, James Henry	St. Just, Cornwall, England	1860	1881	22nd November, 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A., C.M.G.	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1876	28th January, 1921	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall, M.R.C.S.	Yorkshire, England	1810	1836	27th February, 1887	York, England
Macfarlane, Samuel	Liverpool, England	1828	1852	25th June, 1898	Christchurch
Mann, George, Henry	Yorkshire, England	1868	1894	26th October, 1918	Gore

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Marshall, George T.	Warwickshire, England	1853	1883	2nd August, 1938	Auckland
Marten, William Benjamin	Essex, England	1847	1871	15th February, 1907	Hutt
Mather, Joseph John	Leeds, England	1854	1883	8th November, 1921	Auckland
McBean, Angus	Ballarat, Victoria	1876	1904	4th May, 1947	Christchurch
McNicoll, David	Liverpool, England	1843	1868	8th June, 1925	Auckland
Mercer, Victor Stanley	Adelaide, S.A.	1888	1920	7th December, 1923	Bluff
Mitchell, Arthur	Truro, England	1866	1890	19th August, 1951	Auckland
Mitchell, John L.	Kent, England	1892	1933	12th July, 1950	Hutt
Morley, William, D.D.	Notts, England	1842	1863	24th May, 1926	Kew, Victoria
Murray, Daniel J.	Cambridge, England	1851	1875	27th September, 1928	Auckland
Murray, Richard James	London, England	1862	1896	26th March, 1928	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Nielsen, Edward	Norway	1842	1877	12th June, 1894	Palmerston North
Ngaropi, Hamiora	Waikato	1809	1856	1887	Whatawhata
Nelson, John R.	Cumberland, England	1883	1917	22nd February, 1951	Auckland
Newbold, Thomas Walter	Auckland	1862	1886	19th October, 1930	Dunedin
Nixon, John	Scotland	1852	1875	2nd March, 1947	New Plymouth
Oliver, William C.	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1842	1867	14th April, 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1866	1888	5th March, 1950	Auckland
Orchard, John	Devonshire, England	1838	1861	6th January, 1907	Christchurch, N.Z.
Paris, Percy R.	Dunedin, N.Z.	1882	1906	29th March, 1942	Wellington
Parsons, John Ernest	Birmingham, England	1885	1912	8th April, 1932	Palmerston North
Parsonson, William George	Lerwick, Shetland Islands	1854	1881	8th September, 1903	Christchurch
Patene, Wiremu	Waikato	1810	1859	December, 1884	Karakariki
Paul, Hauraki	Orakei	—	1882	1910	Kaipara
Peat, Harold T.	Thames	1885	1913	24th August, 1948	Auckland
Pendray, John J.	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1845	1870	2nd July, 1914	Taumarunui
Penney, Charles	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1851	1875	17th March, 1917	Reefton
Peryman, Samuel H. D.	Tai Tapu, N.Z.	1867	1892	16th August, 1945	Wellington
Peters, Alfred	Truro, Cornwall, England	1850	1877	8th November, 1939	Christchurch
Pewa, Wiremu Warena	Waima	1852	1879	31st July, 1907	Waikato
Pickering, William B.	Staffordshire, England	1881	1920	1st November, 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas, D.D.	Manchester, England	1855	1881	30th July, 1933	Wellington
Potter, William Smith	London, England	1854	1876	30th January, 1929	Auckland
Pratt, M.A., Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6th March, 1946	Christchurch
Prior, Samuel F.	Bedford, England	1851	1875	1919	Masterton, N.Z.
Purchon, Samuel R.	Leeds, England	1851	1875	24th January, 1878	Motueka
Raine, Robert	Durham, England	1868	1892	17th March, 1942	Wellington



Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Rakena, Piripi		—	1882	25th March, 1934	Mangamuka
Rands, Frederick	Methven, New Zealand	1883	1908	14th February, 1919	Germany
Ratou, W. Te Kote Te	Wairarapa	1820	1859	4th May, 1895	Lower Wairarapa
Read, Frederick T.	Sleaford, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1867	1889	29th July, 1937	Christchurch
Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, England	1875	1901	20th June, 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7th September, 1927	Auckland
Redstone, Harry B.	Tavistock, Devon, England	1836	1862	20th September, 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5th May, 1912	Te Aroha
Reid, Alexander	Edinburgh, Scotland	1821	1848	25th August, 1891	Auckland
Richards, Raymond	Moeroopna, Victoria	1879	1905	13th August, 1948	Christchurch
Richards, Thomas R.	Wodonga, Victoria	1867	1895	9th January, 1944	Wellington
Richardson, John B.	Nottingham, England	1840	1864	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Rigg, Charles W.		—	1850	July, 1883	
Rishworth, John S.	Bingley, Yorkshire, England	1835	1864	21st October, 1918	Auckland
Rothwell, Benjamin Francis	Wexford, Ireland	1860	1885	11th September, 1924	Hamilton
Rowse, William	Cornwall, England	1835	1858	15th July, 1899	Greytown
Ryan, Lawrence J.	Island of Jersey	—	1893	4th January, 1902	Roxburgh
Schnackenberg, Cort Henry	Hanover	1812	1853	10th August, 1880	Auckland
Scott, William Bramwell	Thames, New Zealand	1873	1907	13th March, 1935	Wellington
Serpell, Samuel J.	Victoria, Australia	—	1884	9th July, 1918	Thames
Sharp, Joseph	Maidstone, Kent, England	1849	1871	15th August, 1916	Auckland
Shaw, Joseph T.	Yorkshire, England	1826	1859	13th February, 1894	Hawthorn, Victoria
Simmonds, Joseph H.	Nelson	1845	1869	30th June, 1936	Auckland
Sinclair, William A.	Christchurch	1868	1891	4th January, 1950	Auckland
Skevington, John	Nottingham, England	1814	1839	21st September, 1845	Auckland
Slade, William	Staffordshire, England	1859	1881	20th April, 1916	Onehunga
Smalley, Joseph S.	London, England	1845	1868	26th April, 1921	London
Smith, G. Knowles	Yorkshire, England	1870	1892	1st June, 1951	Greytown
Smith, John	Prince Edward Island	1835	1862	19th August, 1926	Auckland
Southern, John	Oldham, England	1874	1899	23rd December, 1933	Christchurch
Spence, George W. J.	Dromore, Ireland	1852	1879	20th May, 1917	Auckland
Standage, Charles Henry	Campbell Town, Tasmania	1847	1875	8th June, 1936	Dunedin
Stannard, George	Yorkshire, England	1803	1844	8th December, 1888	Wanganui
Stockwell, George F.	Leicestershire, England	1876	1904	20th December, 1945	Auckland
Suckling, Joseph B.	Chelmsford, England	1880	1909	7th December, 1918	Nadroga, Fiji

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Taylor, Robert	Rochdale, Lancashire, England	1839	1866	28th May, 1918	Christchurch
Thomas, James	Hobart, Tasmania	1846	1871	14th May, 1926	Melbourne, Victoria
Thomas, Thomas E., M.A.	Auburn, S.A.	1851	1876	6th March, 1909	Christchurch
Thomas, William George	Milford Haven, South Wales	1843	1868	2nd December, 1909	Auckland
Tinsley, William	Hertfordshire, England	1848	1869	22nd August, 1913	Levin
Trestrail, Thomas	Penwortham, S.A.	1859	1887	18th March, 1920	Woodville, S. Aust.
Turner, Nathaniel	Wednesbury, England	1793	1821	5th December, 1864	Toowong, Queensland
Turner, Nicholas	Kent, England	1863	1909	19th February, 1930	Christchurch
Vealie, Thomas W.	St. Just, England	1864	1889	1st January, 1950	Hutt
Waiti, Hoani	Kaipara	1820	1860	1879	Kaipara
Waiti, Karawini	Kaipara	1851	1878	25th May, 1878	Auckland
Waiti, Martini L.	Kaipara	1860	1880	1887	Kaipara
Wallis, James	Blackwell, England	1809	1833	5th July, 1895	Auckland
Wallis, James W.	Waingaroa (Raglan)	1842	1864	2nd August, 1877	Auckland
Wallis, T. Jackson	Raglan, N.Z.	1863	1885	25th December, 1943	Christchurch
Ward, Charles Ebenezer	New Plymouth, New Zealand	1846	1870	24th August, 1935	Christchurch
Ward, Josiah	New Plymouth, New Zealand	1848	1872	19th September, 1926	Wellington
Ward, Robert	Sporle, Norfolk, England	1816	1835	13th October, 1876	Wellington
Warihi, Heteraka	Te Kuiti	1826	1865	10th July, 1898	Blenheim
Warren, John	Norfolk, England	1814	1836	23rd November, 1883	Auckland
Watkin, James	Manchester, England	1805	1830	14th May, 1886	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Watkin, William James	Tonga	1833	1857	28th September, 1909	Auckland
Whewell, John	Hadfield, England	1825	1854	11th December, 1886	Remuera
Whiteley, John	Nottinghamshire, England	1806	1832	13th February, 1869	New Plymouth
White, Hedley	Silchester, England	1883	1906	14th December, 1950	Greytown
Whittaker, J. D.	Lancashire, England	1822	1845	3rd October, 1862	Wellington
Wilcox, Davis Pou	Hokianga	—	1911	January, 1937	Waikare
Williams, William James	Redruth, Cornwall, England	1847	1870	11th May, 1936	Auckland
Wills, Peter	Staffordshire, England	1853	1879	29th September, 1884	Springston
Wills, William	Cornwell, England	1872	1899	3rd September, 1950	Auckland
Woodward, C. William	Auckland	1868	1890	27th September, 1901	At Sea
Woolloxall, Thomas R. B.	Liverpool, England	1873	1901	29th January, 1946	Auckland
Woon, William	Cornwall, England	1804	1830	22nd September, 1858	Wanganui
Worboys, John Wesley	London, England	1843	1874	10th July, 1908	Wellington
Worker, William	Cornwall, England	1817	1841	2nd February, 1900	Wellsford
Wrigley, James	Yorkshire, England	1857	1887	3rd June, 1937	Auckland











METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 30th June, 1951

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Director's Salaries	960	2	5	By Circuit Contributions	2304	15	2
Directors' House Allowances	239	1	8	Connexional Fire Insurance Grant	100	0	0
Directors' Connexional Charges	121	5	0	Interest P.O.S.B.	23	4	7
Directors' Travelling Expenses	314	9	3	Youth Demonstration	1	14	11
District Youth Council Grants	64	0	0	National Cmte. on Recreation & Leisure	18	11	0
National Leadership Committee	26	9	3	Net Profit Trading	1041	4	7
Proportion Office Expenses	851	7	7	Joint Cmte. B.C. Syllabus	32	7	7
Home Sunday School and Bible Class	71	3	6				
Youth Conference Expenses	11	4	5				
Depreciation	88	9	1				
Projector Repairs	2	14	6				
Christian Education	77	13	5				
Excess Income over Expenditure transferred to Appropriation Account	693	17	9				
	<u>£3521</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>£3521</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>10</u>

Appropriation Account for year ended 30th June, 1951

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Parsonage Reserve Account	305	16	8	By Excess Income over Expenditure transferred from Inc. & Exp. A/c.	693	17	9
Special Purposes Reserve Account	300	0	0				
Excess Income transferred to Accumulated Funds	88	1	1				
	<u>£693</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>9</u>		<u>£693</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>9</u>



**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—YOUTH DEPARTMENT**  
**Trading Account for year ended 30th June, 1951**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.					
To Stock 1950	—	—	—	661	1	0	By Sales in Advance, 1950	—	—	1507	15	3
Purchases	—	—	—	3085	1	2	Stock, 1951	—	—	558	0	0
Sales in Advance 1951	—	—	—	1351	9	11	Sales	—	—	4627	11	10
Gross Profit	—	—	—	1608	16	3	Film Hire	—	—	13	1	3
				£6706	8	4				£6706	8	4
To Youth Office Expenses	—	—	—	567	11	8	By Gross Profit	—	—	1608	16	3
Surplus Profits transferred to Income and Expenditure Account	—	—	—	1041	4	7						
				£1608	16	3				£1608	16	3

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**Youth Office Expenses for year ended 30th June, 1951**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.					
To Office Salaries	—	—	—	948	12	4	By Duplicating Services	—	—	201	3	4
Printing, Stationery and General Exes.	—	—	—	671	10	3	Allocation Office Expenses:					
							Inc. & Exp. A/c. 3/5ths.	—	—	851	7	7
							Trading A/c. 2/5ths.	—	—	567	11	8
				£1620	2	7				£1620	2	7

**Special Appeal Fund for year ended 30th June, 1951**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.					
To Balance	—	—	—	1374	13	8	By Balance	—	—	1345	5	10
							Interest P.O.S.B.	—	—	29	7	10
				£1374	13	8				£1374	13	8

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1951

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors	—	—	337 2 7	Cash in Bank	—	—	423 9 10
Loan, Home Mission Board, secured by Mortgage on Ch.Ch Property	—	—	1691 19 0	P.O.S.B. Special Appeal	—	—	1374 13 8
Special Reserves :				P.O.S.B. Car Fund	—	—	354 16 9
Special Appeal	—	—	1374 13 8	Sundry Debtors	—	—	2907 18 6
Motor Car Fund	—	—	354 16 9	Less Sales in Advance	—	—	1351 9 11
Special Purposes Reserve	—	—	300 0 0				1556 8 7
Temperance Education	—	—	23 11 9	Stock	—	—	770 0 0
Missions	—	—	32 16 2	Unused Railway Vouchers	—	—	21 19 8
Youth Conference (Suspense)	—	—	10 0 0	Christchurch Property	—	—	1287 13 9
Parsonage Reserve	—	—	305 16 8	Furniture (Cost less Deprec.)	—	—	399 13 8
			2401 15 0				1687 7 5
Capital Account :				Equipment (Cost less Deprec.)	—	—	184 8 8
Balance as at 30-6-50	—	—	1988 13 7	Projectors (Cost less Deprec.)	—	—	33 5 8
Plus Excess Income over Expendi- ture for year ended 30-6-51	—	—	88 1 1	Movie Camera (Cost less Deprec.)	—	—	1 0 0
			2076 14 8	Films (Cost less Deprec.)	—	—	100 0 0
			£6507 11 3	Library (Cost less Deprec.)	—	—	1 0 0
							£6507 11 3



METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING & LOAN FUND.

Balance Sheet as at 31st May, 1951.

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>Loans Account</b>			<b>Loans Account</b>		
Accumulated Funds as at			Outstanding Loans	—	20790 8 7
31-5-51	19000	0 0	less Working		
Grant from Fire Ins. Fund	200	0 0	Expenses	—	1007 9 9
			less Interest	—	28 2 8
		19200 0 0			1035 12 5
<b>Capital Account</b>					19754 16 2
Thomas Emsly			Deposits :—		
Bequest —	1500	0 0	Supernumerary Fund	—	621 14 5
H. Herbert Wake			Post Office Savings Bank		1074 5 7
Bequest —	50	0 0	Bank of New Zealand	—	1409 3 10
David Graham	50	0 0			3105 3 10
Bequest			<b>Trust Account</b>		
Wm. H. Duke			North Canterbury E.P. Bd. Debentures		
Bequest —	100	0 0	(Invested for Sites Fund)	800	0 0
Samuel Lawry			Loan to Springston Trust	—	45 0 0
Bequest —	50	0 0	Deposits :—		
Geo. Winstone			Supernumerary Fund	—	5 10 6
Bequest —	1000	0 0	Bank of New Zealand	—	20 0 0
Thomas Fée	50	0 0			870 10 6
Bequest			<b>Sites Fund Account</b>		
W. G. Andrews			Deposits :—		
Bequest —	100	0 0	Post Office Savings Bank		1109 8 7
		2900 0 0	Supernumerary Fund	—	130 17 3
<b>Donations</b>					1240 5 10
Mrs E. M. Winstone			less Overdraft Bank of N.Z.		216 0 0
Blackwell	500	0 0			1024 5 10
Anonymous	100	0 0			
Mr & Mrs L.					
Philpott	10	0 0			
Rev. J. Olphert	100	0 0			
Anonymous	50	0 0			
		760 0 0			
		3660 0 0			

TRUST ACCOUNTS (Properties Sold)		870 10 6
<b>Sites Fund Account</b>		
As at 31st May, 1950	1312 18 7	
Decrease	<u>288 12 9</u>	
		1024 5 10
<b>Administration Account</b>		
Working Expenses		
Trust A/c		300 0 0
Reserve Appropriation		
A/c	158 14 7	
Rates paid on Sites	<u>4 9 3</u>	
		154 5 4
Transfer from		
Revenue A/c	<u>- 27 16 11</u>	
		126 8 5
		<u>£25181 4 9</u>

**Administration Account**

North Canterbury E.P.B.		
Debentures	—	200 0 0
Bank of New Zealand	—	221 8 5
Cash in Hand	—	<u>5 0 0</u>

£25181 4 9

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and attached Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund and certify to the correctness of the same. We have had all the securities produced to us except those deposited with the Bank of New Zealand, whose certificate has been accepted by us. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 31st May, 1951

H. L. FIEBIG }  
H. DeR. FLESHER } Treasurers.

R. H. SHERRIS, A.C.S.N.Z.  
H. F. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z. Auditors  
Christchurch, 11th June, 1951.



**METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND**  
**Revenue Account for the Year ended 31st May, 1951**  
**Loans Account**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME									
				£	s.	d.							
To Amount of Loans as at 31st May, 1950	—	—	—	20204	13	7	By Loans Prepaid	—	—	—	5200	7	5
New Loans Advanced	—	—	—	4750	10	0	Amount of Loans as at						
				£24955	3	7	31st May, 1951	—	—	—	19754	16	2
To Balance	—	—	—	£19754	16	2					£24955	3	7

**Sites Fund Account**

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	
Grants for Sites :—								Donations :—Fire Ins. Fund		50	0	0	
Himutangi Beach Trust	50	0	0				Interest on Deposits	—	61	7	3		
Onerahi Trust	—	50	0				Transfer Capital Account	—	288	12	9		
Oamaru South	—	50	0								400	0	0
Mt. Maunganui	—	50	0										
Christchurch Central Mission	75	0	0										
Cambridge Terrace (Hills Rd.)	25	0	0										
Caversham Trust (Forbury)	100	0	0										
					400	0	0						
					£400	0	0				£400	0	0

**Administration Account**

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.		
Authorised Appropriation	383	10	0					Working Expenses Repaid	—	173	2	2		
Stationery & General Expenses	84	3	3					Trust Contributions	—	95	0	0		
					467	13	3	Interest on Arrears	—	8	9			
								Interest on Deposits	—	56	17	6		
								Hymn Book Commission	—	114	7	11		
												439	16	4
								Reserve Appropriation Account				27	16	11
					£467	13	3					£467	13	3

**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1951**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>Capital Account</b>									
Balance as at 30th June, 1951	36565	4	6						
Add Gain from Fire Loss	—	55	0 0						
			36620 4 6						
<b>Income Account</b>									
Balance as at 30th June, 1951			15067 16 2						
<b>Auckland Sinking Fund Commrs.</b>									
Balance of Loan	—	—	28000 0 0						
<b>Emsly Trust Deposit Account</b>									
At Call	—	—	1900 0 0						
			£81588 0 8						
<b>Memo:</b>									
Liability—Rates for year ending 31st May, 1952	£1144	5	4				£81588	0	8

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1951 and certify that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We report that the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a correct view of the Board's position on the 30th June, 1951 as shown by the Books.

JAS. TYLER, Chairman

M. IZZARD, Secretary

A. R. MARTIN, F.P.A.N.Z. }  
 LEONARD KNIGHT, F.P.A.N.Z. } Auditors  
 Auckland, 25th July, 1951.





**PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST.**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS for Year ending 30th June, 1951.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance—1st July 1950		622	12 3	Interest on Mortgage	—	—	469 6 1
<i>Add</i> Rent Unpaid 1-7-50		28	8 10	Rates to 31-5-51	—	—	779 15 9
				Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	543 12 10
Interest—Auckland Savings Bank			651 1 1	Salary for Rent Collection	—	—	84 10 0
<b>Rent Received</b>	3985	6	0	Land Tax to 31-3-50	—	—	71 12 8
<i>Less</i> Unpaid :—			6 15 0	Insurance	—	—	131 10 0
Chandler & Co.	4	0	0	Sundry Expenses	—	—	8 3 0
Salvation Army	16	8	10				2088 10 7
Unsworth D.	3	10	0	Grant to Trinity College	—	200 0 0	
		23	18 10	Refund of Mortgage	—	2000 0 0	
			3961 7 2	<b>Balance :</b>			
				Auckland Savings Bank	—	276 17 0	
				Bank of New Zealand	—	53 15 8	
							330 12 8
							£4619 3 3
							£4619 3 3
LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Bank of New Zealand Mortgage	£10500	0	0	Cash in Bank	—	—	330 12 8
				Land—Govt. Valuation	—	—	21979 0 0
							£22309 12 8

I have examined the books and accounts of the Prince Albert College Trust and have found them correct. The above statement, I believe, correctly sets out the position as shown by the books of the Trust as at 30th June, 1951.

ROBERT THORNLEY Chairman  
 PERCY DELLOW, Secretary.

ALDRED E. LAWRY, Hon. Auditor.  
 23-7-51.



**THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD**  
**Income and Expenditure Account from 1st July 1950 to 30th June 1951**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME							
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
To Stamps, Bank Charges, etc.		2	10	0	By Interest Subscribed Stock	—	328	2	10		
Office Rent	—	—	5	0	Interest Auckland Savings Bank	—	8	15	6		
Secretary's Allowance	—	—	10	0	Interest National Savings	—	4	11	10		
				17	10	0	Excess Expenditure over Income	—	16	19	10
Grants	—	—	—	341	0	0					
				£358	10	0	£358	10	0		

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1951**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS							
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.				
Trust Fund Account	—	—	11400	0	N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock						
Income Account	—	—	616	5	9	3½%, 1960	—	—	5755	0	0
					N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock,						
					3%, 1962	—	—	5645	0	0	
					<b>Cash Balances:</b>						
					Auckland Savings Bank	—	—	360	12	10	
					National Savings Account	—	—	157	11	10	
					Bank of New Zealand	—	—	98	1	1	
								616	5	9	
								£12016	5	9	

Certified correct  
 (Signed) E. A. ASTLEY

4th September, 1951

**THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS**

**Revenue Account for year ended 31st December, 1950**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Rates and Land Tax	110	5	1	By Rent	864	19	11
General Expenses	141	4	9	Interest	613	4	9
Insurance	20	6	5				
Balance carried down	1206	8	5				
	£1478	4	8		£1478	4	8
<b>To Masterton Home :—</b>	£	s.	d.	By Balance brought down	1206	8	5
Cash Remittances	619	5	0				
Depreciation	150	0	0				
	769	5	0				
Less Interest Received o/a Home	488	9	5				
	280	15	7				
Net Grant to Masterton Home	280	15	7				
To Grant—Rangiatea Maori College	600	0	0				
Excess of Income over Expenditure	325	12	10				
	£1206	8	5		£1206	8	5





**EMSLY TRUST****Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30th June, 1951**

1951	£	s.	d.	1951	£	s.	d.
June 30 To Interest from Deposit	85	10	0	June 30 By Theological College	85	10	0
	<u>£85</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>£85</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>

**INVESTMENT ACCOUNT**

1951	£	s.	d.	1951	£	s.	d.
June 30 To Capital — —	£1900	0	0	June 30 By Deposit at call with Probert Trust Board —	£1900	0	0
	<u>£1900</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>£1900</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Audited and found correct  
T. L. HAMES, Auditor

Auckland 26-7-1951  
JAS. TYLER, Treasurer



**KAI IWI FARM TRUST**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments to 30th September, 1950**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
			£ s. d.				£ s. d.
Balance Forward	—	—	28 9 0	April :			
February—Rent	—	—	155 10 3	Rangiatea College Trust	—	—	100 0 0
July—Rent	—	—	155 10 3	Home Mission Treasurer	—	—	50 0 0
Disbursement Adjustment	—	—	2 18 0	Disbursement	—	—	3 3 0
				August :			
				Rangiatea College	—	—	70 0 0
				Home Mission Treasurer	—	—	50 0 0
				National Savings Account	—	—	50 0 0
				Disbursement Account Adjustment	—	—	2 18 0
				Land Tax	—	—	7 14 7
				Bank Charges	—	—	10 0
			£342 7 6	Balance	—	—	8 1 11
Balance	—	—	£8 1 11				£342 7 6

Audited and found correct  
 J. DRAKE, 27-8-51

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ending 30th June, 1951.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance 1-7-50	—	—	—	1022	18	8	
Rentals	—	—	1247 2 0	By Rates	—	—	66 14 11
Noting Fees	—	—	7 17 6	Purchase of Leases, Survey, Legal, and development of same	—	—	1313 11 3
Rent Mission Hill Dwelling	—	—	135 0 0	Advertising, Printing & Stationery	—	—	11 2 9
Advance from H. M. Board	1500	0	0	Renovations and Renewals	—	—	235 4 4
Less Exchange	1	17	6	Interest on advances from H.M. Loans Board	—	—	297 7 2
			1498 2 6	Bank Fees and Exchange	—	—	2 7 9
Allotment Fees on New Leases			450 0 0	Land Tax	—	—	60 6 3
				Postages	—	—	8 6 0
				Secretary	—	—	125 0 0
				Sundries	—	—	1 10 0
				Reduction of Advances from H.M. Board	—	—	694 3 8
				Remittances to General Funds of H.M. Dept.	—	—	628 5 0
				Insurances	—	—	2 18 1
				Grant to Rangiatea Maori College Trust	—	—	100 0 0
				Balance Bank N.S.W.	—	—	3546 17 2
							814 3 6
							£4361 0 8
							£4361 0 8

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing Statement of Receipts and Payments for the period Year ended 30th June, 1951. All receipts as shown by the Secretary's books have been duly banked and vouchers have been produced for all payments. I have also checked the credits to the respective tenants' accounts and found these in order.

WILLIAM I. OKEY, SECRETARY.  
DUFF & DUFF, AUDITORS.

NEW PLYMOUTH,  
26th September, 1951.





**METHODIST CHURCH CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND**

Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st May, 1951

EXPENDITURE				INCOME						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
To Office Expenses :—							By Levies & Premiums, <i>less</i> Re-Insurance	2070	3	3
Authorised Appropriation	595	0	0				Mortgage Interest	108	8	3
Stationery & General Expenses	64	8	6				Mortgage Interest Accrued	10	10	0
				659	8	6	Debenture Interest	1046	19	7
Fire Losses							Debenture Interest Accrued	397	15	11
<i>less</i> Re-Insurance cover	—			56	15	3	Deposit Interest	116	7	10
Balance to P. & L. Appropriation A/c				3034	1	1				
				<u>£3750</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>£3750</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>

**Profit and Loss Appropriation Account**

To Appropriations				By Balance 31-5-50			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Home Acquisition Fund	326	0	0	By Balance 31-5-50	—	—	1908 17 2
Foreign Mission Fund	—	150	0 0	Transfer from Revenue Account	—	—	3034 1 1
Home Mission Fund	—	200	0 0				
Deaconess House	—	100	0 0				
Supernumerary Benevolent Fd	25	0	0				
Church Building & Loan Fund	200	0	0				
Church Sites Fund	—	50	0 0				
Youth Department	—	100	0 0				
"Methodist Times"	—	200	0 0				
Natural Calamities Fund	—	100	0 0				
Trinity College	—	150	0 0				
Maori Ministers' Home Acq. Fund	—	10	0 0				
				1611	0	0	
Fire Loss Reserve Account	—	1500	0 0				
Investment Contingency Reserve	—	200	0 0				
Grants recommended to Conference, 1951	—	1611	0 0				
Balance	—	20	18 3				
				<u>£4942</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>£4942 18 3</u>





**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1951**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
By Salaries — — —				1648	13	9	To Appropriations—			
House Principal & Interest — —	131	5	0				Supernumerary & Allied Funds	702	10	0
Rates, Insurance etc. — —	47	17	10				Fire Insurance Fund —	595	0	0
Depreciation — — —	90	0	0				Church Building & Loan Fund	383	10	0
				269	2	10	Methodist Times — —	265	0	0
Connexional Charges — — —				95	10	0	Contingent Fund — —	250	0	0
Office Rent — — —	150	0	0				S.I. Orphanage Board — —	100	0	0
<i>Less Lettings</i> — — —	82	7	6							
				67	12	6				
Telephone & P.O. Box — — —				41	16	4	<i>Less Prepaid</i> — — —			
Bank Charge — — —					10	0		2296	0	0
Stationery & General — — —	73	6	10					36	0	0
<i>Less</i> — — —	3	13	3							
				69	13	7	Registration Fees — — —			
Depreciation—Office Equipment				30	0	0	Interest — — —			
Reserve Salaries Fluctuation —				50	0	0		53	18	0
Balance Forward — — —				50	11	9		9	12	9
				£2323	10	9		£2323	10	9









**TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.**  
**REHABILITATION FUND**

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			£	s.	d.
Bank Balance 1st July, 1950	—	—	298	1	3
<i>Add</i> Interest on Deposits	—	—	7	5	8
			£305	6	11
Bank Balance 30th June, 1951	—	—			

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**NEW ORGAN FUND**

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			£	s.	d.
Fund as at 1st July, 1950	—	—	608	9	7
<i>Add</i> Bank Interest	—	—	7	16	3
<i>Add</i> Dividends	—	—	24	15	0
			641	0	10
<i>Less</i> Repairs	—	—	7	0	0
Fund as at 30th June, 1951	—	—	£634	0	10

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**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE**  
**Preparatory School Working Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1950.**

			£	s	d.		£	s.	d.	
To Repairs & Maintenance	—	—	1117	13	11	By Fees	—	3319	0	0
Salaries	—	—	1058	19	10	Canteen	—	114	6	5
Wages	—	—	906	17	1	<b>Net Loss</b> transferred to				
Provisions	—	—	853	6	8	Income and Expenditure Account	—	1472	15	9
Motor Expenses	—	—	182	15	10					
Sundry	—	—	133	6	5					
Fuel & Light	—	—	127	2	7					
Stationery & Books	—	—	111	3	2					
Depreciation	—	—	97	19	1					
Transport	—	—	61	15	0					
Library	—	—	59	2	4					
Poultry	—	—	46	13	4					
Sports	—	—	41	4	1					
Prizes	—	—	37	6	10					
Garden	—	—	28	12	8					
Insurance	—	—	26	12	7					
Advertising	—	—	15	10	9					
			£4906 2 2					£4096 2 2		

**Wellington Park Working Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1950.**

To Depreciat on	—	—	150	0	0	By Scoria Royalties	—	—	1459	16	8
Rates	—	—	59	5	3	Rent	—	—	636	3	0
Insurance	—	—	25	1	1						
Repairs & Maintenance	—	—	74	11	5						
Power & Light	—	—	5	18	9						
<b>NET PROFIT</b> transferred to											
Income & Expenditure Account			1781	3	2						
			£2095 19 8					£2095 19 8			



**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE**

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1950.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
<b>Sundry Creditors</b>				<b>Properties</b>			
<b>War Memorial Fund (Maori)</b>			1030 5 8	<b>Paerata—Land</b>	16760	0	0
<b>College Organ Fund</b>			378 17 6	College Bldgs.at			
<b>Preparatory School Cinematograph Fund</b>			48 16 3	Cost	65823	5	4
<b>Scholarship Funds</b>			36 5 6	Improvements	8521	2	7
Marianne Caughey							91104 7 11
Smith-Preston	2200	0	0	<b>Wellington Park—Land</b>	4290	0	0
George Winstone	990	0	0	Buildings	7253	12	5
Stephen James Ambury	1003	12	0	Improvements	150	16	9
			4193 12 0				11694 9 2
<b>Capital Account</b>				<b>Grafton</b>			19407 19 6
Balance at 1/1/1950	146539	14	11	<b>Waikowhai</b>	4255	0	0
Plus Capital Profit on				Improvements	281	4	1
realisation of Marua							4536 4 1
Estate Ltd. Debenture				<b>Otamatea County</b>			115 0 0
704 2 6				<b>Hobson County</b>			10 0 0
Excess Income over							126868 0 8
Expenditure for the				<b>Plant and Equipment</b>			
Year	1274	14	4	<b>Farm Machinery</b>			
			1978 16 10	Paerata	926	0	0
			148518 11 9	Wellington Park	130	0	0
<b>Less Allowance on Settlement</b>							1056 0 0
of Gada Sale				<b>Motor Vehicles</b>			
			148502 16 9	Paerata	1684	0	0
				Wellington Park	640	0	0
							2324 0 0
				<b>Furniture and Equipment</b>			
				College	3097	0	0
				Preparatory School	1273	0	0
							4370 0 0
							7750 0 0
<b>Carried forward</b>			154190 13 8	<b>Carried forward</b>			134618 0 8

**Wesley Training College Balance Sheet—continued.**

LIABILITIES	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought Forward	154190	13	8					134618	0	8
				<b>Carried forward</b>						
				<b>Stock on Hand</b>						
				Livestock, Paerata	2272	1	0			
				Wellington Park	14	11	4			
					2286	12	4			
				Produce & Sundry						
				Stocks	1758	15	7			
					4045	7	11			
				<b>Loans and Investments</b>						
				Loan on Mortgage				2000	0	0
				<b>Government Securities</b>						
				N.Z. Govt. Stock—3%						
				1961/63	1000	0	0			
				4% 1954/58	2000	0	0			
					3000	0	0			
				<b>Shares</b>						
				F. M. Winstone (Merchants)						
				Ltd., (1000 Shares of £1						
				each Fully Paid)	1000	0	0			
				New Remuera-Panmure Land						
				Co. Ltd. (600 Shares of						
				£1 each to 12/6 at						
				valuation)	100	0	0			
				Marua Estates Ltd.						
				(1225 Shares of £1 each						
				paid to 19/3 at						
				valuation)	178	12	11			
				Nukuroa Fruitlands Ltd.						
				(250 Shares of £1 each						
				paid to 17/6 at						
				valuation)	43	15	0			
					1322	7	11			
								6322	7	11
				<b>Carried forward</b>	154190	13	8			
				<b>Carried forward</b>				144985	16	6



**Wesley Training College Balance Sheet—continued.**

		ASSETS								
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought Forward	154190 13 8							144985	16	6
		<b>Brought forward</b> —								
		<b>Sundry Debtors</b>								
		Under Sale and Purchase								
		Agreement (plus interest								
				449		13	1			
				168		8	2			
				1093		18	0			
				3774		14	5			
								5486	13	8
								70	0	0
									5416	13 8
		<b>Cash Balances</b>								
								3221	0	4
								557	14	11
								9	8	3
									3788	3 6
		£154190	13	8				£154190	13	8

LEONARD KNIGHT, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
General Secretary.

We certify that we have audited the above Balance Sheet, together with the books and vouchers relating thereto, and that in our opinion it exhibits a true and correct view of the state of the trust as at the 31st December, 1950, as shown by the books. We have obtained from the Solicitors to the Board, Messrs. Peak Kirker & Newcomb, a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order, and have been furnished with certified valuations of the Stock on Hand at Paerata and Mount Wellington, which we have accepted as correct.

AUCKLAND,

14th February, 1951.

HUTCHINSON, ELLIFFE, CAMERON & CO.,

AUDITORS.





**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE**  
**General Expenses Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1950.**

246

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Salary	—	—	—	350 0 0	By Balance transferred to
Rates	—	—	—	105 10 5	Income and Expenditure Account
Repairs and Maintenance	—	—	—	76 19 6	818 13 0
Surveyor's Fees	—	—	—	75 9 0	
Legal Expenses	—	—	—	71 5 6	
Audit Fees	—	—	—	38 17 0	
Sundry Expenses	—	—	—	32 11 0	
Circuit Levies	—	—	—	30 0 0	
Printing & Stationery	—	—	—	25 0 7	
Board Room Rent	—	—	—	13 0 0	
				£818 13 0	£818 13 0

**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE**  
**College Working Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1950.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries				4291	12	1				
Provisions— Bread	526	0	8				By Fees	12532	10	0
Dairy Produce	533	6	0				Piano	8	15	0
Groceries	919	16	8				<b>Net Loss</b> transferred to Income & Expenditure			
Meat	920	12	11				Account	2577	6	5
Sundries	302	11	8							
				3202	7	11				
Wages				2955	5	5				
Repairs & Maintenance				1293	17	7				
To Beneficiary Work—Maori	995	0	0							
European	93	0	0							
				1088	0	0				
Fuel & Light				714	14	7				
Depreciation				393	5	7				
Laundry				250	11	4				
Sundry				224	16	9				
Woodwork & Crafts				202	4	7				
Stationery & Books				170	2	8				
Insurance				150	13	10				
Garden				83	8	0				
Poultry				43	8	1				
Sports				24	9	3				
Advertising				17	3	6				
Prizes				12	10	3				
				£15118	11	5				
								£15118	11	5



**BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE**  
**Farm Working Account for the Year Ended 31st December, 1950.**

218

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Wages	1721	11	0	By Dairy Receipts	3523	15	2
Repairs & Renewals	796	9	0	Wool Hides & Skins	1677	1	4
Lime, Seeds & Manure	575	2	4	Flock Sheep	580	15	3
Depreciation	458	19	9	Produce	144	11	4
Power & Light	276	7	2	Timber	40	10	0
Dairy Cattle Stud	231	7	2	Stud Sheep	32	3	0
Stock Foods	146	1	2				
Rates	106	0	7				
Sundry	82	10	2				
Insurance	50	8	9				
Horses	17	10	0				
Dairy Cattle Jersey & Grade	2	14	5				
Freight & Cartage	2	8	9				
NET PROFIT transferred to Income & Expenditure Account	1531	5	10				
	£5998	16	1		£5998	16	1







**SUPERNUMERARY FUND BENEVOLENT BRANCH**  
**Revenue Account for year ending 30th June, 1951**

EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Grants — — —	15 0 0	By Balance 30-6-50 — —		818 7 4
· Authorised Appropriation — —	5 0 0	Donations :-		
Stationery and General Expenses	1 5 6	Fire Insurance Fund — —	25 0 0	
Balance—		Special — — —	6 3 9	
Supernumerary Fund Deposit	909 6 3	Interest — — —		31 3 9
	<u>£930 11 9</u>			<u>81 0 8</u>
				<u>£930 11 9</u>

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**as at 30th June, 1951**

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Capital Account — —	1400 0 0	Plampin Bequest :-		
Balance Revenue A/c. — —	909 6 3	Debentures — — —		500 0 0
		Capital A/c.—Deposit Super. Fund		500 0 0
		Penrose Bequest :-		
		Capital A/c.—Deposit Super. Fund		300 0 0
		Revenue Account :-Debentures—		100 0 0
		Deposit Supernumerary Fund —		909 6 3
	<u>£2309 6 3</u>			<u>£2309 6 3</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1951

G. S. SALTER }  
H. L. FIEBIG } Treasurers

E. R. CAYGILL & CO., A.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z., Auditors  
29-9-51



**HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND**  
Contributors Account for year ended 30th June, 1951

EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
To Retiring Allowances	1641 1 6	By Balance as at 30-6-50	18272 18 2
Revenue Account (Benefits Surrendered)	24 16 3	Personal Subscriptions	612 15 11
Balance as at 30-6-51	18242 11 11	Fire Insurance Subsidy	527 0 0
		Interest to Contributors Account	495 15 7
	£19908 9 8		£19908 9 8

**REVENUE ACCOUNT**

£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Interest to Contributors Accounts	495 15 7	By Balance as at 30-6-50	126 4 4
Office Expenses:—		Benefits Surrendered	24 16 3
Authorised Appropriation	105 0 0	Interest on Deposits	664 16 6
Stationery and General	13 19 9		
	118 19 9		
Debenture Premiums	33 0 0		
Balance as 30-6-51	168 1 9		
	£815 17 1		£815 17 1

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1951**

LIABILITIES	£ s. d.	ASSETS	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Personal Accounts	18242 11 11	Debentures	8795 0 0	
Revenue Account	168 1 9	Interest Accrued	71 3 3	
Fire Insurance Fund Prepaid Subsidies	256 10 0			8866 3 3
		Deposit—Supernumerary Fund		9632 10 5
		Subsidies to Contributors in Advance		168 10 0
	£18667 3 8			£18667 3 8

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1951.

G. S. SALTER }  
H. L. FIEBIG } Treasurers

**METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND**

**Contributors Account for year ended 30th June, 1951**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME			
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Retiring Allowances	—	768 14 11	By Balance as at 30-6-50	—	—	6445 12 9
Revenue Account	—	34 13 6	Contributions :—			
Balance as at 30-6-51	—	6369 16 11	Personal	—	228 0 0	
			Circuit	—	171 0 0	
			H.M. Board	—	190 10 0	
					589 10 0	
			less Refunds	—	50 0 0	
					—	539 10 0
			Interest	—	—	188 2 7
						—
						£7173 5 4
		£7173 5 4				£7173 5 4

**REVENUE ACCOUNT**

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Interest to Contributors' Accounts	188 2 7	By Balance as at 30-11-50	— 282 15 9
Office Expenses :—		Interest	— 225 19 1
Authorised Appropriation	42 10 0	Contributors' Account (Forfeitures)	— 34 13 6
Stationery and General Expenses	5 12 6		
Balance as at 30-6-51	307 3 3		
	£543 8 4		£543 8 4





**METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND**  
Contributors' Account for year ended 30th June, 1951

EXPENDITURE			INCOME				
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Retiring Allowances	—	405 19 0	By Balance as at 30-6-50	—	—	8677	1 7
Balance as at 30-6-51	—	9398 8 7	Contributions :—				
			Personal	—	—	352	10 0
			Circuit	—	—	150	0 0
			H.M. Board	—	—	267	15 0
			F.M. Board	—	—	93	15 0
						864	0 0
			Interest	—	—	263	6 0
		£9804 7 7				£9804	7 7

**REVENUE ACCOUNT**

	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Interest to Contributors' Accounts			263	6 0	By Balance as at 30-6-50	—	—
Office Expenses :—					Interest	—	—
Authorised Appropriation	—	42 10 0					460 5 2
Stationery & General Expenses	—	9 9 2					
			51	19 2			
Debenture Premium	—	—	23	5 0			
Balance as at 30-6-51	—	—	724	18 4			
			£1063	8 6			£1063 8 6

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1951**

LIABILITIES			ASSETS				
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.		
Personal Accounts	—	—	Debentures	—	—	3075	0 0
Capital Account	—	—	Debenture Interest Accrued	—	—	23	18 11
Revenue Account	—	—	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund	—	—	9124	8 7
						£12223	7 6
		£12223 7 6					

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G. S. SALTER }  
H. L. FIEBIG } Treasurers

E. R. CAYGILL & CO., F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z., Auditors

29-9-51



**METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (Inc.)**

**Revenue Account for year ended 30th June, 1951**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Interest to Trust Accounts —	1071	8 0	By Commission —	—	1 3 8
Authorised Appropriation —	115	0 0	Interest on Deposits —	—	1480 12 4
Stationery and General Expenses	15	19 2			
Debenture Premiums —	110	12 6			
Balance to Capital A/c. —	168	16 4			
	<u>£1481</u>	<u>16 0</u>			<u>£1481 16 0</u>

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1951**

LIABILITIES			ASSETS				
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
Trust Accounts :—					Debentures —	—	29235 12 5
Connexional Funds —	—	—	15488 13 5		Debenture Interest Accrued —	—	244 13 9
Church Trusts —	—	—	28376 19 11		Wellington West Circuit Loan to Northland Trust —	—	1051 4 9
Personal Trusts —	—	—	448 7 0		Deposits :—		
T. W. Newbold Trust					Supernumerary Fund		8508 2 2
Capital Account as at 30-6-50	4394	19 2			P.O. Savings Bank (No. 1 A/c.)		1975 14 10
Transfer from Revenue Account	228	8 8	4623 7 10		P.O. Savings Bank (No. 2 A/c.)		1976 2 4
					Bank of New Zealand		3713 19 10
Capital Account as at 30-6-50 —	24	0 9			Ecumenical Travel Fund (Amount Due)		24 15 2
Transfer from Revenue Account	168	16 4	192 17 1		Freehold Property (Newbold Trust )		2400 0 0
			<u>£49130</u>	<u>5 3</u>			<u>£49130 5 3</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1951.

G. S. SALTER }  
H. L. FIEBIG } Treasurers

E. R. CAYGILL & CO., A.I.A.N.Z., F.P.A.N.Z., Auditors 29-9-51

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—CHILDREN'S FUND

Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ended 30th September, 1951

INCOME				EXPENDITURE								
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
<b>To Balance as at 30th September, 1950</b>							<b>By Grants as per warrants for year 1951</b>					
Due from Circuits —	39	10	0				Auckland —	439	6	3		
Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington —	1	11	7				South Auckland —	214	15	0		
							Taranaki-Wanganui —	94	15	0		
							Hawke's Bay-Manawatu —	108	0	0		
							Wellington —	175	10	0		
							Nelson —	147	1	3		
<i>Less</i> Due to Districts —	25	13	6				North Canterbury —	365	18	9		
				15	8	1	South Canterbury —	47	5	0		
							Otago-Southland —	154	0	0		
<b>District Levies for year 1951</b>									1746	11	3	
Auckland —	428	0	0				<b>Sundry Expenses</b>					
South Auckland —	210	0	0				Bank Charges —	10	0			
Taranaki-Wanganui —	143	0	0				Exchange —	4	7	6		
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu —	144	0	0						4	17	6	
Wellington —	226	0	0						1751	8	9	
Nelson —	97	0	0				<b>Balance as at 30th September, 1951</b>					
North Canterbury —	288	0	0				Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington			63	19	4
South Canterbury —	90	0	0									
Otago-Southland —	174	0	0									
				1800	0	0						
				£1815	8	1						

W. H. GREENSLADE }  
T. M. PACEY } Hon. Treasurers

Audited and found correct,  
J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z., Hon. Auditor, 2-10-51



**METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND**  
Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ended 30/6/51

RECEIPTS				EXPENDITURE					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
July 1st 1950									
To Balance	—	—	—	1726	14	6			
<b>Circuit Levies—Districts</b>									
Auckland	—	—	1067 0 0						
South Auckland	—	—	524 10 0						
Taranaki-Wanganui	—	—	356 16 9						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	—	—	358 1 8						
Wellington	—	—	569 10 0						
Nelson	—	—	242 10 0						
North Canterbury	—	—	720 0 0						
South Canterbury	—	—	222 5 0						
Otago-Southland	—	—	430 10 0						
			4491 3 5						
<b>Synod Collections</b>									
Auckland	—	—	13 7 2						
South Auckland	—	—	15 18 2						
Taranaki-Wanganui	—	—	10 18 6						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	—	—	9 17 0						
Wellington	—	—	10 4 3						
Nelson	—	—	8 18 9						
North Canterbury	—	—	7 10 0						
South Canterbury	—	—	4 14 10						
Otago-Southland	—	—	16 9 7						
			97 18 3						
<b>Sales</b>									
Agenda	—	—	21 12 3						
Minutes	—	—	72 9 9						
Books of Offices, etc.	—	—	37 3 3						
			131 5 3						
<i>Carried forward</i>	—	—	6447 1 5						
<b>By Cost of Conference</b>	—	—							
(a) Travelling :									
Equalisation Fund	—	—	420 0 0						
Official Representatives	—	—	271 2 4						
			691 2 4						
(b) Printing :									
Agenda	—	—	250 14 0						
Minutes	—	—	300 7 6						
Other	—	—	57 12 9						
Presentation Bibles	—	—	7 0 6						
Secretary of Conference Exes.	—	—	12 0 0						
			1318 17 1						
<b>District Expenses</b>									
Chairman's Travelling, etc.	—	—							
Auckland	—	—	87 17 7						
South Auckland	—	—	123 4 0						
Taranaki-Wanganui	—	—	66 5 8						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	—	—	24 17 8						
Wellington	—	—	47 17 9						
Nelson	—	—	10 1 3						
North Canterbury	—	—	38 8 6						
South Canterbury	—	—	34 8 0						
Otago-Southland	—	—	102 3 10						
			535 4 3						
<b>Synod Expenses</b>									
Auckland	—	—	61 0 2						
South Auckland	—	—	62 13 10						
Taranaki-Wanganui	—	—	46 19 2						
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	—	—	32 9 2						
Wellington	—	—	29 5 1						

## Contingent Fund (cont.)

<i>Brought forward</i>	6447 1 5		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		Nelson	35 7 9	
		North Canterbury	17 8 6	
		South Canterbury	9 7 9	
		Otago-Southland	79 15 3	
				374 6 8
		<b>Ministerial Supply</b>		
		Auckland	7 0 0	
		South Auckland	9 0 0	
		Wellington	31 10 0	
				47 10 0
		<b>Connexional Payments—</b>		
		President's Travel Local	87 2 11	
		President's Travel Overseas	150 0 0	
		President's Postages	8 16 1	
		President's Supply	6 0 0	
		Stationery	5 11 6	
		Printing Membership Cards	85 5 0	
		Printing Baptism Cards	38 11 8	
		Printing Synod Reports	73 1 8	
		Printing Miscellaneous	13 1 6	
		Examination Committee	25 0 0	
		Advertising Recorder	8 0 6	
		Sub. Religious Films Soc.	4 0 0	
		Half Probationers' Exes. Conf.	12 2 11	
		Church Council Travelling	68 10 9	
		Closer Relations Committee Exes.	3 0 0	
		Church Union Convener's Expenses and Travel	31 6 8	
		Medical Examination Candidates Conference with Presbyterian Temperance Committee	2 12 6	
				19 15 9
				641 19 5
		<b>Grants</b>		
		Trinity College	1250 0 0	
		Connexional Sec. Department	250 0 0	
		Deaconess Fund	125 0 0	
		"Methodist Times"	75 0 0	
<i>Carried forward</i>	6447 1 5			



## Contingent Fund (cont.)

<i>Brought forward</i>	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	6447	1	5			
				75	0	0
				12	10	9
				50	0	0
				25	0	0
				25	0	0
				50	0	0
				20	0	6
				6	0	0
				34	1	0
				5	0	3
					2002	12 6
				9	17	8
					9	17 8
				38	16	7
				82	15	6
				50	19	0
				20	0	0
				101	1	5
				19	16	9
				24	19	1
				44	19	4
				383	7	8
				1133	6	2
					1516	13 10
	£6447	1	5		£6447	1 5

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND together with the District Chairmen's financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 1951 and in my opinion the above account is properly drawn up to show a true and correct view of the fund at that date.

AUCKLAND  
18th October, 1951

Signed—J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com.,  
A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.S.N.Z.

**REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND**

**Receipts and Payments Account for year ending 30th June, 1951**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Cash in Hand—1-7-50	—		967 0 6	By Removal Expenses	—		1966 12 2
Circuit Levies Received	—		1867 10 3	Exchange, Postage & Travelling Expenses	—		14 1 4
Refund Removal Expenses	—		18 0 0	Balance—Cash in Hand	—		871 17 3
			<u>£2852 10 9</u>				<u>£2852 10 9</u>

**REVENUE ACCOUNT for year ending 30th June, 1951**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Removal Expenses	—		1948 12 2	By Levies from Circuits	—		2208 14 8
Exchange, Postages and Expenses	—		14 1 4				
Trans. Capital Account	—		246 1 2				
			<u>£2208 14 8</u>				<u>£2208 14 8</u>

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1951**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Capital Account, 1st July 1950	—		1375 15 11	Outstanding Levies	—		749 19 10
Add Trans. from Revenue Account	—		246 1 2	Cash in Bank	—		871 17 3
			<u>£1621 17 1</u>				<u>£1621 17 1</u>

L. C. HORWOOD }  
C. H. ELMSLY } Treasurers

Audited and found correct  
F. M. SOWDEN, B.COM., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
Hon. Auditor



**METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ending 31st August, 1951**

		EXPENDITURE					
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
<b>To Solomon Island Expenses—</b>							
Missionaries' Stipends, etc		3919	12	9			
Doctor's Stipend, etc.		572	13	9			
Sister's Stipends, etc.		2961	12	10			
Lay Workers' Stipends, etc.		1356	8	3			
Native Minister's Stipends		277	5	0			
Native Agents' Stipends		3146	2	2			
Superannuation and Ret. Funds		338	15	0			
Educational	—	1904	13	6			
Boats & Travel	—	562	8	6			
District Vessels	—	3191	8	7			
			3753	17	1		
Hospital & Medical		2509	3	8			
Furniture & Buildings		1227	10	5			
Lands A/c.	—	97	2	9			
District Training Institute							
Maintenance of Buildings		743	15	6			
Printing, Stat., Postage, etc.		110	19	9			
Insurance	—	478	8	1			
Freights & Fares	—	2430	8	2			
Customs Account	—	163	11	2			
Electricity Account	—	337	0	0			
Purchase of "Malakuna"		4630	0	0			
Freight on "Vecta" dinghy and punt	—	435	15	0			
			31394	14	10		
<b>Special Funds—</b>							
Rehabilitation	—	1828	1	3			
Leper Fund	—	1244	8	0			
Build. & Equip. Fund		1266	19	10			
			4339	9	1		
					35734	3	11
<i>Less</i> Med. Income	—	2586	3	11			
Special Funds	—	4339	9	1			
			6925	13	0		
<i>Carried forward</i>	—				28808	10	11

		INCOME					
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
<b>By Solomon Island Contributions—</b>							
Roviana Circuit	—	1600	0	0			
Vella Lavella Circuit	—	1550	0	0			
Choiseul Circuit	—	1000	0	0			
Boug. & Buka Circuit	—	850	0	0			
			5000	0	0		
			5656	16	0		
<b>Sol. Is. Jubilee Fund</b>							
<b>Government Grants—</b>							
B.S.I. Protectorate	—	660	0	0			
Boug.-Buka	—	4160	15	0			
			4820	15	0		
					15477	11	0
<b>By New Zealand Contributions</b>							
Circuit Income	—	13179	13	5			
Native Teachers	—	131	5	7			
Orphans	—	64	19	5			
			13375	18	5		
M.W.M.U.	—		2445	0	0		
Conn. Fire Insc Fund	—		150	0	0		
Sundry Income	—		14	10	6		
Interest, General A/c.	—		765	8	9		
<b>Medical Income—</b>							
Interest	—	992	16	3			
Donations	—	7	1	0			
Transfer Leper Fund	—	833	6	8			
Ditto for Nurses							
Stip. & Travelling		753	0	0			
			2586	3	11		
<b>Leper Fund—</b>							
Interest	—	301	17	6			
Donations	—	183	7	7			
Lepers' Trust Board	—	2500	0	0			
			2985	5	1		
					22322	6	8
<i>Carried forward</i>	—				37799	17	8

**Income and Expenditure Account—Continued.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i> —							28808	10	11
<b>To New Zealand Working Expenses—</b>									
<b>General Secretary—</b>									
Stipend —	435	0	0						
Travelling —	22	1	10						
House Maint. —	75	0	0						
				532	1	10			
Treasurer's Expenses				50	0	0			
Connexional Charges				71	10	0			
Deputation Travelling				31	17	6			
Printing Circuit Appeals				86	7	10			
Printing & Stationery				90	6	2			
Annual Report, Printing & Post.				235	8	0			
Office Salaries —				380	0	0			
Audit Fee —				21	0	0			
Postage & Office Sundries				88	2	8			
Office Rent —				91	0	0			
Telephones —				30	4	6			
Travelling, Board Meeting				13	4	9			
							1721	3	3
<b>Miscellaneous Payments—</b>									
Orphaned Missions				100	0	0			
National Missionary Council				48	0	0			
Loss on Publications				47	2	9			
Interest —				11	16	0			
Life Insurance Premium				21	17	0			
Children's Allowance (Alley)				16	0	0			
Trinity College —				75	0	0			
Deaconess Institution				25	0	0			
Sundries —				88	5	4			
							433	1	1
Depreciation, Atherton Rd.							70	0	0
Transfer to Special Funds									
Medical Income —	2586	3	11						
Leper Fund —	2985	5	1						
Don Alley Memorial Fund	110	12	6						
<i>Carried forward</i>	5682	1	6	31032	15	3			

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i> —							37799	17	8
<b>Rehabilitation Fund—</b>									
Sales —	1034	6	9						
Interest —	1972	18	7						
Donations —	11	0	0						
							3018	5	4
<b>Boat Insurance Fund—</b>									
Interest —							141	3	11
<b>Don Alley Memorial Fund—</b>									
Interest —	109	12	6						
Donation —	1	0	0						
							110	12	6
<b>Sol. Is. Building &amp; Equipment Fund—</b>									
Bequests —							1747	1	9
Transfer from Exchange A/C. for cost of "MALAKUNA"							5017	3	6
Deficit transferred to General Reserve Account							4630	0	0
							320	8	7
<i>Carried forward</i> —							47767	9	9



**Income and Expenditure Account—Continued.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
<i>Brought forward</i>	—			5682	1	6	31032	15	3	<i>Brought forward</i> —	47767	9	9
Transfer to Special Funds ( <i>Cont.</i> )													
Rehabilitation Fund				3018	5	4							
Boat Insurance Fund													
Interest	—	141	3	11									
Trans for year	—	150	0	0									
				291	3	11							
Sol. Is. Bld. & Equip. Fund				1747	1	9							
Sol. Is. Jubilee Fund				5656	16	0							
				16395	8	6							
Russell Island Stock written down							339	6	0				
				£47767	9	9					£47767	9	9







## BALANCE SHEET—Continued

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Brought forward	—	—	—	£196535 18 9
<b>W. S. Mackay Memorial Fund</b>											
Balance, 1950	—	13	10	0							
Less expended	—	13	10	0							
<b>Technical Tool Fund</b>											
Balance, 1950	—	32	4	6							
Added during year		137	2	1							
					169	7	5				
Boat Reserve Account					16000	0	0				
Atherton Rd. Property reserve					194	16	0				
M.W.M.U. Income for Special purp.	100	0	0								
Less expended	—	100	0	0							
M.W.M.U. Fund for Teop Sisters' Quarters	—	930	13	4							
M.W.M.U. Fund for Sol. Is. Girls' School	—	823	6	8							
					1754	0	0				
Working Capital Fund					24111	3	10				
Exchange Account	—				4865	3	3				
Sundry Creditors	—				4707	7	1				
General Reserve A/c 1950	3357	19	2								
Less transfer from Income & Expenditure A/c.		320	8	7							
					3037	10	7				
					£196535	18	9				
											£196535 18 9

G. S. GAPPER

A. BLAKEMORE, Treasurers

We hereby certify that we have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand and that in our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Society's affairs as at the 31st August, 1951, as shown by the Books of the Society. Island assets and liabilities have not been verified, these having been entered on the basis of signed statements received from the Islands.

AUCKLAND,

16th October, 1951

MACKY AND FREAR  
Public Accountants, AUDITORS.



**METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF N.Z.**

**Summary of Rehabilitation Fund**

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>Receipts—</b>							
1942/50	—	—	—	—	112145	2	5
1951	—	—	—	—	3018	5	4
					115163	7	9
(Includes £198 for "Lotu" Church)							
<b>Less Payments—</b>							
1943/50	—	—	—	—	41139	10	7
1951	—	—	—	—	1828	1	3
					42967	11	10
Balance in Hand 31-8-51	—	—	—	—	£72195	15	11

**Analysis of Rehabilitation Expenditure**

Buildings, Equipment & Miscellaneous Stores	—	—	16168	0	0
Stock lost and written off	—	—	4217	0	0
Boats	—	—	17933	0	0
Compensation for personal losses of Staff	—	—	2554	0	0
Land Reclamation—Kihili	—	—	362	0	0
Cattle	—	—	804	0	0
Medical Equipment	—	—	249	0	0
Evacuation Expenses, Premium on Inscribed Stock written off, Brokerage and Sundry Expenses	—	—	680	11	10
			£42967	11	10







**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1951**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Sister's Salaries & Executive Fund	3257	14	11						
Sisters' Salaries Reserve	—	2103	1 2						
"Kurahuna" Funds	—	406	5 6						
Stamp Fund	—	501	16 10						
Gleanings	—	918	18 8						
Medical and Educational	—	454	11 8						
S.I. Gift Boxes	—	422	0 10						
Smethurst Estate	—	979	12 10						
Equipment, Maori Youth Extension	—	94	8 5						
Legacies	—	100	0 0						
Donation	—	30	0 0						
				9268 10 10					
"Kurahuna" Emergency	—	2354	2 1						
"Kurahuna" Repairs & Replacements	—	72	4 2						
"Kurahuna" Depreciation	—	813	11 3						
				3239 17 6					
Solomon Island Girls' School Fund	3615	5	8						
S.I. Capital Fund	—	1093	19 2						
Home Mission Capital Fund	—	783	6 10						
"Kurahuna" Capital Fund	—	1827	0 6						
"Kurahuna" Treas. Maintenance A/c.	384	6	5						
S.I. Doctor Fund	—	100	0 0						
				7803 18 7					
				£20312 6 11					
Excess of Assets over Liabilities				2204 2 0					
				£22516 8 11					
							9268 10 10		
							3239 17 6		
							384 6 5		
							5542 6 2		
							1093 19 2		
							783 6 10		
							1877 6 0		
							500 0 0		
							1487 8 0		
							23 6 0		
							1464 2 0		
							240 0 0		
							1704 2 0		
							£22516 8 11		

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union with the exception of those relating to the accounts of "Kurahuna" Maori Girls' Hostel, for which a copy of the audited accounts has been submitted for my inspection. I have accepted the Certificate of Deposit with the General Purposes Trust Board, and the Certificate of the Secretary of the General Purposes Trust Board with reference to the custody of the Title Deed of the "Kurahuna" Property and the Drainage Board Debentures.

I certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet correctly presents the position of the Union's Funds as shown by its Books as at 31st August, 1951.

CHRISTCHURCH, 10th September, 1951.

R. W. PRICE, B.Com. A.R.A.N.Z., Auditor.





**Income and Expenditure Account—continued**

**To Spotswood Accounts—**

Share Fertilizer	32	16	0	
Labour	19	4	0	
Water Rates	5	11	6	
Insurances	1	6	9	
Fencing Materials	16	15	6	
Secretary	40	0	0	
		115	13	9

**To General—**

Stationery	1	10	6	
Audit Fees	4	4	0	
Bank Charges	1	5	0	
		6	19	6
Depreciation	27	4	0	
Excess of Income over Expenditure	215	1	11	

£1714 6 6

£1714 6 6











**AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE—MT. ALBERT AND EPSOM.**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT for Year Ended 30th June, 1951.**

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1951, June 30th	£	s.	d.	June 30th, 1951—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Wages — — — —	2950	4	8	By General Subscriptions — — —	127	13	6			
Groceries & Provisions — — — —	1875	9	1	Churches — — — —	1001	11	5			
Repairs & Renewals — — — —	476	8	8	Sunday Schools & Y.P. Societies — — —	13	2	1			
Laundry — — — —	153	10	9	Auckland Orphanages United — — —	923	0	0			
Drapery & Shoes — — — —	779	0	9	Council — — — —	—	—	—	2065	7	0
Fuel & Light — — — —	319	14	2	Maintenance — — — —	—	—	—	2975	4	9
Farm & Garden — — — —	118	0	6	Interest and Dividends — — — —	—	—	—	1274	11	1
Printing & Stationery — — — —	63	2	3	Rent — — — —	—	—	—	216	4	0
Medical & Dental — — — —	3	2	6	Capital Account — — — —	—	—	—	1022	7	11
Telephones — — — —	43	17	8							
Travelling Expenses & Truck Repairs — — — —	149	10	4							
Stamps & Petty Cash — — — —	113	3	10							
Insurance — — — —	61	15	0							
Rent of Office and Board Room — — — —	45	10	0							
Rates — — — —	148	15	9							
Audit Fee — — — —	8	8	0							
Sundry Expenses — — — —	10	19	5							
Depreciation—Furnishings — — — —	225	14	5							
Motor Van — — — —	7	7	0							
	£7553	14	9					£7553	14	9



**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1951.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS						
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	
<b>Capital</b>	— as at 1st July 1950	62844	15	2						
	<i>Add Bequests</i>									
	F. E. Finlay Estate	1724	19	0						
	E.C. Frost Estate	25	1	2						
	J. Gibson Estate	100	0	0						
	A. C. Hook Estate	85	3	0						
	T. W. Jones Estate	500	0	0						
	E. O'Kelly Estate	100	0	0						
	J.C.M. Mallach Estate	21	12	11						
	A. E. Powell Estate	31	14	4						
	A. Reid Estate	761	5	6						
	Enos. Stevenson Estate	15	0	0						
	J. Trewin Estate	900	0	0						
	J. J. B. Veale Estate	2	16	4						
	J. Watkinson Estate	400	0	0						
	H. Wilson Estate	25	7	6						
		4678	14	9						
		67523	9	11						
	<i>Less Revenue Account</i>	1022	7	11						
		66501	2	0						
	<b>Endowment Legacies</b>									
	Eliza Gilmore Trust	1000	0	0						
	M. Caughey Preston	2000	0	0						
	John Rendell	200	0	0						
	<b>Sundry Creditors</b>	381	8	10						
					<b>Properties :—</b>					
					Epsom Home—Latest Valuation					
					4730 0 0					
					Epsom Home Tennis Court					
					318 0 0					
					Wesley Home—Latest Valuation					
					3935 0 0					
					Wesley Home—Additions at cost					
					696 15 10					
					Mt. Roskill—at cost					
					2978 15 8					
					645 Mt. Albert Road					
					1290 0 0					
					647 Mt. Albert Road					
					1290 0 0					
					40 Milford Road					
					1500 0 0					
					<b>Shares :—</b>					
					Whangarei Gas Co. Ltd.					
					— — —					
					Ordinary Shares £1 at par					
					1000	0	0			
					Preference Shares £1 at par					
					666	0	0			
					Frank M. Winstone Ltd.					
					— — —					
					Ordinary Shares £1 at par					
					8700	0	0			
					E. Astley & Sons Ltd.					
					— — —					
					561 Ordinary Shares 14/-					
					— — —					
					at valuation					
					.631	2	6			
					10997 2 6					
					<b>Inscribed Stock &amp; Local Body Debentures :—</b>					
					(Including Investment of					
					Endowment Legacies)					
					N.Z. Govt. Stock—£10,375					
					— — —					
					at cost					
					10393 0 0					
					Auckland City Debentures					
					— — —					
					£1200 at cost					
					1205 0 0					
					Newmarket Borough Debentures—					
					— — —					
					at cost					
					500 0 0					
					<b>Furnishings and Plant</b>					
					— — —					
					Add new					
					1872	19	2			
					384	5	2			

**BALANCE SHEET—continued.**

		2257	4	4			
<i>Less Depreciation</i> —	—	225	14	5			
					2031	9 11	
<b>Motor Van</b> —	—	36	14	5			
<i>Less Depreciation</i> —	—	7	7	0			
					29	7 5	
<b>Stock on Hand</b> —	—				40	0 0	
<b>Payments in Advance &amp; Sundry Debtors</b> —	—				197	3 2	
<b>Bank Balances</b> :—							
Auckland Savings Bank —	—				7175	2 5	
Post Office Savings Bank —	—				4255	0 0	
National Savings Accounts —	—				12331	5 7	
Bank of New Zealand —	—				4189	8 4	
					£70082	10 10	
Trounson Bequest—with General Purposes Trust Board —	—				510	0 0	
John Sheat Bequest—with Public Trust —	—				2998	6 0	
£70,082	10					10	

**AUDITOR'S REPORT—**

I have examined the books and vouchers relating to the above Revenue Account and Balance Sheet of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home and Orphanage, which I consider are properly drawn up so as to exhibit the true position of the Trust as at the 30th June, 1951, as shown by the books of the trust.

A. R. W. GREGORY, F. P. A. N. Z., Public Accountant



**MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDRENS' HOME**

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1951

LIABILITIES				ASSETS									
			£	s.	d.								
Recreational Purposes Fund	—	—	379	0	9	Furniture and Equipment	—	—	416	0	0		
Newcombe Trust Fund	—	—	13	7	6	Additions	—	—	88	6	0		
Deposit re Tender	—	—	10	0	0				504	6	0		
Sundry Creditors	—	—	199	6	2	Depreciation	—	—	50	6	0		
Balance—being excess of assets over liabilities			437	1	6						454	0	0
						Live Stock	—	—			70	0	0
						Post Office Savings Bank	—	—			379	0	9
						Bank of New Zealand	—	—			135	15	2
											£1038	15	11
			£1038	15	11						£1038	15	11

W. R. NICOL, Treasurer

We certify that we have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home and are of the opinion that the foregoing statement of Receipts and Payments and Balance Sheet are drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Home's affairs at Masterton on 30th June, 1951.

D. A. BARNES )  
F. E. WELLS    ) Auditors

Masterton 6th July, 1951.

**MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**Receipts and Payments for Year ended 30th June, 1951.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance 1/7/50	—	—	288 13 8	By Salaries	—	—	813 10 5
Wellington Board	—	—	975 3 4	Household Provisions	—	—	958 3 7
Maintenance Fees	—	—	1509 5 3	Drapery & Clothing	—	—	689 17 1
Circuit Collections	—	—	594 18 10	Fuel & Lighting	—	—	180 12 1
Donations	—	—	35 12 3	Repairs & Renewals	—	—	227 3 1
Police Charity Effort	—	—	74 9 0	Printing, Stationery & School Requisites	—	—	95 2 3
Interest	—	—	8 4 10	Farm Expenses	—	—	53 12 10
Farm Account	—	—	11 11 0	Medical Fees	—	—	21 0 0
Newcombe Trust	—	—	10 13 6	Dentist	—	—	4 4 4
Masterton Trust Lands Trust Grant	—	—	20 0 0	Optician	—	—	7 15 0
Legacies	—	—	205 12 6	Telephone Rentals	—	—	21 10 10
Refund Medical Fees	—	—	27 7 6	Christmas Party Expenses	—	—	30 0 0
Other Receipts	—	—		General Expenses	—	—	22 8 7
				Car Allowance & Expenses	—	—	97 3 6
				Master's Imprest Account	—	—	10 0 0
				E/L Insurance	—	—	4 3 0
				Furniture and Equipment	—	—	88 6 0
				Post Office Savings Bank	—	—	82 13 10
				James Cocker Trust	—	—	8 1 1
				Newcombe Trust	—	—	4 16 5
				Wellington Board	—	—	205 12 6
				Other Payments	—	—	
				Balance Bank of New Zealand, 30/6/51	—	—	135 15 2
			<u>£3761 11 7</u>				<u>£3761 11 7</u>



**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDRENS' HOME**  
**Revenue Account for Year ended 31st May, 1951.**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries and Wages —	3195	14	3	By Interest Received —	14	17	11
House Supplies —	1302	8	0	Donations & Collections —	1499	5	3
Drapery, Clothing, etc. —	531	18	4	Combined Orphanage Appeal —	1591	0	3
Lighting & Heating —	380	1	0	Maintenance Fees —	2860	3	8
Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance	556	1	1	Rent —	110	10	0
Stationery, Stamps & General Expenses —	259	4	6	Miscellaneous Receipts —	8	9	6
Insurances —	23	3	11	<u>6084</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	
Board & Residence Payments	206	1	6	Deficit —	1183	16	10
Grounds —	29	14	5				
Miscellaneous Expenses —	229	10	8				
Travelling Expenses —	83	8	5				
Rates —	9	17	4				
	<u>6807</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>				
Depreciation written off —		461	0				
		<u>£7268</u>	<u>3</u>				
			<u>5</u>		<u>£7268</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>

**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31st May, 1951.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sports and Playground Equipment				<b>Home, Buildings &amp; Grounds</b>			
Fund	61	2	8	Home & Outbuildings	17062	2	6
<i>Less Expenditure</i>	3	18	5	<i>less Depreciation</i>	300	0	0
			57 4 3		16762	2	6
Permanent Capital Account			10062 11 9	Grounds			4363 17 0
Sundry Creditors			232 12 1	Furnishings	379	17	6
Accumulated Funds	13196	3	8	<i>less Depreciation</i>	60	0	0
<i>plus transfer from Investment</i>							319 17 6
Board	1000	0	0	Tennis Courts	336	0	0
			14196 3 8	<i>less Depreciation</i>	42	0	0
<i>Less Deficit, 1951</i>			1183 16 10				294 0 0
			13012 6 10	Live Stock	64	7	8
				Purchases (less sales)		6	6
							64 14 2
				<i>less Depreciation</i>		7	0 0
							57 14 2
				Implements & Tools	87	11	9
				<i>less Depreciation</i>	20	0	0
							67 11 9
				Harewood Road Bungalow	513	0	0
				<i>less Depreciation</i>	32	0	0
							481 0 0
				Deposits P.O. Savings Bank	97	6	10
				Supernumerary Fund	449	13	3
							547 0 1
				Home Petty Cash Imprest Account			20 0 0
				Rent Due			9 4 2
				Balance at Bank of N.Z.			442 7 9
							£23364 14 11
							£23364 14 11

I have audited the accounts of the South Island Methodist Orphanage for the year ended 31st May, 1951 and all my requirements as Auditor have been complied with. In my opinion the above Balance Sheet and the attached Revenue Account have been properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Orphanage as shown by the books.

Christchurch, 17-10-51

E. R. CAYGILL, F.I.A.N.Z., A.P.A.N.Z.,

H. J. ODELL, Chairman.      A. O. HARRIS, Secretary-Treasurer

Auditor.



**METHODIST TIMES**  
**Balance Sheet as at 30th April, 1951.**

	LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Unexpired Values :—						
Advertisements —			140 13 8	Subscriptions Outstanding —		123 5 0
Subscriptions Prepaid —			93 13 0	Advertising Accounts —		65 3 3
Provision for Agents' Commission			6 4 0	Contingent Fund Treasurers		162 10 9
Suspense Account —			15 6	Fire Insurance Fund Treasurers		200 0 0
Contingent Fund Reserve			500 0 0	Deposits :—P.O. Savings Bank		586 2 6
Accumulated Funds —	791	16	2	Supernumerary Fund		320 8 0
<i>less</i> Transfer from Revenue A/c	142	11	0	Cash — — —		10 0 0
Bank of New Zealand —			649 5 2			
			76 18 2			
			£1467 9 6			£1467 9 6

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H. L. FIEBIG }  
 ERNEST H. ANDREWS } Treasurers

Audited and found correct  
 E. H. SMITH  
 H. F. ARNOLD, A.B.A.N.Z. Auditors  
 14th May, 1951





**METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS**  
**Receipts and Payments Account, Year ending 31st July, 1951.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS					
		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
	To Balance 31-7-50					By Printing 5,000 copies			
	Bank	—	—	146 6 4		“Christianity or Communism”	22	0	0
	In hand	—	—	17 6		Postages and Stationery	7	13	4
				147 3 10		Bank Charges	—	10	0
286	Grant Home Mission Dept.	—	—	50 0 0		Balance at Bank 31-7-51	191	14	3
	Sale of Booklets	—	—	24 13 9					
				£221 17 7			£221	17	7

At 31st July, 1951, the stock of booklets and leaflets in hand was valued at £15 5s. 0d.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, Lay Treasurer  
 B. Com. A.P.A.N.Z.

**SOLOMON ISLAND DISTRICT STATISTICS, 1951**

1951	Roviana	Vella L.	Choiseul	Bg & B.	Total
Churches	34	24	19	132	209
Other Preaching Places	6	8	11	18	43
European Ministers	3	1	0	4	8
Doctors	1	0	0	0	1
Sisters	4	3	3	4	14
Native Ministers	2	0	0	2	4
Native Agriculturalists	0	0	0	1	1
Catechists	8	3	4	2	17
Native Teachers	42	34	32	155	263
Local Preachers	59	34	30	59	182
Native Medical Assistants	2	1	1	6	10
Class Leaders	57	33	33	21	144
European Members	10	8	3	22	43
Native Members	4734	2464	2879	3195	12912
Sunday Schools	24	21	19	43	107
S.S. Scholars	1089	640	593	1064	3386
Day Schools	35	32	28	110	205
Day School Scholars	1685	884	1029	2514	6112
Day School Teachers	55	41	53	167	316
Members and Adherents	4453	2527	3270	7401	17651

**STATISTICAL RETURNS FOR MAORI MISSION**

For year ended 30th June, 1951

<b>General :</b>			<b>Church Members :</b>	
Churches	—	19	Senior	— 4094
Parsonages	—	7	Infant and Junior	— 5068
Other Preaching Places	—	250	<b>Youth :</b>	
Ordained Ministers	—	5	Sunday Schools	— 138
Home Missionaries	—	30	S.S. Scholars	— 5204
Deaconesses	—	18	S.S. Teachers	— 66
Local Preachers	—	60	Bible Classes	— 10
			B.C. Scholars	— 161



**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT**  
 Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year ending 31st July, 1951.  
 Treasurers: REV. B. M. CHRYSSTALL and MR. F. PENN

RECEIPTS					PAYMENTS							
CIRCUIT INCOME												
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			
Auckland District	2570	5	2				Balance at 31st July, 1950	9254	1	2		
South Auckland	1603	9	5				<b>MAORI MISSIONS</b>					
Taranaki-Wanganui	1049	8	3				Stipends, Trav. & Rent	9348	3	6		
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	1342	15	2				Circuit Expenses	269	18	4		
Wellington	1375	4	2				Printing Maori Paper	60	0	0		
Nelson	527	4	9				Sunday Sch'l Materials	10	0	0		
North Canterbury	1856	3	4				South Island Travelling	70	0	0		
South Canterbury	658	0	2				Workers' Conference	50	0	0		
Otago-Southland	1292	9	8				Students (Deac. & Gen.)	125	0	0		
				12,275	0	1	Contingencies	150	0	0		
Spec. Donations for Debt Reduction				34	0	0	Maori Furniture	40	0	0		
Sundry Donations				417	16	8	Bible Class Camps	40	0	0		
District Youth Councils and Bible Class Camps				44	3	3	Nat. Cncl. of Churches	20	0	0		
M.W.M.U.				2337	10	0	Sundry Grants	79	0	0		
Legacies for Disbursement				255	0	0	"Methodist Times"	5	0	0		
Connexional Properties—										10,267	1	10
Grey Institute				628	5	0	<b>CIRCUIT GRANTS</b>					
Kai Iwi				100	0	0	<b>AUCKLAND DISTRICT</b>					
Methodist Prop. Trustees				150	0	0	<b>Home Mission Stations</b>					
Fire Insurance Fund				150	0	0	North Hokianga	36	13	4		
Interest from Investments				2785	8	10	North Waitemata	150	0	0		
Conference Collections				19	14	1	do. Helensville—					
Duplicating				20	0	5	Special Legacy	25	0	0		
M.W.M.U. — Spec. for Deaconess Cars				2533	1	0	<b>AIDED CIRCUITS</b>					
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust—Share of Rents received				343	12	2	Whangaroa	65	0	0		
							Hokianga	27	10	0		
							Auckland West	47	10	0		
							Mangonui	27	10	0		
							Mahurangi	25	0	0		
							Kawakawa-Kaikoho	50	0	0		
							Hikurangi	5	0	0		
							Port Albert	25	0	0		
							Otahuhu	30	0	0		
							Auckland Central	25	0	0		
							" Pt. Chev.					
							Spec. Legacy	10	0	0		
							" Western Springs					
							Special Legacy	20	0	0		
							Papakura—E. W. Blackwell Trust Grant	37	10	0		
										606	13	4
							<b>SOUTH AUCKLAND</b>					
							<b>Home Mission Stations</b>					
							Coromandel	29	3	4		
							" Spec. Legcy. Grnt.	20	0	0		
							Kawhia	65	0	0		
							Ngaruawahia	25	0	0		
							<b>Aided Circuits</b>					
							Taumarunui	87	10	0		
							Hauraki Plains	17	10	0		
							Waihi	55	0	0		
							Te Kuiti	110	0	0		
							" Spec. Legcy. Grnt.	25	0	0		
							Putaruru	37	10	0		
							Opotiki	40	0	0		
							Ohura	52	10	0		
							" Transport—					
							Special Legacy	20	0	0		
							Whakatane	75	0	0		
							Huntly	15	0	0		
										674	3	4

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND  
HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT  
Statement of Receipts and Payments—Continued

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI**

**Home Mission Stations**

Marton ..... 10 0 0

**Aided Circuits**

Taihape .....	20 0 0	
Inglewood .....	17 10 0	
Gonville .....	85 0 0	
Waitara .....	42 10 0	
	175 0 0	

**HAWKE'S BAY - MANAWATU**

**Home Mission Stations**

Waipawa .....	32 10 0
Apiti .....	30 0 0
Foxton-Shannon .....	30 0 0

**Aided Circuits**

Wairoa .....	32 10 0	
" Parsonage—		
Special Legacy Grant	25 0 0	
	150 0 0	

**WELLINGTON DISTRICT**

Paraparaumu ..... 50 0 0

**Aided Circuits**

Wellington East .....	45 0 0	
Johnsonville .....	40 0 0	
" Pukerua Bay—		
Special Legacy Grant	20 0 0	
Hutt—E. W. Blackwell		
Trust Grant .....	125 0 0	
Eketahuna .....	32 10 0	
Upper Hutt .....	40 0 0	
Taita Union .....	40 0 0	
	392 10 0	

**NELSON DISTRICT**

Wakefield — Dovedale	15 0 0
Granity .....	30 0 0

**Aided Circuits**

Westport .....	12 10 0	
Reefton .....	37 10 0	
Hokitika .....	40 0 0	
" Spec. Legcy. Grnt.	25 0 0	
Greymouth .....	12 10 0	
Murchison .....	45 0 0	
	217 10 0	

**NORTH CANTERBURY**

**Aided Circuits**

Riccarton .....	50 0 0	
Lyttelton .....	17 10 0	
" Spec. Legcy. Grnt.	20 0 0	
Oxford .....	40 0 0	
St. Albans .....	67 10 0	
Sydenham .....	30 0 0	
" Beckenham .....	18 0 0	
Woodend-Sefton .....	17 10 0	
Christchurch Central		
Mission	10 0 0	
	270 10 0	

**SOUTH CANTERBURY**

**Aided Circuits**

Temuka .....	50 0 0	
" (Maori) .....	5 0 0	
	55 0 0	



**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND  
HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT**

Statement of Receipts and Payments—Continued

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT**

**Home Mission Stations**

Waikouaiti	77	10	0
Mosgiel	42	10	0
Cromwell	82	10	0
Edendale	55	0	0
Lawrence	17	10	0
Bluff	30	0	0
Balclutha	32	10	0

**Aided Circuits**

St. Kilda	45	0	0
Cargill Road	5	0	0
Roxburgh	82	10	0
Port Chalmers	110	0	0
Dunedin North	62	10	0
Corstorphine Union			
E. W. Blackwell Trust			
Grant	75	0	0

717 10 0

**CIRCUIT GRANTS**

General	2811	6	8
Special Legacy	210	0	0
E. W. Blackwell Trust	237	10	0

3258 16 8

**MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS**

Church Sites Fund	100	0	0
Literature & Colporteur Fund	62	10	0
Deaconess Institution	112	10	0
Board of Publications	50	0	0
Ecumenical Conference	25	0	0
Natural Calamities	25	0	0
Otago - Southland Col- portage Society	25	0	0
Spiritual Advance Com- mittee	25	0	0
Students	15	0	0
Theological College	175	0	0
H.M. Training Conf'nce	50	0	0
Maori Ministers' Home			
Acquirement, Subsidy	60	0	0
Spec. Legcy. Grnt.	35	0	0
Removal Expenses	45	0	0
Home Missionaries' Re- tiring Fund	147	0	0
Deaconess Retiring Rd.	217	10	0
Picture Department	75	0	0
Connexional Charges	166	0	0
Compassionate Grants	68	0	0

1478 10 0

Office Salaries	213	3	1
Office Rent	104	0	0
Postage, Exch. & Office Sundries	108	10	11
Telephone & Tolls	105	15	1
Electric Light	7	9	10
Printing & Stationery	93	17	9
Share of Cost of Lotu—2 years	127	0	0
Deputation Expenses	410	8	4
Annual Report—2 years	543	11	0
Interest on Overdraft	313	9	9
Ministerial Supply Expenses	42	15	0
Office Equipment	41	10	0
Life Insurance	21	17	0
Sundry Expenses	90	2	5
Sundries for Refund	39	0	0
M.W.M.U. for Deaconess Cars	2533	1	0

**General Superintendent**

Stipend	391	7	10
Travelling	150	0	0
Rent	150	0	0

691 7 10

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND  
HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT  
Statement of Receipts and Payments—Continued

**MEMORANDUM ONLY**

**Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust**

Advanced from General A/c			
31st July, 1951	130	12	7
Amounts disbursed	237	10	0
	£368	2	7
Rents Received	343	12	2
Balance of Advance from General Fund	24	10	5

**Assistant Superintendent**

Stipend			
Travelling	365	6	3
Rent	150	0	0
	150	0	0
			665 6 3

**Maori Missionary**

Stipend			
Travelling	365	9	2
Rent	173	6	7
	150	0	0
			688 15 9

We have audited the account of the Methodist Home Mission Fund. All our requirements as auditors have been complied with. We have examined the Books and Vouchers, and in our opinion the above statement correctly sets out the position of the Fund as at 31st July, 1951.

P. Dellow            }   Hon.  
J. L. Crawford }   Auditors.

Brought forward			
Debit Balance 31st July, 1951	22,093	11	6
	9005	19	2
	£31,099	10	8

£31,099 10 8



**REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance 31st July, 1950	368	8	3	Removals	135	0	7
Levies	112	0	0	Balance 31/7/51	440	7	8
Fire Insurance Fund	50	0	0				
Home Mission Fund	45	0	0				
	<u>£575</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>				<u>£575 8 3</u>

**HOME MISSIONARIES' TRAINING CONFERENCE ACCOUNT**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance 31/7/50	50	0	0	Expenses of Conference	198	15	7
Home Mission Dept. Grant	50	0	0				
Balance 31/7/51	98	15	7				
	<u>£198</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7</u>				<u>£198 15 7</u>

**PICTURE DEPARTMENT**

**Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st July, 1951.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance 31/7/50—				Working Expenses			45 5 10
Capital Account	14	18	6	Balance 31/7/51—			
Working A/c	29	11	6	Capital Account	14	18	6
				Working A/c	59	5	8
Home Mission Dept. Grant							74 4 2
			44 10 0				
			75 0 0				
			<u>£119 10 0</u>				<u>£119 10 0</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/7/51**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Capital	480	11	6	Equipment			465 13 0
Working A/c	59	5	8	Cash in Bank—			
				Capital	14	18	6
				Working Account	59	5	8
							74 4 2
			<u>£539 17 2</u>				<u>£539 17 2</u>

**MAORI MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st July, 1951.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS									
				£	s.	d.							
To	Home Mission Fund Legacy Grant	....	....	35	0	0	Balance to Accumulated Fund	....	....	....	624	10	7
	Home Mission Fund Subsidy	....	....	60	0	0							
	Fire Insurance Fund Subsidy	....	....	10	0	0							
	Ministers' Contributions	....	....	36	0	0							
	Circuit Contributions	....	....	438	3	2							
	Interest	....	....	45	7	5							
				£624	10	7					£624	10	7

**Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1951.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS									
				£	s.	d.							
Accumulated Fund 31/7/50	....	....	....	1283	7	5	National Savings Investment A/cs	....	....	....	1907	18	0
Added during Year	....	....	....	624	10	7							
				£1907	18	0					£1907	18	0

J. L. CRAWFORD, Hon. Auditors.  
P. DELLOW,



INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st July, 1951.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS					
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
To Balance, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/50—									
Special Maintenance A/c	47	8 1							
Kawakawa Maori Centre	978	13 3			2773	3 10			
Hawera Maori Centre	425	6 11			3	10 0			
Dargaville Maori Centre	124	11 8			8	15 0			
E. W. Blackwell Trust	197	2 3					2785	8 10	
Capital awaiting Investment	1902	6 4					255	0 0	
			3675	8 6					
Receipts on a/c of Capital—									
Est. late Harold Ninnis	50	0 0							
" A. P. Lucas	400	0 0			14,452	16 0			
" J. Trewin	600	0 0			100	0 0			
" Wm. Hook	17	10 0			50	0 0			
" W. H. P. Sowden	100	0 0			Properties	501	3 3		
" M. M. Sage	10	0 0			" Special Accounts	1209	7 6		
" T. W. Jones	500	0 0			" P.O. Savings Bank	5	18 0	16,319	4 9
" J. J. B. Veale		14 7							
" M. S. Hale		17 19 6			Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust—				
" J. C. Prudhoe	601	15 2			Rents disbursed			431	8 11
					Net Expenditure, Maintenance A/cs			49	1 11
	2297	19 3			Balance Bank of New Zealand—				
Less amount available for disbursement	255	0 0			Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	362	12 6		
			2042	19 3	Dargaville Maori Centre	8	7 11		
Portion of Legacies for Disbursement			255	0 0	Kawakawa Maori Centre	945	18 6		
Transfer from Mission Prop. Trustees			500	0 0	E. W. Blackwell Trust	50	8 7		
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust—					Capital awaiting investment	1287	11 3	2654	18 9
Rents received for disbursement			284	15 3					
Repayment of Special Loans	9189	16 8							
Repayment of Mortgages	2984	13 8							
			12174	10 4					
Creditors, Special Loan Accounts			30	0 0					
New Capital—									
Sinking Fund—less transfer	92	19 6							
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	362	12 6							
Dargaville Maori Centre	27	3 6							
Hawera Maori Centre	212	2 6							
Kawakawa Maori Centre	27	3 0							
			722	1 0					
Investment Reserve A/c—additional			25	0 0					
Interest and Rents			2785	8 10					
			£22,495	3 2				£22,495	3 2

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

Statement of Capital as at 31st July, 1951.

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Capital at 31st July, 1950—		By Loans on Mortgage	3540 17 9
Legacies & Memorial Gifts	68,248 4 7	Debentures	4900 0 0
Add New Capital during year—		Inscribed Stock	18,200 0 0
Est. Harold Ninnes	50 0 0	Shares	1271 14 0
A. P. Lucas	400 0 0	Post Office Savings Bank	242 10 8
J. Trewin	600 0 0	Special Loans	38,174 1 0
Wm. Hook	17 10 0	Properties	12,307 6 1
W. H. P. Sowden	100 0 0	Dargaville Maori Centre	143 7 3
M. M. Sage	10 0 0	Hawera Maori Centre	1712 11 6
T. W. Jones	500 0 0	Kawakawa Maori Centre	468 0 10
J. J. B. Veale	14 7		
M. S. Hale	17 19 6	Buddle Memorial Gift	2323 19 7
J. C. Prudhoe	601 15 2	Buddle Memorial Gift	90 5 0
	2297 19 3	Special Maintenance Accounts	266 0 0
Less available for disbursement	255 0 0	Balance, Bank of New Zealand—	13 10
	2042 19 3	Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	362 12 6
Add trans. from Mission Prop. Trustees	500 0 0	Dargaville Maori Centre	8 7 11
	2542 19 3	Kawakawa Maori Centre	945 18 6
		E. W. Blackwell Trust	50 8 7
		Capital awaiting investment	1287 11 3
	70,791 3 10		2654 18 9
Buddle Memorial Gift	90 5 0		
Buddle Memorial Gift	266 0 0		
Sinking Funds	3919 4 4		
New Capital during year	92 19 6		
	4012 3 10		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel —			
Capital received during year	362 12 6		
Dargaville Maori Centre	124 11 8		
New Capital during year	27 3 6		
	151 15 2		
Hawera Maori Centre	1131 15 11		
New Capital during year	212 2 6		
	1343 18 5		
Kawakawa Maori Centre	1386 16 4		
New Capital during year	27 3 0		
	1413 19 4		
Investment Reserve A/c	400 0 0		
Foreign Mission Fund, Loan at call	5000 0 0		
Creditors, Special Loan A/cs	90 0 0		
E. W. Blackwell Trust for disbursement	50 8 7		
	£83,972 6 8		£83,972 6 8



METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

Special Loans Account—31st July, 1951.

	Loans Current 31/7/50	New Loans	Repaid During Year	Current 31/7/51
	£ s. d.			
Auckland Central Mission	936 6 8		936 6 8	
Auckland Permanent Youth Camps	700 0 0		150 0 0	550 0 0
Bryndwyr	390 0 0		237 6 11	152 13 1
Castlecliff Hall	210 16 11		10 17 11	199 19 0
Claudlands	1300 0 0		326 7 6	973 12 6
Coromandel	583 7 2	639 16 3		1223 3 5
Dominion Road	750 0 0			750 0 0
Dublin Street, Wanganui	241 4 9		27 12 0	213 12 9
Dunedin Hostel	2500 0 0		88 2 6	2411 17 6
Grey Institute	6350 0 0	1500 0 0	694 3 8	7155 16 4
Hamilton Maori Centre	662 7 10	1817 19 9	514 1 6	1966 6 1
Hokitika		900 0 0	25 0 0	875 0 0
Kaitaia	150 0 0		16 0 10	133 19 2
Kaitoke Church, Wanganui	132 16 0		6 13 2	126 2 10
Kohukohu Parsonage	331 16 8		17 18 10	313 18 8
Manly	357 15 3		5 7 6	352 7 9
Murray's Bay	160 0 0		160 0 0	
North Brighton		100 0 0		100 0 0
North Canterbury District Youth Council		2000 0 0		2000 0 0
Taita Union Parsonage		1500 0 0		1500 0 0
Omerahi		191 0 0		191 0 0
Otago Youth Camps	964 15 0		36 10 0	928 5 0
Paeroa	155 9 3		30 12 9	124 16 6
Papatoetoe Parsonage		1100 0 0		1100 0 0
Port Chalmers Parsonage	285 0 0		150 0 0	135 0 0
Roskill Church (2)	300 0 0	1200 0 0	20 19 0	1479 1 0
Roskill Sunday School	1392 7 6		71 3 9	1321 3 9
Trinity Theological College	2366 13 0		92 16 8	2273 16 4
Waitangi Road	274 18 0		49 7 6	225 8 6
Western Springs	1092 13 6			1092 13 6
Senior Youth Director's House	1742 5 0		79 11 8	1662 13 4
Youth Director's House, Christchurch	1798 14 0		104 7 10	1694 6 2
Home & Maori Mission Dept.—Transport	2066 11 1		1593 10 7	473 0 6
Eketahuna Circuit Transport	303 16 6		303 16 6	
Huntly Circuit Transport	192 2 2		94 0 7	98 1 7
Putaruru Circuit Transport	425 12 10		56 14 1	368 18 9
Ministers' Transport (Private)	3793 14 7	3504 0 0	3290 7 7	4007 7 0
	£32,911 1 8	£14,452 16 0	£9189 16 8	£38,174 1 0





**MISSION PROPERTY TRUSTEES**

**Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st July, 1951.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, Bank of New Zealand—				By Rates and Insurance			
Capital Account	88	16	1	Repairs and Sundries			20 12 5
Revenue Account	286	17	3	Capital Expenditure—			139 1 3
				Mt. Wesley, Mangawhare, additions	150	0	0
Rents—			375 13 4	Kaeo, survey fees	231	14	0
Mt. Wesley, Mangawhare	32	19	5	Home Mission Fund — transfer of			381 14 0
Mt. Wesley, Dargaville Pars. Site	84	16	8	surplus revenue			150 0 0
Kaeo	52	0	0	Investment Funds Board, transfer of			
Newark	1	0	0	Capital			500 0 0
Opononi—Rent and Interest	55	18	2	Balance, Bank of New Zealand—			
				Capital A/c	8	16	1
Repayments—Opononi			226 14 3	Income A/c	204	2	7
Sales of Property—Kaeo			66 0 6				212 18 8
Refund A/c Dargaville Deaconess			620 0 0				
Cottage			115 18 3				
	£1404	6	4				£1404 6 4

**Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1951.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Accumulated Fund	6404	17	0	Properties			6191 18 4
				Cash—			
				Capital	8	16	1
				Revenue	204	2	7
							212 18 8
	£6404	17	0				£6404 17 0

We have audited the accounts of the Mission Property Trustees. All our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We have examined the Books and Vouchers and in our opinion the above statement correctly sets out the position of the Fund as at July 31st, 1951.

P. DELLOW,

J. L. CRAWFORD, Hon. Auditors.

REV. AND MRS. THOMAS BUDDLE CENTENNIAL GIFT

To Balance 31st July, 1950	£	s.	d.	By Interest disbursed to Libraries	£	s.	d.
Interest	90	5	0	Balance 31st July 1951, Auckland Savings Bank	2	5	4
	2	5	4		90	5	0
	£92	10	4		£92	10	4

REV. AND MRS. GEORGE BUTTLE CENTENNIAL GIFT

To Balance 31st July, 1950	£	s.	d.	By Disbursed to Kurahuna	£	s.	d.
Interest	266	0	0	Balance 31st July 1951, Auckland Savings Bank	6	6	7
	6	6	7		266	0	0
	£272	6	7		£272	6	7

METHODIST LITERATURE & COLPORTEUR SOCIETY

Trading Account for Year ended 31st July, 1951.

Treasurer: Mr. L. T. Haymen.

To Stock, 1/8/50	£	s.	d.	By Sales	£	s.	d.
Purchases	3208	11	10		5340	0	1
	3683	11	10				
	6892	3	8				
Less Stock 31/7/51	3229	16	1				
Cost Price of Goods Sold	3662	7	7				
Gross Profit	1677	12	6				
	£5340	0	1		£5340	0	1



**Profit and Loss Account for the Year ended 31st July, 1951.**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Accountancy & Audit	52	0	0	By Gross Profit	1677	12	5
Advertising	51	2	6	Rent Received	6	10	0
Commission	14	16	8	H.M. Subsidy of Salaries	47	5	0
Freight & Cartage	1	8	0				
General Expenses	43	1	5				
Insurance	4	13	4				
Light & Power	5	4	0				
Postage & Stamps	95	4	0				
Printing & Stationery	18	18	11				
Rent	289	12	6				
Repairs & Maintenance	5	6	0				
Salaries	958	17	6				
Subscriptions	5	13	10				
Depreciation—							
Fittings & Equipment	30	5	0				
Net Profit	155	3	10				
	£1731	7	6		£1731	7	6

**Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1951.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Sundry Creditors	1128	1	0	Cash on Hand	9	0	0			
Bills Payable	50	17	6	Cash at Bank	443	11	3	452	11	3
Subscriptions in Advance	22	10	0							
Van Replacement Reserve	1139	3	4	Cash at Auckland Savings Bank—				520	8	10
Plus Interest	12	10	0	Van Replacement Reserve	503	6	6			
				Sundry Debtors	50	0	0	453	6	6
Capital Account—				Less Bad Debts Reserve	50	0	0	47	5	0
Balance 1/8/50	2468	9	9	Home Mission Department				3229	16	1
Plus Net Profit	155	3	10	Stock on Hand				303	12	9
				Fittings & Equipment	303	12	9	30	5	0
				Less Depreciation 10%	30	5	0	273	7	9
								£4976	15	5
	£4976	15	5					£4976	15	5

I certify that I have examined the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Literature and Colporteur Society for the year ended July 31st, 1951, and that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Society's affairs, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the Books of the Society. I have accepted the Manager's Certificate as to quantities and values of stock on hand.

AUCKLAND,  
21st September, 1951.

R. N. COOKE, A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I. Auditor.

**METHODIST**  
**Home Mission Department**

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**ESTIMATES,**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE**  
**for 1952**

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**I N C O M E**

1. **CIRCUITS, HOME MISSION STATIONS, AND MAORI CIRCUITS:—**

(Average Income based on last three years of ordinary income).

**Districts:**

AUCKLAND .....	£2,662 15 6
SOUTH AUCKLAND .....	1,489 4 10
TARANAKI-WANGANUI .....	1,023 19 3
HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU .....	1,250 17 4
WELLINGTON .....	1,318 3 5
NELSON .....	676 8 8
NORTH CANTERBURY .....	1,689 15 1
SOUTH CANTERBURY .....	740 2 11
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND .....	1,185 13 11
	£12,037 0 11

2. <b>PROPERTIES AND INVESTMENTS</b> .....	2,500 0 0
3. <b>SPECIAL—M.W.M.U. OBJECTIVE FOR MAORI WORK</b> .....	2,600 0 0
4. <b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST—FOR CIRCUIT GRANTS</b> .....	250 0 0
5. <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b> .....	250 0 0

**TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES** .....

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£17,637 0 11

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# EXPENDITURE

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

### Maori Work.

	£	s.	d.
Senior Maori Superintendent—			
Stipend	402	10	0
Travelling	100	0	0
Special Travelling	25	0	0
Minister—			
Stipend	345	0	0
Travelling	75	0	0
Special Travelling	10	0	0
Minister—			
Stipend	345	0	0
Travelling	70	0	0
Home Missionary—			
Stipend	52	0	0
Travelling	52	0	0
Rent	26	0	0
Home Missionary—			
Travelling	104	0	0
Hon. Home Missionaries—Grants for Travelling and general circuit expenses	102	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	299	0	0
Travelling	25	0	0
Deaconess (½ time)—			
Stipend	225	0	0
Travelling	55	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	299	0	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	258	15	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	258	15	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	299	0	0
Travelling	50	0	0
Connexional Charges	15	0	0
I.F.B. for Parsonages—			
Senior Maori Supt.	80	0	0
Taukau	52	0	0
Waima	30	0	0
	£3,805	0	0

### Circuits with Home Missionaries.

North Waitemata—if 2 M.H. Ms.	130	0	0
Onehunga (Waitangi Rd)— if appointment	80	0	0

### Aided Circuits.

North Hokianga—if M.H.M.P.	20	0	0
Whangaroa—if M.O.M.	45	0	0
Hokianga (Rawene)—if M.H.M.	40	0	0
Mangonui—Travelling	20	0	0
Kawakawa-Kaikohe—if M.O.M.	90	0	0
Mahurangi	45	0	0
Papakura—if 2nd agent, S.P.	40	E.W.B.	0
Bombay-Taukau—if M.P.	10	0	0
	£520	0	0

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

### Maori Work.

#### Waikato Circuit.

Home Missionary (Sup)—			
Stipend	78	0	0
Travelling	80	0	0

Home Missionary—			
Stipend	200	0	0
Travelling	80	0	0
Home Missionary—			
Stipend	140	0	0
Travelling	60	0	0
Home Missionary (Sup.)—			
Stipend	78	0	0
Travelling	50	0	0
Travelling: Hon. Sup't Minister, and 8 Hon. H. Ms. Special Travelling and Circuit Exs	393	10	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	299	0	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	258	15	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	258	15	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	258	15	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Honorary Assistant S.S. Teacher—			
Travelling	36	0	0
Deaconess Nurse (3 months only)			
Stipend	74	10	0
Travelling	12	10	0
Investment Funds Board for Par sonage Ngaruawahia	52	0	0
	£2,609	15	0

### Maniapoto (Central King Country) Circuit.

Minister—			
Stipend	215	0	0
Travelling	50	0	0
Provision for Car	60	0	0
Home Missionary—			
Stipend	190	0	0
Travelling	75	0	0
Rent	62	0	0
Home Missionary (Sup.)—			
Stipend	78	0	0
Travelling	75	0	0
Home Missionary (Sup.)—			
Stipend	78	0	0
Travelling	75	10	0
Kawhia Appointment—Travelling	60	0	0
Grants for Travelling, 6 Hon. H.Ms. and General Circuit Exs.	270	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	276	0	0
Provision for Car	50	0	0
Deaconess—			
Stipend	299	0	0
Use of Car	25	0	0
Deaconess Supply (½ time)—			
Stipend	139	15	0
Use of Car	25	0	0
Investment Funds Board— Parsonages: Kawhia £60, Te Kuiti £52.	112	0	0
	£2,250	5	0

### Home Mission Stations.

Kawhia	30	0	0
" Travelling	30	0	0
Coromandel—if M.H.M.	50	0	0

<b>Circuits with Home Missionaries.</b>		
Putaruru—if 2nd agent at Tokoroa	75	0 0

<b>Aided Circuits.</b>		
Taumaranui—if M.O.M.	80	0 0
Ohura—Travelling—if S.P.	60	0 0
Waihi—if M.O.M.	50	0 0
Whakatane—if M.O.M.	40	0 0
Te Kuiti—M.P.	75	0 0
Travelling	40	0 0
Hauraki Plains—if M.H.M.	25	0 0
Opotiki—if M.H.M.	30	0 0
	<b>£585</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.**  
**Maori Work.**

Minister—		
Stipend	345	0 0
Travelling	75	0 0
Spec. Travelling	20	0 0
Home Missionary—		
Stipend	205	0 0
Travelling	60	0 0
Rent and Fshgs.	75	0 0
Hon. Home Missionaries; Grants for Travelling and General Circuit Expenses	120	0 0
Deaconess—		
Stipend	299	0 0
Provision for Car	50	0 0
Deaconess—		
Stipend	276	0 0
Provision for Car	50	0 0
Deaconess (New Plymouth App't.)		
Half cost—Stipend	129	7 6
Travelling	25	0 0
I.F.B. for Parsonage Hawera	75	0 0
	<b>£1,804</b>	<b>7 6</b>

**Home Mission Stations.**

Inglewood—if M.H.M.P.	35	0 0
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**Aided Circuits.**

Waitara—Travelling	25	0 0
Gonville	70	0 0
Taihape—if Supply	40	0 0
	<b>£170</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

Apiti	30	0 0
Waipawa-Waipukurau	25	0 0

**Aided Circuits.**

Wairoa—if Probationer	40	0 0
Gisborne—if second agent	70	E.W.B.
	<b>£165</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**WELLINGTON DISTRICT.**

**Aided Circuits.**

Taita Union Parish	82	10 0
Eketahuna	10	0 0
Travelling	25	0 0
Wellington North for Porirua	35	0 0
Upper Hutt—if S.P.	35	E.W.B.
Paraparaumu	40	0 0
	<b>£227</b>	<b>10 0</b>

**NELSON DISTRICT.**

**Aided Circuits.**

Richmond—for Wakefield-Dove-dale	10	0 0
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Westport	40	0 0
Hokitika	50	0 0
Murchison—if H.M. £40	40	0 0
	<b>£140</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT**  
**Aided Circuits.**

Lyttleton	25	0 0
Maori	5	0 0
Riccarton—for P.	80	0 0
St. Albans	50	0 0
Woodend-Sefton—for Hawarden		
Travelling	35	0 0
Oxford—if M.O.M.	40	0 0
	<b>£235</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**  
**Aided Circuits.**

Temuka	60	0 0
Maori	5	0 0
Marchweil Union Parish	75	0 0
	<b>£140</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.**

**Home Mission Stations.**

Waikouaiti-Palmerston, if present appointment	70	0 0
Mosgiel—M.P.	35	0 0
Travelling	10	0 0
Bluff—if M.H.M.	30	0 0
Balclutha—if M.H.M.	10	0 0

**Aided Circuits.**

Cromwell—S.P.	30	E.W.B.
Travelling	25	0 0
Edendale—if M.H.M.	40	0 0
Travelling	10	0 0
Kilda—for Peninsular	80	0 0
Dunedin North	55	0 0
Port Chalmers—M.O.M.	100	0 0
Roxburgh	65	0 0
Travelling	25	0 0
Dunedin South—if present appointment	35	0 0
Corstorphine Union Parish	75	E.W.B.
Western Southland—if 2nd agent	90	0 0
	<b>£785</b>	<b>0 0</b>

**GENERAL EXPENDITURE.**

**Maori Work.**

Sunday School Materials	10	0 0
Printing and Subsidy — Maori Paper	60	0 0
Special South Island Trav.	70	0 0
Workers Conference	50	0 0
Students: Theological and Gen.	50	0 0
Maori Furniture	40	0 0
Maori Youth Camps	10	0 0
Deaconess Car A/c. Deprec'n	100	0 0
Methodist Times	7	10 0
South Island Deaconess—		
Stipend	52	0 0
Travelling	10	0 0
Maori Contingencies	100	0 0
National Council of Churches—		
Maori Section	20	0 0
Maori Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund Subsidies	60	0 0
	<b>£689</b>	<b>10 0</b>



### MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS.

H.M. Removal Exs. Fund	45	0	0
H.M. Retiring Fund (Estimate)	200	0	0
Dea. Retiring Fund (Estimate)	250	0	0
H.M. Deputation Expenses	150	0	0
Use of Picture Plant	75	0	0
Board of Publications	50	0	0
Spiritual Advance Committee	25	0	0
Deaconess Institution	100	0	0
Deaconess Students	45	0	0
Theological College	150	0	0
Church Sites Fund	100	0	0
Natural Calamities Fund	25	0	0
Ministerial Supplies (Est.)	100	0	0
Visual Material for Deputations	50	0	0
Wesley Circulating Library	5	0	0
Ecumenical Conference Travel Fund	25	0	0
Methodist Times — Advertising	12	10	0
Printing and Stationery	250	0	0
Interest and Bank Charges	350	0	0
H.M. Study Conference Fund	50	0	0
Colportage Society of Otago-Southland	25	0	0
Workers Compensation Insurance	38	0	0
Contingencies and Sundries	400	0	0
Provision for Scale Stipend arrears to July 1, 1951	250	0	0
	<b>£2,770</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

### GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

Stipend	427	10	0
Travelling	150	0	0
	<b>£577</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

### ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.

Stipend	402	10	0
Travelling	150	0	0
	<b>£552</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

### MISSIONARY IN MAORI WORK.

Stipend	402	10	0
Travelling	125	0	0
	<b>£527</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

Connexional Charges	165	0	0
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### GENERAL TREASURERS.

Book-keeping	180	0	0
General Expenses	20	0	0
	<b>£200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### OFFICE EXPENSES.

Secretarial	230	0	0
Rent	104	0	0
Lights etc.	10	0	0
Postages etc.	100	0	0
Phones etc.	105	0	0
	<b>£549</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### I.F.B. FOR PARSONAGES.

General Superintendent	150	0	0
Assistant Superintendent	150	0	0
Missionary in Maori Work	150	0	0
	<b>£450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### GRAND TOTAL OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE

**£19,918 7 6**

## SUMMARY OF HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES.

INCOME.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Circuits and H.M. Stations	12,037	0 11	Maori Work	11,836	7 6
Properties and Investments	2,500	0 0	General	8,082	0 0
Special—M.W.M.U. Objective for Maori	2,600	0 0			
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	250	0 0			
Miscellaneous	250	0 0			
	<b>17,637</b>	<b>0 11</b>			
Estimated deficit on 1952	2,281	6 7			
	<b>£19,918</b>	<b>7 6</b>		<b>£19,918</b>	<b>7 6</b>

NOTE: Accumulated Debit Balance at 31st July, 1951,—£9,005 19 2.







GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1951

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS	Church Membership											Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	No. of Baptisms	Communi- cants			
	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Number Recd. during Year								Number Removed from the Roll		
									Members on Roll	New Members	Transfers from other Churches						By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend
Auckland Central	7		6	4	2	2		11	580	26	41	11	39	23		6	96	373	
Central Mission	1	2	1	2	2		1	6	198	17	3	2			18		10	180	
Auckland South	3		3	2	3			10	283	18	13	2	6	21			43	292	
Auckland West	2		3	1	1		1	2	100	11	9	3	5		12		31	160	
Auckland East	9		7	6	11			28	885	21	27	11	29	16	8		41	770	
Avondale	8	3	6	3	7	2		11	566	28	63	16	53	13	9		64	470	
Devonport	3		2	1	3			3	191	1	5	1	7		2		12	150	
Takapuna	1	4		1	3		2	11	283	14	16	9	13		8		29	240	
Birkenhead	4	1	2	2	1			7	206	1	24	4	11		10		19	220	
Onehunga	5		3	1	2			10	256	26	13	3	8	6	22		34	260	
Otahuhu	2		1	1	1			6	202	13	10	2		12	9		17	160	
Papatoetoe	2		1	1	1			1	162	20	8	1	1	1	26		22	150	
Papakura	3	2	2	1	3			4	185	16	19	2	16	1	16		28	130	
Pukekohe	5	2	1	1	2			7	154	8	12	3	3	4	10		18	120	
Waiuku	1	5	1	1	1			1	100	1	7	2	3		3		19	65	
Mahurangi	2	9	1	1	1			2	96	3	4		1	1	5		2	100	
North Waitemata	4	13	3	2		2		10	120	6	11				17		25	96	
Paparoa	4	4	1	1		1		3	89	3	2	1	5		1		4	30	
Dargaville	3	8	2	1	1		6	232	8	13	1	14	3	3		31	124		
Ruawai	2	2		1	1			5	93	6			4		2		18	100	
Whangarei	4	5	2	1	1			11	226	8	23	3	20		8		27	190	
Hikurangi	1	4				1		2	53		2	1	2	1	2		18		
Whangaroa	2	4	1	1	1			5	49	5	6		5		6		13	52	
Port Albert	7	3	2	1	1			2	118	2	13	1	10	2	2		15	125	
Kawakawa-Kaikohe	2	7		1	1				57	6	2		11		3		28	40	
Mangonui	4	3	1	1	1			4	69	11	3		12	2			16	90	
Hokianga	2	5	2	1		1		2	55	2	5	1	3		3		8	75	
Bombay-Tuakau	3	2		1		1		4	102		2	1	4	2	5		11	93	
Bay of Islands	1	1	1						19										
North Hokianga	3	8	3	1				1	81		2		9	1	8			75	
TOTALS	100	97	58	42	51	12	2	175	5810	281	358	81	294	89	210	35	681	4948	

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Thames	2	2	1	1	2			1	149	10	4	3	3		8		6	75
Hauraki Plains	2	4		1		1			57	1	4	1	4				19	20
Paeroa	1	1	1	1	2			1	45		2		4		10		7	50
Waihi	1	5	1	1	1			1	75		2		2	12	12		21	36
Te Aroha	4	1	2	1	1			5	220	18	5	1	6				13	
Morrinsville	3	4	2	2	1			8	280	23	12	2	16	1	16		60	300
Cambridge	3	1	2	1	2			4	166	2	11		6		7		14	140
Hamilton	5	1	2	3	2	1		16	539	15	35	7	30	3	10		47	400
Raglan Union									59									
Hamilton East	3	3	2	1	1			4	174	12	12	1	16		7		27	194
Huntly	1	5		1	1			3	80	5	6		12		1		17	80
Matamata	3	5	1	1	1			3	160	2	6		4		8		14	150
Putaruru	1	5	1	1	1			1	59	1	6	1	2	1	3		9	75
Rotorua	2	2	1	1	3			4	129	1	23	1	17	6			8	80
Tauranga	2	8	2	2	2	1		10	305	19	30	3	8	2	36		27	250
Whakatane	2		1	1	1			1	75	2	6	2	6				7	35
Opotiki	2	1	1	1		1		1	49	2	3	1			3		9	55
Te Awamutu	2	4	1	1	1			3	184	12	5	3	21		7		24	170
Otorohanga	1	10		1	1			1	89	2	1		6		3		14	122
Te Kuiti	1	4		1	1				57	1	2		6	2	5		11	54
Taumarunui	1	5		1	1				67		5		6	4			24	17
Ohura	3	7	1		1			1	35		2		9		6		21	53
Ngaruawahia	3	1	1	1		1		1	58	1	2	1	3		1		21	60
Coromandel	1	8		1				2	36								9	25
Kawhia	1	10		1		1		1	39	2	2	3	4		3			
TOTALS	50	97	23	26	26	6	72	3186	131	186	30	191	41	110	55	412	2472	

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

New Plymouth	7	4	4	2	3	2	2	16	582	8	16	7	7	1	9		48	420
Waitara	3	5	2	1	1			4	95	10		3	11		4		20	96
Stratford	7		1	1	1			4	161	10	4	2	10	2			24	160
Eltham-Kaponga	2	3	2	1	1			6	117			3	9		12		110	
Hawera	3	1	1	1	1			6	214	7	2	3	1		5		23	150
Manaia	2	2	1	1	1			3	100	7	3				10		6	50
Opunake	5	4	4	3	1	1		7	179	17	8	3	11		11		26	125
Wanganui	2	1	1	2		2		2	222	2	6	2	6	3	3		10	205
Wanganui North	3	1	3	2	1			8	154	3	3	3	15		12		13	160
Gonville	3	1	1	2		3		3	93	2	6	3	6	3	4		2	90
Taihape	1	3	1			1		1	43		6		7		1		6	35
Inglewood	2	2	1	1		1		1	83			2	6	9	17			
Marton	1	3	1	1		1		1	68				2		2		20	60
Raetihi-Ohakune	1					1		1	22		2	1		1			12	20
Patea	2	1				1		1	45		3		5		2		4	35
TOTALS	44	28	23	16	14	5	2	66	2178	66	59	32	96	19	35	57	214	1716

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Napier	4		4	2	3			16	397	24	23	4	12		31		37	309
Hastings	2	3	2	1	2			10	332	16	7	1	8		14		38	189
Gisborne	3		2	1	1			6	225	17	2	5	2		12		10	175
Wairoa	1	3				1		3	53	2				3	1		11	53
Dannevirke	1	1	1	1	1			1	114	2	3	6	7	1	3		9	75
Woodville	1		1	1	1			2	105	2	1	1	4	3	5		13	110
Pahiatua	3	2	1	1	1			3	97	3	5	2	4		2		10	90
Palmerston N. (St. Paul's)	1	2	2	1	1		1	10	246	8	15	3	5	4	11		11	200
Palmerston N. (Cuba St.)	2		1	1	2			5	256	23	16	4	9	1	25		22	228
Ashurst-Bunnythorpe	3	1	1	1	1			2	112		5	10	5		20		4	82
Feilding	6	3	3	2	1	1		3	331	32		4	9	8	11		27	188
Sanson-Rongotea	3		2	1	1			2	157	15	4	4	5	1	9		6	145
Waipawa-Waipukurau	2	4	1			1		2	61		1	1	2	2	4		7	36
Foxton-Shannon	2	4	1	1		1		3	103		5	1	3	1			47	80
Apiti	2	2		1		1		3	66		2	1	11		10		5	25
Norsewood	2								53	5		1	3		1		3	20
TOTALS	38	24	21	16	15	5	1	69	2708	149	84	43	94	29	116	43	260	1996

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Wellington Central	3		3	2	4		1	5	401	18	37	5	48	6	4		53	370
Wellington West	3		3	2	3			8	295	16	19	3	11	4	17		40	290
Wellington South	1		2	1	2			1	138	2	5	5	2	2	2		26	150
Wellington East	5		2	3	3	1		8	440	28	14	1	43	7	9		33	352
Johnsonville-Ngaio	5	2	2	2	3		17	295	9	16	1	10	5	9		46	215	
Hutt	4	1	2	2	4		1	8	436	17	31	7	31	6	4		53	387
Upper Hutt	1	2		1	1		3	79	2	11	1	4		8		8	60	
Petone	2		1	1	1		1	1	121	6	4	4	6	19	19		24	100
Greytown-Featherston	2	2	2	1														



**GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1951  
NELSON DISTRICT.**

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Church Membership								No. of Baptisms	Communi-cants
									Members on Roll	Number Recd during Year			Number Removed from the Roll			On Probation		
										New Members	Transfers from other Churches	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend	Net Increase			
Nelson	2		4	1	3			12	331	28	39	8	27	4	28		19	260
Richmond	7		4	1	2			10	215	7	10	2	26		11		16	180
Motueka	1	4	3	1	1			7	116	2			3	1	2		5	60
Blenheim	8	10	4	4	3			13	396	8	7	4	6		5		50	230
Murchison	1	7				1		3	29	5	5		4		6		3	27
Westport	3	1	1	1	1			1	89	5	3		8				5	54
Reefton	2	1	1	1	1			1	66	1			1				4	49
Greymouth	2	4	1	1	1			1	195	30	9	2	10	2	25		7	131
Hokitika	1	2	1	1	1			1	54								4	51
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>1491</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>1032</b>

**NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**

Durham Street	2	1	3	2	9			6	473	19	30	8	30	9	2		22	560
Christchurch East	6	4	7	5	7			11	642	55	51	13	51	13	29		60	550
Cambridge Terrace	2		3	2	1			2	120	9		2	4	6	3		9	100
Woolston	5		5	2	3			4	336	14	26	11	23	1	5		42	285
Sydenham	2	1	3	2	1			5	174	4	10	3	9	29	27		10	160
Addington	1		1	1	1			2	170	2	6	6	73	10	81		16	120
Riccarton	4	1	4	1	2			4	215	6	7	5	10	1	47		23	190
St. Albans	3		3	2	5			10	499	15	16	9	8	9	5		22	382
Papanui	3		1	2	1	1	2	4	171	7	8	1	10	5	1		19	175
Lyttelton	1	2	1	1	1		1		58	3				1	2		1	56
Springston	7	1	3	2	2			6	139	17	3	3	10	5	2		15	100
Leeston	5		1	1	2			4	201	7	2	2	8	13		14	10	125
Kaiapoi	2		1	1	1			1	131			1	4			5	15	50
Ohoka	4		1	1		1		4	95		2	1	2	1	2		4	83
Rangiora	3		1	1	2			4	168	1	3	4	4	3		7	18	118
Woodend-Sefton	4		1	1	1				93	8		4	4				11	80
Greendale	2	5		1	1			6	87	2	1	1	3	3	4		7	60
Oxford	4	1	2	2	1			4	119	3	5	1			7		3	84
Harwarden	1	1							31	3	6	1	4		4		4	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>277</b>	<b>3922</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>3178</b>

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**

Ashburton	4	4	2	1				13	375	1	18	9	7	4	1		31	257
Willowby	6	3	2	2				4	144	2	8	2	4	4		12	60	
Geraldine	1	1	1	1					71		2	1	6		5		1	56
Temuka	1	1	1	1					81				2		2		3	50
Timaru (Banks St.)	1	1	1	1				2	223	15	13	1	9	9	2		17	185
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	2		1	1				2	280	10	8	5	7	2	4		33	220
Timaru South	3	1						1	74	2	1	2	1				3	60
Waimate	2		1	1				3	154	2	2	3	1	6	6		12	70
Oamaru	2		1	1					156	12	4	2	4		10		5	100
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>				<b>25</b>	<b>1558</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>1058</b>

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.**

Dunedin Central	3		2	2	2			10	264	2	14	4	12	6		6	6	175
Dunedin Central Mission	1	1	1	2	3		1	7	138	3	2	2	3	6		6	25	250
Dunedin North	3		3	1	1			4	150	17	8		8	7	10		16	120
Dunedin South	4		3	2	3			8	277		13	4	46	16		53	19	260
Corstorphine Union Church		1			1				6	6				6			6	6
Dunedin (St. Kilda)	3		1	1	3			1	174	10	57	1	15	8	43		24	133
Dunedin (Mornington)	1		1	1	1			5	154		4	4					4	100
Dunedin (Roslyn)	1		1	1	1	1		1	77		2	3	1	2		4	4	56
Port Chalmers	3		1	1	1			3	60								5	50
Milton	1	1	1	1	1			1	51		1		3			2	3	34
Roxburgh	3	1	1	1	1			1	55		1	2				1	14	61
Invercargill (Central)	2	2	2	1	1		1	2	300	6	13	2	14	1	2		20	200
Invercargill (St. Peter's)	3		1	2	1			1	208		4	4	6	6		12	14	180
Gore	2		1	2	1			2	107	4	6	2	3	2	3		2	100
Western Southland	7	1	1	1	1			3	133		4	2	7	2		7	20	67
Edendale	2	2		1		1		2	53	1		2	1	3		5		49
Waikouaiti	2			1		1			38		3					3		34
Bluff	2		1	1	1				68		1	1	3	2		5		25
Mosgiel	1	1		1	1				61	3	5				8		20	55
Balclutha	2	2		1		1		3	101	16		1	2	2	11		9	40
Lawrence	1	1		1					20			2				2		25
Cromwell	2	3	1	1		1		3	65	13	5		1		17		21	40
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>257</b>	<b>2560</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>2060</b>



GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1951

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS	Stipends, etc.					State of Finances at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Ministers specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling) additional to Annual Stipend	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Ownership of Car C. Minister M. Minister	Circuit		Trust Account Totals		
					Cr. Balance	Dr. Balance	Total Credit Balances (excluding balances held for special purposes)	Total Debit Balances	
	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Auckland Central	430 0 0			C		44 15 0	420 19 3	669 0 8	
	376 10 0		15						
	315 0 0		15	M					
	300 0 0		8 10 0	M					
Central Mission	400 0 0		100 0 0	M	46 7 0	5 9 4			
Auckland South	376 5 0		8	M		8 19 0			
	376 5 0		8	M					
Auckland West	376 0 0		52	M	55 19 6				
	226 0 0								
Auckland East	389 0 0	5	55	M	855 9 8		932 12 5		
	363 0 0	5	40	M					
	363 0 0	5	40						
	363 0 0	5	25						
Avondale	400 0 0		60	M	381 13 6		590 1 3	111 1 11	
	376 5 0		20						
	322 10 0		35	M					
Devonport	362 12 0		40	M	36 6 11		925 12 1		
Takapuna	376 4 4		72	M		5 1 4	167 9 3		
Birkenhead	402 0 0		70	M		40 3 1			
Onehunga	376 5 0		48	C	61 18 6		228 4 8		
Otahuhu	375 0 0				11 3 8		58 0 1		
Papatoetoe	322 10 0		25		126 4 9		107 19 5		
Papakura	363 2 6			M	102 14 10		62 15 0	67 11 2	
Pukekohe	378 2 6			C	195 7 10		164 5 7		
Waiuku	376 5 0			C	3 9 3		94 1 9		
Mahurangi	333 12 11		69 15 10	M	19 18 6		96 3 5		
North Waitemata	301 0 0		122	M		72 10 4	200 9 1		
	301 0 0		122	M					
Paparoa	322 10 0	125	125	M	35 3 11		67 8 9		
Dargaville				M	23 7 5		52 19 7	18 15 0	
Ruawai	402 10 0		120	M	32 17 11		85 12 2		
Whangarei	400 0 0		103	M	14 0 4		143 19 8	109 8 3	
Hikurangi	241 0 0			C	2 17 1				
Whangaroa	376 5 0			C	35 3 4		1 19 8		
Port Albert		6		C	41 14 9		215 19 11		
Kawakawa-Kaikohe	322 10 0			M	52 17 11		10 16 7		
Mangonui	375 0 0		150	M	3 1 10		58 8 0		
Hokianga	301 0 0		150	M	40 8 1				
Bombay-Tuakau	305 12 6		160	M			66 11 2		
Bay of Islands					73 10 5		158 10 5		
North Hokianga					105 13 11		60 18 10		
<b>TOTALS, 1951</b>	<b>12966 16 5</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1858 15 10</b>		<b>2273 4 11</b>	<b>258 3 10</b>	<b>5077 7 4</b>	<b>975 17 0</b>	

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Thames	343 14 0		40 0 0	M		11 4 3	58 0 11	
Hauraki Plains	300 0 0		59 7 1	M	43 12 6		165 19 6	
Paeroa	376 5 0				38 14 2		35 9 8	
Waihi	363 2 6		140 5 6	M	4 2 8		7 8 1	
Te Aroha	375 0 0		120 0 0	M	5 13 10		603 8 7	
Morrinsville	375 0 0	50	162 15 7	M	50 8 3		228 11 8	
Cambridge	363 0 0		62 0 0	M	117 19 2		16 7 6	
Hamilton	427 0 0		76 13 1	C	307 18 7		2434 10 11	
	415 0 0		100 0 0	M				
Raglan Union								
Hamilton East	405 0 0		98 13 0	C	103 4 8		158 14 8	
Huntly	235 0 0		205 0 0	C	64 3 5		11 10	
Matamata	400 0 0		120 0 0	M	47 14 4		47 0 3	
Putaruru	322 10 0		53 12 8	C		72 19 9		7 6 11
Rotorua	325 0 0		100 0 0	M		58 0 5	262 16 4	
Tauranga	405 0 0		100 0 0	C	54 17 4		194 14 4	
Whakatane	363 2 7		26 0 0	M	135 16 0		13 19 7	
Opotiki	322 10 0		100 0 0	M	74 9 7			394 9 7
Te Awamutu	376 5 0		91 13 6	C	55 13 7			1217 0 10
Otorohanga	363 2 1	35	75 0 0	C	49 12 3		116 13 4	
Te Kuiti	244 12 3		74 1 0	M	6 0 8		13 13 6	
Taumarunui	360 18 9		118 0 0	M		47 4 6		
Ohura	299 0 0		28 11 2		11 9 1		23 1 9	
Ngaruawahia	322 10 0				18 9 1		33 12 8	
Coromandel				C	11 3 8		27 13 4	
Kawhia	325 0 0		120 10 6	M	42 17 9			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>8407 12 2</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2072 3 1</b>		<b>1244 0 7</b>	<b>189 8 11</b>	<b>4442 8 5</b>	<b>1618 17 4</b>

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New Plymouth	425 0 0		50 0 0	M	100 0 0			
	375 0 0							
	246 0 0		40 0 0					
Waitara	376 0 0		73 0 0			13 0 6	26 6 11	
Stratford	402 0 0		128 0 0	M	62 15 0		88 5 2	19 2 3
Eltham-Kaponga	402 0 0					14 3 5	196 17 2	
Hawera	380 0 0		60 0 0	M	65 9 8		33 16 10	257 11 0
Manaia	350 0 0		50 0 0	M	64 10 8		1 19 11	1 17 2
	275 0 0			C		17 12 6	1727 11 1	



**GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1951  
NELSON DISTRICT.**

CIRCUITS	Stipends, etc.					State of Finances at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Ministers specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling) additional to Annual Stipend	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Ownership of Car C. Circuit M. Minister		Circuit		Trust Account Totals	
						Cr. Balance	Dr. Balance	Total Credit Balance (excluding balances held for special purposes)	Total Debit Balances
	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Nelson	400 0 0	26	45 0 0	C	105 12 10		587 4 5		
Richmond	376 5 0		125 0 0	M	5 9 2		29 18 8		
	200 0 0			M					
Moteuka	325 0 0		48 0 0	M	3 18 8		24 1 3		
Blenheim	406 0 0			C		189 14 1	737 5 0		
	381 0 0			C					
Murchison	242 0 0		4 0 0	M	62 5 7				
Westport	376 5 0		24 0 9	M		22 9 5	25 12 1		
Reefton	376 0 0					23 19 1	1 14 9		
Greymouth	376 5 0		70 0 0	M	17 11 7		278 7 7		
Hokitika	300 0 0			cycle		1 9 7	28 6 4		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3758 15 0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>316 0 9</b>		<b>194 17 10</b>	<b>237 12 2</b>	<b>1712 9 9</b>		

**NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**

Durham Street	470 0 0		100 0 0	M	299 7 9		580 16 8	
	414 0 0		50 0 0	M				
Christchurch East	400 0 0	2	40 0 0	M	19 4 6		1250 13 6	18 12 7
	375 0 0		25 0 0	M				
	375 0 0		30 0 0	M				
	375 0 0			M				
	375 0 0		50 0 0	M				
Cambridge Terrace	376 0 0		40 0 0	M	2 5 9		703 5 8	14 1 1
Woolston	376 5 0	2	26 0 0	M		5 16 3	533 11 9	166 6 8
	376 5 0		13 0 0					
	75 0 0		13 0 0					
Sydenham	402 10 0		44 0 0	M	9 13 8		735 15 6	
Addington	355 10 0	4	6 10 0	M	13 6 8			5 5 2
Riccarton	376 5 0		40 0 0	M	23 0 10		234 18 11	
	279 10 0							
St. Albans	429 8 10		46 0 0	M	27 6 5		362 9 2	143 0 8
	411 7 10		20 4 2					
	261 5 9		6 0 0					
Papanui	376 5 0		20 0 0	M	4 19 5		193 17 0	
Lytelton	325 0 0				20 19 8		187 4 0	
Springston	376 5 0		125 0 0	M	100 0 3		347 17 3	108 0 0
Leeston	375 0 0		70 0 0	M	54 10 8		193 1 7	
Kaiapoi	363 5 0		20 0 0	M	88 19 1		73 9 2	
Ohoka	300 0 0		80 0 0	M	30 9 2		72 9 1	5 0 8
Rangiora	363 0 0				67 18 4		139 7 8	
Woodend-Sefton	375 0 0		80 0 0	M	10 11 2		301 7 5	
Greendale	376 5 0		94 0 0	M	145 3 4		71 19 2	
Oxford	349 1 3		80 0 0	M		15 1 1	140 7 8	11 12 3
Hawarden					22 19 2			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10082 8 8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1118 14 2</b>		<b>940 15 10</b>	<b>20 17 4</b>	<b>6122 11 2</b>	<b>459 12 10</b>

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.**

Ashburton	390 0 0		125	M	53 19 11		409 11 2	
Willowby	367 0 0		100	M		1 4	168 6 10	
Geraldine	322 0 0				163 12 5			
Temuka	376 0 0		26	M	22 18 11			43 13 10
Timaru (Banks St.)	450 0 0		78	M	71 1 3		86 12 0	
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	396 0 0		75	M	11 19 4		13 4	
Timaru South	279 0 0		25	M		9 19 6	50 1 2	
Waimate	402 0 0			C	37 13 4		69 16 7	
Oamaru	376 0 0		40	M	15 1 4		1349 15 4	27 19 6
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3367 0 0</b>		<b>469</b>		<b>376 6 6</b>	<b>10 0 10</b>	<b>2134 16 5</b>	<b>71 13 4</b>

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.**

Dunedin Central	371 19 3		100	M		20 0 0		567 8 4
	371 19 3		12					
Dunedin Central Mission	400 0 0		100	M		1 2		5482 17 6
	376 5 0		100	M				
	241 17 6							
Dunedin North	373 10 10		64	M		49 10 4	8 17 4	
Dunedin South	380 0 0			M	49 9 8		92 11 3	9 10 11
	380 0 0		18					
Corstorphine Union Church	160 0 0		25					
Dunedin (St. Kilda)	376 5 0		25	M	7 3 1		14 13 7	4 8 6
	279 10 0		4					
Dunedin (Mornington)	212 6 0		23 6 8	M	121 6 0		40 0 8	
	51 0 0		17					
Dunedin (Roslyn)	325 0 0	13	12	M	53 14 3		65 4 7	
Port Chalmers	350 0 0		42	M		192 13 7	23 0 11	
Milton	313 10 0		20 7 6		29 17 8		37 14 8	
Roxburgh	337 10 0		102 10 0	M	18 1 1		80 17 1	
Invercargill (Central)	382 0 0		80	M	82 1 6	11 7 6	32 10 10	
	222 0 0							
Invercargill (St. Peter's)	365 8 4	25			108 9 5		251 1 5	
Gore	378 2 6		80	M	64 13 1		40 11 0	841 17 6
Western Southland	338 10 8		150	M	82 16 0		10 9	5 9 3
Edendale	321 0 0		60	M		19 6 8	13 18 7	
Waikouaiti	333 4 8		8 0 8		99 2 1			159 10 9
Bluff	299 0 0		40	M	82 12 9		75 11 1	392 0 0
Mosgiel	316 17 7		10		1 12 4		11 16 8	150 0 0
Balclutha	345 0 0				68 8 4			
Lawrence			88 2 0		67 8 3		25 16 0	
Cromwell	322 10 0		101 3 5	M	27 17 4		10 19 11	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>8925 6 7</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1282 10 3</b>		<b>881 16 10</b>	<b>202 19 3</b>	<b>1251 7 1</b>	<b>7453 12 0</b>



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