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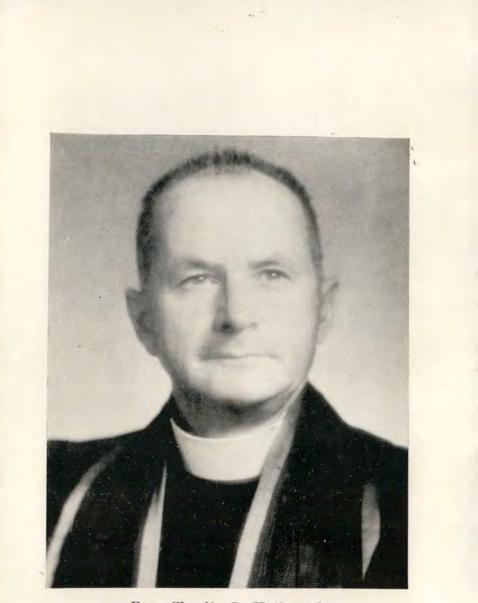
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The first Australasian Conference was held in Sydney in the year 1855.

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THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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THE TWENTY-FOURTH NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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Mr. E. Laurence F. Buxton was elected Vice-President and was welcomed to that office.

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G. S. Gapper

E. A. Woodfield W. E. Roberts

Mrs M. Robson Sister Marcia Powell Sister Margaret Taylor

Wera Couch Sister W. Bennett

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QUESTION II.—Who are now admitted nexion with the Conference ?	ed as Ministers in Full Con-
O. McLennan Olds	Idris J. Ruck
Who have travelled four y	
George G. Carter, M.A.	Harry I. Shaw
David W. Edmonds	Sydney J. Spindler
Loyal J. Gibson John A. Penman	John H. Thompson
John A. Penman	George R. Trebilco
Ian W. Reid	
Who have travelled three	years.
E. Raymond Le Couteur Who have travelled two	
QUESTION IIIWhat Preachers rem	ain on Probation ?
John R. Hall Who have travelled three	
Frederick J. K. Baker R. Leslie George	John H. Osborne
R. Leslie George	David G. Stubbs
Alan Newman	
Who have travelled two ye	ears.
Noel D. Billinghurst	Henry W. Kitchingman (see
Edward J. Boyd (see Q. V.)	Q. VI.)
Wilfred J. Cable (see Q. V.)	John C. F. Mabon (see Q.
Hughan M. Craig	VI.) Alan H. V. Newton
James F. Cropp (see Q. VI.) Arthur W. Dickie	Trevor L. Nicholls (see Q. V)
Eric R. Eastwood	Ruawai D. Rakena
John Grundy, B.A. (see Q IV.)	Percy P. Rushton (see Q. IV)
Ernest Heppelthwaite (see	Te Awha W. Tahere
Q. IV.)	David L. Trebilco
	Alexander C. Watson
	Renald H. Wood (see Q. V.)
Who have travelled one ye Also Edward G. P. Turner (see Q.	
QUESTION IV What Preachers are n	now received on Probation ?
William K. Abbott	Cuthbert F. Peart
Trevor L. Bennett	Frank S. Rigg
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Trevor L. Bennett John Grundy, B.A. (see Q. III.) Ernest Heppelthwaite (see Cuthbert F. Peart Frank S. Rigg Percy P. Rushton (see Q. III) Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. Neville Thornicroft

Q. III.) -QUESTION V.—What Students are to continue to have Theological Training?

Robert S. Andrews George L. Bennett Edward P. Boyd (see Q. III) Wilfred J. Cable (see Q. III) Ian D. Grant Bruce Scammell Muarice H. Downer Phyllis M. Guthardt Who are continued for a third year. G. Basil W. Bell Maurice H. Downer Phyllis M. Guthardt Who are time b for a third year. Brian M. Watson, B.Sc. Brian A. Walker, B.A. Broald H. Wood (see Q. III) John A. Ziesler, B.A. (who has permission to train at Richmond College). Trevor L. Nicholls (see Q. III.). Kenneth H. Russell Geoffrey E. Scarr Philip F. Taylor

Who are continued for a second year.

QUESTION VI.—What Candidates are now Received for Theological Training? Gordon D. Brough, B.A. James F. Cropp (see Q. III.) Q. III.)

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Wilfred S. Gilbert Frank G. Glen Richard J. Hamlin Henry W. Kitchingman (see Q. III.) Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc. John C. F. Mabon (see Q. III.)

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 ?

John Veo Bitibule.

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

None.

QUESTION XI.-(1) What Deaconesses are dedicated at this Conference?

Sisters Winnifred Bennett, Joyce Gribble and Mary Whitlow.

 What Deaconesses are placed on Probation ?
 Misses Doreen Bulford, Gwenda Kennedy, Kathleen Rogers.

(3) What Candidates are received for Deaconess Training? Misses Muriel Mavis McCormack and Beverley Taylor.

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

Fourth Year:	Second Year:	First Year:		
F. A. Fitzsimons	J. R. Hamlin	P. S. Barker		
I. J. Fowler	A. G. Reid	Wilfred S. Gilbert		
F. L. Johnson	May Rushton	R. W. Widdup		

QUESTION XIII.-What Ministers or Probationers have died since last Conference?

William W. Avery John F. Goldie Donald Haylock William H. Speer

Sylvester Keen (Home Missionary)

Also: Te Poo Kingi (Maori Home Missionary) Paraire Paraone Kena (Maori Home Missionary)

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WILLIAM W. AVERY.

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On 15th March, 1954 there passed from our midst our brother beloved, William W. Avery. Mr Avery was born in Blenheim and was accepted in 1902 as a Candidate for the Ministry. In 1910, when he was received into full connexion, he and his wife proceeded to Dobu, Papua, where he served for four years. This period abroad served to give him a deeper insight into Mission work, and his zeal for Missions never waned. For all of his ministry in New Zealand he acted as a District Foreign Mission Secretary, and has been a member of the Foreign Mission Board throughout that period.

His practical support of Missions has been extensive. A keen grower of daffodils, he has donated a great deal to the cause of Missions from the sale of bulbs. His expert knowledge of flowers has resulted in his frequent appointment as judge at shows throughout the country.

By choice, most of his appointments were in country districts, where he exercised a most gracious ministry.

For a time he was Chairman of the Taranaki-Wanganui District and the South Canterbury District, as well as having been Synod Secretary.

In his retirement he maintained a keen interest in Church life, and the Timaru circuits, in particular, are grateful for his assistance.

JOHN FRANCIS GOLDIE.

John Francis Goldie passed to his reward at Melbourne on 29th June, 1954, in the eighty-fourth year of his age and the fifty-eighth year of his ministry. Early experience in journalism, gained in his native Tasmania, prepared him for his later administrative, business and literary work. On conversion, all his talents were consecrated to the service of Christ. In Hobart, known as the boy preacher, he led many to Christ. Lay service in the Methodist Central Mission, Sydney, was followed by ministerial probation on the Queensland goldfields, where again his ministry was greatly blessed. With ordination, came his missionary call and appointment to the new field in the Solomon Islands.

On 23rd May, 1902, he began a work, which, under God, has proved one of the epics of the Christian Church. There were then no houses, no launches, no medical service, no schools, no wireless, no written language—only stark, untutored savagery. There was also the ever present Spirit of God, and a small band of missionaries to do His will. With their own hands they felled the forests, built the mission stations and sailed the seas. Languages were reduced to writing, medical work and orphan care were pioneered. By wisdom, love and devotion warring tribes were constrained to receive the Gospel. So, under God, John Goldie and his colleagues established the Church, of whose record we are so proud.

His singleness of purpose in the service of the people brought him, at times, into conflict with other interests in the islands. On such occasions, his statesmanship, courtesy, and strength of character were apparent, and won him finally a high place in the regard of both government and business circles there.

After 1922, when New Zealand Methodists became responsible for the Solomon Islands Mission, Mr Goldie came increasingly into close relations with our New Zealand Church and people. His visits accompanied by some of his young converts, exercised a powerful influence on all sections of New Zealand Methodism. Twenty-five years ago, Conference called him to the Presidency. On his retirement he was honoured further by life membership of the Foreign Mission Board, whose counsels he has enriched through more than thirty years. With Mr Goldie, New Zealand honoured Mrs Goldie also, "the sweet singer" who pioneered the hymns of our Solomon Islands Church.

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We are too near John Goldie's day for full appreciation of his work, but already his monument stands in the young Church in the Solomon Islands. The principles on which he founded his ministry have proved sound ones. Generations in the Western Selement Islands will be a call be blocked. Solomon Islands will rise up to call him blessed.

WILLIAM H. SPEER.

William H. Speer was born in Moruya, Bergalia, N.S.W., in 1874. In young manhood he was accepted as a fully accredited local preacher, and entered the Home Mission work. After five years' service in his home state, including a term on the staff of the Sydney Central Mission, Mr Speer came to New Zealand, joining the Home Mission Staff and taking up an appointment at Kaukapakapa. In 1908, while at Pahiatua, he was received by Conference as a Minister on Probation After ordination he served with faithfulness and 1908, while at ranatua, he was received by contener as a function on Probation. After ordination he served with faithfulness and acceptance in six circuits. His kindly nature and ready service commanded the Gospel he proclaimed. Never of robust physique, he was compelled in 1937 to seek respite from his labours, and in 1939 became a permanent Supernumerary. After a lengthy retirement his health failed markedly, and on February 18th, 1954, in his eightieth year, he was peacefully ushered into the Eternal Presence.

DONALD HAYLOCK.

Donald Haylock was born in Bradford, England, in January, 1913. He came to New Zealand at the age of seven receiving his education at Northcote. A quiet-natured boy, passionately fond of animals, he felt the urge to preach the Gospel while farming in the North, and entered the Home Mission work for two years in 1933.

In World War II, he served in the Middle East. After returning to New Zealand, still conscious of the call to preach, he entered Trinity College in 1945, after a year as Home Missionary Supply at Wairoa.

A Probationer in the Avondale and Taumarunui Circuits and ordained in 1949 he was appointed to the Te Awamutu Circuit, where he continued his fruitful Ministry until his death on July 30th, 1954.

Ever learning of God-the whole of life his class-room-he developed a disciplined and discerning mind, and exercised a most practical ministry, as promising as it was brief. A clear, concise preacher of God's Word; a careful pastor, quietly wise, with a great appeal to youth, he profoundly influenced the lives of many.

Now the Master's final call has come, he leaves our Church the richer for his gifts and service.

SYLVESTER KEEN.

Sylvester Keen was born at Port Albert, Victoria, on the 8th March, 1875. Converted at the age of 17 he shortly after trained as an officer of the Salvation Army. He then came to New Zealand to work among the Maori people and later entered the Home Mission work of the Methodist Church. In 1907 he married Miss Conradine Hare of Auckland and served as a Home Missionary until he retired to Otaki in 1939.

A diligent and effective pastor, Mr Keen will be remembered for his kindly and practical interest in his people and his strong convictions for the faith as he saw it. Exalting singleness of purpose in the Master's service and holiness of life, he inspired others by his complete dedication and his prayer-life.

In all his work he was ably partnered by his wife.

TE POO KINGI.

Methodism shares with the Maori people of Waikato their loss in the death of Te Poo Kingi on the eve of Conference, 1954. He was born at Whatawhata in 1882, being in direct line of male descent from Hoturoa, captain of the Tainui canoe. Because of this and his gifts of leadership, and as a repository of Maori lore, he exerted a wide influence amongst his people of Ngati Mahanga. Te Poo Kingi was a loyal supporter of the Maori King and a

Te Poo Kingi was a loyal supporter of the Maori King and a loyal servant of the Church, being made an Honorary Home Missionary in 1934. He always stood firmly for good things and with the quiet dignity of his rank sought to further the work of Methodism.

He was widowed only a few months before his own death and we rejoice in his reunion with a loved one whose life was also a profound influence for good.

PARAIRE PARAONE KENA.

Paraire Paraone Kena was received as an Honorary Home Missionary in 1938. As a Christian leader and preacher he was recognised for his firmness and grace. He represented the district at meetings of the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches. His influence and interest in the welfare of his people was a particular feature of his life. Paraire was an able and successful sheep farmer and his sudden death in a tragic motor accident on August 28th, 1954, deprived us of a man with many gifts. The hui or mourning which was held at Pouto, Kaipara Heads and culminated at the funeral ceremony was the biggest ever held there. Paraire Paraone Kena was a highly esteemed and respected Christian citizen. To his bereaved widow and family go the love, prayers and sincere sympathy of the Church.

QUESTION XIV.-What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries ?

Charles H. Laws, B.A., D.D. Henry L. Blamires Fred Greenwood Arthur Hopper T. Arthur Pybus Walter J. Oxbrow Arthur J. Seamer 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 Ernest D. Patchett Charles M. Roberts William Walker Ernest O. Blamires Fred Copeland Charles Blair 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. Archer O. Harris Charles H. Olds, B.A. James Richards

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

Oswald Burnet John Dennis Alfred E. Jefferson Charles H. Kendon Ngatete K. Kukutai Eruera Te Tuhi Matarae Tauroa

QUESTION XV.—What Ministers now become Supernumeraries ? Cecil R. Taylor Alfred M. Costain Ernest E. Sage

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ALFRED MOORE COSTAIN.

Alfred Moore Costain was born into a Methodist home, rich in Christian traditions, in the Isle of Man, in 1890. He came to New Zealand in 1913, entering the ranks of our Home Missionaries shortly after, and serving at Ohura. At the Conference of 1916 he was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry and was ordained at Con-ference of 1923. Since then he has served in nine Circuits.

He has filled many Connexional appointments, among them that He has filled many Connexional appointments, among them that of Conference precentor, Secretary of District, and Chairman of the North Canterbury District. He has been a preacher of more than average gifts and a discerning friend and pastor to his people. Mr Costain has always taken an interest in property matters and at the time of his retirement was the Chairman of the Church Build-ing and Loan Fund Committee. Possessed of a fine baritone voice, he has given pleasure to many by his singing.

In 1921 he married Miss E. A. Clark, of the Isle of Man and Liverpool, and she has been his eager partner throughout the years, in the work of the Church.

Into their retirement at Picton they carry with them the good wishes of a wide circle of friends. We thank God for a faithful ministry.

ERNEST E: SAGE.

Ernest E. Sage was born at Ashburton in 1890. In 1913 he was a Candidate for the Ministry and was Ordained in 1920. Since then he has served in nine Circuits, five years in each of four and seven years in his last Circuit. Noteworthy characteristics of his ministry are the erection of new buildings and his interest in work As a world of his indexed youth work. As a result of his influence among youth, several young men have entered the ministry. For four years he was Synod Sec-retary. Since 1936 he has been a member of the Board of Examiners and has been District Home Mission Secretary.

Mrs Sage, a daughter of the late Rev. J. and Mrs Blight, has taken her full share of circuit work. Mr Sage has never spared himself in the work of the ministry and both he and Mrs Sage have well earned a happy retirement and the deep respect and thanks of the Church.

CECIL RICHARD TAYLOR.

Cecil Richard Taylor was born at Shropshire, England, on 26th August, 1892, coming to New Zealand with his parents in 1895.

Though nurtured in the Church of England of which his father was a clergyman, Cecil Taylor came under the influence of Methodism during his service in World War I. He was received as a candidate

for the Ministry in 1923 and was ordained at the Conference of 1928.

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Mr Taylor's gifts were revealed in secretarial duties, being a member of Conference Secretarial Staff for four years, as well as District Secretary in the South Auckland, North Canterbury and South Canterbury Districts, serving in all 21 years. Mr Taylor's ministry has also been marked by sincerity, conscientiousness and loyalty to God and His Church, a loving zeal in service to his congregations and to the community in general.

In 1926 Cecil Taylor married Miss M. I. Armitage, who has been an able helpmeet to him over the years.

For health reasons Mr Taylor has found it necessary to retire earlier than he anticipated, and we wish for him renewed health, and much blessing during retirement.

QUESTION XVI.-What Supernumeraries return to Regular Work? None.

QUESTION XVII.-What Home Missionaries are to be-

(a) Retained on the Retired List?

A. L. Witheford H. Ashworth J. W. Bayliss W. Sussex T. W. Featherstone W. H. Wilson

H. J. Malcolm W. E. Sleep R. T. Alexander Roy Coombridge Cyril Robinson

(b) Placed on Retired List?

QUESTION XVIII.-What Ministers or Probationers have permission to rest during the year?

John Churchill

John D. Grocott, B.A. (who is premitted to serve with the Council for Christian Education.) Edward G. P. Turner

QUESTION XIX .- What Ministers are "left without Pastoral Charge" ?

William A. Mills

R. Hori Pratt, B.A.

QUESTION XX .- Is any Minister or Probationer Designated for Foreign Missions? No.

QUESTION XXI .- What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or receive from any other Conference? None.

QUESTION XXII.-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 XXIII .- What Persons who were in Full Connexion now cease to be recognised as Ministers of the Conference? None.

QUESTION XXIV .- 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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Assistant Secretary: Rev. A. R. Witheford, B.A.

Principal Theological College: Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.

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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. H. E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.

English Bible (O.T.)-Rev. W. R. Francis, B.A., B.D.

English Bible (N.T.)-1st year: Rev. A. K. Petch, B.A. Rev. R. E. Patchett. 2nd year: 3rd year: Rev. L. Greenslade.

Theology: 1st cycle: Rev. J. D. Grocott, B.A. 2nd cycle : Rev. R: Thornley, M.A., Dip,Soc.Sc. 3rd cycle : Rev. W. J. Morrison, M.A.

Wesley's Sermons-Rev. E. E. Sage.

Methodism-Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore, B.A.

Religious Education-Rev. W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A.

Religion and Psychology-Rev. Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph.D.

Social Ethics-Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade.

Comparative Religion-Rev. R. F. Clement, M.A.

Pre-Collegiate Course-

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N.T.: Rev. A. K. Petch, B.A.

O.T. and Homiletics: Rev. W. A. Chambers, M.A.

Theology (Clarke's Outline)-Rev. V. R. Jamieson.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Tutors in Theology.

1st Cycle 2nd Cycle 3rd Cycle	 			Rev. H. C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. Rev. G. V. Thomas, B.A. Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
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1955	·····	*****		Rev. W. Parker, M.A., B.D.
1956				Rev. L. P. Schroeder, B.A.

Rev. O. T. Woodfield

(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.I).					
Pastoral Theology-						
(a) Homiletics Rev. L. C. Horwood						
(b) Pastoral Practice Rev. W. E. Allon Carr						
(c) Religious Education Rev. M. A. McDowell						
O.T. Theology Rev. W. R. Francis, B.A.,						
B.D.						
N.T. Theology Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.I).					
(C) Examiners for Candidates.						
Bible Knowledge I Rev. J. C. Draper						
Bible Knowledge II Rev. F. J. Handy						
Theology Rev. L. F. Bycroft						
(D) Examiners for Home Missionaries.						
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Chunch Histowy Day A D Down						
Hamilatian Por A T Johnston						
Tutors in Bible Knowledge.						
1st Year Rev. H. I. K. Hopper, B.A.						
2nd Year Rev. B. H. Riseley						
3rd Year Rev. L. T. Horwell						
4th Year Rev. A. H. Ivory, LL.B.,						
B.Com.						
(E) Examiner for Native Probationers.						
Rev. A. O. Harris.						
(F) Examiners for Local Preachers.						
Bible Knowledge Rev. H. K. Brown						
Theology Rev. C. H. Bell, B.A.						
Homiletics Rev. A. T. Kent						
Chunch Histowy Day H W Downe						
Old Testament Por I C Hanna						
New Testament Rev. J. H. Woolford, M.A.						
English Rev. D. G. Sherson, B.A.						
Psychology Rev. J. B. Dawson, B.A.						
Homiletics Rev. A. T. Kent						

(1) COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS.

Either-A. Hebrew Old Testament. 1.

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 and Hosea. 2nd year: Ezekiel.

3rd year: Job and Psalms (Selection).

Study and Reading to be directed by Examiner.

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A. Greek New Testament. Section for 1955 (from N.Z. B.D. course Stage I). Twelve chapters selected from St. Mark's Gospel (1-12 inclusive). (First year selection six chapters.)

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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 (Moffatt Commentary), and Wm. Temple's "Readings in St. John".
2nd year: Romans. C. H. Dcdd (Moffatt Comm.).
3rd year: Hebrews. Peake (Century Bible), and Pastoral

- Epistles (Moffatt Commentary).
- THEOLOGY A. For 1955-1st Cycle: "God, Man, Sin." 3.
 - As for B.D. Stage II, Paper A, with the addition of the word "systematic"-viz., "A branch of Biblical, Historical, and
 - "systematic "-viz., "A branch of Biblical, Historical, and Systematic Theology"; with reading as follows:--Ist 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. For 1955-1st Cycle (a two-hour paper.)

1st cycle : Salvation by Faith.

Justification by Faith. Scriptural Christianity. The Almost Christian.

The Righteousness of Faith. The Way to the Kingdom. 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. Christian Perfection. Original Sin.

The New Birth. Self-Denial. The Use of Money

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- 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.

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2nd year : One of the following :-

- 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 are required 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 Rev. J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., 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 may 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.
- (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, including all Text Books read. 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.

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.

II.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR NATIVE PROBATIONERS. FIRST YEAR.

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

SECOND YEAR.

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

THIRD YEAR.

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

FOURTH YEAR.

- 1. Bible : St. Paul's Teaching (Guild T. Books).
- 2. Wesley's Sermons, 13-20, 40, 45 and 44. (Forty-four Sermons.) 3. Fitchett's "What Methodism Stands For".
- 4. Stalker's "Life of Christ".

III.-COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS.

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- 1.-Old Testament.
 - (a) Elementary Hebrew (selected students only) 1 period weekly Further stages at University College.
 - (b) Old Testament Introduction and Exegesis. Combined class, 1 period weekly. 1st year-Historical Books and General. 2nd year-Psalms and Wisdom Literature. 3rd year—Prophetic Literature. Detailed exegesis of selected passages.
 - (c) Old Testament Teaching. Combined class, 1 period weekly. 1st year-General Outline of Old Testament Teaching. 2nd year-Psalms and Wisdom Literature. 3rd year-Teaching of the Prophets.
- 2.-New Testament.
 - (a) New Testament Greek.

Junior Year-Grammar. 2 periods weekly.

Intermediate-Grammar and Syntax,, Easy Translation. 2 periods weekly.

Senior-Translation with exegisis of passages selected from books dealt with in Introduction, 3 periods weekly.

(b) Introduction, including authorship, date, place of origin, literary characteristics, contents in English, canon; combined class, 1 period weekly.

1st year-Synoptic Gospels.

2nd year-Paul and the Pauline Epistles.

3rd year-Johannine Literature and other Epistles.

- (c) New Testament Exegesis in English. 1st and 2nd years together-Passages selected from books dealt with in Introduction, 1 period weekly.
- (d) New Testament Theology. Combined class, 1 period weekly. A three-year course, material divided as in Introduction.
- 3.—Theology.
 - (a) Systematic Theology. Combined class, 2 periods weekly. 1st year—God, Man, Sin. Define religion and theology. Branches of theology. Authority; Church, Bible and Experience.

Our Knowledge of God, through direct apprehension, through faith, through reason, through revelation. General and Special Revelation. Progressive. God and the world. Natural and supernatural. Miracles, Prayer and Providence. Problem of Evil. Doctrine

of the Trinity.

Christian Doctrine of Man, created and "fallen." His nature and constitution. Freewill and Predestination. Humanism.

Inadequate explanations. "Original Sin" and "Total Sin. Depravity". Guilt. Origin and effects of sin.

Nature and persistence of evil.

2nd year—Person of Christ. The Synoptic portrait. A "proper" man. The Messiah. Inaugurates the Kingdom. Son of Man, Son of God; Authority; Sinlessness; Miracles; Virgin Birth; Resurrection. Johannine Christology. Outline of historical Christology. Modern theories (1) Classical, (2) Built on kinship between God and man, (3) Kenotic theories. Summary.

Work of Christ-Atonement in world contemporary with N.T. Need for (1) Deliverance (2) Reconciliation with God. Brief sketch of atonement doctrines. The Greek Fathers, Anselm and the "Latin" theory, Abelard, Reformation developments, Grotius. Types of modern doctrine (1) Penal and Substitutionery (2) Moral Influence theories (2) Classical (4) Representative Summary A short (3) Classical (4) Representative. Summary. A short course on modern cults.

- 3rd year-The Holy Spirit. Brief sketch of N.T. doctrine and Fathers. The Spirit and the Trinity. Evidence of the Living God; Agent in Conversion, Regeneration and Sanctification; Inspiration of the Scriptures, Personal Agent in Sacramental grace. Doctrines of Grace. Repentance, Saving Faith, Regeneration, Conversion For-giveness, Justification, Sonship and Adoption, Salvation, personal and social. Election and Predestination. Perseverance, Sanctification, Christian Perfection.
- The Church. Marks of the Church. Types of Church Polity. Methodist Churchmanship. Doctrine of the Ministry. Nature of a Sacrament. The Christian Sacraments. Baptism. Infant Baptism today. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, historically considered and in modern Methodist practice.
- The Last Things. Primitive ideas of life after death. Old Last Things. Primitive ideas of life after death. Old Testament. Between the Testaments. The mind of Our Lord in Synoptics and 4th Gospel. Paul. Eschatology in the Early Church. Chiliasm. The modern reaction. The Parousia. Is there a life after death? Where or what are Heaven and Hell? "Resurrection of the Body." Judgment. Leckie's "Optimist, Pessimist and Mediat-ing theories," Universalism, Eternal Punishment and Conditional Immortality. Conditional Immortality.
- (b) Christian Ethics-Combined class, 2nd and 3rd years together, in alternate years, 1 period weekly.
 - Ethics as a branch of philosophy, and relation to Christian Ethics. The reality and growth of moral judgments. Survey of Types of Ethical Theory. The Natural Law. Conflict of Duties. Distinctive contribution made by Jesus Christ. Our Duty to God. Formalism and Rigorism. Our Duty to Ourselves. Our Duty to Our Neighbour. Some problems of personal and social ethics in the light of Christian teaching and experience.

4.—Church History.

Combined class, 1 period weekly. 1st year-To 1500 A.D.

2nd year—1500 A.D. to present time. Ecumenism. 3rd year—Methodism, origins and world development.

5.—Pastoral Theology.

(a) Pastoral Theology I. First year students, 1 period weekly. Elementary Homiletics.

Religious education. The nature of man. Heredity and Environment.

Main learning processes, automatic, emotional and insightful. Application to religious education. The Family Church.

Evangelism and Youth.

Pastoral Theology II. Combined class, 2nd and 3rd years, alternate with Theology III, 1 period weekly.

What to preach. Needs of this age. The main emphases of Scripture applied to contemporary needs. Methods of Propaganda. The Sermon.

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Pastoral Theology III. 2nd and 3rd years together, as above, 1 period weekly.

The prime importance of the pastoral task. Visiting. Methods and aims and hints. Abnormal psychology as related to pastoral practice.

Pastoral Theology IV. 2nd and 3rd years, alternates with Christian Ethics class, 1 period weekly.

Christian Worship, Principles and brief history of worship.

Methodist worship. The Order of Worship considered in detail. Special Services. Sacraments, Weddings, Funerals, etc.

Methodist Law and Polity. Connexionalism. How Methodism Works. Conduct of meetings.

- (b) Criticism Service, 1 period weekly.(c) Sermon Criticism Class, 1 period weekly.
 - This includes some attention to radio technique.
- (d) Voice Production, 1 period weekly.

IV.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES.

- Bible Knowledge I: A General Knowledge of the Old and New 1. Testaments: Text Books, Maclear's Primer (N.T.) and "Preparation for Christ in the O.T.) (Welch).
- Bible Knowledge II: A detailed knowledge of the following books 2. of the Bible:—I and II Kings, Hosea, Malachi, Luke, Acts of the Apostles, Galatians. (No questions on Introduction to be set).

Theology .- Text Book: Christian Foundations, Maldwyn Hughes 3. (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 selected passages in Notes on the New Testament; and to note that one question on these selected pas-sages will be included in the Candidates' written Theology examination.

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.
- History .- Warner and Martin's "Groundwork of English History". 3. 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.—"What a Christian believes and Why?" Hunter. (Whole book).

- Bible Knowledge .- "The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testa-3. ment." Adam Welch. Homiletics.—"Manual for Preachers." W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D.
- 4. "The Craft of Sermon Construction." Sangster.

SECOND YEAR

- English .- "A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). 1. Part I, Chs. 7-12. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke.
- 2. Pp. 1-181.
- Bible Knowledge .- "The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ." J. S. 3. Stewart.
- Church History .- "The Story of the Church." Church of Scotland 4. Series.
- Homiletics.—"Heralds of God." J. S. Stewart. "The Craft of Sermon Illustration." Sangster. 5.

THIRD YEAR

- English.-"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). 1. Part II, Chs. 1-6.
- Theology .- "An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. 2. Pp. 182-368.
- Bible Knowledge .- "The Religious Ideas of the Old Testament." 3. Wheeler Robinson. Homiletics.—"A Preacher's Handbook." Lewis. Book 1. (Epworth
- 4. Press.)

FOURTH YEAR

- English .- "A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). 1. Part II, Chs. 7-11.
- Theology .-. "An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. 2. Pp. 369-427. "Christian Doctrine." J. S. Whale. Bible Knowledge.—"Introducing the New Testament." A. M.
- 3. Hunter. (S.C.M. Press.) Homiletics.—"A Preacher's Handbook." Book 2. Lewis. (Epworth
- 4. Press.)
- Church History .- "Our Methodist Heritage." Henry Carter. 5.

Bible Knowledge shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors, marks being assessed as follows: Correspondence work 50; Examination 50. Each tutor appointed shall send out study papers for five consecutive months beginning in mid-March. He shall mark the work sent in and return the corrected work with suitable guidance. (Maximum marks for each study paper, 10.) Each tutor shall keep full records of each individual case, and on or before 1st September shall forward a complete report to the Assistant-Secretary of the Board of Examiners.

VII—COURSE OF STUDIES—DEACONESSES.

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.

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Theology .- "What a Christian Believes, and Why" (Hunter), chapters 1-6.

Church History .- "A First Church History" (Vera Walker), S.C.M., pp. 1-202. Old Testament.—"The Old Testament Writers and their Messages"

(Healing), chapters 1-11.

New Testament.—"Introducing the New Testament" (A. M. Hunter); "Understandest Thou" (Fraser).

English.—"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), chapters 7-12.

Church History .- "A First Church History" (Vera Walker), S.C.M., pp. 203-264; "A Charge to Keep" (Frank Baker), parts 1-4. Old Testament.—" The Old Testament Writers and their Messages"

Old Testament.— The Old Testament.— (Healing), chapters 12-18.
New Testament.—"St. Mark" (A. M. Hunter); and "Epistle to the Galatians" (J. A. Allan). (Both in Torch Commentaries.)
Galatians" (J. A. Allan). (Both in Torch Commentaries.)

English.—" 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.

1. General Bible Knowledge. Text Book: "The Book Supreme"-J. I. Brice (Epworth Press). (Two-hour Paper.)

2. Theology: "What a Christian Believes and Why" (Hunter). (Two-hour Paper.)

3. Homiletics.-

(a) "The Craft of Sermon Construction"-Sangster.

(b) "Heralds of God"—Stewart.
(c) "The Conduct of Worship ". (Study notes available from Assistant-Secretary Board of Examiners. Price 1/-.) (Threehour Paper.)

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 Meeting before he is granted status.

DATES OF EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations for 1955 shall commence on the following dates: Probationers.-Tuesday, May 17th and Tuesday, September 13th. Tutorials for Probationers .- Greek, February 1st. Theology, June 1st.

Candidates for Ministry.-Tuesday, July 19th.

Home Missionary Probationers .- Tuesday, September 13th.

Bible Knowledge Tutorials for H.M. Probationers .- Monday, March 14th.

Deaconess Entrance.-Tuesday, August 9th.

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.

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1. That at the beginning of each year a Pastoral letter, over the signatures of the President of Conference and the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, be forwarded to all Probationers.

2. That the Board of Studies clarify regulations as to what constitutes a pass for a student, and submit the findings to next Conference.

3. That the Oral Examiner for 1955 be Rev. W. J. Morrison, M.A.

4. That Conference congratulate Rev. W. A. Chambers on gaining the M.A. degree, Revs. H. D. Besant, W. F. Ford and L. M. Tauroa on gaining the B.A. degree, and that these be printed in the Minutes of Conference.

5. That Student Brian A. Walker, B.A. be allowed to proceed to England in 1955 for a two-year course of study in connection with Richmond College with a view to securing the London B.D., and that this permission be conditional on his undertaking to complete his training (i.e. to proceed to Probation) in New Zealand.

6. That Student T. L. Nicholls be permitted to travel and study overseas under conditions to be determined by the Board of Studies.

7. Candidates: That Law Book p. 83, para. 424b, be amended to read:—"The School Certificate shall be the minimum academic qualification of candidates, with the exception of those who are married Home Missionaries over 25 years of age."

8. That Law Book p. 13, para. 79, be amended to read:—" Declare that he has read the required passages in Wesley's Notes on the New Testament, and the Standard Sermons etc."

9. That the Board of Studies make a selection of suitable passages and that the Examiner in Theology be asked to include one question based on these selections in the theology paper.

10. That the attention of Superintendents and Candidates be drawn to John Lawson's "Selections from John Wesley's Notes on the New Testament".

11. Law Book, page 81, para. 406.-Probationers:

"That the following be added.—"That for non-Collegiate Probationers there be appointed by the Conference, personal tutors who shall guide and assist them in their studies."

12. Law Book, page 15, para. 95. Amend to read.—" Probationers who have completed the full College Course-shall conduct a Trial Service each year of their Probation."

13. That in view of the shortening of the term of Probation and also of the great value to the student of the preparation of a thesis, a thesis be required from each ordained minister within two years of ordination.

14. That at the District Ministerial Committee of Synod, the question be asked.—" What theses are due from Ministers within the District?"

15. That there be included in the Minutes of Conference each year a list of theses submitted.

16. That a Committee be appointed to investigate the Constitution and function of the Examination Committee and to report to the Examination Committee of next Conference.

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17. That the Committee be Revs. W. A. Burley, M.A., W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D., L. Greenslade, H. C. Matthews, B.A. (Convener) with Revs. E. W. Hames, M.A., H. L. Fiebig, B.A., G. R. Harris, A. R. Witheford, B.A., and Dr. W. G. Slade as corresponding members.

18. That the following be referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee: That the welfare and efficiency of the Ministry and a supply of sufficient suitable Candidates being essential to the well being and progress of the Church, a WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY COMMITTEE be instituted and that the Committee deal with matters relevant to:---

(a) Assisting in the recruitment of Candidates;

(b) The welfare and efficiency of the Ministry and its work.

19. That the question of an X-ray examination of Candidates be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board for consideration.

20. That the Assistant-Secretary, Rev. A. R. Witheford, B.A., be thanked for his services and re-appointed.

21. That the Secretary, Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A., be thanked for his services and re-appointed.

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

AUCKLAND:

Albany: That the name "Albany" be deleted from the list of Home Mission Stations.

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

AUCKLAND: Birkenhead:

That the staffing be an Ordained Minister and a Single-Probationer.

SOUTH AUCKLAND: Putaruru:

That the staffing be an Ordained Minister and a Single Probationer.

Hamilton East: That the staffing be an Ordained Minister and a Single Probationer.

Huntly: That the staffing be an Ordained Minister.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

New Plymouth: That the staffing be three Ordained Ministers. Marton: That Marton be constituted a Circuit and the staffing be an Ordained Minister.

NELSON:

Hokitika: That the staffing be a Single Probationer.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Edendale: That the staffing be a Single Probationer.

QUESTION XXVI.—(a) To what Circuits are additional Preachers to be appointed? None.

QUESTION XXVI.—(b) From what Circuits are Preachers to be Withdrawn? None.

QUESTION XXVII.—What New Stations are now constituted. SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Kawerau: (a) That Kawerau be constituted a Circuit;

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(b) That the Kawerau Circuit include Kawerau, Murapara, Kaingaroa, Galatea;

(c) That the staffing be a married Ordained Minister.

Special Resolutions: (1) That owing to the urgency of establishing and developing the work of the Church in important and rapidly growing housing areas in city, town and country, and because opportunities of developing strong causes have been lost owing to the lack of suitable staffing, and because a number of stations have been staffed for long periods at considerable cost with little appreciable result, growth or prospect, the Stationing Committee consider recommending the withdrawal of agents from some stations in order that additional new appointments may be made and urgent vacancies be filled.

(2) That such a survey be continued by District Executives with a view to using our manpower to the best possible advantage, and that the Executives report to Synods and Conference.

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

Huntly is due, and fulfils its obligation.

Morrinsville (2nd) is due, and is relieved for another year. Hauraki Plains is due, and is relieved for another year. Taihape is due, and is relieved for another year. Wairoa (H.B.) is due, and is relieved for another year.

Riccarton (2nd) is due, and is relieved for another year. Timaru South is due, and is relieved for another year. QUESTION XXIX.—How are the Ministers and Probationers of the Conference Stationed for the Ensuing Year?

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LIST OF STATIONS

OF THE

Methodist Church of New Zealand

President-REV. CHARLIE O. HAILWOOD. Vice-President-Mr. E. LAURENCE F. BUXTON. Secretary-REV. GORDON R. H. PETERSON.

STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1955.

(N.B.-Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 148 and [1] to [10] 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.)

1.—AUCKLAND DISTRICT

- Auckland Central-Robert Thornley, M.A., Dip.Soc.Sc., Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D., (Kingsland), One Wanted (St. Jude's Rich-mond Road), A Deaconess. 1.
- The Foreign Mission Department-Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed., (Gen. Sec.).
- The Home Mission Department-George I. Laurenson (Gen. Supt.), Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A., (Asst. Supt.), Harold A. Darvill, (Maori Missionary), Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup), Acting-Senior Maori Superintendent.

Youth Department-Youth Director (see Question 30).

- Auckland Central Mission—A. Everil Orr, M.B.E., One Wanted, Arthur J. Seamer, C.M.G. (Sup.), Leslie B. Neale, M.B.E., B.A., (Sup.), Two Deaconesses. 2.
- 3. Auckland South-W. E. Allon Carr, Allan J. Handyside (Roskill) Walter Parker, (Sandringham), George P. Hunt (Sup.)
- 4. Auckland West-Harris Whitfield, One Wanted.
- 5. Auckland East-L. Gordon Hanna, Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., Auckland East—L. Gordon Hanna, Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., Joseph C. Draper, Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D., John H. Os-borne, One Wanted, Charles H. Laws, B.A., D.D., (Foundation Fellow of Trinity College) (Sup.), William Walker, E.D. (Sup.), Edwin S. Harkness (Sup.), Ernest D. Patchett (Sup.), James W. Parker (Sup.), Arthur H. Scrivin, (Sup.) Epsom Orphanage; Chaplain, L. Gordon Hanna. Trinity Theological College; Eric W. Hames, M.A., Tutor in Systematic Theology and Church History, Principal; David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D., Tutor in Pastoral Theology and Resident Tutor; John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Tutor in Biblical Languages, Literature and Teaching.

Auckland (Avondale)—George E. Brown, Ernest B. Chambers (Avondale) Frank E. Leadley (Sup.), Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt. D. (Fellow of Trinity College), (Sup.), Fred Copeland, (Sup.), Henry J. Odell (Sup.), Ernest E. Sage (Sup.), Mt. Albert Orph-6. anage: Chaplain, George E. Brown.

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- Auckland (Henderson)-Donald G. Sherson, B.A., Percy I. Cooke 7. (Sup.)
- Auckland (Devonport)-William M. Garner, E. Percy Blamires 8. (Sup.)
- Auckland (Takapuna-W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A., One Wanted, 9. William Gatman (Sup.), Albert Blakemore (Sup.), John Dennis (Sup.).
- 10. Auckland (Birkenhead)-Athol R. Penn, One Wanted.
- 11. Onehunga-Albert Jolly, One Wanted.
- 12. Otahuhu-Harry S. Kings.
- Papatoetoe-John Silvester, M.A., Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.) 13.
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- Papakura—J. Francis Jack, Percy P. Rushton. Pukekohe—Thomas Skuse (who shall supervise the Bombay-Tuakau Circuit), Wesley Training College, Paerata: Principal, 15. Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed. Bombay-Tuakau-Neville Thornicroft.
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- 17. Waiuku-Clarence T. J. Luxton.
- 18. North Waitemata-Ivan J. Clucas, a Home Missionary.
- Mahurangi—George R. Trebilco.
 Paparoa—John H. Thompson.
- Dargaville—John H. Bailey, A Home Missionary (Te Kopuru). Ruawai—A. Wharton E. Silvester (Medal of Merit, U.S.A.) 21.
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- 23. Whangarei-J. Henry Allen (who shall supervise Hikurangi Circuit).
- 24. Hikurangi-One Wanted.
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- Whangaroa—E. Raymond Le Couteur (Kaeo). Port Albert—J. Stanley Olds, One Wanted, (Wellsford). Kawakawa-Kaikohe—Edmond S. Stewart, John Churchill (Rest-27. ing), A Home Misionary (Kawa Kawa). 28. Mangonui—A Francis Attwood. 29. Hokianga—H. David Besant, B.A.

- 30. North Hokianga-One Wanted.
- MAORI MISSION-
- [1] Auckland—

Ranginohoora Rogers, Rua Rakena (Waima) Matarae Tauroa (Sup.). Ngatete K. Kukutai (Sup.), 13 Home Missionaries, 6 Deaconesses.

BAY OF ISLANDS-A Home Missionary.

COLPORTEUR WORK-A Home Missionary.

ERIC W. HAMES, M.A., Chairman of the District. J. HENRY ALLEN, Deputy-Chairman

ERNEST B. CHAMBERS, Financial Secretary.

II—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

- 31. Thames-Samuel J. Werren, Frank Bateup (Sup.)
- 32. Hauraki Plains-One Wated.
- 33. Paeroa-Robert McGregor, Walter J. Enticott (Sup.)
- Waihi-Douglas H. Burt. 34.
- 35. Te Aroha-Norman W. Olds.
- 36. Morrinsville-Harold K. Brown, One Wanted.
- Cambridge-Ivo M. Raynor, Charles H. Olds, B.A., (Sup). 37.
- 38. Hamilton-William R. Francis, B.A., B.D., Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A. One Wanted, Robert B. Tinsley (Sup.), Raglan Union Church-Cong. Appointment.

- 39. Hamilton East-Charles B. Oldfield, One Wanted.

- Hamilton East—Charles B. Oldfield, One wanted.
 Huntly—Sidney J. Spindler.
 Matamata—Charles H. Bell, B.A.
 Putaruru—Cuthbert F. Peart, One Wanted.
 Rotorua—Gordon V. Thomas, B.A., Walter J. Oxbrow (Sup.), Harold A. Sharp (Sup.)
 Tauranga—Arthur T. Kent (who shall supervise Opotiki and Whakatane Circuits), Two Wanted, Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.)

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- 45. Whakatane-One Wanted.
- 46. Opotiki-One Wanted.
- 47. Te Awamutu-Leslie A. G. Brooks (who shall supervise the Taumarunui and Ohura Circuits), William A. Mills (Without Pastoral Charge).
- 48. Otorohanga-James H. Hall (who shall supervise the Te Kuiti Circuit).
- 49. Te Kuiti-Alan H. V. Newton, A Home Missionary.
- 50. Taumarunui-Hughan M. Craig.
- 51. Ohura-Arthur W. Dickie. 52. Kawerau-Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph. D. (Industrial Chaplain)
- [2] Waikato-One Wanted (Ngaruawahia), 10 Home Missionaries, 4 Deaconesses.
- [3] Maniapoto-Circuit Superintendent (One Wanted) 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

NGARUAWAHIA-A Home Missionary.

KAWHIA-Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. (under the supervision of the Chairman of the District).

COROMANDEL-A Home Missionary.

SAMUEL J. WERREN, Chairman of the District.

WILLIAM R. FRANCIS, B.A., B.D., Deputy Chairman.

HAROLD K. BROWN, Financial Secretary.

III—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

- 53. New Plymouth-E. Thomas Olds, Geoffrey T. Gilbert, Frank H. Woodfield, Charles M. Roberts (Sup.), Henry Benny (Sup.)
- 54. Waitara-Leonard Shapcott, A Home Missionary.
- 55. Stratford-J. Montgomery Blight.
- 56. Eltham-Kaponga-Herbert W. Payne, A Home Missionary.
- 57. Hawera-Ralph E. Patchett. A Home Missionary (Patea.)
- 58. Manaia-Idris J. Ruck.
- 59. Opunake-Clifford G. Brown, One Wanted.
- 60. Wanganui Central-George R. Thompson, Herbert Spencer (Sup.) Frederick J. Parker (Sup.)
- Wanganui North-Edmund D. Grounds (who shall supervise the 61. Tajhape Circuit and Raetihi-Ohakune H.M. Station), One Wanted. R. Hori Pratt, B.A., (Without Pastoral Charge). Wanganui West—A Roger Nuttall, B.A.
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- 63. Taihape—Alexander C. Watson.
 64. Marton—Trevor L. Bennett.
- [4] Taranaki-Waimarino-Rakena P. Rakena (Hawera), Te Awha W. Tahere (New Plymouth-under supervision of District Chairman) 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

INGLEWOOD-A Home Missionary.

RAETIHI-OHAKUNE-A Home Missionary.

E. THOMAS OLDS, Chairman of the District. EDMUND D. GROUNDS, Financial Secretary.

IV-HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT.

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- 65. Napier-Howard C. Matthews, B.A., William H. Gregory (Greenmeadows), Henry Ryan (Sup.), Charles H. Kendon (Sup.)
- Hastings-Leonard C. Horwood, One Wanted, Arthur Hopper 66. (Sup.).
- Gisborne-E. Clarence Leadley, One Wanted. 67.
- Wairoa-David L. Trebilco, Edward G. P. Turner (Resting). 68.
- 69. Dannevirke-J. Ainsley Daglish.
- 70. Woodville-One Wanted.
- Pahiatua-Harry V. Utting (who shall superintend Woodville 71. Circuit).
- Palmerston North (St. Paul's)-William R. Laws, M.A., B.D., One 72. Wanted.
- 73. Palmerston North (Trinity)-Lawrence Greenslade (who shall supervise the Foxton-Shannon H.M. Station).
- 74. Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe-Charles H. Raynor.
- 75. Feilding-Francis H. Parker (who shall supervise the Apiti Circuit), A Home Missionary.
- 76. Sanson-Rongotea-John K. Watson, M.C., B.A.
- 77. Apiti-One Wanted.

WAIPAWA-WAIPUKURAU-Two Home Missionaries.

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

E. CLARENCE LEADLEY, Chairman of the District.

WILLIAM R. LAWS, M.A., B.D., Deputy Chairman.

V—WELLINGTON DISTRICT

- Wellington Central—William W. H. Greenslade, J. Henry Woolford, M.A., One Wanted, A Deaconess, Fred Greenwood (Sup.), Ernest O. Blamires (Sup.) Youth Department—Senior Youth Director, Andrew J. Johnston.
 Wellington West—Francis J. Handy, R. Graham Bell, M.A., (Thorndon), John D. Grocott, B.A. (Resting).
 Wellington South—Andrew J. Johnston, R. Leslie George (Island Bay)
- Bay).
- Wellington East—George H. Goodman, Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com., Clifford L. Duder (who shall assist in Wellington Central Circuit), William Rowe (Sup.) 81.
- 82. Wellington North-Reginald Grice, Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Agr. Sc.
- 83. Porirua-Wilfred F. Ford, B.A. (Chaplain to Porirua Hospital).
- 84. Hutt-Matthew A. McDowell, Leslie T. Norwell, William K. Abbot. R. Purcell Keall (Sup.) (Taita Union Church-Pres. Appointment).
- Upper Hutt-Harry I. Shaw. 85.
- 86. Petone-John B. Dawson, B.A., Wainui-o-Mata Union Church (One Wanted).
- 87. Greytown-Featherston-Alan Newman.
- Carterton-Reginald Day (who shall supervise the Greytown-88. Featherston Circuit).
- 89. Masterton-R. Frederick Clement, M.A., One Wanted.
- Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, R. Frederick Clement, M.A. 90. Eketahuna-Robert E. Fordyce.
- 91. Levin-Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th. (Chaplain to Levin Farm).
- 92. Otaki-Warren Green. 93. Paraparaumu-Harry W. Toothill, A Home Missionary.

GEORGE H. GOODMAN, Chairman of the District.

VI-NELSON DISTRICT

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- Nelson-Charlie O. Hailwood (President of the Conference), David G. Stubbs, Charles Blair (Sup.) Waimea-Harry Moore, John Grundy, B.A., Frederick B. Law-94.
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- 96. Motueka-Edward Baker.
- 97. Murchison-One Wanted.

Blenheim—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D., Archibald W. McKay (Picton) One Wanted, Phillip D. Ramsay (C.F.), John D. McArthur (Sup.), Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.) Reefton—One Wanted. 98.

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- 100. Westport-Wilf, G. Eisner, B.A., A Home Missionary.
- Greymouth-D. Bruce Gordon, B.A. (who shall supervise the Hokitika Circuit), One Wanted. 101.
- 102. Hokitika-One Wanted.

CHARLIE O. HAILWOOD (President of the Conference) Chairman of the District.

WILF. G. EISNER, Deputy Chairman.

VII-NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

103. Christchurch (Durham Street)—Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A., John A. Penman, Henry L. Blamires (Sup.), Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A., (Sup.), Benjamin J. James (Sup.), Herbert Ford (Sup.), Archer O. Harris (Sup).

CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE-

Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.

YOUTH DIRECTOR-Robert H. Allen, B.A.

- 104. Christchurch Central Mission-Wilfred E. Falkingham, A Deaconess.
- 105. Christchurch East—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D., J. C. Aldwyn Williams, Leonard V. Willing, Leslie F. Bycroft, Albert H. Fowles, (Sup.), James Richards (Sup.), Wallace S. Neal (Sup.), Oswald Burnet (Sup.).
- 106. Christchurch (Cambridge Terrace)-One Wanted.
- Christchurch (Woolston)—Wesley A. Chambers, M.A., W. Lloyd Divers (Opawa), One Wanted, Frederick O. Prosser (Sup.), Cecil R. Taylor (Sup.)
- 108. Christchurch (Sydenham)-Colin D. Clark, B.A., One Wanted.
- 109. Christchurch (Addington)-Thomas H. Carr.
- 110. Christchurch (Riccarton)-G. Raymond Harris, Noel D. Billinghurst.
- 111. Christchurch (St. Albans)-William G. Slade, M.A., D.D., Peter A. Stead, Norman P. Larsen, George B. Hinton (Sup.)
- Christchurch (Papanui)-William T. Blight, B.A., B.D., (Con-112. nexional Editor). South Island Orphanage—Chaplain, William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.

- Lyttelton-William E. Moore. 113.
- 114. Springston-William C. Jenkin, One Wanted, Harry Cottom, (Sup.)
- 115. Leeston-H. Ian K. Hopper, B.A., Horace L. Richards (Sup.)
- 116. Kaiapoi-Benjamin H. Riseley.
- 117. Ohoka-One Wanted.
- 118. Rangiora-Charles E. Dickens (who shall supervise the Hawarden H. M. Station).

- 119. Woodend-Sefton-One Wanted.
- 120. Greendale-Loyal J. Gibson.
- 121. Oxford-Basil J. Hilder.

HAWARDEN-A Home Missionary.

WILLIAM T. BLIGHT, B.A., B.D., Chairman of the District.

JOHN A PENMAN, Financial Secretary.

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VIII—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

- 122. Timaru (Banks Street)-Alan O. Jones, Hector C. Orchard (Sup.)
- 123. Timaru (Woodlands Street)-William J. Morrison, M.A. Marchwiel Union Church-(Pres. Appointment).
- Timaru South-Arthur W. R. Mead. 124.
- Waimate-A. Peter Dorrian, Jonathan H. Haslam (Sup.) 125.
- 126. Temuka-One Wanted.
- 127. Geraldine-One Wanted.
- 128. Ashburton-D. J. Donald Hickman, One Wanted.
- 129. Willowby-Owen T. Woodfield.
- 130. Oamaru-Alan F. Collins.

D. J. DONALD HICKMAN, Chairman of the District.

IX-OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

- 131. Central Church and Mission (Dunedin)-Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., Frank S. Rigg, "One Wanted, One Deaconess.
- 132. Dunedin (Dundas Street)-Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A.
- 133. Dunedin North-Ian W. Reid.
- 134. Dunedin South-Ernest S. Hoddinott, Hubert G. Brown (who shall supervise Mosgiel Circuit), One Wanted (Abbotsford). Corstorphine Union Church (Pres. Appointment).
- 135. Dunedin (St. Kilda)-Gordon R. H. Peterson (Secretary of the Conference), One Wanted, T. Arthur Pybus (Sup.)
- 136. Dunedin (Mornington)-Herbert A. Cochrane.

- 137. Dunedin (Roslyn)—O. McLennan Olds.
 138. Port Chalmers—T. Ralph Benny.
 139. Milton—George W. Cramond (who shall supervise the Balclutha H. M. Station).
- 140. Roxburgh-Amos W. Burrough.
- 141. Invercargill (Central)—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A., (who shall supervise the Gore and Edendale Circuits), Frederick J. K. Baker.
- 142. Invercargill (St. Peter's)-Leslie C. Clements (who shall supervise the Western Southland Circuit.)
- 143. Gore-John R. Hall.
- 144. Western Southland-Eric R. Eastwood, One Wanted.
- 145. Edendale-One Wanted.
- 146. Mosgiel-One Wanted.
- 147. Bluff-David W. Edmonds.
- 148. Cromwell-Alexandra-Ernest Heppelthwaite.

WAIKOUAITI-A Home Missionary.

BALCLUTHA-A Home Missionary.

LAWRENCE-A Home Missionary.

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

X-SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

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[5] Roviana Circuit—

John R. Metcalfe (Chairman Kokengolo), Allen H. Hall, M.A. (D.T.I. Banga), One Wanted, 2nd Minister, One Missionary Sister (Teacher Kokengolo), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse Wanted), One Missionary Sister (Secretary Kokengolo), One Lay Missionary (Technician Kokengolo), Aisake Vula (Honiara), John Bitibule (Kokengolo), One Native Minister, (Wanted), Catechist, 5 Native Catechists, 46 Native Teachers, 5 Native Medical Assistants.

District Training Institution-

Chairman of the District (Principal), Allen H. Hall M.A. (Vice-Principal), 4 Native Teachers.

[6] Vella Lavella Circuit—

Trevor Shepherd, One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Nurse) Wanted, 4 Native Catechists, 30 Native Teachers, 4 Native Medical Assistants.

[7] Choiseul Circuit—

D. I. Alister McDonald, One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister, Timothy Piani (Senga), 5 Native Catechists, 34 Native Teachers, 1 Native Medical Assistant.

[8] Buin Circuit—

A. Harry Voyce (Kihili), One Missionary Sister (Teacher Kihili), One Missionary Sister (Teacher Tonu), One Missionary Sister (Nurse Tonu), John Taufa (Kieta), Kemueli Pita (Tonu), One Native Agriculturalist (Kihili), 9 Native Catechists, 70 Native Teachers, 6 Native Medical Assistants.

[9] Teop Circuit-

George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed., One Missionary Sister (Nurse) Wanted, One Missionary Sister (Teacher), Daniel Palavi (Tearaka), 3 Native Catechists, 36 Native Teachers.

[10] Buka Circuit—

Gordon A. R. Cornwell, One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Native Minister, Wanted, One Fijian Catechist, 3 Native Catechists, 30 Native Teachers, 3 Native Medical Assistants.

Helena Goldie Hospital-

Gerald E. Hoult, M.B., Ch.B., B.D.S., D.T.M.&H., One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Nurse) Wanted.

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

XI-PAPUA-NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS MISSION

(Ministers of the New Zealand Conference appointed to the Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission shall serve under the general direction of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand and, for purposes of ministerial training, status, discipline and membership of funds, continue their connexion with the New Zealand Conference). (Minutes of Conference 1953, page 124.)

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Gordon H. Young, 1 lay missionary, two missionary sisters. Tari-

Roland L. Barnes, L.Th., Clifford J. Keightley, one lay missionary, one carpenter, three missionary sisters.

N.B.—Gordon H. Young and Roland L. Barnes are ministers of the New South Wales Conference.

QUESTION XXX-How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

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AUCKLAND DISTRICT-

Youth Director-One Wanted, Dorothea M. Jones, B.A., (Employed by the Youth Dept.).

Auckland Methodist Central Mission (2nd)-One Wanted.

Auckland Central (3rd)-Supply (Ian D. Grant, Non-Resident

Auckland Central (Std)—Supply (Tan D. Grant, Non-Resident Student.)
Auckland East (6th)—Miss M. Rushton.
Auckland West (2nd)—One Wanted.
Auckland, Takapuna (2nd)—Supply (Rev. J. Dennis), W. Sussex and W. H. Wilson (Retired).
Auckland, Birkenhead (Northcote)—Supply (D. I. Robertson).
Onehunga (2nd)—Supply (Rev. A. E. Jefferson).
North Waitemata (2nd)—Supply (M. R. Edgar, Kaukapakapa) R Compbildee (Patired).

R. Coombridge (Retired). Henderson—J. W. Bayliss (Retired). Hikurangi—J. F. Walls. North Hokianga (Kohukohu)—F. L. Johnson.

Dargaville (Te Kopuru)—One Wanted. Port Albert (Wellsford)—One Wanted.

Bay of Islands—One Wanted. Kawakawa-Kaikohe—One Wanted (Kawakawa).

Home Mission Department-

Colporteur Work-Supply (Sister Rita F. Snowden). Maori Mission-

Matauri Bay.-Supply.

Bately.—Supply. Kawakawa (Waitoma).—Tawa Te Riri Kawiti.

Paihia.—Supply. Punakitere.—Te Hira Ratete.

Waimate North .- Supply.

Orowau.-Rameka Eru.

Kaikohe.-Hotai Mita Hohepa.

Whananaki.-Nehana Pu.

Rewiti.-Supply.

Dargaville .- Wiremu Paki Ihaka.

Pouto (Kaipara Heads) .- Supply.

Hikurangi.-Hohepa Hemara.

Rangitane (Pouto).—Henare Kapa. Pokere (Bay of Islands)—Piripi Livingstone. Pakiri.—John Harris. Mangamuka.—Supply.

Auckland.—Huru Wiperi and Paikea H. Toka. Whirinaki.—Supply.

Te Kohanga .- Waaka Kukutai.

Tuakau.—Ngaweka Tuhimata. Mangere—Maharaia Winiata, Ph.D.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT-

Hamilton (3rd) .- Mervyn L. Dine, A. L. Witheford (Retired). Hamilton (3rd).—Mervyn L. Dine, A. L. Witheford (Retired).
Ngaruawahia.—C. E. Roke.
Tauranga.—F. J. Climo (Te Puke), Supply (Sister Dorothy Pointon, Mt. Maunganui).
Coromandel.—Supply (Thomas Walker).
Morrinsville (Waitoa).—One Wanted.
Hauraki Plains.—A. G. Reid.
Opotiki.—Supply (J. M. Daley, B.A.).
Putaruru (Tokeroa).—One Wanted.

Whakatane.-W. J. Bryant. Te Kuiti (2nd) .- One Wanted. Hamilton East (2nd) .- One Wanted. Maori Mission-Waikato and Maniapoto Circuits.—Superintendent (Supply Rev. A. J. Seamer). Te Kuiti.—Paahi Moke. Kawhia.—Supply. Frankton Junction.—J. Hatoitoi Pihama. Aotea Harbour.—Roi Moke. Raglan.—Tuteao Manihera. Mokau.—Supply. Ngaruawahia .- Heemi Rihimona and Tutu Keepa. Waimiha—Tame Ponui. Aramiro.—Enoka Marumaru. Rakaunui.-Supply. Whatawhata .- Ngerungeru Tame Pihama. Waitomo.—Supply. Otorohanga.—Paki Manga. Rangiriri.—Matene Hori de Thierry. Hangatiki.—Supply. Taharoa.—Supply. Huntly.—Supply. Waikaretu.—Mu Maihi. Hamilton.—Te Akonga Pihama. 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 Rangitutia. Te Hoe.—Tutea Rau. Atawa .- Te Urunga Wetere. Mourea .- Te Iwikau Waaka. Ngaruawahia Rural.-Graham Kahui. Pureora.-Hohepa Timohu Hona.

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TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT-

New Plymouth.—T. W. Featherstone and H. Ashworth (R't'd.) Opunake (Okato).—H. R. Wright. Eltham (Kaponga).—One Wanted. Hawera (Patea).—One Wanted. Raetihi-Ohakune.—Supply (Rev. W. E. Steep, Retired). Wanganui North (Wanganui East).—One Wanted. Inglewood.—F. A. Fitzsimons. Waitara (Uruti).—One Wanted.

Maori Mission-

Rahotu.—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka. Nukumaru.—Supply. Urenui.—Supply. Pariroa Pa.—Supply. Whenuakura.—Supply. Kai Iwi.—Supply. Wanganui.—Supply. Rankitikei.—Supply. Raetihi.—Supply. Wanganui River.—Supply.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT— Gisborne (2nd).—One Wanted. Hastings (2nd).—One Wanted. Feilding (Halcombe).—Herbert Prowse. Foxton-Shannon.—F. D. Peterson.

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Apiti.—R. W. Widdup. Norsewood.—Vacant (under Dannevirke Superintendent).

Waipawa-Waipukurau .-- P. S. Barker, One Wanted (Waipukurau).

Palmerston North (St. Paul's), (2nd).—Supply (Sister Mary Whitlow) (who shall assist in the Trinity Circuit).

Palmerston North (Trinity)), (2nd).—One Wanted. Napier.—C. Robinson (Retired).

Woodville .- One Wanted.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT-

Wellington Central (3rd) .- One Wanted.

Paraparaumu (2nd).—One Wanted (Paraparaumu). Masterton (Kuripuni).—Supply (Sister Margaret Taylor. Wainui-o-Mata Union Parish.—One Wanted.

NELSON DISTRICT-

Blenheim (3rd) .- Supply (Sister Fiona Summerell), L. E. G. Sharp (Leave of Absence). Murchison.—One Wanted.

Westport (Granity) .- One Wanted.

Reefton.—T. Steele. Motueka.—R. T. Alexander (Retired). Hokitika.—I. J. Fowler.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT-

Christchurch (Cambridge Terrace) .- Supply. Christchurch (Papanui).—H. J. Malcolm (Retired). Springston (Tai Tapu).—One Wanted. Hawarden (Under Rangiora Superintendent) .- Vacant. Ohoka .- One Wanted. Woolston (Sumner) .- One Wanted. Sydenham (Beckenham) .- One wanted. Woodend-Sefton .- Supply.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT-

Ashburton (2nd).—One Wanted. Temuka.—One Wanted (Supplied from Geraldine). Geraldine.—Supply (Rev. W. M. Isitt).

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT-

Central Methodist Church and Mission (3rd).-One Wanted St. Kilda (2nd).-One Wanted. Lawrence (Under Milton Superintendent).—Vacant. Balclutha.—O. L. Christian. Western Southland (Ohai).—One Wanted.

Waikouaiti-Palmerston .- Supply (F. E. Trim.

Edendale.—One Wanted. Dunedin South (Abbotsford).—Supply (Rev. A. G. Woodnutt) Mosgiel.—W. J. Henderson.

Alfred G. Woodnutt 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.

QUESTION XXXI—How are the Deaconesses employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

1.-Home Work.

Sister Dorothy Pointon, Tauranga.

Sister Rita Snowden, Home Mission Dept., Auckland.

Sister Ivy Jones, Orphanage Board, Auckland.

Sister Rona Collins, South Island Children's Home and Orphanage, Christchurch.

Sister Fiona Summerell, Blenheim.

Sister Evelyn J. Taylor, Auckland (leave of absence).

Sister Margaret Taylor, Masterton.

Sister Joyce Gribble, Auckland Central.

Sister Mary Whitlow, Palmerston North.

Sister Winifred Poole, (leave of absence).

Probationer Doreen Bulford, Central Church and Mission, Dunedin Probationer Gwenda Kennedy, Auckland Central Mission.

II.-Maori Work.-

Sister Eleanor Dobby, South Island.

Sister Nicholls, Maori Centre, Auckland.

Sister Airini Hobbs, South and West King Country.

Sister Olive Bott, Bay of Islands.

Sister Madeline Holland, Kurahuna Hostel.

Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Hamilton and Central Waikato.

Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Hostel, New Plymouth.

Sister Anne Wilson, Hawera.

Sister Ruth Hilder, Bay of Islands.

Sister Jean Miller, Outer Auckland South.

Sister Mavis Dickie, Northern King Country.

Sister Grace Clement, Central King Country.

Sister Rona Keightley, Dargaville,

Sister Frances Smith, Hamilton.

Sister Betty Yearbury, Opunake.

Sister Te Atakohu Fitzpatrick, Auckland Central and Outer Auckland North.

Sister Winnifred Bennett, Waikato.

Probationer Kathleen Rogers, Auckland.

III.-Solomon Islands.-

Sister Lucy Money, Choiseul.

IV.-Retired.-

Sister Ruth Fawcett Mrs W. J. Williams Sister May Barnett Sister Annie Tocker Sister Winifred Beaumont Sister Grace McDonald Sister May Ralph Sister Mildred West Sister Lily White Mrs C. B. Jones Sister Olive Coleman Mrs H. Breed

V.-In Training.-

Second Year: Misses Lorraine Joyce Flowers, Joyce Edith Foster, June Elizabeth Peters.

First Year: Muriel Mavis McCormack, Beverley Taylor.

- VI.-Solomon Islands-Missionary Sisters.-
 - Sister Ada Lee, Buin, Bougainville.
 - Sister Effie Harkness, Roviana.
 - Sister Merle Carter, Buin, Bougainville.
 - Sister Davinia Clark, Bilua.
 - Sister Jessie Grant, Choiseul. Sister Myra Fraser, Bilua.

 - Sister Pamela Beaumont, Buin, Bougainville.
 - Sister Nancy Ball, Choiseul.
 - Sister Thelma Duthie, Teop, Bougainville.
 - Sister Helen Whitlow, Skotolan, Buka.
 - Sister June Hilder, Skotolan, Buka.
 - Sister Rewa Williamson, Roviana.
 - Sister Norma Graves, Roviana.
 - Sister Olive Money, Roviana.
 - Sister Edith James. Papua-New Guinea Highlands.

Retired.-

Sister Edna White, Sister Merle Farland, Sister Grace McDonald Sister Lina Jones and Sister Winifred Poole.

QUESTION XXXII.—Who are elected as Chairmen and Secretaries of Districts and as Statistical Secretaries for the ensuing year?

1.—CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS.

Auckland-E. W. Hames, M.A. South Auckland-S. J. Werren. Taranaki-Wanganui-E. Thomas Olds. Hawke's Bay-Manawatu-E. C. Leadley. Wellington-George H. Goodman. Nelson-Charlie O. Hailwood (President of the Conference). North Canterbury-William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. South Canterbury-D. J. D. Hickman. Otago-Southland-E. S. Hoddinott. Solomon Islands-John R. Metcalfe.

2.—DISTRICT AND STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.

General Statistical Secretary-William C. Jenkin. Auckland-Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A. South Auckland-Harold K. Brown. Taranaki-Wanganui-Ralph E. Patchett. Hawke's Bay-Manawatu-Harry V. Utting. Wellington-R. Graham Bell, M.A. Nelson—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D. North Canterbury—Norman P. Larsen. South Canterbury—Allan F. Collins. Otago-Southland—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.

QUESTION XXXIII. (1)-Who are elected as President and Secretary of the Conference, 1955?

> President: Matthew A. McDowell. Secretary: Gordon R. H. Peterson.

> > (2).-Have adequate arrangements been made for President's supply?

Yes.

QUESTION XXXIV.—What is the Report of the General Statistical Secretary

REPORT FOR 1954.

General.

Two Districts only submitted incorrect returns this year instead of Five Districts last year, but Fourteen Circuits were involved and one District submitted more than half of the returns incorrectly.

Until an alteration is made in the Forms sent out to Circuits it would appear that correct returns for statistical purposes in any given year is an impossibility because of the fact that there are still some men who make no apparent reference to the previous year's returns.

One reply received revealed the astounding fact that of the numbers for membership according to the Roll Book and those as reported to the Annual Synod each year, the figures reported would now appear to have been incorrect for the three years 1951 to 1953 inclusive.

That means that the figures supplied to Conference are not correct for the years mentioned.

It should not be too much to expect a little care exercised by each man appointed to a Circuit, and in the event of a Circuit or Home Mission Station, the Chairman or Minister chairing the June Quarterly Meeting should at that stage satisfy himself that the correct figures are presented to the Quarterly Meeting and entered correctly on the form for Synod. A little care at this stage would help to achieve a measuse of correctness as far as the Returns are concerned and would be much appreciated.

Buildings.

443 Churches are reported for this year as against 438 last year, being a Net Increase of 5; while an increase of 15 in the number of Schoolrooms returned bring the total Schoolrooms as at 30/6/54 to 275.

Three Districts report an increase in the number of Parsonages and three report a decrease, resulting in the number, namely, 201 for the present year.

Other Preaching Places.

25 Other Preaching Places are reported to have been closed down during the last year. This is the third year in succession that a Decrease has been reported. The number now stands at 311. Staffing.

There is an increase of 3 Ministers and Probationers serving the Church this year, bringing the number to 238. Home Missionaries now number 40, an increase of 2 on last year's returns, while Deaconesses now number 12, an increase of 1. Local Preachers again show an increase of 7, bringing the number of Local Preachers to 681. Membership.

The membership as at the 30th June, 1954, is reported at 27,592, being a Net Increase for the year of 478. Last year's figure recorded 177, so that we are 301 members more than on that return.

New Members for the year stand at 1,280 as compared with 1,148 the previous year, representing an increase of 132.

409 members have died during the year, being an increase of 10 on the previous year's figures.

Transfers to and from Circuits give evidence of care being taken in this matter. 1,452 members were transferred to other Circuits and 1,404 members being received from other Circuits.

Members Ceased to Attend is still a serious problem for the Church to face, 378 members' names having been removed from the membership of the Church during the past year. While that figure represents 61 less than last year.

Ten Circuits this year record double figures under this heading. while one Circuit shows 44 names as having been removed from the Membership Roll. No doubt these facts were reported upon to the Synods concerned.

Young People's Roll.

Three District Statistical Returns have still to come, and until these are to hand I can make no report on this aspect of the work. Baptisms.

The number of Baptisms this year is reported at 2,670. This represents a decrease of 452 on last year's returns.

Communicants reveals another advance on last year by 344, the number now returned being 22,629.

Travelling Allowances.

This return is only concerned with the actual amounts paid, and therefore should present no difficulty to those concerned.

The amounts involved should have been approved by the respective Quarterly Meetings and duly audited. Such statements as "All expenses paid" or "Conference Travel-

ling Scale" simply begs the question.

This year Five Districts have presented incomplete Returns under this heading and therefore it is impossible to present a complete picture or to show comparisons between Circuit Owned and Ministers Travelling. Unless Conference asserts its right in this instance the present system will not serve the purpose desired. As at the 30th June, 1954, 28 cars were owned by Circuits and

140 by Ministers.

Finances.

The New Scale of Stipends authorised by Conference and taking effect as from the 1st February, 1954, is reflected in the higher amounts paid this year. The increase is £9,710/6/3, and this brings the total amounts paid to £91,569/10/7 for the year under review. Circuit Credits have risen by £104/11/11 to £8,883/18/7, while

Circuit Debits have risen by £354/13/5 to £1,664/18/7.

Trust Accounts, as returned, show £37,166/4/5 Credits and £24,547/4/- Debits; the latter being an increase of £10,455/1/9 on the previous year's figures. This increase in the Trust Debits involves a number of Circuits and no doubt a full explanation has been presented to the respective Synods by the Secretaries of Church Properties.

Maori Mission Returns.

18 Churches and 230 Other Preaching Places are reported for this year. The number of Ordained Ministers in the Maori work stands at 3, while 35 Home Missionaries and 17 Deaconesses are engaged in full time service. 44 Local Preachers are also rendering valuable service in connection with our Maori Mission.

Church Membership now stands at 4,132 Senior Members and 5,847 Junior and Infant Members.

Conclusion.

Once again I would suggest that the District Secretaries see that the Returns are correct before being forwarded. The delay at this juncture would not be so serious nor so long.

If space were allowed on the Forms to include the Membership

for Last Year, then mistakes would and could be corrected at the source, thus saving much valuable time.

While it may be true that Statistics interest only a few, it is still the best means known to assess progress or otherwise in our work, and this being the case, each man should loyally accept the responsibilities of Conference in this respect.

It only needs one incorrect Return to hold up and make unreliable all the combined efforts of every Circuit and Home Mission Station.

My thanks are again due to the District Secretaries for their work in compiling the District Returns, and I look forward to the day when the Returns can be presented "ON TIME" and appear in the Conference Agenda.

SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT REPORT.

No less than 16 New Churches are reported for this year, bringing the total number of Churches in the District to 236.

36 Other Preaching Places show a reduction of 8 on last year's figure, but this can be offset with the splendid increase in the number of Churches.

8 Europeon Ministers and 1 Doctor are reported for this year, the numbers being the same as for last year.

An increase of 1 Sister is reported, bringing the total now serving in the District to 16.

2 Lay Missionaries, 5 Native Ministers and 1 Native Agriculturist remain the same as last year.

10 new Catechists this year bring the total now serving to 30. This is, however, offset by the return of 14 less in the number of Native Teachers.

An additional Native Medical Assistant at Vella this year brings the total for the District to 19.

It is pleasing to note that 17 Local Preachers and 6 Class Leaders have joined the ranks this year, bringing the totals for this year to 255 Local Preachers and 148 Class Leaders.

A slight increase is reported under the heading of European Members, the number being 39 Senior Members; Youth Roll 13 and Adherents 15.

22 New Members are reported in the Native Members, bringing the total to 7,235, while the Native Youth Roll standing at 6,144 shows a decrease of 64 for the year. Native Adherents have increased by 13, bringing the number as at 30th June to 123.

13 New Sunday Schools bring the total now to 123, while the scholars reported attending the Sunday Schools number 3,858, showing an increase of 89 for the year.

48 New Day Schools are reported this year with an increase of 90 scholars attending, bringing the totals to 263 and 6,035 respectively. The Teaching Staff has risen by 7 Teachers, the number now being 343.

The number of Members and Adherents returned this year is 18,029 as compared with 17,995 last year.

An encouraging fact concerning the above Report is the continued increase reported by the Native people themselves, and thus augurs well for the future of the Church in the Solomons.

These results should encourage our workers in the Islands and prove a spur to even greater achievements in the Homeland.

WM. C. JENKIN,

General Statistical Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express gratitude at the increase of membership during the year.

3. That the General Statistical Secretary be asked to obtain from the Government Statistician full details of the 1951 Census as it affects N. Z. Methodism, and that the information, together with his comments be sent to Circuit Quarterly Meetings, District Executives and Synods for consideration.

4. That the Rev. Wm. C. Jenkin be thanked for his services as General Statistical Secretary, and that he be reappointed.

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

A(1)--Welfare of the Church Committee REPORT FOR 1954.

The Committee has given consideration to the questions referred to it by the Conference, and submits the following report:

Church Membership:

Unfortunately only two Districts sent forward their findings after the March Ministerial Synods. From the reports received, and in the opinion of the Committee, there is nothing to add to the conditions stated for our guidance and direction in the Law Book. If it is necessary to return some Members as having "Ceased to Attend" we must not do so lightly, but in the knowledge that we are to give an account of our Stewardship. In the Name of God, our task is to seek after the lost and win them back into the Fellowship of Christ's Church. To this end we stress the following points:

(1.) The necessity of a personal experience of Jesus Christ on the part of those being nominated for Church Membership.

(2) Better use could be made of the probationary period for intending Members.

(3) Thorough instruction should be given in the privileges and duties of Membership and a personal interest taken by both the Minister and Leaders' Meeting in the Preparation of new members.

4. More emphasis should be made upon the significance of Membership.

5. Immediate investigation should be made when it is noted that a Member is beginning to slip from the Fellowship. This is provided for in the Quarterly review of the Roll by the Leaders' Meeting.

6. Provision should be made in the Statistical Returns to indicate the number of Members transferred to other Denominations and overseas. Our present returns include these as having "Ceased to attend".

7. That the attention of all Ministers be drawn to the procedure to be followed in the Transfer of Members and called to a continuing sense of responsibility in the operating of this system. Law Book Page 4 (27)

Institutional Chaplains:

This matter was previously referred by the Public Questions Committee to the National Council of Churches. The National Council did not favour Chaplaincy appointments to Mental Hospitals and Institutions on a National Council basis. The Committee has considered the question and is seeking information from the Secretaries of Districts regarding such appointments to Institutions other than General Hospitals.

Lectionary:

The Lectionary has been prepared in accordance with the Resolution of Conference 1953 (Minutes pages 51 and 52).

The general practice of choosing public lessons bearing on the topic of the sermon restricts the scope and variety of the Scripture passages used. Thus, large and important sections of Scripture are seldom read in the hearing of our congregations.

The Psalms are not included because the constant use of them in morning worship tends to result in the neglect of other great Old Testament passages of Scripture. If Psalms are required they are already set out in the Hymn Book.

The Committee is grateful to the Secretary of the British Conference and the British Conference Lectionary Committee for permission to use the Lectionary printed in the Minutes of the British Conference as the basis of this Lectionary.

The Lectionary is for one year only dating from the first Sunday in May, 1955. It should prove helpful to all preachers and churches. A further series wil be presented next year.

It would help if the Lectionary were printed in sections in the "Methodist Times", and in Circuit Magazines or preaching plans.

PUBLIC LESSONS: 1955-56

M	AY, 195	5 MORNING	EVENING
3rd after Easter (Bible Sunday)	1	Psalm 19 2 Tim. 3;14-4;8	Deut. 11;13-21 Matthew 7;2-29
4th after Easter (Mothers' Day)	8	Magnificat 2 Tim. 1;1-14	Deut. 8;11-20 Ephesians 5;22-6;4
Rogation Sunday	15	The King of the Earth. Psalm 145 Luke 8:4-15	<i>The dead are raised</i> 1 Kings 17 ;8-24 Luke 8 ;40-56
Ascension Day	19	The Ascension 2 Kings 2;1-14 Acts 1;1-14	2.000
Sun. aft. Ascension 22 (Aldersgate Sunday)		The Ethiopian Eunuch 1 Kings 20 ;35-43	The Heartwarming Exodus 3 :1-12
		Acts 8;25-40	Ephesians 2;1-10
Whit Sunday	29	<i>The Holy Spirit</i> Joel 2 ;21-32 Acts 2 ;1-13	The Comforter Judges 2;1-5 John 16;7-24
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Trinity Sunday	5	Father, Son and Holy Spirit	The Eternal Love
		Exodus 6;2-9	Isaiah 58
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		THE PARABLES	THE GREAT CHRIST- IAN DOCTRINES
1st aft. Trinity	12	The Good Samaritan	
		Genesis 45;1-15	Isaiah 12
		Luke 10:25-37	Philippians 2:1-18

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2nd aft. Trinity	19	The Talents	Repentance of Believers
		Exodus 4;1-17	Deut. 4;1-10
		Matthew 25;14-30	Philippians 3;1-16
3rd aft. Trinity	26	The Great Supper	Pardon
		Daniel 5;1-12	Ezekiel 36;22-38
		Luke 14;12-24	Colossians 1;3-23
	JULY	2	
4th aft. Trinity	3	The leaven of the	Perfect Love
		Pharisees	
		Exodus 14:1-14	1 Chronicles 16;23-36
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5th aft. Trinity	10	Lost sheep, lost	First Fruits of the
		money Dealm 02	Spirit
		Psalm 23 Luke 15;1-10	Hosea 14 Romans 8;1-11
6th aft. Trinity	17	The heritage of	The call of youth
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7th aft. Trinity	24	The Prodigal Son 2 Samuel 15 ;1-12	Spirit of Adoption Hosea 2;14-23
	1.1	Luke 15;11-32	Romans 8;12-30
8th aft. Trinity	31	The Rich Fool	Witness of the Spirit
our are. Immey	01	Daniel 5;13-31	Ezekiel 39 ;21-29
		Luke 12;13-21	1 John 5;1-12
	AUGUST		
9th aft. Trinity	7	The two debtors	Sin in believers
		Genesis 43;16-34	Nehemiah 5;1-13
		Luke 7;36-50	2 Corinth. 5;11-19
10th aft. Trinit	y 14	The wicked	The Divine law
		husbandmen	
		1 Samuel 4;1-11	2 Chronicles 15;1-15
		Mark 12 ;1-12	James 2;1-13
11th aft. Trinit	y 21	The unjust steward	Christian Giving
		Joshua 2:1-21	Isaiah 1:1-9
		Luke 16:1-13	1 Corin. 16;1-9
12th aft. Trinit	y 28	The ten virgins	Sincerity
		Judges 12;1-6	Malachi 1;6-14
		Matthew 25;1-13	Romans 12;1-21
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15th aft. Trinity 18

(Temperance Sunday)

16th aft. Trinity 25

OCTOBER 17th aft. Trinity 2 (World Communion)

18th aft. Trinity 9

19th aft. Trinity 16

20th aft. Trinity 23 (Industrial Sunday)

21st aft. Trinity 30

NOVEMBER 22nd aft. Trinity 6

(Remembrance Day)

23rd aft. Trinity 13

24th aft. Trinity 20

1st in Advent

DECEMBER 2nd in Advent 4

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MORNING

God the Son Daniel 3;19-30 Romans 1;1-17 Wisdom of selfcontrol Proverbs 20;1-12 Ephesians 6;10-20 Sin Genesis 4;1-15 James 1;12-27

The Cross Numbers 21:4-9 1 Corin. 1:18-31 Society 1 Kings 8:46-53 Hebrews 10:19-39 Hope Job 14 1 Corin. 15:12-28 Faith and works Psalm 15 James 2:12-26 Sunday before All Saints Day Genesis 15:1-11 Hebrews 11;1-16

Remembrance Day Psalm 46 or Ecclesiasticus 44;1-16 John 17;4-21 Evil speaking Numbers 23;17-30 James 3;1-12 The Christian Law

Exodus **20**;1-17 John **13**;31-38 Unpreparedness Isaiah **1**;1-20 Matthew **25**;1-13

The Scriptures Isaiah 5;1-16 Luke 4;16-30

EVENING

The rich nobleman Genesis 41;25-45 John 4;43-54 The lure of temptation Isaiah 1;10-20 Matthew 6;1-15 Legion of Gadara Isaiah 40;18-31 Luke 8;26-39

The sick of the palsy Isaiah 61 Mark 2:1-12 The widow of Nain Psalm 146 Luke 7:11-17 The disciples 2 Kings 4:38-44 Luke 5:1-11 A Social Programme . Nehemiah 2:1-11.17. Luke 4:14-22 - 18 Saints in God's sight Isaiah 35 John 6;22-40

The glory of the brave Joshua 1;1-9 or Wisdom 3;1-9 Hebrews 11;32-12;2 The impotent man Numbers 24;15-25 John 5;1-15 The wisdom and duty of teachers Proverbs 4;1-19 1 Corin. 14;1-19 The news to Zacharias Zephanaiah 3;8-17 Luke 1;5-23

The news to Mary Malachi **3**;1-12 Luke **1**;26-38

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The Second Advent Isaiah 26:1-9 1 Thess. 4;13-5;11

The Incarnation Isaiah 35:1-10 Titus 2;11-3;7 Christ's Birthday

Isaiah 9:2-7 Luke 2;1-20

The Word of God Isaiah 41:1-20 John 1:1-14 The light of the Gentiles Exodus 13:17-22 Luke 2:25-40 A father's thanksgiving

Genesis 22;1-19 Luke 1;67-80

The transformed individual Genesis 32:22-32 Matthew 16;13-20

Ezra 7:11-28 Matthew 8;5-17

The command of Jesus Deut. 6;1-15 Matthew 8:18-34

God's Final Victory Daniel 6;10-28 Matthew 13:31-43

The last first Nehemiah 9:9-25 Matthew 20:1-16

The world

Isaiah 6 Matt. 13;1-9:18-23 2 Corin. 7;5-16 55

EVENING

The Magnificat Micah 4:1-7 Luke 1:39-56

The Benedictus Micah 5:2-4 Luke 1:57-80 The Saviour of the World Isaiah 7:10-16 Matthew 1;18-25

The Servant of God Isaiah 43;1-13 Philippians 2;1-11 The Epiphany

Isaiah 42:1-9 Matthew 2:1-12 A mother's gratitude

1 Samuel 2;1-11 Luke 1:46-56 The priestly sacrifice

Micah 6:1-8 Romans 6;1-14

The light of the world God's concern for all Jonah 3 men Acts 10;24-43

The wisdom of Jesus

1 Samuel 3 Luke 2;40-52

The forgiveness of God Ezekiel 33;10-16 Colossians 3:12-17

Transformed by Job 42;7-17 prayer Mark 9:14-29

Transformed by service 2 Chron. 30:13-22

MARCH

3rd in Lent

4th in Lent

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(Palm Sunday)

Good Friday

APRIL

Easter Day

1st aft. Easter

2nd aft. Easter

3rd aft. Easter

4th aft. Easter

MORNING

Light through Darkness Job 42:1-6 Luke 18:31-43

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The meekness of might Isaiah 55 Matthew 11:2-30

The worth of temptation Psalm 95 Hebrews 4

The coming Christ

Jeremiah 29:1-14 Matthew 24:1-14

Jesus crucified Isaiah 53 John 19:1-22

The Risen Lord

Psalm 16 John 20:1-10

Dwelling in light

Ruth 2:8-23 Ephesians 5;1-14

Peter delivered Joel 3:14-21 Acts 12;1-19

The lame man healed The sea is stilled. Deut. 18:15-19 Acts 3:1-10 Mark 4;35-41

The boldness of the disciples Psalm 2 Acts 4:13-31

EVENING

Transformed by discipline

Judges 7;1-14 Matthew 4:12-22

The master spirit of love Proverbs 10:1-12 1 Corin. 13

The Temptation

2 Kings 5:20-27 Matthew 4:1-11

The entry into Jerusalem Zechariah 9:9-17 Matthew 21:1-11

The Discovered Master Isaiah 60:15-22 Luke 24:13-35

The faith that overcomes Daniel 3:8-18 Matthew 15:21-28

Sight to the blind Job 29:1-16 . John 9;1-34

Exodus 14:15-31

The sick are healed

Psalm 103 Luke 7;1-10 ALTERNATIVE AND ADDITIONAL PASSAGES SUITABLE FOR SPECIAL DAYS

Covenant Sunday

Palm Sunday

Good Friday

Easter Day

Whit Sunday

Harvest

Home and **Overseas** Missions

Church Anniversary

Youth Day

A Dedication Service

Temperance Sunday

Christmas Day

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New Year

MORNING

Genesis 17:1-9 Matthew 3: Nehemiah 8:9-18 John 12:1-19 Isaiah 63 Luke 23:1-25 Isaiah 62 Matthew 28:1-15

Deut 31:1-13 Acts 2;22-47 1 Corin. 15;1-20 Ezekiel 36:22-38

Isaiah 52

EVENING

2 Chron. 15:1-15

2 Peter 1:1-11

2 Corin. 3:12-18

Spring or Flower Service Psalm 65: Psalm 126, Genesis 1 Matthew 13;1-9 Matthew 13;24-30.

> Genesis 8;15-22, Deut. 16;9-17, 26;1-10, 16-19, Leviticus 26;1-13, Ruth 2;1-17, Nehemiah 10:32-39, Isaiah 55, Matthew 13;24-34, Mark 4;1-12, Luke 8;4-10, John 4:27-38.

> Exodus 19:1-8, Isaiah 11, 40, 60. Hosea 14 Matthew 16:13-28, John 3:1-21, 12:20-36, Acts 17:16-34, Romans 1:1-17, Ephesians 4:1-16.

> 1 Kings 8;22-30, 1 Chronicles 22, Haggai 2;1-9, Matthew 16;13-28, Colossians 1;1-23, 1 John 5.

Isaiah 11;1-9 Acts 26:1-23

Numbers 7:1-11 Romans 12

1 Chronicles 28 Matthew 10;1-23

Amos 8 Romans 13

Isaiah 40;1-11 2 Corin. 8;1-8

Hosea 14 Philippians 2;1-11

Psalm 90, Exodus 12:21-36, Ecclesiastes 3;1-15, Matthew 24:32-51, Luke 21:25-36

Psalm 91, 103, Matthew 6;19-34, 1 Thess 5, Ephesians 5;1-21

> E. S. HODDINOTT, Chairman. H. A. COCHRANE, Convener.

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RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. Lectionary:

(a) That the Lectionary prepared by the Committee be adopted for optional use and printed in the Minutes.

(b) That the Welfare of the Church Committee consider the advisability of including in subsequent lectionaries consecutive passages of Scripture which will bring out the messages of the individual Books of the Bible.

3. Institutional Chaplains:

(a) That District Executives be requested to investigate the question of Institutional Chaplaincies in their Districts with a view to meeting the need as adequately as possible.

(b) That in view of the new policy of the Department of Justice in appointing full time and part time Chaplains to Prisons and Borstal Institutions, the Committee, in consultation with the N.C.C., give special consideration to this particular Chaplaincy work.

4. That the matter of recording Adherents of the Church be referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee for investigation and report.

5. That the Committee for 1955 be: Revs. E. S. Hoddinott, G. R. H. Peterson, H. G. Brown, Dr. R. Dudley, H. A. Cochrane, L. P. Schroeder, I. W. Reid; Mesdames F. E. Timms, M. R. McIndoe; Sister Ruth Fawcett; Messrs G. R. Galbreath, H. H. Johnson, J. McIndoe, A. H. Harman, H. C. Vince and C. H. Kitchin. Convener: Rev. H. A. Cochrane.

A(2)-Spiritual Advance Committee

REPORT, 1954.

Meetings of the Spiritual Advance Committee have been held regularly at Palmerston North.

The Committee has continued to produce material which it considers to be useful to Circuits. A message from the President was printed and circulated. A poster featuring the aims of Leadership Year was sent out. It would seem that the aim of the Committee to have the Dedication of Workers and the observance of Lent as normal activities in the Churches has been achieved. We have to thank the Rev A. O. Harris who wrote an excellent Lenten Leaflet this year. The World Communion card again found acceptance and was widely used.

Leadership Year:

Leadership Year was planned for by the Committee as directed by Conference. Early in the year the Circuits and Home Missions Stations were fully advised of the aims and the programme to be followed. Leaders Meetings and Quarterly Meetings were asked to make local plans. The Ministerial Synods were requested to plan so that there was District coverage. The writing of "A Handbook for Laymen" provided a basis for study in training classes and meetings of leaders. We wish to thank the Rev W. A. Burley for his fine work in writing this booklet. The study "Power to Become" written by the Rev S. I. Weeks of Australia was studied at Ministerial Synods. The Youth Department has co-operated and provided the means for youth leadership being undertaken along with our programme. Again we find it very difficult to assess the influence of the year's work. In some places a worthy attempt has been made to carry through the programme as far as is possible in view of local circumstances. Our Committee feels that there are many Circuits where more could be done. It is obvious that Circuits are at varying stages in the working out of the various activities of the crusade. Some Circuits are only now beginning to carry out plans which were associated with other years in the crusade. Although this means that we cannot have uniformity it is an encouragement to the Committee and means that finally good will come. Again we point out that the basic emphases of the Crusade were envisaged as becoming part of the normal activity of the Church and once more we stress Visitation Evangelism and Membership as needing yearly consideration.

Community Year:

During the year our Committee has felt that we ought to ascertain the wish of the whole Church with regard to the remaining years of the Crusade. We therefore wrote to the Ministerial Synods and to Chairmen of Districts asking for a frank expression of opinion. Three facts emerged.

1. It is felt that in Community Year we should not face anything comparable to a "Mission to the Nation". It is felt that such a venture should only be undertaken in co-operation with other Churches.

2. There is a fairly general desire for a year without any extensively planned programme being presented to Circuits.

3. The majority of Synods favoured the finishing of the programme as originally planned and the holding of a Community Year carried through along similar lines as the preceding years of the crusade.

In view of these our Committee presents the recommendations below and trusts that they will find favour.

Overseas Visitor:

The visit of the Rev Dr W. E. Sangster M.A. brought inspiration to the Church throughout the Dominion. Everywhere great crowds gathered and a quickening of spiritual life resulted. Dr Sangster expressed his satisfaction with the arrangements made for the tour and his delight at meeting the Methodists of this country. Our committee wishes to thank the many people in each district who helped in the carrying through of the itinerary. We are constantly seeking to arrange visits by Church leaders from overseas and hope in the near future to be able to notify the Church of another such visit.

Again, we wish to record our thanks to the Field Representative, the Rev G. I. Laurenson who serves us in an excellent manner as he moves through the country.

W. R. LAWS, Chairman.

L. GREENSLADE, Convener.

Report of Field Representative:

The conception of the Crusade for Christ in this country, while expressed in a special emphasis, for each year, has always assumed that the various emphases would be developed as the normal pattern of each year's work. In very many circuits this idea has not registered, but it is encouraging to notice that some Ministers and Circuits are making a genuine effort to be loyal to this conception. Visitation evangelism, teaching and preaching missions are being organised faithfully in a few centres. This year, leadership has not been emphasised in terms of the Conference resolutions to any adequate extent. At the time of writing this report there has been disappointing lack of District organisation to arrange Schools for Leaders. Many Churches and Circuits held Dedication Services for Officials and Youth Leaders. The Leadership handbook prepared by the Rev W. A. Burley provides a most helpful basis for group study. If Circuit Stewards could be gathered for District conferences where the whole task could be interpreted to them, and discussion could bring out helpful suggestions as to the fulfilling of their task, great good could be done. There are many Circuit Stewards who would welcome such a gathering. Similarly, groups of Leaders, Society Stewards, Ministers' Stewards, etc., and gatherings of Trustees would all fill a great need.

We need to know our Methodist structure better than we do, to work it effectively.

It would appear that there is need for the appointment of a Crusade Representative in each Synodal District, to be commissioned with the task of maintaining interest in the Crusade programme and taking a lead at District level in the programme. Even if a Crusade as such is not maintained in its present form I would suggest that a District Spiritual Convener be appointed by each Synod, and Sub-District Conveners where necessary. Such a person could receive all the minutes of the Spiritual Advance Committee and, with the District Chairman, could receive regular bulletins setting out aspects of the programme to be prepared for at each stage of the year.

G. I. LAURENSON.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the reports be received and adopted.

2. That grants of £25 from each be made for the work of the Spiritual Advance Committee by the Home Mission Department and the Contingent Fund.

3. That Circuits be urged to give financial support to the Committee.

4. That Conference thanks the Field Representative for his fine work.

5. (a) That 1955 be observed as a year of consolidation and that throughout the year Membership, Leadership and Visitation Evangelism be stressed. (b) With a view to the adequate use of 1956 as Community Year, 1955 be used as a year of preparation in which the Church be called to prayer; and initial publicity material be made available to the June Quarterly Meetings.

6. That 1956 be Community Year. That the year be carried through on a similar scale to that of the Years already observed, with Circuits and Home Mission Stations seeking every opportunity to take the message and work of the Church into the community.

7. That a convener for Spiritual Advance be appointed by each District Executive and sub-district Executive as a liaison officer with the Dominion Spiritual Advance Committee.

8. That all matters relating to itineraries and hospitality for official Overseas visitors be submitted to the Spiritual Advance Committee before final arrangements are made, and nothing be added without permission and that the wishes of such visitors on these matters be ascertained only through the Spiritual Advance Committee. (b) That when it is considered necessary, a nominee of the Spiritual Advance Committee should meet local Committees prior to the visit and consult with them as to arrangements, and should afterward accompany the visitors through the country.

(c) That after local expenses of Overseas visitors have been met, all surplus moneys be forwarded to the Spiritual Advance Committee for the making of grants to visitors, the meeting of Dominion expenses and the building up of an Overseas Visitors Fund.

9. That in view of the success of Schools for Leadership these be continued in 1955 wherever possible.

10. That the Spiritual Advance Committee be requested to review the entire programme of the Crusade to date, and recommend to Conference how best the Church may rededicate itself to the task.

11. That all Districts, with a wide representation from each circuit, be urged to give one day as soon as possible in the Connexional year to the examination of the aims and methods of the Crusade.

12. That the thanks of the Conference be expressed to the Convener of the Spiritual Advance Committee, Rev. L. Greenslade.

14. That the Committee for 1955 be: Revs W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, F. H. Parker, C. P. Lucas, W. Green, G. H. Goodman, H. V. Utting, G. R. Thompson, R. F. Clement, G. I. Laurenson, B. M. Chrystall, E. D. Grounds, R. Nuttall, J. K. Watson, J. A. Dalglish, A. J. Johnston, Mesdames W. A. Boniface, I. A. Taylor, L. Gwynn, Miss A. M. Cunninghame. Messrs G. G. Hancox, L. G. Potts, T. M. Henson, I. G. Baber, G. Greathead, K. G. Wyness, W. S. Thrush, E. L. F. Buxton, J. H. Thomson. Convener: Rev L. Greenslade.

13. Official Overseas Visitors:

(a) That Dr. Donald O. Soper be invited for the Industrial Relations Conference in August, 1955, and that if possible a two months' itinerary be arranged.

(b) That the President-General of the Australasian Conference be invited for early 1956.

(c) That Bishop Gerald Kennedy, of the American Methodist Church, be invited for late 1956.

(r) That the Spiritual Advance Committee be responsible for the itineraries of the official visitors.

(e) That the Spiritual Advance Committee and a sub-committee of the Public Questions Committee collaborate in regard to the details of Dr. Donald Soper's visit.

(f) That the Spiritual Advance Committee investigate the possibility of visits at a later date of the Revs Alan Walker and Rex Matthias.

(g) That details of an itinerary (if any) for Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, President of the Methodist World Council, during his semiprivate visit early in 1955, be arranged by the President of the Conference.

B-Local Preachers' Association

We have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the New Zealand Methodist Local Preachers' Association for the Year Ended 30th June 1954.

We record our humble gratitude to God for the blessings and the grace bestowed upon us all and upon our work during the year past, and we would bear witness to the unfailing presence and power of the Holy Spirit who has inspired all our labours for the extension of the Kingdom. We remember also all who have during the year spoken for the Master and proclaimed the glorious Gospel of Life and Love whether it be to the large congregations in the city churches or to the small groups in the lonely and scattered places.

Queen's Visit:

The year has been marked by the visit to our country of Her Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and her husband the Duke of Edinburgh. We rejoice at the spirit of happiness which characterised their visit and made us feel that we are part of one great national family. We rejoice too in the splendid example our Queen gives to her people in her consecation to high and holy purposes.

Deceased Members:

We would give thanks to our Heavenly Father for the long and loyal service of those of our number who have passed on during the year. The names of those included are:-

Thomas J. Hurrell, Hawera; George W. Kirk, New Plymouth, Thomas A. Weston, New Plymouth; William Rose Napier; Frank G. Marshall, Dunedin; James G. Weir, Dunedin; C. R. Thwaites, Rangiora; William Rose, Hastings; John Jones, Palmerston North.

Local Preachers' Examinations:

Congratulations are extended to those who have completed the written examinations and have fulfilled the remaining requirements and have therefore been received, and presented with Certificates as Fully Accredited Preachers. They are:—

Aline Joan Lawry Joyce Edith Foster James Richard Watson Kerry Taylor William Morrison Catherin Joyce Gribble Mary Millicent Whitlow Winifred Alice Bennett Lorraine Flowers Wilfred S. Gilbert Owen Smith Peter Stanley Barker Ronald Fields Arthur J. Patton Max Hornblow Mervyn Rosser Graham Jackson James H. Conway Erasmus Francis Ian Hanson Gordon Douglas Brough Robert Edgar Sullivan Robert William Widdup

We are extremely happy to note that an increasing number are facing the examiner with fair success, and one of the challenging but gratifying features is the percentage of women candidates.

Food Parcels:

Through the generosity of many Methodists we are happy to report that once again a large number of food parcels were sent to the aged and sick Local Preachers in England, to reach them in time for last Christmas. The letters of acknowledgment which recently came into the Secretary's hands were indeed very touching in their expressions of genuine gratitude and joy, particularly at being remembered and helped by the people of New Zealand who to the English folk live on the other side of the world but are "one with them in Christ". One grateful soul wrote "immediately in my kitchen I sang, Praise God from whom all blessings flow, with a special prayer for the senders".

Book Scheme:

The complete Epworth Press Catalogue of Books available to Local Preachers at 50% reduction in cost can be had on loan from the Secretary, and it is hoped that all Local Preachers and Local Preachers on Trial will utilise this avenue of building up or improving their Library of essential and supplementary reading matter.

Local Preachers' Sunday:

Once again we are grateful for the privilege accorded to us by most Circuits whereby the maximum number of pulpits can be offered to Local Preachers on the special Sunday allocated, and we hope that the recognition of the work of the Local Preachers will be continued in this way.

Standard of Service:

It has been the aim of the Dominion Executive to maintain the standard of qualification necessary for an accredited Local Preacher, and to this end, the importance of sound preparation, not only for written examination but also in practical experience of preaching, is stressed. It is hoped, therefore, that the older brethren will give every encouragement to the young ones to equip themselves for this high calling and by kindly counsel and practical interest and sympathy will do all they can to assist those who have heard the call to proclaim the Gospel.

Local Branches:

Reports from the various branches indicate that a healthy activity has been maintained in all districts, and that the work of the Branches is aimed at increasing the fellowship of all the brethren.

Visit of Dr. Sangster:

Methodists in the main centres of New Zealand and Local Preachers in particular have been very happy to have the privilege of seeing and hearing this noted and gifted preacher and author from England, and will be able to recall with enthusiasm the master touch of his ability as he preached to the crowded congregations in this country.

Location of Executive:

Arising from the decision of the last Annual Meeting of the Association at Conference in Wellington, the Wellington Association has been asked to undertake the work of the Dominion Executive and will therefore be nominating the personnel of the Executive to be elected in Christchurch in November. We wish the new Executive every success in this very interesting work and pray that God's blessing may rest upon their labours for the Association.

Removals and Transfers:

The importance of advising the Dominion Secretary of any changes in address is again stressed as otherwise the work of keeping the Dominion Register up to date is made very difficult.

E. A. WOODFIELD, President.

A. M. HOSKING, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That Conference express its appreciation of the continued devoted work of Local Preachers in the life of the Church.

3. That Conference express its appreciation of the contribution to the Church of the retiring Executive of the L.P. Association.

4. That the following be referred to the Examination Committee: "That a brief statement be included with all examination papers for Local Preachers giving advice on the best manner to attempt the questions."

5. That any revised Order of Service for reception of Local Preachers in the new Book of Offices be referred to the L.P. Association before being finally adopted.

C—Methodist Men's Fellowship

The triennial change of the location of the Methodist Men's Fellowship of New Zealand Executive, moves the control of the Fellowship to the North Island for the next three years.

The Auckland District Executive has agreed to act as the governing body from February 1st, 1954. Officers for the Dominion Executive have been appointed — Mr F. C. PACE, as President; Mr W. E. ROBERTS, as Secretary.

We desire to express our sincere thanks to our Southern brethren, for the steady progress of the movement, as shown by the records received from them.

The Balance Sheet rendered a credit balance $\pounds 24/14/3$, which has been transferred to the Auckland Savings Bank. Contacts with all Branches have been maintained by inspiring letters and circulars, issued by the President, Mr G. H. COLEY, and the Secretary Mr F. W. PITCHER, stressing the value of our Movement to the men of our Church and Community.

New branches have been established including LEVIN, DANNE-VIRKE, and TAURANGA. Enquiries continue to be received from Churches seeking information as to how to form branches. Copies of the Constitution and other matters are gladly forwarded and we know are much appreciated.

To enable closer contact to be made with South Island Branches, the Dominion Executive is pleased that the North Canterbury District has expressed willingness to reciprocate and act as the South Island Deputy Dominion Executive.

The thanks of the Executive is extended to the Vice-president of Conference, Mr H. M. Patrick, for the deep and practical interest shown in the work of the Fellowship during his term of office; wherever possible, contacts were made with the men of the church. At Wellington, over one hundred men of the Wellington District, gathered to meet the Vice President. His talk on "The Procedure and Work of the Fellowship Movement" was challenging, and inspiring, closing with a strong plea for all present, for active evangelical witness for Christ.

Rev. Robert Thornley, of Pitt Street Church, has very kindly agreed to make, wherever possible, contacts with Methodist Men's Movements, during his coming visit to America; also if possible, to arrange for suitable literature to be forwarded to the Dominion Executive. It is hoped in this way to obtain first hand information of value in furthering the interests of our movement. We are pleased to report visits between branches are becoming more widely recognised as a splendid method to deepen interest and foster a closer interest between the members of the Movement, and it is strongly commended to all Branches.

"The clamant need today—is consecrated service—to the Master and His Church. We have to hand, the machinery to make that service more effective. The Motive power is in ourselves, waiting to be released by the Holy Spirit.

"What a power for good in the Community it would be to have a Men's Fellowship on the march in every Circuit and every Fellowship affiliated to our Dominion movement.

"That has been our aim for many years—when we shall realise it depends on the men of our Church—Pray God it may be soon."

(Extract from letter of Past President, Mr G. COLEY)

F. C. PACE, President.

W. E. ROBERTS, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

D-New Zealand Women's Guild Fellowship

Fourth Annual Conference:

Was held in Wellington, on November 4th, 1953, opening with Holy Communion. 25 representatives and 30 visitors were present and were welcomed by Mrs J. D. Grocott, President of the Wellington District.

Our Guilds now number 297, with an approximate membership of 4,000. These Guilds have raised between them the amazing sum of £15,348/2/11.

District Reports are as follows:-

Auckland:

Guilds, 59 (increase of 7); membership, 865; total amount raised £3,268/0/5. Officers, Mrs Bennett (Pres.); Mrs Watson (Sec.), Mrs Allon Carr (Treas.).

Waikato-South Auckland:

Guilds, 14. No Report yet. Formed August 3rd, 1953. Officers: Mrs B. Williams (Pres); Mrs Storry (Sec.); Mrs Baker (Treas.) Wellington:

Guilds, 29. Total amount raised, £3,028/5/7. Officers: Mrs M. Grocott (Pres.); Mrs M. Harrison (Sec.); Mrs L. Fergie (Trea.) North Canterbury:

Guilds, 46. Membership, 973. Total amount raised, £2,542/0/6. Officers: Mrs Richards (Pres.); Mrs Horwood (Sec.)

South Canterbury:

Guilds, 13 (New Guilds 3). Membership, 349. Total amount raised, £1,000/15/5. Officers: Mrs McAlister (Pres.); Mrs Hansen (Sec.-Trea.)

Nelson-Marlborough:

Guilds, 9. Membership, 171. Total amount raised, £681/3/11. Officers: Mrs Lewis (Pres.); Mrs Nightingale (Sec.); Mrs R. Ching (Treas.)

Westland:

Guilds, 7. Membership, 129. Total amount raised, £607. Officers: Mrs Baird (Pres.); Mrs Thomson (Sec.); Mrs Bolitho (Treas.)

Otago:

Guilds, 19. Total raised, £1,662/11/7. Officers: Mrs H. G. Brown (Pres.); Mrs Gibson (Sec.)

Southland:

Guilds, 14. Membership, 260. Total amount raised, £1,462/11/3. Officers: Mrs Witheford (Pres.); Mrs Wesney (Sec.); Mrs Prince Bell (Treas.)

Conference discussed the position of District Presidents at Con-ference. It was recommended that Districts discuss this at their own meetings and forward their findings to the Dominion Executive.

The Secretary's report showed the year to have been a very active one for the Executive. They had met five times, had sent out two President's letters, several Circular Letters to Districts in an endeavour to form Fellowships there. Two visits were made to Country Districts which led to the Waikato-South Auckland Fellowship.

The following remit from Auckland was adopted:

"That in view of the increase in cost of Postage, Stationery, etc., the Affiliation Fee be raised to 2/6 per Guild".

Remits from North Canterbury regarding Gambling and King Country Licenses being covered by the Church Conference Agenda were referred to the Conference Public Questions Committee.

The President's Address:

The President's Address: Our President, Mrs M. Robson gave a short helpful and force-ful talk on "Vision". Our vision as Christian women should take us into all avenues of service, the home, the workroom, factory and office. In Civic and Public Affairs also the softening influence of a Christian woman can be of tremendous help. We were urged to co-ordinate individual efforts and aspirations to serve; to stab wide awake our spirit so that, we may see our own close, personal rela-tionship to all the world; to pray that we may hear God calling us to higher endeavour, and that we may have the grace and courage to answer this challence when and where it comes. to answer this challenge when and where it comes.

The President thanked all for their prayers and co-operation, which had made her first year of office a real pleasure and inspiration.

MARY ROBSON, President.

F. M. COOPER, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the work of the Guilds and gratification at the growth of the Guild Fellowship.

E-Church Council

(1) SPECIAL REPORT TO SYNODS, 1954

In view of the Resolution of Synods, 1953, regarding Church Extension the Church Council reports its recommendations on this matter to Synods for endorsement.

CHURCH EXTENSION POLICY AND PRIORITIES (Minutes, 1953, Page 134 (13).

Preamble:

In its recommendation to the 1953 Synods the Home Mission Board recommended an early Dominion-wide appeal for Church Extension. Eight of the nine Synods endorsed this proposal and Conference requested the Church Council to consider the matter further, indicating policy and priorities. Accordingly, the Council recommends:

1. That the following Special District and National undertakings be listed in order of priority:---

- (a) Auckland New Orphanage Appeal (July 1954-June 1955).
- (b) Church Extension.
- (c) Hostels.
- (d) Trinity College Extension Fund.

2. Finance:

(2) That the FINANCIAL OBJECTIVE of the Church Extension Scheme be £50,000 spread over TWO YEARS, 1955 and 1956.

3. Appeal:

That this Appeal be of a Dual Nature-

- (a) 1. Additional Capital for the Church Building and Loan Fund.
 - 2. A Fund for Grants to new causes.
- (b) That the proportions be:— TWO-THIRDS of the amount raised to increase the Church Building and Loan Fund Capital for making interest free loans, ONE-THIRD of the amount raised for a Fund to make grants to New Causes.

4. Priorities:

That each District Executive list its high priorities, i.e. work to be undertaken within two years.

5. That the Rev. G. I. Laurenson consult with the Spiritual Advance Committee with a view to their co-operation in 1955, in order that the driving force behind the Appeal be a special emphasis on Stewardship and Evangelism.

6. Method of Appeal:

(a) That there be a simultaneous Church Extension Appeal Sunday each of the Two Years.

(b) That the day be the Third Sunday in June.

(c) That a pamphlet, a letter from the President and an envelope be personally delivered to all our people.

(d) That each District Executive appoint a suitable person or persons to present the Appeal to the March Quarterly meetings in the District.

7. Organisation:

That TWO COMMITTEES undertake the organisation of the Appeal, one in Auckland and one in Christchurch.

(a) 1. That the Auckland Committee be Revs. E. W. Hames, W. E. A. Carr, G. I. Laurenson, L. R. M. Gilmore, B. M. Chrystall, W. S. Dawson, Messrs H. M. Patrick, B. Burton, and one other layman. Convener: Rev. W. S. Dawson.

2. That this Committee prepare publicity (including the use of the "Methodist Times") and outline the campaign and its organisation. N.B.: The Council recommends the use of a Map of N.Z. indicating the number of buildings erected during the last five years and the number of places needed in the next five years, with a note pointing out the highest priorities.

3. That this committee consider the manner in which the Appeal is to be launched at Conference.

(b) 1. That the Christchurch Committee be the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee with power to add. 2. That this Committee be a distributing and receiving Committee; that it print and distribute material prepared by the Auckland Committee and receive moneys from Circuits. Also, that the Circuits telegraph to the Christchurch Committee amounts received on Extension Sunday, the total Dominion Amount then to be published.

3. That this Committee in consultation with the Home Mission Board consider priorities of allocation.

H. L. FIEBIG, President of the Conference.

G. R. H. PETERSON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee give consideration to the following when drafting regulations regarding the New Fund:—That in the rapidly developing new housing areas many Circuits' have missed opportunities of acquiring suitable sites for Church purposes through inability to assume the financial responsibility of such extension work within their boundaries, and that financial aid to such Circuits be made a Connexional responsibility by way of suitable grants or loans.

3. That the Church Council consider how we may more efficiently use our manpower and amenities, and consider our policy in conjunction with all extension projects.

(2) REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1954

The Council met on 4th and 5th May and reports on matters referred to it by last Conference.

1. Preachers and Conscience (Minutes 1953, Page 190).

Discussion emphasised the point that Conference has certain rights and certain responsibilities. Conference stands judged before God, as the minister stands judged before God.

The Council resolved that the answer to the question asked by the Nelson Synod 1953, be the Statement of Conference on "The Rights of the Ministry" in Minutes 1946, pages 183 to 185.

2. Powers of District Executives and their more effective operation (Minutes 1953, Page 63 (3)).

This matter was given considerable discussion which clarified Law Book, para. 497. This paragraph is re-emphaised and it is noted that the District Executive has certain powers as a Standing Committee of the District Synod.

As a Standing Committee of Synod the District Executive has power to review matters under Questions 9-16, Law Book, page 64. In view of this the Conference Committee on Circuits (Committee "D"), be asked to expedite its business through Conference.

The working of the District Executive could be made more effective if District Committees (e.g. Home Missions, Foreign Missions, District Finance, Property, etc.), were to function as subcommittees under its general direction. It is recommended that this matter be referred to the Law Revision Committee for consideration when preparing the "standard set of questions" for use at District Executive meetings. (See Minutes, 1953, page 62.)

Consideration was given to extending the Chairman's functions as in Law Book, pars. 162 and 163, and also those of the District Executive. Propositions in regard to these matters will be presented next year. 3. Membership, Time and Business of Conference (Minutes 1953, page 63).

This matter was discussed from several angles, opinion being divided on the size of Conference and an indication given that there is a feeling in favour of a change of date. The matter, however, is one on which Quarterly Meetings should express their minds when proposals are formulated by the Council. The Council seeks leave to consider the matter further next year.

4. Stationing Committee (Minutes 1953, page 62).

The whole question of the size of the Stationing Committee was given consideration. Is it necessary to have a Committee of 40 to station 35-40 ministers? To reduce the size of the Committee would not be undermining the democratic system, for the essence of democracy is not mere numbers, but adequate representation. Conference is led by elected people.

1. The Council therefore recommends that Law Book, Par. 444, be amended as follows:--

(a) MINISTERIAL MEMBERS: The President, Ex-President, Secretary of Conference, Secretary of Preceding Conference, Chairmen of Districts in N.Z., Chairman of Solomon Islands Mission District.

(b) LAY MEMBERS: Vice-President, Ex Vice-President, an elected representative of each District in N.Z., and an elected representative of the Solomon Islands Mission District.

2. That this recommendation be referred to Circuit Quarterly Meetings and Synods.

5. Presidential Address and the Ordination Charge (Minutes 1953, page 63).

The Council believes this should be left to the judgment of the President and Ex-President concerned and accordingly reports that it has NO RECOMMENDATION.

6. Offertory for Presidential Supply (Minutes 1953, page 63).

In discussion it was seen that it is good to have a meeting where our people in the Circuits hear and meet the President without introducing the matter of an Offertory.

The Council's finding regarding the matter is NO RECOMMEN-DATION.

7. Experience Gained by Ex-Presidents (Minutes 1953, page 63).

Some of the men arrive back from overseas too late in the year to present their message to the Church at an early date. However, it was resolved: That the Ecumenical Committee keep in view the best use of the experience gained by Methodist representatives who travel overseas.

8. Sessions, 1955.

That the next Sessions of the Church Council be held at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on 10th and 11th May, 1955.

H. L. FIEBIG. President of the Conference.

G. R. H. PETERSON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

 That the report be received and adopted, except for Section 1.
 That the section on "Preachers and Conscience" be referred to Synods for consideration and report to Conference 1955.

3. That the Council consider the title of the District Executive with a view to securing a more suitable name.

4. That the Council consider the possibility of establishing a Christian Lay Training Institute, possibly on a Church Union basis.

5. That consideration be given to ways of saving the time of Conference to allow for more adequate discussion of vital issues.

6. That the Council endeavour to present a scheme by which ministerial appointments be made during the Connexional year.

7. That the following be referred to the Council:-

At the March Quarterly Meeting the invitation to the present minister shall be discussed and decided. The result of this decision shall be forwarded through the Chairman of the District to the Secretary of the Conference for preparation of a Dominion list of Circuits and ministers seeking changes of appointments.

8. That consideration be given to the manner of counting votes at Conference when a division is called.

9. That the Church Council report through Synods to Conference.

QUESTION XXXVI.—What, are the Resolutions respecting Sunday Schools and the Youth of the Church ?

Youth Department

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

The work of the Department covers a very wide field of activity —much too comprehensive for detailed treatment. This has been a busy year on many fronts, to some of which we are able to give but passing mention. With the establishment of Epworth Bookroom (Wellington), the Department is moving more into the total life of the Church.

Directors' Programmes:

The year has seen a further working of the Board's Policy of an administrative head and field workers. The Senior Director has given attention to matters of policy, to Conferences, to reports, to publications and to general administration. He has spent considerable time in observing trends and tendencies in the Movement, in assessing the place and working of the Department in the total life of the Church, in compiling data as to the general efficiency of our whole system of religious instruction and Christian education. This report will be available early in the new Connexional year.

The Rev R. H. Allen and Miss D. M. Jones have continued by give their respective specialised emphases, remaining for longer periods wherever possible in districts and circuits. This concentration on certain subjects, viz. Leadership Training and Workshop Method, and Church-Home-Family Relationships is providing lasting results. While, however, it is a policy that commends itself in this respect certain disadvantages are soon discovered. Gaps are left, geographically, in our work in any year, and to be really effective an even longer period is needed to establish personal relationships and to consolidate work so well begun.

The Order of St. Stephen:

Three young men have completed their period of service this year, and have been received into the Order — Mr Owen Smith (Christian Community Centre, Ponsonby) Mr Jack Murray and Mr Gordon Dey. The last two served on the Solomon Islands, and were received by the President of Conference during his visit to the Mission Field. Three young women have commenced a year of service—Mi-a G. Thomas, Miss N. Smith and Miss L. Quarrie, at Te Awamutu, Invercargill (St. Peter's) and Wellington (Youth Office and Bookroom) respectively. Both Miss Thomas and Miss Smith are engaged in some part-time work for the District Youth Councils. This is proving a much needed assistance to the two districts concerned. Another candidate has been accepted and is ready to take up her appointment.

This is a splendid record of which the Department is proud. The Order provides a fine avenue of Christian service suitable to our own New Zealand Methodist conditions. Indications are not lacking that when the challenge is made our young people are increasingly willing to answer any call. The Church must now make herself ready to receive and usefully employ the increasing number who are offering. We thank God for this obvious movement of His Spirit.

Youth Weeks:

These periods are now regular features of the life of most congregations. They vary in character from circuit to circuit. Their chief value lies not so much in focussing the attention of the whole Church on its youth activities, but in the stimulus they provide to all concerned. They foster congregational co-operation and give opportunity for discussion on problems of mutual interest. Important issues in congregational life are here faced together. The planning and activity necessitated by working parties, projects, study groups and entertainment add zest to congregational life. They provide also a valuable opportunity for experimentation and the general exploration of new fields and technique.

Youth Work and the Total Life of the Church:

All are becoming increasingly aware that congregational life must be an entity. More and more youth work is becoming the business of the entire adult life of the Church. This is as it should be. It is the Department's policy to foster this development and wherever possible to tighten the link between all the activities of the local church.

The Jubilee of the Movement:

This fifty-year Jubilee will be inaugurated at Conference and will continue to Youth Week 1955. The impact of the Bible Class Movements on the life of the present-day Church cannot be measured and scarcely over-estimated. In the Ministry, in the Connexional life of the Conference, in the Quarterly Meetings there is abundant evidence of the contribution that the Youth Movement has made. A brief history of the Movement, written by one of its honoured leaders, Mr W. E. Donnelly, will be available shortly. Summer Youth Conference at Marton will be of a special Jubilee character as will Easter Camps of 1955. The financial objective of the Jubilee will be the establishing and the enlarging or the equipping of district permanent camp sites.

General:

Leadership Training: The training of leaders and teachers for Bible Class and Sunday School is an important aspect of the work of the Department. The Leadership Training Committee, centred in Christchurch, has given much time to planning leadership activity, viz., Leadership Schools, the Elementary Training Course and the N.C.C. Diploma Course, and the provision of studies and materials for Circuit Retreats and other study groups.

"Christian Education": This magazine is a valuable aid to our work, although we report a decrease in subscribers. Discussions are taking place on the format and frequency of the publication. It is suggested that the magazine be issued bi-monthly, and that it be bound in such a way as to come apart readily for systematic filing under subject headings.

National Committee on Recreation and Leisure: This Committee has done a great volume of work during the year and the number of requests for material for social and other programmes has increased considerably. Special mention is made of the Recreational programmes provided for Camps and Christmas functions.

Church-Home Relationships: There is recognition of the weakness of the ties between church and home but it is the evolving of a plan to strengthen them which hinders progress. In a few places new groups have been formed, but this is a grafting on to an existing pattern of church life rather than the providing of a radical change in attitude and approach that is needed. The Family Camp held at Tauranga in January served to focus the attention of the group present on the family as a unit, as well as to provide an enjoyable holiday in pleasant surroundings.

Bookroom: Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) has now been established in accordance with last Conference's directions. It is winning its way into the life of the Connexion, and the Department is sure that it will soon become a major factor in our Departmental life. We commend it to those in the areas it is designed to serve. We have concentrated on the building up of literature designed to help those engaged in Sunday School teaching, Leadership Training, Club activities and Christian Education generally. We are slowly building up a strong section on Christian sociology, a study of great interest to young people.

Convention: This was held in Wellington and there was a good representation from the whole Connexion. Themes given special consideration were Easter Camping policy, Work Camps and District activities generally.

Publications: These are a steady feature of our work. Those issued included "Avenues of Service", the leaflets "Baby needs a Christian Home" and "Christian Home and Family Life", "The Ascending Way", C.Y.M.M. Calendar, Nursery Department Folder and card of Family Graces, "Methodists and Military Training", studies for Easter Camps, Leadership Schools and Circuit Retreats. An important statement on "The Church and the Bible" by the Rev J. Silvester, M.A., was also produced.

Home Sunday School: The roll of the Home Sunday School now stands at 337, the highest figure on record.

Miscellaneous: The regular work of the sub-committees on Missions and Ecumenical affairs, Bible Class, and Sunday School has continued as has the provision of materials and supplies for our growing youth work and the giving of advice on all kindred matters.

Summary of Activities:					
Easter Camps— Camps held			 	1954 27	1953 29
Attendance	****	Christ	 	$2961 \\ 549$	2899 450
Leadership Schools- Schools held				8	9
Attendances			 	360	397

Workshop Courses — Courses held Total attendance (approx)		$\begin{array}{c} 14 \\ 255 \end{array}$	10 600
Leadership Courses— Diploma Course Enrolments Examination Passes		41	41 35
Completion of N.C.C. Diploma Course Elementary Course Enrolments		2 8	3
Home Sunday School— Scholars Attendance at Holiday Camp		337 70	232 56
Home Bible Class— Members	· ····	27	17
Family Camp— Attendance		30	23
"Christian Education "		652	783

The Board records its gratitude for another year of service and for the interest and co-operation shown. Both Mr Allan and Miss Jones have been well received and the Senior Director has received many helpful suggestions; all of which indicate a keen and sympathetic interest in all quarters. Much constructive thinking is taking place concerning the shape of things to come. We look forward to another interesting year. The Board expresses again its appreciation of the exceptional service rendered the Department by the Secretary and of the happy co-operation of all members of the office staff.

M. A. McDOWELL, Acting-Chairman.

ANDREW J. JOHNSTON, Senior Youth Director. PEGGY YEARBURY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report, Financial Statement and Budget for 1954-55 be received and adopted.

2. That the Conference records its gratitude for the contribution of the Youth Movement in its varied aspects to the work of the Church over the past fifty years.

3. That the Conference urges all Districts through the D.Y.C.'s to support loyally the Department's Jubilee project of the purchase, enlargement or equipment of District permanent camp sites and where possible hold a District reunion and Jubilee gathering.

4. That Conference express appreciation of the services of the Youth Directors, Revs A. J. Johnston and R. H. Allen and Miss D. M. Jones.

5. That Miss D. M. Jones be appointed for a further term of one year.

6. That the Rev R. H. Allen be allowed to return to Circuit work in 1956.

That the Youth Board bring forward nominations through Synods to Conference 1955 for the positions of Youth Directors.

7. That the following be referred to the Board for consideration:—(a) That because there are Districts where there is an acutelack of lay leadership in Methodism, young Methodists who are in positions subject to transfer be recommended to offer, in the spirit of the "Order of St. Stephen," to be transferred to some of these areas in order that they may assist the Church in Leadership. (b) That it be indicated in the "Methodist Times" where there is a particular need for such lay leadership.

9. That the following be referred to the Youth Board for practical suggestions:-

- (a) In place of the present Youth Roll there be instituted a Family Roll.
- (b) That in place of the present statistical form with its 39 columns there be 14 columns as follows:

Cradle Roll: No. on Roll. No. received during the year.

Sunday School: No. on Roll. Average Attendance. No. of Teachers. Average Attendance.

Bible Classes: Young Women—No. on Roll. Average Attendance. Young Men—No. on Roll. Average Attendance. C.Y.M.M.: No. new Pledges. Total on Roll.

Total number of families under Pastoral care. Average No. of children in each family.

10. That the Statistical returns as presented be adopted.

11. That Youth Board for 1955 be as follows:—The Chairman of Wellington District. Ministerial: Revs M. A. McDowell, J. D. Grocott, L. T. Norwell and W. H. Greenslade. Laymen: Misses H. Wise and P. Hounsell, two to be appointed. Y.W.B.C.: Mrs R. Sage, Misses M. Smith and P. Yearbury, one to be appointed. Y.M.B.C.: Messrs D. M. Hay, C. Couch, H. Hart and J. J. Gray. S.S.: Mrs C. Couch, Messrs G. F. Briggs, A. G. Worboys and T. O. Kennedy. Youth Directors: Revs A. J. Johnston and R. H. Allen, Miss D. M. Jones.

12. That the District Youth Secretaries be as follows:— Auckland: South Auckland: Taranaki-Wanganui: Miss M. Nicholson. Wanganui Sub-Council: Miss A. Good. Hawke's Bay-Manawatu: Mr D. Roberts. Hawke's Bay Sub-Council: Miss J. Johnston. Wellington: Nelson: Miss J. Ching. North Canterbury: South Canterbury: Otago-Southland: Miss G. Emmerson.

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

A-Public Questions Committee

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The Committee held 7 meetings in the year with an average atendance of 10, as well as several sub-committee meetings.

Industrial Relations:

At the direction of last Conference the Committee gave considerable attention to the preparation of the proposed Industrial Relations Conference in 1955. The "Report on Industrial Relations" received and commended to our people for consideration and report was printed and is available for distribution to interested groups. It is and hope of the Committee that groups will make a close and critical study of the statement and report their findings to the committee.

To give adequate consideration +- every aspect of the Industrial Conference the committee has arranged a Retreat to be held at Wallis House on the weekend of October 24th. An invitation to attend has been extended through the Methodist Times to any interested person. Decause the Retreat is optional those attending will be required to meet their own expenses.

The programme for the Retreat includes papers and discussion on "The Extent and Causes of Industrial Strife", "Basic Industrial Problems such as productivity, efficiency, incentives, freedom, etc.", "The present system of rewards", "Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act", "Managerial and Labour problem", and the viewpoint of M.R.A. and the historic Methodist attitude and the Doctrinal basis for the concern of the Church in industrial relations.

The Retreat will not attempt to make a finding on the topics referred to, but will draw from them the essential questions which are to be answered in the Industrial Relations Conference of 1955.

The Retreat will also be required to make a recommendation concerning the date and location of the Industrial Relations Conference the speakers and general programme and the Public Questions Committee will report direct to the Methodist Conference in November, asking for confirmation of the recommendations.

The Acting-Chairman of the Wellington District (the Rev M. A. McDowell) will be Chairman of the Retreat.

The sub-committee was most fortunate in having a meeting with the Rev Dr W. E. Sangster to discuss the proposals. Dr Sangster initiated similar Conferences in Britain on "The Christian and the Welfare State" and "Christianity and Human relations in industry". He considerably encouraged the sub-committee.

To meet expenses incidental to the Conference, the Committee is requesting a special grant but it is intended to make the Industrial Relations Conference self-supporting.

To enable the Convener to give more time to the Industrial Relations Conference the Rev W. F. Ford was appointed Assistant Convener.

Spiritual Healing:

Conference directed the Committee to nominate to next Conference a Committee "to investigate the matter of spiritual Healing." Correspondence is now taking place.

It is recommended that there be a larger corresponding committee with a small Executive. The Executive should be located close to the Convener's circuit and be able to meet frequently. The full committee should meet at least once a year. The committee has a "long-term" function. The Rev Dr G. Parker is nominated as convener but if he is not able to act throughout all next year an acting convener could be appointed for a short period. Dr Parker's leadership of the Committee will be invaluable.

The Committee and an interim executive will be nominated to Synods

Immigration: The Committee has continued to make enquiries concerning contain necessitous cases. immigration and to press the claims of certain necessitous cases. Three of the necessitous cases known to the Committee have been approved by the Depastment but the regulations have not yet been altered.

United Nations Charter:

In reply to the enquiry by the N.C. the Committee replied that the committee recognised that the Chaster has not been as effective an instrument for peace as was hoped and that little progress can be made without mutual trust. A revision of the wording of the Charter would not of itself create the mutual trust but nevertheless there could be an improvement in the wording or However, many main problems are technical and the Charter. administrative, and this committee has not the information and knowledge on which to make such recommendations. The Committee recommends Church members to read and discuss in fellowship groups the report of the N.Z. Delegation to the San Francisco Conference of 1945. Copies may be procured from the Government printer or from U.N. Organisations.

Niue Islanders:

After considerable discussion, consultation with legal advisers and correspondence with the London Missionary Society Headquarters and the President, the Committee interviewed the Prime Minister concerning the Niue Island murders and made a public statement. The Committee later expressed to the Prime Minister its appreciation of the decision to commute the death sentences.

Indecent Literature:

The Committee has for some years been in correspondence and held interviews with responsible authorities concerning indecent literature. It is gratifying to learn that the Booksellers Association is examining ways and means of raising the standard and contents of the type of magazines under consideration.

Television:

While the Radio Committee is reporting on particular questions concerning religious television-broadcasts the question of sponsorship was examined by this Committee. Because under present and probable conditions in New Zealand there can be only one television programme to an area at any one time the question of sponsor-ship is much more serious than in broadcasting. For that reason the recommendation seeks to keep television from the control of those who might misuse it.

Publications:

It was agreed that pamphlets on certain public questions should be produced and that the first pamphlet should be on Films and the second on Racial questions.

H. Bomb:

After consultation with the Ex-President and consideration of other statements and literature on the subject, the committee for-warded a statement on the Atomic Bomb to the Prime Minister, the The Leader of the Opposition, the Press and the Methodist Times. statement expressed the anxiety of the Church at the possibility of its use, of the responsibility of those who make decisions, of the capacity of man to find a solution to these problems and of the willingness of the Methodist Church to co-operate in peaceful ways of resolving international tensions. The statement was forwarded prior to the opening of Parliament.

Film:

The committee made enquiries from the film industry concerning the film "Luther" which has been well reviewed by competent Methodist leaders overseas. It is hoped that Methodists will encourage the patronage of the film throughout the country.

Road Accidents:

The Committee recommends that the Government authorities be commended for the endeavours that they have made to increase the sense of the careful use of the roads. Reckless driving, carelessness in traffic and indifference to the welfare of other people has become a serious moral problem. The endeavour to awaken the sense of personel responsibility and consideration for others, especially for children and the disabled has the warm support of the Church.

The New Zealand Council for Christian Education:

Besides their endeavour to increase the number of schools which have Scripture instruction under the Nelson System, the Council has given considerable attention to the preparation of an "Agreed Syllabus" A Statement of Doctrine was given general approval by all Church Courts and also the structure of the Cam-bridgeshire Syllabus was approved. Twenty writers were selected by a special committee to do the actual writing. A Conference of writers was held at Wallis House, Wellington, and general plans made to have the Syllabus and handbooks ready for 1955. There are three handbooks under preparation and further "Activity Books" will be prepared to be used in conjunction with them. The organisation of the Council has grown and there are now ten District Committees and several local committees. Increasing attention has been given to Intermediate Schools and also to Post-Primary Schools and Col-leges. A Conference has been held of Post-Primary Teachers of Scripture and a great variety of meetings among secondary school pupils has been arranged. Refresher Courses for Teachers have been held in many areas. The Course of instruction for a Proficiency in Scripture Knowledge has continued.

The Annual Meeting arranged a Conference on policy at which the Minister of Education, the Hon R. M. Algie, gave an appreciated address.

Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs: The disaster at Tangiwai on Christmas Eve gave the Council a very difficult public service which was attended to by the Council's Officers with dignity and sincerity. The King Country Poll questions also involved the Council's executive in a considerable amount of work which was handled well. Immigration questions, of British and non-British migrants continue to require time and attention. The pastoral care of the passengers on the "Captain Cook" was a particular concern. The observance of Christmas in New Zealand was also a subject for action, and support was given to a committee which will continue over the years, to press for a worthy observance of the festival. The question of chapels in Mental Hospitals was also given close attention as well as questions associated with Sunday Observance, Sunday Cinemas, Police Offences Amendment Act, Gambling, Infanticide.

> M. A. McDOWELL, Acting-Chairman, J. D. GROCOTT, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the usual grant of $\pounds 25$ be made from the Contingent Fund.

3. Industrial Relations Conference.

(a) That the Conference be commended to the members of the Methodist Church.

(b) That Guilds, Fellowships, Clubs and other groups be encouraged to study the report of 1953 on Industrial Relations (Minutes Page 78) and send comments to the Public Questions Committee.

(c) That the Industrial Relations Conference Committee be made a grant of £25 from the Contingent Fund.

4. Spiritual Healing:

(a) Conference express appreciation of the work that has been begun by our Church in the investigation of the matter of Spiritual Healing.

(b) That the Spiritual Healing Committee be: Revs. Dr. G. Parker, Dr. D. O. Williams, A. K. Petch, W. J. Morrison, P. A. Stead, Messrs. N. P. Alcorn, A. B. Allen, and Drs. Sheila Hurrell and C. Elliott. Convener: Rev. P. A. Stead.

5. Immigration:

Conference, having learned of several instances of the arbitrary refusal of permits both for assisted and unassisted immigration by families of undoubted Christian character qualified to make excellent citizens of this country, expresses its concern at the implications of this aspect of Government policy; we urge the Government to liberalise its policy to enable all such families to make their home in N.Z.

That the Public Questions Committee make urgent representations to the Government on all such cases of which it has knowledge; and that the situation also be referred to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs.

6. Objectionable Literature and Moral Delinquency:

(a) That the recent legislation concerning indecent literature be examined during the year by the Public Questions Committee and after consultation with the Booksellers' Association report to Synods and Conference.

(b) That the endeavours of the Booksellers' Association to encourage better standards of literature bé commended and that the Public Questions Committee continue its enquiries on the subject.

(c) That our people be reminded of the worth of good literature in the home and that they be warned against the moral danger inherent in objectionable literature and advertisements and that they be urged to keep them out of their homes, in their own interests and those of their children.

(d) That bookstalls be provided in all our Churches as a most vital means in the spiritual and moral education of our people.

(e) Conference records its appreciation of the measures adopted by the Government in the recent Inquiry on Moral Delinquency in children and adolescents and calls the attention of our people to the conviction expressed in the report of the Special Committee concerning the lack of spiritual values in the community and the need for religious faith, instruction and family religion. Conference recognises that the present moral and spiritual problems of our dominion arise out of the basic fact of human sinfulness and man's response to un-Christian elements in his environment and that the real solution can only be found in a return to true religion and a belief in the Gospel of Redemption in Jesus Christ.

Nevertheless, a special responsibility rests upon all those who are involved in the production of literature, radio and cinema programmes and display advertisements and the like to see that their influence does not corrupt our people as they develop. Should these agencies fail in their responsibility to the community, Conference must support such legislative action as may be necessary to curb their activity in the interests of a healthy minded community.

Conference calls upon our people everywhere to adopt positive measures in discouraging such evils in building up in home, family and social life a Christian influence devoid of all offence.

7. Television:

That Conference realises that the development of Television in New Zealand is inevitable and carries great possibilities of good or evil. Therefore it requests the Government to declare a policy of strict and impartial control of all Television, preferably by a Commission divorced from political and other special interests, and because potential evils of sponsored Television are so great and can be so detrimental to the moral and spiritual welfare of the country, the Government be asked to see that strict regulations governing Television have application from the outset.

8. Film:

That Conference make representations to the appropriate film organisation expressing the keen interest of Methodist people in the screening of th film "Martin Luther" and assures them of our support for such screening:

9. Road Safety:

That the Government be congratulated on the endeavours to meet the serious social problems of death and injuries by road accidents and that the Methodist people be called to observe strictly regulations concerning road traffic and to give every encouragement to improved standards of road courtesy, and that the Public Questions Committee approach the Road Safety Council offering to assist its work of road safety propaganda by using illustration blocks where possible in our literature and that the committee investigate the possibility of the use of Bible Class wall space for poster display.

10. Council for Christian Education:

(a) That the Council be commended to the Church, and (a) that a grant of £200 be made from the funds of the Central Finance Committee and (b) that the representatives on the Council be: The Chairman of the Wellington District, the Revs. M. A. McDowell, A. J. Johnston and Mr G. F. Briggs. Proxy: Miss G. Blamires.

(b) That Section 2 (c) The New Zealand Council for Christian Education be amended to read as follows:—To promote and assist in the formation in each Education Board District of a District Committee OR Committees... provided that no Education Board District shall have more than one autonomous District Committee unless its primary school roll is over 20,000.

(c) That Conference record its appreciation of Public School Committees, Headmasters and Teachers for their encouragement and co-operation in the arrangement of Scripture lessons in State Schools. (d) Conference notes with pleasure the recent reported views of political leaders concerning the Secular Clause in our Education Act and the desirability of introducing Christian Instruction into the Curriculum of our Schools and urges immediate action.

11. Inter-Church Council:

3.

That the representatives on the Council be: The Chairman of the Wellington District, the Convener of the Public Questions Committee, and Mr A. E. Hurley. Alternate the Rev. W. F. Ford. Representative on the Women's Auxiliary, Mrs J. A. Bruce.

12. Military Training:

(a) That the Public Questions Committee in consultation with the N.Z. Conscientious Objectors' Advisory Board, be asked to make a thorough investigation of the work of the Conscientious Objectors Appeal Committee, with authority to take whatever steps seem advisable if the investigation shows the position to be unsatisfactory.

(b) That as the decision to institute compulsory military training in peace time was the result of a referendum, Conference asks the Public Questions Committee to give consideration to the principle of conscription as a permanent peace time measure, with a view to protecting the right of the people to express any change of attitude in the matter.

13. Off-Course Betting:

That Conference approach the Government requesting that the issue of off-course betting be placed on the same footing as liquor licensing, i.e., subject to periodical review at the polls.

14. Chaplains to Mental Hospitals:

That Conference appoint Chaplains to Mental Institutions, such appointments to be listed each year in the Minutes of Conference and that the authorities be advised accordingly.

15. (a) In view of the need for Milk Products in S.E. Asia, the Government be asked to investigate the possibility of arranging a continuation of the manufacture and export of milk and skim-milk powders to S.E. Asia, the Government undertaking to subsidise the cost of manufacture so that it can be supplied to such countries at a cost they are able to pay, the cost of subsidy to be in addition to contributions under the Colombo Plan.

(b) That the Public Questions Committee be asked to consider ways and means for closer relations with South-East Asia.

(c) That Conference request the Government to admit Asians into N.Z. on a liberal quota basis.

. 16. That Conference express its thanks to the Public Questions Committee and to Rev. J. D. Grocott as its Convener.

17. That the Committee be: The Chairman of the District, the Revs. J. D. Grocott, W. H. Greenslade, M. A. McDowell, W. F. Ford, C. L. Duder, J. B. Dawson, L. A. D. Hayman, J. H. Woolford, A. J. Johnston, L. T. Norwell, Misses G. Blamires, E. Paul, R. McBride, Messrs D. Hay, A. E. Hurley, H. W. Kelly, M. R. Jones, G. F. Briggs N. Marris, A. R. Low, Dr W. Brooker. Convener: Rev. J. D. Grocott.

B—Temperance Committee ANNUAL REPORT, 1954 A. TOTAL ABSTINENCE AND LIQUOR CONTROL THE METHODIST STANDPOINT

1. The Present Situation:

The past quarter century has witnessed a declining interest in the standard of total abstinence, and a steady increase in liquor consumption. The moral temperature of society with regard to drink and its consequences has lowered considerably, and it would appear that the number of Methodists who defend the use of alcohol, in moderation, is increasing.

The demand for Prohibition has suffered a serious decline. It is a far cry from December 1911, when Prohibition secured a vote of 55.82 per cent, to the latest figure of 25.21 per cent in 1949.

Temperance forces have not been idle during the period, and important reforms have been brought about, outstanding among which is the six o'clock closing Act. This Act, though very inadequately enforced, has been a most important factor in reducing drunkenness, convictions for which have fallen from 13,480 in 1914 to 4,520 in 1951.

Nevertheless, the quantity of liquor consumed has increased alarmingly. 11,649,987 gallons was the figure in 1914, rising to 37,122,717 gallons in 1951. It would appear that the number of people who drink shows a corresponding increase, while the amount per head of population has risen from 7.14 pints absolute alcohol in 1914 to 11.76 pints in 1951.

In view of these facts, and of the known relationship of alcoholic drink to lowered moral standards, it is imperative that the standpoint of the Methodist Church with regard to alcoholic drink should be clearly stated, and her people called to a new sense of responsibility in the matter.

2. Christian citizenship involves an individual responsibility to God, to oneself and to society.

(a) To God: We believe that the demand of a God of Love upon His earthly family is a complete demand and that anything which militates against His Love in the hearts of men, and against establishing His rule of Love in society, must be completely surrendered. The use of alcohol tends to cloud man's vision of God and to retard the response that man and society can and should make to His exalted standards of truth, righteousness and love. It is therefore an enemy of God.

(b) To Ourselves: Man, made in the image of God, is the supreme act of God's creation. He alone, of all created beings, can hear the voice of God, and respond. Man's responsibility to himself is that he nurture the gift of God that is in him. His inward peace and sense of fulfilment require that he use his whole life and being for the greater glory of God.

Alcohol as a beverage is an enemy of man. It undermines his physical strength, weakens his moral fibre, lessens his will power, and dulls his spiritual perception. It deadens and destroys his desire for communion with God. Man owes it to himself, to deny himself completely, the use of anything that tends to weaken, coarsen, or despoil the physical, mental and spiritual faculties God has given him.

(c) To Society: As Christians, we seek to establish in human relationships those spiritual and moral standards proclaimed by Jesus Christ.

Alcohol as a beverage is an enemy of Christian citizenship. It induces irresponsibility, delinquency and crime. It leads to disregard for the laws of the land. It is an established factor in the disintegration of marriage and the consequent suffering of children. It is a prime cause of industrial inefficiency. It turns happy social occasions into scenes of coarse and disordered revelry. It is a principal factor in the ever mounting toll of road accidents. It causes physical' illhealth and leads to mental as well as moral breakdown. Its very manufacture turns to wastage much good food, for which people in other parts of the earth are starving.

It is not enough to say that we should be temperate and disciplined in the use of a thing productive of so much evil. The situation calls for Christian example in uncompromising refusal to accept alcoholic beverage, not only in hotel bars, but also at social functions, weddings, sports gatherings and festive occasions, or to permit it in our homes, or to partake of it in the homes of others. Only by such positive and forthright action can we demonstrate, in this matter, a standard of conduct worthy of that Christian citizenship to which, under God, we are called.

3. The Church:

The Church is the Body of Christ. Its members are linked to God, and to one another in a union of faith and love. The Church is the visible representation on earth of the mind, spirit and conduct of Christ. Its purpose is the consummation of His Kingdom. The Church therefore is in a position of trust.

(a) It must represent, fairly, in all conduct, the mind and spirit of Christ, and uplift on every occasion those standards of truth, righteousness and love, which characterised His earthly life.

(b) The Church must share in His redeeming, reconciling work. Only as men come to Him in trust and love can they receive power to overcome base desire and to conquer sin. The sin of intemperance is overcome when men meet their Saviour. In a Christian society, the drink problem would cease to exist. The Church is Christ's agency in the world for bringing that society into being.

(c) The menace of such a stumbling block to the young and the weak, as the licensed trade, must exercise the mind and conscience of Christ's Church. There was no such trade in the days of His earthly life. Had there been. He must have viewed it no less seriously than the market place within the Temple. His Spirit, guiding the Church into all truth, has induced the conviction that the trade in alcoholic liquor is a foe to be withstood and conquered.

This must be done in part by education. No young person should be allowed to grow up without a clear knowledge of the dangers of alcohol. Nor should any follower of Christ fail in the duty to teach the young people of each succeeding generation in so vital a matter.

There must also be constant political pressure for more effective control of the conditions under which alcoholic liquor is manufactured and sold. The members of Christ's Church must exercise their Christian citizenship, vigorously and forcefully, with a view to easing the burden of temptation that confronts the weaker and younger members of society.

The very existence of the licensed trade reflects a serious measure of irresponsibility on the part of man towards himself, his neighbour and his God. The Church of Jesus Christ must lead and continue to lead public opinion toward the goal of total abstinence and the removal of the liquor trade and all its evils.

B. AFTER HOUR TRADING

Published reports of evidence placed before the commission appointed to enquire into the enforcement of licensing laws have indicated three things.

1. That after hour trading is widespread both in town and country, and that licensees in given areas fix their own after hour closing time.

2. That there is a minority group constantly pressing to have evening trade legalised, notwithstanding the fact that six o'clock closing was endorsed by a vote of 75.5 per cent as recently as 1949.

3. Certain licensees have said that they trade after hours in order to meet their financial obligations. They claim that their licenses would be uneconomic if they kept within the law. If this is true, it means that high rents, or high cost of goodwill, or both, are the cause of much law-breaking on the part of hotel licensees. Such position suggests that the trade ought to be taken out of the hands of private enterprise, with its inevitable profit motive, and placed under a form of trust control. It is worthy of note that the Invercargill licensing trust claims that it can and does operate satisfactorily without recourse to after hour trading.

E. S. HODDINOTT, Chairman.

H. G. BROWN, Convener.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. Conference urges all Methodists to accept and adhere to the standard of total abstinence from all acoholic beverages, and to set before the world an uncompromising example in refusal to accept such beverages on any occasion.

3. (a) Conference calls upon the Church to be more diligent in the instruction of young people concerning the menace of alcohol.

(b) In order that our Methodist young people may be educated to appreciate the fact that the practice of alcoholic drinking reflects a basic failure to achieve a mature and integrated personality—as ideally exemplified in Jesus Christ—the Temperance Committee make a thorough analysis of the "social necessity" of liquor drinking, viewed as a socially sanctioned custom which affords a pleasurable but false sense of release and enlargement of personality through the temporary lessening of inhibiting factors in consciousness. 4. Conference calls the people of Methodism to exercise a consecrated Christian citizenship in the struggle to control, and ultimately to abolish the liquor trade.

5. Conference draws the attention of the Government to the widespread disregard for the six o'clock closing act, as indicated in evidence placed before the Police Commission, and once again calls upon the Government to have the present law effectively and adequately enforced.

6. Conference recommends to the Government that electors throughout the country be given an opportunity to decide by vote whether the licensed trade should continue under private enterprise or be placed under trust control.

7. Conference directs the attention of Ministers and officials of the Church regarding the observance of Temperance Sunday.

8. Conference urges that every effort be made to encourage men of temperance views to contest Licensing Committee elections next year.

9. That Conference request more vigilance be maintained by the Police to see that minors are not served with intoxicating liquors in hotels or places of entertainment.

10. That the Temperance Committee be asked to report to Conference on the operation of Trust Control.

11. That the Temperance Committee give consideration to a practical approach to the Minister of Education regarding the implementing of existing regulations re Temperance teaching in Schools.

12. That we recommend to the Government that public reserves. parks and sports grounds be brought under the same law as dance halls in regard to the consumption of liquor, and be subject to the same penalty.

13. That Rev. H. G. Brown be thanked for his services as Convenr.

14. That a grant of £5 be made from the Contingent Fund.

15. That the Committee for 1955 be: Revs. E. S. Hoddinott, H. G. Brown, Dr. R. Dudley, T. R. Benny, I. W. Reid, O. M. Olds; Mrs W. Dickinson; Misses T. Muir and M. Guthrie; Messrs H. H. Johnson, A. L. Stanton, A. S. Hancock, C. Chirnside, A. W. Barnes, M. R. McIndoe, A. E. Tardif, and Dr N. R. Jefferson. Convener: Rev. H. G. Brown.

C-Methodist World Peace Committee

The Committee has met five times since last year's report and we have sought to fulfil the tasks allotted to us, though we have found it difficult to pinpoint our 'order of reference'.

From the impression gained at the Church Council last May it seems that we are to be a World Peace 'Publicity' Committee only. That is, to publicise throughout the New Zealand Methodist Church what is being done towards peace on a world scale, and also to seek to enthuse our Church folk to study this great question as well as support those organisations which are working for World Peace, rather than to organise any united action through our Church or make public statements.

Nevertheless, as a committee, we are concerned with the World Situation and feel that the Church needs to be active in combating the forces of evil as they are revealed in International Relationships. The Committee wishes to reaffirm the following points from last year's report:

1. Last year's report spoke of the official silence of the Church, which statement was challenged, but the New Zealand Methodist Times of September 19th 1953 stated: "It will be generally agreed that the Churches in Australia (and in N.Z.-Ed.) have done very little since 1945 regarding World Peace. Assemblies and Conferences have been cautious about resolutions on Peace, sermons on the subject have been rare, and it is seldom discussed in study circles."

2. Our main emphasis last year was that 'the prayerful and Biblical study constitutes the first step to action' — an emphasis which we reiterate, as the rapidly changing events of the world reveal the necessity for all to face the grave issues of the day, which are not limited to the conflict between "Pacifism" and "Militarism", and they must be faced constructively. With this end in view it is considered advisable to appoint regional representatives who will be responsible for the necessary organisation of such study. Widespread enquiries are being made for a suitable booklet which could be used on a Dominion-wide basis. Information will be passed on to the Church immediately it is received. In the meantime it is recommended that Church groups make use of the material already available. The daily Papers; the 1954 B.C. Syllabus—"The Highway"—studies 27, 28 and 29 with portions of studies 32 to 36, and with The Bible, of course, as the main handbook.

The members of the committee are grateful for all the suggestions sent in from the March Ministerial Synods. These are being examined and, where possible, action is being taken.

Negotiations are in hand, in conjunction with the Publications Board, regarding a series of Church Porch Posters, calling the attention of our people to "Practical Approaches to Peace".

A monthly column in the Methodist Times under the heading: "Action For Peace" has also been undertaken.

We are in fairly close collaboration with the Public Questions Committee and Minutes of the meetings are exchanged regularly. Our Committee forwarded to the President of the Confernce and to the Public Questions Committee a statement on the "H" Bomb, which, whilst not used in the Public Questions Committee's published statement, yet gave some background for it.

Regular valuable information is also being received from the United Nations Association in Wellington.

The Committee has had before it this year the question of the formation of a Methodist Peace Fellowship but is of the opinion that such a Fellowship is not necessary.

In conclusion we must stress the urgency of this great question for today and would call upon all our Church folk to study the vital issues involved. We shall be glad also to receive any information of a world nature to pass on to the whole church.

D. J. D. HICKMAN, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. That the Report be received and adopted.
- 2. That consideration be given to the publication of Church Porch Posters.
- 3. That the Committee continue to enquire for a suitable study booklet on World Peace.

4. That each District through the District Executive appoint a regional representative, or representatives, who shall initiate world peace studies as recommended by Conference.

- 5. That a grant of £25 be made from the Contingent Fund for 1955.
- 6. (A) That the function of the World Peace Committee be :-
- (1) To consider and act on matters referred to it by Conference.
- (2) To maintain contact with United Nations Association and any other organisations likely to be able to supply suitable information or material relating to world peace.
- (3) To prepare and disseminate such pamphlets, posters, bulletins, information and study material as may from time to time appear desirable.
- (4) When necessary or desirable to make public pronouncements or representations on matters relating to world peace but only in accordance with Conference findings from time to time.
 - 5) When it appears desirable to make an urgent pronouncement on a subject on which the mind of Conference has not been declared any such pronouncement must have the prior approval of the Secretary.
- (6) To explore avenues of practical action towards world peace and better international relations and to endeavour to mobilise the goodwill of Methodist people for the carrying out of specific tasks.
- (7) To consider and when found desirable to promote and organise retreats, study groups and conferences dealing with world peace, international relations, and constructive peace-making.
- (8) To seek contact with similar committees in other churches with a view to consultation and co-operation in study and action.
- (9) To avoid overlapping, the Public Questions Committee and the Methodist World Peace Committee shall maintain contact and consultation where subjects likely to be the concern of both committees are under consideration.

(B) That the World Peace Committee submit a draft constitution to the Law Revision Committee.

7. That the Committee give more consideration to the fundamental causes of war such as the distribution of land, the distribution of food and the question of racial tension and discrimination.

8. That Conference having previously asked the Methodist World Peace Committee to "undertake the task of exploring avenues of practical action and of mobilising the goodwill of Methodist people for the carrying out of specific tasks" (see Minutes of Conference, 1952, p. 76, par. (g), and also bearing in mind the words of our Lord that "Inasmuch as ye have done it (or done it not) unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it (or done it not) unto Me," this Committee be urged to give immediate and serious consideration to the following suggested ways and means of achieving the desired objective:—

(a) The building up of fellowships between Methodist Circuits and congregations in this country and those of other lands, with a view to giving practical assistance to those who are so desperately in need both materially and spiritually.

(b) The sending to all Circuit Superintendents, or to some duly

appointed Circuit representative, of regular bulletins containing general information concerning the world's needs and ways in which we in this land can help to meet these needs; these bulletins to be forwarded to Quarterly or Leaders Meetings for appropriate action.

(c) The encouraging of Methodists to do relief work overseas, e.g., Christian technicians, doctors, Ministers, etc., where desirable, such relief workers to be accredited by the President of the Conference.

9. Conference, conscious of the seriousness of the world situation, would impress upon our people and the people and Government of New Zealand as follows: A. The urgent necessity to work and sacrifice in order to create "the minimum conditions of peace" as declared by the Evanston World Council of Churches Assembly; (i) Vigorous efforts to end social and other injustices; (ii) Scrupulous respect for pledged word; (iii) Continuing effort in international reconciliation and a readiness to submit all unresolved questions to impartial international authorities and to carry out their decision. B. Since a major cause of world tension is the universal fear created by the armaments race and since it is impossible even for the wealthiest countries to implement the pledges of securing universal human rights and carry the crushing burden of armaments, we join with the World Council of Churches Assembly in urging: (i) The prohibition of all weapons of mass destruction including atomic and hydrogen bombs with provision for international inspection and control; (ii) Drastic reduction of all other armaments.

10. That taking into consideration the recommendation of Nelson Synod (Agenda 1954, pp. 92 and 93) the World Peace Committee draft a comprehensive statement on the question of War and Peace, also taking into account all the theological factors involved and with particular reference to recent Ecumenical discussion and the statements resulting therefrom.

11. That the World Peace Committee in consultation with the Youth Board give urgent consideration to a scheme, along similar lines to the existing Order of St. Stephen, which would provide demanding, constructive, alternative service for young men desiring to appeal against peace time military training.

12. Conference calls all our people to earnest prayer and deep consideration of all the grave issues involved in modern total war, in order that we may discover the will of Christ for His Church in these fateful days.

13. Atomic Weapons: That Conference confirm the following statement issued during the year by the Public Questions Committee:

The Public Questions Committee of the Methodist Church of New Zealand respectfully submits to the Parliament of New Zealand the following statement concerning Atomic Weapons.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is appalled by the possibility of atomic war and it is convinced that the use, under any circumstance, of H-bombs or any other bombs of similar power, would be a denial of the Christian view of the nature of man.

While the whole society must share responsibility for the present world situation, the immediate task of resolving the tensions which could lead to atomic war is a political one and falls chiefly on political leaders. This responsibility must be seen as a responsibility to God.

The Committee is convinced that it is not beyond the capacity of man to find a solution to the problems which antagonise nations without recourse to atomic weapons. If a solution is not found it will be because pride and self-interest have blinded man to the real issues.

The Methodist Church would warmly support any effort the Government may make which would assist in the solution of international problems by peaceful means.

14. That the Committee for 1955 be: Revs. D. J. D. Hickman (Convener), A. O. Jones, W. J. Morrison, A. P. Dorrian, O. T. Woodfield. Misses S. Hayman, M. M. Lill, Messrs M. A. Bull, J. Diack, M. E. Hayman, A. Marshall, C. J. Shamy, J. A. D. Thompson, R. Verity, T. Wakelin, and P. G. Woodnorth.

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

A-General Report on Church Property

1.-Trust Accounts.

RECEIPTS.

RECEIPTS.	£	S.	d.
Credit Balance from last year-General Account	35,579	13	0
Balance from last year held for Special Purposes	215,402	1	7
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund	4,525	Õ	Ó
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All other Receipts	239,462	0	0
Total Receipts	530,503	9	0
Debit Balances	23,271	5	6
TOTAL	£553,774	14	6
EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Debit Balance from last year	15,226	8	4
Loan Fund Instalments	5,882	12	2
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	3,479		10
Purchase of Land, Erection or Additions to Buildings		13	8
The state of the s	112,526	7	1
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc.	112,020		1
Total Expenditure	285,890	15	5
Credit Balances	40,371	7	7
Balances held for Special Purposes	227,512		6
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TOTAL	K553,774	14	6
2.—Total of Fire Insurances£	2,202,454	3	1
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3.—Debt:			
Mortgage Debt at end of previous year	118,196	13	4
Add New Loans received during year	41,309		8
TOTAL	£159,505	1	0
	24,754		7
Amount of Mortgage Debt at end of year	£134,751	3	5

In the attached report of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, full details are given concerning various property projects undertaken during the current year.

In general terms, the total sum expended for property purposes averages out at the approximate figure of £10 per Church member.

Loan indebtedness has increased by the sum of £10,795.

The amount held for Special Purposes has increased by £12,471.

The amount of £128,772 spent on progressive works such as the purchase of new sites, the erection of new Churches, Halls and Parsonages, indicates how real is the sustained effort being put forth to meet the demands of the present situation, with its ever-present spiritual opportunity and challenge in all parts of the country.

4 .- District Secretaries for Church Property.

4.—District Secretaries for Church Property. Auckland—Mr S. E. Chappell, 27 Balmoral Rd., Epsom, Auckland. South Auckland—Mr W. B. L. Williams, 214 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 N. Hillary, Box 552, Christchurch. South Canterbury—Mr P. G. Woodnorth, Box 254, Timaru. Otago-Southland—Mr C. H. Kitchin, 65 Hazel Avenue, Dunedin, S.W.1.

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 1955 be as named in the Report.

That Conference tender to Mr J. McIndoe its deepest appreciation of the outstanding service he has rendered to the Church as District Secretary for Church Property for the Otago-Southland District during the past 15 years.

3. That where moneys are raised for special purposes, they should not be used even temporarily for other purposes, as such breach of trust involves the trustees in personal liability.

4. Schedule Books: In view of the fact that the present Circuit Schedule Books are now quite out of date in their columns and lay-out generally for recording Church data, the Committee consider the printing of a more satisfactory book when present supplies are exhausted.

B-Church Building and Loan Fund Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

The year ending 30th May, 1954, has been an exceedingly busy one, the large volume of work handled being an indication of the activity of the Church in respect to all property matters. An appreciation of the position will be derived from the following summary :--

(a) New sites, purchase approved, 14.

(b) New Churches, plans approved, 6.

(c) New Halls, plans approved, 7.

(d) New Parsonages (replacement in 5, cases), plans approved, 7.

(e) Additions to halls, etc., plans approved, 6. (f) Land sold, not required in 7 instances.

Loans.

A. Loans have been made to the following Trusts: Gisborne (£1250), Special; Hillcrest, £1000; Morrinsville, £1000; Taita Union, £1000; Tawa Flat, £1000.

B. The total amount of loans at present is £23,482/12/4 advanced to 66 Trusts.

C. During the year applications were received for loans from 18 Trusts for loans totalling $\pounds 14,650$. This is additional to 25 Trusts whose names are already on our waiting lists.

Sites Fund Grants: Grants from this fund have been made as follows: Rothesay Bay £50; Northland £50; Torbay £50.

Peace Thanksgiving Fund.

Thef ollowing grants have been made in terms of the constitution of this Fund: Sandringham £500, Oamaru South £150. A stipulation in respect to each grant promised was that it had to be used before 1st January, 1954, otherwise it could be allocated elsewhere unless special circumstances warranted further consideration.

Increased Capital.

The Committee is gratified that the Church Council is recommending to Conference a scheme whereby an appeal is to be made to the Church for gifts which will build up the Capital of the Loan Fund and also provide an additional fund from which straight-out gifts may be made to assist new causes. A generous response to this appeal will enable the Committee to speedily assist those many trusts which are already on the waiting list for loans and also to help others who have new projects in hand now.

Special Loans Fund.

Enquiries being received concerning deposits in this fund and the establishment of the same, with the necessary rules and regulations are now receiving attention.

General.

The Committee draws the attention of the Conference to the fact that in law no trustee should derive benefit from a trust and in that connection it is undesirable that Trusts which may be disposing of property should sell same to a member of the trust. This would also apply to any minister, in so far as he might be a member or the Chairman of a trust.

It is necessary again to draw the attention of District Chairmen and Superintendent ministers particularly to action being taken in respect to property matters without the explicit consent of he Committee. Finalising the purchase of a section at Helensville and the sale of a parsonage by the Auckland Central Mission and also by the Waimate Trustees are cases in point. Needless embarrassment and confusion are caused by action in this way.

District Advisory Committees.

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 by Conference by each Synod.

General Committee.

The Committee places on record its appreciation of the valuable service rendered by the Rev. A. M. Costain, who superannuates at the end of the present Connexional Year. He has been on the Committee for 10 years and has acted as Chairman for the last two years.

The following Committee is nominated for 1955: The Connexional Secretary, Revs. W. T. Blight, A. O. Harris, V. R. Jamieson, W. G. Slade, A. K. Petch and G. R. Harris; Messrs H. de R. Flesher (Lay Treasurer), H. J. S. Harrington, W. Melville Lawry, R. A. Marsh, C. A. Waters, L. A. Swift, E. A. Crothall, J. Travers and J. B. Lyth. Sales.

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of the following properties. If not acted upon by 31st January, 1956, the sanction lapses. AUCKLAND DISTRICT:

Epsom (tennis court—exchange and easement); Rothesay Bay (1 rood), £500; Kaikohe Parsonage, £2,000; Kaeo (H.M. Dept.), 2 sections, £290.

SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Taumarunui Parsonage, £1,500; South Auckland Camp Site-Land Dedication.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Rongotea (1 rood), £105; Sanson Parsonage, £1,600.

WELLINGTON:

Waiwhetu Parsonage (Hutt), £3,750.

NELSON:

Richmond-land dedication.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Deaconess House Board (10 perches and garage), £2,700; Opawa Parsonage, £2,500.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Kensington (3 sections-2 roods, 1 perch), £750.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Roxburgh (1 rood, 34 perches), £825; Balclutha (1 rood), £100; Newfield (39.21 perches), £180.

Leases.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT:

Prince Albert College (land), £2,000 per annum plus rates, etc. -10 years.

WELLINGTON:

Featherston (land), £10 per annum-16 years.

Land Purchases.

The following purchases of land have been approved:

AUCKLAND:

Te Atatu (1 rood), £250; Rothesay Bay (1 rood), £500; Wellsford (1 rood), £300; Northland D.Y.C. (1 acre, 31 perches), (gift); Torbay (1 rood, 19.3 perches), £250; Weka Weka (3 roods, 32 perches), (gift); Hillsborough (32.83 perches), £375.

SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Tauranga (1 rood, 34 perches), £3,000; D.Y.C. Camp Site (lease); Huntly (1 rood), £800.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Mangapapa (1 rood, 9.2 perches), £500.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Bryndwr (right of way) (gift).

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Temuka (1 rood), £175; Bank Street (22.3 perches), £50. OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

D.Y.C. Camp Site (2 acres, 1 rood, 28 perches), £90.

Purchases, Erections and Alterations of Buildings.

(P, Purchases; E, Erection; A, Alteration or addition) (Estimated cost only in some cases)

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AUCKLAND DISTRICT:

Kaikohe, Parsonage, £4,250 (P); Clarks Beach, Hall (E); Glen Innes, Church Hall, £3,500 (E); Orewa, Church Hall, £1,350 (E); Hikurangi, S.S., £1,250 (E); Ponsonby, Parsonage, £5,000 (E). SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Taumarunui, Parsonage, £2,300 (P); Huntly, Parsonage, £1,250 (P); Tahuna, Hall, £800 (P); Greerton, Hall, £3,000 (E); Rotorua, S.S., £3,000 (A).

TARANAKI WANGANUI:

Waitara, Hut (gift); Taihape, S.S., £500 (A); Rangiatea, Hostel (E); Wanganui East Church, £500 (A); Whiteley Youth Centre, £24,000 (E); Eltham Church (A).

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Foxton, Primary Room, £350 (E); Rongotea, Parsonage, £4,500 (P).

WELLINGTON:

Waiwhetu Parsonage, £4,900 (P); Taita Church, £3,600 (E). NORTH CANTERBURY:

Opawa, Parsonage (gift); Redcliffs, Hall, £650 (A); Te Pirita Church, £1,500 (E); Knowles Street, Primary (E); Cashmere, Lychgate; Sockburn, Hall, £3,000 (A); South Brighton, Church (part), £1,150 (E).

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Alexandra, Church Hall, £600 (E).

A. M. COSTAIN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

(3) District Advisory Committees.

That the Committees be as named, together with the District Property Secretary and District Chairman in each case. Convener, District Chairman.

AUCKLAND:

The Revs. J. C. Draper, L. R. M. Gilmore; Messrs H. M. Patrick and A. C. Marshall.

SOUTH AUCKLAND:

The Revs. W. R. Francis and C. B. Oldfield; Messrs W. B. Young and W. A. Smith.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

The Rev. G. T. Gilbert; Messrs M. S. Hughson and L. M. Moss. HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

The Revs. W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, Minister of Hastings Circuit; Messrs A. H. Fisher, C. V. Woodfield, J. P. Boyd, J. H. Oldham and L. A. Davis.

WELLINGTON:

Rev. R. Grice and Mr T. M. Pacey.

NELSON:

The Revs. H. E. Harkness and A. W. McKay; Messrs J. S. White and F. H. Southgate.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Nil.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

The Rev. W. J. Morrison and Mr H. C. B. Withell.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

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

(2) See Resolution 2 of Robert Gibson Report.

C-Report of Custodian of Deeds,

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS, 1954

For the year ended June 30th, 1954, the following matters have had attention:-

1. New Trusts.

New Trusts have been registered as follows:-

AUCKLAND DISTRICT-Torbay, Redhill D.Y.C.

SOUTH AUCKLAND-Tokoroa.

NELSON-West Coast D.Y.C. Camp.

NORTH CANTERBURY-Knowles Street, Te Pirita.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND-Trinity and Mission.

2. Deeds.

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

AUCKLAND DISTRICT-Pitt Street, Howick, Glendowie, Ellerslie, Panmure, Epsom, Weka Weka, Redhill, Ruawai.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI—New Plymouth, Fitzroy, Marton, Oakura.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU-Onekawa, Gisborne, Sanson.

WELLINGTON-Wiltons Bush, Petone, Lower Hutt, Taita, Upper Hutt.

NELSON-Lower Moutere.

NORTH CANTERBURY—Knowles Street, Christchurch, Rangiora.

-OTAGO-SOUTHLAND-Balclutha, Roxburgh.

3. Trustees.

Changes in the personnel of Trusts have been registered as under:-

District	Trusts	Removals	Registrations
Auckland	28	53	99
South Auckland	23	31	64
Taranaki-Wanganui	11	20	22
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	12	33	24
Wellington	15	27	27
Nelson ·	8	15	21
North Canterbury	22	68	58
South Canterbury	- 9	23	36
Otago-Southland	13	58	41
	141	328	392

H. L. FIEBIG, Custodian of Deeds.

RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION XXXIX.—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 submitting its Annual Report for the year ended 30th June, 1954.

The Annual Accounts have been simplified, and, as can be seen from the Income and Expenditure Account, the Board's Deficit on the year's workings was $\pounds 1,062/4/5$. This has been brought about by the extraordinary expenditure of $\pounds 3,234/16/-$ on arrears of maintenance referred to in last year' Report. The annual provision of $\pounds 600$ for Depreciation on buildings has also been provided.

The Board was most fortunate in being able to have its Plumber and Painter execute its extensive repair programme within 12 months. All business properties belonging to the Board are now in excellent external order and repairs required over the next 4 or 5 years should be normal.

Despite our deficit, we were able to maintain our contribution of £1500 to Trinity College.

The members of the Board are:-

Revs. E. W. Hames, J. C. Draper, Mr Justice Stanton, Messrs E. A. Astley, J. H. Blackwell, P. Dellow, T. L. Hames, W. E. Lewisham and W. F. Winstone.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.

M. IZZARD, Secretary.

RESOLUTION.

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2.—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1954

The affairs of the Trust have proceeded in regular routine during the year, the rents of all the shops concerned and that of the Salvation Army Lease having been paid up to date.

As indicated in the last report, repairs had to be undertaken to the shop verandah roofs, and a sum of £300 has been expended, which has completely replaced the iron on the roofs of six of the shops. Similar repairs to the remaining eight shops are now in hand, and will cost approximately £400.

A grant of £400 was again made to Trinity Theological College, and a further £1,500 repaid in reduction of the Mortgage to the Bank of New Zealand, which now stands at $\pounds 6,000$.

Tentative approaches have been made by several interested parties with a view to the leasing of the seven vacant sections fronting Turner Street, and the Trustees are watching this position closely.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

P. DELLOW, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted. 3.—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST BOARD

RESOLUTION

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

4.—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS REPORT FOR 1954 CONFERENCE

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference the Annual Report of the Board, together with Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1953.

The functions of the Board continue to find fulfilment in assisting with the finances of the Masterton Children's Home and the Rangiatea Maori Girls' College.

Masterton Children's Home.

Following its usual procedure the Masterton Committee has reported direct to the Conference, and the Committee's recommendations are endorsed by this Board.

Increased costs have made such heavy demands on the finances of the Board, that they could not be met out of ordinary revenue, and it was necessary to depart from the usual procedure of capitalising all legacies received on account of the Home, and transfer half the amount to revenue.

Legacies totalled $\pounds1,609/15/8$, and were the highest ever received. We are grateful for the thoughts which prompted the undermentioned to remember the Home in their Wills:—

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	M. P. Fischer		387	13	3	
	J. C. M. Mallach		21	18	1	
	J. A. Ordish		100	0	0	
	J. W. Peacock		100	0	0	
	E. G. A. Reynolds		852	8	1	
	Ellen Stewart		25	0	0	
	C. Wagland		17	16	3	
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	-	£1	600	15	8	

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After transferring half of this amount to the Home's capital account and providing $\pounds 236/8/10$ for Capital expenditure, the Capital account of the Home now stands at $\pounds 15,755/5/$ -.

The Board is most grateful to the Staff and to the members of the Home Committee for their continued interest in the welfare of the children.

Rangiatea Maori Girls' College.

The Board has been represented on the College Board of Governors by Messrs A. E. Hurley, T. M. Pacey and A. D. Priestley.

Progress with the establishment of the major scheme is still delayed pending clarification of the basis of payment of Government subsidy, but this Board has, in the meantime maintained its annual grant of £600 to the interim College.

Financial.

Ordinary income has increased by £336, made up of £47 interest on investments and £289 ground rentals.

Expenditure is up by £383, but this includes two non-recurring items, namely £300 retiring allowance and £62 arbitration expenses in connection with new leases.

The net revenue amounted to £1,142, from which figure £600 was paid to Rangiatea Maori Girls' College, whilst the net cost of the Masterton Home accounted for a further £534, leaving a balance in that account of £43,793.

Chairman.

It is the unanimous recommendation of the Board that the Rev. G. H. Goodman be appointed its Chairman for a further year.

T. M. PACEY, Acting-Chairman.

J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

5.—KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE RESOLUTION

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

6.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST ANNUAL REPORT

The year ending 30th June, 1954, has been a normal one. Most of the special work created by the sub-division of the Mission Hill Block has been disposed of, and the last available section was leased during the year. The total number of sections in this Block is 46, all splendid building sites, and most of which now have attractive houses erected upon them. The loans obtained from the Home Mission Department to finance the sub-division and roading costs of this area, are now being reduced at the rate of £400 per annum, apart from the prompt payment of the interest on the loans. The balance of the loans at 30th June, 1954, stood at £6,122/5/5, from total advances of £7,850.

Several fairly large holdings in the hands of lessees have been sub-divided during the year, and the resulting building sites have been readily sold at substantial goodwills to lessees. The Trust of course benefits from the new rentals fixed on sections when subdivision takes place. These new rentals are in conformity with present day values of building sections and consequently are on a much higher scale than the old-established rentals.

There is now only one sizeable undeveloped section remaining in the whole 80 odd acres comprising the total area administered by the Trust.

The Sub-division of this area, which would provide about 20 sections within easy distance of the middle of the city of New Plymouth, presents certain problems, but the Trustees are at the present time striving to interest the City Council in its development.

Acting under instructions from the Home Mission Board, the Trustees have recently had renovations to the Old Mission House, now occupied as the Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, carried out. These renovations entailed a considerable amount of work because of the age of the building and the condition of the foundations, and the cost of the work, which is not yet known, is sure to be fairly high. The Home Mission Board felt that the old building should be

The Home Mission Board felt that the old building should be preserved for further use after it is vacated by the Rangiatea College Trust.

There has been more than the usual activity in the change of ownership of properties during the year, numerous transfers having been submitted to the Trustees for approval.

The shopping area at the junction of the Breakwater and Main-South Roads has been enhanced by the erection of more shops and the provision of a Doctor's surgery and a Chemist's Shop, while provision for further extention has been made by various lessees.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

7.—ROBERT GIBSON TRUST

The total production of butterfat for the year from both farms was 56,382.42lbs., which represents a reduction of 350.95lbs. on the previous year's total of 56,733.37lbs. Having regard to the dry season this result is very satisfactory. The net profit from farming operations amounted to £2,906/4/3, as compared with £2,411/10/11 last year.

The following is an analysis of the production from each farm during the season:-

	Top Farm	Lower Farm
No. of cows milked	98	89
Total lbs. butterfat produced	29,814.59	26,567.83
Average butterfat production per cow	304.23	298.5
Average price received	3/3d.	to date

The increased carrying capacity of the lower farm is reflected in higher production, but this was more than offset by the lower production from the top farm caused by the dry season. The increased net profit is accounted for by the higher price received for butterfat, together with reduced expenditure on maintenance.

> W. E. HOLDGATE, District Public Trustee. RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. In view of the changed circumstances since the will of the late Robert Gibson was drawn up in 1931, and the consequent inadvisability of now observing the prècise terms of the will, the **Church Building and Loan Fund Committee** investigate the position and report to next Conference.

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

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the report be received and adopted.

(2) That the Trustees of the Methodist (North Island) Rest House Trust Board terminate their trusteeship and that the trusteeship of the original Trust together with the Trust Funds at present standing to their credit at the Auckland Savings Bank, be transferred to the General Purposes Trust Board of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

(3) That when circumstances permit the carrying out of the Trust in full or as near as possible to the original objects, consideration be given to the desirability of an extension to Astley House, Mt. Albert, Auckland, by way of an additional wing or flat to be known as the Potter Wing. QUESTION XL.—What is the report of the Board of Connexional Insurance?

Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board ANNUAL REPORT, 1954.

The audited financial statements for the year ended 31st May, 1954, which are presented with this report, reveal a very satisfactory position. A considerable sum written up as for new and additional cover together with the fact that claims for loss have been small, has given a favourable financial result.

New Insurance.

New and additional insurance has been effected for 140 trusts amounting to the sum of £482,364.

Income.

The carned income is as follows: Premiums, less reinsurance, $\pounds 2,820/7/$ -; Mortgage, Debenture and Deposit interest, $\pounds 1909/8/5$. After payment of office expenses amounting to $\pounds 785/0/8$, and meeting a fire loss claim, $\pounds 153/14/10$, the sum of $\pounds 3790/19/11$ was transferred to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account.

Adding to this the amount brought forward from the previous year (after recommended grants had been provided for $\pounds 1665$)-- $\pounds 170/5/6$, the total in this account is $\pounds 3961/5/5$. The sum of $\pounds 1500$ has been transferred to the Fire Loss Reserve Account and $\pounds 200$ to the Investment Contingency Fund Reserve Account. Grants recommended to Conference this year amount to $\pounds 1880$. Transfers and anticipated grants total $\pounds 3500$, leaving a net surplus of $\pounds 381/5/5$ to carry forward.

Accumulated Funds and Reserves.

The Accumulated Fund stands at £33,500. After making provision as above, the Fire Loss Reserve is £15,115, and the Investment Contingency Reserve stands at £1858/19/4.

Grants.

The Board has given consideration to the policy determining the nature of grants to be distributed year by year. Hitherto the practice has been to make as wide a distribution as possible among various Church institutions and departments. Necessarily the amount of grant in each case has had to be limited and in most, if not all cases, the recipients have used such money for current expenses.

It would appear that a different approach to the subject would be beneficial to the whole Church. That is—instead of making each year a great number of small grants for the current expenses of the existing departments, a small number of grants be made for some definite item of capital expenditure or for a special objective to be determined by the recipients. The Board feels that this policy will be sought year by year and a list of objectives compiled with a view to making available grants of such a nature as will be of material assistance in these important projects.

This year the Board received much helpful co-operation from various departments that have for years had annual grants made to them. They indicated their willingness to waive any expectation of a grant this year in order that the Supernumerary Fund might receive a substantial grant for its objective of increased capital. This fund has never received a grant from the Fire Insurance Fund and it was felt accordingly that its special objective should be assisted. Last Conference also requested the Board to consider making a special grant toward the Capital Fund of the new Special Loans account of the Church Building and Loan Fund.

The grants recommended are as follows :- Supernumery Capital Fund £1,000, Capital Fund, Special Loans Account, Church Building and Loan Fund £500, Ministers' Home Acquirement Funds (2) £380-Total £1,880.

Board for 1955.

The following members are nominated: Connexional Secretary, District Chairman, Revs. W. G. Slade and N. P. Larsen, Messrs. E. R. Caygill (Lay Treasurer), C. H. Perkins, A. A. Dingwall, W. H. Price, W. A. Bascand and R. T. Lawn.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Annual Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That grants be made as set out in the Report above."

3. That the Board for 1955 be as named in the Report.

QUESTION XLI .- What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?

Connexional Secretaryship Committee ANNUAL REPORT, 1954.

Last Conference, the Connexional Secretary, the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, assumed office as President of the Conference. In this capacity he has received and responded to many calls from circuits and departments. These have involved considerable travelling. In addition, he was absent from New Zealand some three months, attending the General Conference at Brisbane, visiting our Mission in the Solomon Islands, and contacting our Church in Australia.

The work of the office has been maintained in a very satisfactory manner. The Committee pays a tribute to the members of the staff for their loyal and helpful co-operation during the year. It expresses its deep appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered by Mr H. de R. Flesher, who gave much time and attention while the President was overseas, particularly, in respect to the work of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

The Committee wishes to express its best thanks to Mr E. H. Smith who has acted as auditor for 14 years, and now retires from that position.

The following departmental appropriations are asked for:-Supernumerary and Allied Funds £700, General Purposes Trust Board £250, Fire Insurance Fund £675, Church Building and Loan Fund £425, Methodist Times £350, Contingent Fund £325.

The Committee for 1955 is nominated as follows:- District Chairman, Rev. G. R. Harris, Connexional Secretary, Lay Treasurers of the Supernumerary Fund Board, Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board, Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, Methodist Times Board, Church Bunding and Fund. Committee and the Contingent Fund. W. T. BLIGHT, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That Conference express its thanks to Mr H. de R. Flesher for his special help during the absence overseas of Rev. H. L. Fiebig.

QUESTION XLII .- What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

Trinity Methodist Theological College Council A.-REPORT OF COUNCIL, 1954.

The running of an institution of the size of Trinity College inevitably means some problems, especially under present conditions, with high maintenance costs on buildings and the difficulty of securing suitable domestic staff. A number of changes have been necessary during the year, on the domestic side, but the men have been well cared for; and the efficient and economical management of the College is a credit to those concerned.

Buildings:

Quite a sum has been spent on necessary repairs. The Common Room was in great need of re-furnishing and brightening up. The students organised a garden party for that purpose and raised the sum of £140. With a subsidy from the Council a great improvement has been effected. The old locker room has been coverted into a small kitchen and social room for the use of the students. Through the letting of the premises to a visiting sports team during the long vacation at a very satisfactory rate it was possible to purchase new mattresses throughout. Again this year students have used their skill in various trades freely, with a considerable saving in costs. Finance:

The treasurer's report gives the position. Here we would stress the need to realise that higher costs make greater demands upon the Council's resources. There is room for a great increase in the number of "Friends of Trinity" who will not only add to the income but also to the personal interest of our people in the training of the ministry.

Overseas Studies:

Dr Williams has returned from a most successful trip to U.S.A. for special studies in his field at the University of Chicago. His absence meant heavier responsibilities for the rest of the teaching staff and for Mrs Williams. The Council pays tribute to their willing co-operation.

As requested by last Conference, the Council is giving consideration to plans for other members of the staff to have a period over-seas for further study. The Council believes such is in the best interests of the College and the Connexion.

Memoir to Dr. Laws:

All will rejoice that a memoir to Dr C. H. Laws, together with a selection of his sermons, is being published. Thanks are due to Mr J. H. Blackwell and Rev Wesley Parker, in particular.

Outside Activities:

Students have been well received in Auckland pulpits. They have also conducted missions and pastoral surveys in some circuits with great acceptability.

A tribute is paid, in conclusion, to the high standard of teaching given by the staff and also to their personal interest taken in the men.

> G. S. GAPPER, Chairman. A. R. PENN, Secretary.

B. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

With a roll of twenty-six students the College is smaller than it has been for some years past. We need a steady intake of ten to a dozen men each year if the Church is to meet its increasing commitments, and we rely upon Ministers and Leaders in every congregation to keep the matter of the supply and training of Candidates for the Ministry fresh in the mind of our people. We need more Candidates, and Candidates of the best type, with gifts of intelligence and leadership added to their devotion.

Our first woman Student, Miss P. Guthardt, has sustained what might have been an awkward situation with common sense and discretion. We were able to secure accommodation adjacent to the College and arrangements have worked smoothly. The Student body including the Hostel Residents has co-operated loyally under the leadership of the Senior Student, Mr W. Abbott, and in general the life of the Institution has attained an unusually high degree of inner cohesion and unity. Old Trinity men will appreciate the importance of this.

We are particularly grateful to Dr H. Ranston, and happy that his health has permitted him this year to give a number of supplementary lectures and also to guide a small Stage II Hebrew group. Dr Ranston has always been a friend and helper to the Teaching Staff, and especially to his successor as Principal.

The absence of Dr Williams in Chicago during the first half of the year involved some rearrangement of lectures, but with the cheerful assistance of everyone concerned we have maintained the year's programme, including 1. (Old Testament) the Wisdom Books; 2. (New Testament) Paul; 3. (Theology) The Holy Spirit and the Doctrines of Grace; Church, Ministry and Sacraments; the Last Things; 4. Church History from the Reformation; 5. Various aspects of Pastoral Theology. My second colleague the Rev. J. J. Lewis is a very hard worker who seems able to add a little more to his burden. He has carried the greater part of the extra lectures. The Rev H. C. Dixon came to our aid with a course on the Pauline Epistles, which he is well qualified to give. The Principal gave general oversight to the administration of the Hostel. Now that Dr Williams has returned we are confident that our course in Pastoral Theology will be as helpful as expert knowledge and guidance can make it. In addition to their studies the Students have preached regularly in the city and further afield, undertaken various projects under, supervision, and filled certain Vacation Supplies.

Our major problem is to make the best use of the limited hours available. We have to balance the theoretical against the practical and general education against specialist training. Should a man of moderate ability attempt to master his Greek Testament or the English, or both? Should he make himself at home in Shakespeare or in the Book of Job? Should he be encouraged to take an immediate practical share in the Church life around, learning by doing, or should he concentrate on theoretical studies? Is a University Degree worth the concentrated effort demanded, or should Divinity studies absorb all available energies? Should he keep his nose to his books, or join this and that and be a good mixer? Should he hold to the traditional theological disciplines, or use the modern psychological approach? Should he seek culture, or professional competence? The issues are real and may be argued with force. In every case the right answer is, both, if time permits. But time does not permit any but the most able and vigorous man to do all these things. It is not possible to do thoroughly all that ought to be done, under existing conditions.

A higher standard of entrance for Candidates, consistently maintained would make for much better results all round.

E. W. HAMES, Principal.

C.-TREASURER'S REPORT, YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1954

The Annual accounts for the College closed for the year with a debit balance of £570.

This is a considerable improvement on the estimated deficiency of £720, and is accounted for by a larger return from hostel fees, which were increased this year; also we are training fewer students than planned and this has meant a total saving of £317. During the absence of Dr D. O. Williams, our special thanks are

During the absence of Dr D. O. Williams, our special thanks are due to Mrs Williams for the excellent job she has done keeping the house and service account well below the budgeted amount. In fact it is £318 lower than estimated. We have had to procure a new large refrigerator costing £159, which was an additional item in our expenditure. However, this item has and will play a part in helping to save in our house and service account.

There is some variation in items on budget figures, but it is pleasing that overall we have a considerable improvement.

The students continue to support in every way with maintenance work in the College and this is of great help. A big job which has been undertaken this year has been the renovation of the common room.

We must stress the helpful support and co-operation we have received from the various Trusts and Connexional Funds, some of which have made special efforts to help us with larger grants and all have made payments promptly. The Central Finance Committee again have assisted us with the full amount requested. We wish to express our thanks also to the Friends of Trinity and the work of Mr Keith Lawry and his committee. We have received a sum of £175 from this source.

Some funds have come to hand since the closing of our books and money we have in this way we hope to use to reduce our mortgage on 134 Grafton Road in the coming year. We reduced the mortgage this year by a payment of £103 and the interest on this mortgage amounted to $\pounds71/17/$ -.

We are pleased to be able to report a reduction of the debit balance.

Proposed Budget For Year Ending 30th June, 1955.

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EXPENDITURE.

		£	S.	d.
Debit Balance, 30th June, 1954		. 570	0	0
House and Services		4,500	0	0
Special Accommodation Women	Students		0	0
Stipend Allowance		1 055	0	0
Tutors' Fees		20	0	0
Bursaries		221	0	0
Connexional Charges		200	0	0
Rates		150	0	0
Insurances		180	0	0
Telephones		55	0	0
Ponging		500	0	0
Furnishings	mar m	300	Õ	Õ
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WILFRID F. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the reports and budget and financial statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the services of the teaching staff and of the efficient supervision of the domestic side of the College by Dr. and Mrs. D. O. Williams.

3. That Conference thank donors of gifts to the College Library.

4. That Conference draw the attention of all ministers, youth workers and officials of our Circuits to the falling off in the number of candidates for the ministry. The growth of population and the increasing demand for trained agents make it essential that the supply of candidates should not only be maintained but increased. Conference therefore stresses the importance of keeping the College and the claims of the ministry and the need of workers for the Mission fields constantly before our people; and of placing before our young people early the call of our Lord to full-time service. While the standard must not be lowered because of the need, we believe that a more consistent presentation of the claims of the ministry could sow seeds in the right soil.

5. That the financial position of men travelling to and from College from long distances be referred to the College Council.

6. That Rev. J. J. Lewis be granted two years' leave on full stipend, to pursue a course of study in the United Kingdom, to commence in October 1956 at the earliest: it being understood that travelling and other expenses will be borne by Mr. Lewis himself. That the arrangements for the covering of Mr. Lewis's teaching work be left in the hands of the Principal in consultation with the Board of Studies, to report to the Council and Conference.

7. That the Council for 1955 be the same as for 1954 (see Page 8). Council Officers: Chairman, Rev. R. Thornley; Secretary, Rev. A. R. Penn. Treasurer, Mr. W. F. Winstone.

QUESTION XLIII,—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Colleges and Hostels?

(1) Wesley Training College A.-REPORT OF THE BOARD FOR 1954

The Board has pleasure in reporting that the income surplus for the year ended the 31st December 1953, was the highest yet achieved at £8,159 and that, at that date, the Board's Capital Account stood at £172,930.

This excellent result was mainly attributable to the record level of the scoria royalties received from Maurice Harding Park. The total royalties earned were \pounds 6,115, over double the previous year's return which was itself the highest to that time. How long the Board can benefit from these royalties cannot be predicted because the output from the Scoria workings is liable to fluctuation in direct sympathy with the Public Works undertaken in and around the Auckland city. In the meantime the Board is investing the moneys obtained in Government Stocks to be ultimately utilised in financing the construction of the proposed Assembly Hall and Gymnasium at Paerata. The present estimated cost of this project is £30,000 and the investments held for this purpose now stand at nearly £16,000, just over half way to the goal.

The farming operations at Paerata were maintained at a high level and the profit derived was the second best on record. The wool shed complete with yards and spray-dip has now been finished and a rotary hoe purchased. These, together with the other minor improvements effected, bring the farm plant and equipment up to the best modern standards. The farm now appears to be established on a sound basis and continued good results should be obtained.

The College deficit was large but this must now be expected as the maximum fee charged at £150 per annum does not cover the cost per pupil. The State schools set the standard for salaries paid and we are obliged to meet such standards if we are to obtain a suitable staff. Salaries and wages paid to the College staff this year totalled over £11,000 which is a very big hurdle to surmount. Owing to a poor year for growing crops the cost of provisions increased by £400 and, further, our repairs and maintenance bill increased by £350. Apart from these items costs were confined to previous levels which must be regarded as very satisfactory.

Capital expenditure undertaken at the College included the complete modernisation and re-equipping of the kitchen, the provision of steel lockers for the pupils' belongings, the installation of an adequate fire-fighting system and the purchase of a heavy duty laundry unit.

For the first time provision was made in the accounts for the depreciation of the buildings and improvements owned by the Board and £1,310 was written off against the gross surplus.

At present the Board is considering a further subdivision at Waikowhai which, if adopted, will give a further 47 leasehold sections in this area. The surveyor is now taking levels preparatory to submitting a plan to the Mt. Roskill Borough Council. Whether this subdivision will be proceeded with is dependent on the minimum roading standards demanded by the Local Authority.

> J. S. CAUGHEY, Chairman. L. KNIGHT, General Secretary.

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Roll:

The Roll on July 1st was 133. This includes 22 in the Inter-mediate Department. There are on the whole Roll 95 Europeans, 27 Maoris, and 11 of other races. There are no more vacancies in the Secondary Department for 1955, and other years are rapidly filling. Staff:

We have a complete teaching and farm staff, and as many on the Domestic staff as we can accommodate. We are fortunate in the quality of men and women on all staffs, and I am glad once again to pay tribute to the valuable service given in particular by the Senior Matron (Miss A. M. Cliff), the Senior Master (Mr B. Barnitt M.Sc.), the Bursar (Mr H. C. Squier, Cert.A.I.B. Lond.), and the Farm Manager (Mr H. J. Barber).

The names of masters on the teaching staff are Messrs B. Barnitt M.Sc., J. H. Ballantine M.A., A. G. Bready, E. G. Widgery Dip. C. Ag. C., R. W. Burrow B.A., I. S. J. Lloyd. In addition there are part-time instructors: C. Laurie (Music), A. Wilson (Art), R. Davis (Maori), the Farm Manager, the Bursar, and the Principal.

Examinations:

At the end of 1953, 7 boys gained School Certificate, 9 their Endorsed School Certificate, 6 their University Entrance, 1 Higher School Certificate and 1 Post-Primary Teachers' Bursary.

The Church:

We are grateful to the Rev T. Skuse of Pukekohe for conducting Sunday morning services in the Chapel throughout the year. Evening services are taken by the Principal, and evening prayers during the week are shared by the Principal, members of the teaching staff, and boys of the Divinity class. The choir is over 90 strong. The Col-lege Sunday School is under the superintendency of Miss P. Marshall who is also Chapel organist and Society Steward. The two Bible Classes are conducted by the Principal and the Senior Master respec-tively. The Divinity Class studies Homiletics, Bible Knowledge, and Theology under the guidance of the Principal.

Visitors and Visits:

We have been privileged each year to be hosts to sundry groups wishing to meet at the College: The Women's Missionary Auxiliary (Franklin) for their Easter Service and Garden Party; the Auckland Men's Fellowships for Honouring Age, and for Annual Rally and Service; The local Preachers' Convention for Auckland and South Auckland Associations; Pukekohe Honouring Age Committee and Rotary Club Annual Outing; Pukekohe Rotary Club for Children's Christmas Tree Party; the Wesley College Old Boys' Association for their Annual Service, Dinner, and Reunion.

In addition it has been a pleasure to welcome the President of Conference to Annual Carol Services and Speech-Day; and many other visitors, amongst whom are Dr Poole of U.S.A., Dr W. E. Sangster of England, Dr G. Wheen of N.S.W., Mr Kyaw Than of Burma.

Each year the choir travels to share in services in outside churches. The Annual Concert is presented by the school in the Auckland Town Hall Concert Chamber.

Extensions and Equipment:

Once again the Board has been generous in providing equipment to bring and keep the College up to an acceptable standard. The library is being built up with the gift and purchase of books; the

Scouts and Ambulance are erecting a hut of their own at their own expense; and in the near future it is hoped to purchase a Radiogram for which many valuable records have already been donated.

General:

The health of the boys has been very good. A full sports programme is organised for the whole school year. Hobbies are encouraged to the full. News of the progress and achievments of Old Boys is very encouraging. We are grateful for the trust and con-fidence placed in us by all concerned, and we can assure them that to the best of our ability we are honouring our responsibility.

E. M. MARSHALL, Principal.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports of the Board and of the Principal and the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the work of the Principal, the Staff and the Board, and note the standard of efficiency attained at the College and the way in which life at the College is being integrated into the life of the Church.

3. That the Board for 1955 be as for 1954.

(2) Rangiatea Maori Hostel Trust Board

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the financial statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference record its disappointment at the continued delay in the Rangiatea project and request the Board to give consideration to the appointment of a Taranaki Executive.

QUESTION XLIV.-What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Supernumerary Fund?

Supernumerary Fund Board RESOLUTIONS

The audited financial statements for the year ending 30th June. are presented to Conference with this report.

Annuitant and Contributors.

The number of annuitants at date is 54 supernumeraries (53) and 48 widows (46)). The numbers reported last year are shown in brackets. The number of ministers contributing at date is 190. Annuities.

The sum of $\pounds 8.351/2/$ - was paid out for annuities, with $\pounds 720$ for furniture grants.

Commutation.

Five ministers exercised the option of commutation, the amounts totalling £4,157/4/9.

Arrears of Subscriptions.

The position here is satisfactory except in the case of five contributors who have failed to realise the implications of their irregular payments. The Board is hesitant about using its powers in terms of par. 16 of the Law Book (Supernumerary Fund), but finds it necessary in the interests of all concerned.

Accumulated Funds.

Now amount to $\pounds 130,711/1/3$. The sum of $\pounds 4,248/9/10$ was added

thereto, transferred from the Revenue Account, together with an additional donation of £100. Withdrawals on account of commutation and transfers as above, $\pounds4,441/12/4$, result in a net decrease in the Fund of $\pounds93/2/6$. This is compensated for in reduced annuities in respect to contributors who have commuted.

Income.

Income from, Mortgage and Debenture investments shows an increase of £156/14/-. The net income from Epworth Chambers at £3,208/17/4, less £500 allowed for depreciation, indicates a gratifying position at date for this particular investment.

Investments.

Investments are represented in the following categories:—(a) Mortgages £62,348/17/8; (b) Government Stock and Local Body De-bentures £66,080; (c) Freehold Property, £48,712/8/5.

Interest Earnings.

Interest Earnings on the actuarial formula represents an overall rate of £5/0/5 per cent, which must be considered as satisfactory. Allied Funds.

(a) Home Acquirement Fund. There are 189 contributors herein, personal accounts amounting to $\pounds 20,006/4/5$, benefits on retirement

and interim withdrawals totalling £980/8/6. (b) Home Missionaries Retiring Fund: This Fund has 26 con-tributors, deposits amounting to £4,617/1/6. Eight members on retirement received benefits totalling £685/16/8.

(c) Deaconess Retiring Fund. The amount held therein is $\pounds 10,852/9/9$ on account of 48 members. Three contributors received benefits amounting to $\pounds 526/6/3$.

Board for 1955.

The following are nominated: The Connexional Secretary, (Managing Treasurer), Revs. W. T. Blight, A. O. Harris, W. G. Slade, V. R. Jamieson and G. R. Harris, Messrs G. S. Salter (Lay Trea-surer), L. G. K. Steven, R. G. Pearce, W. A. Hadlee, J. E. Horrell and R. H. Smith.

L. G. K. STEVEN, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statements for the Supernumerary Fund, Benevolent Fund, Home Acquirement Fund, Home Missionaries' Re-tiring Fund and Deaconess Retiring Fund be received and adopted.

3. That the Supernumerary Fund Board investigate a report on the possibility of the amendment of the Rules of the Fund to allow for commutation as a right.

4. That the Board be as named in the Report.

QUESTION XLV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc.)?

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (Inc.)

A.—ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

During the year the following new trusts have been accepted:-Martha Stevens: Anonymous (for Church Building and Loan Fund): P. Keightley. Deposits have been received on account of the following trusts: Kohukohu, Taneatua, Addington Tennis Club. Southbrook, Eden Terrace.

The Board now administers 98 trusts.

B.—WINSTONE MEMORIAL TRUST FUND

Grants to Ministers and Home Missionaries this year amounted to £553/14/10, paid to 18 Ministers and Home Missionaries who had not received the standard stipend from their circuits. The Conference will be fully appreciative of the splendid contribution this Fund makes to its general work.

L. G. K. STEVENS, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That the thanks of Conference be expressed to the donors of this Fund.

QUESTION XLVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist Children's Fund

TREASURERS' REPORT, 1954.

The 1953 Conference resolved that the annual payment in respect of each child from the Children's Fund be restored to $\pounds 10$ and authorised that a sum of $\pounds 2,800$ be provided to cover this allowance. The Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1954, shows that this sum of $\pounds 2,800$ together with the carry forward from the previous year was barely sufficient to cover the claims on the Fund on the basis authorised. The number of claimants for Children's Fund benefits have continued to increase, and, during the past year, a total of 287\$ allowances have been paid as compared with 272\$for the previous year. The District allocations have been as under:

Auckland		****	49.65		833
South Auckland					261
Taranaki-Wanganui	et co		****		17
Hawke's Bay-Manaw	atu	· · · · ·			231
Wellington				in	473
Nelson					163
North Canterbury	*				413
South Canterbury			****		93
Otago-Southland					22

2873

It is apparent that, if the annual payment of £10 for each child is to be maintained, and we strongly recommend that it should be, the amount of £2,800 will be insufficient to meet the Fund's needs for the coming year. Present registrations, together with the addition of the children of Ordinands and expected new registrations before the end of this year indicate that an amount of £2,900 to £3,000 will be required. To ensure that the Fund will have some margin available to permit of effective administration, it is requested that Conference authorise that a sum of £3,000 be made available to the Fund for 1955.

The indebtedness of £150 to the Fire Insurance Fund remains unchanged. W. H. GREENSLADE,

T. M. PACEY,

Honorary Treasurers.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That the levy for 1955 be £3,000.

3. That Conference refer the matter of the extension of the age limit to which boys may benefit from the Children's Fund, to the Children's Fund Treasurers for consideration.

4. That the Treasurers, Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade and Mr T. M. Pacey, be thanked for their services and be reappointed.

QUESTION XLVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Contingent Fund?

- 1. That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.
- 2. That the following grants be authorised:-

			£
Trinity College			1400
Connexional Office			325
Deaconess Institution			125
Methodist Times			150
Methodist Times Editor's Expenses			12
Overseas—Travel Fund			50
Natural Calamities Fund			25
Spiritual Advance Committee			25
Public Questions Committee			25
World Council of Churches			98
National Council of Churches			6
Ecumenical Committee		interio.	5
World Methodist Council			10
Wesley Historical Society		Print 1	5 25
Press Relations Office		*****	25 60
University Fees	*****		00

£2,346

3. That the estimated budget as presented by the Treasurers be approved.

4. That the Consultative Committee be the Chairman of Auckland District (Rev. E. W. Hames), the Connexional Secretary, Messrs J. H. Blackwell, G. S. Gapper, F. E. Sutherland and the Treasurers.

5. That Mr J. C. Wigglesworth, B.Com., be thanked for his services as Honorary Auditor and be re-appointed.

6. That the Treasurers of the Fund, Rev. W. Walker and Mr. A. H. Winstone, be thanked for their services and be re-appointed.

7. That Conference reaffirm that the offerings at the Opening Session of Conference and at the Ordination Service shall be paid to the Contingent Fund Treasurers.

QUESTION XLVIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Removal Expenses Fund?

Removal Expenses Fund Committee REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954

This year 66 removals were carried out at an average cost of £43. 8. 10. as compared with 57 removals at an average cost of £43. 3. 4 for the previous year. It will be noted that despite increased costs the price per removal has been kept to a minimum and the Committee has endeavoured to conserve its funds in every possible way. However, the number of removals involved the Fund in much greater expense. The total for this year was £2857/4/2, as compared with £2460/8/3 for the previous year. Hence it has been necessary to ask for an increased levy and after much consideration the committee is of the opinion that it must ask for £2800 as an absolute minimum, as the costs continue to rise.

Once again, the committee requests Conference to keep long distance removals to a minimum. These involve the Fund in amounts greatly above the maximum allowed and it is often extremely difficult to recover same from the circuit concerned. In recent years the amount has sometimes been almost £150 above the maximum, which is too great a burden for any circuit to-day. The Committee recommends the increasing of the maximum allowed this year.

W. E. CLOTHIER,

L. C. HORWOOD, Treasurers.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

In substantiating its decision to ask Conference for a rise in the levy for the Fund from £2,500 to £2,800, the Removal Expenses Fund Committee wish to place the following facts before Conference. Increase in Railage and Cartage Rates:

(1) RAILAGE. (a) In December 1951 all railage rates were increased by a flat 20 %.

(b) In June 1953 most railage rates were increased by an average of $5\frac{1}{2}$ %. Some, such as Christchurch to Timaru increased by as much as 16%.

(c) In January 1954, all railage rates increased by 51/e.

(2) Cartage. The following show the increase in cartage rates over the past 7 years.

1 December, 1947: 10% increase.

13 August, 1950: 21% increase.

5 April, 1951: The last $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ increase was revoked and a 10% increase substituted.

13 July, 1951: $12 \frac{1}{2} \%$ increase and the total increase to date was $36.125 \,\%.$ Since then on

11 September, 1953: An increase of 6% and on

15 December, 1953: An increase of $5\frac{1}{2}$ %. Thus these rates have increased by nearly 50% in 7 years. Wages for Packers have increased from 8/- per hour to 10/- per hour (25%) in December, 1953.

(3)Rail-Air-Rail. All Inter-Island moves have been done rail-airrail as it has been the committee's experience that removals by ship take far too long and ministers have complained of the delay.

The air portion charge of rail-air-rail has been increased early this year by 10% from 14d. per lb to 13d. per lb.

(4) The following is a summary of removals and costs for the last four years.

Year ended	Number of removals	Average	Levy rec. from Circuits		
30 June 1951 30 June 1952	54 60				
30 June 1953 30 June 1954	57 66	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		

(5) In view of these increases in 1953-1954 Railage $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ and $5\frac{1}{2}\%$; Cartage 6% and $5\frac{1}{2}\%$; wage rates for packers 25% and the air portion of rail-air-rail of 10% the committee have met and reiterate their request for an increase from £2500 to £2800.

For the Committee, L. C. HORWOOD,

L. C. HORWOOD,

W. E. CLOTHIER, Treasurers.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the Levy for the ensuing year be £2800.

3. That thanks be tendered to the Treasurers for their services and that Mr W. E. Clothier be re-appointed.

4. (a) That the Rev. L. C. Horwood be thanked for his services as ministerial treasurer. (b) That the Rev. B. H. Riseley be appointed ministerial treasurer.

5. That Mr F. M. Sowden, honorary auditor, be thanked for his services and be re-appointed.

6. That the maximum allowed for removals be: Inter-island $\pounds 125$, within an island $\pounds 75$.

7. That Circuits be reminded of their obligations to the Removal Expenses Fund whereby those Circuits which invite a Minister may become responsible for meeting the amount above the maximum allowed by the Fund. (Law Book par. 508 (16)).

8. That the Removal Expenses Fund Committee draw up and furnish to Conference a detailed list of what are permissible items in ministers' removals chargeable to the fund.

9. That the Committee for 1955 be: The Chairman of the District, the Connexional Secretary, the Revs. V. R. Jamieson, A. K. Petch, B. H. Riseley, Messrs S. H. Maddren, A. M. Hosking, C. H. Elmsly, J. T. Eltoft, and W. E. Clothier.

QUESTION XLIX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Foreign Missions ?

Foreign Mission Department

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

In former years it has been the custom of this Department to present an interim report to District Synods, followed by a final report from the annual meeting of the Board, held after receiving the business of the Solomon Islands Synod. While it will clearly be impossible to present a final report to Synods, the enlarged field of work and the desirability of bringing as much as possible of our business before all district synods lead this year to a change of policy.

The present report will deal primarily with the work of the Board through the year. An aditional report fro the supplementary agenda of Conference will deal with the field itself and present any further necessary recommendations.

Obituary:

As this report is being composed, news comes to hand of the passing at Melbourne of the Rev J. F. Goldie, founder of our Solomon Islands Mission. The Board places on record its thanksgiving to God for the life and ministry of our veteran missionary. Though last Conference acceded to Mr Goldie's own request and transferred him to the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, we deem it fitting that a tribute be prepared for adoption by our own Conference. During the year, the deaths have also occurred of Sister Ethel McMillan, one of the pioneer missionary sisters, and the Rev W. W. Avery, a former Board member and generous benefactor.

Staff:

The following appointments and reappointments have been made: Sister Norma Graves, teaching sister to Roviana; Sister Olive Money, secretary to the Chairman of the Solomon Islands District; Mr J. M. Miller and Mr W. Sharples to the building staff in the Solomon Islands. Messrs Jack Murray and Gordon Dey have creditably completed their year of building service under the Order of St. Stephen. Mr Murray has returned to New Zealand, but Mr Dey's offer of service as builder in the New Guinea Highlands has been accepted by the Board. The Rev C. J. and Mrs Keightley are preparing in Sydney to enter the Highlands in November. Sister Edith James is taking her midwifery course in Christchurch before proceeding to the George Brown College course in Sydney next year.

There are vacancies for two nurses in the Solomons, a teaching sister in the Highlands, and a carpenter in the Solomons.

Though the health of the workers has this year given no major concern, it has been necessary on medical grounds to grant Sister Winifred Poole a year's leave of absence.

Home Base:

During the first half of 1954, each North Island Circuit has been visited by a deputation. Mr G. S. Gapper and the Rev C. T. J. Luxton have assisted, but the major part of the North Island deputation has been undertaken by the Rev Trevor Shepherd whose able advocacy was availed of mainly in the Wellington and Auckland Districts, and by the General Secretary, who completed his first visitation of the Circuits of New Zealand Methodism. During the second half year it is hoped to have available the Australian film, MEN OF THE MOUNTAINS, dealing with the Highlands field.

We are negotiating for an exchange of deputations during 1955, allowing for a Highlands missionary to visit New Zealand.

Literature:

The policy for the OPEN DOOR and the missionary pages of THE METHODIST TIMES has been continued during the year. The new editors are now well established in charge of the LOTU. For publicity purposes, the usual folder ad handbill have been amalgamated this year and seem to have won general favour. A reprint will be available of the article "Forgotten People of New Guinea" which appeared in the June issue of THE OPEN DOOR.

Annual Report:

After three years' trial of presenting only a summarised list of donations in the anual report, the Board has further reviewed this practice and recommends that in future only the total contributions raised by each preaching place be published and that these, with a summary of the statements and balance sheet, appear in an enlarged March OPEN DOOR, which shall incorporate the other features of the annual report. This new departure aims at a more attractive presentation of the account of our stewardship. The increased cost of producing the March issue of the OPEN DOOR should be more than offset by the economy in thus curtailing and absorbing the report itself. It is planned to increase the number of pages in the March OPEN DOOR from 20 to 28, eight pages to be used for financial returns and most of the others for articles of an informative nature about the work in our two fields.

National Missionary Council:

In March the General Secretary took part in a very instructive and helpful day when each major missionary society presented a review of its present opportunities and problems. A full report of these appeared in the May issue of CHURCH AND COMMUNITY. The reports were carefully studied by the Board, which gave particular attention to the needs of the Islanders now migrating increasingly to New Zealand.

Islanders in New Zealand:

These fall into two categories:-

(a) Temporary Residents: Mainly students, nurses in training, and soldiers. Those from Fiji and Tonga are mostly Methodists and are studying mainly at Auckland and Wellington. Most are in some contact with the church; many of our people are showing a commendable interest in their welfare.

(b) Permanent or Semi-Permanent Residents:

These are coming mainly from the Cook Islands, Niue and Samoa, which have administrative links with New Zealand Hence the people find it easier to enter New Zealand and remain here. Most of these immigrants are Congregationalists (London Missionary Society) but there is an increasing group of Methodist Samoans. Some of these are in active membership and fellowship with our churches, but there is good reason to think that there are many more whom we do not know and care for. We are asking the Samoan District to help by advising as far as possible the names and destinations of Methodist Samoans removing to New Zealand. On our part in New Zealand, we are recommending Quarterly Meetings and District Executives, particularly in the cities and timber centres to give early attention to the spiritual and social needs of these people.

Methodist Women's Missionary Union:

The grant of £1,000 towards the special appeal for the Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission has given a lead to the whole church. This has been characteristic of the work of the M.W.M.U., which has continued during the year to support mightily the overseas work of our church.

Youth Department:

Support for the Rev. G. G. Carter and Sister Jane Bond continues. The effort last year for the Vella Lavella Boys' Hostel and the presence of two young carpenters serving on the field under the Order of St. Stephen have served to quicken the interest of our young people. Several camps have carried a strong missionary flavour this year.

Relations with Australia:

Conference instructed that we review during the year the terms of co-operation set forth in the Minutes of Conference 1953, pp. 124, 125. See resolution 24 on p. 128. As our work in the Highlands has barely started, the terms of co-operation are still only being tried out. They will be subject to constant review; any amendments found necessary will be reported at a later date.

Training of Workers:

Conference agreed last year that workers appointed to the New Guinea Highlands were to proceed first to the George Brown College, Sydney. The Board was also instructed to investigate during the year the advisability of asking missionaries to the Solomon Islands also to undertake this course. Certain recommendations have been framed by a committee and sent to the Solomon Islands District Synod for their consideration.

Financial:

Circuit Income for 1953 showed the usual unspectacular increase over the previous year, reaching a new record figure. We are grateful for these yearly increases but feel, nevertheless, that they have not represented during the post-war years, the full capacity of the Methodist community to support missionary enterprise.

The Solomon Islands Church again reported a substantial increase in its general income. The growing revenues of the Church in the Islands have been invaluable in meeting the ever-increasing cost of the mission; but it would be well if we did not place too great reliance on further increases from the Solomon Island members, whose economy is narrowly based on the value of one commodity.

Leper Fund: A further generous grant of £2,500 from the Lepers' Trust Board has materially helped in the maintenance of leper relief and general medical work. Their grants towards the new leper relief vessel total £11,500. Their total grants over a period of thirteen years exceed £30,000.

Government Grants from the British Solomon Islands Protectorate and the Territory of New Guinea for Medical and Educational purposes exceeded £5,000 and greatly assisted our finances.

Rehabilitation: Expenditure last year of £13,000 on Rehabilitation was evidence of progress where there had been so many frustrating delays. We hope for further substantial progress during the year. It will be a relief to the Board and to the Solomon Islands District staff to see the Rehabilitation Funds replaced by permanent buildings and amenities on the Field.

Legacies: Last year £2,500 was received in legacies, and £600 has been received to date this year. These sums will be used for the provision of buildings and equipment not covered by the Rehabilitation Fund.

1954 Appeals: At the time of the writing of this report there is no indication of the nature of the response to the 1954 General Appeal or to the Special Appeal for the Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission. While expenditure for the maintenance of the new mission during the current year will be less that the amount estimated it will still call for increased revenue in our general funds.

News from the Solomon Islands District encourages the hope that the income from the church there will again reach a high level.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, 1954.

The aim of this supplementary report is to incorporate the main features of the reports and recommendations submitted from the Mission Fields themselves to the annual meeting of the Foreign Mission Board.

Solomon Islands.

The Solomon Islands Synod, meeting at Kekesu in Teop Circuit, reported thus on the spiritual state of the circuits:--"We give thanks to God that His Spirit has moved among us in the past year. We see with joy the growth in grace of our people, but we know that in many areas our needs are still great. We thank God for the New Testament in Roviana, and we recognise the need for more study of the Word among our people. We feel the need for spiritual development everywhere and pray God that He will guide us in our endeavours to further this end."

Measures taken to promote the work of God included the drafting of a list of duties for catechists, instructions on procedure at Leaders' Meetings, and counsel re the administration of the sacrament of baptism to adults and children in our Island circuits.

Perhaps the outstanding event of the year has been the recommendation to this Conference of the reception as a native minister on probation of John Veo Bitibule, already long tried in his duties as tutor at the District Training Institution. Few needs on the field are more urgent than the constitution and training of the ministry itself, there being only one ordained Solomon Islands minister at present in the active work. During the year, the Rev. Paul Havea, whose retirement was noted at last Conference, duly returned to Tonga; the Rev. Aisake Vula of Fiji has now reached the Solomons and is to be appointed to Honiara, the capital of the Protectorate, where many of our Methodist people now live and work, and where a team of Fijian tradesmen is also engaged by the Government. Another Tongan minister is sought by the District. These men render valued service. The cost of their fares, initially and on furlough, has become very heavy.

Educational Work: At the Synod, a full review of the educational work on village, circuit and district levels was undertaken. Government grants, now being paid, are enabling more equipment in village schools, where the earliest graduates of Mr Hall's institution are already helping to raise standards. The circuit training institutions are recognised as vital centres of spiritual progress. The Synod is acutely aware of the increasing need for higher educational facilities for the people, and at both Banga and Kekesu are laying foundations for this work. 44 students will be received next year into Banga and 8 into Teop; 19 leave Banga to be appointed as pastor teachers.

Medical Work: A similar review of the medical work was undertaken and various recommendations were presented to the Board.

Overseas Missions: Already supporting Alpheus Akera and John Pirah in the New Guinea Highlands, the Synod reaffirmed its previous resolve to send two additional native missionaries and will appeal for volunteers in the coming year.

Finance: The Solomon Islands Thanksgiving reached the record total of £11,263, and their total income for mission purpose (including grants and sales of produce) reached to almost £20,000. Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission:

Our first European worker to reach the new field will most likely be Mr G. T. Dey, who will proceed direct from the Solomon Islands in November. It is hoped that the two new Solomon Islands workers will accompany him. The Rev. C. J. and Mrs Keightley are due to enter the field in December. Sister Edith James will proceed first to Australia for further training next year. So far no appointment of a teacher has been made.

The Australian Church hopes to appoint the Rev. David Mone, formerly Tongan missionary in Papua and till recently Secretary of the Tonga Conference. It is expected that this Tongan minister will first undertake deputation work in Australia. The Board has asked that he be made available for six weeks to New Zealand in exchange for the Rev. A. H. Voyce.

The Australian General Secretary, the Rev. C. F. Gribble, visited the field in June. His report has been carefully considered by our Board, who invited Mr Gribble to visit New Zealand again to consult with the annual meeting in October. At this formative stage of our new work in co-operation with the Australian Church, it is felt that such personal consultation is of very great value.

Last year, while accepting the principle that all workers appointed to the Highlands should be stationed in the best interests of the Mission as a whole, the Board and Conference nevertheless envisaged the establishment of a station to be staffed by New Zealand workers. After further consultation with the Australian Board, through their General Secretary, the Board is satisfied that it will be in the best interests of the Mission, and conducive to the future development of the indigenous Church, that a greater measure of integration should exist from the outset. We therefore propose that the New Zealand Church be responsible as soon as practicable for providing the initial cost of establishing a new station, and that we accept responsibility for maintaining four missionaries (a minister, a nurse, a teacher and a carpenter), who will be stationed after consulation between the two Boards.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

TREASURERS' REPORT.

For the Year Ending 31st August, 1954.

Once again the most noteworthy feature of the accounts has been the record giving of the Solomon Islands Methodists. Their thanksgiving totalled $\pm 11,263$. ± 308 was contributed as a Christmas missionary offering for the support of their two workers in the New Guinea Highlands. Including Government grants and sales of produce, the Islands income reached $\pm 20,276$.

New Zealand Income: Whilst this has apparently increased from £15,588 last year to £16,796 in 1954, two factors must be borne in mind. The total includes an unknown sum due to be transferred to the Papua New Guinea Highlands Special Appeal when details come to hand from a number of circuits, who have remitted without allocating their returns as between general and special funds. The general enthusiasm engendered by the special appeal has also resulted in earlier remittance of funds on the part of certain circuits, who have often remitted in previous years after the end of August. This latter difficulty must persist whilst the appeal year ends in December and the Department's financial year in August.

Leper Fund: This year the Lepers' Trust Board has granted us £2,500 towards our general leper work and also £3,000 further towards the special leprosy relief vessel project. In thirteen years, since these grants commenced, the total sum received from the Lepers' Trust Board, including the grants for the vessel, has exceeded £30,000.

Rehabilitation: Expenditure amounted to £8190, leaving a balance of £41,148 in the fund.

Bequests totalling £1123 (less than half of last year's total) have been added to the Building and Equipment Fund.

Exchange: Increments amounting to £4576 will be allocated by the Board to special expenditure on the field. The Papua-New Guinea Highlands Special Appeal Fund was launched by the challenging grant of £1,000 by the M.W.M.U. Conference of 1953. At the 31st August, £3,757 had been received, clearly designated for that fund. Some circuits have remitted more than usual for the general fund, without so far advising of any credits to the special appeal.

Publications: Low subscription rates for the LOTU and OPEN DOOR necessarily involve subsidies from the general fund. These are regarded as worth-while investments in publicity. This year, however, the losses on each paper have been less than estimated. The proposed new policy of incorporating the annual report with the March issue of THE OPEN DOOR will result in a net saving though the subsidy to the periodical will have to be increased.

Financial Position: The surplus on the year's working amounted to £4,164, transferred to the General Reserve Account. That there is a surplus at all is due to the phenomenal income in the Islands. The amount of the surplus has been enhanced both by the inclusion of certain funds that must later be transferred to the special appeal account, and also by large Sydney payments on our account being reported too late to be included in this year's Islands accounts. These factors must affect our prospects in 1954-55.

The Future: With our growing work in the Solomon Islands and the new field in the Papua-New Guinea Highlands, we must aim at a considerable rise in the level of the giving of the Methodist people of New Zealand for the cause of overseas missions.

> A. BLAKEMORE, G. S. GAPPER,

Treasurers.

GENERAL FUND ESTIMATES 1954-55.

(To the nearest \pounds)

Solomon Islands:

NOTOTION ADDITION		
Missionaries' Stipends and Allowances		4,800
AL		5,576
Doctor's Stipend and Allowances	****	613
Layworkers' Stipends and Allowances	****	594
Native Ministers' Stipends and Allowances		764
Native Agents' Stipends and Allowances		6,381
		690
Supernumerary and Retiring Funds		
Sickness and Accident Fund		58
Education		3,450
Canoes and Porterage		560
There iterate		130
TD 11.11		
Buildings		1,255
Electricity	+***	580
Printing		140
Stationery, Stamps, Cables, etc.		150
Land Danta		100
Insurance, Customs	and .	25
Freights	****	250
Fares and Travel	· der	4,610
District Boats		2,800
Deat Insumance		400
Madical Dector's sheets	****	
		3,580
Circuit Sheets		770

Papua-New Guinea Highlands:

38,276 1250

New Zealand Working Exper	ises:					
General Administration:						
General Secretary-				520		
Allowance		******		520		
Allowance House				100		
Travelling				150		
Connexional Charges				95		
Clerical Treasurer's Expense				60		
Office Assistance				500		
Rent of Office				143		
Printing and Stationery				120		
Office General				120		
Auditor				21		
Legal				10		
Telephones	••••			60		
Annual Board Travelling				50	1 000	
Publicity and Deputation:					1,999	
Annual Report				,90		
Subsidy to Publications-						
" Open Door " " Lotu "				41		
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Special Charges:			1	00	401	
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Deaconess House				25		
Literature Special				65	5	
Film Purchase				50		
Office Renovations				50		
Projector Accessories	in 1			30		
National Missionary Council				48		
Interest on Loan				7		
				-	490	
						2,920
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Solomon Islands:	INCO			•		
Subscriptions and Collections				9,160		
Sales of Produce		 		3,150		
Grants				4,045		
New Zealand Income:						16,355
C'				15,760		10,000
M.W.M.U.				3,100		
Interest on Working Capital				700	-	
Medical Income				1,600		
			-			21,160
1-3rd General Reserve						2,400
Deficit *						2,531
TOTAL			1			£42,446
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Special Expenditure Estimates, 1954-55.

opeer		Required.		In Hand.				
Choiseul:				Girls' dormitory (Choiseul) 1,000				
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Roviana:								
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RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Reports be received and adopted. 2. That the Treasurers' Report, Statement of Income and Expenditure, and Balance Sheet, duly audited, be received and adopted. 3. That the Estimates of General Income and Expenditure, Special and Rehabilitation Expenditure for 1954-55 financial year be received and adopted.

4. That during the year the Board study the question of self support in the Solomon Islands with a view to consideration at the ensuing Solomon Islands' District Synod and Annual Board Meeting.

5. Annual Reports: (a) That hereafter full reports of the over-seas work of our church be presented annually in an enlarged March number of THE OPEN DOOR.

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(b) That publication of a separate annual report be discontinued but that sufficient extra copies of the March OPEN DOOR be printed to provide for those subscribers to the Foreign Mission Fund who are not also subscribers to THE OPEN DOOR.

(c) That hereafter the financial details published consist of summarised annual statements and balance sheet and list of preaching places with total contributions raised in connection therewith.

6. Islanders in New Zealand: That circuits and district executives be requested to consider the spiritual and social welfare of the Islanders resident in their areas.

7. That Methodist people be urged to offer friendship and fellowship to students and workers from South East Asia.

8. That Conference be associated with the greetings forwarded by the Annual Meeting of the Foreign Mission Board to the mis-sionaries overseas; the Methodist people in the Solomon Islands; the Australian Methodist Board of Missions; and the Fiji District (on the opening of the Centenary Church at Suva).

9. That the Tonga Conference be requested to make available a Tongan minister for service in the Solomon Islands District.

10. That the general approval accorded last year to the statement of terms of co-operation of the Methodist Church of Australasia and the Methodist Church of New Zealand in the Papua New Guinea Highlands be reaffirmed with the following amendment:

That instead of the paragraph 6 dealing with stipends and allowances, the following be inserted:

" Stipends and allowances of missionaries appointed to the Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission be determined by the respective Boards."

11. That Resolution 18 on page 127 of the Minutes of Conference, 1953, be revised as follows: "That aiming at appointing to the work in the Highlands an

ordained minister, a teacher, a nurse and a carpenter, Con-ference anticipate an annual expenditure of £2,000 in the Papua-New Guinea Highlands, covering stipends and allowances, travel and a ratio of general district expenses."

12. That Resolution 21 on page 127 of the Minutes of Conference, 1953, be revised to read: "That a teacher and a nurse be appointed for the connexional

year, 1955."

13. That the New Zealand Board accept the respossibility for normal capital expenditure, covering the establishment of one station in the Highlands, when the way opens for the setting up of such new station. (This expenditure to be met from the special Highlands Appeal Fund.)

14. That in the early years of co-operation the need for elasticity in our organisation be recognised and provision be made to meet changing conditions, the Board being empowered to act in matters of policy after full consultation with the Australian Board.

15. That we favour the granting of status as a district by the Australian Board to the Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission.

16. That in terms of Paragraph 4 of the terms of co-operation the Board recommend to the Australian Board the nomination of the Rev. G. H. Young as Superintendent of the Papua-New Guinea Highlands Mission for 1955.

17. That the terms of service in the Papua-New Guinea Highlands commence as from the departure of the workers from Sydney for the field.

18. Native Ministry: That the following resolution of the 1952 Conference be reaffirmed with the addition of "D" below:

"That the following resolutions re Native Ministry be referred to the Law Book Revision Committee in consultation with the Foreign Mission Board for report to Synods and Conference.

Native Ministry: That the following amendments be inserted under the headings of "The Ministry" and "The Foreign Missions Department", to deal with the Native Ministry in the Solomon Islands District, which should be separated in the Minutes from the Maori Ministers in native status.

A. The Native Ministry of the Solomon Islands District shall include:

- 1. All Native Ministers and Probationers admitted by the Conference on the recommendation of the Solomon Islands District Synod to exercise their ministry in the Solomon Islands Districts; and
- 2. All Native Ministers and Probationers transferred from Conferences under the control of the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia for appointment within the Solomon Islands District.

B. The Course of Training and Probation for each Native Probationer in the Solomon Islands District shall be determined by the Board of Examiners in consultation with the Solomon Islands District Synod.

C. Native Ministers and Probationers in the Solomon Islands District shall exercise their ministry under the supervision of the Chairman of the District and the Superintendent of the Circuit to which they are appointed."

D. A Native Minister in full status shall be empowered to administer the sacraments under the guidance of the Chairman of the District.

19. Training of Workers for Solomon Islands:

- (a) That as far as practicable workers give two years' notice of their intention to withdraw from the field.
- (b) That each case of a minister appointed to the Solomon Islands be considered, as to whether further training is required.
- (c) That we acknowledge the desirability of some systematic Bible and theological training for our women workers.
- (d) That, as soon as circumstances allow, our women missionaries take the course at George Brown College, following appointment and before proceeding to the field.
- and before proceeding to the field.(e) That this policy be reviewed three years after the first workers enter the George Brown College.

20. That the thanks of the Conference for their valued services be accorded to Sisters Winifred Poole and Jane Bond, and Rev. F. H. Woodfield, whose resignations have been accepted by the Board.

21. That sub-section (e) of paragraph 504 (26) of the law be repealed and the following substituted therefor: "(e) One nursing sister and one teaching sister from each territory. Such sisters must have served one complete term and shall be elected by the Sisters serving in the District.

22. That Conference place on record its appreciation of the value to the field and to the missionary interest of the Church in New Zealand of the visit paid by the ex-President (the Rev. H. L. Fiebig) and Mrs Fiebig to the Solomon Islands District.

23. Appointments. (a) Board 1955: Revs C. O. Hailwood (President 23. Appointments. (a) Board 1955: Revs C. O. Hailwood (President of Conference), S. G. Andrews (General Secretary), A. Blakemore and Mr G. S. Gapper (Treasurers), Revs. E. W. Hames, A. H. Scrivin, F. Copeland, W. Walker, A. W. E. Silvester, A. E. Jefferson, R. Thornley, W. E. A. Carr, G. I. Laurenson, C. T. J. Luxton, W. S. Daw-son, Messrs T. L. Hames, L. W. Peak, J. H. Blackwell, R. T. Garlick, W. Elliott, H. Denton, S. E. Chappell, R. N. Rowe, Mrs H. Nicolson and Miss E. Rishworth; Revs. A. A. Bensley, Dr. R. Dudley, W. R. Francis, E. C. Leadley, Messrs H. Oldham, J. H. Oldham, S. N. Roberts and H. L. J. Newton; Miss E. Purdie, Mrs T. Hallam, Mrs M. E. Virtue, Sisters Edna White and Lina Jones, and the President of the Auckland District Council; Rev. H. C. Dixon and Mrs W. Pat-terson, Rev. J. R. Metcalfe (Chairman, Solomon Islands District). terson, Rev. J. R. Metcalfe (Chairman, Solomon Islands District).

(b) Representatives to National Missionary Council: Rev. S. G. Andrews, Wellington District Foreign Mission Secretary, Mr C. J. Freeman and Mrs E. M. Riddell.

(c) District Foreign Mission Conveners:-

AUCKLAND: Rev. W. E. A. Carr.

NORTHLAND SUB-DISTRICT: Rev. A. W. E. Silvester.

SOUTH AUCKLAND: Rev. I. C. E. Ramage, M.A. TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. G. T. Gilbert.

Sub-Committee: Rev. E. D. Grounds.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Mr J. H. Oldham.

MNAWATU SUB-COMMITTEE: Rev. J. K. Watson, B.A.

WELLINGTON: Rev. L. T. Norwell. NELSON: Rev. E. Baker.

NORTH CANTERBURY: To be appointed by District Executive.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. W. J. Morrison.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev. H. G. Brown.

(d) Superintendent, Papua-New Guinea Highlands: Rev. G. H. Young.

(e) Auditors: Messrs Macky and Frear.

Methodist Women's Missionary Union

FORTIETH ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st AUGUST, 1954

In presenting this abridged report of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union for the year ending 31st August, 1954, we are once again able to state that our Union has advanced both numerically and financially.

Membership.

Membership stands at 5,869, including 1,384 Gleaners, revealing an increase of 69. Auxiliaries now total 215. Five new auxiliaries have been formed, but two have withdrawn.

Finance.

In come for the year was £12,295/8/6.

The Special Objective has raised $\pounds 2,396/2/1$, and this sum becomes our contribution to the Fund for the new Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel.

The Stamp Fund is £870/13/4, an increase of £281/2/8.

Although our objective to the Foreign and Home Mission Boards was raised by £300 to each, to £3,100, this has been more than met by the giving of our members.

In addition £1,000 has been given to the Papua-New Guinea Highlands project, and a gift of £500 was made to the Home Mission Department as well as a loan of £1,000, to be on call, with the rate of interest the same as for National Savings.

Kurahuna.

The new Common Room is now completed and was opened by the President of Conference, Rev H. L. Fiebig B.A., on the 6th March 1954. This Common Room is in full use and is much appreciated by all concerned. Sister Madeline Holland, assisted by Miss Riddick, continues to control the Hostel efficiently and also mother the girls with loving care.

Smethurst Home:

Continues to be used by the Sisters for rest and relaxation. This year £130, from the Smethurst Estate, has been paid towards the salary of the Maori Minister stationed in Auckland.

Home Sisters:

Auxiliaries continue to supply all Sisters with materials by way of clothing, both new and used, and materials of a general nature such as calendars and used Christmas cards.

Sister Grace Glement has done a fine piece of work while on deputation in Marlborough, Nelson, and the West Coast districts, and Sister Ruth Hilder has done itinerary work in the Wairarapa and Hawke's Bay areas. In this way a very valuable contact is made between auxiliaries and the work undertaken by our Sisters among the Maoris.

Overseas Sisters:

Overseas Sisters have been supplied with calendars and cards direct, and clean linen has been forwarded to Sister Edna White for inclusion in the boxes going to the Solomon Islands stations. From the Gift

In the poxes going to the Solomon Islands stations. From the Gift Box Fund Sister Edna purchases materials on behalf of the Sisters, and attends to the packing and despatch of them, a service much appreciated by both the Sisters and the members of the M.W.M.U. Itinerary work has been done by Sisters Merle Carter, Myra Fraser, Jessie Grant, Pamela Beaumont and Nancy Ball, and all have done much to further the work of our Mission through their contacts with auxiliaries. Sister' Winifred Poole is at present on extended leave before returning to the Field extended leave before returning to the Field.

Without the prayers and loving co-operation of all members, the work of our Union would not be maintained.

E. C. PURDIE, President.

D. M. ASHBY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the fine work of the Missionary Union and its Auxiliaries.

QUESTION L .- What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund ?

Home Mission Department

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

In presenting our report for 1954, we desire to acknowledge many evidences of Divine Blessing during the year. While we are faced with many problems and are cramped in our development by shortage of staff and the constant pressure on our financial resources, we have had much to encourage and for this we are grateful to Almighty God.

Staff:

Since last report we have had many changes. We have welcomed on to our staff during the twelve months, the following:----

Mr A. E. Tardif who resumed Home Mission Service, and Messrs R. W. Widdup, W. S. Gilbert, and P. S. Barker.

Having been accepted as Candidates for the Ministry, Messrs G. Scarr, H. W. Kitchingham and B. J. Bell entered Theological College and thus go off our staff after useful service in the Department.

Deaconess Appointments in Circuits as Supplies:

This year Conference found itself able to use several Deaconesses to supply vacant Probationers appointments and in the main the reports of this move have been very gratifying.

Sister Dorothy Pointon went to Tauranga Circuit to Mt. Maunganui.

Sister Margaret Taylor to Masterton.

Sister Evelyn Taylor to Hastings.

Probationer Mary Whitlow to Palmerston North.

In addition, Miss May Rushton as a Home Mission Probationer took up duties in the New Housing area of Tamaki in Auckland East Circuit.

As has been found by other Denominations and by our Church in other places, women workers have a unique and valuable contribution to make especially in the initial stages in the new housing areas, and it is our judgment that this fact should be taken into account in the policy of the Church in our growing country.

Home Missionaries Study Conference:

An outstanding feature of this year was the holding of our Triennial Home Missionaries' Study Conference. We went into residence at Camp Wesley, Henderson. There was a good attendance including the Deaconesses in Circuit Supply appointments. A full programme of lectures and studies was taken and we are convinced that this development is now a proven blessing to the work. Owing to the heavily increased costs, especially in travelling, we have found it necessary to budget for a larger annual figure on the Departmental Estimates.

We express our sincere thanks to the panel of lecturers who gave generously of their time and knowledge to assist the programme.

Literature and Colporteur Department:

Another milestone has been passed in the development of our work in the opening of our modern new commodious bookroom at 372 Queen Street, Auckland right opposite the Town Hall. The outlay has been very heavy but we feel that the added facilities and the room to display our material will inevitably assist in covering this extra cost. We would appeal to our Methodist people to remember the Epworth Bookroom when needing good books. Our Society will need the continued loyal support of all our people if this useful function is to be maintained and consolidated in the life of the Church.

Department Finance:

Three years ago when Conference reviewed the finances of the Department as at 31st January, 1951, there was a Debit Balance of $\pounds 6,425/17/4$. It was resolved then to endeavour to wipe out this

debit over the three succeeding years. It was a joy to us to be able to report that largely owing to a special grant of £500 from the M.W.M.U., the figures at 31st January, 1954 showed a credit of £6/19/3. This was announced through our printed Annual Report but is included here for Conference record.

We must of course re-iterate that this position will be difficult to retain with the new rates of payment for all workers and with the new calls being made upon the Fund.

We would again commend the Home Mission General Appeal to our people for loyal and steadily increasing support. "One Wanteds":

Many Circuits have requested Conference to appoint an additional worker when staff are available. For this the status on the stationing list safeguards the position by stating "One Wanted" if a vacancy has to be left at Conference time.

This year we were considerably embarrassed in several instances by the fact that when a supply became available, some Circuits for various reasons were reluctant to accept an appointment during the year. Our Department is entrusted with the task of seeking supplies for vacant appointments, and it leaves us seriously encumbered in our work if we find suitable workers and then have delays in making appointments. It is awkward for the agent concerned as well.

We feel that at each Conference the position should be clarified and if any Circuit finds that Conference is not able to make an appointment, it should indicate definitely if it is desirous and willing to have a supply for the balance of the year if one-becomes available. We recognise that circumstances will alter and that there will need to be some elasticity in the matter but our Board needs this guidance if it is to do its work effectively.

New Areas:

We are glad to learn that the Church Council is recommending a Special Appeal for Church Extension. Funds by way of grants and loans for new buildings must be raised on a connexional basis if we are to enter into some of the opportunities. Some large new towns like Kawerau and Tokoroa etc., cannot be adequately served by neighbouring Circuits and the whole Connexion must assist, especially the stable and settled areas of the country. We warmly commend this appeal to the Church.

Visit to World Council of Churches:

We are glad that Rev B. M. Chrystall is one of the representatives of our Church to the World Council. He has given wonderful service to the Department and we are sure that he will be able to contribute further from this experience, to the life of the Church.

Conclusion:

Again we urge our Church to watch two factors that are relevant and urgent for Church Extension. One is the urging of suitable young men to consider the claims of the ministry and Home Mission service. The other is the obtaining of suitable Parsonages for married agents. This latter assists in stabilising the work in growing areas.

We commend our Department and its work to the loyal support of the Church as we face the growing challenges.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman of the Board.

J. C. DRAPER, Secretary of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSON, General Superintendent,

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Home Mission Department be received and asopted.

3. That the Financial Statements of the Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board be received and adopted.

4. That the Financial Statements of the Methodist Mission Property Trustees be received and adopted.

5. That the statements of accounts of the Buddle Memorial Gift, Buttle Memorial Gift, the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust, Home Missionaries Removal Expenses Fund, the Home Missionaries Training Conference Account, the Picture Department and the Maori Ministers Home Acquirement Fund be received and adopted.

6. That the statement of the Rev. and Mrs T. G. Brooke Memorial Gift be received and adopted.

7. That the thanks of the Conference be tendered by letter to Mrs Gladys Treadgold for her thoughtfulness in establishing the Memorial Gift in honour of her late parents, the Rev. and Mrs T. G. Brooke.

8. That the statements of accounts of the Literature and Colporteur Society be received and adopted.

9. That the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for 1955 be received and adopted.

10. That where it is desired locally to issue individual receipts for Missionary subscriptions, small receipt books be purchased locally and charged to expenses.

11. That the Treasurers, Rev. B. M. Chrystall and Mr Frank Penn, be thanked for their services and re-appointed.

12. (a) Auditor: That Mr R. N. Cooke be thanked for his auditing of the Board's accounts with no charge to the Board. (b) That Mr W Aubrey Smith be appointed Auditor for 1955.

13. That Rev. B. M. Chrystall be appointed as Assistant Superintendent for a further term of three years.

14. That the next Home Missionaries Conference consider the following:—That at the conclusion of the Home Missionaries' Study Conference each Tutor prepare a list of questions on his particular subject for comment by the H.M.'s in order that a personal evaluation be made of the benefit received by each student, this to be completed within a specified time.

15. That, where practicable, a H.M. before being sent to his first appointment spend at least one month in a Circuit carrying out Pulpit and Pastoral duties under the supervision of the Superintendent.

16. Senior Home Missionaries: (a) That the following be recognised as Senior Home Missionaries: Revs. T. W. Featherstone, A. L. Witheford, J. W. Bayliss, H. Ashworth, C. Robinson, R. T. Alexander, W. H. Wilson, W. J. Henderson, H. J. Malcolm, W. Sussex, W. E. Sleep, R. Coombridge, H. R. Wright, W. J. Bryant, T. Steele, C. E. Roke.

(b) That there be a closer approximation of the scale of stipends for Senior Home Missionaries and Ordained Ministers.

17. That the Methodist representatives on the Religious Film Society be: Revs. J. J. Lewis, A. Jolly, G. I. Laurenson, and Mr Leo. Foster.

18. That the thanks of the Conference be expressed to all who have assisted the work of the Department during the year. Especially

do we thank District and Circuit Home Mission Secretaries, Home Mission Collectors, Ministers, Home Missionaries, Voluntary Deputations and all people who provided hospitality for those on deputation.

19. Home Mission Board for 1955: For members, see page 7. Sec.: Rev. J. C. Draper.

20. District Home Mission Conveners: Auckland: REV, H. WHITFIELD. Northland: To be appointed. Franklin Sub-District: South Auckland: REV. C. H. BELL. Taranaki-Wanganui: REV. L. SHAPCOTT. Wanganui Sub-Committee: REV. E, D. GROUNDS. Hawke's Bay-Manawatu: REV. F. H. PARKER. Hawke's Bay Sub-Committee: REV. H. C. MATTHEWS. Wellington: REV. A. H. IVORY. Nelson: REV. H. E. HARKNESS. North Canterbury: To be appointed. South Canterbury: REV. O. T. WOODFIELD. Otago-Southland: REV. H. A. COCHRANE.

QUESTION LI.-What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Maori Work ?

Maori Mission Report

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

This has been a year of movement in our work. Several new members of the staff have taken up their duties and are settling well into their new areas. We are grateful to our Heavenly Father for His continual blessing upon our efforts.

Staff:

At last Conference, the Revs. E. Te Tuhi, M. Tauroa and N. K. Kukutai became supernumeraries. We are very grateful that Mr Te Tuhi has been able to continue part-time service as Acting Senior Maori Superintendent.

Two new Probationers have taken up their appointments, Rev R. D. Rakena at Waima, and Rev W. Tahere at New Plymouth.

Rev R. Rogers has been transferred to Auckland.

We have received Messrs A. G. Kahui, and Te Akonga Pihama as Maori Home Missionaries.

Deaconesses:

With the return of Sisters Nicholls and Te Atakohu to full time service and the appointment of Probationer Winnie Bennett to Maori work, our Deaconess staffing problem was greatly eased in the early part of the year. Unfortunately, a painful accident to Sister Jean. Miller held up her work in Auckland but we have been grateful for a measure of part-time assistance from Mrs M. Winiata (ex Sister Frances Clegg).

Financial Assistance:

Again we must record our very sincere thanks to the M.W.M.U. for their increased support of the Deaconess work. Their regular and prompt remittance of their substantial cheques makes a great difference to our financial operations. The practical and prayerful interest of this great body of women means a tremendous lot to the Department.

Hostels:

Rotorua Maori Boys' Hostel: The Government have commenced the erection of a fine new Hostel for Maori Boys in Rotorua and they have asked the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches to run this as a Christian Home. We are proud to be sharing as partners in this important venture, in company with the Anglican and Presbyterian Maori Missions. This practical development in its work is a new feature in the Maori Section, N.C.C.

Hamilton: The two hostels in Hamilton are full and neither can cope with the demand .

We look forward eagerly to the opening of "Seamer House", Remuera, Auckland, and "Rangiatea", New Plymouth.

We are grateful for the progress and development of "Rehua" Maori Boys' Hostel, Christchurch. Full reference to this work is given in the report of the Christchurch Central Mission.

Youth Camps:

In each Maori Circuit, Youth Camps were held during the year. In every case they have been successful ventures, and they will become an annual feature of our work. There can be no doubt that these camps make an effective witness in Maori life.

The Challenge of Sects:

Many problems are created for the people by the intense activity of certain sects, (Mormons, Jehovah's Witnesses, and Seventh Day Adventists in particular). They are very zealous in certain areas and create a problem for our workers, but at the same time the great body of our people remain loyal to our work.

The King Country:

This ever-present problem has not been helped by recent events. We were amazed at the way the official report to the Government practically ignored the value for historic purposes of the evidence of the Maori people. In addition, in spite of strong representations from our people, the Government has provided for a combined poll, riding roughshod over the Maori leadership of the King Country. This cannot help but increase strain and a certain deterioration in race relationships in that part of the country in particular. Owing to the deep and complex issues, a poll will not truly represent the mind of the people—so many of whom are averse to going to a polling booth to vote on what to them is a sacred and unquestioned issue.

Maori Broadcasts:

On one Sunday evening each year, Pitt Street Church, Auckland very courteously and generously grants one broadcast from their share to the Maori Mission. This is from Station 1YA. In addition four Maori broadcasts are taken each year by our Church from Station 1YZ Rotorua. For some time this has meant the sending of several cars to Rotorua from the Waikato, but the installation of a modern tape recording equipment at the Hamilton Station of the Broadcasting Service means that now these services will be recorded in Hamilton and elsewhere, and broadcast from Rotorua.

The Drink Situation:

We are finding many evidences that this sad problem is continuing its tragic misery and destruction in Maori life as well as in the Pakeha World. From the experience of our workers, we are unable to report any marked improvement as yet, except for individual cases which of course are a source of encouragement. The general picture is still one to cause deep concern. There is no room for contentment while this cursed traffic has the free run that it has in the community. Our workers continue their faithful efforts to challenge the people to a new level of personal and community life. We have been encouraged to learn that the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches is working on a plan to develop a Maori Temperance Movement from within the life of the people themselves. This constructive move is most pleasing to learn about and we wish it much success.

Conclusion:

We again send this report to our people, urging patient loyal support of the staff in their work, and a steady encouragement of our Maori people as they seek a stable community life in these days of trial and testing.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman of the Board.

E. TE TUHI, Senior Maori Superintendent.

J. C. DRAPER, Secretary of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSON, General Superintendent.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference approves the following statement of policy: "It is the policy of the Home Mission Board to seek sufficient trained ordained Maori Ministers, but failing an adequate supply of such men, the Board may be compelled to seek further appointments of European Ministers."

3. That Conference draw the attention of our people to the opportunity afforded to interested donors to provide scholarships and bursaries at Wesley College and our Maori Hostels for suitable Maori Youth.

4. That it be recommended to the Maori Section of the N.C.C. that a careful survey be made with a view to ascertaining those Maori communities which are not coming under the direct influence of its constituent Churches.

5. That Conference approve the following statement of policy: "That the Home Mission Board redefine its long standing policy—That those areas that are traditionally the field of other Protestant Church Missions, except where our own members have moved in in any considerable numbers, we do not favour the extension of our official Maori Mission activities. We prefer (1) that our people should encourage and co-operate with the youth activities especially of the other missions, and (2) that where Maori people are not receiving any ministration from their own Church we should seek to gather them into the general life of our Pakeha Churches."

6. That Conference express its appreciation of the work of the Child Welfare Officers in Maori Communities, and suggests to our agents that wherever possible they "team up" and be of mutual assistance.

7. That Conference seends Greetings to Sister Eleanor Dobby and expresses gratification at her sustained interest in Maori work.

8. That Conference express its thanks and congratulations to Rev. T. A. Pybus on the publication of his book "Maori and Missionary" and commends this book to our people.

9. That Conference heartily approve of the Methodist Maori Mission Representatives sharing in a joint campaign of Evangelism with Anglican and Presbyterian representatives.

10. Conference reminds all Maori voters at the forthcoming Prohibition and No-License polls that they have an opportunity to use their votes to register their opposition to the tragic inroads of the liquor traffic into the lives of the people. We assure the Maori people of our prayers that their votes may assist to destroy this evil traffic. We especially greet the Maori electors in the King Country and assure them of our unfailing support of their efforts to free their territory of this destructive traffic, and also of their efforts to retain no license in the King Country in terms of the long understood special nature of their area. We are glad to learn of the efforts of the Maori people to establish Maori Temperance Societies throughout New Zealand and wish the effort every success.

QUESTION LII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting City Missions?

A-N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association REPORT, 1954

The Association met at Wallis House Wellington on May 30th, when led by the President of Conference, consideration was given to the policy and work of constituent organizations. Detailed reports of the work in a very wide field of social service, will be presented separately.

The Association is particularly desirous of having established Area Organisations which will foster the interest and support of Circuits and areas in the social service ministry of the Church. Recommendations relating to this, and other constitutional proposals were referred to the Law Revision Committee.

Much time was given to consideration of priorities for various needed major social service schemes throughout the Dominion.

Approval was given for the furthering of the appeal for the building of the Auckland Childrens' Home, the Wesleyhaven Settlement, and an assurance was given of approval of a scheme providing for the establishment of a Church Mission Centre at Christchurch. The Association is of the opinion that existing and proposed Childrens Homes are adequate for present needs, and that the establishment of Church Hostels for Methodist Youth should now be regarded as the next urgent priority. Recommendation proposing the early launching of a Connexional appeal for this objective was made to the Church Council.

Also arising from the consideration of social priorities and the need to regard these in the wider frame of Connexional appeals, it was resolved that the Association indicate the desirability of having representation on the Church Council.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. The Report be received and adopted.

2. The Rev W. H. Greenslade and Mr T. M. Pacey be reappointed co-treasurers of the N.Z.M.S.S. Fund.

3. The Rev W. H. Greenslade be reappointed official Representative.

B-Auckland Methodist Central Mission

REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1954.

It is pleasing to record that the Mission has entered a new era of expansion and progress. The employment of techniques relative to vital evangelism, new forms of service relevant to modern needs the formation of discussion groups and more frequent personal approach to the individual in need under the blessing of God have brought spiritual enrichment and advance. Our Executive Boards have unanimously decided upon big objectives.

We are now implementing a thought provoking programme of spiritual and social service. We have a profound conviction that the Auckland Central Mission may make a more effective contribution in building the Kingdom of God. To enable the fulfilment of the present policy, this Conference is requested to give sympathetic consideration to the existing staff problems.

Domestic problems and those connected with the mal-adjustment of young people to their homes and to society have made severe demands upon our time. Accommodation, visitation of the sick and prisoner, numerous correspondence from all over the world, 'phone calls and administrative work are part of our daily programme.

New Building Scheme:

Canvassing at intervals has resulted in a further augmenting of the fund. The acquiring of the Queen Street property has necessitated a re-orientation of the plans. At present we are gathering further information from other Cities of comparative size and potentialties: Systems of communication, town planning, etc.

Girls' Hostel:

Word has just been received that the Building in Victoria Avenue, Kemuera, will be available at the end of July. Plans and specifications are now prepared and it is hoped to commence the work at an early date. The buildings standing on 1½ acres of land have been purchased for £17,000—the alterations are estimated to cost £9,500, the Cabinet has approved a grant of up to 50 per cent, the remaining 50 per cent, together with the cost of the furnishings, has been made available by the Trustees of the Edith Winstone Blackwell foundation. We appreciate the subsidy from the Government and record our grateful thanks to Mrs J. H. Blackwell, M.B.E., whose generous gift of approximately £17,000 will enable the Trustees to open the Hostel free of debt.

Sunday Services and Youth Work:

Sunday Services are well attended. Membership stands at over 200. We receive many visitors, including Pacific Islanders, merchant seamen and immigrants.

There are two Sunday schools, three Bible classes, Youth Clubs, Scouts and Cubs, Guides and Brownie. Religious education is supplemented by vocation schools, scripture examinations and private tuition.

There is an expanding field for work among adolescent youth regardless of colour or creed.

Waiheke Island:

This has been used at vacation times for youth groups and families. An elderly gentleman has been living in the cottage. On account of limited boat service, the property has not been used to fullest advantage. We are making enquiries regarding the planting of pine trees over the area.

Campbell's Bay Health Camp:

The Camp has been used for week-end retreats, vacation schools, holidays for pensioners and others, temporary accommodation for immigrants, and emergency cases. The vacation camps for children are staffed almost entirely by voluntary workers. No grants are received from the Health Stamp Fund.

We record our thanks for £100 from the Auckland Savings Bank.

Pending the provision of further accommodation, the school block is being used by the Education Board. Mr and Mrs E. Pearce, who recently arrived from Somerset, are making a splendid contribution in caring for the buildings and ground.

The Aged:

(a) Astley House: The house continues to provide a Christian atmosphere for thirty-five elderly ladies. The dedicated service of the Matron (Mrs I. Palmer) and her staff are responsible for the Christian content of the house. A number of new guests have been admitted. Regular worship services are being conducted by the Rev G. Brown. All necesary repairs have been effected.

(b) Wesley Convalescent Hospital: There is an increasing demand for the kind of service which the hospital provides. At a time when private hospitals are experiencing a difficult period, it is gratifying to know that Wesley Hospital is able to help many people to health and strength again. We are grateful to Sister Arline Preece and her staff for a high standard of efficiency.

(c) Elderly People's fellowship: This bright fortnightly gathering dispels loneliness, brightens lives and brings a message to the dis-spirited. Hundreds of elderly people are visited in the hospitals and their homes. Concerts are presented at Cornwall Hospital. We express our sincere appreciation to Mrs A. Davis and her Committee for the capable and devoted service graciously given.

(d) Old People's Welfare Committee: This Committee comprised cf representatives of the Churches, Hospital Board, etc., surveys the needs of the elderly folk and endeavours through the co-operation of the Minister of Internal Affairs and the Social Security Department to meet any emergency. The chief difficulties are housing and hospitalization of the sick. Through a recent survey, the Committee found that in order to stem the tide of the needs of these elderly people, especially those who require physical assistance, further responsibility would have to be assumed by the Government and Local Authorities.

Goodwill Industries and Community Service:

The Store is particularly helpful to pensioners and others on small incomes. Goods to the value of over $\pounds 1200$ have been distributed; further provision must be made for handicapped people to be rehabilitated in order to take their place in the world.

A further grant of £50 was received from the J. R. McKenzie Trust. The Superintendent represents the Church on the Discharged Prisoner's Aid Society, the Immigration Welfare Committee, Society for Protection of Women and Children, Old People's Welfare Committee, Honouring Age Committee, Relief Committees and other Community Welfare organisations.

Mrs N. Gallivan who for fifteen years has been in charge of our Store continues her worthwhile work.

Immigration:

Many enquiries are received from Great Britain and foreign countries. A great number continue to arrive in Auckland, we counsel the immigrants to take their place in our New Zealand way of life. Accommodation is our greatest concern.

New Parsonage:

The New Parsonage was officially opened on Saturday 12th June. The site not only provides a worthy home for the Superintendent his wife and family, but also houses the Mission van and a workshop for the Missions Social Services. Storage space is also available. The sale of the old Parsonage, gifts, and an interest free loan have financed the project. The Parsonage was officially opened by Mrs I. Sweetapple and Mrs L. Scelly, Rev E. W. Hames, Chairman of the District, dedicated the Building, and Mr R. T. Garlick, Hon. Secretary presented a short statement.

Property Matters and Finance:

Apart from the Central Buildings at Airedale Street, all properties are in good order. Legacies from 'Margaret Hicks Memorial' of £250 and James Coe Estate £10 have been received for the Health Camp.

Debts on all properties total £6,000.

Prison Work:

We are grateful to the Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore for co-operating in conducting worship, and visiting our men and women at Mt Eden Prison.

Staffing:

Pastor D. I. Robertson as a Home Mission supply has endeared himself to all concerned. Rev L. B. Neale who recently returned from England, has given unstintingly of his time but has recently been incapacitated. Mrs A. Davis at short notice has served us well in emergencies.

We are grateful to Miss P. Chorley for devoted secretarial and book keeping work. To our office bearers, ladies guilds, ladies auxiliary committee, youth workers, trustees, choir master, organist and choir, ministers and laymen, Bible school teachers, auditors, subscribers, the Press, and a large band of voluntary workers, the Board of Management extend its sincere appreciation. Our last word is one of grateful thanks to Almighty God.

We trust that the work will continue to commend itself to people of goodwill, and inspire the necessary resources to maintain and extend the Kingdom.

A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.

F. M. SOUSTER,

WALTER WOOD, Circuit Stewards.

R. T. GARLICK, Hon. Secretary, Board of Trustees

E. A. ASTLEY, Hon. Treasurer, Board of Trustees

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the continued fine work of the Rev. A. E. Orr.

3. Board of Management, 1955: Superintendent Central Mission (Chairman), General Superintendent of Home Missions, Chairman of the District; Revs. E. W. Hames, H. C. Dixon, L. R. M. Gilmore, G. E. Brown, Dr. H. Ranston, A. J. Seamer, L. B. Neale, W. S. Dawson, W. Parker; Mesdames M. Spurge, I. Young, I. Sweetapple, and Miss E. Booth, Messrs J. Trenwith, L. J. Moore, F. Penn, E. A. Astley, C. K. Wigglesworth, R. Garlick, J. S. Caughey, L. Simpson, R. Mortimer, R. W. Verry, W. Woodward, A. E. Hayman, A. H. Winstone, R. Simpson, N. Mee, together with the Circuit officials and the Trustees of the Mission properties.

C-The Christian Community Centre, Ponsonby **REPORT**, 1954

The Christian Community Centre, under the direction of the Auckland West Quarterly Meeting continues to increase its influence in Christian service throughout the city and province of Auckland.

Broadcasts:

Each Tuesday at 9.45 a.m. over the Friendly Road Station by the courtesy of Uncle Tom, and for the past six years, has proved of immense benefit to a large eircle of listeners throughout the country, as testified to by the large volume of letters of appreciation, and letters requesting appointments to discuss moral, domestic, or grave social problems. This new field of ministry and service should be staffed by men and women trained to give counsel and guidance.

Old Folks:

Elderly people regardless of denomination or race receive help and friendship, at the Centre. Comforts, firing, and new clothing have been distributed in large quantities. Friends from the country have helped by sending in loads of wood, and ladies of St. John's continue to work arduously to provide warm clothing and night attire for those in need.

Nursing Service:

The daily Nursing service has proved to be "one of the finest pieces of practising Christian work ever started" so said a leading Medical Practitioner. A fully trained Nursing Sister, using her own car, can immediately answer an urgent call for help, and soon be on the spot to bring comfort, and experienced Nursing help to people of all ages. She has been a means of Grace to Elderly and lonely people. Constant praise and thanks for this service has been expressed.

Day Nursery (9.30 to 2.30 p.m.):

A Day Nursery for children aged from 21 to 5 years under the capable supervision of two trained ladies, is popular and meets a need especially where children belong to distressed or broken homes. These are cared for together with children from most fortunate homes. This supports the roll of the Primary Department.

Clubs:

Various Youth Clubs continue to operate, and the many uniformed groups are particularly in a healthy condition. The special monthly service for these groups is well attended. St. John's Sunday School is large in attendance, and all children share the first part of the morning worship. The newly formed Men's Society, the Samoan Club, and the Young Mothers' Club, are also influencing many new people to attend Church. St. John's congregation is the largest it has been for many years, quite often the Church is full of morning worshippers. Membership has increased, and the Quarterly Meeting officials number 41. The active life of the Centre has added to the Church life. Every vote registered at the last meeting expressed a vote for the Minister to stay on for the ninth year. The Board has unanimously accepted the challenge—and repairs to St. John's to the estimated amount of £6000 has begun. The plans for the new Parsonage costing £4800 have been accepted and operations are ready to commence.

The Auckland Youth Opportunity (Wesley) Trust Board Inc.:

The Official Opening Ceremony and Supervisor's House at Te Atatu took place on the 26th June. The Dedication service was conducted by the minister, and officially opened by the Hon. G. Hilda Ross, who with leading business men spoke of the high hopes that were held for the scheme which is unique in the history of N.Z. Set in 19 acres of fertile land, which cost \$5000, the property and land is now valued at £25000. There is another £10,000 needed to complete the scheme, for there is still need for a gymnasium with hobby rooms, and Chapel. An ever increasing number of young men are passing through our hands, young men requiring care, counsel, and spiritual friendship. Many emotionally disturbed have been thrown into the wrong environment, Youth Opportunity Hostel provides an answer. Some boys are in residence, and appear happy with the opportunity afforded them. When an expert horticulturist is employed the work should be self-supporting.

£1400 has been spent in the current account of the Christian Community Centre. The Quarterly Meeting Officials urge Conference to appoint a Minister on Probation as assistant Minister at St.John's for it is impossible for one Minister to maintain the oversight of such a large field of service.

HARRIS WHITFIELD, Chairman. P. R. OSBORNE, Secretary.

J. METHERELL, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be receives and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the work of Rev. H. Whitfield.

D-Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust, Incorporated

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

From within the life of Wesley Church, Wellington, its Social Services. Trust has, during the past year, pressed on with its preparations for expansion into social service activity. The appointment by last Conference of an assistant Minister has permitted a resumption of activity in the Trust's operations which has been lagging in a way which has been matter of concern to the Superintendent Minister and his Officials. The appointment of an assistant is undoubtedly filling a great and long felt need.

"Wesleyhaven" Homes Settlement:

Due to some unforeseen difficulties, building operations at Wesleyhaven have been disappointingly slow. It is now expected that the first phase, consisting of eight villas, a block of serviced flats and nurses' quarters, the settlement kitchen and the superintendents cottage, will be completed and ready for occupation by the late Spring (1954). These will provide accommodation for some 28 elderly people and the necessary staff. In the first phase it has been necessary to provide kitchen and staff quarters together with the necessary services to an extent far beyond immediate needs. In these respects extensive further development has thus been provided for. It is the

policy of the Trust to provide fully for the needs of old people of all classifications. Thus, the "aged" will be accommodated in Villas (modern self-contained cottages) and will fend for themselves until such time as they become the "aged infirm", when they will move to the serviced flats where domestic and nursing services will be on call and where meals will be served in the privacy of their own flats. call and where meals will be served in the privacy of their own hats. When these become the "aged sick", they will be moved to the Trusts own geriatric hospital or to such other medical institution as may be advised by a Doctor. In this way, it is hoped to fulfil the objective graven into the Commemoration Stone laid by His Excel-lency the Governor General last year—"That Age may journey towards the Sunrising with serenity, dignity and Christian joy." The first phase, now nearing completion, will cost approx. £50,000. State subsidy will provide approximately half of this amount and the balance has already been raised either by immediate gift or by promise. It is thus expected that the Settlement will be opened free of debt. This happy state has been achieved by the effective advocacy of our Chairman, the Rev W. H. Greenslade, and by the support accorded by ministers and laymen in many circuits throughout the Social Service area. There are other Circuits within the area which have not been so whole hearted in their support. It is recognised that it is often due to their being immersed in local problems. The Trust sincerely hopes that such Circuits will before long indicate their willingness to receive its Chairman and thus ensure that "Wesleyhaven" is the fulfilment of a dream in which the whole Methodist Social Service Area has shared.

It must be recorded that generous assistance has been given by persons and organisations outside the Methodist Church. Also, that at Wesley Church groups of ladies have been working quietly but effectively in raising funds to assist in providing furnishings. Wesley youth groups have also assisted in many ways.

It is hoped that it will be possible to push on with the second phase without delay. It is proposed that this will include a modern geriatric hospital. This is at present under discussion with the Department of Health. Thus continued support from within the whole Area will be most necessary.

Youth Hostel:

The proposal reported to and approved by last Conference has not been proceeded with. The suggested property was found, on thorough investigation, to be unsuitably sited, unduly expensive to convert into a hostel and likely to be very uneconomic to administer. The proposal was abandoned with reluctance and only after consultation with the District Executive. In the meantime, with extensive financial assistance from Wesley Church Trust and by much enterprise and hard work on the part of Wesley Youth Leaders, the old Taranaki Street Parsonage has been converted into "Church House" —the home of twelve young men who live on a community basis.

The Trust is very conscious that this does not anywhere-nearly meet the most urgent need for a Hostel in Wellington to serve Samoan, Maori and European Methodist youth, and is at present investigating with the Wesley Church Trust a scheme providing for the erection of a Hostel at the rear of Wesley Church property. The scheme envisaged would involve approximately £40,000 and can thus only be undertaken as and when the necessary financial support is assured from the Connexion or Social Service Area.

> W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman. T. M. PACEY, Hon. Secretary. M. C. PEARCE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express appreciation of the work of Rev. W. H. Greenslade and his helpers.

E-Christchurch Methodist Central Mission ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954.

• In presenting the fourth Annual Report the Board is mindful that the Mission is still in its formative years. We gratefully acknowledge Divine Leadership and confirmation in our various fields of endeavour in the Master's name, and we are aware of the privilege and responsibility that is ours, in setting the pattern of our City Mission work in Christchurch for the generations that will follow.

While new policies have been initiated in some departments, the main emphasis this year has been upon consolidation of all branches of our work. The financial aspects of every Department have been under review, and where necessary, economies have been effected.

Rehua Maori Hostel:

This Hostel, originally opened for Maori girls, now accommodates twenty Maori boys. Eighteen of the boys are from the North Island. All have been apprenticed to various trades, and employers inform us that they have adapted themselves well to their work, and are showing aptitude to learn.

The Board is grateful to the Maori Affairs Department for the opportunity of pioneering this experiment with Maori apprentices in the South Island.

We trust that when the boys leave us after five years of training, they will return to their communities, not only as well trained tradesmen, but as men whose Christian Faith has been deepened and confirmed because of their residence in "Rehua". To this end, all boys are expected to attend their own churches every Sunday, and a monthly service at the Mission. All partake in Family prayers each evening.

Staff difficulties have been experienced, and a factor contributing to this is the inadequate kitchen and dining room facilities. To provide adequate facilities in this connection, together with other urgent repairs would cost at least $\pounds1,400$. The Board is considering the possibility of selling the present property to purchase a larger and more suitable building. The merits of this move will be considered in the light of the cost of alterations required at present.

Eventide Homes:

As the Community has become aware of the Ministry to the Aged, provided by our Eventide Homes—Wesley Lodge, Christchurch and Wesley House, Picton, the outstanding work of the Matrons and staff receives commendation from many quarters.

Fine buildings and lovely surroundings are features of both Homes. Good buildings and beauty of outlook, however, do not by themselves constitute a good Home. The spirit and happiness found therein, depends upon the quality of service and devotion brought to the task by those in charge and their helpers. We therefore express our gratitude to the Matrons, Miss E. Borrows (Wesley Lodge) and Miss C. F. Hight (Wesley House) and their respective staffs for the high sense of vocation in which their work for the Aged is undertaken. Forty-six aged men and women are under our care, thirty-one at Wesley Lodge, and fourteen at Wesley House. We are grateful for the interest shown and the service rendered by the medical advisors, Dr S. C. Peddie, Christchurch and Dr E. W. Smyth, Picton.

Royal Cinema Fund:

£1,800 was allocated to the Mission from the Royal Cinema performance for extensions to Wesley Lodge. This amount will carry the 50 per cent Government subsidy. A condition of this gift is that the new building must be commenced by June, 1956. If the fund can be augmented by a further £3,000 before that date, it will be possible to erect a fifteen bed wing.

Both Homes have long waiting lists, and as the percentage of old people grows, it is inevitable that applications for admittance will increase. While our Board is aware that it would be folly to overcommit itself financially in providing additional accommodation for the aged, it is anxious to make additions to both Homes, and a Wesley House Extension Fund will be opened as soon as finances permit.

Hot Meals for the Aged:

Due to the generous co-operation of the Durham Street South members and Trustees who have made their Church property available to us for Social Service work, our Hot Meal Service for the Aged has been resumed. Kitchen facilities have been installed at a cost of £250. Volunteers from our Guilds in the District render valuable service.

Over 3,000 hot dinners' were served between May and October last year. The Board is indebted to the Committee (Lady Andrews, Mesdames S. W. Ayers, and B. Megson) who so efficiently manage this work to the great benefit of many old folk who live in rooms with inadequate cooking facilities, or in Bed and Breakfast establishments.

Goodwill Store:

Prisoners and Sanatorium Patients' families, fire victims, Pensioners and many dogged by sickness have been grateful of the opportunity of securing clothing and footwear at the Goodwill Store. Over 3,000 families have been assisted. The willing service of ten women volunteers, who manage the Goodwill Department on a Roster system is greatly appreciated.

Mission Premises:

Various proposals relating to permanent City Mission premises have been considered, and finally the Board decided to enter into negotiations with Cambridge Terrace Circuit, with a view to amalgamation. These negotiations are still proceeding, and a report on this matter will be furnished to Conference.

Staff:

Miss O. G. Searle is rendering valuable service in her Deaconess duties. Her duties as Office Secretary have been undertaken by Miss M. Griffin, who is carrying out her work in a commendable and efficient manner. Mr M. Stewart has relieved the Superintendent of much detailed work. His various duties include, Provisions Agent, Van Driver, Caretaker, etc. Miss D. Bulford, Deaconess student has served us well.

Mr H. G. Stewart has been appointed Honorary Secretary in place of Mr S. D. Wallis, who has faithfully carried out his duties in this capacity for many years. To Mr S. W. Ayers, Treasurer, Mr B. A. Caygill, Accountant, Mrs J. Richards, Director of Women's work and officials and members of the Women's Guild, and all others who occupy positions of leadership in the life and work of the Mission, the Board is greatly indebted.

Prison Chaplaincy:

The Superintendent, ably assisted by the Rev W. L. Divers, conducts regular services at Paparua Prison. Each week the men are interviewed personally. Prisoners' families have been assisted, and opportunities have been taken to help the men to rehabilitate themselves to civilian life on their discharge.

Home Aid Service:

Houses, Flats, and Rooms have been found for homeless folk. Companion Helps have been secured for many old folk too frail to live alone, and many of these assisted have been grateful for the pastoral ministry provided by the staff.

Future Plans:

Continued thought has been given to the needs of handicapped men and women, and when finance and a suitable building is available, the Board hopes to launch "Goodwill Industries" to provide interest and occupation for this unfortunate group of citizens.

It is evident that many Youths remain unattracted by the normal Youth activities of the Church. High priority will therefore be given to the establishment of a Clubland.

Finance:

Our main capital expenditure this year has been £1,750 for Wesley House, Picton, with a further £500 for Rehua Hostel. This has slightly increased our total indebtedness which now stands at just over £14,000. During the coming year, the Board will make a special effort to reduce mortgages. The total assets of the Mission now represent a sum of £52,500. £2,394 was received from the Annual Garden Party, Goodwill Department and Street Appeal allocation.

Mr W. G. K. Lill joined the staff in October last as Rural Canvasser, and his visits throughout the Social Service area have engendered goodwill toward our work. Stock, Vegetables and Produce, Clothing and Finance have been liberally donated as a result of his work.

The Superintendent's opportunities for rural canvassing have been limited. However, whenever appeals have been made, the response has been encouraging. Services have been conducted in various circuits in the Social Service area.

Christian Witness:

In our various forms of ministry, we have been mindful that the deepest needs of human life can only be satisfied when there is spiritual renewal and reformation. Therefore, Christ, the great renewer of broken lives, has been constantly offered in our pulpit and pastoral ministry.

It is pleasing to report that the attendance at Sunday service has been gradually increased, in spite of the fact that our Chapel is situated on the third floor of our building, and therefore not visible to the public.

The Sunday School attendance has also improved. The Mission , Van brings non-Church children to the School each Sunday.

The Women's Guild roll has also steadily built up and now stands at 40 members.

General:

The Superintendent has represented the Church on the Christchurch Aged People's Welfare Council, The Canterbury Council of Social Services, the Prison Gate Mission, and other Community Welfare Committees.

Mr A. E. Greig, as Honorary Secretary Treasurer at Picton, has carried the burden of the Administration work for "Wesley House". To him and the Marlborough Committee we are greatly indebted.

The Board tenders sincere appreciation to the many who have rendered service and donated gifts, and so enabled us to maintain and extend our work for the Master. To Churches, Business Firms, Trusts, Clubs, and individuals who have supported us, we are immeasurably indebted. For the support we have received, and the privilege of ministering to all sorts and conditions of men, we give thanks to God, the Father of us all.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Superintendent.

H. G. STEWART, Secretary.

S. W. AYERS, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That appreciation be expressed of the work of the Rev. W. E. Falkingham.

3. That the Board of Management for 1955 be: Revs. W. T. Blight, H. L. Fiebig, W. E. Falkingham (Superintendent), C. D. Clark, V. R. Jamieson, A. K. Petch, W. L. Divers, D. J. D. Hickman, A. O. Harris, J. C. A. Williams, Superintendent Minister of Cambridge Terrace Circuit; Sir Ernest and Lady Andrews; Mesdames S. W. Ayers, V. Grant, J. Richards, H. G. Stewart, R. S. Smith, M. Osborne, M. Hooper, M. A. Jobberns, L. M. Anderson, Miss O. G. Searle; Messrs A. B. Allen, S. W. Ayers, P. A. Le Brun, G. S. Salter, H. G. Stewart, M. G. Stewart, N. Rhind, F. W. Pitcher, D. McLean, Dr S. Peddie.

F–Central Methodist Church and Mission —Dunedin

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

This Report, which is the Sixty-fourth Report of the Methodist Mission activities in Dunedin, actually becomes the first report of the Central Methodist Church and Mission in view of the amalgamation at the beginning of the connexional year of the two historie causes formerly known at the Methodist Central Mission and Trinity Methodist Church.

The year has been a full and momentous one involving, particularly latterly, important changes both in Church life and Social Service administration.

I A NEW CHURCH IS BORN.

A unique and notable event for New Zealand Methodism occurred when on the 1st February, 1954, the amalgamation between Trinity Methodist Church and the Methodist Central Mission became effective. The careful thought and painstaking planning beforehand of the officials of both churches were in no small measure responsible for the remarkable smoothness of the change-over and its subsequent success. The new Church, which is now known as the Central Methodist Church and Mission, is in good heart. Its official life is representative of the finest elements of both former congregations, and the general feeling is that the Church's life will be enriched by their experience and traditions. This assuredly is the hope and gain of Ecumenism.

The Sunday morning worship is conducted in the Central Methodist Church (formerly Trinity Church), and the evening service is held in the Octagon Hall. This arrangement is working well and congregations in both places have shown improvement. The Youth Department, efficiently staffed is becoming an increasingly important factor in the life of the church.

The C.M.C.M. is convinced of its definite commission to proclaim to mankind in this dark and secular age the redeeming Gospel of our Lord, and believes that every aspect of her life must witness to Him Who loved the church and gave Himself for the church. It holds that its Social Service activities have greater Christian justification if they be media for effective Evangelism. Inspired by its Holy Constraint to proclaim the Gospel in its personal and social relationship the C.M.C.M. would seek to serve her Lord to the upbuilding of Christian character and the realisation of the Kingdom of Heaven.

II SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

1. Homes for the Aged:

(a) Eventide Home and Hospital: The Eventide Home and Hospital at Companys Bay continues to exercise its ministry of love. The Matron, Miss M. Hodges, in face of desperate staff shortages, has laboured with her faithful band with outstanding zeal and energy. The guests, whose health generally throughout the year has been good, have numbered between 80 and 90. There are nine over 90 years of age including one in her 100th year.

(b) Wesley Manor, Anderson's Bay: The most recent addition to the geriatric side of the Social Services of the C.M.C.M. is Wesley Manor, a home for aged men and elderly married couples. It was purchased and equipped at a cost of over £10,000 and has been opened without debt. Miss E. H. Elliott, who has had 30 years' experience in a Mission hospital, has accepted the Matronship till the home is firmly established.

2. Farm:

It is gratifying to report that the farm on the Eventide Home and Hospital Settlement is now an economic unit and a valuable asset. Mr G. Hughes, an experienced farmer and a well known Methodist layman, is convener of the Works and Farm Committee of Oversight.

3. Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery:

During the year the C.M.C.M. assumed full control of the Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery, the committee of which had decided to close after operating for nearly twenty years in the city. The Nursery retains its traditional name and is now situated in the C.M.C.M. Stuart Street Hall where suitable alterations have been made. The staff consists of a matron and three assistants who during the day care for the children, providing them with hot meals, sleeping and play facilities. The Day Nursery is a valuable adjunct to the Social Welfare Department of our Church.

4. Handicapped Adolescents:

Arts and Crafts instruction for mentally handicapped young men continues and it is intended during the coming year to introduce further activities such as dressmaking classes for handicapped girls.

5. Clubland:

The facilities for woodworking, photography and printing are still available at Clubland for those of all ages, but the most popular pursuit appears to be the woodworking section where the demand almost taxes the numerical strength of our qualified instructors. A lounge and a games room are now in the course of preparation.

6. Goodwill Store:

The Goodwill Store, served by its enthusiastic staff of voluntary workers under the direction of Miss C. Uren, has had another remarkably successful year. It continues to be a valuable asset in the sphere of Social Welfare.

7. Radio Church of the Helping Hand:

The 9.30 a.m. session over Station 4XD of the Radio Church of the Helping Hand every Sunday morning continues to minister to a large circles of Listeners In. A great number of these contribute quarterly through their Radio Church boxes toward the work among the aged. Excellent relationship prevails betwen the staff of Station 4XD Dunedin and the C.M.C.M.

III GENERAL.

1. Finance:

The latest audited accounts of the C.M.C.M. reveal that, including the purchase and refitting of Wesley Manor at a cost exceeding $\pm 10,000$, the finances have improved by more than $\pm 30,000$ since the 1st February, 1952, and that the over-all position shows a favourable balance.

2. Rebuilding Scheme:

It is expected that plans for the rebuilding of the C.M.C.M. premises on the Octagon site, considered to be one of the most suitable in Dunedin for city premises, will soon be under consideration. Such a project, long overdue, has been a commitment for many years. Discussions as yet are at a tentative stage only but both the Trustees and the Social Service Management Board have the matter in hand.

3. General Superintendent-Australian Visit: *

During the month of June the General Superintendent, the Rev. Dr. R. Dudley, left Dunedin by air for the purpose of investigating the Social Welfare Institutions of the Central Methodist Missions in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane. After a most instructive and valuable visit, which included a full preaching programme, he returned on the 25th June grateful to the respective Superintendents and others for their overwhelming hospitality and kindness.

4. Staff:

The new ministerial member on the staff is the Rev. D. B. Gordon B.A., who succeeded the Rev. J. A. Penman. Both Mr and Mrs Gordon with their distinctive gifts are winning a warm place in the hearts of the new congregation.

Sister Marcia Powell continues to give herself without stint and applies herself faithfully to her work among young and old.

Mr A. W. Barnes in February was appointed a full time Field Officer of the Social Service Department. He has more than justified his appointment. The staffing position apart from the nursing and domestic sides, which are suffering from the general shortage common throughout the Dominion, has been very satisfactory and the C.M.C.M. is fortunate in the quality of its personnel.

5. Social Service Management:

A Social Service Management Board, consisting of representatives additional to those from the C.M.C.M., has been appointed. It has been authorised by the Quarterly Meeting to control, administer and extend all Social Services of the Central Church and Mission. It is felt, however, that some further study at least should be given certain aspects of our Laws and Regulations governing City Missions with a view to securing greater uniformity in Central Mission Management, and a resolution with this in mind is suggested for the consideration of Synods and Conference.

6. Extension—Octagon Theatre Lease:

During the year, upon representations by the lessees, Amalgamated Theatres Ltd., and after due consideration, Cinemascope equipment was installed in the Octagon Theatre and an extension of the present lease arranged on satisfactory terms which should stablise the finances of the C.M.C.M. for at least fifteen years.

Conclusion:

Appreciation is here recorded of all officials, members of the Mission staff, medical advisers, auditors, donors and other loyal and devoted workers. This report cannot close without an expression of fervent gratitude to Almighty God for grace and favour received during the past year. If the Amalgamation was the work of the Holy Spirit, no less have been the remarkable rehabilitation of the C.M.C.M. finances and the extension of its Welfare Work. We look forward with new hope believing that our Lord will bless us by His Divine Strategies to perfect His Holy Will in every good work.

RAYMOND DUDLEY, General Superintendent

S. LAWN, Secretary

A. VIVIAN, Treasurer

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That appreciation be expressed of the work of Rev. Dr. R. Dudley and his staff.

QUESTION LIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to (a) The Order of Deaconesses? (b) The Training of Deaconesses?

Methodist Deaconess Board

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

We present this report in the spirit of gratitude that we are able to serve the Church through the work of the Deaconess Board.

Rev A. F. Collins relinquished his position as Secretary, due to his removal to another Circuit, and we record our appreciation of his valued contribution. Several new members have been welcomed to the Board.

Training:

Six students are in training this year and three of them will be available for appointment at Conference. Their work has been of a high standard, and they have given themselves wholeheartedly to their training. We have reason to believe that these young women will render good service to Christ and His Church.

Candidates:

We are anxious about the supply of candidates. Although there have been a number of inquiries about the order in recent years, there are only two candidates taking the entrance examination this year. We would appeal to Circuit Superintendents to discuss with their young people the service which young women can render to Christ in the Deaconess Order.

Curriculum:

The change made last year in the curriculum has proved satisfactory. The Board of Studies has discussed at intervals the progress of the trainees, and encourages them to further reading and study in selected books.

Lecturers:

There have been changes in the lecturing staff this year, and the Board appreciates the work done. The Staff as present is as follows: Theology Rev W. T. Blight B.A., B.D.; N.T.: Rev R. E. Patchett; O.T.: Rev A. K. Petch B.A.; Psychology: Rev P. A. Stead; Ch. Hist.: Rev A. M. Costain; Elocution: Rev A. H. Fowles; English: Mrs Ford.

We are also grateful to various Connexional Officers and others who come and give further lectures.

Deep appreciation is recorded of the Services of the Rev H. E. Harkness M.A., B.D., Rev W. A. Chambers M.A., and Mrs G. Hill M.A., who were Lecturers in Theology, Psychology and English respectively, and who were unable to continue beyond the end of 1953. Staff:

Our Matron, Mrs G. E. Gauntlett gives wise and gracious leadership to her staff, and we are in the position of stating that Deaconess House is "Home" away from home for the 30 girls in residence.

Property:

The Board is pleased to report that Deaconess House has been thoroughly renovated and the whole property is now in good repair. We are fortunate in having good property supervisors on the Board.

Deaconesses in the Field:

Reports from our Deaconesses indicate the wide fields of service rendered to the Church. The whole Church is grateful to them. Some appointments this year have indicated another sphere of work. In Hastings, Masterton, Palmerston North and Tauranga, Deaconesses are supplying Ministerial Probationer appointments, to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Conference Resolutions:

We regret that we cannot include in this report consideration of last year's Conference Resolutions. Due to changes in personnel of the Board we were unable to get to work on them in time. We will furnish a full report next year.

G. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

J. C. A. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

3. That Conference express its sincere thanks for the work of the Deaconess Board and the staff and lecturers of Deaconess House.

Sister Mabel Morley:

4. Conference has learned with great regret of the passing of Sister Mabel Morley. We record our deep sense of debt to Sister Mabel for the great contribution she has made to the life of the Church, especially through the Deaconess Order. Not only has she contributed personally as a Circuit Deaconess, but her influence has been felt over many years in the guidance of the work of the Deaconess Institution.

5. That Conference draw the attention of the Deaconess Committee to Resolutions 5 and 6 of Conference Minutes, 1953, page 153. The terms of reference should be extended to cover such matters as the direction and control of Deaconesses on the field; the method of stationing Deaconesses and all other matters which will help to raise the standard and increase the efficiency of members of the Order.

6. That the Board for 1955 be: The Chairman of the North Canterbury District, Superintendent Ministers of the Durham Street, St. Albans and Riccarton Circuits, the Connexional Secretary, Revs. A. O. Harris, N. P. Larsen, J. C. A. Williams, Messrs A. A. Harrow, H. W. Beaumont, R. G. Pearce, G. Hill and L. C. Moore, Mesdames P. A. Le Brun, C. H. Colechin, W. I. McHarg, H. A. McNeil, A. K. Petch, W. L. Divers and H. W. Beaumont. Corresponding Members: President of Deaconess Association and the Woman Youth Director. Secretary of Board: Rev. J. C. A. Williams.

QUESTION LIV.—What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting Children's Homes?

A—Auckland Children's Home and Orphanage MT. ALBERT AND EPSOM FORTY-FIRST REPORT, 1954

We report the past year's work of this Board, who under the blessing and guidance of God, has the oversight of the two Children's Homes in Auckland.

This work among these homeless and dependent children is surely the responsibility of the people of the Church. Because of the confidential nature of the work it is difficult to make known what is being accomplished. The fact remains that these children have been committed to the care of the Methodist Church and we dare not fail in this trust.

New Building Scheme:

The main work of the Board during this year under review has been the finalising of the plan, and letting the contract for the erection of the New Home. This has brought to a culmination the long years of careful planning, and marks the end of the protracted efforts to launch this major scheme in Auckland.

On Sunday, May 2nd a Service was held for the Laying of the Foundation Stone of the New Home at Mt. Roskill, Auckland. The day was perfect and there was an excellent attendance. The Stone was laid by the President of Conference Rev H. L. Fiebig, B.A.

When tenders were called it was obvious that the Board must be committed to an expenditure far in excess of that originally contemplated. After many anxious meetings the Board took a step in Faith and let a contract for £58,000. This amount of course does not include furnishing, laying out of grounds etc.

Appeal for £20,000:

The Board has the consent of the Church to make this appeal in the Northland, Auckland and South Auckland districts and plans are being made to go to our people for assistance. We are counting on our membership to stand behind us in our great need of financial help.

Mr Russell Garlick has relieved the Chairman of the Board and undertaken the position of Chairman of the Building Committee and Mr Gordon Matthews is Secretary. Mr J. G. Rennie has agreed to act as Liason Officer and the Board is most fortunate to obtain the services of such an experienced man.

The Family:

There are at present 61 children in the two Homes staffed with eleven women and two gardeners. The health of the children has been excellent and we are glad to report that there has not been a case of serious sickness or accident. The school reports in most cases have been well above average and two of our senior lads obtained their school leaving Certificates. Both are staying on to obtain their University Entrance. Three young men, who are now farming, returned to "Wesley" to spend their holidays. Others have visited, all with the feeling that they wanted to visit their old home.

It is a great experience for the Children to have a holiday or outing with a private family and we are grateful to those who opened their doors and gave the children a good holiday at Christmas time. In August the Homes combined and spent a fortnight by the sea. The Central Mission Trustees made their Health Camp available and the "Florence Finlay Holiday House Fund" financed the holiday.

Once again we pay tribute to the Matrons and Staff who care for these children. Mrs Butterworth who mothers the boys at "Wesley" has been appointed to the Executive position of the new Home. The Board is indeed fortunate to have such an able, consecrated and motherly person to be in charge. Miss Archer has been on leave to enable her to nurse her aged father. The assistant Matron, Miss Robinson, has been Acting Matron at Epsom.

Committee Work:

This has been a very busy year for the different Committees. The Building and Finance Committees have spent hours planning the financing of the new Scheme. The Ladies' Committee has continued in its work of supplying clothes and money for treats etc. Groups of ladies have mended endless garments and the House Committees under the Conveners, Mrs Wigglesworth and Mrs Myers, have met regularly at the Homes. The women have undertaken the work of furnishing the new Home and are planning ways and means of raising funds for this purpose.

The Selection Committee has met and considered the many applications for admittance. Nine children have been admitted and seven have left our care.

United Orphanage Council:

Mr C. K. Wigglesworth and the Chairman represent our cause on this council. Mr. Wigglesworth has been made a Vice-President and he has earned this tribute after years of faithful service on this Council. We record our indebtness to this Council and we are grateful for the amount of £990 received from their efforts.

Thanks:

Our gratitude is expressed to the Chaplains and those who regularly visit the Homes, providing treats, visits to the Zoo and pictures. To Drs Clifford James and H. J. Mail, our Honorary Medical Officers who watch the health of their small charges and are always ready to help with their advice. We again thank Mr K. W. White, Chemist, who continues to donate all medical supplies to our "Wesley" Home. To Mr F. C. Matthews for his advice and help in purchasing livestock and farm equipment. We could name so many who give of their time and service, especially thanking Mrs Edna Hemmings for the valuable assistance as Minute Secretary of the Board.

As this Report is written before the close of our financial year it is impossible to give any figures but it is safe to forecast that our resources will be strained to the limit before the Board will be able to meet its commitments.

The work of the Homes is made possible and can be sustained only as our people realize the worthwhileness of this work and stand behind the Board in their efforts to provide better conditions and facilities for these dependent children.

> W. E. ALLON CARR Chairman. IVY H. JONES Secretary

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

3. That Conference express appreciation of the services of Sister Ivy Jones and the Board.

4. That the Rev. W. E. A. Carr be thanked for his special work for the Auckland Children's Home.

5. Board of Management, 1955 (see Page 7).

B-Masterton Methodist Children's Home ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1954

The year under review has been one of many changes, both on the Committee and on the Staff. We are thankful to report that even so, the children under our care have been afforded security within the Home in a Christian environment, and that their physical requirements have been well provided for.

As an avenue of Christian service, Mr and Mrs G. W. Thomas took up the positions of Manager and Matron in August 1953 and soon settled into their new and busy life. Mrs L. Coppell resigned her position owing to her departure from the district. Though she had not been with us very long, her services were much appreciated. The Home has benefitted through obtaining the services of Miss Muriel McCormack, who has a keen sense of vocation. We wish to record appreciation of the dedicated service rendered by Mr and Mrs Thomas, Miss Fell and Miss McCormack.

The Committee lost a valued and respected member in the passing of the late Mr D. E. Lyttle. His many acts of kindness and his life of service within the Church and community, have left a fitting memorial in the hearts of his friends.

Mr W. R. Nicol for many years Secretary-Manager, Mr A. H. Daniell and Miss M. Burton, both foundation members, Mesdames J. H. Conly and D. E. Lyttle and Miss E. James, all resigned from the Committee during the year. For varying terms and in different ways all have rendered excellent service to the Home and we express our thanks for what they have done.

Mrs C. E. Archer and Sister Margaret Taylor have been welcomed as new members of the Committee.

The Home family is now reduced to 24 children. During the year there were twelve departures. One of these was adopted and three have been placed in suitable foster homes, although still remaining under the Committee's control. Five were able to return to parents' homes and the remaining three secured suitable accommoda-tion and employment. Only three children, all of the younger age group, were admitted during the year.

Last year the Committee set a target of £1000 which it hoped to receive from its annual appeal to the Churches in its area. Although this target was not quite reached £987 was received, which was a substantial increase on the previous level of giving. We wish to convey our very grateful thanks to our supporters in the Churches for their response. We trust that the new level of giving may be maintained in the future—perhaps our four figure target will be reached in response to our next appeal. There was also a greater amount received by way of maintenance from parents and though we are not yet operating within our income the financial position has improved on the previous year.

During the year legacies of £5 from Estate E. G. E. Clark and £50 from the Estate A. R. Benbow were received. The Home has greatly benefitted over the years through many supporters making provision in their wills for a legacy in its favour. This avenue of assistance is commended to all friends of the Home. We acknowledge with thanks the School Stationery grant of $\pounds 20$ from the Masterton Trust Lands Trust and the donation of $\pounds 83/9/0$ from the Masterton Police Charity Committee.

Thanks are extended to all who have assisted in the work of the Home during the year and to the many people who have entertained our children and received them into their homes.

We trust that under the guidance of God the Home may continue to fill a need in the community and to give a good foundation for life to the children coming under its influence.

A. KEITH HODDER, Chairman.

J. F. CODY. Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That Conference express appreciation of the work of the Master, Staff and Committee. 3. That the separation of the assets and finance of the Home be

considered during the year and a report presented to Conference.

4. That the Management Committee be as printed on Page 7.

C-South Island Children's Home **ANNUAL REPORT, 1954**

The work of the Home, which was committed to God before the year commenced, has run smoothly and we have been concious throughout of the Divine guidance and blessing. For this we give thanks. Staffing:

Miss Bradley, whose coming to us at the end of last year was a direct result of the Youth Conference has now completed an excellent year of service. At Christmas time, Mrs Wakelin, an experienced Children's Home worker replaced Miss Urquhart as Seamstress. We record our thanks to Miss Urquhart for her splendid work over the past two years. Loyalty has been the keynote of the work of the Staff as a whole. With almost 16 years of continuous service we are glad to say that Mr Hawke is still with us. The work of the kitchen is efficiently managed by Mrs Clark. Sister Rona Collins, who lost her mother recently, continues to find a joy in spending herself on behalf of the children, especially the boys. Mr & Mrs Howells have a firmer place than ever in the life of the Home and in the confidence of the Board.

Admissions:

During the year there were 6 admissions, (5 boys and 1 girl) while 7 were discharged (5 boys and 2 girls).

The present roll stands at 49. (29 boys and 20 girls).

Renovations, etc.:

A considerable sum has been expended during the year on repairs to the building, repainting the kitchen and the papering of the girls dormitory. Curtains have been put in the recreation room. The properly laid-out football field belongs to the children as much as the gardens which they help to keep in order.

Holiday Homes:

The system by which the children spend Christmas with friends of the Home has continued to function splendidly. We express our thanks to all who assist us in this way.

Activities:

The Stamp Club conducted at the Home by Mr and Mrs Young, is doing good work. During the winter Mr Ern Smith organises boys' games enlisting the assistance of Bible Class young people from various Churches, on Saturday nights. There are also Gym evenings for both boys and girls. Individual boys are interested in Boys Brigade and Sea Scouts. Rotarian friends are responsible for a monthly screening of films at the Home.

Health:

The health of the children has been good. Our thanks are given to Dr S. C. Peddie, of whose kindness we cannot speak too highly. Mr E. Dale, Chemist, is another friend, ever ready to assist and advise.

Re-Union:

These Annual gatherings grow in interest, the last being the largest yet held. They show that a very real bond exists between old boys and girls and the Home. An appreciative father, whose children entered the home on the death of their mother, and whose home was eventually re-established, sent a donation of £10 per the children to the Re-Union. Few Sundays pass but what some of those who have been previously in the Home look in on us, and often share with us whatever successes they have gained.

Combined Appeal:

This appeal throughout the City produces in cash much more than the amount given by the South Island Circuits. In this effort the Bible Classes take their full share of the work. We tender them grateful thanks.

Spiritual Life:

In this our chief aim is to lead every child to Jesus Christ. If we can do this faithfully, we will be able to do other things more successfully.

General:

We are convinced there is still room in the community for a Home of this type,-though we are not opposed to Cottage homes-where the chief interest is the welfare of each child, and where loving care and prayer surround them.

W. T. BLIGHT, Chairman A. O. HARRIS, Secretary

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That thanks be expressed to Mr and Mrs Howells and members of the staff.

3. That the Board of Management for 1955 be as printed on Pages 7 and 8.

QUESTION LV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?

A-Methodist Times Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

We record an increase in our circulation figure of 39 for the year ended 30th April. That is by no means as large as we could hope for but it is gratifying in so far as it does continue the steady upward trend that we have been able to report each year since 1940.

The financial statement reveals a loss on the year's working of $\pounds 405/11/9$. Fortunately as anticipated last year paper costs have stablished and we have felt the benefit of this improved position. Other increased costs however are beyond our control especially such items as postages, printing, distribution and so on. While we have at present what must be considered a very favourable printing contract it is not possible to continue providing fortnightly a paper of 32 pages for the present very low subscription rate. Recourse to our reserve fund has been necessary but this cannot be continued any longer. Acordingly the Committee has decided that from 1st May, 1955, the subscription be raised by 2/6 making it 12/6 per annum. It feels that for such a subscription rate, it provides for our people a Church paper that is rich both in information and inspiration.

The Committee records its continued appreciation of the valued services of the Editor, the Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., and of his associate the Rev. C. P. Lucas-also of all who contribute regularly to our columns and those who faithfully serve the Church as Circuit Agents.

E. H. ANDREWS, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Business Manager.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That the Editor, Associate Editor, contributors and Circuit Agents be cordially thanked for their valued services.

3. That the Committee for 1955 be:-The Connexional Secretary, Revs. W. T. Blight, A. O. Harris, A. K. Petch, G. R. Harris, W. A. Chambers. Sir Ernest Andrews,

Messrs H. de R. Flesher, S. D. McHarg, H. W. Beaumont, B. Bascand, R. Metson and the Chairman and the Convener of the Publications Board.

B-Board of Publications

REPORT FOR 1954

The Board is greatly encouraged by the ready sale of its publications throughout the country. It intends to go ahead with a varied publication programme, calculated to aid local churches in carrying out their work faithfully and efficiently. Suggestions about the type of material to be published will always be welcomed.

Crusade Publications:

The chief publication under this heading has been the "Leadership Year" booklet by the Rev W. A. Burley, M. A. The excellent information it contains cannot fail to be of value in the life of our Church

Books Published:

The Board feels that it has taken a real step forward this year in publishing two very useful books:

(a) "Our Fathers' Faith and Ours" by the Rev C. T. Symons, M.A., B.D.—A Membership Manual, and

(b) "The Holy Spirit of God in the New Testament" by the Rev H. Ranston, M.A., Litt. D.-a book for group study.

The latter has been particularly well received—especially the limited Souvenir Edition (300 copies) containing a signed portrait of the author. The Board intends to publish further books of this kind as funds permit.

Exchange of Publications with Australia:

The Board continues to exchange its New Zealand publications for those of the Australian Committee on a cash basis, the barter system having proved unworkable. In this way we are able to offer a wider range of useful material for circuits.

Audio-Visual Aids:

When the Rev Dr W. E. Sangster visited New Zealand, the Board arranged through two of its members, to have a 16 mm. movie film taken of his arrival by 'plane, and to have his three Auckland addresses tape-recorded. (One of these has already been published as a separate pamphlet). All this equipment remains freely available, and the Board seeks the permission of Conference to make further experiments in this direction.

Thanks:

Thanks are due to last year's Convener, the Rev W. F. Ford for outstanding services to the Board; to Miss L. Hendra and Mr J. C. Wigglesworth for keeping the accounts; to the staff of the Home and Foreign Mission Departments for efficient handling of orders from Circuits; to Messrs W. Haythorn-Thwaite and B. R. Burton for valuable advice on art work and the technical side of publication work generally.

W. E. A. CARR, Chairman.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

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

2. That the Board of Publications be granted permission to extend its activities into the field of audio-visual aids, with the aim of building up a film-strip and record library.

3. That the Board be: The Chairman of Auckland District, the General Superintendent of Home Missions, the General Secretary of Foreign Missions, the Revs. W. E. A. Carr (Chairman), A. R. Penn, B. M. Chrystall, L. G. Hanna, J. J. Lewis, D. G. Sherson and L. R. M. Gilmore (Convener); Sister Rita Snowden; Misses L. Hendra and M. E. Hope; Messrs J. C. Wigglesworth (Lay Treasurer), L. T. Hayman, W. Haythorn-Thwaite, E. P. Salmon, H. J. Beavis, G. S. Gapper, L. Foster, B. R. Burton, P. Hames, F. Paine. Corresponding Members: The Business Manager and Editor of "Methodist Times," the acting-Senior Youth Director and Rev. W. F. Ford.

Question LVI.-What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Chaplaincy Matters?

Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

Navy:

During the year the Central Advisory Committee made representations to the Ch.D.A.C. that the Methodist Church woud appreciate consideration if and when additional Naval Chaplains are to be appointed.

Army:

Korea. Early in the year the Methodist Church was asked again to nominate a Chaplain for a tour of duty in Korea. A similar request was made and declined in November 1952. This second request was also declined on the advice of the President. The Committee is perturbed that the Methodist Church has failed to share in the responsibility of providing Chaplains for Korea. Our excuse has been the shortage of men, but the churches which have carried the burden of this work have also been considerably understaffed. The Committee is of the opinion that any further request for such an appointment should be fulfilled.

C.M.T. The Rev P. A. Stead has done a tour of duty at Burnham with a C.M.T. intake and his work has been highly commended.

New Commissions. During the year the following ministers attended a Course of Instruction at Trentham and have been commissioned as Chaplains:-Revs. C. J. Keightley, G. Gilbert, I. J. Clucas.

Territorial Camps. During the year Chaplains have attended Territorial Camps as required.

The Royal Visit. The Rev V. R. Jamieson represented the R.N.Z.-Ch.D. at a morning tea and reception given in honour of the official visit of H.M. Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh to Burnham Camp.

Air Force:

The Rev P. D. Ramsay continues to give efficient service and reports of his work reveal that he is well equipped for his task.

The Royal Visit. The Rev P. D. Ramsay was a member of the official party at the Whenuapai function when Colours were presented to the Air Force by H.M. Queen Elizabeth and dedicated.

V. R. JAMIESON, Senior Chaplain.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That in respect to the appointment of Chaplains to Military Camps the following procedure be adopted:--

- (a) The Chaplaincy Committee shall report to the Conference its requirements for the ensuing year.
- (b) The Conference shall refer such requirements to the Stationing Committee.
- (c) When the Stationing Sheet is presented to the Conference it shall include an addendum in respect to each Minister who is thus designated for service during the ensuing year.

3. That matters relating to the posting of Chaplains be referred to the Law Revision Committee for tabulation and inclusion in the Law Book and Minutes of Conference.

4. That Rev. G. T. Gilbert be designated as the next Chaplain to proceed overseas if required.

5. That the Revs. J. A. Penman and J. S. Olds be designated for C.M.T. 10 weeks camps in 1955, with the Rev. I. J. Clucas as substitute.

6. That Conference approve the nomination of the following ministers for commissioning as Chaplains, subject to their medical examinations being satisfactory: Revs. H. I. Shaw and J. A. Penman.

7. That the appointment of the following Chaplains to N.Z. Divisional Units be approved:—Rev. G. T. Gilbert to the 2nd Field Rgt., Rev. D. B. Gordon, C.F., to the 3rd Field Rgt., Rev. W. S. Dawson, C.F., to the 6th LAA. Rgt.

8. That the Rev. P. D. Ramsay, C.F., be released for a further period of two years' service with the R.N.Z.A.F.

9. That Messrs A. J. Johnston and R. Hardie Boys be thanked for their services as Treasurers and be reappointed.

10. That Rev. V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D., be thanked for his services as Senior Chaplain and be reappointed.

11. That the Rev. G. R. Thompson be congratulated on receiving the Efficiency Decoration.

12. District Advisory Committees:-

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Northern: The active and retired Chaplains together with Messrs Russell Garlick and Lester Peake. Convener: Rev. Wesley Parker.

Central: Revs. W. H. Greenslade (Chairman), V. R. Jamieson (Senior Chaplain), R. F. Clement, J. B. Dawson, Messrs T. M. Pacey, R. Hardie Boys, A. J. Johnston and H. J. Steptoe:

Southern: Revs. V. R. Jamieson and P. A. Stead, Messrs H. G. Smith and B. A. Caygill.

QUESTION LVII.—What is the Report of the Custodian of Early Records, Libraries and Museums?

A-Trinity College Library & Museum

We continue to receive interesting and valuable gifts from time to time, of which the following call for special mention: The Alexander Reed Memorial section in the library of New Zealand books is enlarged by an annual gift of several volumes. Some valuable items relating to early New Zealand came from the estate of the late Mr C. Ford of Dominion Road. Mr W. B. Young of Hamilton East presented a very nice 18th century copy of the Wycliffe New Testament. From Mrs Lucy S. Baker and Mrs Platt of Oakland, California, there came to the museum a large portrait of the Rev Shirley Baker, together with a whalebone stick that was presented to him. From Pukekohe Church Trustees, oak chair used by John Wesley as open-air pulpit.

E. W. HAMES, Principal.

That the Report be received and adopted.

B-Wesley Historical Society (N.Z. Branch) ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

Publications:

The Society has had a quiet year, but plans are in hand for an extension of activities during 1955. Proceedings were circulated as follows:

Vol. 12 No. 1 Petone 70th Jubilee Celebrations.

Vol. 12 Nos. 2 & 3 Papanui Church Centenary.

In addition a short brochure on John Whiteley, which should have appeared earlier (Vol, 10 No. 3) has now been completed.

Membership:

Membership remains at about the 300 mark. A drive for new members will be conducted during 1955 with the aim of reaching 500.

Members' Privileges:

Arrangements have been made for members to receive discounts on certain books of historical interest. The most important of these are: "A Memoir of the Rev Dr C. H. Laws" by Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D., and "Maori and Missionary" (the story of mission work in the South Island), by T. A. Pybus.

Future Publications:

A wealth of material is available for publication, much of it of great historical interest. Unfortunately, interest in the type of material we publish is fairly limited and with high printing costs, publication will only be possible in most cases if heavy subsidies are forthcoming. Manuscripts awaiting publication include short biographies of the Revs. John Hobbs and James Buller, the Rev. G. S. Harper's account of his experiences on the West Coast Goldfields, the story of the Scandinavian Mission in New Zealand, and Mr A. W. Reed's excellent lecture (1953 Annual Meeting) on the "Impact of Christianity on the Maori People."

"World Parish":

Difficulties in obtaining dollars and adverse exchange rates, have seriously limited the circulation of this excellent little journal of World Methodism. Efforts are being made to have the magazine more freely available.

Important Centenary:

Attention is drawn to the fact that 1955 marks the centenary of the separation of Australasian from British Methodism. The Society plans suitable celebrations to mark the occasion.

Memorial Font:

Plans are in hand for the placing of a memorial baptismal font in the Kaeo Memorial Church to commemorate the contribution made by pioneer Missionary women. A short brochure on the same subject is in course of preparation.

1954 Lecture:

The lecturer for the Annual Meeting, 1954, is Mr S. G. Macfarlane, his subject being. "The United Methodist Free Churches."

E. W. HAMES, President.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Rules of the Society as adopted by the Annual Meeting be approved and printed in the Minutes.

3. That a grant of £5 be made from the Contingent Fund.

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NEW ZEALAND)

(Registered under the "Religious, Charitable and Educational Trusts Act, 1908").

RULES.

Name and Registered Office.

1. The name of the Society shall be "WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NEW ZEALAND)", herinafter referred to as "the Society."

2. The Registered Office of the Society shall be the Connexional Office of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, situated at Epworth Chambers, Hereford Street, in the city of Christchurch, or at such other place as may be determined by the Society.

Objects.

- 3. The objects of the Society are:-
 - (a) To encourage and promote the study of the history of Methodism in New Zealand.
 - (b) To assist in the discovery, collection and preservation of documents and other materials relative to New Zealand Methodism, and in particular its early history.
 - (c) To assist in the identification of places of importance in the early history of Methodism in New Zealand, and to take steps to have such places officially recognised under the provisions of the "Historic Places Act, 1954".
 - (d) To accumulate exact information relative to such early history.
 - (e) To make known appropriate inforation to members of the Society, and others, by such means as may be considered suitable, including essays, lectures, pilgrimages, and Proceedings of the Society.
 - (f) To act in association with churches or other organisations of world-wide Methodism, or otherwise, in the production and dissemination of appropriate historical information.
 - (g) To affiliate with any organisation having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Society.

Membership.

4. The membership of the Society shall consist of such persons as are, at the date of registration of the Society, enrolled as members of the Wesley Historical Society, which was established at a meeting held in Wellington, on the 24th February 1930, and recognised by the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (see its Minutes, 1930, page 140) together with such others as may subsequently be admitted to membership of the Society.

- 5. There shall be three classes of Members :--
 - (a) Members, who are those persons, being associated with the Methodist Church of New Zealand, whose applications to become members are approved.
 - (b) Associate Members, being persons or organisations other than those described in paragraph (a), who desire to further the interests of the Society, and whose applications for such membership are approved.
 - (c) Sustaining Members, being persons or organisations who desire to further the interests of the Society, whose applications for membership are approved, and who make an annual donation to the funds of the Society of the sum of at least one guinea.

6. The benefits available to the various classes of members shall be those decided upon by the Society from time to time.

Subscriptions.

7. The rates of subscriptions, which are payable in advance, shall be:--

8. The rates of subscription may be varied from time to time by an Annual Meeting of the Society.

Administration.

- 9. The affairs of the Society shall be administered by :--
 - (a) The Annual Meeting.
 - (b) The Council.

The Council.

10. The duty of the Council shall be to administer the affairs of the Society within the policy laid down by the Annual Meeting, and in conformity with the Rules of the Society.

11. The Council shall consist of the President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and not fewer than five nor more than ten other members, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of members of the Society.

12. The Vice Presidents shall include, ex officio, the Vice President for the time being of the Methodist Conference.

13. If deemed advisable by the Annual Meeting the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one person.

14. The Chairman of Meetings of the Council shall be the President, or a Vice President, or, in their absence, a member appointed by the Council.

15. The Chairman of the Meetings of the Council shall have a casting as well as a deliberate vote.

16. The quorum for meetings of the Council shall be five.

17. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the personnel of the Council during its term of office, the Council shall fill such vacancy. 18. A necessary qualification for a person holding an official position in the Society is that he be a member of the Methodist Church.

19. The location of the Council shall be as determined by the Annual Meeting.

20. The newly-elected Council shall assume office at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting at which it is elected, and shall function until the election of its successor.

Patron.

21. There shall be a Patron of the Society, and he shall be, ex officio, the President for the time being of the Methodist Conference.

Auditor.

22. An Auditor of the Society's financial accounts shall be elected at each Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting.

23. The Annual Meeting of members shall be held at the location, and during the period of, the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Notice of the place and time, and proposed business, of the Annual Meeting shall be notified to members, and shall be announced in the "New Zealand Methodist Times" and the Conference Handbook.

24. The Annual Meeting shall consist of all members who are present thereat.

25. The quorum for an Annual Meeting shall be twelve.

26. The Annual Meeting shall be presided over by the President, and in his absence by a Vice President. In the event of none of these officials being present, the meeting shall appoint one of its number to be Chairman.

27. The Chairman of the Annual Meeting shall have a casting as well as a deliberate vote.

28. Only Members (as defined in rule 5, paragraph [a]), and such Sustaining Members as hold the qualifications defined in rule 5, paragraph (a), shall be entitled to vote at an Annual Meeting.

29. The business of the Annual Meeting shall include the consideration of the Annual Report of the Council, the Annual Statement of Accounts (which shall have been previously audited and signed by the Auditor), any notices of motion and general business that may be introduced, and the election of officials and the Council, and the Auditor.

General.

30. The financial year of the Society shall begin on the first day of July, and end on the following thirtieth of June, or such other dates as may be determined by the Society.

31. The Society may acquire any real or personal property for the purposes of the Society, and deal with any of its property as it deems fit; provided always that no real property shall be purchased, sold or leased for seven years or more, or any mortgage given over same, without the prior consent of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

32. The Society may invest any of its moneys in conformity with the requirements of the "Trustee Act, 1908,, or in any fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, which has been approved by its Conference to receive interest-bearing deposits. The Society may borrow money on security of any real or personal property of the Society, or on guarantee or otherwise.

33. The Society, with the prior consent of the said Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, may erect, alter and enlarge any building on any land belonging to it. 34. The Society's banking account or accounts shall be operated upon jointly by the Secretary (or acting Secretary) and one other member of the Council. Cheques payable to the Society shall be endorsed by the Secretary (or acting Secretary).

35. The Common Seal of the Society (which shall bear the inscription "Wesley Historical Society [New Zealand], Common Seal"), shall be in the custody of the Secretary. It shall be affixed to documents by resolution of the Annual Meeting or of the Council, and shall be attested by the signatures of any two members of the Council and the Secretary, (or acting Secretary).

36. The official organs of the Society shall be the Society's "News Letters", "Proceedings" and the "New Zealand Methodist Times".

37. Where the pronoun indicating the masculine gender is used in these Rules, it shall also be taken, where applicable, to include the feminine gender.

38. No Rule of the Society shall be added, amended or rescinded except by a two-thirds majority of Members present, and voting at, an Annual Meeting. Notice in writing of such proposed addition, amendment or rescission shall be given to the Secretary of the Council at least two calendar months before the date of the next Annual Meeting.

39. Any alteration of the rules of the Society shall, before coming into force, receive the approval of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

40. In the event of the winding-up of the Society, its property and funds shall be disposed of as decided upon by the final meeting of the Society; provided that at least thirty days' written notice of such meeting, and stating its purpose, shall have been given to members. The decision of such meeting shall be subject to the approval of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

41. The decision of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand respecting objects, constitution and administration of the Society shall be binding on the Society.

N.B.—(The above Rules were registered at the Supreme Court, Auckon 9th December 1954).

QUESTION LVIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods or Committees?

1—Church Union Committee REPORT FOR 1954

The Church Union Committee met in Wesley Church Lounge, Wellington, on 6th May, 1954. The President presided over an atendance of twenty-six members. The following matters were dealt with.

Joint Standing Committee Retreat:

Approval was given to the programme drafted by the Joint Standing Committee for the Combined Retreat authorised by the Conference and Assembly, to be held at Feilding House, Feilding, from May 18th-21st, 1954. The Methodist Representatives to the Retreat were appointed. Those who attended were: Revs. G. I. Laurenson, E. W. Hames, G. R. H. Peterson, M. A. McDowell, J. D. Grocott, W. R. Francis, W. R. Laws, R. F. Clement, W. S. Dawson, W F. Ford, A. K. Petch and Mr R. H. Ellis.

Baptismal Certificate:

A Baptismal Card for use in the three negotiating churches has now been approved by the Joint Standing Committee after consultation with the Faith and Order committee and its equivalent in the other churches. It was decided not to print a doctrinal statement on the back of the card as originally suggested.

Reciprocal Membership:

The policy statement concerning Reciprocal Membership, agreed upon in 1951 by the General Assembly and the Conference, has now been printed and circulated to all ministers of both churches for affixing in a prominent place in the Membership Roll Books.

Union Churches:

The names of the five Union Churches were called and the Chairman of Districts concerned reported briefly. The Committee was interested to learn details of a scheme of co-operation adopted by the Presbyterians and the Methodists at Hillsborough, Auckland. The basis of co-operation has the approval of the Auckland Presbytery and the Methodist District Executive. A request has gone to the Joint Standing Committee asking for a report on the possible effect of the operation of Union Churches and other forms of co-operation on future policy in respect of Union Churches and Church Union.

Statistical Returns From Union Churches:

All Methodist members of Union Churches should be returned and included in District totals.

Regional Joint Committees:

To facilitate closer co-operation in developing areas between the three negotiating churches it was decided to ask the Joint Standing Committee to expedite the establishment of Regional Joint Committees in every district.

Meeting of the Executive:

At the request of the Committee a meeting of the Executive was held on June 24th in St. Andrew's Church Parlour, Wellington to consider the draft report of the Joint Standing Committee. Suggested amendments were forwarded to the Joint Standing Committee.

REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHURCH UNION, 1954

Committee:

The Committee is now composed of 8 representatives from the Presbyterian Church, 8 from the Methodist Church and 3 from the Congregational Union, and it has met monthly.

Letter of Invitation:

The letter authorised by the Assemblies and Conference of last year was sent to the other 6 member churches of the N.C.C. at the beginning of May over the signatures of the Moderator of the General Assembly, the President of the Methodist Conference and the Chairman of the Congregational Union. Acknowledgements have been received, but it will be some time before official replies can be given.

A .- MAY RETREAT ON CHURCH UNION.

Arising out of the 1953 Report and with the approval of the three co-operating churches, a 3-day retreat was held at Feilding House from May 18th to 21st. The Church Union Committees of the three churches were invited to nominate representatives in the following proportions: 15 Presbyterians, 12 Methodists, and 6 Congregationalists. The programme was arranged so that the Retreat opened in an atmosphere of worship and meditation. This was led by the Rev. J. G. Matheson. Dr. J. A. Allan led the Retreat in two periods of Bible Study, first on scriptural passages bearing directly on the unity of the church and then on the corporate nature of the church. The Rev. J. E. Stewart delivered a paper on the theological reasons which form some of the main motives for church reunion. On the second day Princ. H. G. Nicholas and Princ. E. W. Hames opened up the discussion on the main points which unite us and the issues which divide us. On the third day discussion centred round the practical steps involved in closer co-operation and corporate union and these subjects were opened up by the Rev. G. I. Laurenson and the Rev. A. K. Petch.

The Retreat proved to be most valuable not only in the experience it gave to those who had the privilege to attend, but also because it became much clearer in the course of the Retreat what the next moves should be. There was substantial agreement on much of the material presented in studies and papers and on the resolutions that were carried. Other opinions on church union were, however, represented at the Retreat and the following resolutions were agreed to:

"The Retreat recognises the existence of members within our three churches who are not convinced of the advisability of the present steps towards church union."

"The Retreat recommends to the J.S.C. that sympathetic and patient understanding be shown in seeking to elicit the real reasons for these differing convictions, and to that end suggests that all groups should be encouraged to express their views."

And with this policy the J.S.C. is in complete agreement.

The following is a precis of the studies and discussions.

Reasons which move us to consider church union:

1. Unity is one of the essential marks of the Church. The Scriptures speak often of the love which binds Christian believers together in the body of Christ, and disunity in the Church is spoken of with concern and alarm. There is no indication in the New Testament that these pleas for love and unity do not apply to the actual, concrete Christian community existing in the world.

2. Unity is necessary to the full salvation. Christianity is essentially corporate. Church membership is not something added to salvation. Christ the Redeemer is represented in the New Testament in a number of ways as One who is inseparable from His members, who are redeemed as being in Him and are therefore all one in Him.

3. Unity is necessary to fulfil the mission of the Church. The recovery in the twentieth century of the Church's sense of mission is causing the Church to be aware as never before of the pain of her divisions.

4. The unity of the Church must find visible expression in outward organisation and form. Unity does not imply uniformity and is consistent with varying degrees of diversity within the one body of believers; but unity is inconsistent with a plurality of Churches witnessing and worshipping in the same locality in independence of one another.

NOTE: On the contrary it is strongly felt by some that the unity set forth in Scripture is essentially spiritual. As such it is consistent with diversity of outward expression whether in the form of national or denominational churches. This unity in diversity is itself the work of the risen Lord through His spirit Who is continually reviving and reforming His church with a view to the fullest expression of the Christian salvation and the more effective proclamation of the Gospel.

Important facts which unite us:

1. We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge the Word of God, contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the supreme rule of faith and duty.

3. We believe in the Lordship of Christ over His Church .

4. We are of the Reformed Evangelical Faith.

5. We believe in justification by faith and grace alone.

6. We believe the Gospel is incomplete without the Church.

7. We believe that the Church is the people of God called by Him in order to fulfil the divine mission in the world.

8. We believe in a ministry, called and adequately trained.

9. We accept and celebrate the two Gospel sacraments.

10. We are concerned with the Lordship of Christ over the whole world and the fostering of godly life in society.

Other points requiring further study:

(a) The Seat of Authority: We are all agreed that ultimate authority resides in the Word of God incarnate in Jesus Christ, revealed in the Scriptures and mediated through the Church. The mediation of authority through the Church takes place at various levels in the life of the Church. Whereas final authority in churches of the Congregational order lies in the local church meeting, in the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches it lies in the General Assembly and the Conference respectively. In the event of corporate union the difference between these two positions must be reconciled. The authority mediated by the church courts is in normal practice ministerial and only in extreme cases can it be said to be magisterial. It was found in the Retreat that Presbyterians and Methodists recognised real value in the Congregation Church Meeting and the Congregationalists recognised real value in the wider courts of Presbytery and Assembly, District Synod and Conference.

(b) Ordination to the Ministry: All three churches recognise one another's ordination to the ministry as valid. All are agreed on the general nature and function of the ministry, as being a call to the preaching of the Apostolic Word, and the celebration of the Sacraments, which call is confirmed by the Church. The Presbyterian Church at present excludes women from the ministry. In all three churches ordinaion is by the laying on of hands of those already ordained to the ministry. In the Congregational Church a representa-tive of the local church (who may be and often is a layman) takes part with the ministers in the act of ordination. No real obstacles to union are seen in these present practices, though several of these points call for study.

(c) Sacraments: Though there are some minor differences in the practical way in which we celebrate the sacraments, it was agreed that there are no major differences among us in our doctrine and order of the sacraments.

(d) Subordinate Standards: The following statement was drawn up to indicate the place we believed our present Subordinate Standards could take in a United Church.

"In the United Church we recognise the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms as the historic subordinate standards of the Presbyterian Church, the Savoy Declaration of the Congregational Churches, and John Wesley's Forty-four Standard Sermons and Notes on the New Testament as the doctrinal standards of the Methodist Church. These three sets of historic documents are retained in their integrity as the expression of the total spiritual inheritance and witness of the uniting Churches. We recognise also that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit the separate churches have arrived at such theological agreement that the substance of these documents may now be embodied and reaffirmed in a Common Declaration of Faith."

(e) Appointment of Ministers and Right of Call: It is clear that there is a distinct contrast between the "call by congregation" practised in the Presbyterian and Congregational churches, and the appointment by Conference practised in the Methodist Church. In practice, however, these differences are not nearly so clear-cut and certain modifications have already developed in the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches. Certain important points remain yet to be resolved and it was agreed that further study should be given to the "tenure of appointments" and the "initiation of change of appointment."

(f) Missionary Work: It is felt by the Congregationalists that their close relationship with the L.M.S. Churches of Niue, Cook Islands and Samoa, is an issue of supreme importance which needs very full consideration before any corporate union in N.Z. is consummated.

Study Programme:

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It was agreed that a study programme should be initiated in 1955 throughout the church at two main levels.

(a) Ministers of the three churches should be encouraged to meet together, for study of the prepared material and to interpret to one another their own present practices, traditions and standards. This would be best done in about 15 to 20 regional Retreats or Conferences.

(b) Local church groups, youth groups and congregations as such should be encouraged to study the prepared material and where possible, to arrange inter-denominational meetings for addresses, study and discussion.

Study Material:

It was agreed that this be along the following lines:

- (a) General principles:
 - (i) Study of Biblical and theological material bearing on the unity and diversity of the Church.
 - (ii) Study of the Ecumenical Movement and opposing trends.
 - (iii) Study of the missionary task facing the Church.
- (b) Our New Zealand Situation:
 - (i) Review of what has been done so far by our three churches towards Church Union.
 - (ii) Study of all that we hold in common.
 - (iii) Study of our present differences.

(c) Submission of material from other viewpoints within our churches to be incorporated within each study.

(d) Bibliography—and supplementary studies for Youth groups. Statement of Faith:

It was agreed that our three churches should commence immediately on the preparation of a Common Declaration of Faith. When prepared, this also would be a subject for study within the Churches. This should be done in consultation with such doctrinal committees as already exist in our churches.

Simultaneous Assemblies and Conference:

It became clear that the most suitable time and place for the proposed act of United Witness would be in Auckland in 1956, and this recommendation has been sent to the three churches for action.

Spheres for immediate co-operative action:

(a) United Communion Services. It is recommended that in those localities where there are Presbyterian, Methodist, and Congregational Churches in close vicinity to one another, they should unite for the Communion Service on World Communion Sunday, and that they should hold such other united functions as are convenient.

(a) Joint Evangelism. It is recommended that programmes of Evangelism being planned in the Presbyterian New Life Movement, the Spiritual Advance of the Methodist Church, and in the Congregational Churches be brought into line with one another by consultation and co-operative planning.

(c) Extension Areas. In opening up new parishes with the limited resources at the disposal of the three churches, care should be taken to use the full resources available to the best possible advantage. There is great need for joint consultation at the district level, and this could be done through permanent Regional Joint Committees. A stricter observance of the policy of reciprocal membership already adopted would foster mutual trust and goodwill.

(d) Leadership Training. It is recommended that leaders and teachers of young people should be trained together in United Retreats and Conferences.

(e) Joint Publications. It is recommended that more news of one another should be published in our denominational papers.

B.—UNION CHURCHES.

(a) Raglan: The Raglan Church has a Session of men and women, a Board of Managers, and a Parish Council which has been expanded recently to include all church members. The greatest problem is that of maintaining effective contact with the wider Christian community, Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational. The Committee of oversight in Hamilton is the nominal liaison between the Union Church and the three higher Courts, but this has not met since the induction of the minister 18 months ago. The parish itself is in good heart.

(b) Taita: The Communicant membership has almost doubled and now stands at 66. The Model Constitution has been implemented by the formation of the Session comprising three Methodists and two Presbyterians and meets once a month. The Management Committee meets bi-monthly and the Parish Council representative of all organisations within the Church meets quarterly. The Union venture is working effectively and happily, everybody seeking to pull together in every possible way. The denominational identity of every church member is carefully preserved, but otherwise the Fellowship of the Christian Church is the aim of worship and witness. The Committee of Oversight which is strongly representative of the three churches meets regularly every quarter. Much of the successful working of the Union Church is due to the keen, sympathetic and active interest of this Committee.

(c) Wainui-o-mata: Wainui-o-mata Union Parish has completed its first year since inauguration. Roll 69. Pres. 44. Meth. 25. During the year services have been maintained weekly, the Women's Fellowship has continued to function, a Men's Fellowship has been formed, a Bible Class has been commenced and services have been commenced in the Wellington Rd. Area. Plans are being prepared for more adequate buildings. A Sunday School of 70 meets.

Members' and Adherents' Rolls have been prepared. A Board of Managers has been constituted and meets monthly. A Committee of Oversight has been constituted and meets quarterly. Three meetings have been held in the past year.

The Parish is working effectively as a Union Venture, due largely to the fact that combined services had been held for about five years before inauguration. Inauguration has however resulted in more smooth working of the parish, increased congregations and a more united fellowship.

The work of the parish is however gravely restricted through lack of adequate buildings and a resident minister.

(d) Marchweil: The Model constitution is being followed as fully as possible. The Union venture is working effectively, and when the move is made to the new Church site, in the heart of the new housing area further advance should be made. The Manse has been completed and a Presbyterian minister inducted. The Committee of Oversight has met 7 times in the last 12 months.

(e) Corstorphine: No Report.

Representation in Lower and Higher Courts:

The J.S.C. has had this under discussion for some time and now recommends that the three co-operating churches amend their regulations to allow for the following in Union Churches.

(a) The Minister shall have a seat on the District Court of the Church of which he is a member. The Session shall have the right to appoint annually one Elder to the Presbytery and one Elder to the Synod, and one to the District Committee of the Congregational Church.

(b) The Minister shall be eligible for a seat in the Assembly (or Conference) of the Church of which he is a member. The Session shall have the right to appoint an Elder to the Assembly or to the Conference according to the normal procedure of each church.

(c) In the case of a Home Missionary being appointed to a Union Parish the regulations relating to Home Misionaries and representation shall apply.

C.-REGIONAL JOINT COMMITTEES.

It now appear necessary to set up a series of Joint Regional Committees throughout N.Z. in order to provide at the district level liasion between the Presbytery, the Methodist District Synod and such Congregational Churches as may be there. We recommend the folowing procedure:

(a) The function of the Regional Joint Committees shall be:

- (i) To foster understanding and wise planning in all Church Extension areas.
 - (ii) To initiate the Church Union Study Programme.
- (iii) To initiate any other functions or programmes of a joint nature.

(b) Joint Regional Committees shall be set up in Whangarei, Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga, Stratford, Wanganui, Palmerston North, Napier, Masterton, Wellington, Nelson, Greymouth, Christchurch, Ashburton, Timaru, Oamaru, Dunedin, Balclutha, Alexandra, Invercargill. (c) Presbyteries, Methodist District Synods and Congregational Churches shall nominate at least two members to the Regional Joint Committee of their area, the Moderator of the nearest Presbytery, and the Chairman of the nearest Synod to initiate the first meeting.

(d) Presbyteries, District Synods and District Committees of the Congregational Church should refer all problems of Church Extension to the Regional Joint Committee for consultation.

(e) The Regional Joint Committees shall be responsible to the district bodies which nominate their members, but they shall keep the Joint Standing Committee informed by sending the minutes of their meetings.

H. L. FIEBIG, President. A. K. PETCH, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the procedure for establishing Regional Joint Committees be adopted.

3. That the procedure for the Representation of Union Churches in Lower and Higher Courts be approved and referred to the appropriate committees for action.

4. That the spheres for immediate co-operative action be approved and referred to the appropriate committees of the church for action.

5. That approval be given to the plan of holding simultaneous Assemblies and Conference in Auckland 1956.

6. That approval be given to the Joint Standing Committee to proceed with the drafting of a Common Declaration of Faith in close consultation with the Doctrinal Committees of the three churches.

7. That Conference request all ministers to observe carefully the Procedure for Reciprocal Membership.

8. That the Church Union Committee for 1955 be: The President and the Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Principal of Trinity College, Chairmen of Districts, the General Secretary for Foreign Missions, the General Superintendent of Home Missions, the Senior Youth Director, the Revs. W. G. Slade, B. M. Chrystall, J. D. Grocott, R. Dudley, M. A. McDowell, W. R. Francis, R. F. Clement, W. J. Morrison, W. S. Dawson, A. T. Kent, W. R. Laws, J. B. Dawson, J. J. Lewis, W. F. Ford, 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, L. A. Davis, R. H. Ellis, and Mrs A. B. Cochran.

9. That the Executive Members for 1955 be: The President and the Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, General Superintendent of Home Missions, General Secretary for Foreign Missions, the Legal Adviser, the Convener of the Church Union Committee, together with Wellington members of the Committee.

10. That the Methodist representatives on the Joint Standing Committe on Church Union be: The Revs. G. H. Goodman, M. A. McDowell, A. K. Petch, A. J. Johnston, R. F. Clement and W. R. Laws, and Messrs R. H. Ellis and S. N. Roberts.

2—Central Finance Committee

Connexional Levies:

No appeals against allocations made by District Finance Committees were received by the Committee.

General Appeal, 1953:

The Committee regrets that it cannot report that the second General Appeal was as successful as the first one. The amount asked for was on the basis of 2/- a member. The total amount received was $\pounds 2270/16/9$ being $\pounds 422/17/3$ short of the target.

The response from the Auckland and Wellington districts was disappointing, in each the total raised being less than the amount raised when the basis was 1/6 per member.

Details of receipts and payments for the year ending 30th June 1953 are as follows:----

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" Armed Forces Chaplaincy							100	2	6
" New Zealand Alliance				1			100	2	6
" Council for Christian Ed	ucat	ion					200	5	0
" National Council of Church	ches						300	0	0
" Hospital Chaplains:									
Auckland				260	6	6			
Palmerston North				40	1	0			
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Christchurch	****			50	0	0			
Dunedin		****		50	1.	3			
" University Chaplains:						-	435	9	9
Auckland				30	0	9			
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Canterbury	****			15	0	0			
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" Balance forward							483	6	6
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New Zealand Alliance:

As requested by Conference the Committee has carefully considered the possibility of increasing the amount allocated to the New Zealand Alliance. In view of the disappointing result of the 1953 Appeal, the Committee cannot recommend an increase in the amount allocated.

Hospital Chaplains:

The Committee has to point out the great discrepancy in the amounts required in different districts for Hospital Chaplains. One district has a practically full-time Chaplain, in others a part Chaplain. In some districts no remuneration is paid. A Minister visiting one Sanatorium receives an allowance while other Ministers doing similar work do not receive anything. The Committee considers that as conditions vary in each district the matter of providing remuneration or allowances for Hospital Chaplains is something which should be dealt with on a district basis, not a National one. Each District should decide what its policy should be and then provide its own ways and means of meeting any commitment.

In the future any amount required for the renumeration of a Hospital Chaplain, should be a charge on the District concerned, such amount to be added to the District allocation of the General appeal and raised through the General Appeal.

General Appeal, 1955:

Trinity College 1	
	300
	200
	100
New Zealand Alliance	100
University Chaplains:	
Auckland £30	
Wellington 35	
Canterbury 15	
Otago 35	
	110

£1810

To meet the above amounts the Committee recommends that for 1955 Appeal the basis be 1/6 per member.

If the Committee's recommendation on Hospital Chaplains is not accepted then a further £520 will be required.

In such case the Committee recommends that the basis of the 1955 Appeal should be 2/- per member.

Envelopes:

A supply of envelopes is available for districts which require them.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

Supplementary Report, 1954.

The Committee has considered the various Synod recommendations in regard to the provision for the remuneration of Hospital Chaplains.

The Committee has given further consideration to this matter. It has received requests from five Districts as follows:—Auckland £295, Hawkes Bay-Manawatu £65, Wellington £25, North Canterbury £75, Otago-Southland £60. Total £520.

As the practice varies from District to District the Committee is of the opinion that provision of remuneration or allowances for Hospital Chaplains should be dealt with on a District basis.

The Committee suggests that each District should continue to notify the Committee the amount it requires for Hospital Chaplaincy and that such amount should be added to the District's allocation of the general appeal. This Committee would then notify the District the total amount to be raised in the District. The amounts for Hospital Chaplaincy would continue to be raised through the General Appeal though the basis of the appeal would vary from District to District.

For example the Auckland District requires say £295 for Hospital Chaplaincy. Its allocation in the General appeal is say £457. Thus the total amount required in the District is £752. The basis in this District therefore would be 2/6 per member. Of the total amount received in the District three-fifths would be appropriated to the general appeal and two-fifths for Hospital Chaplaincy.

In the case of Wellington District where $\pounds 25$ is required for Hospital Chaplaincy it would be necessary to add 2d. per member making a total of 1/8 per member. Of the amount received from this District nine-tenths would be appropriated for the general appeal and one-tenth for Hospital Chaplaincy.

In a District where there is no amount required the amount to be raised will be on the basis of say 1/6 per member.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the reports be received and adopted.

That	the objects for t	he gene	ral a	appeal	1955	be as	follows:-
	Trinity College						£1000
	National Council						300
	Council of Chris	tian Ed	lucat	ion	-		200
	Armed Forcés C		cy F	und			100
•	New Zealand Al		-				100
	University Chapl	lains:					
	Auckland					£30	
	Wellington					35	
	Canterbury					15	
	Otago					35	
							110

3. That the basis of 1955 appeal be 1/6 per member plus the amount required in any District to raise the amount it requires for Hospital Chaplaincy.

4. That the recommendation that the Central Finance Committee meet the affiliation fees required by the local branches of N.C.C. be referred to the Committee for consideration and report.

FINANCE COMMITTEES.

A. CENTRAL COMMITTEE: District Chairman (North Canterbury), Connexional Secretary, Messrs L. G. K. Stevens, E. R. Caygill, C. H. Perkins and H. de R. Flesher (Convener).

B. DISTRICTS:

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AUCKLAND: District Chairman, Rev. J. H. Allen, District Financial Secretary, Messrs A. Turner, H. P. Mourant, G. S. Gapper, and W. J. Court. SOUTH AUCKLAND: District Chairman, Rev. W. R. Francis, Financial Secretary, Messrs W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young, W. F. Walters, and P. Rushton.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: District Chairman, Financial Secretary; Messrs M. S. Hughson, W. Greenwood, K. F. Andrews, and J. P. Harding.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: District Chairman, Revs. W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, F. H. Parker, Messrs A. H. Fisher, H. W. Brewer, J. H. Oldham and L. A. Davis.

WELLINGTON: District Chairman, Rev. M. A. McDowell, Messrs T. M. Pacey, A. J. Johnston and D. Tayler (Convener).

NELSON: District Chairman, Rev. E. Baker, Messrs H. J. Savage, E. S. Wratt and F. H. Southgate.

NORTH CANTERBURY: to be appointed by District Executive.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: District Chairman, Messrs E. B. F. 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.

3-Stipend Committee

The Report of the Standing Committee was presented to the General Purposes Committee which recommended that it be referred for detailed consideration by a Laymen's Committee of Conference. wiht the Vice-President as Convener.

Conference received the Report and referred it to a Laymen's Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Minimum Stipend of all Ministers, Home Missionaries and Deaconesses be increased by 3% (three per cent) as from 1st February, 1955.

2.	That the New Scale of Stipends be as follows:	
	Ordained Minister: Married Probationer: Single Probationer:	£440
	Home Missionaries: Senior Married Home Missionary: Married Home Missionary: Married Home Missionary Probationer: Single Home Missionary:	£440 £412
	Single Home Missionary Probationer:	£330
	Deaconess Probationer: When Dedicated and for three years afterwards: For the next three years: After six years:	£330 £353
	3. That the Minimum Stinend of a Departmental Officer h	e £50

3. That the Minimum Stipend of a Departmental Officer be £50 in excess of the Minimum Stipend of a Circuit Minister.

4. That a letter be published in the "Methodist Times" explaining briefly the justification for the increase in stipends.

4—Transport Trust Board, Inc.

Availability of Motor Cars:

As was forecast in last year's Report, the Inter-Church Council compiled information as to the car needs of its constituent members and approached the Government for Special Import Licenses to permit of cars being available as required for the essential work of the Christian Church. These representations were entirely unsuccessful it being the expressed view of the Government that the increased licenses being granted to the Motor Trade would be adequate to cover the essential needs of the whole community. This view has been substantially confirmed by experience during recent months. The Board knows of no case where circuit work is suffering because of lack of transport, and it is known that a number of ministers and circuits have been able to obtain new cars through normal channels during recent months. On the other hand it is also known that there are a number of cars now in use which are becoming uneconomic to run and are due for replacement. In these cases it is strongly recommended that firm orders be placed with local dealers without delay and that contact be maintained with such dealers at regular intervals. More cars are to become available during the coming year and the needs of the Church should be met.

Travelling Allowances:

Fluctuation in running costs has not been great during the past year and the scale approved by the last Conference is the one still being used by the Public Service and also by other Church and business organisations. No change is therefore recommended and, for convenience of reference, the present scale is set out as under:-

Mileage	to	Cars from 9.6 to 14.5 H.P. inclus.	cars over 14.5 H.P
For the 1st 1,000 Miles each year	7d	81d	91d
For the 2nd 1,000 Miles each year	· 61	. 71	83
For the 3rd 1,000 Miles each year	6	7	. 81
For the 4th 1, 000 Miles each year	r 5%	63	8
For the 5th 1,000 Miles each year	51	61	71
For the 6th 1,000 Miles each year	51	61	71
Over 6,000 Miles each year	5	6	7

Financial Assistance for the Purchase of Cars:

Operations in this connection have constituted the main activity of the Board during the past year and requests for assistance continue to be received. Because of the continuing help of the Foreign Missions and Youth Departments, the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Trust Board and an interested Minister who have all deposited moneys temporarily with the Board it has been possible to maintain the interest rate at $4\frac{1}{2}$ %. Sincere appreciation is expressed to these depositors and it is stressed that similar assistance from other Departments, Trusts and individuals would enable the rate of interest to borrowers to be further reduced. Advances have now been made to 33 Ministers and Home Missionaries to a total value of $\pounds 11,474$. There are others pending. The amount of loans outstanding as at 30th June, 1954, totalled $\pounds 6,291$ 17s 11d and monthly repayments are being satisfactorily made, with two exceptions.

Financial Statement:

The Annual Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1954, to be submitted to Conference show a surplus of £96 3s 5d for the year with an Accumulated Fund amounting to £124 19s 11d.

Summary of Conference Resolutions Relating to Circuit Transport:

The last Conference asked that a statement of Conference regulations relating to Circuit Transport be prepared and printed in the Minutes of Conference. A summary of such resolutions has been prepared and is appended to this Report.

Personnel of Board for 1955:

It is recommended, that the members of the present Board be reappointed for 1955.

M. A. McDOWELL, Acting Chairman.

T. M. PACEY, Hon. Secretary.

D. TAYLER, Hon. Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO CIRCUIT TRANSPORT.

1. As a general principle, it is desirable that the Minister or Home Missionary and not the Circuit, own the car used for circuit work and that he be given an adequate allowance to cover all running expenses, including Depreciation and Interest, for essential work. (1945).

2. Circuits are directed to loyally adopt the minimum scale of travelling allowances approved annually by Conference. (1949).

3. At the beginning of each connexional year, the Minister and Circuit officials are to confer with a view to arranging a satisfactory travelling allowance for the ensuing year. (1945).

4. Each Circuit where a car is used shall appoint a small Transport Committee to agree on an adequate allowance and assist in planning the necessary travelling. (1949).

5. If a Minister or Home Missionary chooses to use a type of car more expensive than is considered necessary by the District Committee, he shall be responsible for the additional costs. (1945).

6. There be added to the quesions for the June Quarterly Meeting "Have adequate arrangements for travelling been made with the Ministers and Home Missionaries of the Circuit." (1945 & 1952).

7. In the event of the need arising, each District shall appoint a small committee of experts to advise on transport needs of such District. (1945).

8. In a case where the minimum Conference scale of travelling allowances is not being paid the Circuit Stewards concerned be so informed by the Chairman of the District and requested to take steps to implement the Resolutions of Conference. (1948).

9. Urgent and Necessitous cases of difficulty in the matter of circuit transport shall be investigated by the District Executives concerned who shall report to the Home Missions Board for consideration and action. (1948 & 1949).

10. Machinery has been set up for giving Ministers, Home Missionaries and Circuits financial assistance in acquiring cars for essential circuit work. In each case the Circuit Stewards are required to certify that the car is necessary for the work and that an adequate travelling allowance is to be paid. Loans are limited to 80% of the cost of new cars and up to 60% in the case of secondhand cars and shall be subject to interest at rates prescribed. Security is to be given by way of a Bill of Sale and repayments of principal and interest are to be by monthly instalments over a period of not more than 5 years. Lump sum reductions are permitted. A competent qualified person is to be appointed in each District to advise on proposed purchases and to report to the Transport Board. With a view to the Board being able to make loans at the lowest possible rate of interest, Church Boards are urged and authorised to make loans to the Board at P.O.S.B. rates of interest. Individuals are urged to similarily assist. (1949, 1950 & 1951).

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Transport Trust Board confer with the Standing Committee on Stipends and draw the attention of Circuit Stewards to the resolutions of Conference with regard to travelling allowances to Ministers and give guidance relating to procedure to be followed in meeting stipends and travelling expenses.

3. That the members of the present Board be thanked for their services, and be reappointed.

4. That the Board for 1955 be :---

The Chairman of the Wellington District, The General Superintendent of the Home Mission Dept., Revs R. Grice and A. J. Johnston; Messrs R. Hardie Boys, A. J. Johnston, W. King, T. M. Pacey, J. H. Phillipps, S. Roberts, C. A. Russell, D. Tayler, F. Torrence, and G. E. Turney. Corresponding Consultants: Revs B. M. Chrystall, B. H. Riseley, Messrs J. B. Beeche, W. J. Court, E. M. Hodder, W. F. Walters, and C. V. Woodfield.

5-Closer Relations With Australia Committee

Report of the President, 1954.

As President of the Conference I had the honour of representing our New Zealand Church at the 17th General Conference of Australasia which opened in the Albert Street Church, Brisbane, on May 20th. Both there and in the various States which we subsequently visited, Mrs Fiebig and I were most warmly received and I cannot speak too highly of the cordial way in which all arrangements for our itinerary were carried out. It is necessary herein to make only a few brief comments.

The General Conference itself was most interesting and informative. Holding the balance between it and the State Conferences, and at the same time prserving the rights and powers of both, necessarily is a task which has to be carried out with care and judgment. With a membership limited to approximately 100 elected representatives from the States, together with a given number of ex-officio members, the Conference can assemble a formidable array of experienced ministers and laymen. One felt the thrust of a Church which is really dynamic, and the evident consciousness of having a real mission to the nation.

Subsequently visiting Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Canberra and Newcastle, I was able to make very useful contacts with practically every sphere of activity of our Church. Time did not permit a visit to any of the country circuits or areas which would have been very profitable. The challenge of rapidly developing new housing areas is being met on the whole very successfully with a vigorous building policy. A shortage in respect to ministerial manpower is causing embarrassment as it is with us. Most of the States seem to be using Deaconesses in new housing areas with good effects resulting from constant intensive visitation. Social service activities are many and varied. Our Schools and Colleges in all the States have large enrolments and good standing in the community. Some, however, are financially embarrassed. A number of their leaders said that our policy concerning hostels, is a sound one, making provision for the leisure time of young people rather than for education as such. Circuit life impressed one as being vigorous, a marked feature of all the Churches in which I preached being the large proportion of men in the congregation.

I had several opportunities of speaking on the matter of our N.Z. Church and also ventilated the matter of suitable ministerial exchanges. I believe that our relations with Australian Methodism are greatly helped by these reciprocal visits.

H. L. FIEBIG, President of the Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference extend an invitation to the President General, the Rev R. B. Lew B.A. to visit N.Z. at his convenience during his term of office.

3. That Conference acept the offer of the Historical Society to organise the completion of the appeal for the N.Z. share in the Memorial Church at Canberra.

4. That Conference convey its thanks to the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australia for the warm welcome extended to the President and Mrs Fiebig during their visit to Australia.

QUESTION LIX.-Who are Members of the Standing Committees?

A. 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 Exigency to be the Wellington members of the above Committee.

B. President's Committee of Advice.

Ex-President, President-elect, Secretary of Conference, Revs W. T. Blight, W. G. Slade, A. O. Harris, A. K. Petch, Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, Legal Adviser, Messrs E. R. Caygill, R. A. C. Marshall, A. F. Thomas, A. A. Dingwall, P. A. LeBrun. Convener: The Secretary of Conference.

QUESTION LX.—Who are the Members of the District Executives? AUCKLAND:

Chairman of the District, General Supt. of H.M. Dept., General Secretary of F.M. Dept., Superintendents of Auckland Central, Auckland Central Mission, Auckland South, Auckland West, Auckland East, Avondale, Devonport, Takapuna, Birkenhead, Onehunga, Henderson and Mahurangi Circuits, Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore and Messrs S. E. Chappell, A. E. Freeman, C. K. Wigglesworth, T. L. Hames, R. G. Laking, F. Souster, B. O. Stokes, G. H. Parkes, T. H. Todd, R. E. Adams, N. Wilson, A. Hoverd, C. R. Howell and G. Beckingsale.

NORTHLAND SUB-DISTRICT:

The Ministers of the Port Albert, Paparoa, Ruawai, Dargaville, Whangarei, Hikurangi, Kawa Kawa-Kaikohe, Hokianga North, Mangonui and Whangaroa Circuits (Chairman, Rev. J. H. Allen), Messrs H. Neal, J. W. Cliff, W. G. Simpkin, G. H. Lendrum, W. J. Court (Secretary), V. Gravatt, E. Williams, J. Keightly, G. Fer-guson and L. T. Williams. guson and J. T. Williams.

Franklin Sub-District: The Ministers of the area and Messrs. Buttimore, Curnow, Craig, Elder, Hammond, Hansen, McArthur, McCorkindale, McKerras, Oldfield, Trenwith and Tunnicliffe.

SOUTH AUCKLAND:

The Chairman of the District, The Superintendent Ministers of Hamilton, Hamilton East, Matamata, Cambridge. Te Awamutu, Te Kuiti, Te Aroha, Morrinsville, and Thames Circuits. Messrs W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young, G. E. Simpson, W. A. Collins, T. G. M. Spooner, W. A. Clark, P. Rushton, W. F. Walters, J. B. Beeche, D. H. Payne, V. Bulmer. Convener: The Secretary of the District.

Bay of Plenty Sub-Executive: Chairman of the District, Superintendents of Rotorua, Tauranga and Whakatane Circuits; Messrs F. N. Christian and N. Pachoud, Convener: Rev. A. T. Kent.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Chairman of District, Revs. L. Shapcott, H. W. Payne, Ministers of Stratford and Hawera Circuits; Messrs K. F. Andrews, M. S. Hughson, D. I. West, W. Greenwood, J. P. Harding and P. C. Hill.

WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT:

Revs. G. R. Thompson, E. D. Grounds, A. R. Nuttall, A. C. Watson, and the Marton Minister; Messrs E. L. F. Buxton, W. S. Thrush, J. H. Thomson, S. Laurenson, N. Dixon and H. Queree.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Revs. W. R. Laws, L. Greenslade, F. H. Parker, Minister of Woodville Circuit, H. V. Utting and J. A. Daglish; Messrs C. L. Pask, J. R. Grigg, T. M. Henson, I. G. Baber, J. G. Bleakley, L. Gwyynne, L. Cotter and W. Holloway. Convener: Rev. F. H. Parker.

Hawkes Bay-Sub District: Minister of Hastings Circuit, Revs. H. C. Matthews, E. C. Leadley; Messrs J. P. Boyd, L. A. Davis, J. H. Oldham, with power to co-opt.

WELLINGTON:

All ordained Ministers, one lay representative from each Circuit in the district, a representative from each District organisation and all Conference officials. Convener: Secretary of District. NELSON:

Chairman of District, Superintendents of Waimea and Motueka Circuits, Mrs L. G. White, Messrs H. J. Savage, M. A. Nightingale, R. C. A. Marshall, A. Winn, C. E. Jordan, E. S. Wratt, D. W. Sil-vester, R. A. Leaper and G. Everett.

Sub-District Executive: Superintendents of Westport, Greymouth and Hokitika Circuits; Messrs W. T. M. Moore, E. W. Cock, F. Sara, and L. McDonald.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Revs. H. L. Fiebig, W. T. Blight, V. R. Jamieson, Dr W. G. Slade, G. R. Harris, A. K. Petch, W. A. Chambers, Secretary of District, Superintendent of Cambridge Terrace Circuit and C. D. Clark; Messrs H. de R. Flesher, S. D. McHarg, W. A. Clothier, J. Pryor,

J. H. Yarr, G. E. Hill, H. Falkingham, N. G. Hillary, B. A. Caygill, and C. R. M. Manhire.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.

Ministers of South Canterbury District, Messrs P. G. Woodnorth, M. A. Bull, R. Neutze, M. E. Hayman, R. N. Clucas, T. Wakelin, W. Simmons, R. H. Cone, F. G. Stuart, and one to be appointed from Marchwiel Union Church.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Revs. E. S. Hoddinott (Chairman of the District), H. G. Brown, G. R. H. Peterson, Dr R. Dudley, H. A. Cochrane, L. P. Schroeder, D. B. Gordon, O. M. Olds, G. W. Cramond and I. W. Reid; Messrs J. McIndoe, G. R. Galbreath, H. H. Johnson, A. L. Stanton, C. Chirnside, E. D. Smyth, C. H. Kitchin, Sister Ruth Fawcett, Mesdames M. R. McIndoe and F. Ganderton. Convener: Rev H. A. Cochrane. SOUTHLAND SUB-DISTRICT EXECUTIVE:

Revs. A. R. Whiteford (Chairman), L. C Clements, E. R. Eastwood, J. R. Hall, F. J. K. Baker, Mrs S. S. Craw, Messrs J. T. Sharp, E. A. Humphries, W. T. Pethick and E. McCulloch.

QUESTION LXI.—(a) 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

(A) DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

1952 Minutes, Page 171, Resolution 3 (b); 1953 Minutes, Page 179.

In 1951 the Law Revision Committee pointed out that the office cf District Chairman was one to which an experienced Minister should be appointed and, following the precedent of the President of the Conference being a Minister of not less than 15 years' standing and the Secretary of Conference being one of not less than 10 years' standing, recommended that a District Chairman should be a Minister of at least 10 years' standing.

The question of the eligibility of Ministers for election as District Chairmen and the method of such election has been referred to the Committee for re-examination.

The Chairman of a District is not merely a District official. He represents the Conference in his District. It is his duty to see that the laws of the Church are complied with therein and also to carry out the policy of the Conference. On the Stationing Committee he takes part in the stationing of all Ministers. He should have an adequate background of Circuit and Connexional life and work. He should be well acquainted with his brother Ministers. Both Ministers and laymen look to him for leadership. Therefore it is essential that experienced Ministers should be elected to this important office.

The Committee therefore recommends that there be added to paragraph 159 of the Book of Laws, page 27, after the second sentence:-

"He must be a Minister of not less than 10 years' standing."

With regard to the method of election of District Chairman, until recently the election was by ballot without nomination. An alteration was subsequently made whereby Synods had to submit a name of a Minister for the guidance of the Conference. This was later amended to make it optional for a Synod to make such nomination. Each year at least one Chairman leaves his District. It is possible that after the next Conference at least three Chairmen will be changing. It is submitted that in such Districts it is not wise for the Synods to submit names to the Conference. They will want the most experienced man for their Chairman and until the stationing is complete the personnel of the Ministry in the District is not known.

A Minister's appointment is an annual one. Conference may unexpectedly move a Minister to another District. There is no real security of tenure and this makes it difficult for any Synod to give a lead.

Provision has been made in our Law recently whereby representatives of a District to Conference may bring forward a nominee. It must be pointed out that this in some instances will be done by a small group only as stationing is often not completed until towards the end of the Conference and some representatives may have left earlier.

It is submitted that the former system worked well for many years. It still works satisfactorily in the case of the election of the President and Secretary of the Conference. It is possible that the change desired in recent years may have been really an attempt to legislate for special cases which always is a most undesirable procedure.

The Committee therefore recommends that the former procedure be again adopted, i.e., the election of Chairman shall be by ballot without nomination and by an absolute majority of votes cast.

N.B.: 1953 Conference directed that the above Report should be given further consideration by Synods and Conference.

RESOLUTION.

That the Report be received and referred to the next Conference.

(B) ANNUAL REPORT 1954

Certain of the resolutions passed at the 1953 Conference affecting the Laws of the Church were incorporated in the Supplement to the Law Book at the end of the 1953 Minutes. They were also set out on page 191 and 193 of the 1953 Minutes.

On account of the President's absence from Christchurch during the year it has not been possible for the Committee to deal with other matters referred to it by last Conference. These matters, which include inter alia the relationship of Ministers appointed to Institutions and the Quarterly meeting of the Circuit in which the Institution is situated, consideration of the duties of President as Chairman of his District, investment of Church funds, will be considered by the Committee during the coming year.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Law Revision Committee report on the matter of procedure to be followed in the reception and adoption of Reports in reference to the Standing Orders of Conference.

3. That the Law Revision Committee be requested to investigate the status of Probationers given permission to marry.

4. That the Law Revision Committee give a ruling on the relation to conditions of Church membership of the Rule for the guidance of Church members concerning "the practice of total abstinence etc" and report to next Conference.

5. That the following be referred to the Law Revision Committee for consideration and report:-

Circuit Stewards.

That Paragraph 227, Section 11, Pt. 1V, page 40 of the Law Book be amended to read "June"

QUESTION LXI.-(b) Who is appointed President's Legal Adviser?

That Mr H. deR. Flesher, M.A., LL.B., be thanked for his services and be reappointed.

QUESTION LXII.—What is the Report of the Ecumenical Committee?

Ecumenical Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1954

The chief interest of the Ecumenical Committee this year has been in planning the attendance of the 4 New Zealand representatives at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Evanston.

Press communications concerning the 2nd Assembly should be available in the week prior to Synods. Due to the co-operation and helpfulness of the staff of the World Council the Methodist Church of New Zealand was granted an additional credit visitors seat and Mrs R. Pearce of Christchurch is attending as a Methodist.

The Committee is examining ways and means to enable all our representatives to tell the Church as far as they can of their impressions of the Assembly.

Faith and Order Conference:

The N.C.C. is preparing a Faith and Order Conference for New Zealand in 1955 and the Committee has been asked to nominate 16 members. Most likely this Conference will be held in May of 1955. The nominations will be made in consultation with the various committees of the Church at the Church Conference. The basis for discussion at the Faith and Order Conference will be the replies to the questionnaire sent out in 1953. The answers to the questionnaire have been edited and published and under the title "Towards the one Church" are commended to all groups for study.

World Communion Sunday:

The Joint Standing Committee on Church Union has recommended that where possible there be United Communion Services on World Communion Sunday. The Committee enthusiastically supports the recommendation.

Branches of N.C.C.:

The Committee believes that the Church should be kept as close as possible to the National Council of Churches. This can be assisted by District Executives asking for regular reports from their representatives on local branches. Regular reports will assist both the Churches and the N.C.C.

National Council of Churches:

The three main features of our work this year have been the fostering of Ecumenism at parish level, particularly the use of the Evanston studies. Secondly we have been fostering interest in the Second Assembly of the W.C.C. through the preparation of sermon outlines for simultaneous preaching in August as contained in the booklet "The Healing of the Nations", arrangements for appropriate broadcasts prior to Evanston plus also the use of Evanston studies.

The third matter has been the making of tentative arrangements for the Faith and Order Conference to meet in Christchurch next May to give special consideration to the answers provided by the Churches to the set of questions prepared two or three years ago by the N.C.C. Here again preparation for this Conference has taken the form of study groups dealing with the material provided in the study booklet "Towards one Church".

The visit to New Zealand of the Rev Dr Rajah Manikam and Dr Ruby Manikam was notable not ony because of the large attendances at their meetings but because of the way in which the relationship and responsibility of New Zealand to the Asian people was made real. It is hoped that this visit will be followed by others which will give a further knowledge of the opportunity of responsibility of the Church in Asia today.

There are sixteen New Zealand people attending Evanston. All will, on their return, be available for meetings and discussions on the themes at Evanston and it is hoped that the Church throughout New Zealand will use the opportunity to the fullest extent.

Women's Committee, N.C.C.:

The Women's Committee of the N.C.C. has spent a year of consolidation, learning from one another the different points of view which make up the Ecumenical movement.

A study of the Ceylon Scheme of Union led the Committee to try to visualise the practical application of such a scheme to New Zealand. Finding agreement on many points, it was decided to go on to "Towards one Church" published by the N.C.C. This was found thoroughly depressing after the earlier discussions.

Owing to the various requests for Bible Study, the Committee this year published a set of studies based on the Book of Acts, called "The Church Then and Now". It is not planned to publish a series of studies for 1955 owing to sufficient stocks being held of the most recent issues, "Men and Women" and "The Church Then and Now". The Committee would appreciate comments and suggestions as to the type of study to produce in the future, whether valuable work is being done in this field, or whether the need for such studies is largely being met elsewhere.

The Committee is responsible for organising the World Day of Prayer held on the 1st Friday in Lent each year. This year a particularly good service was prepared by the late Miss Sarah Chakko of India.

Increased congregations were reported from all over the country. A sum of $\pounds 646/10/11$ was collected for the N.C.C. Appeal for the Church of the Moluccas and $\pounds 175$ for the British and Foreign Bible Society.

The Methodist members on the Committee at present are the following:— Mrs P. LeBrun (appointed in 1952); Mrs H. F. Ford (appointed in 1950); Mrs R. G. Pearce (appointed in 1947).

According to the Constitution of the Women's Committee "Each member of the Women's Committee of the N.C.C. shall remain for four years, one half of the Committee retiring at the end of each two year period, the retiring members being again eligible for election at the discretion of their own Church Courts. In cases where the number of the Church representatives is not divisible according to this plan, the Women's Committee shall determine the proportion which shall retire at the end of the two year period.

Under this constitution Mrs R. G. Pearce is therefore due to retire this year but is eligible for renomination, the other members not having completed their initial four year period.

Maori Section of the N.C.C.:

This year has proved an eventful one in the life of the Maori Section. In addition to the usual programme of study along chosen lines, and representations to various authorities as the need has risen, two new combined ventures have been entered upon. The first is the decision to administer a Hostel for Maori apprentices which the Government is establishing in Rotorua. This step was taken with much gratification in the belief that united worship and thinking must issue in united service to the community. The second step was the decision to establish a Maori Temperance Society in order to help stem the tide of New Zealand's growing Drink Bill as it relates to the Maori people.

The Bishop of Actearoa is the new Chairman of the Section. . Our own President, the Rev H. L. Fiebig was present at the Annual meeting in his capacity as President of the N.C.C.

M. A. McDOWELL, Acting-Chairman.

J. D. GROCOTT, Convener.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the following grants be authorised:

(a) £300 to the budget of the N.C.C.

(b) £6 affiliation fee to the N.C.C.
(c) £98 to the World Council through the N.C.C.

(d) £5 to the Ecumenical Committee.

3. That the N.C.C. Christmas Appeal be commended to the Churches.

4. That the holding of United Communion Services on World Communion Sunday be commended to the Churches.

5. (a) That the Methodist Representatives at the Faith and Order Conference called by the N.C.C. for 1955 be:

The President of Conference (Rev C. O. Hailwood), Revs J. J. Lewis, J. D. Grocott, E. W. Hames, J. Silvester, W. R. Laws, W. J. Morrison, G. I. Laurenson, H. C. Dixon, R. F. Clement, Dr R. Dudley, B. M. Chrystall, E. S. Hoddinott, W. R. Francis, M. A. McDowell, Mrs A B. Cochran.

Observers: Revs H. L. Fiebig, A. K. Petch and Mr L. G. K. Steven.

Substitutes: Revs J. H. Woolford, R. Thornley, W. S. Dawson, Mrs R. Pearce.

(b) That the Methodist Representatives meet during the day prior to the Conference to consider the Methodist Statement.

(c) That the Representatives be requested to give special study to the questions.

(d) That the Travelling Expenses of Representatives to the Faith and Order Conference be borne by the Contingent Fund.

6. That District Executives ask for regular reports from Metho-dist representatives on Local Branches of the N.C.C. and that such a question be included in the questions for the guidance of District

Executives to be prepared by the Law Revision Committee.

7. That District Executives consider using the Methodist representatives at Evanston to the best advantage so that the discussions, addresses and emphasis of the World Assembly may be widely known.

8. That a fund be established to enable the Church to appoint representatives to future Assemblies and other Ecumenical gatherings of the World Council of Churches, and that the Ecumenical Committee consult with the Central Finance Committee as to means of establishing and administering such a fund.

9. That our official representative at the World Methodist Conference at Carolina U.S.A. in 1956 be the President of the Conference of that year (Rev M. A. McDowell).

10. That the Ecumenical Committee consider applications from interested Methodist people to attend the World Methodist Conference after publicity in the Methodist Times.

11. That the Committee consider an invitation to one of the American leaders in Adult Education after consultation with Dr. D. O. - Williams.

12. That the representatives on the following Committees be (a) National Council of Churches: The Rev H. L. Fiebig, the Revs Dr R. Dudley, J. D. Grocott, A. K. Petch: alternate the Rev G. H. Goodman. (b) Women's Section N.C.C. Mesdames R. G. Pearce, H. F. Ford, P. Le Brun and a corresponding member. (c) Maori Section N.C.C. the Revs G. I. Laurenson, E. Te Tuhi, R. Rogers, H. A. Darvill.

13. The Committee for 1955: The Chairman of the Wellington District, the Revs J. D. Grocott, M. A. McDowell, F. Greenwood, W. F. Ford, R. G. Bell, L. V. Willing and J. H. Woolford, Misses P. Yearbury and R. McBride, Mr R. Sullivan. Convener: Rev J. D. Grocott.

QUESTION LXIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Other Questions?

1—Faith and Order Committee

During the past year the Committee has given attention to the questions submitted by Conference (Minutes 1953, p. 52/3; p. 95/7; p. 187). Work on the production of the Handbook on History, Doctrine, and Polity and of the new Book of Offices is continuing.

Church Architecture and Furnishings:

The Committee has commenced work on the question of the theological implications of Church architecture and furnishings and is collecting information from overseas. The Committee has consulted with the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

Covenant Service:

Since the new Book of Offices will not be completed for several years, the Committee has recommended the reprinting of the present booklet of orders of service for the use of congregations. The Committee has also recommended to the Connexional Office the deletion of the present order of the Covenant Service and the substitution for it of the order authorised by the British Conference.

Union Church Baptismal Certificate:

After consultation, the Joint Standing Church Union Committee and the Faith and Order Committee have agreed to accept the proposed form of Union Church Baptismal Certificate with the deletion of the doctrinal Statement.

Communion for Children:

The Committee has given consideration to the question of the theological implications of the practice of administering the Holy Communion to children. Such a service does not appear in either the old or new Books of Offices of the British Conference. The service possessed significance in the New Zealand Church when a separate order of Junior membership existed. When this grade of membership ceased to be recognised, the relevance of this order of service also disappeared. In New Zealand Methodism there is at present no place for this order of service and the Committee recommends its deletion from the new book of offices. The Committee believes that there is no bar to admitting children possessed of a living faith either to membership or to participation in Holy Communion.

Adult Baptismal Certificates:

The Committee recommends the printing of a suitable number of adult baptismal certificates with the following wording :--

Front of Card-

"Then they that gladly received his word were baptised ... And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers."

Acts 2: 41, 42.

Minister

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND. CERTIFICATE OF BAPTISM.

......Circuit.

I Hereby Certify that I have this day baptised

who has made Public Confession of Faith before the Congregation Circuit.

19 Back of Card:

Note: This Sacrament of Baptism is baptism into Christ and into His Church. It is the universally recognised rite of admission into His whole Church, and should therefore not be repeated.

Doctrine of the Ministry:

The orginal draft statement on the Methodist doctrine of the Ministry was submitted to March Ministerial Synods of 1954 for consideration and the following is an amended statement:-

Doctrine of the Ministry:

1. The Church a Redeemed and a Redeeming Community: The Methodist Church of New Zealand claims and cherishes her place within the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church which is the Body of Christ and the People of God. The fellowship of each individual member with Christ is at one and the same time fellowship with the wholy body of believers in Christ. The Church is both a redeemed and a redeming community, brought into being by God to be the instrument of His purpose of redemption for all man-kind; a divine society called of God to make His Word as revealed in the Scriptures audible and visible to men through her worship, faith, order, service and evangelistic witness.

 The Ministry of the Whole Church: Since all Christians are ministers in virtue of their membership in the one Body, there is given by God within and to the Church a universal ministry to exercise, preserve and enrich her purity and evangelistic power as a redeemed and a redeming community. Every member shares in this ministry. This ministry is both priestly and prophetic.

It is priestly in that there is a Priesthood of all believers. All Christians are holy priests together in virtue of their direct personal access to God and of their privilege and responsibility of bringing others into personal relationship with Him, of interceding for them and of offering to Him spiritual sacrifice.

This ministry is prophetic in that it is called to speak not only for but to the Church. It is the obligation of every Christian to speak the truth as he receives it, nevertheless there is no unqualified freedom for an individual member to proclaim a purely personal interpretation of Gospel truth or to exercise this priestly office at the impulse of completely private judgment, but only as one of a community of ministers and priests in the full directive and corrective interdependence of the whole Church.

Every form of individual ministry is derived from God and is exercised within and is subject to the corporate Church, herself subject to the Word of God. As the Body of Christ it is of the Church's authority and responsibility not only to recognise, relate and discipline the various gifts and activities of all the different kinds of ministers, even though each individual within the Church is minister and priest through the personal anointing of the Holy Spirit, but also to seek to discover the mind of Christ for the age in which she lives.

3. A Special Ministry Within the Ministry of the Whole Church:

Within the universal ministry of the Church as the Body of Christ, and subject to the same authority of the Church, are those members who are called by God to be "Servants of the Word" in a special sense. This particular ministry, traditionally known as the "Ministry of the Word and Sacraments," is God's gift to the Church (Ephes. 4/11-12), and is an integral part of her organic life. "It is created by the Spirit whose charismata (gifts of grace) mark out this man and that for special functions". The Spirit also bestows the special empowerment for his task. These powers and functions however are inherent in the Church as a whole and are exercised by this special ministry in the name and by the authority of Christ Who is the Head of the Church. To those whose sense of divine call is recognised and ratified by the Church which, as the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, is the recipient of the divine gift of His fulness, there is imparted through the Holy Spirit, if the heart is right, the Spiritual gifts necessary for the fulfilment of the special vocation. This ministry is thus the gift of God to the Church for the building up of the Body of Christ, yet also in a complementary sense comes into being through the Church.

4. Ordination to the Special Ministry:

Ordination by prayer and the laying on of hands is an act both of God and of the Church. It is the sign and seal of the divine commission to the ministry of the universal Church. In it the Church recognises the ordinand's personal sense of divine call and grants her authorisation to perform the characteristic functions of the Christian ministry. Since ordination is the act of God in response to the prayer of the Church, it is a once-for-all act and is valid for the whole Catholic Church. Where faith is present grace is given and received. Ordination is the symbol and pledge to the ordinand of the bestowment of grace by the divine Spirit for the discharge of the duties of the office. The authorisation by the Church as the Body of Christ strengthens the power and confidence of the ordinand in his vocation as a divine calling. Moreover it is common experience that one genuinely called of God, because faith is exercised receives from the Holy Spirit in his ordination a renewed sense of call as well as a fresh accession of power for his whole life's work.

5. The Apostolic Succession of this Special Ministry:

The Methodist doctrine of apostolic succession is based upon the Church's faithfulness to apostolic truth, experience, allegiance, message, and mission. Individual ministers are in the apostolic succession in as much as they belong to a Church wherein their spiritual ancestry reaches back through a numberless multitude of saints linked in a long, unbroken chain to the very company of our Lord Himself.

6. The Functions and Authority of the Special Ministry:

In all matters relating to the government of the Church the laity and ordained ministry of the Methodist Church of New Zealand are associated yet a supreme place is reserved for this special ministry as the trained and ordained servants of Christ and the Church. This is supremely so in matters of direct spiritual leader-ship. The high honour and responsibility of the ministry is that it is the separated and special instrument of the Church in the cure of could the preaching of the Word and in the administration of the of souls, the preaching of the Word, and in the administration of the Sacraments. At ordination authority is given to "preach the Word of God and to administer the holy Sacraments in the congregation". At the Induction Service the congregation promises to receive the ordained minister as "Pastor and the Minister of Jesus Christ" and "to give him all due honour, encouragement and obedience in the Lord, (cf. I Thess. 5/12, Hebrews 13/17)". The Church thus recognises the divine call to this special ministry and the empowerment for the task and separates these ministers for special functions. No functions, powers and prerogatives are the exclusive possession of the ordained ministry; they are the inherent possession of the whole Church as the corporate Body of Christ. Yet for the sake of order and efficiency the Church delegates to the ordained ministry certain of these functions, prerogatives and powers. The ordained ministry thus acts in a representative capacity on behalf of the Church which is both prophetic and a priestly body. In the New Zealand Methodist Church the ordained minister is separated from his secular manner of earning a living and the Church provides for him and his dependants the physical means of subsistance. Also the Church trains him to exercise these delegated and representative functions in as high a degree of effectiveness as possible. Lay people may and often do exercise one or more of these functions with ability; yet the divine call to a separated ministry and the specialised training in those duties delegated to it by the Church tend to an efficiency not possible without it.

These special, though not exclusively held duties and functions are summed up traditionally as "the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments". With respect to the Word of God the obligation is by Spirit-led study and prayer to understand the Gospel and comprehend its implications in Christian truth and conduct; to make a responsible proclamation of this truth as preacher and presentation of it as teacher; to guard the Church's life and doctrine from error; to conduct and superintend the due and proper celebration of public worship. With respect to the Sacraments the obligation is to represent the Church and embody the Priesthood of all Believers in a proper and orderly administration. To this ministry is committed a special pastoral care for the spiritual welfare of souls by counsel and if necessary by the exercise of discipline. No function within the Church is outside its superintendence and special interest. Moreover the proper discharge of its duties also leads of necessity to the constant and responsible witnessing to Christian faith and morals to those outside the bounds of ordinary Church life.

7. Special Auxiliary Forms of Ministry:

The Church may, if need arise and when convinced of the divine call thereto authorise the function of auxiliary ministries such as those of Deaconesses, Home Missionaries, Local Preachers and also the Lay administration of the Sacraments. All such ministries are aspects of the universal ministry of the Church.

Pulpit Gowns:

The Committee has considered the wearing of suitable pulpit dress and reports as follows:— During the past 25 years there has been a growing tendency within the Church for our ministers to wear pulpit gowns. This may be attributed to four main causes:—

i The wearing of academic gowns in the Collegiate Church.

- ii The growing disuse by ministers of wearing the frock coat when conducting worship.
- iii The increased tendency in all branches of the Church towards a more ordered and dignified form of worship.
- iv The influence upon the whole Church by the wearing of the Presidential gown.

During this period of change we are unaware of any guidance having been given by Conference to either Circuits or ministers. It is estimated that at present 20% of our ministers in city and provincial Circuits are wearing some form of gown and the custom is fairly common throughout the Connexion. There is a wide variety in the nature of the gowns being worn. They range through cassock-andsurplice, the Geneva gown, robe and academic hood, gown and bands, and some which have little or no meaning.

The Committee is of the opinion that the time has come when Conference should give such guidance as would officially recognise the wearing of pulpit gowns, achieve a greater measure of uniformity add dignity and impressiveness in the conduct of divine worship, and bring the Connexion into closer harmony with the Universal Church. Such recognition need not in any way interfere with any Circuit or minister who has no desire that a pulpit gown be worn.

The Committee believes that it is very fitting that those who occupy our pulpits, having been authorised by the Church as the Body of Christ to conduct worship and to preach the Word of God, whether they are ordained ministers or laymen, should wear some visible insignia such as a gown to mark their commission and responsible position. The motive is not to increase the personal dignity of the minister, rather is it to serve the corporate dignity of the Church. The purpose is not to stress, rather is it to minimise the individuality and identity of the preacher and to stress the tradition to which he belongs and the function he is called to fulfil.

The Committee believes that the style of gown should be :--

- (a) for all Methodist preachers a gown after the pattern of the Geneva gown together with bands for ordained ministers.
- (b) for all academic functions and Collegiate services, the academic gown and hood. For Collegiate services the academic hood may also be worn with the Geneva gown and bands.

It is also desirable that District Chairmen be authorised to wear as insignia of office a stole bearing suitable emblems. The Committee does not desire that action be taken against the wishes of any Circuit or minister but urges that Conference stress the great importance that all ministers give careful attention to pulpit dress so as not to detract from the reverence and solemnity of divine worship. One of Wesley's rules for preachers was, "Let your whole deportment before a congregation be serious, weighty and solemn".

Lund Questions:

A request for answers to questions sent out by the World Council of Churches Commission on Faith and Order was received by the Committee. Since the request was received just prior to the closing date for the return of the answers, the Committee was unable to take action.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

J. J. LEWIS, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

- 1 That the Report be received and adopted.
- 2 That the order of service for the administration of Holy Communion to children be omitted from the new Book of Offices.
- 3 That the Connexional Office be authorised to have printed a suitable number of adult baptismal cards.
- 4 (a) That Conference sanction the wearing of pulpit gowns in Churches where the Leaders' Meeting, the Church Meeting and the Minister may so desire.
 - (b) That subject to the previous resolution, Methodist preachers be authorised to wear gowns after the pattern of the Geneva gown, together with bands for Ordained Ministers, and that for academic functions and Colleigate Services, Conference Sanction the wearing of the academic gown and hood.
 - (c) That Chairmen of the Districts, who so desire, be authorised to wear a stole bearing suitable emblems.
 - (d) That the form of the Presidential stole be revised to make it more worthy of the office.
 - (e) That the Faith and Order Committee continue its investigations re stoles for the use of Chairmen of Districts and the President.
 - (f) That women preachers be authorised to wear, in addition to the gown, if they so desire, a plain cap such as is worn by members of robed Choirs.
 - (g) That the Church or Circuit desiring its Minister to wear a pulpit gown be urged to provide the same.

5. That the Faith and Order Committee be authorised to submit to March Ministerial Synods 1955 the proposed Order of Service for the Holy Communion.

6. In view of the widespread desire for greater active participation of the congregation in public worship, the Faith and Order Committee be requested to

(a) Consider the addition of Orders of Service for public worship in the new Book of Offices and booklet for use of congregation.

(b) Recommend to the Conference some other existing Methodist publication (such as "Divine Worship" approved by the British Methodist Conference) for use in our churches for public worship. 7. (a) Since there is confusion as to the meaning of the term "membership" as used in the Law Book and in the Statement of Faith (see same or Minutes of Conference 1939, p. 156) the Faith and Order Committee be requested to reconsider the place of the child in the church in respect to membership.

(b) That the Faith and Order Committee in consultation with the Youth Department reconsider the card, now given to children on their birthdays (authorised by Conference—Minutes p. 187, 1946), and seek to implement Section C therein, which allows for a card to those 12 to 20.

8. That Conference affectionately urges our Methodist people to read and study John Wesley's "Notes on the New Testament," which they will discover to be a means of grace and stimulus to their spiritual life.

9. That thanks be expressed to the Faith and Order Committee, especially for its work relating to the Doctrine of the Ministry.

10. That the Committee for 1955 be:—Revs E. W. Hames, Dr H. Ranston, Dr D. O. Williams, W. Walker, R. Thornley, A. R. Penn, H. C. Dixon; The President of Conference, the Secretary of Conference, the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, Revs G. I. Laurenson, E. D. Patchett, B. M. Chrystall, J. Silvester, L. G. Hanna; J. J. Lewis (Convener). Corresponding members, Revs Dr W. G. Slade, W. R. Laws, J. D. Grocott, A. K. Petch, W. R. Francis, W. J. Morrison, W. G. Eisner.

2-Radio Committee

N.Z. CENTRAL (Methodist) RADIO COMMITTEE.

Television:

The committee is being kept informed concerning television. Such information as related to any proposals for administration and control is communicated to our Public Questions committee that the Church may make recommendations to the Minister.

Radio-Rules for Guidance:

The Director and his Advisory Committee wish to encourage, and continue to afford every facility for, the many efforts being made by the Churches to improve the technique and increase the effectiveness of religious broadcasts,—both Sunday and weekday Devotional Services. The attention of all persons taking any part in such productions should be directed to the revised Rules for Guidance, and those responsible for the sessions are required to provide always for the inclusion of devotional acts—the reading of the Word of God, Prayer and a Hymn.

Children's Services:

A Statement setting out the broad lines of a policy for Children's Sunday Services was adopted last year. The main points provided that broadcasts should be (1) Undenominational in emphasis; (2) Instructional, providing basic religious teaching. (3) Systematic, following a scheme to be drafted by each local inter-Church Radio Committee.

One Church has since furthered the plan by making one minister responsible for all children's session time allocated to that Church and by having these sessions "netted" through the Y.A.'s for Dominion coverage. This latest development in the ever increasing trend away from local allocation towards centralized and specialist broadcasting should be studied by all Churches.

Week-day Religious Broadcasts:

The C.R.A.C. has again had cause to acknowledge the time granted for religious broadcasts on week-day programmes. We cannot anticipate to what extent the N.Z.B.S. would be prepared to extend this privilege, nor are we assured that the Churches are in a position to take the opportunities at present offered in week night programmes. There are signs which suggest that there is a field waiting to be cultivated by the Churches providing effort is made to produce suitable scripts and to provide panels of persons with gifts and the technique for radio evangelism.

Director or Officer to Supervise:

Our last Church Conference requested the Director and the C.R.A.C. to seek the appointment of an officer to be attached to the N.Z.B.S. who should be charged with the special responsibility of developing religious broadcasting. The C.R.A.C. now seeks the reactions of its constituent Churches to a proposal that the N.Z.B.S. now appoint an officer whose position shall be advisory and supervisory but not that of a Director.

THE CENTRAL METHODIST COMMITTEE.

Non-Church-Listener Broadcasts:

In 1942, Wesley Church Wellington, initiated experimental broadcasts for non-Church listeners. By arrangement with the Wellington District these have continued for three years. Other Communions have recently made similar experiments. The whole body of evidence leads us to request a re-study of our report to Conference 1953, and to urge that such sessions be now organised on a Connexional basis. Best results will be obtained only as a sustained programme of builtup sessions can operate. To achieve this, it would be necessary to have made-over some proportion of the time now allocated to our several broadcasting churches; appoint a Producer empowered to co-opt the services of ministers to write scripts, experienced radioscripters, and a panel of persons qualified in radio presentation.

Suggested Conference on Religious Broadcasting:

After careful consideration of this proposal, and having regard more particularly to the recommendation outlined hereabove, as also to the fact that our broadcasting personnel is constantly changing, we suggest that the desired purposes would be attained by the editing of a Folder (Cyclostyled) on Religious Broadcasting, and the inauguration of a series of Lecture-forums for Trinity College Students.

Overseas recordings and scrips (Minutes 1944) have been obtained. The Convener has supplied the Methodist Times and other periodicals with regular schedules of Methodist broadcasts. We again request that all broadcasters forward local schedules to the Secretary immediately they obtain same.

M. A. McDOWELL, Acting-Chairman.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Rep. to C.R.A.C.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That we note with satisfaction the extension of facilities for Religious Broadcasting, and thank the Director and Staff for their continued goodwill and assistance.

3. That we approve of the proposal that the N.Z.B.S. appoint an officer to be charged with the special responsibility of supervising religious broadcasting and request that such appointment be made in consultation with the C.R.A.C. 4. That we approve in principle of the proposals for the institution of N.Z. Methodist 'Non-Church-listener Broadcasts', and request of the Committee in consultation with District Executives to submit a detailed scheme to Synods 1955.

5. That a Folder on "Religious Broadcasting" be prepared and be made available to all Ministers. That a grant of up to ± 10 be made available from the contingent fund for this purpose. We note with pleasure that practical instruction is now given to College Students on religious broadcasting.

6. That the Methodist Radio Committee be requested to investigate and report on the possibility of securing special gifts from interested people for the purpose of purchasing time on the commercial network for some direct and specially arranged religious broadcasts at non-church hours.

7. That Conference ask the National Council of Churches to set up a Committee to consider and report on all aspects of religious television in N.Z. and to report on experimental religious television overseas.

8. That the Rev. W. H. Greenslade be thanked for his services and be reappointed representative to the N.Z.C.R.A.C.

8. That the Committee be Messrs Armer Alcorn, W. Roy Hill, Malcolm Rickard, the Ministers of the Wellington City and suburban and Hutt City Churches who are engaged in regular broadcasting Rev. W. H. Greenslade (Convener).

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS

1. That in view of the acute difficulty being experienced in staffing Circuits, District Executives be asked to approach the Presbyterian Church with a view to entering into working arrangements between Methodist and Presbyterian Churches where local conditions are favourable.

2. Thanks: That the thanks of Conference be tendered to the President, the Secretary and his Assistants, the Arrangements Committee, the Trustees and Custodian of Durham Street Church and the Hostesses for Services rendered to the Conference.

QUESTION LXIV.—When and Where shall the Next Conference be Held?

On Thursday, 3rd November, 1955, at 7.30 p.m., in Dunedin.

CHARLIE O. HAILWOOD, President.

E. LAURENCE F. BUXTON, Vice-President. GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Secretary.

Christchurch, 12th November, 1954.

SUPPLEMENT TO LAW BOOK

Corrections and Amendments to the Book of Laws since 1st Oct. 1951.

I. Corrections:

(a) Page 54: Par. 9 (E)—Invitation to minister: Read (June Meeting).

(b) Page 79: Sec. 388—Examination Committee. After line 5 insert the words: "Board of Examiners as may be attending Conference and ten other ministers"...

(c) Page 165. Appendix 1. The General Rules of the Society. In line 21, after the words "as we would" insert the word "not."

II. Amendments and Additions:

Ministry

Section I-Candidates.

Page 13. Section 79 is hereby amended inserting before the words "Wesley's Notes" in the third line thereof the words "the required passages in" (1954 minutes Q. 24, Resolution 8)

Page 14. Section 86 is hereby amended by inserting before the words "Wesley's Notes" in the fourth line thereof the words "the required passages in." Q. 24, Resolution 8.

Probationers

Page 15. Section 95 is hereby amended by deleting the third and fourth sentences thereof and substituting therefor the following sentence:—"Each Probationer shall conduct a trial service in each year of his probation." (1954 Minutes Q. 24, Resolution 12).

Ministerial Duties

(b) Superintendents of Circuits:

Page 25, Section 154 (k), add (see Section 7, page 2). (1952 Minutes, page 59).

(e) Chairmen of Districts:

Page 27, Section 159, is hereby amended by omitting the second sentence and substituting the following:—"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." (1951 Minutes, page 176).

Ministerial Invitations and Circuit Stewards

Page 41, Section 228 is hereby amended by adding the following Sub-section:—"(j) Confer with Leaders' Meeting and District Chairmen in respect to the appointment of a Minister." (1953 Minutes, page 181).

Preachers' Meeting and Local Preachers

Page 45, Section 253 is hereby amended by adding after the words "on probation" the following:---"He shall also do such practical work in respect of the preparation of sermons and conduct of services of worship as may from time to time be determined by the Conference." (1952 Minutes, page 55).

Section 254 (c) is hereby amended by deleting the words "should such examination and trial service" and substituting "should the reports on the above." (1952 Minutes, page 55).

Audit of Accounts

Page 52, Section 288 is hereby amended by deleting the words "registered accountant" and substituting therefor the words "member of the New Zealand Society of Accountants."

Page 88, Section 462 is hereby amended by deleting the words "public accountant" and substituting therefor the words "member of the New Zealand Society of Accountants." (1953 Minutes, page 181).

Circuit Quarterly Meeting-Order of Business

Page 54, Section 290 is hereby amended by adding the following question:—"10A. What are the reports of the men's organisations in the Circuit?" (1953 Minutes, page 58).

District Executives

Page 65, Section 340 is hereby amended by adding the following:--"22A What is the report of the District Executive." (1953 Minutes, page 62).

Page 68, Section 351 is hereby amended by adding to the beginning of the Section the following:—"A District Executive Committee shall be appointed in each District to function as a Standing Committee of the Synod to which it shall report annually." (1953 Minutes page 62.).

Conference Agenda

Page 75, Section 375 is hereby amended by repealing Question 33 and substituting therefor the following:—"33 (I). Who are elected as President and Secretary of the Conference for the ensuing year?"

(2) Have adequate arrangements been made for President's supply?" (1953 Minutes, page 61).

EXAMINATION COMMITTEE

(a) Probationers:

Page 81, add Section 406A. A tutor shall be appointed by the Conference for each Probationer who has not been through the Theological College. Such tutor shall guide and assist the Probationer in his studies." (1954 Minutes Q. 24, Resolution 11.

(c) Theological Students:

Page 83, Section 423 is hereby amended by deleting the word "annually" and inserting after the words "trial service" the words "in his first and third year." (1952 Minutes, page 32).

(d) Candidates:

Page 83, Section 424 is hereby amended by deleting sub-section (b) and substituting therefor:—"(b) The School Certificate shall be the minimum academic qualification for all Candidates except Home Missionaries (for which see Section 427) (1954 Minutes Q. 24, Resolution 7.

Stationing Committee

Page 86, Section 444 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:--"Unless appointed in another capacity the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department shall attend all meetings of the Committee as a consultant." (1953 Minutes page 182.).

Standing Committees of the Conference Central Finance Committee Connexional Appeals

Page 90, Section 480 is hereby amended by the following addenda:-480A: All general appeals made on behalf of various funds and organisations, whether Methodist or otherwise, authorised by the Conference, except those for Home and Foreign Missions, Children's Homes and the Youth Department and any other specially authorised by the Conference, shall be made under the supervision of the Central Finance Committee.

480B: The Central Committee shall inquire of the treasurers of such funds and organisations their requirements, prepare a budget, and submit the same for the approval of Conference.

480C: The amount to be raised shall be allocated by the Central Committee throughout the Districts on a membership basis. District Committees shall allocate the District Quota to the circuits on a similar basis.

480D: The amounts 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 Committee, shall distribute the same.

480E: A special Sunday in August or September in each year shall be set apart when the amounts required in the Circuit shall be received and dedicated. Consequently retiring collections shall not be taken for the above appeal.

480F: No new appeal shall be allowed during the year unless it receive the previous consent of the President and the Central Finance Committee (1951 Minutes, page 165).

Faith and Order Committee

Page 91, Section 448A. Add the following:---"A Faith and Order Committee shall be appointed at each Conference. The Committee shall consider matters relating to the doctrine and policy of the Church, and report thereon to Synods and the Conference. (1952 Minutes, page 171).

Youth Department

Page 101, Section 503 is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (3) the words "(g) The Secretary of the Board."

Page 102, Section 503 is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (8) sub-paragraph (c).

Section 503 is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (12) and substituting the following paragraph:----

(12) 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.

Section 503 is hereby further amended by repealing paragraph (13). (1951 Minutes page 70).

Foreign Missionary Society

Page 109, Section 504, sub-section 25 is hereby amended by deleting after the words "European Probationers" the words "in Charge of Circuits." (1952 Minutes, page 119).

Sub-section (26) is hereby amended by omitting the following :--(b) European Probationers." (1952 Minutes page 119).

Page 110, Sub-section 26 (e) of Section 504 as amended by 1953 Conference is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:---" (e) One nursing sister and one teaching sister from each ter-ritory. Such sisters must have served one complete term and shall be elected by the sisters serving in the District." (1954 Minutes, Q.49, Resolution 21.)

Sub-section (30) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:-"(30) No member of the staff shall leave the District without the consent of the Chairman of the Mission District." (1952 Minutes, page 119).

Page 111, Sub-sections 40 and 41 of Section 504 are hereby re-pealed and the following substituted therefor:---"(40) Ministerial and lay missionaries and missionary sisters who leave of their own accord for other than health reasons on the completion of their first or any subsequent term of service be granted three months' furlough and allowances."

(41) Workers who retire from the field for other than health reasons prior to completing the current term of service (three years) shall be granted furlough as determined by the Board." (1953 Minutes page 126).

The Home Mission Department-Circuit Organisation

Page 115. Section 505, Sub-section (24). Add: "The provisions of (a) and (b) Sub-Section (13) of Section 504 (page 108) shall mutatis mutandis apply." (1952 Minutes, page 171).

Deaconess Order

Page 123, Section 506 is hereby amended by adding at the end of Sub-section 30 the following:--"and shall thereupon become members of the order of Deaconesses." (1953 Minutes, page 180).

Supernumerary Fund

Page 136, Section 511 is hereby amended by repealing Sub-section 27 (1953 Minutes, page 117).

Page 140 (Sec. 511, par. 50): Amount of grant at present is £120 (1951 Minutes, page 112).

Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund

Page 144, Sub-section 9 or Section 512 is amended by adding after the words "35 years' service" the words "or 5 years' prior to reaching the retiring age of 65 years." (1953 Minutes, page 117).

Church Building and Loan Fund

"Special Loans Fund." (1953 Minutes page 95). Page 152.

Standing Orders of Conference

Page 161, Section 251 is hereby amended by adding to Sub-section 10 the following:-"(f) Mover and seconder of a motion for the adoption of report which has been previously circulated-3 minutes. Unless determined by the President there shall be no detailed exposition of any such report." (1953 Minutes, page 180).

Connexional Funds and Trusts

Page 170, Add 17 Auckland Youth Opportunity (Wesley) Board (1953 Minutes, page 181).

18. Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand) (1954 Minutes. Q. 57B, Resolution 7.)

PASTORAL ADDRESS

THE ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE CHURCH, 1954

The Annual Conference, held in Durham Street, Christchurch, from November 4th to 12th, 1954, sends its greetings and goodwill to the Methodists of New Zealand and the Solomon Islands.

The business sessions were faithfully attended by a larger Conference than usual, and we had a packed agenda. The Devotional spirit of the Conference was finely expressed every morning and permeated the sessions. The public sessions—the Opening of Conference, Ordination of Ministers, Youth Pageant and Deaconess Dedication Service—were attended by such numbers that accommodation was fully taxed.

The depth and quality of our Conference fellowship was tested out in urgent and even at times, tense, debating and the members rejoiced that difficult situations only served to add richness and strength to that fellowship.

The work of the Church is expanding. This is reflected in an increased membership, in many building projects being carried through by Circuits, and in the call of the Conference on the Church to finance extension work. This we seek to do in two ways—first by building up the resources of our "Church Building and Loan Fund Committee" in order that more requests by Trusts for loans can be granted; and second by making available a capital amount which can be used for purchasing sites and erecting necessary buildings in new housing areas. The appeal is to be made in 1955 and will extend over a two-year period. This provides a grand opportunity to all who desire to see the witness of the Church deepened and extended.

This business of extension brought to us a sharp reminder that, as we extend, so does our need of more Ministers increase. The Conference was cheered and encouraged as it witnessed the Ordination into the full Ministry of twelve men. But that encouragement was sobered by the knowledge that only five candidates were accepted for training. This is not enough and we urge that Circuits become recruiting grounds for more men to fill the ranks of Ministers. The Stationing Committee had a hard time this Conference.

We looked again at Church Union, and the debate which it produced was eager and positive and vivid. There is need of patience, of course. But, meeting as we were under the impact of the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Evanston (attended by five N.Z. Methodists) we go forward in firm faith toward the day of Union.

Special visitors to our N.Z. Church are expected during the year. Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of the U.S.A. is planning to spend a few weeks in New Zealand in March, as a representative of the Methodist Ecumenical Council; and later in the year we hope to welcome Dr. Donald O. Soper, ex-President of our Methodist Church in Great Britain. Should Dr. Soper visit us, he will be of great assistance, as he hold a Conference on Industrial Relations, as a preparation for Community year during 1956.

How good it is that our New Zealand Church is extending her arm so that we preach and seek to practice the Gospel not only in the Solomon Islands where much love has been poured during the years, but also into the Highland Territory of New Guinea. Some of our workers are already there, and reports from them will be awaited with keen interest.

God be with us in all the days and keep us within His Will and purpose.

For and on behalf of the Conference,

C. O. HAILWOOD, President.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Vice-President.

G. R. H. PETERSON, Secretary.

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	Wellington	1942	William Walker		
	Christehureh	1943	Charles H. Olds, B.A.	Hedley Oldham	William G. Slade, M.A.

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Auckland†	1944	Robert B. Tinsley	Charlie E. Bellringer	illiam G. Slade, M.A.
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H. Scrivin	William E. Burley, B.A.	illiam G. Slade, M.A.
Auckland	1946	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.	James Tyler	/illiam G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1947	William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.	Gordon Š. Gapper	ferbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Christehureh	1948	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	erbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington§	1949	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Berbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Napier (Nov.)	1949	Henry J. Odell	John B. Beeche	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Dunedin	1950	Eric W. Hames, M.A.	Sidney E. Chappell	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Auckland	1951	George I. Laurenson	James H. Oldham	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Nelson	1952	J. Henry Allen	Francis H. Southgate-	Ferbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington	1953	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.	Hugh M. Patrick, M.V.O.	Grdon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1954	Charlie O. Hailwood	E. Laurence F. Buxton	Grdon R. H. Peterson

*William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assure Gice. Died 19th August, 1931 †For Validating Regulations see 1944 Minutes, page 10. § February, Exec Com. of Conference.

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MINSTERS and PROBATIONERS

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 1887—Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D., (Toronto) Foundation Fellow of Trinity C-10-gc. (SUP.) 1896—Blamires, Henry L. (Sup.) 1897—Greenwood, Fred. (Sup.) , Pybus, T. Arthur, (Sup.) 1899—Keall, Robert P. (Sup.) , Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.) 1900—Blamires, E. Percy (Sup.) , Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.) , Hunt, George P. (Sup.) , Headley, Frank E. (Sup.) , Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A., (Sup.) 1901—Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D, (Fellow of Trinity College) (Sup.) 1902—Oxbrow, Walter J., (Sup.) , Patchett, Ernest D. (Sup.) 1903—James, Benjamin J. (Sup.) , Scamer, Arthur J., C.M.G. (Sup.) 1904—Blamires, Ernest O. (Sup.) 1905—Copeland, Fred. (Sup.) 1905—Copeland, Fred. (Sup.) 1906—Roberts, Charles M. (Sup.) , Ryan, Henry (Sup.) 1908—Tinsley, Robt. B. (Sup.) 1909—Cottom, Harry (Sup.) 1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Sup.) , McArthur, John D. (Sup.) 1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Sup.) , Richards, James (Sup.) , Sharp, Harold A. (Sup.) , Sharp, Harold A. (Sup.) , Fowles, Albert H. (Sup.) , Hopper, Arthur (Sup.) 	 1911—Richarda, Hafn (Sup.) , Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E., (Sup.) 1912—Hinton, George B. (Sup.) , Lawrence, Frederick B. (Sup.) , Scrivin, Arthur H. (Sup.) , Walker, William E.D. (Sup.) 1913—Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.) 1914—Burnet, Oswald (Sup.) , Werren, Samuel J. 1915—Cooke, Percy I. (Sup.) , Olds, E. Thomas , Odell, Henry J. (Sup.) , Slade, William G., M.A., D.D. (Toronto). 1916—Brown, George E. , Fordyce, Robert E. , Harkness, Edwin S. (Sup.) , Metcalfe, John R. , Sage, Ernest E. (Sup'.) 1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D. (Melb.) , Chambers, Ernest B. , Dennis, John (Sup.) , Parker, Frederick J. (Sup.) , Neal, Wallace S. (Sup.) , Skuse, Thomas 1919—Ford, Herbert (Sup.) , Gatman, William (Sup.) , Jefferson, Alfred E., (Sup.) 1920—Orchard, Hector C. (Sup.) 1921—Benny, Henry (Sup.) 1922—Allen, J. Henry
1911—Enticott, Walter J. (Sup.) ,, Fowles, Albert H. (Sup.)	1921—Benny, Henry (Sup.)
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1923-	-Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)	1934-	-Goodman, George H.
,,	Hames, Eric W., M.A.	**	Johnston, Andrew J.
,,	Spencer, Herbert (Sup.)		Matthews, Howard C., B.A.
	D. T. T.L. II	1935 -	-Duder, Clifford L.
1924	-Bailey, John H.	,,	Hanna, L. Gordon
,,	Bateup, Frank (Sup.)		Luxton, Clarence T. J.
,,	Brown, Hubert G.		Mills, William A.
,,	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A.		Thornley, Robert, M.A., Dip.
**	Kings, Harry S. McGregor, Robert		Soc.Sc.
,,	Taylor, Cecil R. (Sup.)		Witheford, Arthur R., B.A.
,,		1936-	-Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A.
	-reterson, Gordon, R. H.	12.11.1	-Churchill, John
1926-	-Hall, James, H.		Francis, William R., B.A., B.D.
,,	Harris, G. Raymond	"	(Lond.)
**	Voyce, Arthur H.		Norwell, Leslie T.
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1927-	-Larsen, Norman P.	1938-	-Harkness, Howard E., M.A.,
	Laurenson, George I.		B.D. (Melb.)
**	Penn, Athol R.		Hoddinott, Ernest S.
**	Raynor, Ivo M.	"	Laws, William R., M.A., B.D.
**	Silvester, A. Wharton E. (M.M.)	1.1.5	(Melb.)
,,	Utting, Harry V.	"	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A.
1928-	-Grocott, John D., B.A.	. 55	Silvester, John, M.A.
,,	Hailwood, Charlie O.	"	Whitfield, Harris
,,	Handy, Francis J.	1939-	-Cochrane, Herbert A.
1929-	-Dickens, Charles E.	29	Grice, Reginald
	Horwood, Leonard C.	,,	Hayman, Leslie A. D. B.Agr.Sc.
**	Kent, Arthur T.	,	Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th.
"	Parker, Walter	"	Oldfield, Charles B.
**			Watson, John K., M.C., B.A.
1930-	-Blight, J. Montgomery	1940-	-Dawson, John B., B.A.
**	Draper, Joseph C.		Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D.
**	Leadley, E. Clarence	""	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A.
,,	McDowell, Matthew A. Barker Wesley, M.A. P.D.	- 12	Greenslade, Lawrence
,,	Parker, Wesley, M.A., B.D.		Jones, Alan O.
1931-	-Carr, Thomas H.	1941-	-Bell, Charles H., B.A.
	Carr, W. E. Allon		Brown, Harold K.
	Dudley, Raymond, M.A.	19.	Darvill, Harold A.
	D.D. (Dickenson, U.S.A.)		Thomas, Gordon V., B.A.
	F.R.E.S.	.,	Woolford, Henry J., M.A.
**	Greenslade, William W. H.	1942-	-Clement, R. Frederick, M.A.
**	Moore, William E.	,,	Collins, Alan F.
,,	Parker, Gordon, M.A., Ph.D.		Ivory, Arthur H., LLB.,
	(Lond.)		B.Com.
32	Payne, Herbert W.	.,,	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.
.,,	Williams, David O., M.A., LittD		(Melb.)
1932-	-Day, Reginald		Morrison, William J., M.A.
.,,	Hickman, D. J. Donald	,,	Rogers, Ranginohoora
. ,,	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E. E.D.		Willing, Leonard V.
**	Jenkin, William C.		Williams, J. C. Aldwyn
1933-	-Chrystall, Bernard, M., B.A.	1943-	-Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.
	Daglish, J. Ainsley		Brown, Clifford G. Ed.
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"	Patchett, Ralph E.	33	Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A.
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1943-Falkingham, Wilfred E.	1951—Besant, H. David, B.A.
" Grounds, Edmund D.	" Burrough, Amos W.
" Jolly, Albert	" Carter, George G., M.A.
" Prosser, Frederick O.—(Sup.)	Dip. Ed.
1944—Allen, Robert H., B.A.	", Clucas, Ivan J.
" Bell, R. Graham, M.A.	", Gilbert, Geoffrey T.
" Bycroft, Leslie F.	", Raynor, Charles H.
" Chambers, Wesley A., M.A.	", Ruck, Idris J.
Dorrian, A. Peter	", Stead, Peter A. ", Toothill, Harry W.
", Sherson, Donald G., B.A.	", Toothill, Harry W.
1945-Green, Warren	1952-Edmonds, David W.
" Gregory, William H.	Commo P. Loglio
"- Shapcott, Leonard	Cibson Loval I
	Hall John P
1946—McDonald, D. I. Alister	Handwaida Allan J
" Moore, Harry	Mood Arthur W R
", Olds, Norman W.	", Penman, John A.
", Shepherd, Trevor ", Thompson, George R., E.D.	", Reid, Ian W.
	" Shaw, Harry I.
1947-Attwood, A. Francis	", Spindler, Sidney J.
" Clements, Leslie C.	,, Thompson, John H.
", Divers, W. Lloyd	", Trebilco, George R.
"Hall, Allen H. M.A.	1953-Baker, Frederick J. K.
,, Parker, Francis H. ,, Riseley, Benjamin H.	To Contour F Raymon
Stowart Edmond S.	Chair Hughan M
	" McKay, Archibald W.
1948-Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A.	" Newman, Alan
Hilder, Basil J.	", Osborne, John H.
" Marshall, Edward M., B.A.,	" Stubbs, David G.
Dip. Ed.	" Turner, Edgar G. P.
1949-Baker, Edward	1954—Billinghurst, Noel D.
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", Burt, Douglas H.	Fastmood Frie P
" Cornwell, Gordon A. R.	Conndy John BA
Ford, Wilfred F., B.A.	" Heppelthwaite, Ernest
" Garner, William M.	" Newton, Alan H. V.
" Keightley, Clifford J.	" Rakena, Ruawai D.
" Nuttall, A. Roger G., B.A.	,, Rushton, Percy P.
" Olds, J. Stanley	" Tahere, Te Aroha W.
" Pratt, R. Hori, B.A.	" Trebilco, David L.
" Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A.	" Watson, Alexander C.
1950-Clark, Colin D., B.A.	1955—Abbott, William K.
" Gordon, D. Bruce, B.A.	" Bennett, Trever L.
" Ramsay, Phillip D.	, Peart, Cuthbert R.
" Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A.	", Rigg, Frank S.
" Woodfield, Frank H.	" Tauroa, Lane M., B.A.
" Woodfield, Owen T.	", Thornicroft, Neville
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1920-Tauroa, Matarae	(Sup.)
1941-Kukutai, Ngatete	K. (Sup.)
1944-Piani, Timothy	
1944-Taufa, John	

1944-Palavi, Daniel 1949—Pita, Kemueli 1950-Vula, Aisake 1955-Bitibule, John Veo

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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.

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		Y	D	-Youth Department Th.C.—Theological College		
Ent.		Ye	ars	Name and Address	Circ	uit
1955	ί.	. 1	1	Abbott, William K., 5 Garden Road, Lower Hutt		84
1922		. 1	6	Allen, J. Henry, 149 Kamo Road, Whangarei		23
1944			4	Allen, Robert H., B.A., 57 Retreat Road, Christchurch,		
				N.E.1	Y	.D.
1943			4	Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.Ed., 16 Atherton Road,		
				Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3.	F	.M.
1947	Ι.		1	Attwood, A. Francis, Te Reinga St., Kaitaia, Northland	5.0	28
1924	Ł.		3	Bailey, John H., Normanby St., Dargaville		21
1948).		4	Baker, Edward, 82 Pah Road, Motueka		96
1953	}.		3	Baker, Frederick J. K., c /o 5 Chapman St., Invercargill		
1924	ι.		S .	Bateup, Frank, Campbell Street, Thames (1948)		31
1941			1	Bell, Charles H., B.A., Tainui Street, Matamata		41
1944	ł.		4	Bell, R. Graham, M.A., 18 West Road, Northland,		24
				Wellington, W.2		79
1953			1	Bennett, Trevor L., Wellington Road, Marton		64
1921		. 1	S	Benny, Henry, 34 Edgcumbe St., New Plymouth (1954)		53
1949		-	1	Benny, T. Ralph, 3 Scotia Street, Port Chalmers		138
191;			S	Bensley, Arthur A., No. 2 R.D., Te Puna, Tauranga (19.	50)	44
195]			2	Besant, H. David, B.A., Box 21 Rawene, Hokianga		29
1954	Ł.,		2	Billinghurst, Noel D., 462 Barrington St., Spreydon,		
			_	Christchurch		110
1907	7.		S	Blair, Charles, "Noeldene," Main Road, Stoke, Nelson		-
10.00			~	(1947)		94
192;	3.		S	Blakemore, Albert, 4 Thornton Road, Milford, Auckland		
2000			~	N.2. (1946)		9
1000).		s	Blamires, E. Percy, 43a Church Street, Devonport,		P
190	1		~	Auckland, N.1. (1944)		8
100	* .		5	Blamires, Ernest O., 11 Beerehaven Boad, Seatoun,		-
189	ß		s	Weilington, E.5. (1946)	i.e.	78
100			2	Blamires, trenry L., 23 Aikman's Road, St. Albans, Christehurch, N.W.1. (1930)		100
193	0		1	Blight, J. Montgomery, 179 Regent St., Stratford	-••	103
191			4	Blight, William T., B.A., B.D., P.O. Box 32, Papanui,		55
101			*	Christchurch, N.W.2.		112
192	2		1	Brooks. Leslie A. G., Bank Street, Te Awamutu		47
194			3	Brown, Clifford G., 18 Tennyson Street, Opunake		59
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19	16		6	Brown, George E., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert,	
10				Auckland, S.W.2.	6
	41	••	4	Brown, Harold K., 226 Thames Street, Morrinsville	36
	24			Brown, Hubert G., 95 Fitzroy St., Kew, Dunedin, S.W.1	
	10		S S	Burley, William A., M.A., Thompson St., Shannon (1951) Burnet, Oswald, 6 Horseshoe Lake Road, Burwood	
19	14	•••	0	Christchurch, (1954)	105
19	51		2	Burrough, Amos W., Scotland Street, Roxburgh	140
	49			Burt, Douglas H., Regent Street, Waihi	34
	44		4	Bycroft, Leslie F., 22 Union Street, New Brighton	
				Christchurch	105
19	31		1	Carr, Thomas H., 336 Selwyn St. Addington, Christchurg	h
				S.W.1., C.F	109
	31	**	5	Carr, W. E. Allon, 5 Paice Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland	S.1 3
19	51	••	4	Carter, George A., Methodist Mission, Kekesu, Teop,	-
10	17		9	Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea	[9]
19	17	•••	3	Auckland	
10	44		3	Chambers, Wesley A., M.A., 46 Radley Street. Christchur	6
10	TT			S.E.I.	107
19	33		10	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., 28 Mt. Albert Road, Auckla	nd.
	-			S.W.2., C.F	H.M
19	37		1	Churchill ,John, Ohaewai R.D. Northland	27
19	50		3	Clark, Colin D., B.A., 67 Brougham Street, Sydenham,	
				Christehureh, S.1	108
19	42		3	Clement, R. Frederick, M.A., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton	
				C.F.	89
		••	4	Clements, Leslie C., 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	142
	51	• •	1	Clucas, Ivan J. Silverdale, Northland Cochrane, Herbert A., 60 Lawrence St. Mornington,	18
18	39	••	3	Dunedin, W. 1.	136
10	42		2	Collins, Alan F., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	130
	15		ŝ	Cooke, Percy I., Te Atatu Rd., Auckland (1952)	7
	05		S	Copeland, Fred, 19 Linwood Avenue, Mt. Albert,	
				Auckland, S.W.2., (1947)	6
19	49		7	Cornwell, Gordon A.R., Methodist Mission, Skotolan,	
			-	Buka Passage, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea	[10]
	18		S	Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sci., South Tce., Picton (195	
	09		S	Cottom, Harrry, Springston R /D., Canterbury (1949)	114
	53		$\frac{1}{2}$	Craig, Hughan M., Taitua St., Taumarunui Cramond, George W., 81 Johnston St., Milton	50
	43		5	Cramond, George W., 81 Johnston St., Milton Daglish, J. Ainsley, 230 High Street, Dannevirke	69
	53 41		n	Darvill, Harold A., 1060 Heaphy Tce., Claudelands,	
-	-11		**	Hamilton	H.M
19	40		4	Dawson, John B., B.A., 37 Nelson Street, Petone,	
				Wellington, C.F	86
19	943		2	Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna,	
				Auckland, N.2., C.F	9
1.1	032	• •	1	Day, Reginald, 274 High Street, Carterton	. 88
18	917	••	S	Dennis, John, 28 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay.	9
10	0.00		5	Auckland (1954) Dickens, Charles E., 162 King Street, Ransfora	. 118
)29)54		52	Dickie, Arthur W., Box 38 Ohura	51
	947		6	Dickie, Arthur W., Box 38 Ohura Divers, W. Lloyd, 129 Radlas St., Christchurch, S.E.I.	107
	940		4	Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D., 14 St. Vincent Ave,	
-			14.7 M	Remnera Anckland, S.E.Z	5
1)44		1	Dorrigon A. Peter, 6 Coronation Street, Waimate	125
19	930		1	Draper, Joseph C., 24 Melanesia Road, Kohimaramara,	-
				Auckland, S.E.3., C.F	5

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1935		2	Duder, Clifford L., 162 Sutherland Rd., Wellington, E.3. 81
1931	•••	4	Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., 56 Royal Terrace Dunedin, C.2
1954		2-	Eastwood, Eric R., Otautau, Southland
1948		5	Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A., 112 Derby Street, Westport 100
1952		1	Edmonds, David W., 28 Elizabeth Street, Bluff 147
1911		- 8	Enticott, Walter J., Nahum Street, Paeroa (1948) 33
1943		5	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, 53 Cathedral Square
		1.5	Christchurch
1924		10	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., P.O. Box 931, Christchurch C.S.
1919	••	S	Ford, Herbert, 24 Denman Street, Sumner, Christchurch (1948)
1948		2	Ford, Wilfred F., B.A., 31 Huanui St., Porirua, Wellington 83
1916		1	Fordyce, Robert E., Eketahuna 90
1911		S	Fowles, Albert H., 18 Lionel Street, Avonside, Chritschurch,
1937		2	N.E.1., (1941) 105 Francis, William R., B.A., B.D., 24 Liverpool Street,
			Hamilton, C.F
1949	••	3	Garner, William M., 17 Church Street, Devonport, Auckland N.1.
1919		s	Gatman, William, 80 Beach Road, Castor Bay, Auckland
1952		1	(1947)
1952		i	Gibson, Loyal J., Greendale No. 1 R/D., Christchurch 120
1952		2	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 9 Paynters Ave., New Plymouth 53
1940	••	2	Gilmore, Leslie R.M., B.A., 12 Poronui St., Mt. Eden,
1934		8	Auckland
TOOL		0	E.2 81
1950		1	Gordon, D. Bruce, B.A., 20 Franklin St., Greymouth 101
1945		5	Green, Warren, Kirk Street, Otaki
1940 1931		4 9	Greenslade, Lawrence, 111 Wood St., Palmerston North 73 Greenslade, William W. H., 38 McFarlane St., Wellington
1001			C.4., C.F
1897		S	Greenwood, Fred, 37 Charlotte Ave., Brooklyn, Wellington,
1945		2	S.W.I., (1934)
1939		5	Grice, Reginald, 18 Orari St., Ngaio, Wellington 82
1928		5	Grocott, John D., B.A., 224 Karori Rd., Wellington, W.3. 79
1943		4	Grounds, Edmund D., 138 Somme Parade, Aramoho,
			Wanganui
1954			Grundy, John, B.A., c/o 105 Queen St., Richmond, Nelson 94
1928			Hailwood, Charlie O., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson 95
1947	••		Hall, Allen H., M.A., Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands
1926			British Solomon Islands
1952			Hall, John R., 5 William Street, Gore
1923		17	Hames, Eric W., M.A., "Richmond House" Trinity College,
			Grafton, Auckland, C.3 Th.C.
1952	•••	2	Handyside, Allan J., 27 Cambrai Ave., Mt. Roskill,
1928		5	Auckland, S.E.2
1928			Handy, Francis J., 235 Karori Road, Wellington, W.3 79 Hanna, L. Gordon, 17 Pukehana Ave., Epsom, Auckland,
1000			S.E.3
1916		S	Harkness, Edwin S., 14 Atanga Avenue, Mt. Eden,
			Auckland, S.1., (1947) 5

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1938	2	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., 45 High Street,
		Blenheim 98
1910	S	Harris, Archer O., 44 Redruth Ave., Spreydon,
1000		Christehurch, (1951)
1926	6	Harris, G. Raymond, 15 Nelson Street, Riccarton, Christchurch, W.1
1900	8	Christchurch, W.1
1939		Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Agric.Sc., Porirua Road,
1000		Johnsonville, Wellington
1954	1	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, Cromwell 148
1932		Hickman, D. J. Donald, 119 Burnett St., Ashburton 128
1948		Hilder, Basil J., Oxford 121
1912		Hinton, George B., 28 Carrington St., Christchurch (1949) 111
1938		Hoddinott, Ernest S., 80 Wesley Street, Dunedin, S.1 134
1911		Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935) 66 Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A., Selwyn Street, Leeston 115
1936		
1929 1900		Horwood, Leonard C., 801E, Queen St., Hastings 66, Hunt, George P., 116 Peary Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland,
1900		(1940) 3
1942	1	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., 39 Strathavon Street,
		Miramar, Wellington, E.4 81
1922	4	Jack, J. Francis, 35 Wood Street, Papakura, Auckland 14
1903	S	James, Benjamin J., 22 Winton Street, St. Albans,
		Christchurch, N.1. (1940) 103
1932	9	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D., 170 Fitzgerald Avenue,
1010	G	Christehurch, C.I., C.F 105
1919		Jefferson, Alfred E., 49 Gray Ave., Papatoetoe (1954) 13 Jenkin, William C., Springston No. 4 R.M.D., Christchurch 114
1932 1934		Johnston, Andrew J., 298 Adelaide Rd., Wellington, S.1. 80
1943		Jolly, Albert, 77 Grey St. East, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5 11
1940	~	Jones, Allan O., 98 North Street, Timaru 122
1899	~	Keall, R. Purcell, 14 Green Street, Lower Hutt, (1940) 84
1949	2	Keightley, Clifford J., Methodist Mission, Tari, via Medang
	-	Territory of New Guinea F.M.
1916	S	Kendon, Charles H., 99 Avondale Road, Greenmeadows,
1000	. 6	Napier, (1954) 65 Kent, Arthur T., 124 Devonport Road, Tauranga, C.F. 44
1929 1924		Kings, Harry S., 64 Station Rd., Otahuhu, Auckland, S.E.7 12
1927		Larsen, Norman P., 15 Verran Place, Bryndwr, Christchurch,
1021		N.W.I 111
1927	17	Laurenson, Geo. I., Kakariki Ave., Mt. Eden,
		Auckland, S.I
1912		Lawrence, Frederick B., Sadlier St., Stoke, Nelson (1949) 95
1887	S	Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D., Foundation Fellow of Trinity
1000		College, 4 Tahuri Rd., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1931) 5
1938	4	Laws, William R. M.A., B.D., 524 Church Street, Palmerston North
1930	3	Leadley, E. Clarence, 463 Gladstone Road, Gisborne 67
1900		Leadley, Frank E., 7 Fowlers Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland,
		S.E.2. (1940) 6
1953	3	LeCouteur, E. Raymond, Box 41 Kaeo, Northland 25
1942	3	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D., Trinity College, Grafton,
		Auckland, C.3
1939		Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th., 112 Cambridge St., Levin 91 Luxton, Clarence T. J., Queen Street, Wajuku 17
1935	2	Luxton, Clarence T. J., Queen Street, Waiuku 17 Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip. Ed., Wesley College,
1948	8	Paerata, Auckland 15
1934	2	Matthews, Howard C., B.A., 8 Madeira Steps, Napier, C.F. 65
1909		McArthur, John D., 47 Rogers St., Blenheim (1949) 98

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1946	3	McDonald, D. I. Alister, Methodist Mission, Choiseul,	
		British Solomon Islands	[7]
1930	5	McDowell, Matthew A., 77 Pretoria St., Lower Hutt	84
1924	1	McGregor, Robert, Arney Street, Paeroa	33
1953	2	McKay, Archibald W., Auckland Street, Picton	98
1952	2	Mead, Arthur W. R., 27 Heaton Street, Timaru	124
1916	36	Metcalfe, John R., Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo,	[5]
1935	8	British Solomon Islands	47
1935	8	Moore, Harry, 105 Queen Street, Richmond, Nelson	95
1931	1	Moore, William E., 19 Exeter St., Lyttelton	113
1942	5	Morrison, William J., M.A., 142 North St., Timaru	123
1918	S	Neal, Wallace S., 61 Mathiesons Rd., Linwood, Christehu	
		E.1. (1953)	105
1911	S	Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S., 39 Allendale R	oad,
			2
1953	3	Newman, Alan, Main Road, Greytown	87
1954	1	Newton, Alan H.V., Wesley Tce., Te Kuiti	49
1949	3	Nuttall, A. Roger, B.A., 8 Cambridge Street, Gonville	62
1937	3	Wanganui Norwell, Leslie T., 60 Norton Park Ave., Lower Hutt	
1937		Odell, Henry J., Seaview Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland S.	
1910	8	(1953)	6
1939	4	Oldfield, Charles B., 68 Firth Street, Hamilton East	
1910	S	Olds, Charles H., B.A., 21 Alpha Street, Cambridge (195	
1915	6	Olds, E. Thomas, 92 Liardet Street, New Plymouth	53
1949	5	Olds, J. Stanley, Port Albert, Wellsford R.D	26
1946	5	Olds, Norman W., 30 Church Street, Te Aroha	35
	2	Olds, O. McLennan, 46 Beresford St., Roslyn, Dunedin	137
1920		Orchard, Hector C., 8 Seddon Street, Timaru (1947)	122
1933		Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E., C.F., Box 5104, Auckland C.1.	2
1953	3	Osborne, John H., 125 Ireland Road, Panmure, Aucklan	
1902	Q	S.E.2 Oxbrow, Walter J., 66 Elizabeth Street, Rotorua (1938)	5
1902	··· 8	Parker, Francis H., 100 West Street, Fielding	75
1917	S	Parker, Frederick J., 11 Plymouth Street, Wanganui	60
1931		Parker, Gordon, M.A., Ph.D. Kawerau, Bay of Plenty	52
1918	S	Parker, James W., 143 St. John's Road, Meadowbank,	
		Auckland, S.E.3. (1950)	5
1929	., 4	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Rd., Epsom, Auckland S.I	E.3. 3
1930	3	Parker, Wesley, M.A., B.D., C.F., 10 New Bond Street,	
		Kingsland, Auckland	1
1902	S	Patchett, Ernest D., 36 Orakau Ave., Epsom, Auckland,	
1092		S.E.3. (1945)	5
1933 1931	1	Patchett, Ralph E., 19 Regent Street, Hawera	57
1931		Payne, Herbert W., 8 King Edward St., Eltham Peart, Cuthbert F., Marchant Street, Putaruru	42
1952	2	Penman, John A., 107 Dyers Pass Road, Cashmere,	46
2002		Christehurch	103
1927	5	Penn, Athol R., 57 Glenfield Road, Birkenhead, Aucklan	
		N.5	10
1938	4	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 54 Chester St., Christchurch, C	
1925	5	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh,	
10.00		Dunedin, S.2	135
1949	1	Pratt, R. Hori, B.A., 54 Glasgow Street, Wanganui	61
1943	s	Prosser, Frederick O., 34 Stoke Street, Sumner,	107
1897	S	Christchurch (1948) Pybus, T. Arthur, 269 Main Road, Ravensbourne,	107
1001	0	Dunedin (1939)	. 135

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1954		2	Rakena, Ruawai P., Waima, Hokianga		[1]	
		2	Ramage, Ian C.E., M.A., 30 Matai Street, Hamilton		38	
1950		6	Ramsay, Phillip D., R.N.Z.A.F. Station, Woodbourne,			
1000			Blenheim		98	
1901			Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow Trinity College,		00	
1001		~	34 Alexis Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2. (1941)		6	
1951		1	Raynor, Charles H., Ashhurst		74	
1927		5	Raynor, Ivo M., 43 Queen Street, Cambridge		37	
1952			Reid, Ian W., 24 Passmore Crescent, Maori Hill, Dunedin			
1002					133	
1911		S	N.E.1. Richards, H. Leslie, Leeston (1948)		115	
1910		S	Richards, James, 59 Quinn's Road, Shirley, Christchurch		-	
			(1951)		105	
1906		S	Roberts, Charles M., 286 South Road, New Plymouth			
			(1945)		53	
1955		1	Rigg, Frank S., 3 Delta Street, Roslyn, Dunedin		131	
1947			Riseley, Benjamin H., 53 Fuller Street, Kaiapoi		116	
1942			Rogers, Ranginohoora, 519 Mt. Albert Road, Auckland,			
			8.1		[1]	
1911		S	Rowe, William, 5 Cavendish Square, Strathmore, Welling	gtor		
			E.5. (1949)		81	
1951		2	Ruck, Idris J., Hassard Street, Manaia	i.	58	
1954		1	Rushton, Percy P., 43 Jellicoe Road, Manurewa		14	
1906		S	Ryan, Henry, 8 Burns Road, Napier (1943)		65	
1916		S	Sage, Ernest E., C/o W. L. Long, McArthur St., Levin ()	1955	5) 6	
1950		3	Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., 811 George St., Dunedin, N.	.1	132	
1900		S	Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A., 9 Elmwood Road, Fendaltor			
		~	Christchurch, N.W.1 (1940)		103	
1912	••	S	Scrivin, Arthur H., "Roviana" 16 Empire Road, Epsom,		-	
1000		C	Auckland, S.E.3. (1952)	••	52	
1903		S	Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G., Box 400, Hamilton (1939)	••		
2020		5 S	Shapcott, Leonard, Mowatt Street, Waitara Sharp, Harold A., 20 Konini Street, Rotorua (1947)	• •	54 43	
1952	::	3	Shaw, Harry I., Fraser Crescent, Upper Hutt	••	85	
1946		9	Shepherd, Trevor, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Vella Lavell		00	
1010			British Solomon Islands	ice,	[6]	
1944		2	Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 170 West Coast Road, Glen E	den		
			Auckland		7	
1927		2	Silvester, A. Wharton E., (M.M.), Box 12, Ruawai			
			Northland		22	
1938		2	Silvester, John, M.A., 83 Kolmar Street, Papatoetoe		13	
		3	Skuse, Thomas, 12 Wesley Street, Pukekohe		15	
1915		3	Slade, William G., M.A., D.D., 3 Repton St., Merivale,			
1000		~	Christchurch, N.W.1	• •	111	
1923		S	Spencer, Herbert, 24 Hipango Terrace Ext., Durie Hill,		00	
1050			Wanganui (1949) Spindler, Sidney J., 10 Onslow Street, Huntly		60	
	••	4	Spindler, Sidney J., 10 Unslow Street, Huntly	•••	40	
$1951 \\ 1947$	••	3 3	Stead, Peter A., 38 Cranford Street, Christchurch, N.1. Stewart, Edmond S., De Merle St., Kaikohe	2.	111 27	
1953	••	2	AL 13 TO 11 AL 10 CT 11 AL 373		94	
1955		ĩ	Tauroa, Lane M., B.A., Kawhia, King Country		04	
1954		2	Tahere, Te Awha W., 37 Breakwater Road, New Plymon	uth	(4)	
1924		ŝ	Tayler, Cecil R., 82 Moncks' Spur, Redcliffs, Christchurg			
-			S.E.3. (1955)	-	107	
1911		S	Te Tuhi Eruera, O.B.E., Oturei, Aratapu, Nth. Wairoa (19)	54)]		
1941		2	Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 42 Malfroy Road, Rotorua		43	
1946		4	Thompson, George R., E.D., 33 Wicksteed St., Wanganu	i	60	
1951		4	Thompson, John H., Paparoa, Northland		20	
1955		1	Thornicroft, Neville, Bombay, Auckland		16	

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1935	. 6	Thornley, Robert, M.A., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland C.3.	1
1908	8	Tinsley, Robert B., 77 Fox Street, Hamilton (1949)	38
1951	. 4	Toothill, Harry W., Paraparaumu	93
1954	. 2	Trebilco, David L., Wairoa, Hawkes Bay	68
1952	ī	Trebilco, George R., Bertram St., Warkworth, Northland	19
1953	2	Turner, Edgar G. P., Methodist Church, Wairoa, H.B.	68
1927	5	Utting, Harry V., 64 Albert Street, Pahiatua	71
1926	30	Voyce, A. Harry, Buin Bay, Bougainville, Terr. of New	
		Guinea	[8]
1912	S	Walker, William, E.D., 54 St. John's Road, Remuera,	re1
		Auckland, S.E.2 (1945)	5
1954	2	Watson, Alexander C., Taihape	63
1939	. 2	Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., Box 34, Sanson Manawatu	
1000		C.F	76
1914	2	Werren, Samuel J., 38 Sealey Street, Thames	31
1938		Whitfield, Harris, 229a Ponsonby Road, Auckland, W.2,	
1000		C.F	4
1931	9	Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D., "Leigh House", Trinity	
			h.C.
1943	2	Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, 88 Linwood Ave., Christchurch, E.1.	105
1942	1	Willing, Leonard V., 77 Shirley Road, Shirley, Christchurch	
		N.E.1	105
1935	6	Witheford, Arthur R., B.A., 5 Chapman Street, Invercargil	1,
		C.F	141
1953	S	Woodnutt, Alfred G., 456 South Road, Dunedin, S.1	133
1950	1	Woodfield, Frank H., Tukapa St., Westown, New Plymouth	h 53
1950	2	Woodfield, Owen T., Willowby R.D., Ashburton	129
1941	5	Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., 39 Washington Avenue	
		Brooklyn, Wellington	78
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1914	 12	Rakena, Rakena P., Waihi Road, Hawera	[4]
1920	 S	Tauroa, Matarae, Pupuke, Kaeo, Northland (1954)	[1]
1941	 S	Kukutai, Ngatete Kerei, Gibson's Rd., Tuakau (1954)	[1]
1944	 9	Taufa, John, Kieta, South Bougainville, New Guinea	[8]
1944	 8	Palavi, Daniel, Tearaka, Private Bag, Kekesu, Bougainville	[9]
1944	 1	Piani, Timothy, Senga, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands	[7]
1949	 1	Pita, Kemueli, Tonu, Siwai South, Bougainville, New Guinea	[8]
1953	 2	Vula, Aisake, Honiara, British Solomon Islands	[5]
1955	 1	Bitibule, John Veo, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands	[5]

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HOME MISSIONARIES

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1909-7	C. W. Featherstone (Retired) 2 Roy Tce., New Plymouth		18
1917-4	A. L. Whitheford, (Retired) 14 Claude St., Claudelands, Hamilt	on	21
1919_J	. W. Bayliss (Retired). Awaroa Rd. Henderson, Auckland		17
1922-1	I. Ashworth, (Retired) 571 South Rd. New Plymouth		19
1922-0	. Robinson (Retired), 108 McGrath St. Napier.		4
1924-I	R. T. Alexander (Retired), Pah Rd. Motueka.		4
1924-1	V. H. Wilson (Retired), 19 Rangitoto Tce. Takapuna, Auckland,	N.2	. 17
1925-1	V. J. Henderson, 78 Church Street, Mosgiel		1
1925-I	I. J. Malcolm (Retired), 31 Blair Avenue, Christchurch, N.W.2		15
1926-1	V. Sussex (Retired), Bayswater, Auckland, N.2.		17
1928-I	R. Coombridge (Retired),, Stanmore Bay, Silverdale, North		
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1939-H. R. Wright, Okato, Taranaki		1
1940-W. J. Bryant, 49 King Street, Whakatane		3
1911-L. D. G. Sharp (Leave of Absoluce), 1.0. Dox 20, 10a marma,		
Marlborough		2
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1944-C. E. Roke, Westgate Street, Ngaruawahia, Waikato	• •	1
1946-O. L. Christian, 264 Clyde Street, Balclutha.	• •	5
1946—W. E. Sleep (Retired), Raetihi (Supply 8th year).	••	10
1947—F. J. Climo, Belvedere Street, Te Puke 1948—H. Prowse, P. O. Box 6, Halcombe	••	44
1948—H. Prowse, P. O. Box 6, Halcombe		1
1953—F. A. Fitzsimons, Inglewood, Taranaki.	11	3
1951-I. G. Fowler, 62 Tancred Street, Hokitika.		1
1953—F. A. Fitzsmons, inglewood, Tatalaki		4
HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS		
1953—A. G. Reid, Ngatea, Hauraki Plains.	· · .	3
1953-Rushton, M.F. (Miss) 44 Weybridge Crescent, Glen Innes, Auck	land	*2
E.2. 1954—Barker, P. S. Methodist Parsonage, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay.	••	
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1954—Widdup, R. W., Apiti, Manawatu	**	ĩ
1955—Walls, J. F. C/o Methodist Church, Hikurangi.		i
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HOME MISSIONARY "SUPPLIES"		
Ian D. Grant-(Non-resident Student of Trinity College) 19 Schofield	St.,	
Grey Lynn, Auckland.		
F. E. Trim, Methodist Parsonage, Waikouaiti, Otago.		
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1948_Noury Winikerei, Marakopa, King Country	8
1950-Maharaia Winiata, Ph.D., Cleek Road, Mangere	, Auckland 6
1950-Enoka Marumaru, Aramiro, Waikato	0
1950-Houtai Mita Hohepa, P.O. Box 169, Kaikohe	6
1950-Te Iwikau Waaka, Otaramarae, P.O. Rotorua	6
1051 Tutes Ran Te Hoe, South Auckland	5
1951-Pukerau Rangitutia, C/o Oliver Bros., Arohena,	Te Awamutu 5
1952_Matene Hori de Thierry, Rangiriri, Walkato	*
1952-Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, Whatawhata, Waika	to 4
1952-Hone Wilcox, 81 Premier Ave., Pt. Chevaller, A	uckland *
1952-J. Hatoitoi Pihama, Higgins Road, Frankton Ju	inction 4
1952-Hohepa Hemara, Carter's Road, Hikurangi	4
1952-Tutu Keepa, Thomas Street, Ngaruawhaia, Wai	kato 4
1953-Hohepa Timohu Hona, Pureora, King Country.	3
1954—Alexander Grahame Kahui, Thomas Street, Nga	ruawahia, Waikato. 2
1954-Te Akonga Pihama, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.	2
1955-Wera Couch, Rapaki, Lyttelton.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

DEACONESSES

1921-Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main Road, Papanui, Christchurch, N.W.2

- 1921-Sister Margaret Nicholls, 17 Owairaka Avenue, Auckland, S.W.2.
- 1928-Sister Rita Snowden, "West Hills" Titirangi Road, Titirangi
- Auckland
- 1929-Sister Airini Hobbs, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia.
- 1928-Sister Ivy Jones, Box 5023, Auckland
- 1933-Sister Olive Bott, Paihia, Bay of Islands.
- 1935-Sister Madeline Holland, "Kurahuna" 110 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5
- 1936-Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Box 400, Hamilton
- 1939-Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, South Road, New Plymouth
- 1939-Sister Dorothy Pointon, 11 Pacific Ave., Mount Maunganui, Tauranga
- 1943-Sister Anne Wilson, 51 Victoria Street, Hawera
- 1944-Sister Ruth Hilder, C /o Post Office, Waima, Hokianga.
- 1945-Sister Jean Miller, 861 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland
- 1946-Sister Lucy Money, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands
- 1947-Sister Mavis Dickie, C/o Post Office, Otorohanga.
- 1947-Sister Margaret Taylor, 57 Essex Street, Masterton.
- 1948-Sister Rona Collins, Methodist Children's Home, Papanui, Christehurch
- 1948-Sister Grace Clement, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti
- 1949-Sister Rona Keightley, Dargaville.
- 1949-Sister Betty Yearbury, Longfellow Street, Opunake
- 1949-Sister Frances Smith, Box 400, Hamilton
- 1949-Sister Fiona Summerell, C /o Methodist Parsonage, Picton.
- 1950-Sister Te Atakohu Fitzpatrick, 8 Airedale Street, Auckland, C.1

1950-Sister Evelyn Taylor, Auckland.

- 1954-Sister Winnifred Bennett, Box 400, Hamilton.
- 1954-Sister Joyce Gribble, C /o Pitt Street Methodist Church, Auckland.
- 1954-Sister Mary Whitlow, C /o 524 Church Street, Palmerston North.
- 1955-Probationer Doreen Bulford, 35, Octagon, Dunedin.
- 1955-Probationer Gwenda Kennedy, Central Mission, Box 5104, Auckland.
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Sister Ada Lee, Methodist Mission, Kihili, Buin, Bougainville Terr. of New Guinea.

Sister Effie Harkness, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.

Sister Merle Carter, Methodist Mission, Tonu, Siwai, South Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea

Sister Lucy Money, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands.

Sister Davinia Clark, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands.

- Sister Jessie Grant, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands.
- Sister Myra Fraser, Methodist Mission, Bilua, Vella Lavell a,British Solomon Islands.

Sister Pamela Beaumont, Methodist Mission, Tonu, Siwai, South Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea.

Sister Nancy Ball, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands.

- Sister Helen Whitlow, Methodist Mission, Skotolan, Sohana, Terr. of New Guinea.
- Sister Thelma Duthie, Methodist Mission, Kekesu, Bougainville, Terr. of New Guinea.

Sister June Hilder, Methodist Mission, Skotolan, Sohana, New Guinea

Sister Rewa Williamson, Methodist Mission, Roviana, Gizo, British Solomon Islands.

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1909-	-Sister Ruth Fawcett.
1913-	-Mrs W. J. Williams.
1913-	-Sister May Barnett.
1914-	-Sister Annie Tocker.
1918-	-Sister Winifred Beaumon
1919-	-Sister May Ralph.
	-Sister Mildred West.
1923-	-Sister Lily White.
1927-	-Mrs C. B. Jones.
1928-	-Sister Olive Coleman.
1935-	-Mrs. H. Breed

(b) Missionary Sisters— 1924—Sister Lina Jones. 1927—Sister Grace McDonald 1936—Sister Edna White. 1938—Sister Merle Farland. 1945—Sister Winifred Poole

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	Fawkner, Melbourne
Abernethy, Christopher	Shetland Islands	1845	1879	29th April, 1927	Christehureh
Aldred, John	Suffolk, England	1818	1839	14th January, 1894	Christehureh
- Allen, Alexander	Christehurch, 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 Tararua
Ashcroft, Arthur	Lancashire, England	1869	1895	15th December, 1943	Palmerston North
Avery, William W.	Blenheim	1878	1906	15th March, 1954	Christchurch
Avrton, 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
Battey, Percy	Yorkshire, England	1886	1913	12th July, 1923	New Plymouth
Baumber, William	Lincolnshire, England	1852	1876	8th September, 1932	Christehurch
Bavin, Rainsford	Lincolnshire, England	1845	1866	2nd August, 1905	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Baxter, Matthew				lst 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

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Bowie, William S.	Scarsdale, Victoria	1865	1896	19th December, 1914	Victoria
Brasell, H. Maurice	Masterton, New Zealand	1910	1949	9th July, 1953	Napier
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	Christehurch
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	Christehurch
	Yorkshire, England	1860	1887	4th October, 1948	Dunedin
Clement, George Clover, James	Suffolk, England	1850	1874	7th December, 1919	Hamilton
Coatsworth, Thomas	Durham, England	1877	1902	21st March, 1953	Palmerston North
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	1828	1906	21st February, 1912	Matamata
Dawson, John	Keighly, Yorkshire, England	1859	1888		Wellington
Dawson, William	Northumberland, England	1865	1894	13th September, 1925 24th July, 1906	Christehureh
Dean, William John	Hereford, England	1805	1854	9th September, 1905	
Dellow, John		1820	1804		Wellington
	Kent, England			21st November, 1897	Woodend
Dewsbury, Henry R.	Alloa, Scotland	1849	1871	8th June, 1926	Auckland
Drake, Edward	Staffordshire, England	1868	1893	28th April, 1953	Christehureh
Dudley, Ben	London	1872	1898	1st January, 1948	Christehureh
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	Christehurch
Eketone, Hare	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Elliott, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland

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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
Fairclough, Paul W.	South Australia	1852	1874	17th April, 1917	Christehurch
Featherston, Jacob	Weardale, England	1864	1901	24th June, 1951	Christehureh
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
Goldie, John F.	Hobart	1870	1897	29th June, 1954	Melbourne.
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	Christehurch
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	Christehurch
Griffin, Samuel	London, England	1859	1882	19th December, 1937	Auckland
Grigg, William	Cornwall, England	1862	1888	3rd October, 1951	Christehurch
Guy, James	Kent, England	1855	1875	6th March, 1934	Christehurch
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	Christehureh	1888	1914	19th April, 1933	Christchurch
Harris, John	Cornwall, England	1874	1905	27th August, 1936	Christehureh
Harris, Walter	Warwickshire, England	1848	1872	9th March, 1926	Christchurch

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Harrison, Colin C.	Allendale, England	1867	1893	22nd November, 1943	Wellington	
Haylock, Donald C.	Bradford, England	1913	1946	30th July, 1954	Auckland	
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	
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	London	1855	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	
Jordan, Charles B., M.A., B.D.,	Motueka, New Zealand	1880	1908	19th Octber, 1593	Stoke, Nelson	
Jory, John D. F.R.E.S.	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		Christehureh	
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1825	1846	19th May, 1915	Wellington	
Knight, Percy N., B.A.	Norwood, 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	Christehurch	
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.	
Laveock, William	Lancashire, England	1858	1884	13th November, 1927	Christehurch	
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	Christehureh	
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	

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Luke, James Henry	St. Just, Cornwall, England	1860	1920	22nd November, 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A., C.M.G.	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1881	28th January, 1921	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall, M.R.C.S.	Yorkshire, England	1810	1876	27th February, 1887	York, England
Macfarlane, Samuel	Liverpool, England	1828	1852	25th June, 1898	Christehurch
Mann, George, Henry	. Yorkshire, England	1868	1894	26th October, 1918	Gore
Marshall, George T.	Warwickshire, England	1853	1883	2nd August, 1938	Auckland
Marten, William Benjamin	Essex, England	1847	1871	15th February, 1907	Hutt
Martin, J. Frederick	Waimate	1879	1908	28th July, 1952	Wanganui
Mather, Joseph John	Leeds, England	1854	1883	8th November, 1921	Auckland
McBean, Angus	Ballarat, Victoria	1876	1904	4th May, 1947	Christehurch
McNicoll, David	Liverpool, England	1843	1868	8th June, 1925	Auckland
Mercer, Victor Stanley	Adelaide, S.A.	1888	1920	7th December, 1923	Bluff
Metson, Basil	Temuka	1879	1905	8th February, 1952	Rangiora
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	Christehurch
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

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Pickering, William B.	Staffordshire, England	1881	1881	1st November, 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas, D.D.	Manchester, England	1855	1876	30th July, 1933	Wellington
Potter, William Smith	London, England	1854	1836	30th January, 1929	Auckland
Pratt, M.A., Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6th March, 1946	Christehurch
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
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
e 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	Mooroopna, Victoria	1879	1905	13th August, 1948	Christehureh
Richards, Thomas R.	Wodonga, Victoria	1867	1895	9th January, 1944	Wellington
Richardson, John B.	Nottingham, England	1840	1864	29th April, 1881	Drowned in Tararua
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	Grevtown

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Smith, John	Prince Edward Island	1835	1862	19th August, 1926	Auckland
Southern, John	Oldham, England	1874	1899	23rd December, 1933	Christchurch
Speer, William H.	Bergalia, N.S.W.	1874	1908	18th February, 1954	Rotorua
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
Taylor, Robert	Rochdale, Lancashire, England	1839	1866	28th May, 1918	Christehurch
Thomas, James	Hobart, Tasmania	1846	1871	14th May, 1926	Melbourne, Victoria
Thomas, Thomas E., M.A.	Auburn, S.A.	1851	1876	6th March, 1909	Christehurch
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	Turakina
Ward, Charles Ebenezer	New Plymouth, New Zealand	1846	1870	24th August, 1935	Christehurch
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	Wellington
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

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
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
Woolloxalt, 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

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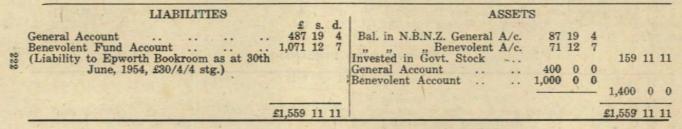
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NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION General Account

RECEIPTS July 1, 1953 To Credit Balance	£ s. d. 12 4 8 100 0 0 12 0 0 27 13 1 £151 17 9		8 2 0 0 14 3 16 0 19 4
Be July 1, 1953 To Balance	1100000	July 1, 1953 £ By Donation Wellington Branch 20 " Transfer to General A/c. for Govt. Stock 100 " Balance 71 £191 £191	0 0 0 0 12 7
C	Food Parce	els Account	
July 1, 1953 To Balance	£ s. d. 14 16 6 23 15 0 £38 11 6	" Balance	s. d 0 (13 10 17 8

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954



Audited and found correct. R. G. PEARCE. 10th Sept., 1954.

	Inco	me an	dE	xpe	enditure Account	har		
To 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27	Directors' Salaries	84 71 141 572 105 2 12 80 237 112 51 1,480 449 £4,548	18 18 0 7 17 14 17 14 13 8 2	10 2 1 0 11 0 3 8 2 2 1 0 3 0 8 2 2 1 0 3 8 2 2 1 0 3 8 2 2 1 0 8 2 2 1 0 8 8 2 2 1 0 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	By Circuit Contributions "Interest" "Grant—Connexional Fire Ins. Fund "Trading Profit	£ 3,157 12 100 1,277 £4,548	14 0 13	3 e 0 11
	A THE PARTY AND A THE PARTY	Appro	opri	iati	on Account			
To	Accumulated Fund	£ 449		d. 0	By Excess Income over Expenditure trans- ferred from I. and E. Account	£ 449	s. 8	d. 0
		£449	8	-		£449	8	(

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND-YOUTH DEPARTMENT

. 1	Т	rad	ing	Account
To Stock on Hand 30/6/53 "Purchases" "Sales in Advance, 1954" "Gross Profit"	£ 700 5,317 1,655 2,264	0 14 2	028	By Sales in Advance, 1953 1,598 8 " Stock in Hand, 30/6/54 1,083 10 " Sales 7,239 12 " Film Hire 16 2
	£9,937	13	0	£9,937 13
To Administrative Expenses Transfer "Surplus Profit to Income and Expen- ture Account	ndi-	2		By Gross Profit 2,264 16
	£2,264	16	2	£2,264 16

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND-YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Administrative and General Expenses

To Office Salaries	£ s. d. 354 1 10 By Duplicating Services , Allocation of Adminis'tive & Gen. Ex.: Income & Expenditure 3-5ths. Trading Account 2-5ths.	1,480 13	5 3
£2,'	701 11 11	£2,701 11	11

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND-YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

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LIABILITI		ASSETS	£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors	£ s. d. £ s. 1.360 11	d. P.O.S.B.: 4 Special Appeal Fund	212	12	1
Loans-H.M.B. secured by:		Car Fund	6	2	ĝ
Mtge. on Chch. Property	1,359 16		111	16	5
Mtge. on Wgtn. Property	1,215 4		144	17	1
Special Reserves:		Parsonage Furniture Fund	553	7	11
Special Appeal	1,481 7 1	General Fund	24	16	11
Motor Car	376 2 9	Special Purposes Fund	262	13	6
Special Purposes	262 13 6	Sundry Debtors £4,179 2 6			
Temperance Education	23 11 9	Less Sales in Advance £1,655 2 8			
Missions	93 3 1		2,523	_	
New Ventures		Car Advance-Senior Director	370	0	0
Parsonage Extension	144 17 1	Stock in Hand		10	0
Parsonage Furniture	553 7 11	Chch. Property (Cost less Depreciation)	1,675	0	0
Trading Account	700 0 0	7 Wgtn. Property ()	374		0
National Bank of N.Z., Ltd.	3,746 19 383 10		3,148	6	8
Accumulated Fund:	565 10	Faminment / " "	128 640	05	9
	4,276 12 5	Films		17	2
Appropriation Account	449 8 0	Loan to Transport Trust Board (Special	114		-
	4,726 0	5 Appeal)	1.250	0	0
		-			-
and the second s	£12,792 2 1	0	12,792	2	10

AUDITOR'S REPORT: We report that we have audited the Books and Accounts of the Youth Department of the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the twelve months ended 30th June, 1954, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. We have accepted the certificate of Miss Yearbury as to the value of the stock on hand and unused. 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 Youth Department's affairs as at 30/6/54, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Department.

WELLINGTON,

1st October, 1954.

PATTRICK, FEIST, JACK & MIDDLEBROOK, Public Accountants Auditors.

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METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING & LOAN FUND Revenue Account for the year ended 31st May, 1954

EXPENDITURE		£	s.	d.	INCOME	£	s.	d,
To Amount of Loans as at 31st May, 1953 New Loans Advanced		22891 5250		10 .0	By Loans Repaid Amount of Loans as at 31/5/54	4658 23482		6 4
the state of the state of the state	£	28141	1	10	a second s	£28141	1	10
and the second		SIT	ES	FUN	DACCOUNT	1		
GRANTS FOR SITES- Rothesay Bay	0 0	0 0 - 150 231 £381	7	0 4 4	DONATIONS- Home Mission Board	-	0	4
	1	ADMI	NIST	TRA	TION ACCOUNT	1	12	
Rates on Sites		2 425 115	0	6 0 0 0			6 14 6 4	
		£542	18	6	and the state of the second second	£54	2 18	6

and the second s	Balance Sheet as a	t 31st May, 1954.					
LIABILITIES Accumulated Funds as at 31/5/53 19600 Grant from Fire Ins. Fund 200	0 0 0 0 	ASSETS Outstanding Loans less Working Expenses 1327 7 less Interest 47 7		7 11	-		
Peace Thanksgiving Fund CAPITAL ACCOUNT BEQUESTS Thomas Emsley1500 0 0 H. Herbert Wake 50 0 0 David Graham 50 0 0	3000 0 0	DEPOSITS— Bank of New Zealand SPECIAL LOANS ACCOUNT—	1374 1		23482 3027	12 7	
David Graham 50 0 0 Wm. H. Duke 100 0 0 Samuel Lawry 50 0 0 Geo. Winstone 1000 0 0 Thomas Fee 50 0 0 W. G. Andrews 100 0 0	. 0	Bank of New Zealand TRUST ACCOUNT-			200	0	0
Mrs. E. M. Winston- Blackwell 500 0 0 Anonymous 100 0 0 Mr. & Mrs. L. Philpott 10 0 0 Rev. J. Olphert 100 0 0 Anonymous 50 0 0		Deposits :-Supernumerary Fund Bank of New Zealand STTES FUND ACCOUNT- Deposit P.O.S.B. Supernumerary Fund	1186 1 141		5 803	10 0	6 0
Anonymous 50 0 810 0 Est. P. J. Keightly 810 0 TRUST ACCOUNT (Properties Sold) Sirres FUND ACCOUNT— As at 31st May, 1953 414 2 Increase 231 7		Bank of New Zrealand Overdraft ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT (as per Balance at 31 /5 /53 less deficit 31 /5 /54	189 256	4 8	892 300	00	6 0
Peace Thanksgiving Fund ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL ACCOUNT— as per Contra	* 645 9 10 246 10 8 300 0 0 £28710 11 0	Hymn Book Commission less overdraft Bank of N.Z.		6 10 3 8 3 8	28710	11	0

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund and certify to their correctness. 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, 1954. CHRISTCHURCH, 17/9/54

H. L. FIEBIG, H. deR. FLESHER, Treasurers

H. F. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z. R. H. SHERRIS, Auditors.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

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1953		£	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
				-				
				7				
				~				
" Balance at Credit P.O.S.B.				-				
		2,544	10	0				
				-				*
To Rent and Interest Collected		4,380	10	8				
				-				
and the second s				2.8				
				12				
the second s					penses 80 11 3		-	
					mi la ini dallar martine			1
				-	" Ineological College Trustees			.0
					" Deposit in National Savings Account	2,020	10	0
- Contraction of the second					" Deposit in P.O. Savings Account	100	9	0
- and the second s					" Balance at Credit Bank of New Zealand	178	9	1
	4	89 170	6	3	A State of the sta	£9,170	6	3
the second se	3	19,170	0	ð		23,110	0	
	June 30 To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z. " Cash in Hand " Balance at Credit P.O.S.B. " Balance at Credit National Savings 1954 June 30	June 30 To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z " Cash in Hand " Balance at Credit P.O.S.B " Balance at Credit National Savings 1954 June 30 To Rent and Interest Collected	June 30 To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z 198 " Cash in Hand	June 30 To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z 198 13 " Cash in Hand 9 " Balance at Credit P.O.S.B 2,037 12 " Balance at Credit National Savings 2,544 10 1954 June 30 To Rent and Interest Collected 4,380 10	June 30 To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z. 198 13 7 , Cash in Hand 9 0 0 , Balance at Credit P.O.S.B. 2,037 12 0 , Balance at Credit National Savings 2,544 10 0 1954 June 30	June 30 To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z 198 13 7 " Cash in Hand	June 30To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z.198 13 7, Cash in Hand9 0 0, Balance at Credit P.O.S.B.2,037 12 0, Balance at Credit National Savings2,544 10 01954June 30June 30To Rent and Interest CollectedTo Rent and Interest Collected4,380 10 8June 30Secretary's Salary100 00Land Tax <td>June 30To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z.198 13 7, Cash in Hand, Cash in Hand, Balance at Credit P.O.S.B, Balance at Credit National Savings2,037 12 0, Balance at Credit National Savings1954June 30To Rent and Interest CollectedTo Rent and Interest Collected4,380 10889991954June 30To Rent and Interest Collected100 00100 0100 0101 0101 0102 10103 10104 10105 10105 10105 10106 10107 10108 10109 10109 10109 10100 10100 10100 10101 10</td>	June 30To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z.198 13 7, Cash in Hand, Cash in Hand, Balance at Credit P.O.S.B, Balance at Credit National Savings2,037 12 0, Balance at Credit National Savings1954June 30To Rent and Interest CollectedTo Rent and Interest Collected4,380 10889991954June 30To Rent and Interest Collected100 00100 0100 0101 0101 0102 10103 10104 10105 10105 10105 10106 10107 10108 10109 10109 10109 10100 10100 10100 10101 10

L. KNIGHT, Auditors. J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

Auckland, 22/7/54.

s. d.	Rents	£ s.
19 9	Interest	. 4,278 14 . 101 16 . 1,062 4
0 0 16 1 5 1		
1 9		£5,442 15
15 1		-
4 5 0 0 9 4	Balance—30th June, 1953	17,479 13
13 9		£17,479 13
	16 1 5 1 1 9 15 1 4 5 0 0 9 4	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

3	Dalan	ce onee	a a	10 0	it 30th June, 1994						-
	LIABILITIES	100			ASS	ETS			-1		
	Capital Account	£ 42,530	s. g	d.	£ s. d. Freehold Properties—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Income Account	12,000		-	Great North Road						
	Balance as at 30th June, 1954	14,917	9	4	Land	17,580	0	0			
	and the second s				Buildings . 37,640 7 3 Less Depn. 600 0 0						
						37,040	7	3			
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1			D . Office Carting Dark			-	54,620	7	3
					Post Office Savings Bank Deposit				28	9	8
010	The second s				Nat. Sav. A/c. No. 1/9552				2,620		
5					Bank of New Zealand Current Account .,				178	5	1
		£57,447	18	5					£57,447	18	5
	Memo:	5		-							-
	Liability-Rates for year ending 31/5/55		-	-							
	(approx.)	£730	4	5	and the second second				- CY	×	-

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1954, 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 vie w of the Board's position on the 30th June, 1954, as shown by the Books. J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.

A. R. MARTIN,

L. KNIGHT.

Auditors.

Auckland, 22/7/54.

M. IZZARD, Secretary.

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST

Statement of Receipts and Payments for 12 Months Ending 30th June, 1954

RECEIPTS	1	PAYM	ENTS		
£ s. d. £			£ s. d.		S. (
	9 19 4		. 283 15 2 . 681 19 10		
Less Rent in Advance 30/6/53 1	9 3 4	Rates to 31/5/54			
50	0 16 0	Insurance	404 45 44		
Rent Received 3,982 19 4	0 10 0	Land Tax	F1 10 0		
Add Rent in Advance:	- /	Salary for Rent Collection .	. 92 0 0		
British Israel 4 0 0	-	Sundry Expenses			
Stringer F.C 3 10 0	1.2			1,835	0 1
7 10 0	1		. 400 0 0		
2000 0 4	1	Refund of Mortgage .	. 1,500 0 0		0
Jaco Pant Unneide		Balance:		1,900	0
Less Rent Unpaid: Wong H. C 3 10 0	3-1-5-1		. 298 1 6		
Chandler & Co.	2 74 1		. 457 17 11		
Ltd 4 0 0					19
7 10 0	3.55				
	2 19 4				
Interest			-		
Auck. Sav. Bank	7 5 0			a start	
£4.49	1 0 4			£4,491	0
w1;10.					-
Memo	-				
Liabilities					
Bk of N.Z. Mtge. £6,000	0 0 0	attan man		-	-

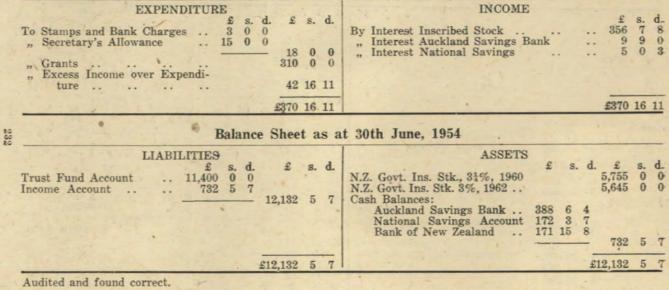
E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

P. DELLOW, Secretary.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Prince Albert College Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1954. In my opinion the above statement of Receipts and Payments correctly sets out the transactions for the period and as shown by the books. JOHN C. WIGGLESWORTH,

Auckland. 22nd July, 1954. B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor.

THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND BOARD Income and Expenditure Account from 1st July, 1953, to 30th June, 1954



E. A. ASTLEY. 25th August, 1954.

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st December, 1953

â	EXPENDITURE	1	INCOME		
To "" "" ""	General Expenses 130 3 Insurance 31 3 Travelling Expenses .14 4 Expenses re New Leases 61 16	90	By Rent	£ s. 1,154 7 678 10	d. 4
2	£1,832 17	5	£	1,832 17	5
To "	Rangiatea Maori College 600 0	303	By Balance Brought Down	1,142 13	6
-	£1,142 13	6	£	1,142 13	6

MASTERTON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

To Cash Remittances " Depreciation		£ 1,800 150	s. d. 0 0 0 0	By Interest on Investments "Transfer Legacies… "Revenue Account			611 804	17	11 10
a support and the support	PRI CAR	£1,950	0 0	NAL STRUCTURE OF STRUCT	-	-	£1,950	0	0

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1953

	and the second sec	LITIES £ s. d.	£ s.	d.	ASSET9 £	£	s.	d.
	DI ST. D	43,784 6 2 8 15 3			Masterton Property 8,600 Less Depreciation 150	0.450	0	
	Masterton Capital A/c Plus Bequests	001 48 40		5	Wellington Property Foxton Property N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock	8,450 16,113 617 22,042	0 6 0 16	902
234	Less Capital Expenditure Newcombe Trust Fund Plus Interest	15,991 13 10 236 8 10 51 5 0 5 5 0	15,755 5		", ", Newcombe Fund Investment Loans on Mortgage	51 6,530 1,000 121 1,230 1,192 1,801	5 0 0 4 0 17 6 11	000004000
	A ANA		£59,604 16	5	Rent & Interest Accrued	£59,604		5

I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Board of the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments for the year ended 31st December, 1953, and I have received all the information and explanations I have required. I certify 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 Board's affairs, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the said Books. WELLINGTON. 24th August, 1954. G. T. WITHERS, F.R.A.N.Z., Auditor.

		Statement of Rec				TRUST for the Year Ended 30th June, 1954								
		To Interest from Nation		5 s.		1954 June 30 By Balance £57 0 0								
235	June 30 1	June 30 To Balance in Hand												
	1954 June 30 1	Fo Capital	£1,90	0 0	0	1954 June 30 By Deposit at National Savings Investment Account No. 1/9553 £1,900 0 0								
	Audited a	and found correct. T. L. HAMES, Aud	litor. Auckland.			J. H. BLACKWELL, Treasurer.								

KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ending 30th June, 1954

T. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	EXPENDITURE Remittances: Home Mission Dept Rangiatea College Trust Deposits in National Savings Land Tax Sundries	INCOME By Balance as at 30/6/53 "Rent	£ 8 311	s. d. 3 2 0 6	
0000	and the second sec	E319 3 8	PLACEMENT ACCOUNT	£319	3 8
T	o Amount Credited in National Savings	£ s. d. 968 6 11	By Balance in National Svgs. A/c. (30/6/53) " Deposits in Nat. Savings A/c " Interest to 30/6/54	841	
-		£968 6 11	and the part of the second	£968	6 11

GEORGE R. THOMPSON, Chairman.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary.

We have examined the Cash Book, Vouchers and Bank Statements and certify that the above statement is correct. D. R. SMART, A.R.A.N.Z.

J. DRAKE. Auditors.

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GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS		
To Balance Forward ", Rentals ", Noting Fees ", Rent Dwelling ", Allotment Fee	£ s. d. £ s. d. 1,427 1 6 8 8 0	£ s. d. By Rates 49 9 1 ", Printing & Stationery 8 12 6 ", Renovations to Dwelling	£ 1,102 679	s. d. 4 7 3 4
the second second	£1,781 7 11		£1,781	7 11
	CONTINGENT			
	Advances from H.M. Board Less: Repayments	£ s. d. 7,850 0 0 1,727 14 7		
	Balance due as at 30/6/54 .	£6,122 5 5	2.12	-

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ending 30th June, 1954

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing Statement of Receipts and Payments for the period year ended 30th June, 1954. All receipts as shown by the Secre tary'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.

G. V. DUFF, Auditor.

New Plymouth. 11th August, 1954.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

ROBERT GIBSON TRUST Assets and Liabilities as at 30th June, 1954

Assets and Liabilities	SET				1			-	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d
Cash as per Accounts Shares:		-					11,165	3	8
Kaponga Co-operative Dairy Co. Ltd605 £1 fully paid							Ascer		led
Implements: (Top Farm)									
6-cow G.V.B. milking plant				85		0			
21 Anderson Engine				26		0			
Electric water heater Switchboard				13 3		0			
Pressure pump and housing					14	9			
Less:				223	14	9			
Depreciation to 30.6.53	98	12	9		-				
Depreciation to 30.6.54	12	10	2						
- the state of the	-			111	2	11	112	11	10
Implements (Lower Farm)									
L.K.G. milking plant and				415	0	0			
cooler, water heater and pump				415	8	9			
Less: Depreciation to 30.6.53	135	5	10						
Depreciation to 30.6.54	28		3						-
Realty:				163	6	1		1	
(a) Section 77, Block X, Kaupo-						-	252	2	8
konui S.D.									
Area: 259 acres, 2 roods, 30									
perches. C.T.: 46/67.									
(b) Section 97, Block X, Kaupo-									
konui S.D.									
Area: 60 acres. C.T.: 37/250.									
Govt. valuation 29.2.52 (a)									
and (b): Unimproved £8,290, Im-									
provements £14,770, Capi-									
tal							28,060	0	0
(Valuation does not include		she	d	£150	j. 1	vas	hhouse	a	nd
new buildings, draining and				hed					
fencing improvements, etc.,	-		-					10	
carried out in recent years).	8	cre	s.		1		cimatel		
Top Farm: approximately 159	SI						nes and		
acres.					rece	ive	60% of	m	IK
Sharemilker: D. O'Leary, who receives 60% of milk cheques.	T		que		ra f	rom	1.7.52		
Term: 3 years expiring 30.6.56.	In	sur	and	e: 1	Cara	inal	ci Far	me	rs'
Insurance: National Insurance		Mu	tua	1. D	well	ling	ki Far £2,000	, co	w
Co. Dwelling £950, sleeping room £50, milking shed £400,		and	W	agg	on	she	d £550,	, co	n-
room £50, milking shed £400,		ten	ts	of c	ows	hed	£210,	ma	n-
implement shed and store	TITIT		an	a in	prei	men	it shed	120	0.
LIABI	LITI	ES	-	12	-		-	-	-
Administration Expenses: Including remuneration of Ad-									1
Including remuneration of Ad- visory Trustees				No	min	al.			
				-		1			

Public Trustee's Charge for Ad-ministration: Balance commission

At Scale Rates.

METHODIST CHURCH CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st May, 1954

EXPENDITU		INCOME				
To Office Expenses: Authorised Appropriation Stationery & General Ex- penses Claims Account Balance to Profit & Loss Appropriation Account		By Premiums & Commission " Mortgage Interest	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$			
Strength and and and and	£4,729 15 5	and the product of the second	£4,729 15 5			

Profit and Loss Appropriation Account, 31st May, 1954

	o Transfer, Fire Loss Reserve Transfer Investment Contingency serve	7 Re-	1,500 200 1,880	0 0 0	0	" Transfer from Revenue Account	£ 170 3,790		
1	a gentle and the second	1	£3,961	5	5	and the second	£3,961	5	5

		Dala	nce one	era	10 0	at 515t May, 1554			1		_
LIABILITIES Accumulated Funds Fire Loss Reserve	£ 13,615	s. d.	33,500	s. 0	d. 0	ASSETS Mortgage Investments Interest Accrued	3,217	s. d. 18 8 10 0	£	s.	d.
Fire Loss Reserve Plus Provision		0.0		0	0	Debenture Investments	43,715	0 0	3,228	8	8
Investment Contingency Re-		19 4 10 0				Interest Accrued Connexional Office Deposit	438	15 2	44,153	15	2
Less Premium	1,653	9 4				A/c Children's Fund Loan			761 150	-	0
Plus Appreciation		10 0 19 4				Deposits: P.O. Savings Bank Supernumerary Fund	1,089 4,586				
Plus Provision		0 0		19	4	Levies in Arrear:		15 1	5,676 943		
Profit & Loss Appropria- tion A/c.			381		50	Govt. Earthquake & W.D. due			667	8	-
Grants Recommended Levies prepaid Natural Calamities Fund:			1,880 74		7	Subsidy due (Contingent Fund)			25	0	
Balance at 31.5.53 Grants:	1,125					Commission due Supernumerary Fund prem-	<u>×</u>		63	-	
Fire Insce. Fund Contingent Fund H.M. Fund	100 25 25	0 0 0 0 0 0	6 · · ·			iums due			165	1	10
Interest	- 00	7 11	1,314		1						
Sundry Creditors Bank of New Zealand			204 1,504		58	and a start of the				-	-
			£55,833	17	6	the state of the state of the state of the			£55,833	17	(

METHODIST CHURCH CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND Ralance Sheet as at 21st May 1954

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 H. F. ARNOLD, A.P.A.N.Z., 31st May, 1954. F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., H. L. FIEBIG.

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CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 30 th June, 1954

Rates <t< th=""><th>T</th><th>Repairs Insurance</th><th>35 8 5 155 12 9 7 0 10 55 3 8</th><th></th><th>By Appropriations "Registration Fees "Board Room Rents "Duplicating "Interest" "Deficit"</th><th>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·</th><th></th><th>2,750 48 47 4 1 8</th><th>s. 0 17 11 8 6</th><th>d.0066603</th></t<>	T	Repairs Insurance	35 8 5 155 12 9 7 0 10 55 3 8		By Appropriations "Registration Fees "Board Room Rents "Duplicating "Interest" "Deficit"	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		2,750 48 47 4 1 8	s. 0 17 11 8 6	d.0066603
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CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

LIABILI	TIES	-		-		ASSETS
	£ s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£ s. d. £ s. d.
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund (House Mortgage) Less Repaid During Year		6	1,852			House Property—17 Merivale Lane 2,500 0 Add Improvements 121 12 5
Configent Fund-Law Books Conference Minutes	32 17 80 7		113			Furniture—17 Merivale Lane 500 0 0 Office Equipment 400 0 0 Contingent Fund 128 13 8
Connexional Secretary—De- posit Account			·135			Master Roll (stock) 266 6 6 Less Sales 137 14 8 128 11 10
Depreciation on Merivale Lane Property Office Equipment	218 8	9				Bank of New Zealand993Supernumerary Fund Dep.29056
Salaries Fluctuation Res	146 12	9	678	6	9	
Capital Account: Balance as at 1/7/53 Less Deficit for Year	1,366 16 67 6		010		9	
Loss Dentry IVI I Cal		-	1,299	9	9	
1		-	£4,078	12	8	£4,078 12 8

I report that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Connexional Secretaryship Committee for the year ended 30th June, 1954. I have accepted the Rev. H. L. Fiebig's certificate that the amount of £290/5/6 is deposited with the Supernumerary Fund. I certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account is properly drawn up so as to show the correct financial position as at 30th June, 1954.

W. E. CLOTHIER,

B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.I.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor. 26,10.54. W. T. BLIGHT, H. L. Fiebig. , Treasurers.

TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 30th June, 1954

RECEIPT	S				PAYMENTS			
			£ s.	d.		£	s.	d
Student Christian Movement	2		300 0	0	Brought Forward 1/7/53	614	6	10
Probert Trust			1,500 0	0	House and Service	4,182	1	
Emsley Trust			47 10	0	Stipends and Allowances	1,871	0	(
Contingent Fund			1,250 0	0	Bursaries	214		1
Connexional Fire Insurance			150 0	0	Circuit Levies		15	
Home Mission Dept	1		150 0	Õ	Rates	144		
Prince Albert College			400 0	õ	Insurances	171	-	
Pitt St. Church			100 0	õ	Repairs and Renewals		19	
General Purposes Trust Board			800 0	0	Furnishings	105		
Collegiate Church			63 0	3	II ' ' I	228		
T I T D			3,417 9	6	D (D ID	13		
		••	175 12	6	D' I' D I LOUI		16	
Friends of Trinity			9 12	ő		109		
Rents Garden Plots					Advertising Church Services	35		
Foreign Mission Dept			75 0	0	Bank Charge and Interest Students' Conference			
			0 100 1	0	Charles and the second s	10		
			8,438 4	3	Sundries	23		
Balance, 30th June, 1954	••		570 11	0	Telephones	53		-
		16745		-	Refrigerator	159	6	1
					House-134 Grafton Road			
					Repayment Principal £103 0 4			
					Interest £71 17 0	174	10	
					Other James of Annual Action		17	
					Students' Accommodation	39	0	2
			£9,008 15	3		£9,008	15	

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TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE New Organ Fund

	Dividends Received .		10 2 8 33 0 0)	2	5			
¥4	Less Repairs to Organ .			741 6	4 0				
I	Balance Fund as at 30/6/	/54	The second	£735	4	2	1 mar	- 17	 - 2.

Rehabilitation Fund

Balance of Fund as at 30th June, 1954 .. £172 15 8

TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

	LIABILITIES					ASSETS	-		
	£	s. d.	£	S.	d.	and which is the same the second s	£	S.	d.
	Capital		58,399	13	11	Freehold Land	8,550	0	0
	Rehabilitation Fund		172	15	8	College Building	35,000	0	0
	New Organ Fund		735	4	2	College Church and Sunday School	3,000	0	0
	Mortgage 134 Grafton Rd 2,078	3 10			- 1	House 134 Grafton Road	2,834	9	6
10	Less Repayments 103	0 4			1	Furniture and Fittings	5,790	7	11
245		5.20-	1,975	3	6	Contents of Library	4,000	0	0
U.	Bank N.Z. Current A/c			11		Church Organ	1,200	0	0
						General A/c	570	11	0
	and the second se					Shares Sth. Brit. Ins. Co	300	0	0
						Auckland Savings Bank	607	19	10
			001 050	0	-		001 059	0	
	and the second s		£61,853	δ	3		£61,853	0	-

I have examined the books and vouchers of The Trinity Methodist Theological College and compared them with the Bank Statements and I am of the opinion that they give a true and correct statement of the affairs of the College at 30th June, 1954, as shown by the Books. G. S. Gapper, A.R.A.N.Z.

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Auditor.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS For the Year ended 31st December, 1953.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

£ s. d. To Loss on College	By Profit on Farm Paerata 2158 10 5- Maurice Harding Park 7493 16 8 Rents received Waikowhai Property Grafton Property Interest and Dividends
INTEREST AND	DIVIDENDS ACCOUNT
f s. d. To Balance transferred to Income and Expenditure Account 962 16 6	By INTEREST Grafton Property 3 16 9 Maurice Harding Park 75 0 0 New Zealand Government Stock 280 5 0 Mt. Albert Property 24 8 0 Savings Bank Accounts 66 16 9 By DIVIDENDS 450 6 6 New Remuera-Panmure Land 0 Co., Ltd. 206 5 0 Marua Estates Ltd. 306 5 0
£962 16 6	£962 16 6

THE B	OARD	OF	THE	WESLEY	TRAINING	COLLEGE
	GENE	RAI	LEX	PENSES	ACCOUNT	

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To Salary Rates Repairs and Maintenance Audit Fees Circuit Levies . Printing and Stationery Sundry Expenses		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	By Balance transferred to Income and Expenditure Account	1058 18 1
Property Expenses Board Room Rent Legal Expenses	 	13 0 0	A second s	
		£1058 18 11	No. 2 Contraction of the second se	£1058 18 11

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			£	s. d.						. d
Fo Salaries					5665 1		By Fees		18815	6 8
Wages					5451 1	9 0	Bad Debts recovered-Maori		80	0 0
Provisions-Bread				10 5			Piano Fees		20	0 0
Dairy Produce				14 10			Working Loss transferred to			
Groceries		17	1027				Income and Expenditure Account		2566	2 10
Meat		1		19 10		-				
Sundries			504							
A STATE OF THE OWNER OF THE OWNER OF					195 1		and the second sec	-		
Repairs and Maintenan	nce			1	814 1	2 1	a state of the sta			
Beneficiary Work-							and the second sec			
			1104	0 0						
Maori			1184				and the second			
Island Boys			130	0 0						
European	•• •		8	0 0			and the second second		5	
Bad Debts			196	0 0			and the second s			
						0 0	a second s			
Fuel and Light				1	080 1		and the second sec			
Depreciation					600 1		STALES CARACTER			
						8 2	and the second			
Woodwork and Crafts						5 6	MARKEN LEVER SHE WAY THE MARKEN			
Insurance						5 2	and the second se			
Sundry Expenses						8 10				
Sports						6 8	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Poultry						0 9				
Garden					73 13		a for a state of the state of t			
Advertising		· · · · ·				5 3				
Prizes					20 1	7 1	i de la companya de la			
							and the second se			
				£21	481	96		£	21481	9.6

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE COLLEGE WORKING ACCOUNT

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THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE FARM WORKING ACCOUNT

		£ s.	. d.	the second second		£ s.	d. £ s.	d.
To Wages		3089 1	2 11	By Dairy Receipts			5539 7	6
Lime, Seeds and Manure		620	0 11	Wool, Hides and Skins			1015 12	-
Repairs and Renewals		522 1	4 2	Sheep-Flock		673 4	0	-
Depreciation		429 1	2 1	Stud		96 6	9	
Produce /		338 1	0 0					9
Power and Light		326 1	5 10	Dairy Cattle-Grade		303 14		-
Rates		175 1	8 11	Stud	/	364 3		
Sundry Expenses		175					667 18	0
Stock Foods		84	3 6				001 10	~
Insurance			1 10				-	
Horses	the second second	7	0 0			1 -		
Freight and Cartage		3	1 6	the second se				
Working Profit transferred to		1.						
Income and Expenditure Account		2158 1	0 5.					
The second se	Jan.							_
		£7992	8 5				£7992 8	5

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MAURICE HARDING PARK WORKING ACCOUNT

To Sundry Expenses Rates Working Profit transferred to Income and Expenditure Account	155 1	s. d. 15 3 11 2 16 8	By Scoria Royalties Rents	 £ s. d. 6115 3 3 1665 3 4
	£7780	6 7	11 211 (Dece . 11 1125	£7780 6 T

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE BALANCE SHEET as at 31st December, 1953.

£ s. d. £ s. d. SUNDRY CREDITORS 1079 11 1 COLLEGE OBGAN FUND 79 15 8 SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS— Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston 2000 0 0 George Winstone 1050 0 0 Stephen James Ambury 1003 12 0 War Memorial Fund (Maori)	ASSETS £ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d. PEOPERTIES PAERATA Land 16760 0 0 Buildings 66665 0 0 Improvements 13059 0 0 96484 0 0
War Memorial Fund (Maori) 381 17 4 CAPITAL ACCOUNT- CAPITAL ACCOUNT-	MAURICE HARDING PARK Land 4290 0 0
Balance as at 1/1/1953164770 15 3 Ezcess Income over Expenditure 8159 9 3	Buildings 7145 0 0 Improvements 281 0 0
172930 4 6	
The second se	GRAFTON 19407 19 6
	WAIKOWHAI Land 4230 0 0
	Improvements 277 0 0
and the second sec	4507 0 0
and the second of the second sec	OTAMATEA COUNTY 115 0 0
A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL	HOBSON COUNTY 10 0 0
	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT 132239 19 6
	Farm Machinery 1113 0 0
and the second	Motor Vehicles 2066 0 0
	Furniture and Equipment 5560 0 0
	8739 0 0
Vich Mill	STOCK ON HAND
A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL	Livestock 2717 6 0 Produce & Sundries 1390 0 3
	Produce & Sundries 1390 0 3 4107 6 3
	4101 0 3

Brought forward 1785.	25 0 7	LOANS AND INVESTMENTS-					
		LOANS ON MOETGAGE		2761	3 9		
		NEW BUILDING INVESTMEN	STS				
· prover and the second s		N.Z. Govt. Stock					
		3% 1952-55 3920 0	0				
	and all and	3% 1960-62 2000 0					
		3% 1955-58 1930 0					
	1100	4% 1952-55 3000 0	0				
		31% 1962 1970 0					
	100 million (100 million)	(Maturity Value					
and the second s	1.00	£13000) 12820 0	0				
1		Auckland Savings	0				
		Deal roo o	0				
The second s			0				
	1	Post Office Savings Bank 2582 11					
	1	Bank 2582 11		0.0.0	1		
	C. S. S.	SHARES	-10	932	15 11		
		New Remuera-Panmure					
	and the second	Co. Ltd. (600 Shares of £1 each					
		paid to 12/6 at		~ ~	1 1		
		valuation 75 0	0				
	2 1 - 1	MABUA ESTATES LTD.	0				
the second s		(1225 Shares of £1					
	10000	each paid to 6/8-					
		at valuation 70 0	0				
and the second	1	NUKUMOA FRUITLANDS LTD			1		
		(250 Shares of £1					
		each paid to 17/6-					
	2 8 25 1	at valuation) 43 15	0				
		av valuation) 43 15	0	100	15 0		
Consid toward	25 0 7	the second second and the	-	199	10 0	10000	
Carried forward 1785	20 0 1					18882 1	1

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE-BALANCE SHEET-Continued

Brogught forward	178525 0 7	SUNDEY DEBTORS	-		
		For Rent	149	5 0	
		For Fees	1541		
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Sec Contract	For Sundries		13 0	
and the second	and the second	For Sundriss	0000	10 0	
			9041	17 3	
		Less Reserve for Bad Debts		0 0	
	a the state of the	Less reserve for Dau Debts	100	0 0	
		C D			7891 17 3
and the second		CASH BALANCES			-
		Bank of New Zealand	1721		
		Wool Retention Account	557	14 11	
		least the second second -			2279 12 11
		SCHOLARSHIP INVESTMENTS			
	Z	N.Z. Govt. Stock			
	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4% 1954-58 2000 0 0			
		3% 1961-63 1000 0 0			
	1.5	31% 1957-60 384 10 0			
		at 10 1001 00 001 10 0	3384	10 0	
		F.M. Winstone (Mchts.)	0001	10 0	
		Ltd. (1000 Shares of £1 each			
			1000	0 0	
		fully paid	1000	0.0	
					4384 10 0
	£178525 0 7				£178525 0 7

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE-BALANCE SHEET-Continued

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 at 31st December, 1953, as shown by the books. We have obtained from the Solicitors to the Board, Messrs Peak Kirker & Newcombe, a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order, and have been furnished with certified valuations of the stock at Paerata, which we have accepted as HUTCHISON, ELIFFE CAMERON & CO. correct. AUCKLAND

11th February, 1954.

AUDITORS

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

	EXPENDITU	RE			1	INCOME			,
		£ s. d.	£	s. d		£ s. d. Fees	£	s.	d.
	Staff, Salaries Less: Subsidy from H.M. Board	798 18 7 88 1 8				Staff Board 115 13 8			
		54 8 3	710	16 11	1	Rent Hostel 19 0 0	356	19	11
		216 4 4				Rental—Spotswood Property 275 0 0 Grants 850 0 0			
	Totophono month	$12 14 2 \\ 19 5 8$			-	Grants			
	Books & Stationery Repairs & Renewals	238 15 3				Interest-N.P. Savings Bank 25 12 1			
	Deaconess Retiring Fund	15 15 0				Interest-P.O. Savings Bank 47 4 6			
	Insurances Radio License	10 17 7 1 5 0				Interest National Savings 104 16 5 Fixed Deposit Interest 149 3 0			
	Tolls	2 14 8					1,648	2	6
	Groceries & Vegetables	443 1 3				Excess Expenditure over In-	298	7	3
	Petty Cash Imprest Light & Heat	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$			-	come			
10	Laundry	4 17 4					æ		
63	Labour Rates	59 1 6 5 17 4					1		
	Rates	7 10 2							
	Keeping Accounts (2 years)	20 0 0		3	1	and the second sec			
	General:		1,193	0	-				
	Bank Charges & Exchange	3 3 6			. 1	the second se			
	Audit Fees Labour	6 6 0 6 10 0			2				
	Spotswood Property:					a state of the second			
	Rates	128 7 5 109 10 9				and the start of the start of the			
	Insurance	1 6 9				the second s		-	
	Sundries Secretary-Treasurer	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				A Primer the state			
	Depreciation	76 4 3				and the state of the state of the			
			399	9	8	CONTRACTOR TO COLOR		_	
			£2,303	9	8		£2,303	9	8

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST

(Incorporated under the Religious, Charitable and Education Trust Act)

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

LIABILITIES			ASSET	S					-
£ s. d. Sundry Creditors Accumulated Funds: Balance as at 1/7/53 26,885 13 11 Less: Excess of Expendi- ture over Income 298 7 3	63 16	5	Cash and Investments: Post Office Savings Bank N.P. Savings Bank N.P. Savings Bank National Savings	2,362 1,127 27	15 8 9	10 6 3 11	9 0.91	6	0
	26,587 6	0	Fixed Deposit Bank N.S.W. Accrued Interest	7,744 149		60	8,081	8	
			Debenture Trewin Bequest Investments: 3% Govt. Stock 15/4/63 4% Govt. Stock 15/6/55 5 x £100 Hamilton Borough	200 250	000	0	100	0	
			Council 41% Deb. due 1/7/55 2 x £100 Hamilton Borough	500	0	0			
The second second			Council 41% Deb. due 1/7/60	200	0	0			
			Council Deb. 1/10/54 5 x £100 Waikato County	400	0	0			
			Deb. 31% due 1/9/69 Mortgage at 5%	500 2,200	00	0	1050		
the second s			Fixed Assets:				4,250		
			Land 50a. 3r. 30p. at cost Development — Tree Plant- ing				4,523 525		

	Furniture, Crockery, Tools, etc. Less Deprecn.	. 217	17	0
	Linos, Floor Covering. Less Deprecn	30	19	0
	Deprecn	20 29		60
	Water Heater Washing Machine	32 41	05	00
1	Sundry Debtors Radio Set	900 6	03	
651 3 1		£26,651	3	1

I have audited the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board for the 12 months ended 30th June, 1954, and certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet sets out a true and fair view of the Trust's affairs, according to the best of my knowledge and the information given to me, and as shown by the records of the Trust.

£26.

New Plymouth. 28th Sept, 1954 (Signed) F. V. MORINE, F.P.A.N.Z., Auditor. W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND

EXPENDITURE INCOME s. d. £ s. d. £ £ s. d. s. d. 2 Annuities 8.351 0 By Circuit Levies 4.302 0 0 . . Furniture Grants 720 0 0 Personal Subscriptions 3.017 0 10 9.071 Commission 2 3 0 . . Interest: Office Expenses: ----Authorised Appropriation 2.894 12 458 0 0 Mortgages 5 • • 82 1 8 2,602 14 6 Stationery £ General Exp. 1 3 Debentures 32 ō Audit Fee 0 Arrears ... 20 9 11 . . Actuarial Valuation Fee ... 84 2 3 5.517 16 10 656 3 11 18 4 1 Less Provision for Invest-Govt. Earthquake Insurance ment Fluctuation 200 0 0 Bal. transferred to Accumu-. . lated Funds 4,248 9 10 5,317 16 10 1.624 7 8 Less Interest on Deposits 3.693 Freehold Property ... 3.208 17 Less Depreciation Provi-sion 500 0 0 2,708 17 4 £13,993 19 10 £13,993 19 10

Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

LIA	BILITIES	2.54			ASSE	TS	Star Mar		
Accumulated Funds:	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Investments:	£	s. d.	£ s. d.	£	s.	d
Balance Forward Capital Donation	130,804 3 9 100 0 0		Mortgages Debentures			62,348 17 8 66,080 0 0			
Transfer from Revenue Account	4,248 9 10					128,428 17 8			
Less Subs. and Levies	135,152 13 7		Less Investment Fluctuation Res. Plus further provi-	907	6 5				
Transferred or Re- funded . £284 7 7			sion Plus Debenture		0 0		1.		
Annuiti e s Commuted £4157 4 9			Premiums	164	7 0	1,271 13 5			
Deposits:	4,441 12 4	130,711 1 3	Freehold Property Less Deprec. Res.	9750	0.0	48,712 8 5	127,157	4	00
Allied Funds	36,742 7 5 8,125 16 7		Plus further pro- vision		0 0				
Sundry Creditors and Ac-		44,868 4 0	DOGD (1)			10,250 0 0	38,462	8	51
cruals: Rates Accrued General Treasurers.	257 16 3		P.O.S.B. (1) "(2) Bank of N.Z			558 12 0 1,583 1 10 4,757 8 0			
General Treasurers, Melbourne Insurance	$ \begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$		EVI DON PLAN				6,899	1	10
Personal Subs. paid in advance	530 7 3		1						
Annuity Due	19 18 8	1,137 16 7							

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METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND BALANCE SHEET—Continued

Sundry Debtors, Accruals Prepayments: Hymn Book Commission Insurance Commission Mortgage Interest Accr Debenture Interest Accr Circuit Levies Accrued Personal Subs. in Arrear Annuities Prepaid Rents Due Rents Accrued	·· 205 ·· 180 ued 464 ued 651 ·· 879 ·· 753 ·· 688 ·· 346	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		7	4
&176,717 1 10			£176 717	11	10

We have examined th eabove 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, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, G. S. SALTER, Treasurers. For E. R. CAYGILL & CO., Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z. 26.10.54. Auditors.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND BENEVOLENT BRANCH Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

			-	-			
EXPENDITURE To Grants ", Authorised Appropriation ", Stationery & General Expenses ", Balance: ", Supernumerary Fund Deposit		£ 209 7 2 1,351		9 0 0	INCOME 1,424 By Balance as at 30/6/53 1,424 "Donations: 1,424 "Fire Insurance Fund 25 0 Special 1 14 17 0 "Interest 105 105 105 105	17	0 50
The state of the s	-	£1,569	19	1	£1,569 1	19	1
Ba	lance	e Shee	et a	as a	at 30th June, 1954		
Capital Account Balance Revenue Account	::	£ 1,400 1,351	s. 0 0	d. 0 4	Learnin Bequest: Debentures	s. 0	d. 00
	14 1 ···				Penrose Bequest: Capital A/c.—Deposit Supernumerary Fd. 300 Revenue Account Debenture 100	0000	004
	-	£2.751	0	4	\$2.751	0	4

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, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, G. S. SALTER, Treasurers.

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For E. R. CAYGILL & CO., Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z. 26.10.54 Auditors.

METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND

Contributors' Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Retiring Allowances ", Benefits Surrendered ", Transfer to Supernumerary & Home Acquirement Funds ", Home Mission Board Refund ", Balance as at 30/6/54	15 0 80 0 14 8	£ s. d. By Balance as at 30/6/53 "Contributions: "Personal	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	£5,412 6		£5,412 6 2

Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

To Interest to Contributors' A/cs. " Office Expenses: Authorised Appropriation Stationery & General Exp. " Balance as at 30/6/54	60		0	129	2	0 9	By Balance as at 30/6/53 349 7 "Interest 168 6 "Forfeitures 15 6	d. 5 7 5 6 0 0
and the second se	211	1	-	£532	13	7	£532 1	3 7

METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

	The states of	LIABILITIES	and the second s	ASSETS	and the strong
2	Accumulated Funds		184 15 0	Debentures	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
19			£5,135 3 4		£5,135 3 4

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 finnacial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, G. S. SALTER, Treasurers. For E. R. CAYGILL & CO., Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z. 21.10.54 Auditors. METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND

Contributors' Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

262		EXPENDITUR Retiring Allowances Benefits Surrendered H.M. Board Contributions Refu Balance as at 30/6/54	nde	 d	10,852 £11,404	0 10 9	3009	"	INCOME £ s. d. Balance as at 30/6/53 Contributions: Personal 719 5 0 Circuit 270 0 0 Home Mission Board 353 10 0 Foreign Mission Board 301 5 0 Interest	£ 9,462 1,644 297 811,404	0 7	
1	"	Interest to Contributors' A/c. Office Expenses: Authorised Appropriation Stationery & General Exp. Balance as at 30/6/54		s. (297 0	.6	7 4 6		Balance as at 30/6/53 Forfeitures Interest	£ 1,036 12 518 £1,566	0	7

METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

		LI	ABILIT	TES		-		ASSETS	1.121	2	w	T.
	Personal Accounts Capital Account Revenue Account				 2,100	0	7	Debentures Debenture Interest Accrued Deposit—Supernumerary Fund		 £ 2,475 21 11,654	18	3
263		1	11 1	110	£14,151	11	10			 £14,151	11	10

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, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, G. S. SALTER, Treasurers.

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For E. R. CAYGILL & CO., Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z. 21.10.54 Auditors.

HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND Contributors' Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

22 	EXPENDIT Withdrawals Revenue Account (Benefits Surrendered and For- feitures) Balance as at 30/6/54	TUR	3		£ 980 34 20,006	8	6	INCOME £ s. d. By Balance as at 30/6/53 19,421 11 8 " Personal Subscriptions 692 16 3 " Fire Insurance Subsidy 372 0 0 " Interest to Contributors' Account 534 5 0
- 10	and the second second			_	£21,020	12	11	£21,020 12 11
					Re	eve	nue	Account
			_	_				
	Interest to Contributors Office Expenses: Authorised Appropriation Stationery and General Expenses		0	0	£ 534 155			By Balance as at 30/6/53 264 6 8 "Benefits Surrendered & Forfeitures 34 0 0 "Interest on Deposits and Investments 706 0 4

HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

	LIABILITIE	-	ASSETS	
12	Personal Accounts Revenue Account		Debentures Debenture Interest Accrued Deposit—Supernumerary Fund Subsidies in Advance	11,292 9 10
265	A share the second	£20,321 0 10		£20,321 0 10

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, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, G. S. SALTER, Treasurers. For E. R. CAYGILL & CO., Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z. Auditors. 26.10.54.

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)

Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

266	EXPENDITURE To Interest to Trust Accounts , Authorised Appropriation , Stationery & General Expenses , Balance to Capital Account	150 0 0 55 18 0	By Commission	£ s. d. 13 0 5 2,059 18 7
	and the second second	£2,072 19 0	a property received a street of the	£2,072 19 0

	Da	lanc	e snee	i a	5 0	a sour suite, 1554	-				
	LIABILITIES				-	ASSE	T9				
	Trust Accounts:					and the second se	£	s. d	£ .	s.	d.
	Connexional Funds		20,626	1	8	Debentures and Govt. Stock	46,551	15 6	5		
	Church Trusts		30,073	0	4	Debenture Interest Accrued	245	1 3	3		
	Personal Trusts		4,756	6	0	and the second second second			-		
	Connexional Appeal		483	6	6	Less Investment Fluctua-					
	T. W. Newbold Trust:				1	tion Reserve	228	10 3	3		
	Capital A/c. as at 30/6/53 . 5,072 13	3 0			1				- 46,568	6	6
	Transfer from Rev. A/c. 246	1 7				Te Puke Trust Loan			56	0	8
	the second s		5,316	14	7	Deposits:					
10	Gen. Purposes Capital A/c.:					Supernumerary Fund			9,638		
267	As at 30/6/53 601	1 3				P.O.S.B. (No. 1 A/c.)			69		
1	Transfer from Rev. A/c. 302	1 10				P.O.S.B. (No. 2 A/c.)				1	
			903	3	1			1.0	3,350	0	7
						Freehold Property (New-			~	-	
						bold Trust)			2,400	0	0
			£62,160	12	2				£62,160	12	2

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.) Balance Sheet as at 30th June 1954

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 proper ly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, G. S. SALTER,

Treasurers.

For E. R. CAYGILL & CO.,

Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z.

12.10.54. Auditors.

To ""	INCOME Bal. as at 30th Sept., 1953: Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington District Levies for year 1954: Auckland South Auckland Taranaki-Wanganui Hawke's Bay-Manawatu Wellington North Canterbury Otago-Southland	£ s 672 336 224 252 336 140 476	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	£ 39 2800 2	s. 0 0 0	d. 4	By Grants as per Warrants for year 1954: Auckland	
					1.000	N. N. N. T.	"Balance as at 30th Septem- ber, 1954: Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington	
			100	£2,841	0	-	£2,841 0	

THE METHODIST CHUPCH OF NEW TEALAND

1st October, 1954.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

	REC	EIPTS				EXPENDITURE
To 1	Balance 1/7/53	£ s.	d.	£ s 1,723 1	d. d.	By Cost of Conference: £ s. d. £ s. d
Cur	rent Levies-Districts:					(a) Travelling
	Auckland	. 1,348 0	0			Equalisation Fund 420 0 0
	South Auckland	. 678 0	0			Official Representatives 199 3 9
			0			
	Hawke's Bay-Manawat		0			619 3 9
		. 697 0	0			(b) Printing & General
		. 294 0	0			Agenda, Station Lists &
		932 10	0			Financial Statements 351 13 3
			0	· 11		Minutes 395 17 6
	Otago-Southland .	. 497 0	0	-		General Printing 4 1 6
~			-	5,660	1 0	Secretary's Expenses 68 15 10
Syn	od Collections:					Conference Staff Allow-
		18 6	9			ance 27 10 0 Ballot Boxes 4 0 6
		10 0	3			Ballot Boxes 4 0 6
	Hawke's Bay-Manawat		7			District Expenses
	337 11' /	. 9 10	ġ			Auckland 175 15 1
		. 9 15	5			South Auckland 94 15 3
		. 12 11	õ			Taranaki-Wanganui 62 16 10
		. 2 11	6			Hawkes Bay-Manawatu 77 19 11
	Otago-Southland	. 20 5 1	11	3		Wellington 56 17 11
			-	93	1 2	Nelson 40 5 1
Sale		00 -	0			North Canterbury 54 13 6
	0	00 0	0			South Canterbury 33 17 2
	General	. 20 0	T	48	5 1	Otago-Southland 77 18 3
		-		-10	0 1	Synod Expenses 674 19
						Aughland For an A
						South Auckland 59 17 4
						Taranaki-Wanganui 55 18 11
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					Hawke's Bay-Manawatu 45 19 6

CONTINGENT FUND-Continued

Brought forward

£7525 3 4

	Wellington	22	6	6				
	Malaam	41	-14	6				
	North Canterbury	15	6	8				
	North Canterbury South Canterbury	.22	4	3				
	Otago-Southland	37	14	3				
	The second second				360	4	8	
linis	terial Supply							
	Wellington				21	13	0	
onne	exional Payments			-		×.		
	President's Travel		15					
	Vice-President's Travel	10	0	0				
	President's Travel							
	Special	125						
	Printing Synod Reports	111	14	0				
	Printing Membership							
	Cards	110	11	0				
	Printing Notifications							
	of Removal		13					
	Printing General	20	1	3				
	Expenses Examination							
	Committee	42	10	0				
	Church Union Retreat		2					
	Church Council Travel	69	10	0				
	Induction Expenses	17	2	3				
	Peace Committee	21	10	4				
	Conference Committee	-	10	-				
	Expenses:							
	General	25	12	0				
	General		1					
	General	10	1	0	754		2	
	- Contraction		-		104	-	0	
Frant								
	Trinity Theological Col-	1,400	0	0				
	lege	1,400	0	0				
	Connexional Secretarial	205	0	0				
	Dept	325						
	Deaconess Institute	125						
	Methodist Times	150	0	0				
	Methodist Times Edi-	10	0	0				
	tor's Expenses	12		0				
	Overseas Travel Fund	50	0	0				

Brought forward	£7525 3 4	Natural Calamities	-			
		Fund	25	0 ()	
The standard and a stand		Spiritual Advance Com-				
THE REPORT OF	and the second second	mittee Public Questions Com-	25	0 0)	
the state of the second		mittee	25	0 ()	
	1.00	World Council of			1	
and the second		Churches	98	0 ()	
the second of the second second	2 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	National Council of Churches	6			
The second to be a second		World Methodist Coun-	6	0 (·	
	2 - 2	cil	10	0 (
	the second second	Press Relations	25	0 0		
	institutes comes as	Ecumenical Committee Wesley Historical So-	5	0 (,	
	Conse and it	ciety	5	0 ()	
	Construction of the second	University Expenses		0 (
and a state of the second second second	The second second	Frahanga & Bank Changes	T		- 2,296	
the set that the set of the set of the	1 1 1 1 1	Exchange & Bank Charges Balances due by Districts		-	8	-
	3 3 3 3 4 5 S	Auckland	1	-		
	in present (b) and the	South Auckland	55	1 3		
		Taranaki-Wanganui Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	96	11 2	-	
	The large to 1 - 1	Wellington	92	14 1	1-	
		Nelson	33	1 9		
and have been and have		North Canterbury South Canterbury	45	10 2	1	
	N. States Street	Otago-Southland	51	16 10		
	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Palance Pauls of N.7	-		334	
		Balance Bank of N.Z			1,603	T

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, 1953, 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. 9/9/54. J C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.

REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year ended 30th June, 1954.

1953		£ ,	s. d		1953 June 30th By Removal Expenses		£ 2857		
July 1 To Balance at Bank 1954		459	18 (6	Postages, Exchange & Bank Charges Balance at Bank			5	3
June 30th To Levies Received		2994	-	-					
	1	£3454	3 (6	and the second sec	1	£3454	3	6

Revenue Account for the Year ended 30th June, 1954

27	To Removal Expenses Postages, Exchange & Bank Charges	:	2857			£ 2500 364	0	0	
80		R.	£2864	9	5	£2864	9	5	

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

CAPITAL ACCOUNT-	£ s. d. £ s. d.	Outstanding Levies	 	£ s. d. 619 9 10
Balance as at 1st July, 1953 Less Excess of Expenditure	1573 13 4	Bank of New Zealand	 	589 14 1
over Income	364 9 5	1		
and the second second	£1209 3 11			£1209 3 11

W. E. CLOTHIER

L. C. HORWOOD, Treasurers Audited and found correct,

F. M. SOWDEN, B.COM., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S. 8th July, 1954

METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF NEW ZEALAND

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for twelve months ended 31st August, 1954.

RECEIPTS £ s. d. £ s. d.	EXPENDITURE
BALANCES IN BANK 31/8/53-	£ s. d. £ s. d
Sisters Salaries & Exec. Fund	Home Mission Sisters Salaries 3100 0 0
Gleanings	Solomon Island Sisters Salaries 3100 0 0
Sisters Salaries Reserve	6200 0 0
Sisters Salaries Reserve Interest 39 14 6	
Kurahuna Fund 446 1 5	
Stamp Fund 589 10 8	Executive Expenses 64 0 0
Medical & Educational 593 10 10	Sister E. Dobby, Car Allowance 30 0 0
Solomon Island Gift Boxes 422 9 6	Sundries 48 19 6
Smethurst Estate 864 16 7	Printing & Stationery 233 15 1
Equipment Maori Youth Centre 36 16 2	599 15 7
Solomon Island Jubilee Travel Fund 70 3 8	Leper Fund 8 5 0
Legacy 48 9 0	S.I. Jubilee Travelling Fund 70 3 8
	Papua-New Guinea Highlands 16 10 0
Kurahuna Emergency	Solomon Island Capital A/c 6 0 0
Kurahuna Repairs & Replacements 13 8 8	Home Mission Capital A/C 6 0 0
Kurahuna Depreciation 901 18 4	Equipment Maori Youth Centre 3 13 7
	110 12 3
RECEIPTS-	KURAHUNA FUNDS-
Affiliation Fees 26 17 6	
Sisters Salaries & Exec, Fund	Maintenance 871 17 11 Depreciation 23 6 0
Bank Interest, etc 137 2 8	
5720 15 0	
Kurahuna Fund 974 10 1	
Debenture Interest 20 3 10	" " (taken for Repairs & Replacements 108 15 4
994 13 11	
Medical & Educational 478 4 5	
Gleanings 1152 5 0	Grant to Papua-New Guinea
Stamp Fund 870 13 4	Highlands Project 1000 0 0
Special Objective "Rangiatea"	Grant to H.M. Board (Sis. Sals) 500 0 0
Hostel	Loan to H.M. Board 1000 0 0
Solomon Island Gift Boxes 420 1 2	Exchange on above 3 2 6
5317 6 0	2503 2 6

METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF NEW ZEALAND Reciepts & Expenditure-Continued

			Legacy 48 9 0 Equipment Maori Youth Centre 33 2 7 Anonymous Gift 300 0 0	
			Solomon Island Gift Boxes 420 1 2	
			Gleanings 1152 5 0 Medical & Educational 611 15 3	
and the second second			Kurahuna Fund 475 8 7	
and the state of t			Stamp Fund 870 13 4	
			Sisters Salaries & Exec, Fund 3153 3 11	
			Sisters Salaries Reserve P.O.S.B. 242 17 9	
Anna and a state of the state o			Smethurst Residue A/c 47 19 9	
	350	3 10	Smethurst Estate 788 17 8	
Kurahuna Emergency Gift 200 0 0			2251 15	1
Surahuna Bank Interest 17 11			Kurahuna Depreciation 947 15 8	
Kurahuna Repairs & Replacements 49 19 0			P.O.S.B 64 5 7	
Kurahuna Depreciation2360Kurahuna Depreciation Interest22114			""	
Kurahuna Emergency Bank Int. 53 9 7			Kurahuna Emergency (P.O.S.B.) 1139 14 8	
	325 1	14 1	CREDIT BALANCES IN BANKS-	
nterest Accrued on Legacy 130 0 0			353 13	
methurst Residue A/c Interest 2 12 8			Smethurst Expenditure 353 13 3	
methurst Estate	300	5 11	3868 2	
isters Salaries Reserve Bank Int. 13 8 11	250	3 11	Stamp Fund 589 10 8 Special Objective 2396 2 1	
egacy 12 0 0 ther Moneys 324 15 0			Solomon Island Gift Boxes 422 9 6	

Examined and found correct, E. D. SMYTH, 11/9/54.

METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF NEW ZEALAND BALANCE SHEET as at 31st August, 1954.

LIABILITIES	ASSETS
£ s. d. £ s.	d. £ s. d. £ s. d.
Sisters Salaries & Exec. Fund	Credit Balances at Bank, 31/8/54
Sisters Salaries Reserve 242 17 9	General Account 8144 14 (
Gleanings1152 5 0	Kurahuna Emergency 1239 14 8
Kurahuna Fund 475 8 7	Kurahuna Repairs & Replacements 64 5 7
Stamp Fund 870 13 4	Kurahuna Depreciation 947 15 8
Medical & Educational 611 15 3	2251 15 11
Solomon Islands Gift Boxes 420 1 2	Kurahuna Treasurer
Smethurst Estate 836 17 5	Maintenance Account 272 16 2
Equipment Maori Youth Centre 33 2 7	272 16 2
Legacy 48 9 0	Loan-H.M. Board 1000 0 0
Anonymous Gift	1000 0 0
8144 14	0 DEPOSITS with General Purposes Trust Board-
Kurahuna Emergency 1239 14 8	Solomon Islands Girl's School 3915 6 9
Kurahuna Repairs & Replacements 64 5 7	Kurahuna Capital Fund 1977 2 3
Kurahuna Depreciation 947 15 8	Doctor Fund Investment A/c 100 0 0
2251 15	11 5992 °9 0
Solomon Island Girls School 3915 6 9	Kurahuna Girls Hostel
Kurahuna Capital Fund 1977 2 3	Drainage Bd. Debentures 500 0 0
Kurahuna Girls Hostel Request 500 0 0	Smethurst Investment A/c.
Solomon Island Doctor Fund 100 0 0	Drainage Bd. Debentures 4032 10 0
Smethurst Investment Fund 4032 10 0	4532 10 0
10524 19	
	Solomon Island Capital Fund 1148 1 5
	2037 1 11

Home Mission Capital Fund 889 0	6	Kurahuna Maori Girls Hostel	· .				
Solomon Island Maintenance Capital		Property	1417	10	0		
Fund	5	Less Depreciation	23	6	0		
Kurahuna Maintenance Account 272 16				_			
	- 2309 18 1		1394	4	0		
and the second sec		Furniture	240	0	0		
	23231 7 0			1	_		
Energy Assess Array Laureren	9834 4 0		1634	4	0 1		
Excess Assets over Liabilities	303± ± 0	Kurahuna New Builsding	0100	_	-		
	the second second			-	-		
	~	Kurahuna New Furniture	100	0			
	and the second second	and the second sec		-	- 4834	4	0
	2	Smethurst Property & Furniture	4000	0	0		
the start of the s				-	- 4000	0	0
	-1	and the second sec			1000		~
and the second	000005 11 0	States and the states of the states			£33065	11	0
	£33065 11 0				292005	11	0

METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF NEW ZEALAND Balance Sheet-Continued

I have examined the cash books and vouchers of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union and have inspected the audited accounts of "Kurahuna" Maori Girls' Hostel as submitted by the "Kurahuna" Committee. 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 Deeds of the "Kurahuna" and Smethurst Properties, and Drainage Board Debentures.

I certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet correctly presents the position of the Union's Funds shown by the Books and Documents, as at 31st August, 1954.

DUNEDIN, 11th SEPTEMBER, 1954.

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(Sgd.) E. D. SMYTH, A.B.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., Auditor.

	11/22	in and statist	Revenue	Account	for	Ye	ar End	ed 31st May, 1954						
	1953 £	EXPENDI		d. £	s.	d.	1953 £	INCOME £ s.	d. £	s.	d.			
	957 172 1065	To House Expenditure: House Supplies Power, Light & Fuel Wages & Salaries	978 0 164 18 1,180 10	2 0 4			2546 130 3	By Hostel Receipts ", Rents ", Subs. & Donations ", Grants:		4 2 3 17 5 12	6			
	$ \begin{array}{r} 16 \\ 416 \\ 116 \\ 6 \end{array} $	Telephone Repairs to Property Rates Advertising	$ \begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	6 6 11 0			$ \begin{array}{r} 100 \\ 25 \\ 100 \\ 125 \end{array} $	Home Mission Dept. 100 0	-	2	-			
277	5 63 100	Stamps & Stationery Insurances Depreciation Allow- ance	19 14 42 13 100 0		10			" P.O.S.B. Interest " Excess Expenditure over Income for		0 16	-			
	2916 16 29 79	Uniforms Travelling Expenses Excess Income over Expenditure			17 19 14	9 60	-	Year	15	5 2	6			
	3040	Expenditure	and a	£3,099	11	3	.3040	and the second	£3,099	9 11	3			
	Furniture Renewals Account for Year Ended 31st May, 1954													
	160 287	To Expenditure during Y "Balance as at 31st Ma			11		325 116 6	By Balance as at 31st May, 1953 "Donations received from Gui and F.O.D.H "Interest Apportioned	ilds	5 12 8 8	10			
	447	-	-	£419	1	1	447	and the second	£419) 1	1			

METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION

METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION

Balance Sheet as at 31st May, 1954

	LIABILI	TIES				4			ASSET	9					
1953		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	1953		£	9.	d.	£	s.	d
£ 75	Sundry Creditors				151			£ 5000	Freehold Property	5,000	0	0			
21 286	Grants paid in Advance Furniture Renewals				20	16	8	2283	Less Depreciation Re- serve	2,383	6	8			-
	Account				377	9	3					_	2,616	13	4
30	Trainees' Cycle Allow- ances				32	10	0	2717 667	Furnishings	667	10	0			
5	Trainees' Emergency Fund				5	5	0	139	Aga Cooker Gas Stove	138	12	0	806	2	0
556	Property Repairs Re-						v	- '	Mortgage-E. R. Pit-	0.000	~		000	-	h
	pairs Reserve A/c. Property Reconstruc-					-		810	man & Co	2,200 829					
	tion Account Accumulated Funds:				3,041	15	0	344	Bank of New Zealand Deposit—General Pur-	38	10	5		-	
	Balance as at 31/5/53	3,777	18	0				-	poses Trust	700					
3778	Less Excess Expendi- ture for Year	155	2	6				20	Cash in Hand	20	0	0	3,787	19	0
	ture for rear		-	-	3,622	15	6	54	Sundry Debtors	-				13	
4751		-		1	£7,252	7	8	4751					\$7,252	7	8

Audited and found correct.

G. R. HARRIS, Chairman.

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B. A. CAYGILL, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z.

J. C. A. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

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AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE MT. ALBERT AND EPSOM

Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1954

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TREASURERS: Sister Ivy Jones and Mr P. Dellow.

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

LIABILITIES	ASSE	TS	
£ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d.	Properties:	£ s. d.	
Capital—as at 1/7/53 70545 14 4	Lpsom nome		5,048 0 0
Add Bequests	Wesley Home		5,399 11 10
J. H. Hannan	Mt. Roskill-at cost		
Est 76 19 3	Add Progress Payments	12,783 11 0	
A. C. Hook Est. 88 11 0			16,407 6 8
J. C. M. Mallach	Shares:		
Est 20 14 11	Whangarei Lighting &		
A. E. Powell Est. 20 14 3	Mftg. Co. Ltd. (in liq.)		
John Sheat Est. 3261 15 7	Ord. Shares £1 at par	1,000 0 0	
Enos Stevenson	Pref. Shares £1 at par	666 0 0	
Est 15 0	Frank M. Winstone (Mer-		
J. H. Tarlton	chants) Ltd.		
Est 196 12 0	Ord. Shares £1 at par	8,700 0 0	
3666 2 0	E. Astley & Sons Ltd.		
Add Building Fund Donations 607 12 6	561 Ord. Shares 14/- at		
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F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund:	cost		9,743 0 0
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2794 14 0	40 Milford Rd	1,500 0 0	
Sundry Creditors 279 16 0	Auck. City Debentures		
	£700 at cost	700 0 0	
	Newmarket Borough Debs.		
	£500 at cost	500 0 0	
	Auckland Savings Bank	97 14 0	
			2,797 14 0

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AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE Balance Sheet-Continued

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 30th June, 1954, as shown by the books of the Trust.

> A. R. W. GREGORY, F.P.A.N.Z., Public Accountant.

17th August, 1954

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Receipts and Payments for the Year ended 30th June, .1954

RECEIPTS	£ s. d.	PAYMENTS £	s. d.
To Balance 1 /7 /53	21 15 2	By Salaries	
Wellington Board Cap. Expend 236 8 10		Household Provisions 801	76
Grants		Drapery and Clothing 299	
The second s	-1436 8 10	Fuel and Lighting 163	
Maintenance Fees	1472 16 9	Repairs and Renewals 514	3 3
Circuit Collections	987 7 1	Printing, Stationery, School Requisites	
Donations	49 2 0		11 5
Recreational Fund—		Farm Expenses 46	
Police Charity Donations 83 9	-		12 6
Interest 11 2			14 5
the second s	- 94 11 9		18 2
Farm Account	57 19 11	Telephones and Postage 20	3 10
Masterton Trust Lands Trust Grant	20 0 0		18.0
Legacies	55 0.0	Games Equipment 10	8 0
Income from Estates	44 12 6	General Expenses 38	1 11
Refund Medical Fees	10 2 6	Car Allowance 36	0 0
		Master's Imprest Account 60	0 0
		E/L Insurance 6	18 2
	A	N.Z. M.S.S.A. Subscription 5	0 0
	1. 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Interest	2 3
		Furniture and Equipment 202	8 0
		Additions to Buildings 139	
		Advertising and Travelling re Staff Vacancies 19	18 6
	and the second design of the s	Maintenance Children Boarded out 49	10 0
		D. C. IF IDOGD AND	
		Wellington Board	
and the second se		Balance —Bank of New Zealand 30/6/54 223	
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MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

LIABILITIES Recreational Purposes Fund	£ s. d. 519 0 11 3 7 7	ASSET Furniture and Equipment Additions	4	13 0	d. 0 0	£s	s. d.
Sundry Creditors Balance—Being excess of assets over liabilities	44 2 7 966 16 9	Depreciation	 		0	581	0 0
		Tractor and Implements Depreciation	 1		0	160	0 0
		Live Stock Post Office Savings Bank	 				0 0 0 11
£	1533 7 10	Bank of New Zealand	 		-	223 533	6 11 7 10

MASTERTON, 9th JULY, 1954

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J. F. CODY, A.P.A.N.Z.

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, 1954.

D. A. BARNES, F. E. WELLS, Auditors

MASTERTON, 12th July, 1954.

-	EXPENDI				INCOME
"" "" ""	House Supplies Drapery, Clothing, etc Lighting and Heating Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance Stationery, Stamps and General Expenses Insurances Board & Residence Pay- ments Grounds Miscellaneous Expenses Travelling Expenses Rates	$\begin{array}{c} 748 & 19 \\ 537 & 13 & 1 \\ 426 & 14 \\ 259 & 16 \\ 54 & 12 & 1 \\ 9 & 5 \\ 153 & 4 \\ 305 & 2 \\ 150 & 3 \end{array}$	4 1 8 0 1 7 1 5 3 9 8 7,530	s. d.	£ s. d. £ s. d. By Interest Received 6 14 2 "Donations & Collections 1,621 0 7 "Combined Orphanage Ap- peal 1,657 10 0 "Maintenance Fees 2,855 18 2 "Rent 110 10 0 "Miscellaneous Receipts 55 3 9 "Gonda 16 8 "Deficit
37	Depreciation Written Off		461 £7,991		£7,991 18 7

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE & CHILDREN'S HOME Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st May, 1954

Balance Sheet as at 31st May, 1954

	LIABILITIE			-			ASS	TS					
	Sports and Dispersonal	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Hanna Daildings & Coundar	£	s.	d.	£	9.	d.
	Sports and Playground Equipment Fund Permanent Capital A/c Accumulated Funds 12,26) 19	2	46 10,062	4 11		Home Buildings & Grounds: Home & Outbuildings Less Depreciation				15,862	2	6
	12,96		0	1			Grounds Furnishings Plus Purchases	396 218	8 13		4,363	17	0
	Bank Overdraft (Bank of Plus Transferred from In-	-	-	11,275	17	3	Less Depreciation	615 60		9	555	1	9
36	N.Z.)			609	11	3	Tennis Courts Plus Purchases	225 50	9 0	6			
						100	Less Depreciation	275 42		6	233	9	6
							Live Stock Plus Purchases	103	50	9			
	THE PARTY PARTY					A A A	Less Sales	202 42	1	25			
		-				in all	Less Depreciation	160 7	40	9	153	4	9

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE & CHILDREN'S HOME Balance Sheet-Continued

		Implements & Tools Plus Purchases	143 8	6 7 3 7			-
		Less Depreciation	151 1 20				-
		Harewood Rd. Bungalow Less Depreciation	417 32			10	2
		Deposits P.O.S.B Supernumerary Fund	104 1 166 1	6 3	385	0	0
286		Home Petty Cash Imprest			271	11	1
		Account			20 18		
24	£21,994 5 1	A Martin Constant	a series of	11	£21,994	5	1

We have audited the Accounts of the South Island Methodist Orphanage for the year ended 31st May, 1954, and all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. In our 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, 28th October, 1954

For E. R. CAYGILL & CO., Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z. Auditors.

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD

Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st May, 1954

EXPENDITURE £ s. d.	INCOME £ s. d.
To Expenses & Commission Account132Investment Fluctuation Reserve500Legacies Transferred to Capital A/c.1,05687Transfer to General Fund7000Balance to Income Account96187	By Interest Earned 860 1 0 " Legacies Received 1,056 8 7
£1,916 9 7	£1,916 9 7
Balance Sheet as	at 31st May 1954

	LIABI	LITIES			ASSETS		-	-	
		£ s.	d.	£ s. d.		× £	2		d.
	Investment Fluctuation Re-				Mortgage Investments	4,65	4	3	9
	serve	640 6	8		Debentures and Government Stock	12,99	4 1	4	0
0	Plus Further Provision	50 0	0		~		0		0
ä	Plus Discount on Pur-		-		Deposits:			-	
	chases	28 10	0		Supernumerary Fund	2,91	5 1	3	0
				718 16 8	DÓ C · D I	1,84			
	Capital Account	19,178 14	4		National Savings		86 1	4	8
	Plus Legacies	1,056 8	7		Balance at Bank of N.Z		6 1	5	6
	a design of the second s			20,235 2 11					
	Income Account	3,714 18	9			~			
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	enue A/c	96 18	7						
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	the second second			£24,765 16 11		£24,76	5 1	6 1	11

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We have audited the Accounts of the above Investment Board for the period ended 31st May, 1954, and in our opinion the above Balance Sheet and Income Account are properly drawn up to show a true and correct view of the affairs of the Board as shown by the Books. All our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. Christchurch, 28th October, 1954 For E. R. CAYGILL & CO.

Per B. A. Caygill, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z.

Auditors.

METHODIST TIMES

Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th April, 1954

EXPEN	DITURE	1.1.1	INCOME	a character to a state
Printing and Publishing Address Plates Process Blocks Distribution Charges Exchange Agents' Commission Editors' Honoraria, Expenses	and Contribu-	£ s. d 2,305 4 7 25 9 10 44 18 3 513 10 0 3 7 0 100 6 3 206 4 5 108 17 0 350 0 0	£ s. d Subscriptions Advertisements Interest Grants: Fire Insurance Fund 200 0 Contingent Fund—Half Edi- tors' Honoraria 75 0 Contingent Fund 75 0 Editors' Expenses 12 0	2,395 8 11 481 7 2 13 10 4 0 0
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ERNEST H. ANDREWS, Treasurers.

F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z. Auditors.

METHODIST TIMES

Balance Sheet as at 30th April, 1954

Unexpired Values: Advertisements	LIABILITIE		d. 10 .	£	s.	d.	ASSETS Advertising Accounts in Arrear Subscriptions in Arrear	226	s. 15 2	09
Subscriptions Agents' Commission P Suspense A/c Sundry Creditors Contingent Reserve A. Accumulated Funds as	rovision	134 10 500 0	0	315 9 6 222	17 18	0660	Sundry Debtors Bank of New Zealand	162 318	0 17	
Accumulated Funds as Less Transfer from Re		108 19 608 19 405 11	89	203 £758 1	-	-		£758	14 :	11

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 April, 1954.

H. L. FIEBIG, ERNEST H. ANDREWS, Treasurers, Audited and found correct. H. F. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z., F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., Auditors.

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TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 30th June, 1954

M. A. McDOWELL, Acting Chairman.

D. TAYLER, Treasurer.

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Transport Trust Board of the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the year ended the 30th June, 1954. I have examined the relative Chattel Security Agreements in respect of the advances made and note that these documents are lodged with the Board's Bankers as security against the Bank overdraft.

I certify that, in my opinion, the above balance-sheet with the accompanying accounts is properly drawn up so as to show the correct financial position of the Board as a t the 30th June, 1954.

Wellington. \$1st August, 1954

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T. M. STEPHENS, F.R.A.N.Z., Hon. Auditor.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

Statement of Receipts and Payments to 30th June, 1954

RECEIPTS Levies Received: Home Missions Dept. Auckland Central Mission Auckland Methodist Orphanage Masterton Children's Home Wesley Social Services Trust (Wellington) Dunedin Central Mission South Island Orphanage	ម្មាលលោលលោង	s. 0000000	9 0000000	PAYMENTS £ s. d. Printing and Typing 10 6 6 Exchange and Account Book 3 0 Cash on Hand 29 10 6	
Christian Community Centre—Ponsonby	5	0	0		
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Audited and found correct. (Signed) J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z., Hon. Auditor. 6/9/54.

W. H. GREENSLADE, T. M. PACEY, Hon. Treasurers.

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THE WELLINGTON PROVINCIAL DISTRICT METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' TRUST FUND

(also known as "THE SANSON BEQUEST TRUST") Statement of Receipts and Income—Year Ended June 30th, 1954

	RECEIPTS AND INCOME				PAYMENTS		-	
_		£					s.	d
To	Balance at Post Office Savings Bank	120			By Grants to Wgtn. District Local Preacher	s'		
,,,	Interest Inscribed Stock, 1957	3		0	Assn. for Library Purposes	. 19	0	0
12	""""1962	3	5	10	" Charitable Grants	. 16	16	0
17	Interest on Post Office Savings Bank: For year to 31/3/54 £3 1 0 Less accrued 30/6/53 £1 3 0				" Balance at P.O.S.B., 30/6/54	. 98	10	0
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Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1954

LIABILITIES				ASSETS	
Accumulated Funds 30/6/53 320 1 Less Excess Expenditure over Income 26 11 Accumulated Funds 30/6/54			d. 6	P.O.S.B. Balance $30/6/54$ £ s. d. £ s. Accrued Interest N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock: 93 10 $3\frac{1}{2}$ % 1957 100 0 0 0 $3\frac{1}{4}$ % 1962	d. 6
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Wellington. 23/8/54.

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Audited and found correct. .

C. D. FULLER.

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Churches	41	33	26	64	34	38	236
Other preaching Places,	7	2	4	17	3	3	36
European Ministers	3	1	1	1	1	1	8
Doctors	1						1
Sisters	4	3	3	2	2	2	16
Lay Missionaries	2						. 2
Native Ministers	2			2	1		5
Native Agriculturalist				1		1	1
Catechists	5	5	4	9	3	4	30
Native Teachers	46	34	30	70	36	39	255
Native Medical Assistants	5	1	4	6		3	19
Local Preachers	120	28	34	8	13	42	245
Class Leaders	60	40	6	10	3	. 29	148
European Members	13	- 5	5	- 7	5	- 4	39
" Youth Roll	5	2	2	1	2	1	13
" Adherents	2		5	4		4	15
Native Members	2671	1647	532	1353	239	793	7235
Youth Roll	2048	1677	1159	- 487	157	615	6144
" Adherents	105	220	722	1737	1309	490	4583
Sunday Schools	30	25	23	17	4	24	123
S.S. Scholars	1396	835	595	177	150	705	3858
Day Schools	42	35	29	65	21	31	263
Scholars	2018	1082	924	931	482	598	6035
Day School Teachers	=0	59	53	86	34	41	- 343
Members and Adherents	4845	3551	2425	3589	1712	1907	18029

SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT-STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1954.

STATISTICAL RETURNS OF THE MAOR! MISSION, 1954

GENERAL-CHURCHES	 	18	Deaconesses	 	17
Other Preaching Places	 	230	Local Preachers	 	44
- Parsonages	 	7	CHURCH MEMBERS		
Ordained Ministers	 	3	Seniors	 	4132
Home Missionaries	 	35	Juniors and Infants	 	5847

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

of the

Methodist Foreign Mission

Department

for the year ended

31st AUGUST, 1954

METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND

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Balance Sheet as at 31st August, 1954 (Excluding Solomon Island Properties).

	ASSETS
LIABILITIES	
£ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d. Solomon Islands District:	£ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d.
Circuit Balances 1464 13 1 Personal Balances 2445 0 3 Sundry Creditors 8312 11 11 Retiring Fund Accounts 159 13 7	Cash in hand and in Bank
Islands District Balance 12381 18 10 Loans 9179 10 1 200 0 0	Boats 12000 0 Ranonga 'Lease 1007 19 5 Expenditure Unallocated 149 19 5
Special Funds: Medical Fund	Medical Fund Assets:
Medical Fund (for support of Native Orderly) 530 9 8 Leper Fund: Balance, 1953 5502 11 9	N.Z. Government Stock
Added during year	Debentures—Wellington City
Lepers' Trust Board 2500 0 0 2905 7 4	Post Office Savings Bank
Less Expended	Leprosy Relief Vessel Investment: N.Z. Government Stock
Leprosy Re'ief Vessel Fund:	Boat Insurance Fund Assets:
Balance, 1953	N.Z. Government Stock 10939 5 0 Post Office Savings Bank 736 18 0 National Savings Investments 1462 5 5 Cash in Bank 403 15 3
	Rehabilitation Fund Assets: 13542 3 8
Boat Insurance Fund: Balance, 1953	N.Z. Government Stock
Interest 457 4 10 Appropriation from Income 403 15 3	Post Office Savings Bank 2635 3 7 Auckland Savings Bank 500 0 0 Transport Trust Board 3000 0 0
	Working Capital Assets: 41148 17 10
Don Alley Memorial Fund: Balance, 1953 1921 2 3	N.Z. Government Stock
CARRIED FORWARD 87,938 13 5	CARRIED FORWARD 158,912 16 2

Balance Sheet (Continued).

LIABILITIES			ASSETS	
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Balance Sheet (Continued).

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OUGHT FORWARD 136,036 4 5	FORWARD 209,121 17
M.W.M.U. Fund: For Girls' Dormitories	
(Choiseul and Kekesu)	
Grant Received	SUMMARY OF REHABILITATION FUND
Added during year-Interest 63 8 11 Technical Tool Fund:	£ s. d. £ s. d.
Technical Tool Fund:	Receipt: 1942/53 116899 14 5
Lotu Church Fund:	1954 1413 3 11
Balance, 1953 1083 2 0	
Added during year—Interest 31 5 2 1114 7 2	118312 18 4
Lotu Church Window Fund:	Less Payments:
rabeth Common Bequest Account:	1943/53 68973 1 1
Balance, 1953	1954 8190 19 5
Added during year-Interest 54 11 8	77164 0 6
lla Lavella Boys' Hostel Account:	£41148 17 10
Il Lavella Jubilee Fund:	241140 17 10
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Balance, 1953	ANALYSIS OF REHABILITATION EXPENTITURE
Added during year—Exchange	£ s. d.
	Buildings, Equipment and Miscel-
omon Islands Jubilee Fund:	laneous Stores 50362 12 2
W.M.U. Projector Account: Grant received	Stock Lost and Written Off 4217 0 0
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Expended 43 8 4 at Reserve Account: 10 11 8	Medical Equipment 249 0 0
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orking Capital Account:	
Balance, 1953 24234 17 10	Cattle 850 11 6
Added during year 52 4 0	Compensation for personal losses of
kness and Accident Fund: 24287 1 10	Staff 2554 0 0
sug-New Guinea Highlands Appeal Account: 198 14 4	Evacuation Expenses, Premium on
Donations 3757 0 4	Inscribed Stock written off, Brokerages & Sundry Expenses 635 16 10
w Guinea Highlands-Solomon Islands	brokeruges a sundry expenses 035 10 10
Contributions Account:	£77164 0 6
Balance, 1953 285 17 4	
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METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND

Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st August, 1954.

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Technical A	ccount					425	18	3	1	
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Solomon Islands Contributions:		
Roviana Circuit Vella Lavella Circuit		2
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Buka Circuit		Ď
Government Grants:		- 11263 8 1
B.S.I.P. Medical	381 12	0
Educational		0
Bougainville-Buka Medical Educational		0
Meteorological Allowance Fees for Aircraft Services		0
-	40 0	- 4676 14 6
Sales of Produce:		
Roviana Circuit Vella Lavella Circuit		2
Choiseul Circuit Buin Circuit		7
Buka Circuit	472 9	8
District Training Institution	1326 14	6 3727 19 3
Slip Fees		
Koriovuku Lease Rents		
Lighting Charges		. 180 0 0
Refrigerator Account		. 26 10 0
New Guinea Highlands Account: Solomon Islands Contributions		. 308 15 7
Vella Lavella Jubilee Account		
CARRIED FORWARD		22,620 4 7

Income and Expenditure Account (Continued).

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EXPENDITURE	£					
BROUGHT FORWARD	ž		£ 33,689	-	d.	BROUGHT FORWAR
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			16445	19	11	Interest
To New Zealand Working Expenses:			32576	19	6	Donations
General Administration						Leper Fund:
General Secretary—Stipend Allowance House Travelling Cannexional Charges Clerical Treasurer's Expenses Office Assistance Rent of Office Printing and Stationery Office General Expenses Auditor's Fee Telephones Annual Board Meeting	50 100 108 93 1 60 496 143 105 127 1 21 58	1 8 0 00 2 3 5 0 0 4 3 0 0 1 4 7 11 0 2 7 2 10			10	Interest Donations Lepers' Trus Leper Relief Ve Lepers' Trus Interest Boot Insurance Interest Appropriation
Publicity and Deputation: Annual Report	. 163 1	6 0				Don Alley Memo
Subsidy to Publications: "Open Door"	1 2 - 99 1	4 3				Rehabilitation Fr Interest Donations
Handbills and Film expenses Travelling	. 83 1	2 6		15	7	Solomon Islands Bequests
CARRIED FORWARD			35,005	12	11	C

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Interest	1107	6	6			
Donations						
	-		-	1112	6	6
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Interest	158	16	7			
Donations Lepers' Trust Board		10	9			
Lepers Trust board	2300	0		2905	7	4
per Relief Vessel Account:						
Lepers' Trust Board	3000	0	0			
Interest			5			
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at Insurance Fund:						
Appropriation in lieu of Premiums	457	15	10			
Appropriation in neu or Fremians	233	15		711	0	1
n Alley Memorial Fund:						
Interest				55	8	11
habilitation Fund:						-
Interest	1402	3	11			
Donations						
	-	-	_	1413	3	11
lomon Islands Build & Equipment Fund:						
Bequests				1123	18	5
			-		10	-
CARRIED FORWARD				53,975	19	1

Income and Expenditure Account (Continued).

EXPENDITURE £ s. d. £ s. d.	INCOME £ s. d. £ s. d.
BROUGHT FORWARD 35,005 12 11	BROUGHT FORWARD 53,975 19 1
Special Charges:	M.W.M.U. Special Funds:
Special Deputation Travelling 24 10 5 Film Purchase 37 18 8 Projector 266 10 0 "Methodist Times" Grant 20 0 0 Annuity and Childrens' Allowance 33 17 0 Deaconess Institution 25 0 0 Trinity College 75 0 0 National Missionary Council 48 0 0 Orphaned Missions 100 0 0 Office Renovations 32 13 8 Interest on Loan 7 0 0 Sundry Expenses 46 15 3 President's visit to Solomon Islands 104 8 0 Boot Insurance Fund, Annual Appropriation 150 0 0 Sickness and Accident Fund 149 7 2 Medical Repatriation Account 200 0 0	Grant for Darmitories2197 1 9 156 17 4Interest2353 19 1Lotu Church Fund: Interest31 5 2Elizabeth Common Bequest: Interest54 11 8Papae-New Guinea Highlands Fund:
Papua-New Guinea Highlands Expenses Account 262 7 2 Transfer to Special Funds: New Guinea Highlands; Solomon Islands 308 15 7 Solomon Islands Building and Equipment 308 15 7 2 Fund 1123 18 5 5 Boat Insurance Fund 711 0 1 Lotu Church Fund 31 5 2 Elizabeth Common Bequest 54 11 8 Leper Fund 2905 7 4 Loper Fund 3757 0 4 Don Alley Memorial Fund 55 8 11 M.W.M.U. for Special Purposes 2353 19 1 Vella Lavella Boys' Hostel Account 1634 12 2 Medical Income 1112 6 21053 10 Surplus transferred to General Reserve 4164 16 5	
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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

of the

Methodist Home Mission

Department

for the year ended

31st JULY, 1954

together with

ESTIMATES

for the year 1955



THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year ending 31st July, 1954.

Treasurers: Rev. B. M. CHRYSTALL and Mr F. PENN.

RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
£ s. d. £ s. d. Legacies held for Disbursement 1587 18 5	Balance 31st July, 1953 3825 10 5
	MAORI MISSION
CIRCUIT INCOME	Stipends Ctr. Expenses 10,276 8 5 Investments Funds Board:
South Auckland	Rent 401 0 0 Car Accounts 1212 0 0
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu 1564 11 9	Car Deprctn. Reserve 100 0 0
Nelson 1230 16 0	Rent
South Canterbury 970 16 5	Students 25 0 0
Auckland 3197 9 1 South Auckland 1981 11 3 Taranaki-Wanganui 1111 8 4 Harwkes Bay-Manawatu 1564 11 9 Wellington 1674 8 11 Nelson 1230 16 0 North Canterbury 2445 18 8 South Canterbury 970 16 5 Otago-Southland 1570 12 11	"Maori Furniture
	Maori Section N.C.C. 20 0 0 Contingencies 128 3 6
1953 Appeal 11,771 3 1 1954 Appeal 3974 14 9	Contingencies 128 3 6 Subsidy "Maataapuna" 200 0 0 12,503 16 11
Debt Reduction Appeal 2 0 0 Sundry Donations 153 15 3	CIRCUIT GRANTS
Sundry Donations 153 15 3 District Youth Councils 32 12 10	AUCKLAND DISTRICT -
Sundry Donations 153 15 3 District Youth Councils 32 12 10 M.W.M.U. 3525 0 0 M.W.M.U. 216 3 2 3741 3 2	Aided Circuits North Hokianga 85 0 0
Conference Collections 18 0 0	North Hokianga
Duplicating and Typing 14 3 11 Legacies for Disbursement	Mahurangi
Fire Insurance Fund	Port Albert 5 0 0 Papakura 37 10 0
Kai Iwi	Papakura E.W.B. 15 0 0
Kai Iwi 100 0 Interest on Investments 2172 0 Refund of Circuit Grant, 1953 10 0 Debit Balance 31st July, 1954 3169 9	Papakura 37 10 0 Papakura 37 10 0 Onehunga, Waitangi Rd. 60 0 Auckland East 75 0
a de la companya de la	SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT
	Home Mission Stations
	Coromandel 25 0 0 Kawhia 40 0 0 Ngaruawahia 12 10 0
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	Aided Circuits Taumarunul 70 0 Hauraki Plains 30 0 Waihi 50 0 Te Kuiti 120 0 Putaruru 57 10 Opotiki 25 0 Ohura 52 10 Tauranga 50 0
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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT Statement of Receipts and Payments — Continued

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT

Statement of Receipts and Payments - Continued

I certify that I have examined the Books
and Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission
Department for the year ended 31st July,
1954, and that in my opinion the above
Statement of Receipts and Payments is prop-
erly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and
correct view of the state of the Department's
affairs, according to the best of my informa-
tion and the explanation given to me and
as shown by the Books of the Department.
R. N. COOKE, A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I.,
Auditor.

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Travel Fund	25	0	0			
Christchurch Maori Girls Hostel	100	0	0			
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METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st July, 1954.

RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
£ s. d. £ s. d. To Balance at Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/53: On A/c Capital awaiting investment 1054 8 10 On A/c Income Accounts: Net Debits, M'Inc. A/cs. 361 1 1 Less E. W. Blackwell Trust for Disbursement 74 14 11 286 6 2 Cash on Account of Capital; Estate late F. Webb Jones 100 0 0 " L. A. Butterick 50 0 0 " U. C. Francis 25 0 0 " Tucker 40 0 0 " P. Keightley 100 0 0 " F. E. and F. H. Steele 720 0 1035 0 0 Less Proportion available for 75 0 0	£ s. d. £ s. d. Interest Transferred to Home Mission Fund: Through Mornington Through Invercargill Central Bits 0 Direct to Home Mission Fund Legacies for Disbursement transferred to Home Mission Fund Capital Invested: New Special Loans Properties- Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel Auckland Maori Centre Jongaville Maori Street Jongaville Maori Street
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METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD Statement of Capital as at 31st July, 1954.

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LIABILITIES Capital as at 31st July, 1953 (Legacies and Memorial Gifts.) Add New Capital during year: Legacies (see Receipts and Pay- ments A/c.) Less available for Disbursement Less Tucker Bequest to Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	75 0 0 960 0 0	ASSETS £ s. d. £ S. S. 2. <th2.< th=""> <th2.< th=""></th2.<></th2.<>
Add Transfer from Mission Property Trustees	75 0 0 995 0 0	Kawakawa Maori Centre 468 0 10 Opunake Deaconess Centre 125 3 9 Te Kuiti Maori Centre 2873 8 4 38 880 13 0
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Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel Mortgage, Maori Affairs Department New Capital during year	6240 0 0	Deposit A/c. 60 0 0 T. G. Brooke Memorial Gift 250 0 0 1617 18 2
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Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel Bank Advance Temporary Loan New Capital during year	6629 18 1 3969 10 8 1607 11 1	I certify that I have examined the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel Hawera Maori Centre New Capital during year	7436 1 1 1587 3 8 15 0 0 1602 3 8	Board for the year ended 31st July, 1954, and that in my opinion the above Statement of Receipts and Payments, and the Statement of Capital are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Board's affairs, according to the best
Kawakawa Maori Centre New Capital during year	35 0 0	of my information and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the Books of the Board.
Te Kuiti Maori Centre E. W. Blackwell Trust for Distribution Investment Reserve Account	823 15 7 49 14 11 400 0 0	R. N. COOKE, A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I., Auditor.
Foreign Mission Fund: Loan at call Auckland Central Mission Trust: Loan at call Sundry Loans at call Deposit A/c.	3000 0 0 3801 17 6 60 0 0	the term and
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METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD SPECIAL LOANS ACCOUNT, 31st JULY, 1954.

	Loans Current 31/7/53	New Loans	Repaid During Year	Current 31/7/54
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland Youth Camps Campbells Bay Church (Auckland — 2) Castlecliff Hall			230 0 0	420 0 0
Campbells Bay Church (Auckland - 2)		500 0 0	27 5 10	946 0 5
Castlecliff Hall	176 19 8		21 9 2	155 10 6
Christchurch Central Mission Parsonage				400 0 0
Christchurch Maori Hostel			100 6 3	2052 16 3
Claudelands Church			38 10 10	861 9 2
Claudelands Youth Centre		2000 0 0	26 3 9	1973 16 3
Coromandel Church			43 6 8	1063 11 1
Coromandel Parsonage				65 3 4
Corstorphine Section				390 0 0
Dominion Road Parsonage			66 13 9	603 1 11
Dublin Street Church			30 12 9	124 14 0
Dunedin Methodist Hostel			97 3 9	2129 1 3
Epsom Church			66 5 10	826 15 0
Epworth Bookroom Alterations		2336 10 6		2336 10 6
Pairfield Section (Dunedin)				175 0 0
Gisborne Hall	1000 0 0		26 4 2	973 15 10
Gisborne, Mangapapa Section		350 0 0		350 0 0
Glen Eden Church			20 0 0	60 0 0
Glen Eden Parsonage			20 0 0	60 0 0
Grey Institute	6522 5 5		400 0 0	6122 5 5
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel				1342 3 10
Hastings Youth Centre	1982 10 0		71 1 8	1911 8 4
Helensville Church		200 0 0 -	10 11 3	489 8 9
Hokitika Church			103 17 6	619 16 9
Invercargill North Church			39 15 6	1447 2 0
Kaitaia Section			14 3 5	96 3 3
Kaitoke Church (Wanganui)	112 2 6		778	104 14 10
Kohukohu Parsonage			54 2 7	217 2 8
Lyall Bay Parsonage		1000 0 0		1000 0 0
Manly Church Hall			3 10 7	315 0 2
Mount Maunganui Church Hall		1000 0 0	17 9 2	982 10 10
North Brighton Section			11 19 6	88 0 6
North Canterbury District Youth Council			55 5 0	1378 5 0
Orewa Church Hall		1000 0 0	20 0 0	980 0 0
Otago-Southland Youth Camp			40 10 0	810 18 4
Otaki Youth Hall			37 4 0	506 8 5
Paeroa Parsonage		-	34 0 0	26 5 3
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Papatoetoe Parsonage	400 0 0	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	400 0 0	-
Pirenaven Section (Upper Hutt)				340 0 0
Prizerua Bay Hall				350 0 0
Puru Section (Thames)			100 0 0	
Raumati South Section				250 0 0
Religious Film Society	200 0 0			200 0 0

Richardson Road Section Riselaw Road Section (Dunedin) Roskill Church (2) Roskill Sunday School Russell Parsonage South Auckland Permanent Camp Site Stokes Valley Section (Upper Hutt) Taita Union Parsonage Tawa Flat Section	580 100 1241 1200 1 971 1 468 1 325 1273	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	700	00	0	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
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Waitangi Road (Onehunga) Waverley Section (St. Kilda)	118 1	11 0				38 3 0	80 8 0
Western Springs (Auckland)	732 1	13 6				100 0 0	632 13 6
Youth Director's House, Christchurch Youth Director's House, Wellington	1443 1384	0 8				83 4 1	1359 16 7
Youth Director's House, Wellington Home and Maori Mission Transport	518	9 3	400	0	0	132 16 0	785 13 3
Putaruru Circuit Transport	243 1	18 8	100	~		55 14 11	188 3 9
Private Car Loans	155 1	12 10			1	87 2 2	68 10 8
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METHODIST MISSION PROPERTY TRUSTEES

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year ended 31st July, 1954.

RECEIPTS To Balance Bank of New Zealand 31/7/53:	£	s.	d.	3.	s.	d.	PAYMENTS £ s. c	1. £	s. d.
Capital Account Income Account Rents:	373	3 15	10 5	382	19	3	Repairs and Sundries Capital Expenditure— Mt. Wesley 15 7 Transfer of Capital to Investment	0	6 0
Mt. Wesley, Mangawhare Mt. Wesley, Old Parsonage Kaeo Newark	74 80 45	2 0 0 0 14	0000				Funds Board 75 0 Balance, Bank of New Zealand	- 90	70
Opononi (Rent and Interest)	49	14	8	249 72 20	16	800	Capital Account 11 10 Income Account 601 0	7 612	1 5
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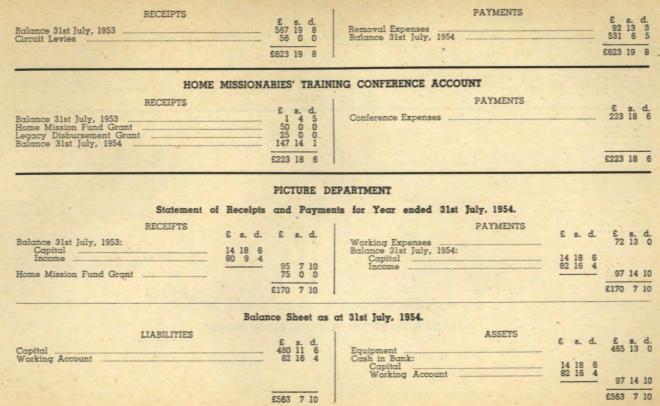
Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1954.

Accumulated Funds 6357 3 0	ASSETS £ s. d.	3	-	-
Balance held for Special Purposes	Properties	5780	1	7
	Cash: Capital Account 11 0 10 Revenue Account 601 0 7			
and the second		612	1	5
£6392 3 0	Land with the state of the	£6392	3	0

	REV. THON	90 5 0	DDLE CENTENNIAL GIFT By Interest Disbursed to Libraries Balance 31st July, 1954, at Auckland Savings Bank	£ s. d. 2 5 4 90 5 0 £92 10 4
To Balance 31st J Interest	REV. GEO	£ s. d.	TTLE CENTENNIAL GIFT By Interest Disbursed to Wesley College Balance 31st July, 1954, at Auckland Savings Bank	£ s. d. 6 14 0 266 0 0 £272 14 0
			OKE MEMORIAL FUND Funds Board's Account)	
To Memorial Gift	from Mrs G. Treadgold	£ s. d. 250 0 0 £250 0 0	By Balance, 31/7/54	£ s. d 250 0 0 £250 0 0
Brought Down Repairs Painting Rates Insurance Commission	Income and Expend s of Expenditure 31/7/53: 65 5 545 10 138 14 74 4	d. £ s. d. 72.60 9 8 29	the Year ended 31st July, 1954. By Rents and Refund of Rates	£1484 6
Depreciation Rese	Be LIABILITIES rve nditure Account	1210 12 10	ASSETS Buildings National Savings Account Post Office Savings Bank Bank of New Zealand	2064 12

METHODIST HOME MISSION FUND

HOME MISSIONARIES' REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND



MAORI MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 31st July, 1954.

RECEIPTS Home Mission Fund Subsidy Fire Insurance Fund Subsidy Ministers' Contributions Interest, National Savings Transfer to Accumulated Funds	<u>2 0 0</u> 19 6 8	PAYMENTS Balance to Ministers on Retirement	£ s. d. 1509 6 5
	Balance Sheet as a	nt 31st July, 1954.	
LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Accumulated Funds at 31st July, 1954 Withdrawn during year	£ s. d. £ s. d. 2331 7 9 1418 14 0 912 13 9	National Savings Investment Account	912 13 9
	£912 13 9		£912 13 9

I certify that I have examined the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Mission Property Trustees for the year ended 31st July, 1954, and that in my opinion the above Statement of Receipts and Payments, and the Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Trust affairs, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the Books of the Trust.

, R. N. COOKE, A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I., Auditor.

METHODIST LITERATURE AND COLPORTEUR SOCIETY

Trading Account for year ended 31st July, 1954.

То	Stock 1/8/53	£ 4456 4860	s. 40	d. 6 1	By	Sales		£ 6788	s. 13	d. 1
	Less Stock 31/7/54	9316 4798	46	75	12					
	Cost price of Goods Sold Gross Profit	4517 2270	18 14	2 11						
1	A STATE STATE OF STATE	£6788	13	1		-	T	£6788	13	1

Profit and Loss Account for year ended 31st July, 1954.

To Accountancy and Audit " Advertising " Freight and Cartage " General Expenses Insurance " Interest on Van Reserve Legal Expenses " Light and Power " Postages and Stationery Rates Rent Repairs and Maintenance Salaries " Telephone and Tolls " Depreciation: " Fittings and Equipment Net Profit	£ 70 33 1 29 17 30 36 6 7 110 25 1164 28 680 5 1064 28 29 104	s. 02014155131482161714459	d. 007101001111361167 80	By Gross Profit £ s. d. "Interest Received 2270 14 11 "Annu Received 12 10 0 "Grant for Rent from Home Mission Department 10 0 0 100 0 0
	£2393	4	11	£2393 4 11

METHODIST LITERATURE AND COLPORTEUR SOCIETY

Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1954.

LIABILITIES Sundry Creditors Bills Payable Subscriptions in Advance	£ 1328 447 27	s. d. 3 5 14 0	£	s.	d.	ASSETS Cash on Hand Cash at Bank	£ s. d 10 16 0 776 2 3	0	s 5	s. d.
Home Mission Department Loan Account Van Replacement Reserve Capital: Balance 1/8/53 Plus Net Profit	3728	1	1803 2336 1240	10 4	65	Cash at Auckland Savings Bank (Van Replacement Reserve) Sundry Debtors Less Bad Debts Reserve Stock on Hand Fittings and Equipment Less Depreciation	540 4 1 50 0 0 320 11 0 29 5 0	5 1 0 - 4 47	57 1	8 10 4 1 6 5
			£9213	-	_	Renovations			91 88 1 13	5 10 0 6 3 11

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I certify that I have examined the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Literature and Colporteur Society for the year ended 31st July, 1954, 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 in the Books of the Society. I have accepted the Manager's Certificate as to quantities and values of stock on hand.

Auckland, 27th September, 1954.

R. N. COOKE, A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.L, Auditor.

METHODIST Home Mission Department

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ESTIMATES, INCOME & EXPENDITURE for 1955

INCOME

1. CIRCUITS, HOME MISSION STATIONS, and MAORI CIRCUITS-

(Average income based on last three years of ordinary income.)

Districts:

	AUCKLAND £3197 11 9		
	SOUTH AUCKLAND 1893 8 7		
	TARANAKI-WANGANUI 1190 3 2		
	HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU 1540 12 10		
	WELLINGTON 1656 12 0		
	NELSON 935 3 8		
	NORTH CANTERBURY 2296 14 9		
	SOUTH CANTERBURY 917 4 7		
	OTAGO-SOUTHLAND 1318 11 0		
	14,946	1	8
2.	PROPERTIES AND INVESTMENTS 2,500	0	0
3.	SPECIAL M.W.M.U. OBJECTIVE FOR MAORI WORK 3,100	0	0
4.	SPECIAL FOR SISTERS' SALARIES 450	0	0
	SMETHURST INTEREST 130	0	0
5.	MISCELLANEOUS 250	0	0
	TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES F21 376	1	8

EXPENDITURE

AUCKLAND DISTRICT Maori Work

Acting Senior Maori Superintendent— Honorarium 52 0 Special Travelling 100 0 Special Travelling 25 0 Minister— 510 0 Stipend 510 0 Travelling 75 0 Probationer Minister— 382 0 Stipend 382 0 Supernumerary Minister— 100 0 Honorarium 52 0 0 Travelling 100 0 0 Supernumerary Minister— 100 0 0 Honorarium 52 0 0 Travelling 52 0 0 Travelling 52 0 0 Rent 26 0 0 Home Missionary— 104 0 0 Home Missionary= 104 0 0 Grants for Travelling and General Circuit Expenses 102 0 Deaconess— 353	Muon Hork	£	s.	d.	
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European Work

Circuits with Home Missic	onaries		
North Waitemata — 2 agents	150	0	0
Extra for M.O.M.	50	0	0
Aided Circuits			
Onehunga if S.H.M.P.	50	0	0
Kawakawa-Kaikohe	100	0	0
Papakura for S.P.	30	0	0
North Hokianka. If M.H.M	100	0	00
Hokianga (Rawene) M.O.M	90	0	0
Auckland East (for 5th & 6th			
Agents)	175	0	0
Whangaroa. If M.O.M.	60	0	0
Mahurangi	40	0	0
	£845	0	0

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Maori Work-Haikaro C	neun		
and the second	£	5.	d.
Home Missionary Supply-	78	0	0
Stipend Travelling	80	0	0
Home Missionary Supply— Stipend	295	0	0
Rent	25	Õ	0
Travelling	80	0	0
Home Missionary— Stipend	295	0	0
Travelling	80	0	0
Home Missionary (Part time)-	100	0	0
Stipend Travelling	50	õ	Õ
Home Missionary (Part time)-	125	0	0
Stipend	52	ő	ő
Travelling	52	0	0
Hon. Supt., Hon. H.Ms, and General Expenses	393	10	0
Degconess-	375	10	0
Stipend	382	0	00
Provision for Car Deaconess—	7.0	0	0
Stipend	382	0	0
Provision for Car	70	0	0
Deaconess- Stipend	353	0	0
Provision for Car	70	0	0
Deaconess— Stipend	330	0	0
Provision for Car	70	õ	ŏ
Deaconess (Supply) Ngaruawahia	307	0	0
Stipend Travelling	70	ő	ŏ
Hon. S.S. Teacher-			-
Travelling Investment Funds Boad—Rent	36	0	0
for Ngaruawahia	52	0	0
	£3897	10	0
	23891	10	0

KING COUNTRY CIRCUIT Maori Work

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Deaconess Supply (Half-time)— Stipend Travelling	153	10	00
Investment Funds Board for			
Kawhia Te Kuiti	75 52	00	00
	£2423	0	0

EUROPEAN WORK Home Mission Stations

Home month offere				
Ngaruawahia—if M.H.M Kawhia—if M.H.M	25 40	00	00	
Aided Circuits				
Huntly-M.O.M.	75	0	0	
Whakatane for Travelling		-		
Kawerau Special	25	0	0	
Tauranga (for 3rd Agent)	90		.0	
Putaruru-M.O.M.	75	0	00	
Putaruru Special	25	0	0	
Putaruru-if 2nd Agent		1		
Tokoroa	75	0	0	
Opotiki-if M.O.M.				
(If M.H.M. £25)	75	0	0	
Hauraki Plains-M.H.M.P	45	0	0	
Taumarunui—M.O.M.	70	0	0	
Waihi-if M.O.M	45	0	0	
Te Kuiti-M.O.M.	55	0	0	
Te Kuiti Travelling	70	0	0	
Ohura	60	0	0	
Kawerau Special additional			-	
if M.O.M	500	0	0	
	01050	0	-	
	£1350	0	0	

TARANAKI-WHANGANUI DISTRICT Maori Work

Maori Work			
Minister-			
Stipend	510	0	0
Travelling	75	0	0
Special Travelling	20	0	0
Probationer-		-	-
Stipend	382	0	0
Travelling	45	0	0
Provision for Car Rent	60	00	00
Hon. H.Ms., Grant for Travelling	50	0	0
and General Circuit Ex	120	0	0
Connexional Charges	24	ő	õ
Deaconess-	24	0	•
Stipend	382	0	0
Provision for Car	70	ŏ	õ
Deaconess-			1
Stipend	353	0	0
Provision for Car	70	0	0
Deaconess (New Plymouth Appt.)-			
12 Stipend	153	10	0
Travelling	35	0	0
Investment Funds Board for Rent			-
Hawera	75	0	0
	0101	10	0
In the second	£2424	10	0

Home Mission Station Inglewood—M.H.H. Marton S.P.	s 35 25	00	00
Aided Circuits Wanganui West M.O.M. Taihape S.P. Waitara Travelling	60 50 50	000	000
	£220	0	0

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU Home Mission Stations

Waipawa-Waipukurau—if M.H.M. (S.H.M.P. Nil)	30	0	0
Aided Circuits			
Wairog-if M.P.	35	0	0
Wairog Travelling	35	0	0
Apiti-if M.H.M.P.	25	0	0
Apiti Travelling	10	0	0
Gisborne if 2nd Agent	50	0	0
	£185	0	0

WELLINGTON DISTRICT Aided Circuits

Wellington East 3rd M.O.M	45	0	0
Paraparaumu	75	0,	0
Paraparaumu Travelling	25	0	0
Eketahuna	60	0	0
Upper Hutt (M.O.M.)	60	0	0
Porirua	10	0	0
Taita Union Parish	50	0	0
	£325	0	0

NELSON DISTRICT **Aided Circuits**

Westport	 	 	 	 	• • •		25 45 40 25 40	00000	00000	
						£	175	0	0	

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT **Aided Circuits**

Riccarton Lyttelton—if M.O.M. Oxford—Travelling		55 100 50	000	000
		£205	0	0

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT Aided Circuits

Marchwiel Union Parish —M.O.M	100	0	0
	£100	0	0

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT **Home Mission Stations**

Waikouaiti-Palmerston	60	0	0
Aided Circuits			
Corstorphine Union Parish	40	0	0
St. Kilda (for Peninsular)			
—if S.H.M.P	70	0	0
Dunedin South	15	0	0
Port Chalmers-M.O.M.	100	0	0
Port Chalmers-Special	25	0	0
Roxburgh	65	0	0
Roxburgh—Travelling	25	0	0
Edendale-if M.H.M	50	0	0
Bluff	45	0	0
Mosgiel-if M.H.M.	40	0	0
Cromwell-Alexandra-if M.P.	75	0	0
Milton	60	0	0
Dunedin North	70	0	0
	£740	0	0

GENERAL EXPENDITURE Maori Work

Maori Work				
Sunday School Materials Printing Subsidy "Maataapuna" Special South Island Travelling Maori Workers' Conference Students Deaconess Maori Furniture	10 200 50 50 30 100	000000	000000	
Deaconess Car Account Depreciation Methodist Times South Island Deaconess	100 10	00	00	
Stipend Sundry Exes. Christchurch Maori Hostel (If	52 10	00	00	
new building) Maori Contingencies National Council of Churches	50 100	00	00	
Maori Section Maori Ministers' Home	24	0	0	
Acquirement Fund Subsidy Auckland Maori Hostel	20 250	00	00	
£	1,056	0	0	1
MISCELLANEOUS GRAN	TS			
H.M. Retiring Fund (Estimate) Deaconess Retiring Fund	200	0	0	
(Estimate) H.M. Deputation Expenses Use of Picture Plant Board of Publications Spiritual Advance Committee Deaconess Institution	350 150 75 50 25 100	000000	000000	
Deaconess Students— (General Work) Theological College Church Sites Fund Natural Calamities Fund Ministerial Supplies (Estimate) Visual Material for Deputations Wesley Circulating Library Methodist World Conference	60 150 100 25 100 50 5	0000000	0000000	
Travel Fund Methodist Times Advertising Printing and Stationery Interest and Bank charges H.H. Study Conference Colportage Society of	25 12 250 100 75	00000	00000	
Otago-Southland Workers Compensation		10	0	-
Insurance Contingencies and Sundries Share of Lotu Printing	40 400 50	000	000	
£	2,405	0	0	1

GENERAL SUPERINTEND	ENT		
Stipend Travelling General Allowance	535 150 50	000	000
	£735	0	0
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ASSISTANT SUPERINTENI	510	0	0
Stipend Travelling General Allowance	150 50	000	000
	£710	0	0
MISSIONARY IN MAORI W	OPK		
Stipend	510 125	00	00
	£635	0	0
CONNEXIONAL CHARGES FOR	THE A	BO	VE
CONNEXIONAL CHARGES FOR	225	0	0
	£225	0	0
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GENERAL TREASURER			
Bookkeeping General Expenses	180 20	00	00
	£200	0	0
OFFICE EXPENSES			
Secretarial Rent Light and Power Postages and Telegrams Telephones etc.	300 180 10 100 100	00000	00000
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RENT FOR PARSONAG General Superintendent	150 150	0	000 0

SUMMARY OF HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES INCOME EXPENDITURE £ s. d. £ s. d.

Properties and Investments	2500	0	8	European and	General	9560 0	0
Special M.W.M.U. for Maori							
Work	3100	0	0				
Special M.W.M.U. for Sisters' Salaries	450	0	0				
Special M.W.M.U. Smethurst	400	Ĩ	-				
Interest	130	0	0				
Miscellaneous	250 3365	0	0				
Dencir on rears working	3305	10	4			The second	_
£	24,742	0	0		£	24,742 0	0
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NOTE:-Actual Accumulated Debit Balance at 31st July, 1954 - £3,169 0 0

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Summary of General Returns FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954

	Church Membership	Stipends, etc.	State of Finances as at 30th June
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Hawkes Bay-Manawatu 39 20 26 16 17 36 18 Wellington 45 24 28 24 29 2 2 61 3277 267 258 Wellington 45 24 28 24 29 2 2 61 3277 267 258	19 78 15 35 below 138 1140	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1410 18 9 6 1 4 5160 5 4 2279 6 0
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NAME OF DISTRICT	of Sun. Schools	d. during year	orroll	tinners	mary	unior 40 MOI	ermediate	tal	ATTENDANCE	No. o Teache and Officer	rs office of	SSe	nior	Mer.	mbers	a y	[otal	Av. Attendance	funior	Me	mber	Leaders diug	Total	Av. Attendance No. of Societies	Total Roll	New Pledges	No. now on Roll	No. on Cradle Roll	No. on Primary Roll	No. on Junior Roll	No. on Youth Roll	Total	Youth Received during Year	No. on Youth Roll now Members
Northland Auckland South Auckland Taranaki-Wanganui Hawkes Bay-Manawatu Wellington Nelson North Canterbury South Canterbury	7 6 3	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Š 37 359 35 1320 44 87 35 533 37 58 32 91 16 44 55 92 80 35 000 77	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	399 1643 1027 530 694 928 400 1168 267		Ê 1322 5299 3418 1900 2252 2954 1436 3664 877 2009	$ \begin{array}{r} 1029 \\ 2652 \\ 624 \end{array} $	100	52 167 129 57 82 123 53 157 35 91	33 119 76 46 62 93 36 115 22 72	E 107 403 257 257 189 175 231 110 258 75 171	E 2 34 34 130 83 57 78 108 43 126 19 86 9			F 168 674 421 291 329 456 192 530 121 351	127 488 320 223 240 .330 143 392 89 265	80 260 147 145 144 182 96 196 73 103	$\begin{array}{c c} 31 \\ 116 \\ 69 \\ 31 \\ 57 \\ 73 \\ 33 \\ 104 \\ 31 \\ 81 \\ \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 10\\ 111\\ 72\\ 24\\ 36\\ 120\\ 24\\ 82\\ 20\\ 51\\ \end{array} $	41 20 30 48 21 60 15 41	550 329 220 267 423 174 442 139 276	$\begin{array}{c} 109 & 37 \\ 404113 \\ 251 & 67 \\ 168 & 38 \\ 208 & 43 \\ 318 & 77 \\ 122 & 27 \\ 323 & 71 \\ 108 & 33 \\ 209 & 48 \\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c c} & 422 \\ 2854 \\ 1032 \\ 725 \\ 1041 \\ 1517 \\ 669 \\ 1629 \\ 562 \\ 708 \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 49\\11\\\\14\\44\\44\\18\\25\\18\\2\end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 91\\ 71\\ 17\\ 48\\ 129\\ 146\\ 80\\ 126\\ 67\\ 47\\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 270\\ 1333\\ 664\\ 533\\ 656\\ 910\\ 391\\ 1036\\ 383\\ 631\\ \end{array}$	460 2392 1130 799 .1066 1428 707 1452 430 915	1042 777 1053 1398 519 1710 424 1041	$799 \\ 673 \\ 1202 \\ 550 \\ 1255 \\ 366 \\ 853 \\$	7975 3613 2908 3448 4938 2167 5453 1603 3440	$ \begin{array}{r} 41 \\ 95 \\ 58 \\ 48 \\ 47 \\ 95 \\ 26 \\ 45 \\ 11 \\ 32 \\ \hline 100 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c c} 20\\ 273\\ 132\\ 129\\ 97\\ 247\\ 46\\ 311\\ 48\\ 98\\ \end{array}$
Otago-Southland TOTALS	1	1 21	11 708 73 697	0 59	89 603 40 593	4 7628 3 7353	5480 5597	$25131 \\ 24826$	18041 17605	$ 1974 \\ 1965 $	946 954	674 621	$\frac{1976}{1809}$	764 742	520 488	273 251	3533 3290		1314	556		314	2731	222(554 1987527	11159 10514	225 309	822 933	6985	10779 11485	11638	8876	38984	498 515	$ \begin{array}{r} 1401 \\ 1463 \\ \hline \end{array} $
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GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954

	ng			Missionaries	T.B.		4	-	-	urch Men		hip		-	1
-	Churches Other Preaching Places	a a	Ministers and Probationers	ssio	nesses Preachers			er Recd. g Year		ber Remo		se	Ise	ion	1
' CIRCUITS	Prea	Schoolrooms Parsonages	ers		Deaconesses Local Preach	l si					2	rea	crea	Probation	ns
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	Ch Oth	Sch	Min	Ho	Deacol Local	Me	New Members	Transfers from other Churches	By	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On	No. of Baptisms
Auckland Central Auckland Central Mission	$\begin{vmatrix} 6 & - \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$	$\begin{vmatrix} 6 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$	13	1	111	592	55	40	15	34	12	34	1	1-	86
Auckland South	3 1	$\begin{array}{c c}1&2\\3&2\end{array}$	34	1	1 5	212 394	19 30	$\begin{vmatrix} 3\\24 \end{vmatrix}$	$\begin{vmatrix} 2\\ 6 \end{vmatrix}$	3 26	$\frac{12}{3}$	5 19		2	12 51
Auckland West	$\begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ 10 \end{vmatrix} - 1$	3 1	1	-	- 1	116	27	8	5	10	3	17		-	21
Avondale	$\begin{vmatrix} 10 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$		14 5	1	$-31 \\ -14$	944 425	.47	54 24	14 8	57	44	-	15 2	=	52 29
Henderson	4 3	1 1	2	1	- 2	166	. 9	27	-	20	.6	22	-	2	27
Devonport Takapuna	$\begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{vmatrix}$	$\begin{array}{c c} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{array}$	24	$\overline{\frac{1}{2}}$	- 4	193 344	6 21	4	-	1	-	9		-	15
Birkenhead	4 1	2 1	i	-	- 7	228	10	30 8	53	- 21	11	14		-	$\frac{30}{23}$
Onehunga Otahuhu	$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ - \end{bmatrix}$		1	1	-11	268	9	13	2	16	-	4		-	41
Papatoetoe	2 -		2	-	- 3	166 239	34	27	9 5	6 3	-	53	15	-	20 18
Papakura	3 2	2 1	2	-	- 5	181	1 -	2	2	4	5	-	9	-	16
Pukekohe Bombay-Tuakau		$ \frac{1}{-1} $	1	-	- 7	157 94	-2	82	22	4	-	2	-		8 10
Waiuku	1 5	2 1	1	-	- 4	112	6		4	11	=	-1	2	-	35
Mahurangi North Waitemata	$ \begin{array}{c c} 2 & 9 \\ 5 & 13 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c c} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{array}$	1	- 3	- 5	107	5	. 3	-		-	8	-1	-	12
Paparoa	4 4	1 1	1	-	$-\frac{10}{-3}$	127 86	4.3	3	1	4	-	22	-	-	18 16
Dargaville	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 3 & 8 \\ 3 & 1 \end{array} $	3 1	1	-	- 7	236	15	10	-	12	6	7	-	-	37
Ruawai Whangarei	$ \begin{array}{c c} 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 \end{array} $	$\frac{-1}{2}$ 1	1	-	-5 - 10	115 262	11 16	6 10	-1	$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{-}{1}$	16 9	-		9 24
Hikurangi	1 4		1	-	- 3	66	8	4	1	- 10	-	11	-	-	12
Whangaroa Port Albert	$ \begin{array}{c c} 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 4 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c c}1 & 1\\3 & 1\end{array}$	1	Ξ	- 4	58 130	57	1	1	3	-	2	-		8
Kawakawa-Kaikohe	2 6	- 1	i	-	- 1	65	4	6	1	8	3	4 6	-	-	13 17
Mangonui Hokianga	$\begin{array}{c c}4&1\\3&2\end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c c} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{array} $	1	-	- 3	83	-		-	2	-	-	2	-	10
Bay of Islands	1 -	$ \begin{array}{c c} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} $	1	-	- 2	47	- 3	3	1	12	=	- 3	10	-	3
North Hokianga	3 7	2 1	-	1	- 2	82	10	3	1	1	5	6	-	-	10
Totals	105 91	62 42	59	11	2 190	6314	374	322	88	293	112	267	55	-	684
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Thames	3 -	1 1	2	-		142	1	3	1	1	11	1	4	-	9
Hauraki Plains	$ \begin{array}{c cc} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} $	-11	2	1	1	- 62 52	- 9	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	-1	-3	17	-	-	4 8
Waihi	1 5	1 1	2	-	- 3	88	2	5	1	2	2	2	-	-	12
Te Aroha	$ \begin{array}{c c} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c ccc} 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{array}$	1	7	- 2	193	-	4	2	11	-	-	9	-	25
Cambridge	3 1	2 1	2	-	- 5	171	12 3	15 8	6 3	21 5	2	-1	-	-	25 9
Hamilton East	$ 5 2 \\ 3 3 $		4	1	-120	554	19	36	8	22	1	24	-	-	74
Huntly	1 5	-1	1	1.1	- 7	209 85	14 2	15 6	$\frac{3}{2}$	16 10	-	10	-4	-	18
Matamata	3 5	1 1	1	-	- 3	161	1	1	4	5	-	-	7	-	4
Putaruru Rotorua	$ \begin{array}{c cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c c}1&1\\2&1\end{array}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	-	- 4 - 9	73 164	27	$\frac{12}{16}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{12}{6}$	3	15	2	-	11
Tauranga	3 7	2 2	2	1	1 10	356	ii	28	5	16	-	18	-	-	7 32
Whakatane Opotiki	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & - \\ 2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$	$\begin{array}{c c}1&1\\2&1\end{array}$	=	1	- 2	66		5	2	3	11	-	11	-	4
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Otorohanga	1 10	1 1	1	-	- 1	103	3	11- 14	-	8	-	-	5	-	12
Te Kuiti Taumarunui	$ \begin{array}{c c} 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 \end{array} $	- 1 - 1	1	-		59 69	- 5	52	1	5 2	- 4	-	1	-	8 10
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Coromandel	1 -	1 1	-	-	- 1	26	-	2	-	-	-	2	-		10
Raglan Union						55	100						-		
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TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT.

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Waitara		3	2	5	1	1	-	- 5	111	4	17	2	6	1	10	-	-	20	120
Stratford	in	7	-	1	1	1	-	- 4	181	5	8	- 1	. 5	-	8	-	-	23	175
Eltham-Kaponga		2	3	2	1	1	-	- 7	119	8	2	3	5	2	-	-	-	12	95
Hawera	-	5	-	1	1	1	-	-10	242	10	4	4	18	2	-	10	*	19	160
Manaia		2	5	-	1	1	1-	- 3	92	-	1	1	16	2	-	18	-	13	65
Opunake		5	5	4	3	1	1	- 8	175	15	5	1	11	-	8	-	-	28	155
Wanganui Central		2	1	1	1	3	-	- 4	232	17	12	3	10	4	12	-	-	24	240
Wanganui North		3	2	3	2	1	-	- 8	168	5	3	3	12	3	-	10	-	14	170
Wanganui West		3	-	1	1	1	-	- 3	96	3	5	3	6	-	- 1	1	-	8	80
Taihape		1	2	1	-	1	-		39	-	3	-	7		- 1	4	-	6	24
Inglewood		2	2	1	1	-	1	- 2	93	-	3	1	_	2	-	2	-	12	63
Marton		1	1	1	1	-	1	- 2	75	1	7	-	1	2	5	-	-	9	65
Raetihi		1	-	-	-	-	1	- 1	24	-	2	-	1	2	2	-	-	14	30
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Totals	39 20	26	16 1	7 5	3 73	2769	91	125	45	125	35	_	36	-	275	2089
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Wellington Central	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	323-3-1122111-3-	2 2 3 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2	53	$ \begin{array}{c} -5 \\ -7 \\ -5 \\ -6 \\ 111 \\ -3 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 14 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 261 \end{array} $	389 296 214 390 189 134 493 109 135 66 77 279 87 188 81 106 - 16 28	16 24 2 12 34 6 11 4 2 41 6 18 18 1 10 3 1 235	$\begin{array}{c} 74\\ 13\\ 15\\ 24\\ 16\\ 8\\ 27\\ 21\\ 5\\ 6\\ 2\\ 11\\ -\\ 8\\ 5\\ 12\\ 5\\ 6\\ 258\\ \end{array}$	7 3743-53-1621-3-1 46	$ \begin{array}{c} 71\\ 15\\ 17\\ 23\\ 20\\ 4\\ 32\\ 6\\ 13\\ 2\\ 26\\ 9\\ 7\\ 7\\ -\\ 2 \end{array} $		$ \begin{array}{c} 4\\ 19\\ -\\ 36\\ -\\ 14\\ 19\\ 17\\ 3\\ 8\\ 1\\ 9\\ -\\ 18\\ -\\ 9\\ 16\\ 28\\ 201 \end{array} $		TTITITITITITITI	$ \begin{array}{r} 27 \\ 23 \\ 13 \\ 28 \\ 13 \\ 22 \\ 44 \\ 17 \\ 17 \\ 24 \\ 26 \\ 12 \\ 18 \\ 7 \\ 319 \\ 319 \\ \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{r} 375\\ 270\\ 204\\ 345\\ 118\\ 130\\ 422\\ 100\\ 125\\ 51\\ 40\\ 230\\ 58\\ 175\\ 73\\ 90\\ 16\\ 20\\ \hline \\ 2842 \end{array}$

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GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954 NELSON DISTRICT.

		bug				naries		rs				Chu	rch Mem	bers	hip	1	Ĩ		
		Preaching	ms	es	and	Missior	ses	reachers	-		er Recd g Year		ber Remo m the R		ase	ase	tion		1
CIRCUITS	ches		olroo	arsonages	Ministers		eaconesses	A	bers oll	bers	sfers	Death	sfers her its	d to	Increase	Decrease	Probation	f	nuni
	Churches	Other Places	Schoolrooms	Pars	Ministers	Home	Deac	Local	Members on Roll	New Members	Transfers from other Churches	By D	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased	Net I	Net I	On P	No. of Baptisms	Communi- cants
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Nelson	2	1	4	1	3	-	-	10	344	28	10	4	32	4	-	2	-	31	260
Waimea	7	-	4	1	3	-	-	10	238	17	27	3	19	4	18	-	-	17	180
Motueka	1	3	3	1	1	1	-	7	110	-	-	2	1	-	-	3	-	6	75
Murchison	1	3	-	-	1-	-	-	4	19	=	1	-	-	2	-	1	-	4	. 12
Blenheim	8	10	4	- 4	4	1	-	13	420	15	9	3	5	-	16	-	-	39	270
Reefton	2	2	1	1	-	1	-	5	74	4	. 2		6	- 1	-	2	(-)	11	72
Westport	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	89	8	2	2	3	-	5	-	-	10	65
Greymouth	2	4	1	1	111	-	-	1	212	4	19	4	10	2	7	-	-	12	172
Hokitika	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	2	56	2	1	1	2	3	-	3	-	8	54
TOTALS	26	24	19	11	14	3	-	53	1562	78	71	19	78	15	35	11	-	138	1140

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

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Durham Street			2	1	3	2	9	-	-10	514	18	33	5	32	5	9	-	-	34	589
Central Mission	1.9		-	13	-	1	1 8	-		45	5	2	-	2	- 1	5	-	-	-	40
Christchurch Ea	ast		6	3	8	4	8	-	1 9	691	45	46	8	34	13	36	-	-	68	710
Cambridge Terr	ace		3	-	3	2	1	-	- 3	99	5	3	5	4	-	-	1	-	6	85
Woolston			5	-	5	2	3	-	- 3	333	10	12	10	12	2	-	2	-	36	300
Sydenham			2	1	3	2	1	1-	- 5	204	5	10	1	6	8	-	-	-	16	190
Addington			1	-	2	1	1	-	- 1	155	4	2	1	6	-	-	1	-	12	100
Riccarton			4	1	4	1	2	-	- 4	210	5	12	2	16	3	-	4	-	32	200
St. Albans			3	-	3	3	4	-	- 7	526	8	37	7	47	-		9	-	28	450
Papanui			3	-	1	2	Ĩ	1	1 3	187	6	14	2	7	4	7	-	-	27	170
Lyttelton			1	2	i	ī	12	2		46	1	-	i	-	-	-		-	4	35
Springston			7	ĩ	3	2	2	-	- 5	135	3	5	4	10	-	-	6	-	20	120
Leeston			5	12	1	ĩ	2	-	- 5	190	12	1	7	1	-	5	-	_	10	100
Trainmai			2	10	i	î	ĩ			115	17	2	-	3	16	-	_	-	8	50
Ohoka			4		i	î	1	1	- 4	96	-	-	2	3	10	_	3	_	10	85
			2		1	1	1	1	- 3	199	8	14	5	3	1	13	-	2	5	-134
Rangiora				-	1	1	1	-	- 0	90		14	.1	3	1		- 3		7	63
Woodend-Seftor	n		4	-	T	1	1	-				1			-	-		-		
Greendale			2	5	-	1	1	-	- 6	89	1	3	3	13	-	-	12	-	5	65
Oxford			4	-	2	2	1	-	- 2	98	-	2	2	15	-	-	15	-	5	68
Hawarden			1	1	-	-	-	-		35	2	3	1	4	4	-	4	-	2	
		12 12																		
TOTALS	-	-	61	16	43	31	40	2	2 70	4057	155	202	65	221	56	75	60	-	335	3554

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Timaru, Banks Street	1	2	2	1	2	-	1-12	222	10	9	3	5	1-	11	-	-	25	175
Timaru, Woodlands St.	1	-	2	1	1	-			10	5	4	10	2	-	1	-	26	225
Timaru South	3	1	-	-	1	-	- 2		1	2	-	-	1	2	-	-	3	56
Waimate	2	-	2	-	2	-	- 1	191	20	-	3	2	-	15	-1	-	8	120
Temuka	1	1	1	-	1	-		73	-	6	1	2	1	2	-	-	6	56
Geraldine	1	-	1	1	-	-		72	1 -	1	-	-		1	-	- <	-	60
Ashburton	4	5	3	1	1	-	-17	381	4	19	9	13	-	1	-	-	28	300
Willowby	6	3	2	2	1	-	- 5		3	4	-	14	1	-	8	-	9	70
Oamaru	3	-	1	1	2	-		164	4	7	1	12	6	-	8	-	4	116
Marchweil Union	1	-	1	-	-	-		39	1		-	11	10	-	20	-	12	40
	100	10	1-	-	1.1		0.5	1200		10	01		101	00	0.7		101	1000
Totals	23	12	15	7	11	-	-27	1566	53	43	21	69	21	32	37	-	121	1238

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Dunedin Central Church	1	+	1 1	1		1	-			1	1		1	1-	1	1			
and Mission	2	1	2	3	2	-	1	14	262	2	24	14	17	-	-	5	-	15	350
Dunedin (Dundas Street)	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	110	4	7	5	4	2	-	-	-	7	90
Dunedin North	3	-	3	1	1	-	-	2	134		4	1	12	12	-	21	-	3	100
Dunedin South	4	1	3	2	3	-	-	7	267	3	11	5	17	3	-	11	-	35	253
Corstorphine Union Church	h -	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	- 1		-	- 1	-	-	-	-	-	7
Dunedin (St. Kilda)	3	-	1	1	2	1	-	2	173	19	6	1	7	2	15	-	-	22	134
Dunedin (Mornington)	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	4	155	5	9	6	11	5	-	8	-	6	112
Dunedin (Roslyn)	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	85	5	8	1	6	-	6	-	-	5	. 60
Port Chalmers	3	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	57	-	2	1	2	2	-	3		2	37
Milton	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	43	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	-	3	35
Roxburgh	3	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	59	1	8	-	3		6	-	-	15	52
Invercargill (Central)	2	2	2	1	2	-	-	5	290	13	8	4	10	1	6	-	-	26	150
Invercargill (St. Peter's)	3	-	1	2	1	-	-	1	197	3	1	1	11	8	-	16	-	20	200
Gore	2	-	1	2	1	-	-	1	.108	4	-	1	3	6	-	6	-	7	45
Western Southland	7	1	1	1	1	-	-	4	126	2	5	-	11	1	-	5	-	23	104
Edendale	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	2	52	-	- :	1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Mosgiel	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	60	5	4	3	4	3	-	1	-	6	69
Bluff	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	65	-	-	4	-	1	-	5	-	7	50
Cromwell-Alexandra	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	60	3	4	-	1	5	1	-	-	5	58
Waikouaiti	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	34	1	3	1	. 5	2	-	4	-	6	40
Balclutha	2	2	1	1	-	1	-	5	99	6	6	1	4	-	7	-	-	17	30
Lawrence	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	26	1	-	-	1	2	1-	2	-	1	26
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TOTALS	49	14	23	26	31	4	1	56	2469	77	. 110	50	130	55	41	89	-	231	2052

GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954 AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

	-	AUCI	KLAND DISTR	RICT.	State	of Finances	at 20th June	
		Stipends, et	c.		State	1	Trust Accoun	t Totals
CIRCUITS	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Ministers sepecify) separately) Bonus and/or	Allowances (other than travelling) additional to Annual Stipend	Travelling (or Car) Allowance Ownership	C. Circuit M. Minister	Cr. Balance	Dr. Balance	Total Credit Balances (excluding balances held for special purposes)	Total Debit Balances
Auckland Central	£ s. d. £ 562 0 0	s. d.			£ s. d. 297 15 3	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 748 2 2	£ s. d. 1848 12 1
Auckland Central Mission	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		40 0 0	M M M		63 0 3		89 19 4
Auckland South	$\begin{array}{cccc} 440 & 0 & 0 \\ 495 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	8 0 0	74 0 0	c	50 2 1		145 17 5	
Auckland West Auckland East	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		M M M M M M M M	93 3 0 9 0 10		$\begin{array}{cccc} 73 & 12 & 6 \\ 825 & 4 & 11 \end{array}$	33 13 6
Avondale	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$5 0 0 \\ 5 0 0$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	C M M	1	62 18 3		1323 13 8
Henderson Devonport Takapuna Birkenhead	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	and be	$\begin{array}{cccc} 75 & 0 & 0 \\ 156 & 0 & 0 \\ 75 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	C M M	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	51 15 6	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	182 13 4
Onehunga — — Otahuhu — — Papatoetoo — —	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	and i	All expenses 25 0 0	C M M	53 7 8 48 19 10	46 18 3 41 18 0	1 in the second	22 10 5
Papakura Pukekohe Bombay-Tuakau	$\begin{array}{cccccc} 495 & 0 & 0 \\ 371 & 0 & 0 \\ 476 & 0 & 0 \\ 403 & 15 & 0 \\ 495 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$		All expenses 160 0 0	C M C	40 10 10	24 14 ($\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1454 19 4
Waiuku Mahurangi North Waitemata	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	- 1	$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 140 & 0 & 0 \\ 135 & 0 & 0 \\ 135 & 0 & 0 \\ 150 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	M M M M	66 4 9	75 3 4		902 0 0
Paparoa Dargaville Ruawai Whangarei	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M M	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	20 19 2
Hikurangi Whangaroa Port Albert Kawakawa-Kaikohe	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		274 0 0 200 0 0	C C M C	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	33 7	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1 3 0
Mangonui — — Hokianga — — Bay of Islands — North Hokianga —	495 0 0 399 0 0	25	All expenses	C M	64 7 3	9 10	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1439.90 81310
TOTALS	19619 15 0	65 0 0	2674 19 2		1137 18 3	575 15	7 7372 8 1	7328 6 8
Thames	<u> 495 0 0 </u>	SOUTH	9d per mile	M	RICT.	57 6	3 121 5 2	
Hauraki Plains Paeroa	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		80 8 4 117 6 0	M M	50 8 9	21 16	6 No 10 7 6	Returns 74 11 11
Waihi Te Aroba Morrinsville	495 0 0 520 0 0	50 0 0	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1.22	416 19 6 355 9 0	
Cambridge Hamilton	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	7 10 07 10 0		M M C	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		42 10 2 No	Rerurns
Hamilton East	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	5 0 0	105 7 11	cc	24 19 4	82 19	8 122 16 2	3706 12 6
Huntly Matamata Putaruru	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		150 0 0	M C	75 9 7		0 167 3 4	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$
Rotorua Tauranga	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	20 0 0 10 0 0		M M M	19 11 6	49 4	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	337 0 11
Whakatane Opotiki	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	- al	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M		4	120 3 8 100 2 7	255 0 0
Te Awamutu Otorohanga Te Kuiti Taumarunui	462 18 4 385 18 11 463 0 0		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	C M M	85 12 2	2 9 75 18	119 6 2 3	87 3 1 600 0 0
Ohura	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	(6 months	(a) 94 2 5 150 0 0	CM		26 9 9 6	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Coromandel Raglan Union						4	,66 11 5	1
TOTALS	11822 5 7	100 0 0				4 468 3	4 2476 17 4	5464 4 9
New Plymouth	<u> 570 0 0 </u>	TARANA	AKI-WANGAN	M	ISTRICT.	4 10	5 642 4 9	428 12 7
Waitara Stratford Eltham-Kaponga	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M MC M C	177 12 74 10	5 8 8	$\begin{array}{c} 184 \ 17 \ 11 \\ 231 \ 15 \ 7 \\ 156 \ 17 \ 6 \end{array}$	
Hawera Manaia Opunake Wanganui Central	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		90 0 0 108 0 0 65 0 0	M M C M	$\begin{array}{c} 42 & 17 \\ 48 & 15 & 1 \\ 63 & 14 \end{array}$	9	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Wanganui North	$\begin{array}{cccccc} 495 & 0 & 0 \\ 495 & 0 & 0 \\ 371 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M	45 12	5 9 6	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Inglewood	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		100 0 0	M		7 21.14 8	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1.1.2.0
Raetihi-Ohakune	7205 0 0	-	978 0 0		133 12	_		463 19 6 .
	1 520 0 0		BAY-MANAN	M	11	2	127 10 3	
Napier — — Hastings — —	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M	73 16 1	.0	299 13 8	
Gisborne Wairoa Dannevirke	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	5 0	58 0 0 0 40 0 0	M C M	46 2 1	$\begin{array}{c}11\\0\\3&13\\16&14\end{array}$	16 12 11 7 4	1590 10 8 15 5 4
Woodville Palmerston N. (St. Paul's Palmerston N. (Trinity)	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3 2 5	183 8 0	899 13 6 442 3 8
Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe Pahiatua Feilding	462 10 0 462 18 4 319 15 10		200.00	M M M M	33 18	1	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	
Sanson-Rongotea Waipawa Foxton-Shannon Apiti	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	8 10	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M M	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	4 3 2 80 10	97 0 2	
Norsewood TOTALS	8224 2 3	21 10	0 1231 11 0	1	683 19	7 156 17		3 3596 19 2
1	1. 584 0 0	WI	ELLINGTON D	ISTR	ICT.	101	1310 13 8	
Wellington Central	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1	319 15 10 0	3	412 18	
Wellington West Wellington South	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	25 0	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M	10 0 35 9	3	412 18 9	
Wellington East	427 0 0		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M	1 N	24 18		59 13 4
Wellington North	495 0 0		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M		24 7	9 411 7	8 34 7 0
Porirua — — — Hutt — —	$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 495 & 0 & 0 \\ 540 & 0 & 0 \\ 510 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M M M	65 16 80 0	1 .		3 0 2421 18 3
Upper Hutt Petone	495 0 0		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M	39 18 38 1	30 3 8	261 7	1 6 5
Greytown-Featherston Carterton Masterton	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	120	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Expenses} \\ 90 0 0 \\ 12 0 0 \end{array}$	C M	38 1 70 19	7 5		4
Eketahuna Levin	465 0 0	1	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	C M	10 7	2 7 4	34 3	8 9 5
Otaki Paraparaumu Taita Union Wainui-o-Mata Union	402 10 0		$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M	7 4	6 117 10 6		5 68 10 11 6
TOTALS	12645 18 4	25 0	0 1559 5 0				/	8 2584 9 6

GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1954 NELSON DISTRICT.

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		, Stipends,	etc.	-	Stat	A STATE AND A STATE OF	es at 30th June	unt Totals	-
States The States	Dre	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling) additional to Annual Stipend	917.90	to the			Total Credit	ante rotata	- 1
CIRCUITS	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Ministers specify separately)	and, mcean that ing)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	vnership Car Circuit Minister	Balance	Dr. Balance	Balance (excluding	Total Debit	
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or Minister specify separate	Bonus al Allowan (other ti travellin addition Annual Stipend	avel r Ca lowa	vner Can Cir Cir	r. Ba	r. Ba	balances held for special	Balances	
				M. Ow	Cr.		purposes)	-	
Nelson	£ s. d. 495 0 0	£	£ s. d. 100 0 0	м	£ s. d. 26 17 8	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 322 10 7	£ s.	d
Waimea	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	13. 1	100 0 0	м	21 19 3		227 3 3	68 14	2
Motueka	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		32 0 0	м		13 0 1	40 19 10	17 9	6
Murchison	500 0 0	TT'S A	52 0 0 Expenses	C	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$				
Reefton	$\begin{array}{cccc} 427 & 0 & 0 \\ 427 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$		Nil	C M	65 15 0		366 7 7	T'	
Westport	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	MM	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
Hokitika	325 0 0		28 0 0	M	00 2 0	9 17 1		in .	
TOTALS	4801 0 0		443 2 3		549 19 1	22 17 2	2237 16 6	86 3	8
		NORTH C	ANTERBUR	Y DIS	TRICT.				
Durham Street	$525 0 0 \\ 460 0 0$	25 0 0	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		338 12 3		564 18 7		-
Central Mission	545 0 0	10 0 0	Conf. Scale	M	No	returns		1	
Christchurch East	520 0 0 0 495 0 0	10 0 0	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M	26 17 7	1.	846 14 1		
	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	M		with a			
Cambridge Terrace	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	-	$\begin{array}{cccc} 40 & 0 & 0 \\ 40 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	M	$5 4 7 \\ 39 9 5$		$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3 11	7
	495 0 0 100 0 0		$\begin{array}{cccc} 30 & 10 & 0 \\ 13 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$	M	2				1
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