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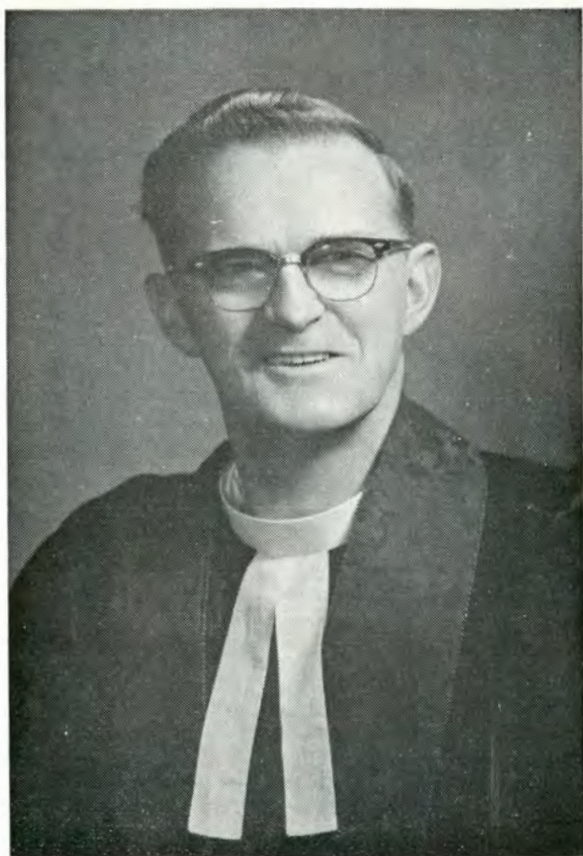
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“The Missions in Australia, Van Diemen’s Land, the Friendly Islands and Feejee” were constituted by the British Conference of 1854 “a distinct Connexion, to be denominated ‘The Australasian Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion,’ with an Annual Conference,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

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

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

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### THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

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### THE TWENTY-FOURTH NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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# LECTIONARY 1961-62

(FOR OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

## MAY, 1961 MORNING

5th after Easter	7	Psalm <b>145</b>
(Rogation Sunday)		Luke <b>8</b> : 4-15
Sunday after	14	Deut. <b>6</b> : 4-7 ; 20-25
Ascension		Ephes. <b>5</b> : 22- <b>6</b> : 4
(Home and Family Day)		
Whit Sunday	21	Joel <b>2</b> : 21-32
(Aldersgate Sunday)		Acts <b>2</b> : 1-13
Trinity Sunday	28	Exodus <b>6</b> : 2-9
		John <b>14</b> : 1-24

## EVENING

Psalm <b>30</b>
Luke <b>8</b> : 40-56
Deut. <b>8</b> : 11-20
Ephes. <b>2</b> : 1-10
Judges <b>2</b> : 1-5
John <b>16</b> : 7-24
Isaiah <b>58</b>
1 John <b>4</b> : 7-21

## JUNE

1st after	4	Genesis <b>45</b> : 1-15
Trinity		Luke <b>10</b> : 25-37
2nd after	11	Daniel <b>5</b> : 1-12
Trinity		Luke <b>14</b> : 12-24
3rd after Trinity	18	Exodus <b>14</b> : 1-14
(Church Extension Day)		Matthew <b>16</b> : 1-12
4th after	25	Psalm <b>23</b>
Trinity		Luke <b>15</b> : 1-10

Genesis <b>4</b> : 1-15
James <b>1</b> : 12-27
Nehemiah <b>5</b> : 1-13
2 Cor. <b>5</b> : 11-19
Deut. <b>4</b> : 1-10
Phil. <b>3</b> : 1-16
Numbers <b>21</b> : 4-9
1 Cor. <b>1</b> : 18-31

## JULY

5th after	2	2 Sam. <b>15</b> : 1-12
Trinity		Luke <b>15</b> : 11-32
6th after	9	Daniel <b>5</b> : 13-31
Trinity		Luke <b>12</b> : 13-21
7th after Trinity	16	1 Sam. <b>3</b> : 1-10
(Youth Day)		Luke <b>18</b> : 18-30
8th after Trinity	23	Genesis <b>43</b> : 16-34
		Luke <b>7</b> : 36-50
9th after Trinity	30	1 Sam. <b>4</b> : 1-11
		Mark <b>12</b> : 1-12

Isaiah <b>12</b>
Phil. <b>2</b> : 1-18
Ezekiel <b>36</b> : 22-38
Col. <b>1</b> : 3-23
1 Sam. <b>17</b> : 33-51
Mark <b>10</b> : 35-45
Hosea <b>14</b>
Romans <b>8</b> : 1-11
Isaiah <b>64</b>
2 Cor. <b>1</b> : 1-14

## AUGUST

10th after Trinity	6	Joshua <b>2</b> : 1-21
		Luke <b>16</b> : 1-13
11th after Trinity	13	Judges <b>12</b> : 1-6
(Local Preachers' Sunday)		Matthew <b>25</b> : 1-13
12th after Trinity	20	Ezekiel <b>39</b> : 21-29
		1 John <b>5</b> : 1-12
13th after Trinity	27	1 Kings <b>8</b> : 46-53
		Hebrews <b>10</b> : 19-39

Daniel <b>3</b> : 19-30
Romans <b>1</b> : 1-17
Hosea <b>2</b> : 14-23
Romans <b>8</b> : 12-30
2 Sam. <b>9</b> : 1-11
Luke <b>19</b> : 1-10
Genesis <b>41</b> : 25-45
John <b>4</b> : 43-54

# SEPTEMBER MORNING

14th after Trinity	3	Job <b>14</b> 1 Cor. <b>15</b> : 12-28
15th after Trinity	10	2 Chron. <b>15</b> : 1-15 James <b>2</b> : 1-13
16th after Trinity	17	Isaiah <b>1</b> : 1-9 1 Cor. <b>16</b> : 1-9
17th after Trinity	24	Proverbs <b>20</b> : 1-12 (Temperance Ephes. <b>6</b> : 10:-20 Sunday)

# EVENING

Isaiah <b>40</b> : 18-31
Luke <b>8</b> : 26-39
Isaiah <b>61</b>
Mark <b>2</b> : 1-12
Psalms <b>146</b>
Luke <b>7</b> : 11-17
Isaiah <b>1</b> : 10-20
Romans <b>12</b>

# OCTOBER

18th after Trinity	1	Genesis <b>1</b> : 1-19	Judges <b>6</b> : 1-18
(World Communion)		Revelation <b>21</b> : 1-8	John <b>3</b> : 1-21
19th after Trinity	8	Numbers <b>23</b> : 17-30	Numbers <b>24</b> : 15-25
		James <b>3</b> : 1-12	John <b>5</b> : 1-15
20th after Trinity	15	Psalms <b>1</b>	2 Kings <b>8</b> : 1-6
		Matthew <b>5</b> : 1-12	John <b>11</b> : 1-11
21st after Trinity	22	Psalms <b>15</b>	Nehemiah <b>2</b> : 1-11;
		James <b>2</b> : 12-26	17-18
(Industrial Sunday)*			Luke <b>4</b> : 14-22

\* The **Social Creed** should be read on this Day (See **Minutes, 1952**, page 73).

22nd after Trinity	29	Nehemiah <b>7</b> : 1-4	Joshua <b>1</b> : 1-9
		Luke <b>12</b> : 35-48	Acts <b>27</b> : 9-26

# NOVEMBER

23rd after Trinity	5	Joshua <b>4</b> : 1-9	Wisdom <b>3</b> : 1-9
(Remembrance Day)		Hebrews <b>11</b> : 32-12 : 2	John <b>17</b> : 14-21
24th after Trinity	12	Genesis <b>15</b> : 1-11	Ezra <b>3</b> : 8-13
		Matthew <b>6</b> : 1-15	Phil. <b>4</b> : 4-20
25th after Trinity	19	2 Sam. <b>23</b> : 11-17	Exodus <b>13</b> : 1-10
		Phil. <b>2</b> : 19-30	Luke <b>14</b> : 25-35
Next before Advent	26	Joel <b>2</b> : 1-14	Isaiah <b>40</b> : 1-11
		2 Thess. <b>1</b> : 3-12	John <b>1</b> : 15-34

# DECEMBER

1st in Advent	3	Isaiah <b>1</b> : 1-20	Zeph. <b>3</b> : 8-17
		Matthew <b>25</b> : 1-13	Luke <b>1</b> : 5-23
2nd in Advent	10	Isaiah <b>5</b> : 1-7	Malachi <b>3</b> : 1-12
		Luke <b>4</b> : 16-30	Luke <b>1</b> : 26-38
3rd in Advent	17	Isaiah <b>26</b> : 1-9	Micah <b>4</b> : 1-17
		1 Thess. <b>4</b> : 13-5 : 11	Luke <b>1</b> : 39-56
4th in Advent	24	Isaiah <b>35</b> : 1-10	Micah <b>5</b> : 2-4
		Titus <b>2</b> : 11-3 : 7	Luke <b>1</b> : 67-80
1st after Christmas	31	Isaiah <b>41</b> : 1-20	Isaiah <b>43</b> : 1-13
		John <b>1</b> : 1-14	Phil. <b>2</b> : 1-11

# JANUARY, 1962 MORNING

1st after Epiphany	1 Exodus <b>13</b> : 17-22 Luke <b>2</b> : 25-40
2nd after Epiphany	14 Genesis <b>22</b> : 1-19 Matthew <b>2</b> : 13-23
3rd after Epiphany	21 Ezra <b>7</b> : 11-28 Matthew <b>8</b> : 5-17
4th after Epiphany	29 Deut. <b>6</b> : 1-15 Matthew <b>8</b> : 18-34

# EVENING

Isaiah <b>60</b> : 1-14 Matthew <b>2</b> : 1-12
1 Sam. <b>2</b> : 1-11 John <b>4</b> : 5-26
Jonah <b>3</b> Acts <b>10</b> : 24-45
Genesis <b>28</b> : 10-22 John <b>10</b> : 1-18

# FEBRUARY

5th after Epiphany	4 Exodus <b>12</b> : 21-36 1 Peter <b>1</b> : 3-25
6th after Epiphany	11 Exodus <b>19</b> : 1-6a 1 Peter <b>2</b> : 1-17
Septuagesima	18 Nehemiah <b>9</b> : 9-25 Matthew <b>20</b> : 1-16
Sexagesima	25 Isaiah <b>6</b> Matt. <b>13</b> : 1-2, 18-23

Deut. <b>10</b> : 12-22 John <b>12</b> : 1-11
Deut. <b>11</b> : 1-12 John <b>12</b> : 20-36
Job <b>42</b> : 7-17 Mark <b>9</b> : 14-29
2 Chron. <b>30</b> : 13-22 2 Cor. <b>7</b> : 5-16

# MARCH

Quinquagesima	4 Job <b>42</b> : 1-6 Luke <b>18</b> : 31-43
1st in Lent	11 Ruth <b>1</b> : 15-22 Matthew <b>11</b> : 20-30
2nd in Lent	18 Psalm <b>95</b> Hebrews <b>4</b>
3rd in Lent	25 Ruth <b>2</b> : 8-23 Ephes. <b>5</b> : 1-14

Judges <b>7</b> : 1-14 Matthew <b>4</b> : 12-22
Proverbs <b>10</b> : 1-12 1 Cor. <b>13</b> : 1-14 : 1
2 Kings <b>5</b> : 20-27 Matthew <b>4</b> : 1-11
Daniel <b>3</b> : 8-18 Matthew <b>15</b> : 21-28

# APRIL

4th in Lent	1 Kings <b>19</b> : 1-18 John <b>6</b> : 1-14
5th in Lent (Passion Sunday)	8 1 Kings <b>1</b> : 41-53 Matthew <b>26</b> : 36-46
Palm Sunday	15 Jeremiah <b>29</b> : 1-14 Matthew <b>24</b> : 1-14
Easter Day	22 Psalm <b>16</b> John <b>20</b> : 1-10
1st after Easter	29 Joel <b>3</b> : 14-21 Acts <b>12</b> : 1-19

Neh. <b>4</b> : 1-6; 21-23 Luke <b>11</b> : 14-26
2 Kings <b>6</b> : 8-23 Hebrews <b>9</b> : 11-32
Zech. <b>9</b> : 9-17 Matthew <b>21</b> : 1-11
Isaiah <b>60</b> : 15-22 Luke <b>24</b> : 13-35
Job <b>29</b> : 1-16 John <b>9</b> : 1-34

# ALTERNATIVE AND ADDITIONAL PASSAGES SUITABLE FOR SPECIAL DAYS

	MORNING	EVENING
Covenant Sunday	Genesis <b>17</b> : 1-9 Matthew <b>3</b> , or Matthew <b>6</b> : 16-34	2 Chron. <b>15</b> : 1-15 2 Peter <b>1</b> : 1-11
Good Friday	Genesis <b>22</b> : 1-14 John <b>19</b> : 1-22	Isaiah <b>52</b> : 13- <b>53</b> : 12 Luke <b>23</b> : 36-49
Ascension Day	Exodus <b>24</b> : 1-18 Acts <b>1</b> : 1-14	2 Kings <b>2</b> : 1-14 Luke <b>24</b> : 36-53
Church Anniversary	1 Kings <b>8</b> : 22-30; 1 Chron. <b>22</b> ; 1 Chron. <b>29</b> : 1-2, 10-20; Haggai <b>2</b> : 1-9; Matthew <b>16</b> : 13-28; Colossians <b>1</b> : 1-20; 1 John <b>5</b> ; 1 Peter <b>1</b> : 22- <b>2</b> : 10.	
Home and Overseas Missions	Exodus <b>19</b> : 1-8; Isaiah <b>11</b> ; <b>40</b> ; <b>60</b> ; Hosea <b>14</b> ; Matthew <b>16</b> : 13-28; John <b>3</b> : 1-21; John <b>12</b> : 20-36; Acts <b>17</b> : 16-34; Romans <b>1</b> : 1-17; Romans <b>10</b> : 1-17; Ephesians <b>4</b> : 1-16.	
Harvest Thanksgiving	Genesis <b>8</b> : 15-22; Deut. <b>16</b> : 9-17; Deut <b>26</b> : 1-10, 16-19; Leviticus <b>26</b> : 1-13; Ruth <b>2</b> : 1-17; Neh. <b>10</b> : 32-39; Isaiah <b>55</b> ; Matthew <b>13</b> : 24- 34; Mark <b>4</b> : 1-12; Luke <b>8</b> : 4-10, John <b>4</b> : 27- 38; Galatians <b>6</b> : 6-10.	
Spring or Flower Service	Psalm <b>65</b> ; Psalm <b>126</b> ; Genesis <b>1</b> ; Matthew <b>13</b> : 1-9; Matthew <b>13</b> : 24-30.	
Local Preachers' Sunday	Exodus <b>20</b> : 1-17; Isaiah <b>55</b> ; Psalm <b>111</b> ; Luke <b>10</b> : 1-20; John <b>1</b> : 35-51; Romans <b>10</b> : 1-15.	
A Dedication Service	Numbers <b>7</b> : 1-11 Romans <b>12</b>	1 Chronicles <b>28</b> Matthew <b>10</b> : 1-23
Watchnight or End of Year	Psalm <b>90</b> ; Exodus <b>12</b> : 21-36; Ecclesiastes <b>3</b> : 1-15; Matthew <b>24</b> : 32-51; Luke <b>12</b> : 13-21.	
New Year	Psalm <b>91</b> ; Psalm <b>103</b> ; Matthew <b>6</b> : 19-34; 1 Thess. <b>5</b> ; Ephesians <b>5</b> : 1-21.	
Christmas Day	Isaiah <b>7</b> : 10-14; Isaiah <b>9</b> : 2, 6, 7; Neh. <b>8</b> : 1-3, 9-12; Isaiah <b>55</b> ; Matthew <b>1</b> : 18-25; Luke <b>2</b> : 1-20; 1 John <b>3</b> : 1-9.	

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The Sessions of the Conference were opened on Wednesday, November 2nd, 1960 at 7.30 p.m. in First Church, (Presbyterian) Invercargill, by the retiring President, Rev. A. Everil Orr, M.B.E., C.F., after which the Rev. Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A., C.F., was inducted to the Presidency.

Mr. H. de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B., Vice-President, was welcomed to that Office.

The Secretary, Rev. Athol R. Penn took up his duties.

**QUESTION I.—Who are the Members of this Conference?**

The List of Members of the Conference is according to the Agenda of Conference, pages 7-13, with such alterations as were reported through the Committees of Districts and duly recorded in the Journal of Conference.

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

Wilfred S. Gilbert	Dorothea M. Jones, B.A.
Frank G. Glen	David L. Kitchingham, B.A.
Stanley R. Goudge, B.A.	Geoffrey E. Scarr
John S. Hosking,	Robert W. Widdup
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**QUESTION III.—What Preachers remain on Probation?**

Peter S. Barker	Keith C. Griffith
Lewis A. Bowen	William Morrison
Mervyn L. Dine	Andrew G. Reid
Roger M. Gibson	Lawrence E. Salter
G. Kingsley Greening	

Who have travelled two years.

Graham Brazendale	Maxwell A. Hornblow
James H. Conway	C. Seton Horrill
Albert A. Grundy, B.A.	Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc.
Warwick Gust, B.A.	Lewis H. Major
E. Francis I. Hanson, B.A.	David S. Mullan

Who have travelled one year.

**QUESTION III. (c).—What is the Report of the Special Ministerial Training Course?**

That the assignment of the following to the Course for 1960 be approved, AND THAT THEY BE CONTINUED FOR A SECOND YEAR.

Owen L. Christian	Charles E. Roke
Frederick D. Peterson	

Who are Ministers in full Connexion.

O. Kingsley Greening	Lawrence E. Salter
Who have travelled two years.	

David H. Ansell	Kenneth J. Keall
Ronald K. Fields	Selwyn A. Neal
Paul A. Garside	

Who are Home Missionary Probationers.

**Additional for 1961:**

David Armstrong	Home Missionary Probationer.
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**QUESTION IV.—What Preachers are now received on Probation?**

Bruce W. Edwards	Brian W. Sides
Russell E. James	A. Kerry Taylor
John E. Langley	William L. Wallace, B.A.
C. Russell Marshall	

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

John B. Currie  
Graham G. Hawkey  
Arnold C. Hight  
David L. Hines  
Edgar R. Hornblow  
Barry E. Jones  
Harold C. Pomeroy

Ian H. Robertson  
Robert J. H. Rowe  
Maynard G. Rutherford  
Frederick E. Waine  
Walter J. D. Wakeling  
Alan K. Woodley

Who are continued for third year.

Niven Graeme Ball  
Derek G. Laws

Brian Keith Rowe  
William Geoffrey Tucker

Who are continued for a second year.

**QUESTION VI.—What candidates are now received for Theological Training?**

Lois R. H. Baker  
Maxwell L. Bruce  
Hendrik Gerritsen  
Michael Maguire  
Ronald G. Major  
Barry W. Neal

Brian L. Olsen  
John H. Roberts  
Charles D. Shave  
Nelson W. Stockbridge  
Stuart G. Slinn  
Mervyn L. Wellington

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

John V. Bitibule

Joeli Zio

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

Samson Pataaku, who has travelled two years.

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

Francis Bonghong

Leslie Bosetu

**Question X.—Who are now received as Solomon Islands Students for the Ministry?**

Leslie Bosetu (see also Question IX).

**QUESTION XI.—(1) What Deaconesses are Dedicated at this Conference?**

Erena Browne  
Joan Wedding

Norma Yarr

**(2) What Students are continued for Training?**

Graewyn Hammond

Edna Jenkin

**(3) What Candidates are received for Training?**

Elva Cecilia Harris  
Janet Anne Evans  
Lynette Jean Bowker

Alys Vivienne Sharp  
Shirley Alice Simpson

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

Second Year

David H. Ansell  
D. Armstrong

R. E. Fields  
Kenneth J. Keall

Third Year

P. Garside

Fourth Year

G. A. Lee

S. A. Neal

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

Oswald Burnet  
William Gatman  
Frederick John Parker

Also:

William Sussex (retired Home Missionary).  
Maharaja Winiata, M.A., Ph.D. (honorary Maori Home Missionary)  
Rangi Katipa (Maori Home Missionary).

**OSWALD BURNET**

Oswald Burnet was born on 17th December, 1888, and rejoiced in a Methodist heritage, an uncle, the late Rev. Almos Burnet, having been a President of the British Conference. He early felt the Call to the Ministry and was a candidate in 1911.

During his first appointment, his Ministry was interrupted by World War I, and in 1916, he embarked "On Active Service" overseas. A year later, however, to the very day, he returned invalided home, having sustained a badly shattered leg, and having lain for 36 hours unattended in "No-man's Land", a distressing experience which resulted in surgery often repeated and in life-long after effects. Ordained in 1919, he was able to resume Circuit Duties in the following year, and travelled in 9 Circuits.

He became a Supernumerary in 1954, and he and Mrs Burnet moved into their new home at Shirley, Christchurch. While on holiday, 1958, he took suddenly ill, and was making a slow recovery, but a in a Methodist heritage, an uncle, the late Rev. Amos Burnet, having recurrence of the trouble on Sunday, 28th February, 1960, resulted in his quietly going forward into the Master's Presence on the following Sunday, 4th March, 1960.

Of an even disposition he fulfilled a faithful and fruitful Ministry with neither fuss nor ostentation, and courageously overcame his post-war handicaps. His preaching was never declamatory, but the fruit of wide and careful reading, combined with deep, personal piety was evident in a cultured, devout, and intensely spiritual presentation of the Word. His real strength lay, however, in the sympathetic pastoral care of the flock. In 1920 he married Miss Dorothy Brewins, of Christchurch.

**WILLIAM GATMAN**

The Rev. William Gatman came to New Zealand as a young man intending to become a farmer. God had other plans for him. After serving as a Home Missionary for 8½ years, he was ordained in 1923.

In 1912, he married Miss Frances Cushen, and throughout his ministry, she was a wonderful partner and help in every respect.

They had a family of seven children, one of whom, Owen, lost his life in the last war. Another son, John, is serving as an engineer in our Solomon Islands Mission Field. Two daughters, Faith and Pat, are married to ministers (Revs. Leslie Clements and Rev. Idris Ruck), and yet another son, Dr Mervyn Gatman, is the official medical officer of the Overseas Mission Board.

Mr Gatman retired in 1947, and afterwards assisted the Takapuna Circuit in many ways, both as preacher and pastor.

Mr Gatman's ministry was marked by a strong evangelical note. Never a Connexional man, Mr Gatman concentrated all his energies in the local circuit, and there, as preacher, pastor and evangelist, gave of his best. He was tireless in helping people in trouble.

## FREDERICK JOHN PARKER

Frederick John Parker was born in Dunedin in 1892 and attended the Dundas Street Church, from which he was accepted as a candidate for the Ministry.

He received his theological training at "Dunholme College" in 1915-16, and then as a result of the First Great World War was sent out on Probation.

He was ordained in 1921 and married Miss Marjorie Hunt, of Auckland, and she has been in all the years since companion and able worker in the work of the ministry, and with great devotion nursing him in his last long and trying illness.

Ill-health compelled him to retire at a comparatively early age in 1952 after 35 years' service. A forceful preacher his messages encouraged many, as a genial and friendly visitor his presence in the home heartened and inspired. He died on 15th November, 1959.

The Church's confidence in him was shown in the many executive positions he held, including that of Senior Chaplain.

He was a man of quiet but strong disposition. He showed great fortitude in suffering, and supreme courage in hiding the great disappointment that failing health compelled him to retire comparatively early.

## WILLIAM SUSSEX

William Sussex, who died at the advanced age of 88 on March 1st, 1960, served the Methodist Church all his life and for some years in full-time service as a Home Missionary commencing in 1927. He was born in Stowell, Victoria, in 1872. At the age of 21 he came to New Zealand and quickly found his way into the fellowship of the Methodist Church. He married Miss Helena Sorrenson and theirs was an ideally happy marriage, broken by her death a few years ago. In addition to circuit work he spent a year in colporteur work. He retired from the active work in 1936 but remained an effective Local Preacher and zealous member of the local church at Takapuna where he was much loved by the congregation where his warm and genial personality, his informed interest in the church's affairs and his pastoral care of old and sick people won him a unique place.

## Dr. MAHARAIA WINIATA

Through the contacts with our Maori Mission workers in the South Auckland, Maharaia Winiata was drawn into our Mission life and was led to prepare himself as a candidate for our ministry in 1935. He took a full course at Trinity College where he gained recognition as a potential leader of his people.

He served a useful term of probation in the Kawhia Circuit, and took all but one unit of his Probationer's studies. He married one of our Deaconesses, Sister Frances Clegg, who has been a wonderful helpmeet to him.

Before completing his Probationer's studies, Mr Winiata felt led to withdraw from the full ministry, and to enter the teaching profession, at the same time holding the status of an Honorary Maori Home Missionary.

He gave himself with characteristic zeal to his new studies and he gained distinction, attaining to M.A. and Diploma of Education, as well as the full course in the Auckland Teachers' Training College.

After appointments in Maori schools under the Education Department, Mr Winiata was appointed to the teaching staff of Wesley Training College, Paerata. Here his leadership and personal concern were the main factors in leading three of the Maori students to

proceed with their studies for the ministry and today all three are ordained ministers of our Church.

Following this appointment Mr Winiata became a Maori tutor under the Adult Education Service of the Auckland University. Here his gifts gained full expression and he continued an amazing programme of activity on behalf of his people. He literally burned himself out in their service.

A great honour came to him in the granting of a "Nuffield" Fellowship which enabled him to visit Great Britain. Here he prepared a thesis on the Changing Role of the Leader in Maori Society, and this gained for him a Ph.D. from Edinburgh University. He was thus the first Maori ever to gain a Doctorate of Philosophy in a British University.

Dr Winiata was a radical young leader, but he had his roots in the Christian Faith. He was always ready to share his gifts in the Church, and as a preacher he was sought after and welcomed. He shone as a speaker in youth gatherings. He was the sort of dynamic vital leader who was not always agreed with. He had an independent mind and was quite fearless in expressing his judgment. He was a staunch Maori and he strongly supported the contention that the Maori has something to value in his heritage—something to contribute to the total life of New Zealand.

Methodism and the Maori race mourn their loss and express sympathy with Mrs Winiata and the family.

#### RANGI KATIPA

Rangi Katipa was a chief of a sub-tribe of Ngati Maniapoto. He was a recognised and respected leader and was a son of the late Katipa who was a renowned orator and authority on Maori affairs. Rangi Katipa was educated at St. Stephen's College, Parnell, Auckland. In his youth he was an outstanding athlete and he retained his ideals of physical fitness throughout his life and was a staunch temperance advocate.

In 1944 he became a Maori Home Missionary and has served faithfully ever since in the South Auckland District. He became the recognised Elder at the Rahui (Tane) Maori Boys' Hostel.

He died suddenly on the eve of Conference and his passing is a severe loss to the Maori Mission and to the people of Waikato-Maniapoto. We thank God for his life and witness.

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

Henry L. Blamires	Walter J. Enticott
Arthur Hopper	H. Leslie Richards
Arthur J. Seamer	Herbert Ford
R. Purcell Keall	Frederick O. Prosser
Jonathan H. Haslam	Harry Cottom
George P. Hunt	George B. Hinton
Frank E. Leadley	John D. McArthur
Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D.	William Rowe
Albert H. Fowles	Herbert Spencer
E. Percy Blamires	Robert B. Tinsley
Henry Ryan	Frank Bateup
William Walker	Arthur A. Bensley
Ernest O. Blamires	James W. Parker
Fred Copeland	William A. Burley, M.A.
Charles Blair	Archer O. Harris
Edwin S. Harkness	Charles H. Olds, B.A.
Albert Blakemore	Percy I. Cooke

Arthur H. Scrivin  
 Henry J. Odell  
 Wallace S. Neal  
 John Dennis  
 Alfred E. Jefferson  
 Charles H. Kendon  
 Ngatete K. Kukutai  
 Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E.  
 Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc.  
 Ernest E. Sage  
 Cecil R. Taylor  
 John H. Bailey  
 George E. Brown  
 Ernest B. Chambers

J. Francis Jack  
 Harry S. Kings  
 Thomas Skuse  
 Samuel J. Werren  
 Robert E. Fordyce  
 E. Thomas Olds  
 William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.  
 William M. Garner  
 William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.  
 A. Harry Voyce  
 A. Francis Attwood  
 Leslie A. G. Brooks  
 Ormond E. Burton, M.A.  
 Joseph C. Draper

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

L. Gordon Hanna (Temporary)  
 D. J. Donald Hickman

**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. H. Wilson  
 W. E. Sleep  
 R. T. Alexander

Roy Coombridge  
 Cyril Robinson  
 W. J. Bryant  
 T. Steele  
 D. I. Robertson  
 H. Prowse  
 H. R. Wright

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

F. E. Trim

**QUESTION XVIII.—(a) What Ministers or Probationers have Permission to Serve with Other Organisations During the Year?**

Leslie C. Clements (with permission to serve with the Justice Department as Adviser in Marriage Guidance).

Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Agric.Sc. (with permission to serve with "Friendship House," Buecksburg, North Germany).

Ernest S. Hoddinott (with permission to serve with the Justice Department as Senior Chaplain).

Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (with permission to serve with C.O.R.S.O.).

**(b) What Ministers or Probationers have Permission "to Rest" During the Year?**

Leslie C. Clements  
 Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Agr.Sc.  
 Arthur W. Dickie  
 Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D.

Ernest S. Hoddinott

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

Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A. (with permission to study in England)  
 Edmond S. Stewart

**QUESTION XX.—Is any Minister or Probationer Designated for Overseas Missions?**

No.

**QUESTION XXI.—What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or receive from any other Conference?**

Iliesa Buadromo, from the Fiji District, N.S.W. Conference, for service in the Solomon Islands District.  
George C. Hopkins (from the British Conference).

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

No.

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

Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph.D. (who has voluntarily resigned).

**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

Secretary and Convener: Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A.

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#### (A) Examiners for Probationers

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

Greek, N.T.—1st year: Rev. H. E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.

2nd year: Rev. J. A. Ziesler, M.A., B.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.

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

3rd year: Rev. L. Greenslade.

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

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

3rd Section: Rev. J. Silvester, M.A.

Wesley's Sermons—Rev. R. F. Clement, M.A.

Methodism—Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore, B.A.

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

Religion and Psychology—P. A. Stead, B.A.

Social Ethics—Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade.

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

Maori 1 and 2—Rev. Ranginohoora Rogers.

Pre-Collegiate Course—

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, M.B.E.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### Tutors in Theology.

1st Section	..	..	..	Rev R. G. Bell, M.A., B.D.
2nd Section	..	..	..	Rev J. B. Dawson, B.A.
Third Section	..	..	..	Rev W. J. Morrison, M.A.

### Tutor in Greek

Rev. L. P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D.

### (B) Examiners for Students.

#### Theology—

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

#### Pastoral Theology—

(a) Homiletics	..	..	..	Rev L. C. Horwood
(b) Pastoral Practice	..	..	..	Rev W. E. Allon Carr
(c) Religious Education	..	..	..	Rev M. A. McDowell, D.D.
O.T. Theology	..	..	..	Rev W. R. Francis, B.A., B.D.
N.T. Theology	..	..	..	Rev W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D.

### (C) Examiners for Candidates.

Bible Knowledge I	..	..	..	Rev A. T. Kent
Bible Knowledge II	..	..	..	Rev F. J. Handy
Theology	..	..	..	Rev L. F. Bycroft

### (D) Examiners for Home Missionaries.

English	..	..	..	Rev R. H. Allen, B.A.
Theology	..	..	..	Rev C. H. Bell, B.A.
Bible Knowledge	..	..	..	Rev H. A. Darvill
Church History	..	..	..	Rev C. D. Clark, M.A.
Homiletics	..	..	..	Rev A. J. 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. Norwell
4th Year	..	..	..	Rev A. H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com.

### (E) Examiners for Local Preachers.

Old Testament	..	..	..	Rev. O. T. Woodfield
New Testament	..	..	..	Rev. H. K. Brown
Theology	..	..	..	Rev C. H. Bell, M.A.
Homiletics	..	..	..	Rev D. B. Gordon, M.A.

### (F) Examiners for Deaconesses.

Theology	..	..	..	Rev R. G. Bell, M.A., B.D.
Church History	..	..	..	Rev H. W. Payne
Old Testament	..	..	..	Rev Warren Green
New Testament	..	..	..	Rev J. H. Woolford, M.A.
English	..	..	..	Rev D. G. Sherson, B.A.
Psychology	..	..	..	Rev P. A. Stead, B.A.
Homiletics	..	..	..	Rev D. B. Gordon, M.A.
Christian Education	..	..	..	Rev W. F. Ford, B.A.

## (1) COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS

The Course of Probation is designed—

- (a) to consolidate the training and instruction given in College;
- (b) To provide a wide area of practical training for the work of the ministry.

With this aim in mind, the course of study on Probation should be so arranged as to develop the basic Biblical and theological studies which have been pursued in College, and to encourage each man possible to apply himself methodically to some particular subject in which he shall be required to produce a thesis of not less than 30,000 words by the end of the probationary period.

### Regulations:

1. The present probationary course of study is retained, for those not pursuing a thesis course and for non-Collegiate probationers.

2. Such Probationers, who in the judgment of the Board of Studies and of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners will benefit by such a course shall be required, on leaving College, to pursue individual courses related to their special interests and abilities, under the guidance of competent individual advisers leading to the production of a thesis before ordination. It shall be understood that the presentation of a satisfactory thesis is a prerequisite of ordination.

3. Each thesis shall have a satisfactory Biblical and theological basis.

4. The field of study shall be selected or confirmed at the conclusion of the College course by the Board of Studies in consultation with the Secretary of the Board of Examiners and with the Probationer concerned.

5. The Probationer shall submit at the March Synod of his first year on Probation an outline of his course of study and, at the August Synod of the same year, a draft of his thesis together with a list of books and articles consulted, these to provide the ground for an oral examination.

6. In the case of a three-year probationary course, at the August Synod of the second year, the Probationer shall submit a record of the year's reading together with a report from his supervisor concerning the progress of the research.

7. The completed thesis shall be submitted by the end of June of the year of ordination together with a total list of the books and articles consulted during the period of research.

8. At the oral examination at Synod each ordinand shall be examined, *inter alia*, in the field indicated by his book list and at Conference all ordinands shall be examined as at present.

9. A sub-committee of the Board of Studies shall be appointed to examine theses.

10. Copies of theses judged to make a contribution to research to be retained in the College Library for reference and with a view to possible publication.

### Note: Thesis Supervision:

(a) **THESIS SUPERVISION:** The task of the Supervisor is not to produce the conclusions of the thesis, nor necessarily to be expert in the particular field of study.

His task is (a) to see that the work is being done; (b) to see that it is being done on lines of sound research; (c) to be a sounding board, to be available for discussion, to provide challenge, stimulus, correction.

### Course of Study for Probationers:

The following is the alternative for Probationers not doing the Thesis Course:—

#### 1. Either—A. Hebrew Old Testament.

- 1st year, as for N.Z. B.D. Stage I, Paper A, but including only the first of the two set passages and no unseen translation.
- 2nd year, as B.D. Stage I, Paper A, but no unseen translation.
- 3rd year, as B.D. Stage II, Paper A, but no unseen translation.

#### OR—B. English Old Testament.

- 1st year: Deuteronomy and Hosea.
- 2nd year: Ezekiel.
- 3rd year: Job and Psalms (Selection).

Study and Reading to be directed by Examiner.

#### 2. A. GREEK NEW TESTAMENT. Section for 1961 (from N.Z. B.D. Course Stage I).

NOTE: All chapters are inclusive.

- 1st year: Mark 7-9; Acts 3 and 4; 1 Thess 4.
- 2nd year: Mark 7-10; Acts 2-4; 1 Thess 4 and 5.
- 3rd year: Mark 5-10; Acts 2-4; 1 Thess 4 and 5; 2 Thess 2.
- 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. Dodd (Moffatt Commentary).
- 3rd year: Hebrews (Moffatt Commentary).

#### 3. THEOLOGY A. For 1961. First Section: "God, Man, Sin".

As for B.D. Stage II, Paper A, with the addition of the word "systematic"—viz., "A branch of Biblical, Historical, and Systematic Theology"; with reading as follows:

1st section: 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); "The World and God," (Farmer (Nesbit); "Christian Doctrine," J. S. Whale. (Use relevant parts for each series.)

2nd section: 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"—Vincent Taylor; "Jesus and His Sacrifice"—V. Taylor (Macmillan).

3rd section: 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; "And the Life Everlasting"—J. Baillie.

#### B. WESLEY'S SERMONS (with Lawson's Notes). Each section to be co-ordinated with A. above. For 1961—1st section (a two-hour paper).

1st section. Sermons on "Salvation by Faith".

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

2nd section. Sermons on: "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 section. Sermons on: "The Nature of Enthusiasm".

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

#### 4. GENERAL.

##### 1st Year:

METHODISM. A general survey of the Evangelical Revival of the Eighteenth Century in its widest aspects; a detailed knowledge of the Wesleys and their closer associates; the origin and development of Methodism in England and America 1738-1800; the social impact of Methodism; Thomas Coke and the beginnings of Methodist Missions; outlines of New Zealand Methodism.

##### RECOMMENDED READING:

"The Life of Wesley," by Telford (or any standard "Life").  
"The Methodist Heritage," by Henry Carter.  
"John Wesley and the Eighteenth Century," by Maldwyn Edwards.  
"Centenary Sketches of N.Z. Methodism," by W. J. Williams.

##### 2nd Year:

##### ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) Religion and Psychology, as for B.D. (N.Z.) Theology Stage 1, 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); "History of Religions," E. O. James (Teach Yourself Series).
- (4) Religious Education, "An Approach to Christian Education," by Rupert Davies (Epworth Press). "Religion and the Growing Mind" (Yeaxlee).
- (5) Maori Language (for 2 years).  
1st year: Principles of Maori Grammar, conversation, dictation and pronunciation. Translations — Maori into English, and English into Maori. Translation of unseen passages.

##### Text Books:—

"Teach yourself Maori" by Harawira. Special attention to graded lessons at the back of the book.  
"First Lessons in Maori," by Williams.  
The Bible (Authorised Version); Maori Bible ("Paipera Tapu");

Maori Service Book ("Nga Ihoi me nga Himene")  
"He Konae Aranui" by Kohere.

Scriptural passages:—Psalms 1, 8, 23, 24, 95, 100 and 121.  
Matthew 5/1-16; 13/1-12; Luke 14/1-11; 15/1-24.

2nd year: Maori Language; History; Culture; Comparison with other Polynesian areas.

Text Books:—

St. John's Gospel, Psalms, Acts of the Apostles, Maori . . . for reading and translation at sight.

Grey's Mythology (Polynesian) Nga mahi a nga Tupuna, for reading and translation at sight.

Buck: "The coming of the Maori," especially Book 3.

Keesing: "The changing Maori."

Norman Smith: "The Maori People and Us."

J. G. Laughton's paper "Maoritanga" (issued on request of R. Rogers).

Beaglehole: "Some Modern Maoris."

Piddington: "Introduction to Social Anthropology" (Chaps. 1-4; X and XI).

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 Secretary of the Board of Examiners who shall, on its completion, submit it to a panel of judges. A system of honours for those producing such theses will be followed, and a precis of suitable theses 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.
5. (a) Greek and Theology shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors. Tutorial papers shall be done, 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. N.B. Tutorials are required from all probationers by the due dates.

(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 text-book, 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 SOLOMON ISLANDS PROBATIONERS**

### **Theology—**

Text Book: "What a Christian Believes, and Why." (Hunter.)

1st Year: God, Man, Sin. Chapters 1-3, 7, 8.

2nd Year: The Person and Work of Christ, the Holy Spirit. Chapters 4-6, 9.

3rd Year: Church Ministry and Sacraments, Last Things. Chapters 10-12.

4th Year: Selected Sermons from Wesley's Forty-four Sermons.

### **Bible Knowledge—**

Text Book: "The Bible, What it is, and What is in it." (E. Evans and T. H. Robinson).

1st year: A general study of the GOSPELS: how they came to be written and their content. Detailed study of a select passage or passages.

1st year 1960: The Parables of Jesus.

1961: The Last Week of Jesus' Life on Earth.

2nd year 1960: Ephesians.

1961: Romans, Chapters 1-8.

3rd year 1960: Johannine letters.

1961: II Peter and Jude.

4th year 1960: Genesis, chapters 1-25, v. 10.

1961: The Rise of the Kingdom of Israel from Samuel to Solomon.

### **Homiletics and Methodism—**

In each year of his probation the probationer shall prepare and present to his tutor not less than two written sermons (one in February and one in June) and the Tutor shall report on them to Synod. Each year the probationer shall conduct a trial service at a time and place to be arranged by the Chairman.

1st Year: The purpose of preaching, what to preach, and how to preach it.

2nd Year: More detailed study of textual and expository preaching, and a study of the sources and use of illustration.

3rd Year: The origin and growth of Methodism in 18th and 19th Centuries, having regard to its place in the Church Universal, and show how its special emphasis and type of organisation grew out of the needs of the work of God under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

4th Year: Methodism in the 20th Century and its place in the ecumenical movement. Methodist law and polity with a special study of the Law Book, Part I, Sect. 1, 2, 4; Part II, Sect. 3, 4, 9; Part VIII, Sect. 3.

### **Book Lists—**

Each probationer shall submit to Synod a list of books he has read during the year, including text books and any special Bible study he has done during the year.

### **Oral Examination—**

Each year a probationer shall be orally examined on one book from his book list. In his final year he shall be orally examined in Theology.

### **Tutors—**

That the tutors for 1960 be:

Theology—Rev G. A. R. Cornwell.

Bible Knowledge—Rev G. D. Brough, B.A.

Homiletics and Worship—Rev D. I. A. McDonald.

Methodism—Rev A. H. Hall, M.A., Dip.Ed.

## **COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE SOLOMON ISLANDS MINISTRY**

### **Theology—**

A good knowledge and understanding of the Catechism of the Methodist Church, and the Historic Creeds.

Text books:

“I believe” (Snaith); (Nicene).

“Notes on the Creed” (Beetham); (Apostles).

### **Bible Knowledge:**

An elementary knowledge of Palestine and its people at the time of Christ. “New Testament Times” (J. R. Shaw). A general knowledge of what is in the Bible and its message, with a more detailed knowledge of portions of the New Testament. 1960: Mark's Gospel; Acts 1-14; I Corinthians.

### **Homiletics—**

No examination to be set in this subject, but the Candidate to present a written sermon to Synod and conduct a Trial Service. He should be expected to have some acquaintance with the principles of sermon construction. “What to preach and how to preach it,” S. G. Williamson.

### Methodism—

1. An outline of the life of Wesley ("John Wesley," by Davey; Foundry pamphlets).
2. Beginning of our work in the Solomons. "Isles of Solomon," by C. T. J. Luxton.
3. Elementary knowledge of Methodist Law and Polity, not for examination, but sufficient knowledge to be able to give assent to it when examined before Synod.
4. English—The Oxford English Reader, sixth year.

### III.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS.

#### 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 exegesis 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.

Sin. Inadequate explanations. "Original Sin" and "Total 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 Substitutionary (2) Moral Influence theories (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 Forgiveness, 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 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 Mediating theories," Universalism, Eternal Punishment and 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.  
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.

### 1. OLD TESTAMENT.

Text Book: "An Approach to the Old Testament," Horace Cleaver.

A general knowledge of the text of the O.T., particularly the sections dealt with in Cleaver.

### 2. NEW TESTAMENT.

Text Book: "The Approach to the New Testament" by Greville P. Lewis, B.A., B.D. (Epworth Press).

A general knowledge of the text of the N.T., particularly the sections dealt with in Lewis.

### 3. THEOLOGY.

Text Book: "An Approach to Christian Doctrine", edited by G. P. Lewis, B.A., B.D. (Epworth Press); Methodist Catechism (without Hunter); and selected passages from "Wesley's Notes on the N.T."

(At least one question on the passages and Wesley's Notes thereon will be compulsory).

### SELECTED PASSAGES:

Matthew chapters 5-7.

Luke chapters 14-16

John chapters 14-17

Romans chapters 5, 8, 12, 14

Galatians chapter 5

Ephesians chapters 2 and 4

Hebrews chapter 11

I John chapters 3 and 4.

(Attention is drawn to "Selections from John Wesley's Notes on the New Testament" by John Lawson).

N.B.—In addition, Candidates are required by Conference to read carefully John Wesley's Forty-Four Sermons, and the N.Z. Methodist "Book of Laws".

## V—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE SOLOMON ISLANDS MINISTRY

Theology.—A good knowledge and understanding of the Catechism of the Methodist Church and the Historic Creeds.

Text books: Hunter, "Lesson helps on the new Catechism"; Snaith, "I believe . . . (Nicene); Beetham, "Notes on the Creed" (Apostles).

Bible Knowledge.—An elementary knowledge of Palestine and its people in the time of Christ. "New Testament Times" (J. R. Shaw). A general knowledge of what is in the Bible and its message with a more detailed knowledge of portions of the New Testament. 1958—Mark's Gospel, Acts 1-14, I Corinthians.

Homiletics.—No examination to be set in this subject, but the candidate to present a written sermon to Synod and conduct a trial service. He should be expected to have some acquaintance with the principles of sermon construction. "What to preach and how to preach it," S. G. Williamson.

Methodism—1. An outline of the life of Wesley ("John Wesley," by Davey Foundry pamphlets).

2. Beginning of our work in the Solomons. "Isles of Solomon," by C. T. J. Luxton.

3. Elementary knowledge of Methodist Law and Polity, not for examination, but sufficient knowledge to be able to give assent to it when examined before Synod.

## VI.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES

(Three Hour Papers)

### 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).

3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament." Adam Welch.

4. Homiletics.—"Manual for Preachers." W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D. "The Craft of Sermon Construction." Sangster.

### SECOND YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 7-12.

2. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. Pp. 1-181.

3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ." J. S. Stewart.

4. Church History.—"The Story of the Church." Church of Scotland Series.

5. Homiletics.—"Heralds of God." J. S. Stewart. "The Craft of Sermon Illustration." Sangster.

### THIRD YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part II, Chs. 1-6.

2. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. Pp. 182-368.

3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Religious Ideas of the Old Testament." Wheeler Robinson.

4. Homiletics.—"A Preacher's Handbook." Lewis. Book 1. (Epworth Press.)

#### FOURTH YEAR

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

**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—DEACONESSSES

##### ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

Methodist Teaching.—“Our Fathers’ Faith and Ours,” C. T. Symons. Bible Knowledge—2 papers.

- (a) General Knowledge of the Old Testament with detailed knowledge of I and II Kings, Amos, and Hosea.
- (b) General Knowledge of the New Testament with detailed knowledge of Matthew and the Acts of the Apostles.

English.—“Everyday English” (Part 2), Smyth. (For Candidates who have not passed a Fifth form examination in English.)

##### STUDENTS, 1961

Theology.—“An Approach to Christian Doctrine,” edited by Greville P. Lewis, pp. 115-235.

Old Testament.—“History and Religion of Israel,” by W. L. Wardle (The Clarendon Bible, O.T., Vol. 1, Part 2. Supplementary textbook, “The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament,” by A. C. Welch.

New Testament.—“Introducing the New Testament,” by A. M. Hunter, pp. 56-118. “Galatians,” by J. A. Allan (Torch Bible Commentary).

Church History.—“A First Church History,” by Vera Walker, pp. 203-264; “A Charge to Keep,” by Frank Baker.

Pastoral Psychology.—“Psychology, Religion, and Human Need,” by W. L. Carrington, chapters 4, 5, 11, 12, 14 and 17.

Homiletics.—“Worship and Preaching,” by T. M. Morrow.

English and Specified Reading.—As above.

##### STUDENTS—1962

Theology.—“An Approach to Christian Doctrine,” edited by Greville P. Lewis, pp. 1-114.

Old Testament.—“History and Religion of Israel” by W. L. Wardle (The Clarendon Bible, O.T., Vol. 1), Part 1. Supplementary textbook, “The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament,” by A. C. Welch.

New Testament.—“Introducing the New Testament,” by A. M. Hunter, pp. 1-55. “St Mark,” by A. M. Hunter (Torch Bible Commentaries).

Church History.—“A First Church History,” by Vera Walker, pp. 1-202.

Pastoral Psychology.—“Psychology, Religion and Human Need,” by W. L. Carrington, chapters 1, 2, 13 and 18. Supplementary Textbook, “The Art of Ministering to the Sick,” by Cabot and Dicks.

Religious Education.—“Guiding Children in Christian Growth,” by Mary Alice Jones.

Students who have not passed the School Certificate examination will take an approved course in English at an outside college. All other students will read books from a specified list.

**Note.**—Lectures are given on Car Maintenance, Social Security Regulations, Vocational Guidance, Methodist Organisation, and Social Service, Home Nursing, etc.

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

1. Old Testament: “An Approach to the Old Testament,” Horace Cleaver.

2. New Testament: “An Approach to the New Testament,” G. P. Lewis.

3. Theology: “An Approach to Christian Doctrine,” Ed. by G. P. Lewis.

4. Homiletics.—“Worship and Preaching,” T. W. Morrow.

**Note.**—That the examination time for each subject be two hours.

**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.

### IX.—SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

#### A. Curriculum—

##### OLD TESTAMENT—

Subject	Hours Weekly
1. History and Faith of Israel .. .. .	2
2. Elementary Hebrew .. .. .	1

##### NEW TESTAMENT—

3. N.T. Introduction and Teaching .. .. .	1
4. N.T. Exegesis .. .. .	1
5. Elementary N.T. Greek .. .. .	2

##### THEOLOGY—

6. Elementary Theology .. .. .	1
7. Wesley's Sermons and Notes .. .. .	1

##### HISTORY AND POLITY OF THE CHURCH—

8. Elementary Church History .. .. .	1
9. Practising the Faith (How Methodism Works. Membership and ethics) .. .. .	1

##### TRAINING FOR LEADERSHIP—

10. Worship and Preaching .. .. .	1
11. Understanding People (Training for Pastoral Care, Visitation Evangelism, etc.) .. .. .	1
12. Elementary Christian Education Course .. .. .	1

## ENGLISH—

13. Grammar and Composition .. .. .	1
14. Literature .. .. .	1

Students who will be candidates for the ministry must take the full course. For the diploma course, under "Training for Leadership," at least one of 10, 11, 12 must be taken.

The school year will run from late February to mid-October, with the usual University vacations.

The course is designed so that including (10) it will give a thorough preparation for the written Examination for L.P. status. Including (12) it will prepare amply for the Certificate of Proficiency in Religious Knowledge of the N.C.C.

Those who expect to come forward as candidates for the ministry **must** give full time to the school. Work for the diploma may reasonably be combined with part-time employment, but students are advised to take a full course if possible. The core subjects for the diploma will if possible be taken in the evening. Individual evening lectures will be open to suitable people on application to the Principal.

## B. Regulations—

**Applications:** Applications for admission to the school shall be made to the Principal, with the support and approval of the Superintendent and the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit to which the applicant belongs. Applicants shall be members of the Methodist Church. A satisfactory medical certificate shall be presented. The Board of Studies shall have the right to refuse any applicant considered unsuitable or unsufficiently prepared.

**Accommodation:** The student is responsible for the cost of his board and lodging. Hostel fees are for the term and should be paid to the Resident Tutor in advance, unless otherwise arranged. Residents are expected to conform to the standards of the College. Application for admission to the school shall be made if possible at the September Quarterly Meeting, but in any case not later than the December meeting. Earlier notice is essential if the applicant wishes to live in the Hostel.

**Membership:** Students shall be encouraged to retain their membership in their home circuit. If candidates, they shall come forward in the usual way with the support of their local Quarterly Meetings.

**Diploma:** A suitable diploma shall be issued to all students who complete the course to the satisfaction of the Board of Studies.

## C. Terms for 1961—

The terms for the School will be the same as University terms.

### DATES OF EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations for 1961 shall commence on the following dates:  
Probationers—Tuesday, May 16th, and Tuesday, September 19th.  
Tutorials for Probationers—Greek, January 31st; Theology, June 6th.

Candidates for Ministry—Tuesday, July 18th.

Home Missionary Probationers—Tuesday, September 12th.

Bible Knowledge Tutorials for H.M. Probationers—Tuesday, March 7th.

Deaconess Entrance—Tuesday, July 18th.

### Local Preachers:

- (1) The first week in June and the first week in 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 three years.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1961 be Rev. W. S. Dawson, M.A.
2. That congratulations be extended to: Rev. C. D. Clark on securing the M.A. degree, Revs. E. F. I. Hanson and W. Gust on securing the B.A. degree, and that permission be granted for these to be printed in the Minutes of the Conference.
3. That we record receipt of the following theses: From—Rev. W. J. Cable on the theme 'An Approach to Eschatology' (classified "Satisfactory plus"); Rev. Hughan Craig, "Psychology and Christianity" (classified "Fair plus"); Rev. C. J. Keightley, "Membership in the Church According to the Teaching in the N.T." (classified "Good").
4. That Conference rejoices in the success of the School for Christian Workers, and commends this development to the whole Church.
5. That Home Missionary Probationers who have taken the Special Ministerial Training Course, and who wish to present themselves as Candidates for the Ministry, shall present the reports and the marks of the Course in lieu of the Candidate written examination.
6. That special thanks be tendered to Rev. L. G. Hanna for his work as Assistant Secretary, and that good wishes for his future be conveyed to him.
7. That Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A. (Secretary), and A. R. Withford, B.A. (Assistant Secretary), be thanked for their services and reappointed.

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

#### AUCKLAND:

**North Waitemata:** That the division of the North Waitemata Circuit be as follows.

(a) Helensville, Kaukapakapa, Woodhill, Waimauku, Muriwai, Waitoki, Makarau, and Glorit to form the Kaipara Circuit, the staff to be one married Probationer.

(b) Silverdale, Orewa, Manly, Stanmore Bay, Wainui, Coatesville, and Red Reach to form the Whangaparaoa Circuit, the staff to be one married Ordained Minister.

**Bombay-Tuakau:** That the boundaries be realigned in the following way:

The south-east boundary to be from a point on the Waikato River south of Meremere to one eastwards on the Thames-Pokeno highway just west of the Miranda Junction, thence following the ridge to Maramarua Forks, then due east to the mouth of the Puwhenua Stream. All the area south-east to be included in the Hauraki Plains Circuit except where the Huntly Circuit is affected. And that the District boundaries between the Auckland and South Auckland Districts be altered accordingly.

## **SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

**Hauraki Plains:** That Mangatangi and Kaiaua from the Bombay-Tuakau Circuit be included in the Hauraki Plains Circuit, the boundary to follow the highest points in the Mangatangi Range from where the present boundary crosses the Maramarua-Pokeno State Highway to the Puwhenua Stream mouth in the Firth of Thames.

That the Boundaries of the Putaruru-Tokoroa and Rotorua Circuits be altered so that the Atiamuri Township be included in the Putaruru-Tokoroa Circuit.

## **HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:**

That the Dannevirke Circuit and the Norsewood Home Mission Station be amalgamated to become one Circuit; the staffing to be One Ordained Minister and one Probationer.

## **SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

That the Temuka and Geraldine Circuits be amalgamated, the new Circuit to be called the "Geraldine-Temuka Circuit."

## **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

1. That Roslyn, Maori Hill, Waitati, Waikouaiti, and Palmerston be constituted as one Circuit, to be known as the **Dunedin West Circuit**, the staffing to be 2 Ordained Ministers, with a suitable Home Mission Grant.

2. That the boundaries of **Dundas Street Circuit** be extended to include Glenaven, Woodhaugh, Sawyer's Bay and Port Chalmers, the staffing to be 2 Ordained Ministers, with a suitable grant for travelling.

3. That the boundaries of the **Dunedin South Circuit** be extended to include Mosgiel Circuit, the staffing to be 3 Ordained Ministers.

## **SOLOMONS ISLANDS DISTRICT:**

**Kieta Circuit:** That the Buin Circuit be divided into the Buin and Keita Circuits, boundaries to be as determined by the Synod.

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

## **AUCKLAND:**

**Auckland East:** That the staffing be three ordained ministers and a probationer.

**Auckland (Orakei):** That the third agent (Glen Innes) be a married probationer.

**Auckland (Birkenhead):** That the staff be three ordained ministers.

**Onehunga:** That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

**Papatoetoe:** That the staff be two ordained ministers.

**Pukekohe:** That the staff be one ordained minister and a probationer.

## **SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

**Te Awamutu:** That the staffing be one ordained minister and one probationer.

## **HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:**

**Dannevirke:** That the staffing be one ordained minister and one probationer.

## **NORTH CANTERBURY:**

**St. Albans:** That the staffing of the Christchurch St. Albans Circuit be three ordained ministers and a probationer.

**Durham Street:** That the staffing of the Durham Street Circuit be two ordained ministers and a probationer.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

**Geraldine-Temuka:** That the staffing of the Geraldine-Temuka Circuit be an ordained minister, and a probationer.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

**Dunedin Circuits:** See Q. XXV (a).

**QUESTION XXVI.—(a) To what Circuits are additional preachers to be appointed?**

**AUCKLAND:**

**Auckland East:** 4th.

**Papatoetoe:** 2nd.

**Pukekohe:** 2nd.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

**Te Awamutu** 2nd.

**NORTH CANTERBURY:**

**St. Albans** 4th.

**Durham Street** 3rd.

**QUESTION XXVI.—From what Circuits are Preachers to be withdrawn?**

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

**Waikouaiti-Palmerston.**

**Abbotsford.**

**QUESTION XXVII.—What New Stations are now constituted?**

**AUCKLAND:**

**Kaipara.**

**Whangaparoa.**

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

**Dunedin West.**

**QUESTION XXVIII.—What Circuits are due to provide for an Ordained Minister?**

**Hikurangi** is due and will fulfil its obligations. A parsonage is available.

**Ohura** is due and is relieved for a year. A parsonage is being built.

**Taihape** is due, and is relieved for another year.

**Lower Hutt (4th)**—Is due and is relieved for a further year.

**Nelson (3rd)** is due and is prepared to fulfil its obligations.

**Reefton** is due and is prepared to fulfil its obligations, provided a suitable grant is made.

**Hokitika** is due and is relieved for a further year.

**Riccarton (2nd)** is due. The Riccarton circuit is willing to accept a probationer who is married, and will make suitable arrangements for house.

**St. Kilda (2nd)** is due, and is relieved for a further year.

**RESOLUTION**

That the text of Questions 25-28 be referred to Law Revision Committee for revision and clarification.

# LIST OF STATIONS

## OF THE

# Methodist Church of New Zealand

President—REV. B. M. CHRYSTALL, B.A.

Vice-President—MR. HUBERT de R. FLESHER, M.A. LL.B.

Secretary—REV. ATHOL R. PENN.

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### STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1961.

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 145 and [1] to [15] for Maori and Overseas Mission Circuits is a Circuit. The Minister first named is the Superintendent, except in the case of a Probationer, in which instance the Chairman of the District is the Superintendent. The Superintendent or other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits or Missions is or are appointed by the Conference to preach and perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline in each and every one of the Methodist Churches already erected, or to be erected, in each Circuit respectively, during the current connexional year, at such time or times, and in such manner as to him or them shall be deemed proper, subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister and to the existing Laws and Regulations of the Conference.)

#### I—NORTHLAND DISTRICT

1. Mangonui—Trevor L. Nicholls.
2. Whangaroa-Bay of Islands—A. Wharton E. Silvester (Medal for Merit, U.S.A.), One Wanted, Roger M. Gibson, William M. Garner (Sup.).
3. North Hokianga—Hughan M. Craig.
4. Hokianga—Percy P. Rushton, B.A.
5. Hikurangi—Graham Brazendale.
6. Whangarei—Arthur T. Kent (who shall supervise Hikurangi Circuit), One Wanted.
7. Dargaville—George R. Thompson, One Wanted.
8. Ruawai—Douglas H. Burt.
9. Paparoa—Frederick J. Climo.
10. Port Albert—Frederick D. Peterson, One Wanted.

#### MAORI MISSION—

- [1] Northland—Ruawai D. Rakena, 6 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

A. WHARTON E. SILVESTER, M.M.,  
Chairman of the District.  
GEORGE R. THOMPSON, Financial Secretary.

## II—AUCKLAND DISTRICT

11. **Auckland Central**—R. Frederick Clement, M.A., Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D. (Kingsland), G. Raymond Harris (St. Jude's, Richmond Road), E. Thomas Olds (Sup.), A Deaconess.  
**The Home Mission Department**—George I. Laurenson (Gen. Sup.), John A. Penman, B.A. (Asst. Sup.), Harold A. Darvill (Maori Missionary—residing at Hawera), Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup.), Acting-Senior Maori Superintendent.  
**The Overseas Mission Department**—Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Gen. Sec.).  
**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; John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., Tutor in Biblical Languages, Literature and Teaching, Resident Tutor; One Wanted.  
**Department of Christian Education**—Field Director (see Question 30).
12. **Auckland Central Mission**—A. Everil Orr, M.B.E., Sydney J. Spindler, Arthur J. Seamer, C.M.G. (Sup.), Two Deaconesses.
13. **Auckland South**—E. Clarence Leadley, Milton Gale (Roskill), Walter Parker (Sandringham), One Wanted, George P. Hunt (Sup.), Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (resting). Children's Home: Chaplains, E. Clarence Leadley and Milton Gale.
14. **Auckland West**—O. McLennan Olds, One Wanted.
15. **Auckland East**—Athol R. Penn (Secretary of Conference), Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., H. David Besant, B.A., One Wanted, Edwin S. Harkness (Sup.), Arthur H. Scriven (Sup.).
16. **Auckland (Orakei)**—Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D. (Chaplain to Winston Lodge and Joint Chaplain to Seamer House), George R. Trebilco, John E. Langley, William Walker, E.D. (Sup.), Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.), James W. Parker (Sup.), George B. Hinton (Sup.).
17. **Auckland (Avondale)**—Leonard C. Horwood (Chaplain to Astley House and Tyler House), Henry W. Kitchingman (Avondale-New Lynn), Frank E. Leadley (Sup.), Ernest E. Sage (Sup.), George E. Brown (Sup.), Albert Blakemore (Sup.).
18. **Auckland (Henderson)**—Donald G. Sherson, B.A., Harry Moore (Glen Eden), One Wanted (Te Atatu), Percy I. Cooke (Sup.), Ernest B. Chambers (Sup.), Thomas Skuse (Sup.), Fred Copeland (Sup.).
19. **Auckland (Devonport)**—John Silvester, M.A., E. Percy Blamires (Sup.).
20. **Auckland (Takapuna)**—W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A., Norman W. Olds, John Dennis (Sup.), J. Francis Jack (Sup.), A. Harry Voyce (Sup.), Ernest O. Blamires (Sup.).
21. **Auckland (Birkenhead)**—Robert H. Allen, B.A., Robert W. Widdup (Beach Haven), One Wanted (Northcote), Joseph C. Draper (Sup.).
22. **Onehunga**—Herbert W. Payne (Joint Chaplain to "Kurahuna"), One Wanted.
23. **Otahuhu**—Francis J. Handy.
24. **Papatoetoe**—Albert Jolly, One Wanted, Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.), L. Gordon Hanna (Temp. Sup.).

25. Papakura—Clarence T. J. Luxton (who shall supervise the Waiuku Circuit), Harry W. Toothill.
26. Pukekohe—Thomas H. Carr. Wesley Training College, Paerata: Principal, Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed.
27. Bombay-Tuakau—Brian W. Sides.
28. Waiuku—G. Kingsley Greening.
29. Kaipara—Lewis A. Bowen.
30. Whangaparaoa—John H. Osborne (who shall supervise Mahurangi Circuit).
31. Mahurangi—James H. Conway.
- [2] Auckland—Ranginohora Rogers (Joint Chaplain to Seamer House and "Kurahuna"), Ngatete K. Kukutai (Sup.), 7 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

COLPORTEUR WORK—A Home Missionary.

ERIC W. HAMES, Chairman of the District.

G. RAYMOND HARRIS, Financial Secretary.

### III—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

32. Thames—Clifford L. Duder (who shall supervise the Coromandel Home Mission Station), Frank Bateup (Sup.).
33. Hauraki Plains—David S. Mullan.
34. Paeroa—One Wanted, Walter J. Enticott (Sup.).
35. Waihi—R. Leslie George, J. Francis Attwood (Sup.).
36. Te Aroha—V. Roy Jamieson (who shall supervise the Paeroa Circuit).
37. Morrinsville—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D., Warwick Gust, B.A. (Waitoa), Robert B. Tinsley (Sup.).
38. Cambridge—Reginald Grice, Charles H. Olds, B.A. (Sup.).
39. Hamilton—William R. Francis, B.A., B.D. Archibald W. McKay, One Wanted, Samuel J. Werren (Sup.), Leslie A. G. Brooks (Sup.).
- 39a. Raglan Union Parish—Cong. Appointment.
40. Hamilton East—Allan O. Jones, A. Roger Nuttall, B.A., John H. Bailey (Sup.).
41. Huntly—Stanley R. Goudge, B.A.
42. Matamata—Charles H. Bell, B.A.
43. Putaruru—Frederick J. K. Baker, Lawrence E. Salter.
44. Rotorua—W. E. Allon Carr, One Wanted, Russell E. James (Taupo),
45. Tauranga—J. Henry Woolford, Geoffrey T. Gilbert (Te Puke), Mervyn L. Dine (Mount Maunganui), Henry L. Blamires (Sup.), Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).
46. Whakatane—Cuthbert F. Peart (who shall supervise the Kawerau Circuit).
47. Opotiki—William E. Moore.
48. Te Awamutu—John Churchill, One Wanted.
49. Otorohanga—John K. Watson, M.C., B.A., C.F. (who shall supervise the Kawhia H.M. Station).
50. Te Kuiti—Owen Kitchingman, B.A. (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit), a Home Missionary.
51. Taumarunui—Bruce Scammell.
52. Ohura—Bruce W. Edwards.
53. Kawerau—One Wanted, Arthur W. Dickie (Resting).

- [3] **Waikato**—Charles E. Roke, 10 Home Missionaries, 4 Deaconesses.  
 [4] **King Country**—Lane M. Tauroa, B.A., 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

NGARUAWAHIA—A Home Missionary.

KAWHIA—A Home Missionary.

COROMANDEL—A Home Missionary.

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

Chairman of the District.

V. LEACH, Financial Secretary.

#### IV—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

54. **New Plymouth**—William W. H. Greenslade, James H. Hall, Michael J. Campbell, Robert E. Fordyce (Sup.).  
 55. **Waitara**—Kenneth H. Russell, A Home Missionary.  
 56. **Stratford**—Alan H. V. Newton.  
 57. **Eltham-Kaponga**—E. Raymond Le Couteur, A Home Missionary.  
 58. **Hawera**—Colin D. Clark, M.A., A Home Missionary (Patea).  
 59. **Manaia**—Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com.  
 60. **Opunake**—Basil J. Hilder, Andrew G. Reid.  
 61. **Wanganui Central**—Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (President of the Conference, who shall supervise the Taihape and Raetihi-Ohakune Circuits); Herbert Spencer (Sup.).  
 62. **Wanganui North**—William C. Jenkin.  
 63. **Wanganui West**—Geo. L. Bennett.  
 64. **Taihape**—Keith C. Griffith.  
 65. **Raetihi-Ohakune**—One Wanted.  
 66. **Marton**—J. Ainsley Daglish.  
 67. **Inglewood**—Owen L. Christian.  
 [5] **Taranaki-Waimarino**—Harold A. Darvill (Hawera, Acting-Circuit Superintendent), Te Awha W. Tahere (New Plymouth), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

BERNARD M. CHRYSTALL, B.A., Chairman of the District.

LEWIS FOX, Financial Secretary.

#### V—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

68. **Napier**—Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., Clifford G. Brown (Greenmeadows), Edmond S. Stewart (without Pastoral Charge), One Wanted, Henry Ryan (Sup.), Charles H. Kendon (Sup.).  
 69. **Hastings**—John B. Dawson, B.A. (who shall supervise Wai-pawa-Waipukurau Circuit), John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D., Arthur Hopper (Sup.).  
 70. **Gisborne**—J. C. Aldwyn Williams, One Wanted.  
 71. **Wairoa**—Amos Burrough.  
 72. **Dannevirke**—Wilfred S. Gilbert, One Wanted.  
 73. **Woodville**—One Wanted.  
 74. **Pahiatua**—Reginald Day.  
 75. **Palmerston North (St. Paul's)**—Peter A. Stead, B.A., Geoffrey E. Scarr (Roslyn).  
 76. **Palmerston North (Trinity)**—George H. Goodman, One Wanted.

77. Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe—J. Montgomery Blight.
78. Feilding—R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., A Deaconess.
79. Sanson-Rongotea—W. John Henderson.
80. Apiti—Irwin J. Fowler.
81. Waipawa-Waipukurau—A. Kerry Taylor.
82. Foxton-Shannon—David G. Stubbs, William A. Burley, M.A. (Sup.).

GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman of the District.

#### VI—WELLINGTON DISTRICT

83. Wellington Central—Robert Thornley, M.A., Dip.Soc.Sc., William Morrison, Benjamin H. Riseley, A Deaconess, Leslie C. Clements (with Justice Department as Adviser in Marriage Guidance), Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Ag.Sc. (serving in North Germany), Henry J. Odell (Sup.).  
Department of Christian Education—Director, Wilfred F. Ford, B.A.
84. Wellington West—Gordon R. H. Peterson, Wilfred J. Cable.
85. Wellington South—Ian W. Reid, One Wanted.
86. Wellington East—Lawrence Greenslade, Idris J. Ruck, Frank S. Rigg, Ernest S. Hoddinott (Senior Chaplain to Justice Department), William Rowe (Sup.).
87. Wellington North—Ivo M. Raynor, John C. F. Mabon.
88. Porirua—Wilf G. Eisner, B.A., John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip. Mus., William Rowe (Sup.).
89. Lower Hutt—Charlie O. Hailwood, Phillip D. Ramsay, Dorothea M. Jones, B.A., Bryan M. Walker, M.A., R. Purcell Keall (Sup.).
- 89a. Taita Union Parish—Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A.
90. Upper Hutt—Francis H. Parker, One Wanted.
91. Petone—Harry I. Shaw.
91. Wainuiomata Union Parish—Pres. Appointment.
92. Greytown-Featherston—Maxwell A. Hornblow.
93. Carterton—John Grundy, M.A. (who shall supervise Greytown-Featherston Circuit).
94. Masterton—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D. (who shall supervise Eketahuna Circuit), Lewis H. Major. Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
95. Eketahuna—Peter S. Barker.
96. Levin—Norman P. Larsen, Harry S. Kings (Sup.).
97. Otaki—Harris Whitfield, Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.).
98. Paraparaumu—Noel D. Billingham.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman of the District.

GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Deputy-Chairman.

T. M. PACEY, Financial Secretary.

#### VII—NELSON DISTRICT

99. Nelson—M. Alexander McDowell, D.D., Ian D. Grant (Stoke, who shall supervise the Murchison Circuit), One Wanted, Charles Blair (Sup.).
100. Waimea—Loyal J. Gibson.
101. Motueka—Neville Thornicroft.
102. Murchison—One Wanted.
103. Blenheim—Charles B. Oldfield, One Wanted (Picton), One Wanted (Springland), John R. Hamlin, C.F., John D. McArthur (Sup.), Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).

104. Reefton—One Wanted.
105. Westport—E. Francis I. Hanson.
106. Greymouth—Alan Newman (who shall supervise the Reefton and Hokitika and Westport Circuits), One Wanted (Runanga).
107. Hokitika—Albert A. Grundy, M.A.

M. ALEXANDER McDOWELL, D.D.,  
Chairman of the District.

ALAN NEWMAN, Deputy-Chairman.

J. HEATH, A.R.A.N.Z., Financial Secretary.

#### VIII—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

108. Christchurch (Durham Street)—Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A., David L. Trebilco, One Wanted, Herbert Ford (Sup.), Archer O. Harris (Sup.), William T. Blight, B.A. B.D. (Sup.), William G. Slade, M.A., D.D. (Sup.).

CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED  
REPRESENTATIVE—Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.

FIELD DIRECTOR—(See Question 30).

109. Christchurch Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church—Wilfred E. Falkingham, David W. Edmonds, A Deaconess.
110. Christchurch East—Hubert G. Brown, A. Peter Dorrian, Leonard V. Willing, Edward Baker, H. I. K. Hopper, B.A., Albert H. Fowles (Sup.), Wallace S. Neal (Sup.).
111. Christchurch (Woolston-Lyttelton)—Leslie T. Norwell, Charles H. Raynor (Opawa), Robert S. Andrews (Lyttelton), Frederick O. Prosser (Sup.).
112. Christchurch (Sydenham)—Gordon V. Thomas, B.A.
113. Christchurch (Addington)—One Wanted.
114. Christchurch (Riccarton)—John D. Grocott, B.A., C. Russell Marshall, One Wanted, Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A., without Pastoral Charge (Overseas).
115. Christchurch (St. Albans)—Charles E. Dickens, Harold K. Brown, Herbert A. Cochrane, One Wanted, Cecil R. Taylor (Sup.).
116. Christchurch (Papanui)—Howard C. Matthews, B.A., One Wanted. South Island Orphanage: Chaplain, Howard C. Matthews, B.A.
117. Springston—Frank H. Woodfield, One Wanted (Islington), Harry Cottom (Sup.).
118. Leeston—Owen T. Woodfield, Horace L. Richards (Sup.).
119. Kaiapoi—Harry V. Utting.
120. Rangiora—Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th., One Wanted.
121. Greendale—James F. Cropp.
122. Oxford—Trevor Shepherd.

HUBERT G. BROWN, Chairman of the District.

A. PETER DORRIAN, Financial Secretary.

#### IX—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

123. Timaru (Banks Street)—Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.
124. Timaru (Woodlands Street)—Leslie F. Bycroft, One Wanted. (Kensington).
- 124a. Marchwiell Union Parish—Edmund D. Grounds.
125. Waimate—Ivan J. Clucas, Jonathan H. Haslam (Sup.).
126. Geraldine-Temuka—John R. Hall, One Wanted.

127. Ashburton—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A., C. Seton Horrill, D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.).
128. Willowby—Trevor L. Bennett.
129. Oamaru—George W. Cramond.

ARTHUR R. WITHEFORD, Chairman of the District.

#### X—OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

130. Central Church and Mission (Dunedin)—D. Bruce Gordon, M.A., Ernest Heppelthwaite, One Wanted, A Deaconess.
  131. Dunedin (Dundas Street)—Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A., William L. Wallace, B.A.
  132. Dunedin West—Warren Green (Roslyn), David L. Kitchingman (Maori Hill).
  133. Dunedin South—William J. Morrison, M.A., Leonard Shapcott, John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S.
  - 133a. Corstorphine Union Parish—Alan J. Handyside.
  134. Dunedin (St. Kilda)—Ralph E. Patchett, One Wanted.
  135. Dunedin (Morningside)—Andrew J. Johnston.
  136. Milton—William K. Abbott.
  137. Balclutha—J. Herbert Thompson.
  138. Gore—T. Ralph Benny.
  139. Edendale—One Wanted.
  140. Invercargill Central—W. Lloyd Divers, Ronald H. Wood (who shall supervise Edendale Circuit).
  141. Invercargill (St. Peter's)—J. Stanley Olds, One Wanted (Newfield).
  142. Western Southland—Frank G. Glen, Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc.
  143. Bluff—G. Basil W. Bell.
  144. Roxburgh—Edward P. Boyd.
  145. Cromwell-Alexandra—Eric R. Eastwood.
- LAWRENCE—A Home Missionary.

ANDREW J. JOHNSTON, Chairman of the District.

S. S. HOLDEN, Financial Secretary.

#### XI—SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

- [6] Roviana—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Chairman, Koken-golo), Allen H. Hall, M.A. (D.T.I. Banga), One Wanted (Kokengolo), Alexander C. Watson (Honiara), Aisake Vula (Marovo), One Wanted (Gizo), Iliesa Buadromo, Timothy Piani and Joeli Zio, under the direction of the Chairman; One Missionary Sister (Teacher), 1 Missionary Sister (Teacher), 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse), 1 Lay Missionary (Technician), Kokengolo; 1 Lay Missionary (Secretary), Kokengolo.  
District Training Institution—Allen H. Hall, M.A., Principal, Goldie College.
- [7] Vella Lavella—Daniel Palavi (Bilua), 1 Missionary Sister (Teacher), 1 Missionary Teacher Wanted, 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse), John V. Bitibule.
- [8] Choiseul—D. I. Alister McDonald (Sasamunga), Leslie Boseto (Senga), 1 Missionary Sister (Teacher), 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse), 1 Missionary Sister (Deaconess).
- [9] Buin—Philip F. Taylor (Kihili), One Wanted (Tonu), Samson Pataaku (Nagavisi), 2 Missionary Sisters (Teachers), District Girls' School, 1 Missionary Teacher Wanted, 1 Missionary Sister (Deaconess), 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse), Tonu.
- [10] Kieta—John Taufa (Roreinang).

- [11] Teop—Gordon D. Brough, B.A. (Kekesu), Francis Bongbong (Tearaka), 1 Missionary Sister (Teacher), 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse), 1 Missionary Teacher.
- [12] Buka—Gordon A. R. Cornwell (Skotolan), One Wanted, 1 Missionary Sister (Teacher), 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse).  
Helena Goldie Hospital—One Missionary Doctor, 1 Missionary Sister (Nurse).

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

GEORGE G. CARTER, M.A., Dip.Ed., Chairman of the District.

## XII—PAPUA-NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

(Ministers of the New Zealand Conference appointed to the Papua-New Guinea Highlands District shall serve under the general direction of the Overseas Mission Department of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and, for purposes of ministerial training, status, discipline, and membership of funds, continue their connection with the New Zealand Conference.—Minutes of Conference, 1953, page 124.)

- [13] Mendi—John B. Rees, 1 Lay Missionary, 2 Missionary Sisters.
- [14] Tari—Roland L. Barnes, L.Th., 2 Lay Missionaries, 1 Carpenter, 3 Missionary Sisters.
- [15] Nipa—Clifford J. Keightley.

N.B.: Roland L. Barnes and John B. Rees are ministers of the New South Wales Conference.

ROLAND L. BARNES, L.Th., Chairman of the District.

## OVERSEAS MEDICAL AND LAY MISSIONARIES

Gerald E. Hoult, M.B., Ch.B., B.D.S., D.T.M. & H., Missionary Doctor, Helena Goldie Hospital, Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Robert A. G. Baker (Secretary), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

John S. Gatman (Engineer), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Gordon T. Dey (Builder), Tari, Territory of New Guinea.

Rodney C. Fleury (Builder), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Ovini Baleidaveta (Fijian agriculturalist), Buin, Territory of New Guinea.

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

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT—

Whangaroa-Bay of Islands (2nd)—D. Armstrong, R. Coombridge (Retired).

Dargaville (2nd) (Te Kopuru)—One Wanted.

Whangarei (2nd) (Kamo)—D. H. Ansell.

Port Albert (2nd) (Wellsford)—One Wanted.

## Maori Mission:

Mangamuka—Supply.

Whirinaki—Supply.

Punakitere—Te Hira Ratete.

Kaikohe—Hotai Mita Hohepa.

Taheke—Matu Makiha.

Kawakawa (Waiomio)—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti.

Pokere (Bay of Islands)—Piripi Livingstone.

Whananaki—Himiona Waata.  
Hikurangi—Hohepa Hemara.  
Dargaville—Wiremu Paki Ihaka.  
Rangitane (Pouto)—Henare Kapa.  
Batley—Supply.  
Pakiri—Supply.

#### AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

Department of Christian Education, Field Director—Miss Mary Astley.

Auckland (Orakei)—D. I. Robertson (Retired).

Auckland East (4th)—One Wanted.

Auckland West (2nd)—One Wanted.

Auckland (Takapuna)—W. H. Wilson (Retired).

Auckland (Henderson) (3rd) (Te Atatu)—Supply (Rev. E. B. Chambers).

Auckland South (2nd)—Supply (Rev. Milton Gale).

Auckland South (4th)—Non-resident Student Supply (Arnold C. Hight).

Auckland (Onehunga) (2nd)—Non-resident Student Supply (Derek G. Laws).

Auckland (Birkenhead) (3rd)—One Wanted (Northcote).

Papatoetoe (2nd)—One Wanted.

Pukekohe (2nd)—One Wanted.

#### Maori Mission:

Rewiti—Supply.

Point Chevalier—Hone Wilcox.

Auckland Suburban—Napi Waaka.

Auckland—Huru Wiperi (to assist in King Country).

Te Kohanga—Waaka Kukutai.

Tuakau—Ngaweke Tuhimata.

#### SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

Kawerau—One Wanted.

Whakatane—W. J. Bryant (Retired).

Tauranga (4th) (Greerton)—One Wanted.

Paeroa—K. J. Keall.

Coromandel—Supply (Thomas Walker).

Rotorua (2nd)—Supply (Rev. W. M. Isitt) (Western Heights).

Ngaruawahia—F. L. Johnson.

Hamilton East—A. L. Witheford (Retired).

Hamilton (3rd)—One Wanted.

Kawhia—One Wanted.

Te Awamutu (2nd)—One Wanted.

#### Maori Mission:

Hamilton—Wiremu Tonga.

Rangiriri—Matene Hori de Thierry.

Huntly—Supply.

Ngaruawahia—Te Akonga Pihama and Tutu Keepa.

Ngaruawahia Rural—Grahame Kahui.

Frankton Junction—J. Hatoitoi Pihama.

Whatawhata—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama and Hoera Whakaari Hakopa.

Aramiro—Wiremu Tamehana Pukeikura.

Raglan—Tuteao Manihera.

Aotea Harbour—Roi Moke.

Makomako—Tumu Te Huia.

Maketu Pa—Waiwera Rangawhenua.

Kawhia—Paahi Moke.

Rakaunui—Supply.  
Te Kopua (Te Awamutu)—Supply.  
Mourea—Te Iwikau Waaka.  
Taharoa—Taipua Te Uira.  
Marokopa—Nguru Winikerei.  
Ngutunui—Supply.  
Mokau—Supply.  
Aotearoa—Pukerua Rangitutia.  
Otorohanga—Supply.  
Waitomo—Supply.  
Hangatiki—Supply.  
Southern King Country—Assistance from Huru Wiperi.  
Waimiha—Tame Ponui.

#### **TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—**

Waitara (Uruti)—One wanted.  
New Plymouth—H. R. Wright (retired).  
Eltham (Kaponga)—One wanted.  
Hawera (Patea)—One wanted.  
Raetihi—Ohakune—One wanted.  
Marton—H. Prowse (retired).

#### **Maori Mission:**

Urenui—One wanted.  
Rahotu—Whatarau Ira Wharehoka.  
Nukumaru—Supply.  
Whenuakura—Supply.  
Pariroa Pa—Supply.  
Kai Iwi—Supply.  
Wanganui—Supply.  
Wanganui River—Supply.  
Rangitikei—Supply.  
Raetihi—Supply.

#### **HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT—**

Palmerston North (Trinity) (2nd)—One wanted.  
Woodville—A. E. Tardif.  
Napier (3rd)—One wanted. C. Robinson (retired).  
Gisborne (2nd)—One wanted.  
Dannevirke (2nd)—One Wanted (Norsewood); W. E. Sleep (retired).

#### **WELLINGTON DISTRICT—**

Wellington South (2nd) (Island Bay)—One wanted.  
Upper Hutt (2nd)—Deaconess Appointment (Sister Gladys Thomas).

#### **NELSON DISTRICT—**

Blenheim (2nd)—H. D. Kelly, B.A. (Picton); (3rd) George A. Lee.  
Motueka—R. T. Alexander (retired).  
Murchison—One wanted.  
Reefton—Supply (F. E. Trim) (retired); T. Steele (retired).  
Greymouth (2nd) (Runanga)—One wanted.  
Nelson (3rd)—S. Hargreaves.

#### **NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Department of Christian Education, Field Director—C. H. Couch.  
Christchurch (Addington)—Selwyn A. Neal.  
Christchurch (Riccarton) (3rd)—One wanted.  
Springston (2nd) (Islington)—Paul A. Garside.  
Rangiora (2nd) (Woodend)—Ronald E. Fields.

Christchurch (Durham Street) (3rd)—One wanted.  
Christchurch (St. Albans) (4th)—One wanted.  
Christchurch (Papanui) (2nd)—One wanted.

**Maori Mission:**

Rapaki—Wera Couch.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Timaru (Woodlands Street) (2nd)—One wanted.  
Geraldine-Temuka (2nd)—One wanted.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—**

Central Methodist Church and Mission (3rd)—One wanted.  
Lawrence—Vacant (under Milton Superintendent).  
Edendale—One wanted.  
Invercargill (St. Peters) (2nd)—One wanted.  
Dunedin (St. Kilda) (2nd)—One wanted (Broad Bay).

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

**I—Home Work**

**(a) In Circuits**

Sister Beverley Taylor, Auckland Central.  
Sister Dorothy Pointon, Feilding.

**(b) In Institutions and City Missions:**

Two deaconesses wanted, Auckland Central Mission.  
Sister Doreen Bulford, Central Mission, Cambridge Terrace Church, Christchurch.  
Sister Rona Collins, South Island Children's Home and Orphanage, Christchurch.

**(c) Ministerial Supply:**

Sister Gladys Thomas, Upper Hutt.

**II—Maori Work—**

**(a) Maori Mission:**

Sister Eleanor Dobby, South Island.  
Sister Nicholls, Waikato.  
Sister Airini Hobbs, Waikato.  
Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Hamilton and Central Waikato.  
Sister Anne Wilson, Hawera.  
Sister Grace Clement, Auckland.  
Sister Betty Yearbury, Opunake.  
Sister Kathleen Rogers, Taheke, Northland.  
Sister Mary Sealey, Otorohanga.  
Sister Erena Browne, Waikato.  
Sister Joan Wedding, Auckland.  
Sister Norma Yarr, Te Kuiti.

**(b) In Maori Hostels:**

Sister Madeline Holland, "Kurahuna" Hostel, Auckland.  
Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, New Plymouth.  
Sister Ruth Hilder, Seamer House, Auckland.

**III—Overseas Work—**

Sister Lucy Money, Choiseul, Solomon Islands.  
Probationer Pamela Beaumont, Buin, Territory of New Guinea.

**IV—Leave of Absence—**

Sister Jean Miller, Auckland.

### Overseas:

Sister Lorraine Flowers. (Serving under the Australian Board of Missions.)

### V—Without Appointment—

Sister Rita Snowden, Auckland.

### VI—In Training—

Graewyn Hammond, Edna Jenkin (2nd year).

Lynette Jean Bowker, Janet Anne Evans, Elva Cecilia Harris,  
Shirley Anne Simpson, Alys Vivienne Sharp (1st year).

### VII—Supply Appointments—

(a) Mrs G. George (Sister Atawhai), Bay of Islands.

Miss Barbara Miller, Dargaville.

Miss Connie Fell, Auckland 2nd.

(b) Part-time Waikato Supply:

Mrs Eunice Bell

Miss Marthenna Cassidy.

### VIII—Overseas Missionary Sisters—

Sister Ada Lee, Buin, T.N.G.

Sister Myra Fraser, Munda, B.S.I.P.

Sister Thelma Duthie, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.

Sister June Hilder, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.

Sister Edith James, Tari, via Goroka, T.N.G.

Sister Joy Thompson, Vella Lavella, B.S.I.P.

Sister Mary Addison, Buin, T.N.G.

Sister Audrey Grice, Vella Lavella, B.S.I.P.

Sister Audrey Roberts, Choiseul, B.S.I.P.

Sister Lesley Bowen, Munda, B.S.I.P.

Sister Audrey Highnam (leave of absence).

Sister Norma Graves, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.

Sister Beulah Reeves, Buin, T.N.G.

Sister Kathleen Shaw, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.

Sister Gladys Larkin, Munda, B.S.I.P.

Sister Beryl Grice, Choiseul, B.S.I.P.

Miss Joyce K. Rosser, Tari, via Goroka, T.N.G.

N.B.: B.S.I.P. = British Solomon Islands Protectorate.

T.N.G. = Territory of New Guinea.

### IX—Retired—

(a) Deaconesses:

Sister Ruth Fawcett

Mrs W. J. Williams

Sister May Barnett

Sister Annie Tocker

Sister Winifred Beaumont

Sister May Ralph

Sister Lily White

Mrs C. B. Jones

Sister Olive Coleman

Mrs H. Breed

Mrs R. Venis

Sister Olive Bott

Sister Ivy Jones

(b) Missionary Sisters:

Sister Grace McDonald

Sister Edna White

Sister Lina Jones

Sister Merle Farland

Sister Effie Harkness

**QUESTION XXXII—(a) Authority to Administer the Sacraments.**

**(1)—What Probationers are Authorised to Administer the Sacraments?**

Peter S. Barker	Maxwell A. Hornblow
Lewis A. Bowen	C. Seton Horrell
Francis Bongbong	Russell E. James
Leslie Boseto	John E. Langley
Graham Brazendale	Lewis H. Major
James H. Conway	C. Russell Marshall
Mervyn L. Dine	William Morrison
Bruce W. Edwards	Ian H. McKenzie
Roger M. Gibson	David S. Mullan
G. Kingsley Greening	Samson Pataaku
Keith C. Griffith	Andrew G. Reid
Albert A. Grundy	Lawrence E. Salter
Warwick Gust	Brian W. Sides
E. Francis I. Hanson	A. Kerry Taylor
	William L. Wallace

**(2)—What Home Missionaries, Deaconesses, and Laymen are Now Authorised to Administer the Sacraments?**

All Senior Home Missionaries	T. Kawiti
D. H. Ansell	H. Kelly
D. Armstrong	D. Laws
R. E. Fields	G. A. Lee
P. A. Garside	S. A. Neal
S. Hargreaves	A. Pihama
A. C. Hight	T. Walker
G. Kahui	Sister Lucy Money
H. Kapai	Probationer P. Beaumont

**QUESTION XXXII—(b) Who are Elected as Chairmen and Secretaries of Districts and Statistical Secretaries for the Ensuing Year?**

**1. CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS:**

Northland—A. Wharton E. Silvester, M.M.  
 Auckland—Eric W. Hames, M.A.  
 South Auckland—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.  
 Taranaki-Wanganui—Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (President of Conference).  
 Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—George H. Goodman.  
 Wellington—Robert Thornley, M.A.  
 Nelson—M. Alexander McDowell, D.D.  
 North Canterbury—Hubert G. Brown.  
 South Canterbury—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.  
 Otago-Southland—Andrew J. Johnston.  
 Solomon Islands—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed.

**2. DISTRICT AND STATISTICAL SECRETARIES:**

General Statistical Secretary—William C. Jenkin.  
 Northland—Arthur T. Kent.  
 Auckland—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.  
 South Auckland—Chas. H. Bell, B.A.  
 Taranaki-Wanganui—Basil J. Hilder.  
 Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—J. Montgomery Blight.  
 Wellington—Lawrence Greenslade.  
 Nelson—Charles B. Oldfield.  
 North Canterbury—Harold K. Brown.  
 South Canterbury—John R. Hall.  
 Otago-Southland—Alan J. Handyside.  
 Solomon Islands—Allen H. Hall, M.A.

**QUESTION XXXIII—(1)** Who are Elected as President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Conference, 1961?

President—Rev. E. Clarence Leadley.

Vice-President: Mr Eric A. Humphries.

Secretary—Rev. Athol R. Penn.

**(2)—Have adequate arrangements been made for President's Supply?**  
No.

**QUESTION XXXIV:** What is the Report of the General Statistical Secretary?

## Report of the Statistical Secretary

### General:

The returns were sent in this year very promptly and with three exceptions were correct; and, for this my thanks are extended to all concerned, especially to the District Secretaries for their co-operation.

The most serious mistake this year was a 'compensating error' that could not be detected until the final figures were being computed. This resulted from the bringing forward of the wrong figure from last year's totals. This is a point that needs watching on the Circuit level. The column headed in the Minutes as "No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year" becomes automatically the number that must be carried forward as "No. Members on Roll at 30th June last year" when making the current returns for Synod.

I have prepared a 'Decadal' Report also this year tracing our progress since Methodist Union took place in 1913. That Report is included.

### Buildings:

The number of Churches has been returned at 450, an increase of 1 for the year . . . the 1919 Statistical Report gave 452 for that year. However, this figure should be exceeded before the Golden Jubilee of our Methodist Church in 1963.

Other Preaching Places again show a decrease, this year of 6, the total number being 275. . . Synods, no doubt, have received the required explanations as to why these places no longer exist.

Methodist Witness is now made in 725 places among the European population as against 933 in 1913. This represents a drop in 47 years of 208. Schoolrooms at 298 again return an increase of 4. This represents an increase of 52 Schoolrooms in the last 10 years.

Parsonages are also at an all-time record and 6 New Parsonages during the year brings the total to 220.

### Staff:

Another record is returned this year of 269 Ministers and Probationers, being an increase of 10 on last year's figure.

Four Home Missionaries having been ordained at the last Conference it is not surprising to record a drop of 3 (Net) Home Missionaries this year. The number returned under this heading being 27.

Deaconesses stand at 9, a decrease for the year of 2. This is an avenue of service for the young women of our Church to seriously consider.

Local Preachers show a Net increase of 11 for the year (Northland, Auckland, Hawkes Bay and Otago-Southland report decreases

amounting to 25 . . . the rest of the Districts show an increase of 36). The total this year is 675.

### Membership:

A net increase 651 for the year brings our Total Senior Membership for the first time above the 31,000 mark. . . . The total as at 30th June being 31,307.

New members for the year total 1776, being 774 under 20 and 1002 over 20 years of age. While the intake of members for the year is an increase of 2.5%, we have to offset that by 467 members who have died; and the number who have ceased to attend is 485, also those lost in Transfers account for another 171. . . . That makes a loss of 485 plus 171 totalling 656, which could possibly have been much less.

Bringing this down in a more simple form for every 17 New Members gained we lost 11 (4 by death; 5 ceased to attend and 2 in transfers). This must be pointed out once more and the question once again asked: Is our entrance into Membership really up to standard in the view of the hard facts of life or have folk accepted membership without a Full Commitment of life or too lightly without counting the cost?

I still feel it my duty as Statistical Secretary to point this matter out each year in the hope that adequate measures will be introduced to lessen this very serious Annual loss by 'Ceased to attend' and 'Transfers'. Communicants number 28,599, an increase of 514 for the year.

The number of families show an increase of 965, while the number of people in the pastoral care of the Church increased by 3902. As at the 30th June the numbers returned are 44,635 families with 136,247 people.

The New Zealand Official Year Book gives the increase of population to 1st April, 1960, at 44,000 and that brings the total European population to 2,219,129 and the Maori population to 151,000 making a total population of 2,370,129.

Including 10,917 Maori people under the Pastoral Care of our Church we are in contact with 147,164 Methodists in New Zealand which means that there are approximately 22,640 Methodist people out of touch with the Church as at 30th June, 1960.

Research into this matter on a District scale should enable us to tell where these people are situated and then to take proper steps to ensure serving all our people.

The following table will help in this matter:—

SYNOD	Census Methodists	European Roll	Maori Roll	Total Contacts	No Contacts
Northland	8,609	6,727	485	7,212	1,397
Auckland	33,161	26,748	2,700*	29,448	3,713
South Auckland	24,434	17,220	6,019	23,339	1,095
Taranaki-Wanganui	12,912	10,475	1,713	12,188	724
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	15,657	13,500	—	13,500	2,157
Wellington	22,840	17,008	—	17,008	5,832
Nelson	8,679	7,731	—	7,731	948
North Canterbury	21,929	20,049	—	20,049	1,880
South Canterbury	8,664	5,156	—	5,156	3,508
Otago-Southland	13,919	11,633	—	11,633	2,286
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>169,804</b>	<b>136,247</b>	<b>10,917</b>	<b>147,164</b>	<b>22,640</b>
E. & O.E.					

\*Estimate only.

Under the heading "Census Methodists" these figures are estimated on the record in the 1960 Official Year Book published by the Government Statistician.

N.B.—A clearer picture should be possible after the next Census which should take place next March-April.

### Youth Returns:

Baptisms for the year number 3387, an increase of 124 and an increase of 299 on the Cradle Rolls bring that number to 8269.

The Beginners' and Primary Department show a decrease of 358 while further decreases are recorded for Junior 185 and Intermediate 6479; the numbers being Beginners 10,389; Junior 8851; and Intermediate 6479 respectively.

There is an increase shown in the number of Teachers of 51; 3,008 being the number as at 30th June.

Bible Classes show increases of Junior Young Men 83; Junior Young Women 106; and Intermediate Young Men 33; while the Intermediate Young Women show a decrease of 33.

Senior Young Men a decrease of 5, while Senior Young Women show an increase of 34. . . . There are 33 more Bible Class Leaders, Men and 11 less Women Leaders.

### Finances:

Stipends have increased by £11,508 15s 5d, the total paid being £144,115 11s 6d for the year.

More attention is needed under this heading . . . Ministers will return the Minimum Rate as at the 30th June instead of the actual amount paid, and it is the actual amount paid that is required in this column. Question 7 on the back of the Form reads "Is the Conference Minimum Stipend being paid in this Circuit?" and if answered correctly will give the necessary answer.

£2,329 9s 9d additional Travelling brings the total amount for the year ending 30th June to £29,359 19s 5d.

Cars owned by Circuits show a decrease of 1 and stand at 23, while there are 4 more cars owned by Ministers, there being 191.

Circuit Accounts show a decrease of £1,889 18s 1d in Credit Balances and an increase in Debit Balances of £11,669 10s 10d; the Totals being £29,708 15s 4d and £18,382 19s 7d respectively.

Trust Accounts show £64,018 4s 7d Credit Balances and £59,825 6s 8d Debit Balances, an increase of £6,035 11s 9d Credits and £11,197 17s 3d Debits.

### MAORI MISSION RETURNS

The Returns this year show a considerable adjustment on the previous returns submitted.

This is largely due to two factors:—

1. The Maori folk are trying to make a different kind of approach to their method of recording membership. In the past all baptised persons on reaching adulthood have automatically, it would seem, become members.

The idea of full membership is now being built up and strengthened and a person has to take the full membership; so that the future should see a much more virile Maori Mission.

2. In the past little house gatherings in different private houses have been returned as Sunday Schools. It has been possible after a year or two to link some of these small groups into the nearest Church Sunday School of our Methodist Church.

This has resulted in a strengthening of the work and reduced in places heavy laborious travelling for the Deaconess staff.

Naturally this means a loss statistically but it would appear that it is all "pattern of a total pattern of change and adjustment in a very fluid situation."

There are, however, losses that do not come under this heading and no doubt satisfactory explanations will be forthcoming at the appropriate time.

My Report, however, must contain the material sent to me by the Synodal Secretaries.

#### **General:**

The number of Churches remain the same at 15.

Other preaching Places show a decrease of 23, the number as at 30th June being 145. There is a decrease of 1 Parsonage, the total being 8.

Ordained Ministers number 8, an increase of 2 for the year.

There are 6 less Home Missionaries returned this year and 6 more Honorary Home Missionaries. The figures being 8 and 24.

Last year there was an increase of 5 Home Missionaries and a decrease of 3 Honorary Home Missionaries.

It would appear that the matter of 'Designation' of Home Missionaries and Honorary Home Missionaries needs closer definition to ensure uniformity in the Returns.

Deaconesses have decreased by 2, the number now being 15; and Local Preachers numbering 11 show a decrease of 1.

#### **Membership:**

Last year returned 8,894 Senior Members, but this year the number is reduced to 4,108; a decrease of 4,715 (more than half).

The Auckland District has only returned 450 as against 5,156 Senior Members last year, a decrease of 4,706.

Junior Membership is carried forward at the same figure as last year for Auckland and that means that the other Maori Circuits show an increase of 524, with a total of 5,674.

#### **Pastoral Care:**

There is here a similar picture. Last year Auckland returned 1512 families with an estimate of 3,500 persons. . . . This year the figures are 906 families and an estimate of 2,700 persons.

This represents 606 families and 800 people less than last year.

#### **Youth:**

Again there is a repetition of losses represented by the figures sent by the Auckland Maori Circuit. 19 less Sunday Schools. Altogether there is a drop of 43 Sunday Schools for the year. . . . The other losses being South Auckland 13 and the King Country 14—total 46; against this an increase in the Northland Circuit of 3 gives us a net decrease of 43. The number of Sunday Schools now number 151 as at 30th June.

Sunday School scholars have decreased by 1,141 according to the Returns (Auckland 466, North 91, King Country 199, South Auckland 351, and Taranaki 34). . . . The total of Sunday School scholars as at 30th June stands at 1,976.

Bible Classes show a decrease of 18 (Northland 3, Auckland 2 and South Auckland 14, giving a gross loss of 19; Taranaki have an increase of 1). The total number this year is 22.

Bible Class members show decreases of Northland 61, Auckland

70 and South Auckland 92; total 223. On the other hand King Country return an increase of 3 and Taranaki an increase of 18, giving a Net Decrease of 20 2 Bible Class Members. The total of Bible Class members as at 30th June being 254.

#### Conclusion:

It is hoped that all concerned will take the matter of Statistics seriously so that we can arrive at a reasonable standard of accuracy. Every one counts and however small one's share may be, if we set our minds to the task we will have an index which will indicate the success or otherwise of our efforts.

1963 will be the close of 50 years of service as "The Methodist Church of New Zealand" since Union took place in 1913 and it is sincerely hoped that the statistics that year will give a true picture of our progress.

It is hoped to have another 'Decadal' Report at that time.

Once again, my thanks to the District Secretaries for their co-operation.

Wm. C. JENKIN,  
General Statistical Secretary.

#### "DECADAL" REPORT, 1960

The Methodist Church as it is now constituted came into being in the year 1913.

It is interesting to note our progress from that time to the end of the Decade of 1960.

The 'Prophets of Doom' forecast the end of the Methodist Church when in the 1936 Census Returns we were shown with 200 members less than the 1926 returns. Their forecast has been proved by subsequent history to be entirely unfounded.

The following figures are of interest.

Year	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Ministers & Probationers	Parsonages	Home Missionaries	Local Preachers	Deaconesses	Senior Church Membership	Pastoral Roll	Census Declared Methodists
1913	339	594	113	189	152	59	873	10	20992		94827
1920	449	421	154	176	161	45	800	13	23046		112344
1930	451	459	193	187	185	59	745	9	24429		121212
1940	444	372	222	209	189	49	748	6	25393		121012
1950	435	346	246	213	195	47	636	9	26118		156077
1960	450	275	298	269	220	27	675	9	31307	136247	169804

\*The figures in this column are from the Census nearest to the Decade. 1960 is calculated on the 1960 Official Year Book.

It is interesting to note that the number of Churches though now at 450 is still lower than in 1919 when 452 were returned.

The Number of Other Preaching Places present another story altogether and while many reasons will be forthcoming to show why e.g. Mode of Transport, Consolidation, etc., the serious fact is that whereas in 1913 there were 594 Other Preaching Places in 1960 only 275 remain.

No doubt many were returned in 1920 under the heading of Churches but allowing for that fact we are still 146 Other Preaching Places short of the total in 1920 in spite of the fact that the

growth of population has more than doubled itself since our Methodist Church started in 1913.

Schoolrooms have shown an increase right through the years and have gone from 113 in 1913 to 298 in 1960; almost 164% increase in the period under review.

As far as the European Membership is concerned the last Decade has shown a larger increase (Net) than in the previous 37 years of existence.

1913 . . . 20,992 and 1950 . . . 26,118.  
an increase for the 37 years of 5,126 members.

This year's figure stands at 31,307 which is an increase of 5,189 members for the last Decade.

While this gives cause for thankfulness, a sobering thought is that we are still losing members through 'Ceased to attend' and loss in 'Transfers.' This year's figures being 485 and 171, a total of 656, while the average for the last 14 years stands at 424 and 128, a total of 552 each year.

It was thought that these figures at first would automatically adjust themselves but after 14 years they are still very serious and a total loss from these two sources 'Lapsed Membership' and 'Loss in Transfers' in a Decade of 4,490 and 1,199, a total of 5,689, means that in the last Decade 1950-60 we have lost approximately 56 members for every 100 new Members.

I am afraid I cannot place the position any more clearly but something needs doing and DOING NOW to stop this serious leakage.

Ministers and Probationers in 1913 numbered 189 while in 1960 the number is 269, an increase of 80. . . . Against this the Home Missionaries have shown a decrease from 59 to 27. This of course is in line with the Policy of our Church to have a 'Trained Ministry' throughout.

While in 1913 there were approximately 85 members to each Minister and Home Missionary to-day there are approximately 106 members to each Minister and Home Missionary.

Deaconesses numbered 10 in 1913 and 9 in 1960. The highest number being recorded in 1919 and 1921 at 15. This is in European work.

Local Preachers have dropped from 873 in 1913 to 675 in 1960. The lowest being in 1950 when the number stood at 636.

It is encouraging to see the number of Local Preachers increasing and the higher standards of qualification augurs well for the future.

1963 sees the completion of 50 years as the 'Methodist Church of New Zealand' and it is hoped to have another Decadal Review at that time showing our progress.

It should be noted however that the First New Zealand Annual Conference of the Australian Wesleyan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

Wm. C. JENKIN,  
General Statistical Secretary.

## Solomon Islands District Report

An additional Church brings the total for the year ending 30th June to 263. Again there is a decrease in the number of other Preaching Places, this year of 2; the total being 27. Once again we have to report the loss of one Place where our witness is being made.

Seven European Ministers are again returned this year, while a decrease of two Sisters bring the total to 16. There is one Doctor.

Lay Missionaries remain at two, while Lay Workers are now three, the additional worker being stationed at Buin.

An increase of one Native Minister brings the total to eight. There is also one Native Agriculturist.

36 Catechists are returned this year, a decrease of one. This is set off by an increase of one Pastor, the total being 30.

Pastor Teachers show an increase of three for the year; 228 being returned. Also an increase of nine Teachers bring the total to 107.

Again an increase is shown in Medical Assistants, this year of two, the total now standing at 39.

Local Preachers show an increase of 23 this year as against a decrease of 27 last year. The total of Local Preachers as at 30th June being 236.

33 Class Leaders returned show a decrease of 16 for the year. The most serious being Teop where 20 were returned last year and NIL this year. This could, of course, be an omission. Also the classification of Local Preachers and Class Leaders might need clarification.

#### **Membership:**

- (a) European: This shows increases of five Adults; nine on the Youth Roll. The Adherents Roll report a decrease of 15. These figures could come about by a change of status. The numbers being 42; 33; and 26 respectively.

- (b) Native: This again reveals an increase; this year of 324, the total being 8,294.

An increase of 194 on the Youth Roll brings this total to 8,538.

Native Adherents also show an increase of 62, the total being 4,936.

206 Sunday Schools, an increase of 27 for the year are serving an increased Sunday School population of 791 scholars, the total number as at 30th June being 5,649.

The number of Day Schools as at 30th June is returned at 204, a decrease of 37. This is in the Buin Circuit and enquiries are now being made by the General Secretary of our Foreign Mission Department.

There is a decrease of nine Day School Teachers the total being 387 while there is an increase of 125 Scholars, 91 being at Buin.

An increase of 524 Members and Adherents brings the total to 21,863 as at the 30th June 1960.

Wm. C. JENKIN,  
General Statistical Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports and Statistical Returns be received and adopted.

2. Conference recognises that the Maori Missions returns represent a new approach to more responsible Church Membership and commends this action by the Department.

3. That the Rev. W. C. Jenkin be thanked for his services and reappointed as General Statistical Secretary.

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

## A—Welfare of the Church Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

### Lectionary:

The Lectionary for 1961-62 has been prepared and is again recommended for optional use, and to be printed in the "Methodist Times" and Circuit Magazines or Preaching Plans.

### Chairmanship of Meetings:

With reference to Resolution 7, page 60, 1959 Minutes, the Welfare of the Church Committee now withdraws the recommendation made last year, the Law Revision Committee having considered the proposed amendment and submitted the following statement thereon:

"The Superintendent is a Minister in charge of a Circuit and is responsible for the maintenance of the discipline of the church within its bounds. (Law Book, page 24 para. 150).

The duties of the Superintendent are set out in para. 154 of the Law Book which provides that he shall preside at all official Meetings in the Circuit.

Under the present law the following are the Official Meetings of the Circuit: Trustees, Leaders, Quarterly, Preachers meetings, the Church Meeting and the Local Youth Council. The Superintendent should preside at each such meeting. The Constitution of each such meeting provides that he shall so do. In most cases there is provision for the Superintendent to appoint a colleague to chair any particular meeting. If neither the Minister nor his deputy can attend, the meeting can elect its own chairman.

The Superintendent has the right, should he so desire, to preside at the annual meeting of each local branch of the Men's Fellowship and each Women's Guild.

It is not mandatory for a Superintendent to act as Chairman of other Committees in a Circuit though he should be notified of meetings of such and has the right to attend if he desires.

A Layman may act as chairman of a committee managing a recreational club, a cultural group, an entertainment committee, a sports club and of any sub-committee of official meetings. e.g. a sub-committee dealing with a budget or a special property committee.

In the proposed amendment there seems to be some confusion in the use of the terms "society meeting" and "Church Meeting."

A "Church Meeting" is an official meeting. Its constitution and business is set out in paras. 272 and 273 of the Law Book. The expression "Society Meeting" is a term now used very loosely but the Law Book (page 9 para. 64) provides that "the Society Meeting" is a devotional meeting.

It is understood that the amendment has been proposed because it is considered that the Superintendents have too many meetings to tend and that there are meetings which could be chaired by a layman who could be appointed for a stated term. It also has been suggested that suitable laymen are being denied the opportunity of serving the Church in this way.

It must be pointed out that the Superintendent is the official representative of the Conference in the Circuit. It is his duty to see that the Laws and Regulations of the Church are obeyed and that all

Resolution of the Conference are complied with. Therefore he should attend and preside at all official meetings.

If the Superintendent cannot attend any particular meeting he may appoint a deputy for that meeting. He has no power to delegate his right to act as chairman for an indefinite number of meetings.

A minister is set apart to the office and work of the Ministry. When he becomes a Superintendent he is the representative of the Conference in the Circuit and unless he carries out his duties in chairing official meetings he cannot properly guard and serve the interests of the Church in the Circuit.

There is ample opportunity for laymen to act as chairman of many meetings in a Circuit other than the official meetings.

The Law Revision Committee cannot recommend that a layman should be appointed by the Superintendent Minister to preside in his place for a stated term at official meetings in his Circuit. In its opinion the existing law meets the position properly and adequately."

### **Triennial Visitation:**

The Welfare of the Church Committee has given careful consideration to the proposal that a small committee of each Synod Standing Committee should triennially visit each Circuit within its District in order to investigate the life and work of the Church and to give any help and guidance that may be desirable and possible. There is an obvious value in such visits, provided adequate care is taken to see that they are primarily of a fraternal nature and do not become looked upon as the visit of an inspectorate.

It seems advisable therefore that several years of experimentation be made by some of the Districts in order to determine the most satisfactory method to be used. It is not considered that permissive legislation is necessary for such experiments as the scheme can be adapted to the provisions of Laws 162 and 163. The Church Council has approved of this experimental approach to the scheme and the Synod Standing Committees of Auckland, South Auckland and Otago-Southland have each a somewhat different type of questionnaire which is being tested in visits they are making.

The method of Presbyterian Visitations used by the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand has been examined because of its similarity to the scheme we envisaged, but it must be noted that the Moderator of a Presbytery holds office for one year only, and he is not a member of a Committee of Visitation, whereas in the Methodist Church the Chairman of the District would generally lead visitations to Circuits and in the course of several years his relationship to Circuit Officers and Ministers could assume a different nature from that which it has had in the past.

The welfare of the Church Committee hopes to learn from the experience of the three Districts which are now carrying out trial schemes and therefore has no recommendations to make at this stage.

A. J. JOHNSTON, Chairman.

W. J. MORRISON, Acting Chairman.

A. J. HANDYSIDE, Convener.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted except section "Chairmanship of Meetings".

2. That the Lectionary be adopted for optional use and printed in the Minutes of Conference.

3. That the section on "Chairmanship of Meetings" be referred

back to the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee.

4. That the Committee be asked to continue its Study re Triennial Visitation.

5. That Synod Standing Committees be invited to adopt a system of Triennial Visitation of Circuits as standard practice.

6. That the Welfare of the Church Committee investigate the possibility of establishing a Music Council, Board or Committee, with a view to selecting or preparing music suitable for choirs, and having such music available on request.

7. That Conference express its appreciation to Rev. G. R. H. Peterson for his continued work in preparing the Lectionary.

8. That before any new church be given a name or the name of any existing church is changed there should be prior consultation with the District Synod Standing Committee.

9. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 9 herein.

#### **QUESTION XXXV.**

## **B—Spiritual Advance Committee**

**ANNUAL REPORT, 1960**

### **Prayer Life of the Church:**

To give permanent format to the findings of the Committee's study of the Prayer Life of the Church (1958 Minutes, page 60, Res. 3), Rev. O. E. Burton was asked to compile two Studies—the first a short one for weekend Retreats etc., and the other a longer one for a Study on Prayer by Guilds, Fellowships, Senior Bible Classes etc. The former entitled "How to Pray", is now available and the second is being published.

The Committee is also fostering the establishment and maintenance of Prayer Cells through the Church. The Prayer Cell Movement is world-wide in Methodism and the Convener had correspondence with the late Rev. Dr. W. E. Sangster who greatly encouraged us in this work. The Home Mission Department of the British Conference is sending sufficient copies of their "Prayer Cell Messenger" for distribution to all New Zealand "Cells" through the Spiritual Advance Committee. Material has been circulated to all our ministers. The N.Z. Prayer Cells are asked to register with this Committee. Overseas the Prayer Cell Movement is bringing vitality to the Church in many places and the Committee believes its extension to New Zealand will be most beneficial in our work for God.

### **The Significance of the Communion Service for the Organised Life of the Church**

(1957 Minutes, Page 63, Res. 7. iii. 1958 Minutes, Page 60, Res. 3.)

Following its Theological Statement in its last Annual Report, the Committee sent to all ministers a questionnaire concerning the observance of the Communion Service in the Circuits. An excellent response resulted and the information is still being collated and analysed. The following points can be noted at this stage:

1. Over recent years there has been a marked increase of interest in the Communion Service throughout the country.

2. Though 90-100% of the congregation present at a particular service participate fully, the percentage of church members attending the Sacrament is generally considerably lower.

3. Little instruction apart from Church Membership Classes and sermons in the actual service seems to be given.

4. Cards inviting people to attend the Sacrament and distributed by Lay Visitors are not used to any extent.

5. The earlier practice of making the Communion Service an adjunct to an ordinary Service of Worship seems to have become largely obsolete. The practice of making the whole service a Communion Service appears to be almost general, though the Revised Order is frequently abbreviated, especially at Morning Worship.

6. Laymen frequently assist the minister in the distribution of the Consecrated Elements, the use of the Communion Rail is favoured, and the observance is monthly, alternating morning and evening, in most places.

**Handbook for Lay Pastors** (1958 Minutes, page 60, Res. 5):

The production of this manual is proving quite a task, but it is slowly taking shape. The writer hopes to complete the manuscript this year.

#### **Advent and Lenten Leaflets:**

The Committee has extended the gratitude of the Church to Rev. W. R. Laws for writing the Advent Leaflet 1959 and to Professor A. B. Cochran for the Lenten Leaflet 1960. Rev. L. G. Hanna is writing both the Advent Leaflet for this year and the Lenten Leaflet 1961.

### **OVERSEAS VISITORS**

#### **1. Rev. Principal Frederic Greeves:**

All arrangements for the tour of Mr and Mrs Greeves were satisfactory and were appreciated by our guests. Principal Greeves ably ministered to our Church and his presence and lectures at the three Ministerial Schools of Theology were most valuable. The Committee has expressed its gratitude and greetings to Principal and Mrs Greeves.

#### **2. Bishop Gerald Kennedy:**

Dr Kennedy has been appointed President of the Council of Bishops of the American Methodist Church. Consequently, his visit to this country in March, 1961, has had to be postponed. He will probably come in 1962 following a visit to Australia.

#### **3. Rev. Dr. C. Lloyd Daugherty:**

With the authority of the President of Conference and in conjunction with the Department of Christian Education, the Spiritual Advance Committee has communicated with Dr. Daugherty concerning a visit to our Church in the middle of 1961. Dr. Daugherty is the National Director of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism of the Methodist Church in the United States and the Director of the Department of Christian Education (Rev. W. F. Ford) is sure he can make a valuable contribution to our New Zealand Church. It appears that Dr. Daugherty can come here next year. Dr. Harry Denman, Director of the American Board of Evangelism, is strongly supporting this visit.

#### **4. Professor C. A. Coulson, F.R.S.**

This Committee, again with the authority of the President of Conference, is also in communication with Professor Coulson concerning the possibility of his visiting New Zealand, perhaps in conjunction with the University. Dr. Coulson is the ex-Vice-President of the British Methodist Conference and a Professor of Mathematics in the University of Oxford. He is one of Britain's foremost physicists. Dr. Coulson is willing to come to New Zealand if a suitable time can be arranged to fit in with his commitments to the University and with our New Zealand Church.

### Circuit Missions:

Evangelistic or Teaching Missions have been held or are planned in several Circuits. The Spiritual Advance Committee has given advice on details of arrangements and suggested Missioners in some instances. Such Missions are a pleasing feature of our Church life, indicating concern and activity in proclaiming the Gospel. Circuits contemplating such Missions are asked to contact the Convener of this Committee for suggestions about Missioners and organisation. When Missions have been completed, both Ministers and Missioners are asked to send a full report and appraisal to this Committee.

### "Visitation Evangelism" Booklet:

This has been revised and a 3rd edition is being published. Its use is strongly commended to Circuits.

### The Billy Graham Campaign, 1959:

As this Campaign with its main meetings at Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, with landline connections with over 60 town and city meetings, affected the whole country, the Committee felt it advisable to attempt an appraisal of its results and impact. Therefore in August, 1959, it sent questionnaires to all Ministers asking for an analysis of the results of the Campaign. It received an excellent response, some 171 Ministers replying, with the result that the following summary covers the whole Connexion with the exception of 7 Circuits and 5 Churches:

**Number of Enquirers:** 737 'enquirers' registered decisions at the landline meetings, 2,232 at the main centre meetings, and 47 made decisions in response to appeals in their own Churches during the Campaign—a total of 3,106. Of these 2,602 (86.6%) were already known to the Ministers, and 414 (13.4%) unknown.

The following categories list the "enquirers" in relation to the nature of their response to the Appeals, to Church attendance, and to Church Membership:

#### Decisions:

First Time Acceptance of Christ	1535 = 51.4%
Re-affirmation of Faith	1180 = 39.7%
Assurance of Salvation	116 = 5.9%
Restoration	150 = 5.0%

#### Church Attendance:

Were already attending	2186 = 75.5%
Had begun attending	407 = 13.7%
Expected to attend	176 = 5.9%
Did not expect to attend	201 = 6.9%

#### Membership:

Already Members at time of "decision"	921 = 30.8%
Have now become Members	358 = 12.0%
Intend to become Members	670 = 22.2%
Do not intend to become Members	485 = 16.3%
Children—too young for membership	560 = 18.7%

Some 1815 Methodist people participated in the Campaign Meetings, made up of 494 who acted as ushers, 572 counsellors, and 749 who assisted in the Choirs.

A full report concerning the meaning of the above figures, and containing a summary of the general comments of the Ministers, has been sent to every Minister and to the National Council of Churches.

#### District Representatives:

These have been appointed in all Districts to keep all Ministers

and Circuits informed on the work of the Spiritual Advance Committee. District Chairmen are asked to give a place on the agendas of their Synod Standing Committees for considering the work of the Spiritual Advance Committee.

**S.A.C. Column in "The Methodist Times":**

Brother Giles continues to write this column on devotional and related matters for the Committee. Gratitude is extended to him for fulfilling this responsibility so ably. From the correspondence in "The Times", the Committee believes its column is well read.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.

R. G. BELL, Convener.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Spiritual Advance Committee continue to organise and encourage Prayer Cells throughout the Church, and that the Prayer Cell Movement be commended to all our Circuits and people.
3. That the Church express its appreciation to the Rev. Principal Frederic Greeves, M.A., for his valuable lectures and addresses to the Schools of Theology and in the Circuits.
4. That the Rev. Dr. C. Lloyd Daugherty be invited to visit our Church in 1961.
5. That Professor C. A. Coulson, F.R.S., be invited to visit our Church at a time to be arranged.
6. That Circuits be encouraged to hold Evangelistic and Teaching Missions and that they consult the Spiritual Advance Committee before and after such Missions.
7. That a grant of £25 each be made by the Home Mission Fund and the Contingent Fund and £160 from the Connexional Budget.
8. That the following be referred to the Spiritual Advance Committee for consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1961:—"That the National Council of Churches be requested to extend an invitation to Dr Billy Graham to make a return visit to New Zealand."
9. That the committee investigate the possibility of inviting at times convenient such W.C.C. Leaders in evangelism as Revs. T. Allen, D. T. Niles, Alan Walker and Bishop Wickham.
10. That in view of the importance in the Church which the lay pastorate is increasingly assuming, and in view of the need to elevate and recognise more fully the call to preach in a lay capacity, Conference refers to the Spiritual Advance Committee for consideration and report, the desirability of establishing a new order within the Methodist Church, admission possibly to be by ordination, which would
  - (a) Share with the ministry in the local Church responsibility for the spiritual life and direction of the Church;
  - (b) Provide fellowship for ministers through corporate prayer and sharing on a deep spiritual level with mature laity who also have been called and dedicated to preaching and pastoral work;
  - (c) Give dignity and status to high lay office in keeping with the practice of the early Church, and with contemporary trends in Churchmanship.
11. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on Page 8 herein.

## C—Local Preachers' Association

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

In presenting this Annual Report the New Zealand Methodist Local Preachers' Association gives thanks to our Lord for His guidance as we have sought to encourage constructive thinking in the use of local preachers in New Zealand. Much of the work this year has been the furthering of the policy of the Association as laid down in the reports of 1958 and 1959.

**Annual Meeting, 1959:** The Annual Meeting of the Association for 1959 was held at Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington, on November 9th, 1959, 47 members being present. Visiting delegates were the guests of the Wellington District Association Branch at the tea preceding the business session.

Owing to the limited time available, discussion had of necessity to be shortened, with the result that important decisions were left to the discretion of the Dominion Executive.

**Award of Presentation Books:** The vexed question of ensuring that successful candidates receive a Presentation Book appropriate to their maturity and training has been solved. In future, the presentation book will be chosen by the candidate or the minister of the circuit, and the cost up to the margin allowed will be met by the L.P. Association.

**Examination Results:** A Summary of the results of the 1959 examinations is as follows:

	Entries		Passes		Failures	
	June Dec.		June Dec.		June Dec.	
Theology	21	36	17	26	4	10
Homiletics	31	44	25	40	6	4
Old Testament	27	25	23	20	4	5
New Testament	35	40	30	25	5	15

Analysis of examination results reveals:

	June Dec.	
Candidates sitting examinations	85	98
Papers attempted	114	144
Papers marked as passes	94	110
Papers marked 50% to 59%	37	44
Papers marked 60% to 69%	35	42
Papers marked 70% to 79%	15	17
Papers marked 80% to 89%	6	6
Papers marked 90% upwards	1	1
Candidates completing 4 subjects	15	20

**Accreditation Certificates:** The following are congratulated upon reception as fully accredited local preachers, and have been issued with Accreditation Certificates and Presentation Books: Niven Bail, Napier; Irene Laight, Hastings; Jacqueline Deidre Carr, Addington; Murray Herbert Smith, Woodlands Street, Timaru; Lois Rosemary Hayes Baker, Riccarton; Rita Joan Sides, Riccarton; Mary Gladys Southon, Opotiki; Athol Hilton Buckland, Whangarei; Murray Charles Webby, Whangarei; Graeme Richards, Shirley, Christchurch East; Brian Thomas Harris, Marchwiell Union, Timaru; Mrs Nora Humphreys, Waimea; Ann Sharp, Otaki Circuit; Allan Edmund Burns, Roslyn; Mervyn Corley, Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe; Garth Cant, Hokitika; Alexander Marnoch, Bryndwr; Norman Charles Nettleton, Sydenham; Allan Crothall, Durham Street; Murray Print, Epsom; John

David Meredith, Invercargill Central; John Alistair McKenzie, Rangiora; David Heath Ansell, Palmerston North (Trinity); Gordon Charles Poole, Palmerston North (Trinity); Kenneth Keall, Pahiatua; Mervyn Wellington, Auckland Central; Judith Milne, Auckland Central; Dennis Smith, Greymouth; Robert Neil McLeod, Cromwell-Alexandra; John Hugh Roberts, Takapuna; Maurice Ralph, Pahiatua; Edna Joy Jenkin, Wanganui North; Bruce Edward Mackie, Wanganui North; Allan Ferguson McKenzie, Wellsford, Northland; John Collis Hardingham, Petone.

**Long Service Diplomas:** By the issue of Long Service Diplomas the Church has recognised and honoured the long and loyal service of the following: Thomas Wakelin, Ashburton, 51 years; Percy Dellow, Auckland East, 50 years; Hugh M. Patrick, Auckland East, 50 years; Thomas Bowker, Pukekohe, 48 years; Edward L. Curnow, Pukekohe, 27 years; Thomas Walker, Coromandel, 28 years; Charles Edward Darvill, Pukekohe, 68 years; Albert A. Lorraine Hutching, Dargaville, 25 years; John C. Tietjens, Takapuna, 51 years.

**Passed to Higher Service:** Bro. Hugh Patrick, Auckland; Bro. Fred. H. Forge, Gisborne; Bro. Wilfred Danby, Thames; Bro. Maurice Moore, Durham Street; Bro. W. S. Harris, Blenheim; Dr. Maharaia Winiata, Honorary Maori Home Missionary.

We greatly honour the memory of the foregoing local preachers who, since the last Annual Report, and after long and faithful service in the Church Militant, have been called to Higher Service.

**Co-ordination of Lay Courses:** Discussions have continued between the various responsible groups relative to the co-ordinating of various study courses for laymen. The Association has been watching carefully so that the standard set for accreditation in the past may not in any way be lowered. As a result of the recent meeting of the Council of Christian Education, the Association has been assured that this aspect has been carefully watched. As a result of the discussions, it would appear that the simplification and co-ordination of the various studies will be brought into effect. The Local Preachers' Association, having first sponsored the idea, is grateful for the progress.

**Use of Local Preachers' Study Textbooks:** It is interesting to note that, according to information received by the Dominion Executive, at least three churches are using Local Preachers' Examination Textbooks as a basis for their Senior Bible Class Studies. They point out that not all members of the classes will become local preachers, but that all will obtain a basic knowledge of what is required.

**District One-day or Weekend Rallies** have been organised during the year by the Northland, Auckland, South Auckland, Taranaki-Wanganui, Wellington and Hawkes Bay-Manawatu Branches.

**Post Accreditation Course:** Arising from the conversations on lay courses, and in response to suggestions from some of the district branches, the Dominion Executive has written to the Board of Studies suggesting that a course on Church History, with the curriculum as proposed by the Department of Christian Education as a basis, shall be investigated as a possible post-accreditation course for Local Preachers. The Board has replied stating its willingness to consider the idea.

**Maori Home Missionaries and Local Preachers:** As a result of correspondence with the Home and Maori Mission Department, the Maori Home Missionaries and Local Preachers of New Zealand have become linked with the New Zealand Local Preachers Association by

means of correspondence. This has already borne fruit, in that there has been an interchange of information and ideas between the two groups. We feel that this move will help to establish a greater sense of unity amongst the lay workers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Nearly 40 Maori members are in this group, and are in regular receipt of the Local Preachers' Newsletter.

**"The Preacher":** Commenced in the middle of last year as an experiment, the Local Preachers' Newsletter, "The Preacher", published quarterly, has grown in popularity and is serving a very real purpose. With the inclusion of the Maori members, the circulation has grown to nearly 1000. Thanks are due to the co-operation of the Home and Maori Mission Department in making available a copy of each "Mission Message" from which articles and information of interest to local preachers may be culled.

**Home Churches:** The Local Preachers' Association has consistently advocated the use of the training and experience of local preachers in the establishment of Home Churches or Weeknight Fellowship Groups in private homes as a means of extending the influence of the church. It is therefore pleasing to know that some churches are experimenting in this way.

**Group Preaching:** Where a group of preachers within a circuit or a district area, both ministerial and lay, meet and decide to conduct services in certain churches, using simultaneously a selected topic and continuing with various aspects of the topic over a chosen period of Sundays, is an idea which the Local Preachers' Association commends. This system has been used with marked success twice during the year by a Dunedin Circuit.

A. H. HARMAN, President.

H. C. VINCE, Hon. Secretary.

A. J. GANDERTON, Hon. Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the work of Local Preachers throughout the Connexion.

#### QUESTION XXXV.

## D—Methodist Men's Fellowship

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The Dominion Executive has met five times during the year and is pleased to report a growing interest by an increasing number of churches in the Men's Fellowship Movement.

**Annual Meeting:** Sixty men were present at the Annual Meeting held at Brooklyn Church in November last. Our Guest Speaker was Rev. Wilf. Ford and Mr Jack Davys showed coloured slides of Hong Kong. The meeting was regarded as one of the best for many years.

**Newsletters:** Our President has maintained contact with Ministers, Home Missionaries and Fellowship Branches and has passed on useful information and programme ideas. The Newsletters have been generally well received.

**Methodist Times Column:** Once again we express our thanks for the space allotted to us in our Church paper.

**Department of Christian Education:** The Director, Rev. Wilf. Ford, gave a most helpful address at our Annual Meeting on "The

Laymen of the American Church" and spent an evening with the Dominion Executive outlining a suggested programme for men's work in the local church.

**Visits of Dominion Officers:** Our President has addressed an Otago District Rally and a Rally of Hutt Valley Fellowships and visited local branches in the Wanganui and Manawatu Districts. Our Secretary has visited Hamilton, Milton and Rotorua groups.

**Our Patrons:** A fine contribution to the life of our Movement was made last year by Mr Alan Dingwall, and this year, his successor, Mr Magnus Hughson, is seeking to make as many contacts as possible. At the request of the President of Conference our Executive is giving consideration to the best use that may be given by the Vice-President to the work of our Movement during his year of office.

**District Executives:** This part of our organisation has always been weak. We are pleased to report the formation of a new District Executive for Otago. Attempts are being made to form an Executive for the North Canterbury district.

**Future Policy:** During the past year the Dominion Executive has given much time and thought to the place and purpose of the Men's Fellowship Movement in our Church today and this has resulted in a decision to present the following recommendations to our next Annual Meeting. These recommendations have already received general approval by the Council of Christian Education.

Over recent years some dramatic changes have taken place in an increasing number of our Methodist Churches.

**Firstly,** the development of Stewardship programmes and the inspiration of Laymen's Conferences have harnessed and utilised the services of the men of those Churches in a more planned and integrated way than has ever been achieved before.

**Secondly,** the resulting emphasis and action in 'Lay Visitation,' where this has operated, has brought together men and women out of every organisation of the Church in a unity of effort beyond anything achieved hitherto.

**Thirdly,** the Pilot Churches are gathering the whole family into the Church School to learn and outwork the faith in each succeeding stage of life and this is again bringing men and women into constant relationship in fellowship and resulting action.

**Fourthly,** in a growing number of Circuits a better planning of organisation in the Trustees, Leaders and Quarterly Meetings is resulting in a larger number of men sharing the fellowship of administrative responsibility and action.

The foregoing developments, together with other factors which are making their spiritual impact upon the life of the Church today, mean that more men (and women) are meeting in various groups where fellowship is experienced at a higher level than, perhaps, has ever before been the case in New Zealand Methodism.

In an increasing number of Churches one of the Fellowship "by-products" of recent years has been the introduction of indoor bowls. In some Churches other forms of recreation or service activity have been instituted.

While these do not follow the pattern suggested in the Handbook of the Men's Fellowship Movement, nevertheless, they are undoubtedly providing Christian fellowship, particularly when linked to the life of the Church where stewardship, pastoral visitation and a full programme of Christian Education is coming into being.

The investigation of the Dominion Executive by Questionnaire and through contacts made in various ways have clearly shown the following points:

- (a) The strong desire on the part of the men of the Church for fellowship together.
- (b) The greater number of avenues through which fellowship is now shared than for many years past.
- (c) While in some Districts the M.M.F. is alive and vigorous, yet in others the aims of the founders have not been achieved and some groups see no value or necessity for affiliation.
- (d) Men (and women) feel inadequate for the various avenues of service offering in the Church today, consequently there is an increasing need for resource material to fit them for these tasks.

Consequently, the Dominion Executive believes that the next phase in meeting the need of fellowship can best be served, not by placing renewed emphasis upon the development of a Dominion organisation, but by stimulating, through Synod Standing Committees, the formation of local Church fellowships, and by providing a wide variety of resource materials and ideas to prepare for the tasks which, today, confront the men of the Church.

The scheme we envisage is that each Synod Standing Committee be required to establish a sub-committee for the purpose of promoting fellowship and service among the men of the Churches within its District and that the Dominion Executive of M.M.F. work in collaboration with such sub-committees to further the aims of the Movement.

The Dominion Executive also envisages working in close liaison with the Departments of Christian Education, Home and Foreign Missions and the Committees of Spiritual Advance and Lay Activities and Synod Standing Committees in stimulating growth in the experience of fellowship and its outworking in the life of the Church and community through the men on the Methodist Church.

The Dominion Executive further envisages the possibility of its being reconstituted in the future as a Standing Committee of Men's Fellowship Activities.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Dominion President.

H. W. WOOD, Dominion Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted excluding the section of Future Policy.
2. That the section on Future Policy be referred to Men's Fellowships and other men's groups for discussion early in 1961 and for report to the Dominion Executive not later than 30th June, 1961.
3. That Conference expresses its sincere appreciation of the Leadership given to the Men's Fellowship Movement by the present Dominion Executive over the past two years.

### QUESTION XXXV.

## E—N.Z. Women's Guild Fellowship

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

We have pleasure in presenting this supplementary report of the Guild Fellowship activities for the year 1959-1960.

#### Annual Conference:

The Annual Conference was held at Hataitai Methodist Church

on November 3rd and 4th, 1959, when 48 representatives and 28 observers, representing 13 Districts were present. The Rev L. Greenslade assisted by the Rev. Ruck, conducted the Communion Service. The Rev Greenslade's theme for his Communion address was "The Love of Christ constraineth us." Round the Communion table we renewed our vows and promised to be obedient to the constraining Love of Christ.

<b>Membership:</b>	1959	1958
Members	6697	6397
Guilds	310	291
Districts	13	13
No. of Guilds on Budget:	131.	

<b>Finance:</b>		
Total raised by Budget Guilds		£3,095
Total raised by non Budget Guilds		£15,515
Total received by Church Budget schemes		£1,736
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	Total	£20,346
Amount spent during the year		£19,121

#### Reports:

Our Methodist Guild Fellowship has been worthily represented on the Christian Education Committee, National Council of Churches, National Council of Women, Corso, and the World Federation of Methodist Women. Each representative gave interesting and comprehensive reports of their meetings and the work accomplished.

#### President's Conference Address:

The President presented the story of Nehemiah, a man of prayer, courage, and loyalty, as he rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem. We are not called on to meet devastation and ruin as Nehemiah was, but to strengthen the walls of our Fellowship that have become weakened by the force of circumstance, and rebuild them to suit the present day and generation. Our challenge was to present to the women of the Church the need of earnest prayer in our days of rebuilding. The need of devotion, and the giving of our every talent to the work in hand. Having placed our all on the Altar, with clear vision, alert minds and loving hearts we will go forward into the new year with confidence, that the Master Builder will inspire and help us to rebuild the walls.

#### The following Remits were carried:

- 1, "In view of the proposed sale of liquor at the Christchurch International Airport, the New Zealand Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship vigorously oppose any such action at any Airport in New Zealand."
- 2, "That the matter of a subscription for Guild Membership be defined more clearly, especially in view of so many Churches being involved in Stewardship."
- 3, "That a group of women, of Guilds, Auxiliaries, and evening Groups, be called into a special Conference to discuss every aspect of Methodist Women's work and its organisation throughout New Zealand."

#### Executive Meetings:

Six Executive meetings have been held with 100 per cent. attendance of members (except the immediate Past President who is in correspondence with all our meetings). We have felt the added responsibility of our first year of office with the changing pattern of women's work. The acceptance of more Circuits into Stewardship has

meant a relaxing of financial activities, and a trend to greater visitation of the sick and aged and general social service, both inside and outside the Church.

#### **District Meetings and Activities:**

The Dominion President has visited District Rallies at North Canterbury (Darfield) South Canterbury (Waimate) Greymouth and Palmerston North, and appreciated the opportunity of meeting so many Guild members. At each meeting she had endeavoured to present the wider vision of Women's Work and the responsibility of leaders and members to see that the greatest possible use was made of meetings to encourage Christian Education and Fellowship.

#### **Special Conference:**

In February the M.W.M.U. and Guild Fellowship Dominion Executives, met and discussed this project and confirmed the Special Conference, which was held on May 24th to 26th at "Arahina," Marton. About 50 women representatives of all women's groups met at this Conference. A Steering Committee chaired by the Rev J. Penman, with Mrs G. Hanna as Secretary, and six representatives, made the arrangements. All women were called to prayer for the Conference, and indeed this was a time of heart searching and deep thinking as we sought God's guidance for our work. Addresses given were:

1. The Rev. J. Penman, presented "The Mission of the Church."
2. Miss L. Hodder, "Women in the Church."
3. Mrs R. Dudley, "Women's Organisations—An Assessment."
4. Rev W. Ford, "The Women's Movement—A Vision."

These addresses were excellently presented and gave us a picture of the Mission of the Church of which we are part and the responsibility that we must share with the carrying out of this Mission. Our hearts were warmed, a new vision was glimpsed, an assessment of our present work was made, and a desire for a greater share in the Evangelistic task of the Church engendered.

#### **The following findings were agreed to in that Spirit:**

1. Gathered here under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, this Conference caught a vision of the mission of the whole People of God and feels a Divine Compulsion to affirm that the contribution of our women can be made most effectively through one women's movement.
2. It is envisaged that such a movement will preserve, strengthen and develop all that is best in existing women's organisations and offer a much wider vision and opportunity for total involvement in the Church's impact upon Society.
3. We have come to realise afresh that while there are diversities of interest, emphasis and action, they are valid only in so far as they contribute to the full task of evangelism which is the primary, central and continuing function of the Church. We aim "To know Christ and make Him known."
4. The Conference is aware that there are many questions relating to finance and procedure at all levels, which remain unanswered at this stage. It is, however, confident that under the Holy Spirit, the right decision will be made.

Truly the Holy Spirit filled each heart and led us to accept these findings which we felt was the Divine Plan for our Women's Work. The Steering Committee was asked to continue its work to seek a frame-work in which the New Movement could function.

The New Zealand Executive is grateful to District Executives and all Guilds for another year of continued progress in the building up of our Fellowship. The increase in numbers and the improvement in programmes generally, assures us that we are aiming to fulfill our Mission—"To know Christ and to make Him known."

LAURAL G. B. McALISTER, Dominion President.

EVA HANSEN, Dominion Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the question of a suitable increase in the parsonage allowance be referred to the Women's Guild Fellowship Dominion Executive for report to next Synods and Conference.

### QUESTION XXXV.

## F—Church Council

### REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1960

The Church Council met at Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington, on May 10 and 11, and dealt with the following:

#### I.—INVITATION TO MINISTERS (Minutes 1959, pp. 77, 78).

The Committee in Christchurch submitted the following Report and Recommendations:

##### 1. General Report:

The Committee has carefully considered all matters referred to it, as set out in its order of reference.

In making its recommendations, which, if accepted will in effect amend the present law, the Committee could not ignore the fact that some of the problems that have arisen in connection with the invitation system are not attributable to weaknesses in our polity, but to many other causes.

It appears that there are some who are inclined to the view that the system adopted in some other Communions is superior to our own. It is worth noting that some members of other Communions on their part are looking our way, for they feel there are some decided advantages in our system.

The chief reason that has stimulated discussion on the question of the invitation system is the desire in some quarters for a longer pastorate, and the fact that this question must be considered by a Quarterly Meeting every year after an initial term of 3 years. It is pointed out that whereas in earlier years a three-year term was the accepted standard, the average length of pastorate is considerably longer today, and there have been numerous long pastorates which our present polity makes possible.

In a matter where personal relationships are involved as between a Minister and his people, no arbitrary system can achieve an entirely satisfactory result. Education as well as legislation is necessary and a due appreciation also of the responsibility resting upon members of the Quarterly Meeting in respect to the pastorate.

The Committee presents a memorandum dealing with the related matters of the Itinerancy and the Invitation System and hopes that the study of this will help in the understanding of something that has special merits, both for the ministry and for the circuits, and

that they should continue to be regarded as an internal part of our polity.

## **2. Re Church Meeting:**

The Committee is of the opinion that no alteration which could affect the status and responsibility of the Quarterly Meeting is wise. Under the present law covering the responsibility of Circuit Stewards there is provision which the Committee considers adequate. The Recommendations are set out in the meantime in the form of general propositions in order to convey the intention behind them. In making these recommendations the Committee submits the following brief comments.

(a) The proposed amendment will give both minister and circuit an initial term of 4 years without any consideration of an invitation being necessary.

(b) Such term is long enough for steady and progressive work to be carried on—but it will not be so binding as to cause embarrassment.

(c) Provision is then made for an additional 2 years—which means that the question of invitation has to be considered only once in a total term of 6 years.

(d) Thereafter the annual invitation should work out advantageously for both ministers and circuits, all subject in the usual way to the final decision of the Conference.

(e) The basis of voting suggested is in harmony with the expressed mind of the Conference of 1959.

## **3. Statement on the Itinerancy of the Ministry:**

The Itinerancy of the Ministry means that the appointment of Ministers to Circuits is determined annually by the Conference (Law Book, par. 368 (8)). Thus, the appointment is not, as in some other Communions, solely the result of an agreement between a congregation (or Circuit) and a Minister.

This Itinerancy does not necessarily mean or involve frequent changes of appointment. Par. 126 of the Law states—"A Minister or Probationer may be appointed by the Conference to any Church or premises year by year for any number of years successively without limit."

After providing for the privilege of invitation as discussion later herein, the Conference reserves to itself the power to determine every appointment and to do so on an annual basis, except in the case of ministers appointed to certain Connexional Departments. (Law Book, pars. 124 and 143.)

Par. 369 of the Law (Sect. C.), dealing with the powers of Conference, states that "the Conference shall have no power to make such changes in the discipline as to do away with the Itinerancy of the Ministry." (Any such proposal to alter our polity in this connection would require an Act of Parliament.)

An analysis of our present procedure in connection with ministerial invitations reveals the following facts concerning the relationship of the Conference to both ministers and circuits:

(a) A Circuit may extend an invitation or decline to do so. (Par. 127). A Minister may accept an invitation or decline to do so. In both instances, where no invitation is in operation, the matter is then left in the hands of Conference through the Stationing Committee.

(b) Conference (through the Stationing Committee) determines all appointment in the light of information presented to it and does so in the best interests of the Connexion.

(c) Ministers are guaranteed annually an appointment by the Conference, which also accepts the responsibility of assuring Circuits that an appointment will be made annually unless exceptional circumstances make it temporarily impossible; as, e.g., a shortage of manpower.

(d) Both Ministers and Circuits know that a long pastorate is possible if mutually desired and approved by Conference. If, on the other hand the facts of the case indicate that it is desirable that the pastoral tie be dissolved (from either side), provision is made in our law for achieving that end at the close of the Connexional year. This obviates the necessity for continuing a relationship between Minister and Circuit which calls for termination, and also saves Circuits from a long ministerial vacancy.

The Committee is aware that under our present procedure it is possible for a small minority of officials to effect a decision concerning an invitation which may not reflect the mind of the congregation as a whole.

In this connection it should be kept in mind that it is possible to have this matter of ministerial invitation considered by a meeting of Church members. (Law Book, par. 273, (6)—Agenda for Quarterly Members' Meeting.)

#### **Committee's Recommendations:**

1. That the initial term of a minister in a Circuit be for a period of 4 years, instead of for 3 years as at present.

2. That when the invitation is considered for a Fourth Year, provision be made for it to be extended and accepted for two years or for one year at a time agreed upon by both minister and circuit. After a Sixth Year the invitation be considered annually.

3. (1) That the voting in all cases be by secret ballot. (2) That for the Fifth and Sixth years, a bare majority only be required. Thereafter a two-thirds majority be necessary.

4. If the above recommendations are carried, pars. 126 and 127 of the Law Book will need due amendment.

This Report was discussed at length, a number indicating that they considered a more radical approach to the whole question was required. A suggested amendment to the Committee's recommendations was referred to a sub-committee of the Council.

#### **COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS TO CONFERENCE**

Finally the Council approved the following Recommendations to Conference:

1. The appointment or re-appointment of Ministers is an annual one.

2. A Minister may be appointed by the Conference to any church or premises year by year for any number of years successively without limit.

3. In the fourth year or in any subsequent year at the June Quarterly Meeting the Minister or the Quarterly Meeting may indicate his or its intention to seek a change of appointment, or to request that the matter be considered.

4. The following shall be the procedure when a change of appointment is to be considered:

(a) The Circuit Stewards shall notify the Minister and the Chairman of the District, at least 28 days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting, of their intention to raise the question of the continuing of the pastoral relationship.

(b) Any five members of the Quarterly Meeting may give written notice of their intention to recommend a change of appointment. Such notice shall be given to the Circuit Stewards at least 21 days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting. Circuit Stewards shall notify the Minister of such notice.

(c) A Minister desiring a change of appointment shall notify the Circuit Stewards of such desire at least 28 days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting.

(d) Seven days' written notice of any June Quarterly Meeting at which the matter of a change of appointment of a Minister will be considered shall be given to each member of such Quarterly Meeting. Such notice shall state that such matter will be discussed at such meeting.

(e) The voting on such matter in all cases shall be by secret ballot. Any motion affecting the fifth or sixth year of appointment may be carried by a bare majority; thereafter, at least a two-thirds majority is necessary in support of the continuance of the pastoral relationship.

(f) Circuit Stewards shall forward copies of all notices relating to a change of appointment within seven days of receipt of same to the Chairman of the District. In cases where a Superintendent Minister is affected by any such notice, the Chairman of the District shall preside at the Quarterly Meeting when the matter is discussed.

[N.B.: If the above recommendations are carried, paragraphs 126 and 127 will require amendment. There will be also amendments to other sections.

Quarterly Meetings will still have the right to invite a Minister after a Minister or a Quarterly Meeting has decided that a change in appointment is desirable. Any such invitation may be approved at an adjourned or special Quarterly Meeting to be held not later than September 15th.]

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the whole question of Invitations to Ministers be referred back to the Church Council for consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1961.

2. That the following suggested amendment to the above recommendations be referred to the Church Council.

(Amendment to Church Council's Recommendations.)

Delete 3 and all that follows, and substitute the following:—

3. That during the 3rd year of such an appointment or as soon thereafter as practicable, and at intervals of three years thereafter, the District Synod Standing Committee shall appoint a sub-committee consisting of the Chairman of the District or his appointee, one additional minister and two laymen, to visit the Circuit officially, and in a fraternal and inspirational capacity to consider the Circuit's life and work in all its aspects.

At this meeting a set of prepared questions shall be asked, designed to cover all aspects of the Church's life and work, e.g. Youth Work, Membership, Church Extension, Missions, Property Matters, etc.

The question shall then be asked, "Are the needs of the Gospel Ministry being served?" At the discretion of the Committee this question may be asked separately of the minister and the Circuit officials.

4. The Quarterly Meeting shall appoint its own representatives to meet with the Committee of Visitation, but any Member of the Circuit may make representations to this Committee in writing.

5. That in the light of the answers given, and its estimate of the state of the Church and the pastoral relationships, the Committee of Visitation shall after consideration report its findings to the Synod Standing Committee, the Minister and the Quarterly Meeting.

6. Where the Committee of Visitation decides that a change of appointment is desirable—

(a) Should this opinion be endorsed by both Minister and Quarterly Meeting representatives, the Quarterly Meeting shall be at liberty to issue an invitation to another Minister (subject to the regulations governing Invitations).

(b) Should Minister or Quarterly Meeting disagree with the Committee's opinion, the Synod Standing Committee shall make a recommendation to the Stationing Committee of Conference, such recommendation to be conveyed in writing to the Minister and Quarterly Meeting.

7. The Quarterly Meeting shall have the right to request an official visitation at any period of a ministry, provided it can satisfy the Synod Standing Committee that a state of urgency exists.

8. That the above resolutions be referred to the Law Book Revision Committee for drafting and amendment to existing laws.

## II.—CONSTITUTION AND WORK OF THE LEADERS' MEETING

(Minutes 1959, p. 89, Res. 2; p. 206, Res. 6).

A memorandum giving details of experiments being made throughout the Dominion with new methods of working through the Leaders' Meeting, prepared by the Rev. Wilf. Ford, was received. General approval was expressed of a suggested scheme of committees, to be responsible to the Leaders' Meeting, which would ensure that all the essential features of the mission of the local church are being discharged. Members of Leaders' Meetings would form the nucleus of each committee, but as many other Church members as possible should be added.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That Leaders' Meetings plan their work along the following lines. Sub-Committees should be planned so as to ensure that the essential features of the mission of the Church are provided for, e.g.:

- (a) **Membership and Evangelism:** Deepening spiritual life; attendance at public worship; lay pastorate; visitation evangelism; Missions—factory, open air, etc.; assist minister in preparation of new members; assimilating new members,
- (b) **Education:** (Local Council of Christian Education?); Super-vising all the Christian Education programmes—children's, youth and adult; recruitment, appointment and training of staff for that programme.
- (c) **Missions and Ecumenical:** Bringing information and inspiration to members to promote missionary work of Methodist Church of New Zealand; working with church groups, e.g. Church School, Men's Fellowship, M.W.M.U., etc., to see that missionary education included in their programme; promoting missionary projects.
- (d) **Stewardship and Finance:** Preparing Local Church budget; promoting Connexional budget; stewardship canvasses; seeing that education on stewardship is part of programme of Church Groups.

(e) **Social Service and Public Questions:** Care of needy people in community; assisting work of Methodist Social Services Association; making effective witness on public issues; supporting social welfare activities, e.g. Corso, Child Welfare.

(f) In smaller Churches there are two possibilities:

(i) These committees to be formed on a circuit basis.

(ii) In order to develop the sense of mission of each congregation the Leaders' Meeting would include all areas in its work and appoint a Convener for each of the 5 areas—to whom connexional material would be sent.

2. That the Church Council be permitted to continue its investigations of the Law governing the personnel and agenda of the Leaders' Meeting.

3. That Conference request the Church Council to consider the implications for the New Zealand Church of the introduction of a scheme similar to that recently introduced by the British Conference whereby the functions of Leaders' Meetings, Local Youth Councils and other local Church courts are combined in one local court for congregations fewer than 25 members.

### III.—STATIONING COMMITTEE—TIME OF MEETING

(Minutes 1959, p. 223, Misc. Res. 2).

The Council considered this matter on the basis of a Memorandum submitted to it.

It was pointed out that the question has had the fullest consideration in recent years and the Conference had decided that no action be taken.

Certain alterations have been effected at the last two Conferences in regard to the functioning of the Stationing Committee. Also the Council is making certain recommendations this year concerning the Law relative to invitations to ministers, which is closely related to the work of the Stationing Committee.

#### RESOLUTION

That this section be referred back to the Church Council for further consideration along with matters relating to Invitations to Ministers.

### IV.—OUTSIDE SERVICE BY MINISTERS

(Minutes 1959, p. 78, Res. 7).

Memoranda were received from the Faith and Order Committee and Mr Cyril Burton.

The Council adopted the following statement:

(1) **Definition:** "A Minister of the Methodist Church of New Zealand is one who has heard the call of God and whom the Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit accepts and sets apart by ordination to the office and work of the ministry." (Law Book, page 11.)

Ordination to the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments is a full-time God-given work. Therefore it ought to be something very special that leads a man to enter work outside that regular ministry. And the Church can allow a man to enter such work only after the most careful examination of all the circumstances.

(2) **No general regulations can cover all cases:** Every case must be dealt with on its merits. Distinction should be made between service which is under the jurisdiction of the Conference and that under outside control. The crucial test must always be, is this a true ministry of the Word and Sacraments?

(3) Chaplaincies (hospital, prison, etc.), are to be recognised as coming within the category of service which can be thus approved by the Conference.

(4) Other Services should be very critically examined and should be subject to the principle governing "Ministers permitted to serve under other organisations" and "Ministers and Public or Civic Office". (Law Book, paras. 121 and 123.)

(5) The attention of all applicants for such service is drawn to the fact that all such cases are subject to annual review by the Conference; and that they are required to apply annually for permission for such service through their District Synod.

### RESOLUTION

That this Section be received and adopted.

## V.—MARRIAGE OF STUDENTS AND PROBATIONERS—

QUESTION OF ACCOMMODATION (Mins. 1959, pp. 78, 79)

### RESOLUTIONS

#### Accommodation for Probationers under Group "A":

1. The Conference does not accept responsibility for the provision, as of right, of accommodation for these Probationers.

Further, all such Probationers give an undertaking that they will make no claim for such accommodation before ordination.

2. Circuits to which Probationers in Group A are appointed, whether they are single or married, should assist in finding suitable accommodation.

3. Some will have such accommodation available, and others will desire to provide suitable quarters. Others may not be in a position to assist financially. This could cause inequalities and a measure of injustice for the men appointed to the latter circuits.

4. To endeavour to ease such possible injustices the following proposals are submitted:

- (a) All Probationers in Group A who are provided with quarters, shall pay to the Circuit a rental of £2 per week or such other sum as may from time to time be decided by Conference.
- (b) If a single Probationer or a Probationer in Group A is appointed to a Circuit which is normally the appointment of an ordained Minister, such Circuit shall pay to the Home Mission Fund the sum of £2 per week or such other sum as may from time to time be decided by Conference. (See question 28.)

This money shall be used to assist:

- (1) Circuits which are Probationers' appointments which provide quarters for Probationers under Group A.
- (2) Probationers under Group A who are married and who have no quarters provided by the Circuit to which they are appointed.

The funds available under "b" above shall be expended by the Home Mission Board in consultation with the Superintendents of the Circuits concerned.

5. That these provisions be duplicated and issued to all Probationers on leaving College, and to students who are seeking permission to marry.

6. That these regulations should apply only to all Probationers under Group A where appointment takes place as from 1st February, 1961, and thereafter to their first appointment.

## **VI.—EDUCATIONAL POLICY OF THE CHURCH**

(Minutes 1959, p. 78, Res. 6).

The Secretary indicated that the Committee is not yet ready to submit a report.

## **VII.—APPEALS FOR WESLEY COLLEGE AND CAMP SITES**

(Minutes 1959, p. 76, Res. 4).

(a) **Wesley College:** A statement was received from the Board, setting out the financial position and reasons for their request to be included in the Connexional Appeal.

The Council considered there was not the immediate urgency for this Appeal as in Church Extension.

### **Recommendation:**

The Council has given further consideration to the matter of including Wesley College in a future Church Extension Appeal. It is of the opinion that the needs of the College do not come within the scope of this Appeal, which is primarily for Connexional purposes, and therefore has no recommendation to make. It points out that it would be competent for the Board to make application to the President of the Conference and the Central Finance Committee for permission to make a special appeal along approved lines at some opportune time.

(b) **Camp Sites:** Rev. W. F. Ford gave the following details concerning Camp properties throughout the country. There are 14 properties, with an approximate area of 370 acres. The value of the land is £7,600 and value of improvements £64,500. The present debt is £13,500. Further developments required in the immediate future are £40,700. The total number of people using the camps in a year, 7,500. Out of the 14 camps, 10 find fees adequate. Five districts are looking for properties. The total capital value of the properties, £72,000.

There was a good deal of difference about the need for a Connexional Appeal for this purpose.

### **RESOLUTION**

That recognising that in our Permanent Camps we have valuable assets, which, more and more are being used not only by youth but the whole Church, for family camps, etc., Conference therefore supports the allocation of one year's Church Extension Appeal to this work, at an appropriate time to be decided by Conference.

## **VIII.—CHURCH FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP**

(Minutes p. 193, Res. 7).

The Council was unanimous that the Committee should have direct representation at Conference.

### **RESOLUTION**

That in the event of a minister not being appointed Director, provision be made for representation under para. 359, p. 70 of the Law; the Committee to be listed between 4-5 on the list.

## **X.—PERSONNEL OF SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEES**

(Minutes 1959, p. 76, Res. 2).

Reports were received from Hawkes Bay-Manawatu, Wellington and North Canterbury Districts.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That reports on this matter be sent by Synod Standing Committees to the Secretary of Conference before 31st March, 1961, who shall prepare them for review by the Church Council in 1961.

2. That Par. 351 Book of Laws (p. 68) be amended by adding to

the first sentence the following: "except that the Vice-President of the Conference be an additional member of the Committee in the District where he resides. (See also Par. 220, p. 38.)

#### **XI.—NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.**

That the Council meet at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, in the second week of the May holidays, 1961.

A. EVERIL ORR, President of Conference.

ATHOL R. PENN, Secretary of Conference.

#### **EDUCATIONAL POLICY OF THE CHURCH**

(See Minutes of Conference, 1959, p. 78)

### **Supplementary Report**

The Committee met twice, and also sent out a questionnaire to all Ministers to ascertain the numbers of Methodist young people who are at present living away from home in order to secure an adequate education. One hundred and twenty replies from a wide range of Circuits indicated that about 1000 children of Methodist homes are involved at the present time.

We are satisfied that the vast majority of our Methodist people are well catered for by the State system, and that in general it is better for our children to live at home and attend the public schools. We are grateful for the facilities provided freely for all and recognise the value of a common system of education in a democratic community.

At the same time we consider that there is a strictly limited but quite definite place for Church schools, both to serve children from isolated areas and also to meet special needs; and we believe that such schools may have a significant contribution to make to educational theory and practice in the land. Our Church in New Zealand should develop Wesley College Paerata as a School for Boys, and it should also have in mind the provision of a School for Girls, if and when this becomes financially possible. In view of the limited appeal of such schools to our people, we do not think that provision for such a venture should be thrown upon the general membership of our Church. It would only be possible if generous gifts provided both adequate premises and a substantial endowment. The Church should declare its readiness to receive gifts and legacies towards this end.

**HOSTELS:** We are convinced that the demand for hostel accommodation and for suitable private board for young people compelled to live away from home, confronts the Church with a practical responsibility and offers a valuable field of service. We should press on with the establishment of Hostels in University towns, and should be quick to gather into pastoral care the young people compelled to live away from parental oversight in schools, hostels and lodgings.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

WESLEY PARKER, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the report be referred back to the Commission for further consideration of the possibility of a co-educational and non-boarding school and that the Commission be asked to report to Synods and Conference 1961.

## G—Spiritual Healing Committee

### REPORT FOR 1960

The Committee has been strengthened, with the President's approval, by the addition of Miss Ann Firth, and the Rev. H. I. K. Hopper, the Methodist Chaplain to the Christchurch Public Hospital. Members attended a Symposium on Spiritual Healing at the April meeting of the Christchurch Theological Society, at which the panel of speakers comprised a Presbyterian Hospital Chaplain, a Medical Practitioner, and a Theological Tutor from Christchurch College. As has been the practice over preceding years, prayers have been offered for a number of sick people. From time to time book reviews have been published in the Methodist Times.

**Laying on of Hands:** Reports indicate that the Service of the Laying on of Hands (Conf. Mins., 1957) is being used in some Churches. The Committee has given approval to the proposed forms for the publishing, by the Board of Publications, of the statement on the Laying on of Hands presented to the 1959 Conference.

**Anointing With Oil:** Inquiries have been made from the convener of the British Conference Healing Committee, but as yet the Committee has nothing to report, but will continue to study the above subject.

**Publications:** The Board of Publications has published the statement of the late Mr Derek Bell, under the title, "Four Months to Live". Supplies are available.

**Prayer Groups:** The Committee has been encouraged to learn that in different parts of the country, local Churches have formed Prayer Groups in which the needs of the sick are remembered. For the most part such Prayers are offered within the setting of corporate Bible Study and are the expression of the groups' Christian concern. The Committee seeks contact with all such groups and would appreciate reports of their activities from time to time.

The Committee has given special attention to the following matters:

#### I. Should a Patient be Told His Condition is Incurable?

Two papers were presented on this topic, one written from the Pastoral and the other from the Medical point of view. The Committee recognises that this is a complex issue and that it is not possible to devise a simple formula which can be applied in every case. The following points need to be made clear:

1. Death is inevitable and every person has a right and obligation not only to live but also to face death as a responsible being.
2. Facing death may lead a non-Christian to a new evaluation of the meaning of life. The Christian has the resources of his faith to help him face the shock of learning of his impending death.
3. A more natural relationship is established between the relatives and a patient who is facing death, when the relatives can accept the prospect of death with their loved one.

4. It is difficult for a pastor to assist the patient to accept the prospect of death if the information has been withheld from him.

Doctors themselves differ as to the wisdom of telling patients the nature of their condition, but some doctors, on the basis of experience and investigation, believe that it is in the best interests of some patients that they be told.

An investigation was carried out at Christie Hospital and Holt Radium Institute, Manchester, "on the reactions of 231 selected patients" who were told they had a curable cancer. "The study started with the premise that it was in the public interest for early cancer likely to be cured to be quite unemotionally and casually referred to as 'cancer' from the beginning" . . . "Two thirds said they were glad to know the truth, 19% denied they had been told, while 7% resented the consultant's frankness. The family doctors of 35 patients reported no untoward effects of this knowledge and none opposed the general policy of telling such patients their diagnosis."

The Committee concludes that the patient should have the opportunity to face eternal issues, and believes that many Christians would rather be told for this reason. An important factor in deciding when and how a person should be told, is his maturity and consequently his ability to face the situation calmly and adequately. Where a patient does not ask, it may be assumed that he does not wish to be told and in such cases the information should not be forced upon him. The ideal situation is where a doctor and pastor are working together. The earlier the pastoral relationship is established the more effective will be the pastor's work in helping the patient to accept the truth of his condition. Quite often a patient who has not been told suspects that his illness may be fatal, but does not broach the subject with his relatives for fear of upsetting them. All these situations can be met by an informed pastoral ministry.

## II. The Place of Compassion in Spiritual Healing.

1. **Compassion in the Healing Ministry of Our Lord:** The Synoptic Gospels make it clear that the healing miracles of Jesus were acts of compassion. Whenever He encountered human need whether it be the spiritual lostness of the crowd who were as sheep without a shepherd (St. Matthew 9: 36; 16; 32; St. Mark 34: 8; 2), or the mental distress of the demoniac (St. Mark 5: 2), or the sorrow of the widow of Nain (St. Luke 7: 17), He was moved with compassion. Sometimes His compassion found expression in physical touch as in the case of the leper (St. Mark 1: 41) and that of the two blind men (St. Matthew 20: 34). But whether the healing was by word or by touch it was the outcome of His compassion. Always the compassion of Jesus was prior to the faith of the sufferer. In many instances it was His compassionate attitude and approach which evoked faith in the sufferer. In the Synoptic Gospels compassion was the motivating factor in the healing ministry.

2. **The Meaning of Christian Compassion:** The word which is used in the first three Gospels for compassion means literally "to have the bowels yearning" and hence "feeling and suffering with another" or "acute feeling for others". It seems to be concentrated in the wider word "love" as it originates in the Old Testament and finds its fulfilment in the New Testament word "agape". (See "Word Book of the Bible" by Alan Richardson.) The two ideas uppermost in compassion are those of pity and mercy. The Old Testament shows the pity of God for man in his weakness, and compassion in the ministry of Jesus was His response to man's creaturely needs. Compassion is not affected by considerations of personal merit. It reaches out to the deserving and undeserving alike. Jesus had compassion on the sinner as well as on the sufferer. It is an act of the will more than of the emotions. It is identification with another to the point of pain—"feeling the pain of love".

3. **Compassion in the Ministry of Healing:** Compassion operates in the healing situation in four significant ways. (1) It brings to the sufferer the needed assurance that someone cares. Suffering can be

accentuated by a sense of isolation and the feeling that no-one cares. (2) Compassion makes it easier for the sufferer to believe that God cares. This can mean the quickening of faith and thus the opening of the door to meeting the spiritual need which lies behind the illness or which the illness has created. (3) It creates a relationship in which the help offered, whether of doctor, pastor, relative, friend or church visitor, has a chance of being accepted and hence of proving effective. This relationship which compassion makes possible is more than one of sympathy, which is "feeling with another". It is a "feeling into" another's need, not with any idea of praising or blaming, but simply discerning, understanding and accepting. Such a relationship is the expression of a genuine concern for the highest welfare of the person in need. It may issue from deep feeling but does not indulge in a display of feelings which could hinder rather than help. It creates a situation in which the help offered can be refused without embarrassment, and asked for later, if required, without loss of face. True compassion seeks to help rather than to possess or direct the one in need. It can afford to be patient. It makes the helper ready to listen and understand rather than to judge. (4) Compassion, as in the ministry of Jesus, may evoke faith but even when there is no response of faith and trust compassion refuses to give up and quietly and patiently stands by.

In this ministry of healing not only the doctor but also the pastor, the social worker, the church visitor, the relative and friend all have their part to play. Each has his special gifts and skills to bring to the healing situation. But unless compassion be the motivating force, the help offered becomes impersonal, at times condescending, and as a result, fails to bring that inner healing of the spirit which is the essence of spiritual healing.

**4. Compassion and Faith in Spiritual Healing:** Both in the example of Jesus and in the experience of the Church it would appear that in the ministry of healing, compassion is the indispensable factor, creating those conditions within which faith may be evoked and may mature.

**5. Compassion in the Corporate Life of the Church:** In the healing ministry of the Church compassion finds expression not only in the life of the individual Christian but also in and through the corporate life of the Church. Intercession for the sick, the practice of Christian fellowship and practical ministries of caring are effective avenues by which the Church today can fulfil such a ministry.

ASHLEIGH K. PETCH, Chairman.  
EDWARD BAKER, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That sections 1 and 2 of the Report be printed for sale by the Board of Publications.
3. That the Committee make a Progress Report next year on Recommendations 2 (a) and (b), Minutes of Conference 1959, p. 84.
4. That the Committee requests the National Council of Churches to convene an Ecumenical Conference on Spiritual Healing, if the Committee considers it desirable.
5. That the Committee be given authority to add to their number.
6. That the Spiritual Healing Committee receive a grant of £10 from the Contingent Fund.
7. That the Committee be as printed on page 9 herein.

**QUESTION XXXVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Christian Education?**

## **Department of Christian Education**

**ANNUAL REPORT, 1960**

### **A—REPORT OF METHODIST COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, MAY 1960**

This Council shapes policy and secures co-ordination in the field of Christian Education. All agencies of the Conference concerned with Christian Education are represented, together with all Synods.

#### **1. Co-ordination of Leadership Courses (1959 Minutes, p. 85):**

Further progress was reported in planning this comprehensive course which will be held in local churches training members generally, preparing Sunday School teachers and Bible Class leaders, etc., and preparing prospective Local Preachers for their examination.

It was decided to recommend to the Board of Studies that the section on the Church be included in the requirements for Local Preaching.

The objective of the Course is to have as many members as possible attending the Course and preparing themselves for more effective church membership and leadership. With this in mind the Council approved the principle recommended by the Board of Christian Education, that those who are not qualifying for Local Preaching, after attendance at the Course and satisfactory completion of the assignments may be issued with a certificate on the recommendation of the person conducting the Course. The examination for Local Preachers would be continued as at present (with the possible addition of a section on the Church).

#### **2. Revision of Department's Constitution (1959 Minutes, No. 3 p. 85):**

A draft constitution for the Department of Christian Education was given general approval by the Council. At the district level the constitution provides for a District Education Council responsible to the Board and to the Synod Standing Committee. This Council would supervise children's youth and adult education in the district. A similar pattern would be followed in the Local Education Council which would be responsible to the Leaders' Meeting.

The draft constitution also makes provision for the C.Y.M.M. to be a youth's own movement with national, district and local C.Y.M.M. Councils responsible in each case to the overall body—Board of Christian Education, District and Local Councils.

The draft, after further revision, will be submitted to District Youth Councils and Synod Standing Committees this year and to Synods and Conference 1961.

#### **3. Family Church Programme:**

It was reported that an increasing number of churches were wanting to introduce this Sunday morning programme. The Council adopted the following recommendations:

- i. The experience of the pilot churches for more than a year confirms the fact that the Family Church programme is a practicable and highly desirable development in our Sunday morning programmes.
- ii. That a memorandum fully describing the programme be sent to all Ministers and Circuit Stewards for their information, with a covering letter explaining that churches are not being

pressed to do this, and that very thorough thought and preparation is needed before a congregation can successfully introduce this programme.

- iii. That, when churches are contemplating introducing the programme, they consult the Department so that mistakes will be avoided and they can benefit from the experience of other churches.
- iv. That the Department provide promotional material for churches requiring it.

#### **4. Missionary and Ecumenical Education:**

The Council accepted the following objectives in ecumenical education:

- i. To set the work and witness of our N.Z. Methodist Church in the context of the world Church, and to remind our people that they are members of the Universal Church.
- ii. To educate our people in all significant movements drawing the churches into closer unity and common action.
- iii. To inform our people of the work being done by Church Councils, national and international, of which our New Zealand Methodist Church is a member.
- iv. To promote opportunities for our people to share in ecumenical fellowship and action.

It was agreed that these and agreed objectives in missionary education should be implemented by a programme including leadership training, the provision of resource material, and by publications and publicity. Detailed suggestions were referred to the three Departments for action.

#### **5. Men's Fellowship (See 1959 Minutes, No. 2, p. 85):**

The Dominion President of the Men's Fellowship presented a report on behalf of the Executive. It was considered desirable that the Fellowship should encourage certain activities among men rather than emphasise affiliation to an organisation.

The Council recommended to the Executive that they seek the inclusion of a question relating to men's work in the Agenda being prepared for the Synod Standing Committees.

#### **6. Library of Tapes (1959 Minutes, No. 5, p. 90):**

A proposal that there be two libraries of this type of resource material—one at the Mission Departments in Auckland and the other at the Department of Christian Education in Wellington—was approved. A catalogue of tapes will be compiled and sent to all Circuits.

A. EVERIL ORR, President of Conference.

W. F. FORD, Director of Christian Education.

### **B—BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**1. Board Personnel:** Mr E. A. Crothall became a corresponding member because of his extended absence overseas, and Mrs T. Baker resigned. These vacancies were filled by Mr B. R. Burton and Mr G. A. Leary (Headmaster, Scots College).

**2. Staff:** The Board is glad to be able to nominate Miss H. M. Astley for re-appointment as a Field Director for a further term of three years. Miss Astley has proved her ability and gifts for this work. She will continue to do general teacher training work, and will also convene the Board's Children's Work Committee.

The Field Director's position in the South Island is still vacant. In addition to the general training programme, this man will specialise in the youth programme, and guide developments in the C.Y.M.M. The Board hopes to be able to nominate a suitable layman for appointment at Conference.

The Office and Bookroom staff continue to give very efficient and devoted service.

### **3. Director's Visit to U.S.A. and Canada:**

The Board's decision to send the Director to U.S.A. and Canada has been more than justified by the new insights and experience which he brings to his work. Mr Ford's itinerary was arranged by the Board of Education, Methodist Church of U.S.A., and the corresponding Board in the United Church of Canada. Part of his expenses were met by the U.S.A. Board. Mr Ford met and worked with many of the leading authorities in the field of Christian Education; attended workshops and seminars on several aspects of the work—with special attention given to adult education; worked in the U.S.A. Board for six weeks; participated in the Christian Education programme of local churches, and made contact with many Churches of similar size to ones in New Zealand.

At the request of many circuits the Director has passed on insights and impressions from his overseas study and observation.

### **4. Area Conferences on Christian Education:**

One-day Conferences have been held in many areas since the Director's return from U.S.A. and Canada. These have been well attended by lay leaders and Sunday School and Bible Class staff. The programme has included discussion on developments in Christian Education, and specific training in separate groups for Sunday School teachers, Bible Class leaders of adult groups and organisations.

### **5. Adult Education:**

Guidance has been given to existing adult groups (through Guild Fellowships etc.) in the effective use of their opportunities. Suggestions have been made for small informal groups meeting for prayer and Bible study. An experimental 2-day training conference for senior citizens is being arranged for the Auckland District.

The Board considers that the Sunday morning programme is the best opportunity of helping the great majority of adult members to grow in their understanding of the Christian Faith and Way.

### **6. Buildings for Christian Education:**

The Department's offer to counsel local churches in the type of building best suited to a Christian education programme, has been accepted by many circuits. The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee has been consulted and kept informed.

The Board considers that the first priority for a Christian Education building is a series of large, departmental rooms for each grade of the Sunday School etc. An explanatory leaflet was printed in "Christian Education Handbook" and has been reprinted for free distribution to any Church requiring it.

The Board considers also that the layout of all the buildings should emphasise that the Church is one, and not a collection of separate activities—"Sunday School" and "Church" too often connote separate organisations.

### **7. Leadership Training:**

The 10-day Presbyterian-Methodist Leadership Schools are playing an important part in the Board's leadership training programme.

This year's Schools (Feilding House and Methodist Deaconess House) both were full. Churches are to be commended for selecting and sponsoring young potential leaders to attend. An audio-visual describing these Schools and commending them to churches can be obtained from the Department.

The Board's Leadership Training Committee in Christchurch is planning the new co-ordinated course, and also supervises the Elementary Course and Winter Leadership Schools.

#### **8. A. & N.Z. Joint Board of Graded Lessons:**

The Director attended the triennial Lessons Selection Conference at Melbourne in May. Further improvements are to be made in format and method—particularly Bible Class material.

A curriculum conference is to be held in May 1961, to review such policy matters as the theological and biblical basis of the curriculum, grading and objectives and resource material for adult education.

#### **9. Missionary Education:**

The Department, in consultation with the Mission Boards, is developing a programme of missionary education. The following objectives were adopted by the Methodist Council of Christian Education in 1959:

"Recognising that God's redemptive purpose, as revealed and effected in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, extends to all people, we affirm that our aims in missionary education are:

- (1) To help our people to understand that all Christians are committed to world evangelism—
  - (a) by the proclamation and offering of the Gospel,
  - (b) by sharing in Christian service and stewardship,
  - (c) by constant intercession for the missionary programme.
- (2) To bring our people to a deeper understanding of and concern for other races and nations.
- (3) To help our people to see themselves and the Methodist Church of New Zealand as part of the world-wide fellowship of Christians.
- (4) To help our people to learn about the Home and Overseas mission fields and workers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, so that they can participate in the work intelligently."

Progress toward these objectives is to be made along these lines:

- (a) Arranging district training sessions in missionary education for leaders in conjunction with annual deputation visits. An experimental meeting was held in the Manawatu.
- (b) The former C.Y.M.M. Penfriend Service has been reorganised and extended to include all ages 14 years and over.
- (c) Resource materials are being provided: missionary display kitset; an audio-visual featuring the work of two C.Y.M.M.-supported missionaries; series of graded supplementary missionary lessons for use in Sunday School and Bible Class, and Christian Education Handbook series "Introducing Our Missionaries". This Handbook series has been distributed also through the M.W.M.U.

Progress in missionary education will ultimately depend on the local church. The aim is to make this a normal part of the programmes of children's, youth and adult groups and organisations in the local church.

#### 10. C.Y.M.M.

**Dominion Officers:** The last C.Y.M.M. Conference appointed the first dominion officers: President, Mr Frank Leadley; Vice-President, Mr Graeme Richards. They are serving the Church admirably, visiting many district and local groups during the year.

**Order of St. Stephen:** During the year Miss Rose Falconer and Mr Gordon Heathcote were admitted into the Order. At the end of June the following were serving: Miss Barbara Mullan (secretarial, Manawatu), Judith Ford (Hostel, Hamilton), Rita Sides (circuit assistance, Christchurch East), Maurice Warth (building—Wellington, Taranaki and Bay Plenty Camps), Pamela Beaumont (translation, Solomons), Beryl Grice (teaching, Solomons), Elizabeth Miller (circuit and secretarial, Invercargill), Ian Barker (general, Auckland City Mission), and Molly Rowe (secretarial Executive Officer, Church Finance and Stewardship Committee). A qualified pharmacist has also been accepted as a candidate, and arrangements are being made for her field of service.

**Ecumenical Youth Conference:** Our Church will have a large contingent of over 400 at this Conference. The Chairman is Rev. Alan Brash. The Rev. John Grundy has been appointed Methodist Counsellor.

#### 11. Statistics:

State School enrolment projections made by the Education Department emphasise the tremendous opportunities which confront the Church in its youth programme. From 1958 to 1972 Primary School rolls will increase from 357,350 to a total of 480,000 and Post Primary from 83,150 to 152,400. Circuits should be alert to this opportunity of extending their work. The most effective method of recruiting is to have the kind of programme which will attract and hold children and young people. We should be endeavouring to lift our standards in buildings and equipment, teaching methods and through-the-week programme.

#### 12. Commission on Education in New Zealand:

The Director, in consultation with the Public Questions Committee, prepared submissions for this Commission on two of its topics—religious teaching in state schools, and financial aid to private schools. The submissions consisted largely of Conference reports on these issues (1959 Minutes, pages 84-6 and 1958 Minutes, page 82), and support for the representations made by the New Zealand Council for Christian Education. These representations urged: the inclusion of religious studies in a Bachelor's degree; optional course in religious knowledge and instruction at Teachers' College; Religious Knowledge as an optional subject for School Certificate; religious instruction in primary schools to be given at any hour convenient to headmaster and voluntary teacher; permission for daily opening acts of worship; provision to allow school teachers to be voluntary instructors.

#### 13. New Zealand Council for Christian Education:

The Council is asking that, instead of an appeal to parishes, each denomination make an annual grant. The amount asked of our Church is £863 of a total budget from this source of £6,000.

A capital fund also is being established. A house for the General Secretary has been purchased, and other capital expenditure is necessary. Our Church is asked to provide £1,439 of a total fund of £10,000. Because of the delay due to the introduction of the Connexional Budget we are one of only two Churches which have not begun to contribute to this capital fund.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.  
W. F. FORD, Director.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report of the Methodist Council of Christian Education and the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the Report of the Methodist Board of Christian Education be received and adopted.

3. That Conference commend to Ministers and Circuits the co-ordinated Leadership Training Course, and recommend that wherever possible local training classes be arranged.

4. (a) That Miss H. M. Astley be re-appointed as a Field Director for three years from 1st February, 1961.

(b) That Mr C. H. Couch be appointed as a Field Director of the Department of Christian Education for an initial term of 1 year from 1st February, 1961.

(c) Conference is assured of the very worthwhile contribution made to the Church's education programme by the Field Representatives employed by the Board of Christian Education, and believes that this system of employing expert lay people is likely to become a continuing policy. Knowing that the Church wishes to grant such people worthy recognition as regarding status and conditions of employment, Conference requests the Board of Christian Education to consider these matters, consult with the Law Revision Committee, and make recommendations to Synods and Conference of 1961.

5. That Messrs F. Leadley and G. Richards be congratulated on their appointment as the first Dominion C.Y.M.M. Officers, and thanked for the service they are giving to the Movement.

6. That the proposal to hold district training sessions in missionary education for leaders of children's, youth and adult groups be commended to Synod Standing Committees.

### 7. New Zealand Council for Christian Education:

i. That the representatives on the New Zealand Council for Christian Education be the Chairman of the Board, the Director of Christian Education, Rev. J. D. Grocott and Mr G. F. Briggs.

ii. That the actual amount of the grant to the New Zealand Council for Christian Education be referred to the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee for consideration (£400 if possible).

iii. That Conference accept in principle an obligation to contribute to the Capital Fund, and that the Committee of Detail of the Connexional Budget Committee be asked to make provision for the inclusion of annual instalments in the Connexional Budget as soon as practicable.

8. That Youth Statistical Returns be completed before 31st July and that it be obligatory on L.Y.C. Secretary to hand a copy to the Superintendent Minister before that date.

9. That Conference express its appreciation of the work of the Director of the Department of Christian Education.

10. That the Department of Christian Education be asked to give consideration to accepting responsibility for some financial support through the Bible Class Section of the C.Y.M.M. toward the cost of supporting the Chinese student during his stay as a guest of the church.

11. That the Statistical Returns be received and adopted.

12. That the Board be as printed on page 5 herein.

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

## Public Questions Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The Committee has considered and acted on 1959 Conference resolutions as follows:

(1) **Christian Attitude to Political Issues** (1959 Minutes, p. 95, res. 9):

The Committee circularised all ministers and Home Missionaries in the active work, advising them how to organise inter-Church meetings at which the attitudes of political candidates to election issues with a predominantly moral and ethical content might be ascertained and discussed. In addition the Committee published the following Statement on Political Trends in New Zealand, which has received private, party, and editorial comment. It is hoped that this Statement, and the issues it raises for Christian citizens, has received due consideration in the Church, and that action along the lines proposed by our Committee is taking place in many areas during this year.

### POLITICAL TRENDS IN NEW ZEALAND

"As Christian voters, Methodist people throughout New Zealand should look again at their responsibilities, and give thought to the situation that has been reached on the New Zealand political scene, the reasons for it, and its remedy.

"In pointing out certain facets of political activity that have developed, the Church does not suggest that the responsibility for

decline in political and electioneering standards belongs solely to the parliamentary representatives. In a democracy the electorate will continue to set the pattern or standard by virtue of the many demands it makes. Over the years—more particularly recent years—there has been an undeniable decline in electioneering standards and tactics. Neither one party alone nor the party system can be held responsible for pandering to the self-interests of the people in an endeavour to obtain their support. Because any political organisation offers what it considers will gain the support of the largest number of people, it follows that the people will largely “get the Government they deserve.”

If this pattern continues the end will be emphasis on those things that appeal most, rather than consideration of those things which basically matter most, with a consequent lowering of moral values.

The need then is not only for a change of emphasis in policy and programme on the part of political parties, but also for an increasing interest in, and an appreciation of, the wider issues of national and international concern, on the part of the electors. This is the only alternative to a continuing degeneration of political standards—but it is a long-term alternative.

Inasmuch as the political parties will probably continue to cater for the demands of the electors, any improvement in standards during the forthcoming elections is likely to arise chiefly through an increased demand from the electors for a practical programme which acknowledges the reality and importance of ethical and non-materialist values.

Political issues have a basis in moral and spiritual convictions, and electors and Candidates should examine detailed points of policy in the light of conscientiously held convictions, rather than exercising their rights and responsibilities in a spirit of unquestioning party allegiance. First allegiance is always to God. An appraisal of political figures must take care to dissociate personal character from political opinions.

An important need is for individual Christian people to interest themselves actively in the building up of standards of political morality. This can be done in many ways, but it will usually imply being interested, informed, and actively involved.”

When Methodists take seriously their responsibilities as outlined in the last two sentences they will make a useful contribution to the well-being of New Zealand.

## **(2) Public Statements on Current Affairs**

(1959 Minutes, p. 95, Res. 8):

In a desire that Statements on Public Affairs should be representative of the mind of the Church, Conference has declared that such Statements should be made through, or with the consent of, the President of Conference. Because this is a time-consuming and cumbersome procedure (unless public comments are made at the right time they are no longer newsworthy), and since it is sometimes arguable whether Conference has declared its mind concerning the precise details of issues of public debate, this Committee has not usually made such Statements. We believe, however, that Standing Committees of the Church, charged with deliberating on issues of public policy, should be free to make their views known to the public. It should suffice for the Chairman of the District in which the Committee resides, or his deputy, to give sanction to such Statements, which should clearly indicate that they are made on behalf of the particular Committee, and not the whole Church, unless they are simply a re-

affirmation of general principles concerning which Conference has already declared its mind. If this procedure is accepted it would be relevant to all Committees of the Church which are dealt with by the Conference Public Questions Committee of Detail.

(3) Smoking (1959 Minutes, p. 95, Res. 10):

Thanks are due to the Department of Health, which provided free copies of two leaflets dealing with the relationship between smoking and lung cancer, and the Department of Christian Education, which arranged for copies of these to be distributed through the "Christian Education Handbook". The editor of the "Methodist Times" drew attention to these and a relevant article in the Department of Health magazine, "Health".

The Committee submits reports on the following topics:

(4) A.I.D. (1958 Minutes, p. 90, Res. 12):

The Committee has given prolonged and sympathetic consideration to various aspects of this matter, and has had the benefit of medical and legal advice, as well as overseas opinions, in its deliberations. One thing which has emerged is that this is a very confused issue. The medical, legal and social aspects are highly involved, and many of the judgments which have been made from those various angles are contradictory. This report does not attempt to deal with the medical and legal issues, but rather concentrates on specifically Christian considerations. These will presumably inform and influence our decision in other aspects.

But even discussion from the Christian viewpoint is not easy, for there is a variety of circumstances in which A.I.D. is resorted to, and not all circumstances will be likely to commend themselves to the Christian conscience, if indeed, any do. This Report simply hopes to clarify the issue.

For the purpose of clarification one may divide the arguments commonly advanced in favour of A.I.D. into two basic categories. One is along the lines that a woman should not be denied the opportunity of bearing a child of her own, if medical science can make up the deficiency in her normal opportunity of bearing children. The other category of argument is that through A.I.D. a way is opened for some otherwise childless couples to share their married life with children.

There is an important difference between these two categories; the former focusses attention on the woman's biological function of bearing children, the latter on the childless marriage as it affects both partners and the purpose of their marriage.

(Before taking these in turn we should point out that, in the view of some, A.I.D. is simply a form of adultery or fornication, even though there has been no unlawful intercourse. The essence of adultery or fornication is seen in the giving or receiving of the donor's seed, however it happens. But most would think that the situation is more complicated, and cannot be classified with unlawful intercourse.)

A.

Underlying the first category of argument is the feeling that motherhood is a right that goes with womanhood. A woman who wishes to bear children and cannot because she is unmarried, or married to a sterile partner, should not be denied the psychological relief and fulfilment of bearing children through A.I.D. The accidents of her life situation need not prevent motherhood any longer.

Some of the comments which will be made when considering the

second category of argument will also apply in this case. But there are some special comments called for here:

(a) If a woman is possessed of a kind of natural right to bear children, there seems no reason for limiting this right to a married woman. Why should only married women be entitled to seek personal fulfilment through A.I.D.? It may be argued in reply that a child needs both a father and a mother, but children need all sorts of things which they often do not get, and there are undeniably already in existence very good family relationships in families which have lost the father.

(b) Another consequence of this argument is that in this case it is difficult to see that the husband's consent is necessary for a married woman's recourse to A.I.D. If it is true that a woman, because she is a woman, should not be denied the opportunity of bearing a child through A.I.D., whether her husband agrees or not, then our whole understanding of the marriage bond, "for better, for worse", is called into question.

(c) In many parts of the world, and in our own civilisation, the bearing of children is widely regarded as being the essential function of womanhood. The Christian doctrine of the values of persons as persons does not give sanction for this idea, and the Church does not teach that marriage is absolutely essential to a fully responsible and authentic human existence. Would the Church not call into question its own grasp of the meaning of human life if it gave any countenance to the idea that childbearing was a natural right of every woman?

(d) Because a certain course of action may involve frustration and unhappiness the Church does not necessarily agree that it may be avoided. Others often cannot see the point of hardship in which Christian people may be involved because of their faithfulness to God. If a woman feels that her life is unfulfilled because she has not borne children has she not allowed herself to be seriously misled as to the purpose of her life?

B.

The second category of arguments in favour of A.I.D. is likely to be more attractive to the Christian conscience. We are asked to envisage the situation of a childless couple who wish to share their married life with a family, not because of a biological urge to fulfilment on the part of the woman, but in the genuine outflow of their mutual love and their domestic life together; the wife is not sterile, and A.I.D. appears to them both as a legitimate way to complete their marriage by sharing their life together with children.

The attractiveness of this argument is obvious. In many ways it helps to meet the Church's normal linking of the responsibilities of family life closely to the privilege of marriage.

We make the following comments:

(a) If there are children needing adoption, would it be right for childless couples to resort to A.I.D. rather than to take existing homeless children into their home? Would A.I.D. only be justified if it was difficult to adopt children?

(b) In some sense A.I.D. is an invasion of what the British Methodist Conference has described as "the exclusive sexual union of man and wife (which) is of the essence of marriage as the Christian understands the mind and purpose of God". Obviously it is not the blatant invasion of adultery. But is it nevertheless sufficiently an invasion, to make it incompatible with the Christian conscience under

any circumstances and to make it preferable for a couple to accept a childless marriage as the sphere of their service of God?

(c) In current A.I.D. practice the child and society are deceived as to the parentage of the child. False information is recorded. Has a child a right to know who its father was? If A.I.D. were recognised and legalised, would this objection be removed by an open registration of A.I.D. births, including the name of the donor?

(d) "For both donor and recipient the sexual act loses its personal character and becomes a mere transaction". (Report of Archbishop of Canterbury's Commission 1948). Does this make it incompatible with the Christian conscience?

(e) The Committee has noted that there are serious unresolved legal questions involved in the administration of A.I.D., some of which presuppose moral judgments. For example, who should make the approach to prospective donors, and who would determine their acceptability?

### Conclusion:

This report does not offer a verdict on A.I.D., but seeks to present some of the issues involved for those who wish to arrive at a responsible Christian opinion. The Church must be sympathetically aware of the acute personal problems and conflicts involved for some people in a consideration of this matter. It is, however, in their own best interests that they should give adequate weight to the considerations advanced here.

### (5) The Christian Responsibility in the Conservation of Natural Resources:

The Committee has had before it the draft of a comprehensive Statement concerning the utilisation of God-given natural resources. In consequence it is convinced that here is an area of Christian stewardship the foundations and implications of which need exploration. Some aspects of this matter:

- (a) The exploitation of the soil, and factors causing soil erosion;
- (b) The use and misuse of natural resources, i.e. soil and water, forests, and mineral wealth;
- (c) The claims of industrial development in relation to the desirability of preserving areas of scenic beauty, fishing grounds, and wild-life reserves.

Under these headings there are various questions to be considered.

For example:

In what ways may Christians best exercise their responsibility for the full and careful utilisation of God's gifts? Do we recognise various abuses of this stewardship which are normally taken for granted? Is waste un-Christian, and, if so, why? What is the Christian attitude toward increasing industrialisation in a hitherto predominantly agricultural country? Is production for "luxury" consumption justified, and where is the line between a "reasonable standard of living" and "luxury" to be drawn? How does our awareness of living in "one world" affect our attitude in these matters?

The Committee does not consider it possible to deal adequately with the ramifications of this topic within the usual compass of a Conference report. It does believe, however, that these issues should be the subject of discussion, prayer and action in the Church. It is prepared, with the co-operation of the Department of Christian Education, to make study material along these lines, for use in Church groups, available.

#### **(6) Race Relations in New Zealand:**

One useful result of the controversy concerning the exclusion of Maoris from the 1960 Rugby Team to South Africa has been to emphasise certain aspects of Maori-Pakeha relationships in this country. In the past, instances of colour discrimination have not been wanting, although the incidence of antagonism towards Maori people varies according to different areas and social groups. The problem is likely to become more acute as the proportion of Maoris increases, and as they seek to become more fully integrated in the community. Race relationships involve a two-way traffic. There may be instances of racial antagonism on the part of Maoris as well as Pakehas. But as the Pakeha are numerically superior a larger measure of responsibility rests on them. Christian people must seek to understand the issues involved in the development of a multi-racial society, and exercise a ministry of reconciliation.

While the position of coloured minority groups, such as the Samoans and Chinese, needs consideration, the primary New Zealand problem in the field of race relations is undoubtedly the position of the Maori in our developing culture. Hence this report is confined to that topic.

#### **Aspects of the status of Maoris in New Zealand which give concern:**

(1) The pattern of Maori culture is breaking down, and nothing has as yet emerged to take the place of traditional community life, with its accepted tribal standards and controls.

(2) The increasing influx of young Maoris into the cities, the new economic pattern of their life, and a measure of prejudice against them in any but the unskilled trades—all these have a distinct bearing on the high rate of Maori crime, and tend to sharpen incipient racial tensions.

(3) The imbalance of the employment position. There are relatively far more Maoris than Europeans working in unskilled trades, and there is a danger in having too great a percentage of any race in the "unskilled" bracket. Social distinctions tend to be confused with racial distinctions.

(4) The difficulty experienced by many Maoris in obtaining good accommodation and settling in a satisfactory environment.

#### **The Aim of a New Zealand Society:**

Is the ultimate goal in the development of New Zealand's culture the assimilation of one racial group by another, or a true partnership in which each makes a significant contribution? It is well to recall the declaration of the 1945 Christian Order Conference at Christchurch: "This Conference contends that the Maori Race must continue to have its racial identity honoured and safeguarded. There will be many points at which the interests and activities of the two races will be identical. Where the interests diverge because of essential differences in history and culture, this should not endanger mutual respect and national unity. We may yet develop a common unity—cultural, economic, and social, to which each race will have made its contribution."

This is far removed from the patronising attitude which regards Maori customs as primarily useful for entertainment purposes. When Maoris hold traditional community functions the attitude of some Pakehas tends to be one of condescending amusement; but few comment on Scots, Irish, or Welshmen getting together and keeping alive their traditions. There needs to be a far more conscious effort to understand and respect the Maori tradition and outlook and language.

The basic aim must be to establish a 20th century pattern of

culture suitable for New Zealand, not necessarily Western or Pakeha, but nonetheless adapted to modern technological developments.

### **The Task for the Community:**

In the realms of housing, education and employment, there must be unremitting effort at improving standards. A higher proportion of Maori youth must be encouraged to enter skilled trades and professions. Evidence proves that the Maori is capable of equal development and skill in these matters. New Zealand has already been greatly enriched by the contribution of Maori leaders in realms of political leadership, education, and the arts.

While certain protective discrimination may continue to be desirable for some time yet, i.e. with regard to land and electoral laws, there can be no place for unfavourable discrimination in the realms of employment, sport, use of public utilities, and provision of communal benefits. Parliament should affirm its acceptance of the Declaration of Human Rights and take positive steps to remove unfavourable racial discrimination in New Zealand.

### **The Church's Task:**

The Church must acknowledge its own share in the present situation. While in the main Christian people are keen to get alongside their Maori brethren, the existence in the past of virtually two grades of ministry, and the acceptance of a different status, must be noted. Further, if it is true that discrimination is smallest at the extremes of society—amongst the highly skilled trades and professions, and amongst the outcasts and rebels of both societies—then there is food for thought in the fact that the section of the community in which the Church is most strongly represented, viz. the middle classes, is where greatest discrimination occurs.

Specifically, the Church needs to review its pastoral and educational programme for the Maori people. Are our people as a whole sufficiently aware of its importance?

Generally, it is necessary for Christian people to understand the issues involved in race relations in this country, and to enter sympathetically into the heritage of Maori culture, from which much may be learnt. There is need to examine our own sub-conscious assumptions as well as those of our Pakeha associates for traces of ethnocentricity—the belief in the superiority of one's own race.

We should recognise that in the providence of God each race has something valuable and distinctive to contribute to the welfare of all mankind. Hence the actual and potential values of races other than our own should command our respect and interest.

We call upon Methodist people actively to involve themselves in creating a spirit and outlook in this country which will more nearly reflect the will of the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in Whom there is neither Pakeha nor Maori, but all are one.

### **(7) Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs:**

Last year's Conference resolution (1959 Minutes, p. 95, res. 6) concerning more adequate publicity for the Council's work was duly submitted. While the Council does not feel that the nature of its constitution and deliberations makes it desirable that its meetings should be open to the Press, the need for better publicity both within the Churches represented and in regard to the general public is acknowledged, and arrangements are being made for press releases to be made as the occasion requires.

Matters dealt with by the Council during the year include:

(a) Crimes Bill. This proposed amending and consolidating

measure, introduced in the Houses of Representatives in 1959, was referred to the constituent Churches, together with certain recommendations from the I.C.C. sub-committee dealing with this matter. In the light of reports from the groups represented on the I.C.C. it was agreed to make a recommendation to the Statutes Revision Committee concerning SUICIDE, viz. that somewhere in the law of the land provision be made enabling those attempting suicide to be protected and taken care of. The Minister of Justice subsequently indicated Government's intention to have this matter dealt with under provisions of the Mental Hygiene Act.

There being no unanimity on other matters in the Bill, individual Public Questions Committees were advised to make direct representations to the Statutes Revision Committee, and this Committee did so in respect of certain proposed legislation concerning some sex crimes.

(b) **Penal Policy.** The Council has submitted to Public Question Committees a report on "Penal Policy in New Zealand", indicating the nature of changing concepts in this field, and suggesting avenues of concern and action for the Church. The Public Questions Committee is now giving consideration to this matter, and will report to Conference in due course.

(c) **Television.** In view of the danger that the control of TV. in New Zealand would become a matter of party-political controversy in Election year, with possibly very unfortunate consequences, the Council made representations to the Political Parties, re-affirming its previous resolutions concerning the control of TV with a view to securing adequate safeguards against the misuse of such a powerful medium of mass-communication.

(d) **Compassionate Immigration.** This year has at least seen the official signing of an Agreement with the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, whereby the Churches constituting the Council have undertaken responsibility for caring for ten elderly White Russian refugees from China. After prolonged representations to the Government advice was received that each organisation having care of these persons would be granted £3/0/0 per week toward the cost of maintenance, and that 15/- per week would be paid personally to each refugee. The Methodist Church is caring for one of these ladies in an Auckland Central Mission Eventide Home.

(e) **"Captain Cook."** The withdrawal of "Captain Cook" from the Government service as an immigrant ship terminated a venture in which the Council bore an intimate part through the appointment of Chaplains. There is now no effective way whereby the Council can give advice to Church organisations concerning the projected arrivals of assisted immigrants from overseas.

(f) **Town Planning.** Town Planning regulations, both with regard to off-street parking provisions, and also concerning classification of our Churches as "predominant" users, have been under constant consideration. The needs and wishes of residential communities must be considered, as well as the wishes and rights of the Church. Negotiations relating to this complex matter are still in progress.

(g) **Marriage Guidance.** The Council received a report on projected developments in this field from the Rev. L. C. Clements. This is a field of endeavour which deserves the commendation and active interest of Christian people.

(8) **Liaison with the Department of Christian Education, the International Affairs Committee, and an inter-change of Minutes with**

the Church of Christ Public Questions Committee, have continued to prove useful to our Committee.

C. O. HAILWOOD, Chairman.

W. G. EISNER, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted except for Section 3 which is received only.

2. That a grant of £25 be made from the Contingent Fund.

3. That the Report on A.I.D. be referred to Methodist people for their consideration in arriving at personal decisions.

4. That the Public Questions Committee be asked to draw up a statement on the Christian view of marriage and parenthood with specific reference to such modern problems as A.I.D.

5. That the Public Questions Committee, acting in co-operation with the Department of Christian Education, make study material relating to Christian Stewardship of Natural Resources available for use in Church groups.

6. That the Report on Race Relations be prepared as study material for Church groups.

7. That Conference supports the petition presented in the House of Representatives by Sir Eruera Tirikatene on behalf of the Right Rev. W. N. Panapa, seeking a full formal and solemn statement on New Zealand's policy in race relations between Pakeha and Maori.

8. That Church groups be encouraged to review the real issues of race relationships *with the various ethnic and national groups*, with a view to making a constructive contribution to the creation of a harmonious New Zealand society.

9. That the Public Questions Committee be asked to consider during the year the question of the Declaration of Human Rights and to report on the implications in the Declaration for New Zealand conditions.

10. That representatives on the I.C.C. be the Chairman of the District, the Convener, and Mr A. E. Hurley.

11. *Public Statements on Current Affairs*: That the procedure outlined under Section 2 be adopted.

12. That Conference recommend to the Government that the New Zealand Government budget should set aside at least 1 per cent of the National income for the economic development of under-developed countries, even if this means an increased amount in the level of taxation.

13. That Conference invite the President to convey to His Excellency the Governor-General our great appreciation for his inspiring moral leadership through his public addresses.

14. That Conference request the Public Questions Committee to investigate charges that undesirable literature is freely available in New Zealand, and take such action as it may deem to be necessary.

15. That the Public Questions Committee be asked to investigate the moral and sociological factors which would be involved in the legal toleration of homosexual practices and in due course to bring down a statement of the various issues for the Church's consideration.

16. That the matter of films and film advertising be referred to the Public Questions Committee for consideration and report.

17. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on Page 8 herein.

## B—International Affairs Committee

### REPORT FOR 1960

#### 1.—Chemical and Biological Warfare

(see 1959 Minutes, p. 102, Res. 6):

The diabolical nature of chemical and germ warfare discourages free discussion and enquiry, while security measures make factual appraisal difficult. The possession of these biological weapons by the major powers constitutes a threat much greater than in the last war and now comparable to that of nuclear weapons. Small nations too, without the resources for nuclear weapon production, could easily make biological weapons.

Most important of the chemical weapons are the nerve gases. Some can kill in seconds by paralysing the respiratory system; some kill by contact with the unbroken skin; and others disable the opponent by temporary blindness, paralysis, or psychological distress. Bacteria can be used to produce the most poisonous substances known. One ounce of botulinus toxin would be a lethal dose for the entire population of New Zealand. A single saboteur with such means could devastate a large city with small risk of detection.

Biological weapons consist of bacteria and viruses capable of causing epidemics. The bacteria of common diseases have been bred in virulent strains against which ordinary inoculations do not protect. The liberation of such diseases as smallpox or cholera could be disastrous in countries from which they have been eliminated. Human beings need not be the only target. Viruses attacking food crops or farm animals could destroy a nation's food supply.

Men deny their humanity in devising such destructive agents or envisaging their use against their fellowmen, also made in the image of God. These additional threats give further urgency to the recommendations of the committee in another section of the report.

#### 2.—The Church's Attitude to Modern War:

The development of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons confronts the Church with a new situation in which nothing can be successfully defended in a major war. Man himself could be annihilated. Even a miscalculation or an irresponsible action could trigger off this destruction.

The Christian Church is called to know, *and to represent to the world*, the Holy Will of God who is Creator, Redeemer, and Sovereign Lord of the universe. With such a calling, the Church cannot stand aside while this threat hangs over God's creation.

For three years Conference has received lengthy statements outlining the actual problem. Material from these reports has been distributed to Circuits in 1959 and 1960 for study by our people. Our Committee has written to all Ministers with the appeal that study groups come to grips with this issue. The opportunity for wide discussion has been given.

This is an important and urgent matter. The Church should now declare, in practical terms, her attitude to modern war. The Committee recognises that no easy decision is possible. It will require a clear understanding of the challenge of Christ's Gospel of reconciling love. It will take courage to apply it. With the world facing the possibility of such catastrophic destruction, the Church must be true to her

Divine calling. The Committee therefore submits the following declaration:

"That Conference, recognising the wholesale and indiscriminate destruction of human life and achievement inherent in modern war.\*

- (a) Declare that war can never be in harmony with the Will of God.
- (b) Declare that Jesus Christ, by His teaching and example of the power of redemptive love and redemptive suffering, challenges all men to follow Him in renouncing the ways of violence, hatred, and fear.
- (c) Call upon all Christians to renounce war.
- (d) Reject the belief that lasting peace can be built upon nuclear deterrents.
- (e) Believe that a nation cannot renounce war without renouncing the means of waging it; and that disarmament is an obligation for any nation calling itself Christian.

\*The term "war" in this section does not apply to United Nations' police action.

That Conference, recognising that peace can be built only on the spirit of love and brotherhood among men of goodwill, call upon all members of the Methodist Church:

- i. To adopt, as an act of faith, Christ's way of love in the widest social relationships just as surely as in more personal ways close to hand.
- ii. To support the withdrawal of Methodists from the Armed Services.
- iii. To support the withdrawal of Chaplains.
- iv. To seek release of their children from military training in schools.

That Conference bring to the notice of the Government the above declaration. Believing that a small nation like our own, without nuclear weapons, could make a positive contribution to the peace of the world. Conference call on the Government to:

- (1) Urge a speedy agreement on a nuclear test ban.
- (2) State in the United Nations, in unconditional terms, that New Zealand will never acquire or use nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons; declare that it has no wish to be defended by any nation using them; and call on other nations to follow New Zealand's example.
- (3) Support the right of small nations to participate in disarmament talks.
- (4) Use its influence within the British Commonwealth to urge the British Government to give a practical lead to the great powers in abandoning nuclear weapons.
- (5) Establish a Ministry of Peace and divert some of our prosperity and resources into avenues of assistance to underdeveloped countries and needy peoples overseas.

### 3.—Atoms for Peace:

Fifteen years ago a force was thrust upon the world in most devastating circumstances. Man had created—and used—a super-bomb. More recently, we have witnessed the dramatic under-water cruises of atom-powered submarines. Given time, we shall see the adaptability of nuclear power to other instruments of war, with its attendant publicity.

Christians should know about the progress made in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy; benefits in such diverse areas as food, health, and power.

An international agency, founded in unanimity, and adopted by 81 nations, came into being on July 29, 1957. The International Atomic Energy Agency, as it is known, was established to make available to all nations, according to their needs, the uranium resources of the world. This allocating of atomic fuels on an international basis put an end to competition and tension and established a notable record of co-operation in training personnel (250 scholarships are offered annually), sharing scientific information, research, and processing and supplying fuel. It undertakes to collect and disseminate information on types of reactors, isotopes, and sources of supply. Its future depends largely on the support it receives, particularly from smaller nations like New Zealand.

Christian people should do all they can to understand the significance of this very real co-operation in the vital field of atomic technology. They should try to secure fullest support for its work.

#### **4.—Racial Tension:**

In view of the crises in many parts of the world arising out of racial tension, Conference is urged to re-affirm the resolutions of the Evanston Assembly of the World Council of Churches:

- i. "The Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches declares its conviction that any form of segregation based on race, colour, or ethnic origin is contrary to the Gospel and is incompatible with the Christian doctrine of man and with the nature of the Church of Christ. The Assembly urges the churches within its membership to renounce all forms of segregation or discrimination and to work for their abolition within their own life and within society.
- ii. This Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches recognises that one of the major problems of social justice in situations involving racial and ethnic tensions is that of securing for all the opportunities for the free exercise of responsible citizenship and for effective participation by way of franchise in both local and central government activity. It commends this matter to the attention of all Christian people for such action as, under God, they may be led to take in order to secure the solution of this problem."

Our Committee commends the courage and faith of those members of the Christian Church who, in the spirit of the above Resolutions, are playing leading or minor roles in the freeing of the coloured people of the world from white domination and exploitation. We are challenged by the revolutionary spirit of goodwill and non-violence that underlies the resistance of many of those suffering racial discrimination and violent provocation. The Christian Church must accept these expressions of redemptive suffering as a challenge to her own lack of faith and courage in following the way of Christ.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is called by the above resolutions to face with honesty the shortcomings of our own relationships with the Maori people. The readiness with which discrimination is accepted here in such fields as employment, accommodation, and sport must be our shame and first concern.

#### **5.—The Plight of the Refugee:**

In this century the homeless form one of the great nations of the world. The number of people sent into exile since the beginning of the First World War has been set as high as 130 million. More

than 70 million became refugees as a result of the Second World War. Since then over 40 million more have been created by political repression and discrimination. At the present time 2,350,000 await resettlement, and this after a special year to close refugee camps. The story of human disruption and despair is not yet finished.

Repatriation, integration, and resettlement are the three main solutions of refugee problems. The first is often impossible due to changes in the political situations in former countries. The second avenue depends to a large extent upon economic conditions in the country offering asylum. The third answer is both complicated and expensive. Complexity is increased by political issues (e.g. Arabs from Palestine), immigration quotas, and formal documentary requirements. Some problems of resettlement are beyond the power of international refugee organisations, and await political action. However, the Hungarian emergency of 1956 gives an indication of what the world can do. Immigration regulations were suspended, people contributed liberally in cash, and in our country as elsewhere, Hungarians were given a welcome without argument or hindrance. Emigration, however, would not solve Asia's refugee problems, nor those in the Middle East. Receiver nations which have a desire to help are too severely limited by restrictive and discriminatory immigration legislation.

Integration is the main solution. Unfortunately, it requires capital. Countries least able to afford the role of host to these needy multitudes have carried the main burden. Austria, not a rich country, admitted refugees without formality and well beyond the limits of her physical and financial resources. There are still 14,000 Hungarians in Austria awaiting resettlement elsewhere. West Germany, Italy, and to a lesser extent, France and Belgium have borne similar burdens. Hong Kong demonstrates a commendable vigour in its integration scheme, but it also illustrates the expense involved. Other countries, by making money available, can ease the burden on the country of asylum and really make integration work. New Zealand is giving 2/1 per head for this work, and £12 for defence. Is the disparity a matter of voluntary giving against direct taxation or is it, to some extent, a measure of our priorities?

Christians in New Zealand can do a number of practical things to aid refugees. They can contribute money through CORSO and the N.C.C. Inter-Church Aid Account. They can urge upon the Government a more generous policy of giving (the swift grant of £10,000 to Chile is applauded, but those rendered homeless up to 16 years ago and in European refugee camps get comparatively nothing. They can ask the Government to be more lenient in the immigration policy. Christians should be good supporters of the CORSO clothes drives in the knowledge that this meets a real need in Europe, Hong Kong, and the Middle East.

Methodist congregations may wish to sponsor refugee families. In this case the offer is made to the Immigration Division, Department of Labour, Wellington, together with the guarantee of accommodation for the refugee family and promise of personal welfare after the family arrives. This does not involve the congregation in much financial support, but mostly the incidentals before the wage-earner finds employment. Such offers are major factors in deciding whether or not the Government can admit another group of families.

A congregation might be able to help particular groups of refugees seeking assistance, such as unmarried mothers or widows with young children. Sponsorship in this case would be on the basis of the congregation or sponsoring body selecting the particular group

from a number of dossiers. Application would be through the National Council of Churches. Social Security would be available for the children, but the mother would have to work to support them. In this instance, heavy demands could be made on the sponsoring body.

#### **6.—Samoan Methodists in New Zealand:**

During the last six to eight years large numbers of Samoan people have come to New Zealand. There are now 4,500 in our country. One-fifth of them are Methodists. A few loyal Samoan Methodists started attending the main city churches. These formed the nucleus, and soon other Samoans, who had been too shy to attend along with Europeans, joined them.

The coming independence of Samoa should not stop the flow of these people to our land. There has been a close link between New Zealand and Samoa at levels of government administration, education, and trade. The proposed treaty of friendship will strengthen the bond between us and Samoa.

The Congregational Church has a European minister who speaks Island languages and understands Island customs in this work, assisted by Samoan and Island pastors. The Seventh Day Adventists and the Mormons cater especially for Samoan folk. The Roman Catholic Church has priests who have worked in Samoa. In the Methodist Churches where Samoans are attending the familiar pastoral pattern has been a welcome to the first few, and then as others have arrived who are less at ease with European ways, of providing separate Samoan religious, sporting, and social activities. One disadvantage is that our Church is trying to meet the needs of Samoans without Samoan leaders or European leaders who know the special needs or the value differences between the two cultures.

Opportunities for a ministry to Samoan Methodists will increase. Instead of leaving the task to a few churches which have been forced into the situation, we suggest that more of our congregations become familiar with Samoan customs and sensitivities. Our people will then learn to appreciate certain differences in church life. This approach of friendly understanding will do more than make the stranger feel at ease in our midst. It will provide a means of integration based on mutual respect for cultures and customs in the worship and service of a common Saviour.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

PHILLIP D. RAMSAY, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted with the exception of the section, "The Church's Attitude to Modern War."
2. That more congregations and Quarterly Meetings discuss the possibility of further aiding refugees in ways outlined in the report.
3. That in view of the evidence of need revealed during World Refugee Year, the Government be urged to allow the entry of more sponsored refugees into New Zealand.
4. That the Government be highly commended for permitting the entry of refugees families a member of each being handicapped, and urge that this kind of aid be increased.
5. That the Government be urged to set an example of generosity to the people by more liberal spending on aid to refugees.
6. That the section, "The Church's Attitude to Modern War", together with Conference Committee of Details' recommendations, be referred back to the International Affairs Committee for further consideration and report.

7. That Conference directs the International Affairs Committee to make available studies comprising the material presented to recent Conferences and remit these to Quarterly Meetings and local church groups for study.

8. That a Corresponding Member of the International Affairs Committee be appointed from each Synod Standing Committee.

9. Conference requests the Government to press for the inclusion of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations.

10. Military Training in Schools:

(a) That Conference reaffirms the statements as printed in Minutes 1958, page 89, Res. 3.

(b) That the contents of the reaffirmation decision be referred to the Government.

11. That Conference requests the National Council of Churches to convene a representative conference of New Zealand Christians to consult on issues relating to international relations, disarmament and peace.

12. That a grant of £25 be made from the Contingent Fund.

13. That the Committee be as printed on page 6 herein.

#### QUESTION XXXVII.

## C—Temperance Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The Committee has met throughout the year with a good attendance of members, to deal with a number of matters, keeping in close liaison with the New Zealand Alliance and the local branches of Alcoholics Anonymous and the National Society on Alcoholism. Two members of our Committee have served on the Advisory Committee of this latter society in the Waikato area, since its inception, and the Convener has recently been elected to its local executive. The Committee has contributed to a "Temperance Week-end" sponsored by the Thames branch of the New Zealand Alliance, and in conjunction with the local branch is planning to hold a one-day Temperance Workshop in Hamilton, later in the year.

#### Submissions to the Select Committee on Licensing:

Lengthy written submissions were prepared by the Committee and presented by the Convener in March, before the Select Committee of the House of Representatives which was appointed to look into the matter of the reform of the Licensing Laws. These submissions covered a variety of matters, most of which have been dealt with in policy statements or resolutions of Conference in recent years, including: The principles of reform; Extended hours of sale; Liquor in restaurants; Tourist needs; Liquor and public transport; Liquor and dancing; Young people and drinking; Closing of bars; Club charters; Carrying away; Winesellers' licences; the Triennial poll; and Liquor advertising. Copies of these submissions will be available at the District Synods and at Conference. At the time of writing, the Parliamentary Committee has not yet presented its report, so that the pattern of immediate action by the Temperance Movement yet awaits to be formulated.

#### The Questionnaire to Leaders' Meetings, etc.:

The response to this questionnaire which was sent out by the Committee to all circuits, has been on the whole, disappointing, only eighty copies having been returned. Such a small number can hardly give us any reliable picture of what our people as a whole are

thinking on these issues. No doubt, busyness at the local level, and a general aversion to questionnaires may partly account for this poor response, but it seems a fair inference that there is also a great deal of apathy amongst our people on this issue and an unwillingness to give it serious thought.

The questionnaires that were returned were answered by Leaders' Meetings, Ladies Guilds and Fireside Groups, Men's Fellowships, Senior Bible Classes, Sunday congregations and Mid-week Meetings, many of them showing the results of keen and thoughtful discussion. Altogether, over 1100 people from 55 circuits took part in the discussion, and that in itself is probably the most valuable result of the questionnaire. The following is a brief summary of the answers received. (Percentages without brackets are reckoned on the number of groups; bracketed percentages are reckoned on the total number of persons comprising those groups, and take account of minority voting recorded.):

Question 1—Is total abstinence a Christian duty? Yes: 75% (81.5%); No: 8% (10%); Uncertain: 12% (8.5%).

Question 2—Should the Church support Prohibition? Yes: 87% (93%); No: 1% (4%); Uncertain: 12% (3%).

Question 3—Would some form of public control of the liquor industry be an improvement? No: 24% (30%); Uncertain: 21% (17%); Yes: (Total) 55% (53%)—Comprising: Trust Control: 31%, State Control: 10%, Public ownership, but uncertain as to form: 14%.

Question 4—There was a unanimous advocacy of temperance education, with many references to Church youth work, day schools, and the provision of suitable pamphlets and films.

Question 5—The majority of the answers admitted ignorance of the Temperance movement in New Zealand, and the feeling that its policy is too negative.

Question 6—There was general agreement that the advertising of the Liquor Trade is both subtle, and in many cases unscrupulous.

Question 7—With regard to the cure and prevention of alcoholism, 70% of the groups expressed wholehearted support for the work of Alcoholics Anonymous. Support for the National Society on Alcoholism was less pronounced, due to uncertainty about its aims. There was a general stress on the importance of evangelism, abstinence, temperance education, and publicity with regard to alcoholism.

Question 8—89% of the groups were opposed to any extension of the facilities for the supply of liquor. The rest were uncertain.

Question 9—Nearly a quarter of the groups who discussed the questionnaire did not know enough about the Church's Temperance policy to express a verdict about it. 60% expressed themselves wholeheartedly in favour, 13% were uncertain, and 2% suggested that our policy needs some revision.

#### **Compulsory Blood Tests:**

In regard to the problem of drinking drivers, there has been considerable research in recent years to devise a suitable test of the degree to which a person is under the influence of alcohol at a particular time.

The Drew Report published by the Medical Research Council and the Road Research Board in Great Britain in 1958, has shown that "a high proportion of individuals show a measurable impairment of performance after drinking amounts of alcohol too small to produce

even those clinical signs of intoxication apparent to trained observers." (Quoted from the "Times" 3.12.59.) The driver only slightly (and perhaps imperceptibly) "under the influence" can be more of a menace on the road than the one who knows he is drunk. In Sweden it is an offence, punishable by up to six months imprisonment, to drive with an alcohol concentration of only .05% in the bloodstream, although so far as the drinker is aware, this amount of drink would produce in most people little more than a mild "glow".

Three methods of testing the concentration of alcohol in the bloodstream have been devised. They are: breath analysis, urine testing and blood testing. The last of these appears to be the most reliable, and has been used in the city of Detroit with good effect in reducing the toll of road accidents. The introduction of such compulsory blood tests for motorists suspected of driving while under the influence of alcohol has been strongly urged for a number of years by the Australian Transport Advisory Council, and was supported by a Conference of the State Police Commissioners there, last year, and advocated by the Institute for the Scientific Study and Prevention of Alcoholism that met in Sydney early this year. The Committee is of the opinion that there is a strong case for the introduction of such tests in New Zealand, for the protection of the community and the innocent driver, and in order to facilitate the work of the police by putting before the Court, evidence which does not rest on debatable opinion. A concerted approach to the Government through the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs would probably be the most fruitful method to adopt, and an appropriate resolution is appended.

#### **Alcoholism:**

This subject has been under discussion for some years in New Zealand and the committee is of the opinion that there is still a certain amount of confused thinking about it, both within the Church and in the community at large, and therefore a need for some reasonably comprehensive statement of the issues from a Christian point of view. We therefore submit the following, for the approval of Conference, in the hope that it could become the basis for a fuller statement by the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs:

Alcoholism is recognised today to be one of the major public health problems of the world. According to the estimate of the National Society on Alcoholism, based on a formula devised by the World Health Organisation, there are probably about 20,000 alcoholics in New Zealand, with about 800 new victims per annum.

While it has long been recognised that in many cases, addiction to alcohol takes on a compulsive character, at which stage the drinker is unable by any effort of will, to control his drinking or to give it up, this condition has been subjected to more careful study in recent years, in the belief that this compulsive addiction, now known as "alcoholism" constitutes a form of disease, rather than a moral problem. The constitutional factors underlying this disease have not yet been identified by medical science, but the hypothesis is widely accepted that there must be some form of allergy to alcohol which predisposes a proportion of drinkers to alcoholism, while others who drink just as heavily never reach this stage of compulsive addiction.

The call to have compassion on the alcoholic, and to offer him sympathetic understanding and treatment, rather than moral exhortation or condemnation, is thoroughly consistent with Christian teaching. After all, in the case of a man who has reached the stage of genuine helplessness, there is no sense in exhorting him at that point, to do better, or in condemning him for not being able to do better. Further-

more, we need to remember that even in its approach to sin, Christian theology has always recognised an element of compulsiveness, and the Gospel consists primarily in the offer of divine grace to break the enslaving power of sin, rather than in any merely moral approach which assumes that the sinner has the power to save himself if only he will try harder.

The National Society on Alcoholism which was formed in New Zealand a few years ago, has endeavoured to publicise and practise this approach to alcoholism, drawing on the experience of such bodies as the World Health Organisation's Narcotics Division and the Yale Plan Clinic. Through its Information Centres, clinics, and educational literature and campaigns for hospital facilities for the alcoholic, this body is doing very valuable work throughout the country.

While hospital treatment is often given in the preliminary stages, and some use is made of drugs by way of supportive therapy, the crucial work in this modern treatment of the alcoholic is carried out through Alcoholics Anonymous whose twelve-step programme has some quite deep affinities with New Testament Christianity. We may perhaps consider it an interesting extension of the meaning of the word "disease" to apply it to a condition for which there is admittedly no remedy except through conscious dependence on the grace of God. However, it would be very unwise for the Church to cavil at the use of words, when the practice they describe approaches so significantly towards the central realities of the Gospel.

For this reason the Committee does not feel that we have any real quarrel with the modern medical approach to alcoholism, and has consistently advocated wholehearted support for the work of Alcoholics Anonymous and the National Society on Alcoholism, both at the local and national levels. We regard this as an important part of our Christian approach to the social problems associated with alcohol.

While the facts of alcoholism as acknowledged by these two groups constitute one of the strongest arguments for total abstinence, and many of their members are personally in favour of such a policy, we must recognise that both Alcoholics Anonymous and the National Society of Alcoholism have good reasons for making no pronouncements to this effect, and giving no direct support to the Temperance movement. Any such move on the part of either body would immediately set up a serious barrier between them and the problem drinker whom they are trying to reach and help. We should therefore not be critical of either of these groups if they fail to follow out their own case to its logical conclusion. We should recognise that with a deliberately limited objective, they are doing their very valuable best in a morally ambiguous situation to which, in our human sinfulness we have all contributed.

While these agencies are doing excellent rescue and remedial work amongst alcoholics, the most enlightened approach to any public health problem of this magnitude must be along the lines of preventive measures. In this regard it cannot be too strongly emphasised that there is no known way for the sure prevention of alcoholism except that of total abstinence. Extensive medical research has so far failed to identify the allergy which predisposes a proportion of drinkers to this disease, or to devise any test, physical or psychological which will show whether or not it is safe for a particular person to drink. Moderation in itself is no protection. It is possible for a person to have his "social drinking" under control for years, and then, for no apparent reason to pass into the compulsive phase of alcoholism. For a person with this undetectable allergy, the first

drink can be the fateful one. To quote a saying of Alcoholics Anonymous "The alcoholic is a person for whom one drink is too many, and a thousand are not enough."

While we may agree then, that in the case of the genuine alcoholic, once he has reached the compulsive stage, he is not at that point morally responsible for his drinking, yet it must be stated that in the light of modern knowledge, the moral responsibility of the person who freely chooses to drink has probably never been more serious.

In like manner, we must not imagine that acceptance of the "disease concept" of alcoholism in any way diminishes the moral responsibility of the community in this regard. It is quite misleading, for example, to say "Alcoholism is not caused by alcohol, but by some weakness in the personality." Whatever be the medical facts about some allergy or "weakness in the personality" of the alcoholics (and we do not dispute them) it still remains true that such a person will never become a victim of this disease unless he is encouraged or permitted to drink. A democratic community has the right to decide whether beverage alcohol shall be legally available, and must therefore accept its full share of moral responsibility for the danger to which its affirmative decision will expose a proportion of its citizens.

Finally, this whole matter of alcoholism, though serious enough in itself, must be seen in a wider setting, as only part of a whole complex of social problems associated with alcohol. Only five per cent of drinkers are alcoholics, and a great deal of excessive drinking is not pathologically compulsive, but remains a predominantly moral issue. The agencies dealing with alcoholism are deliberately addressing themselves to only one facet of the problem, while the wider issues still constitute an urgent challenge to the Church's social witness and evangelical concern.

#### **Temperance Education:**

In recent years the Committee has reviewed films and sent out details to circuits, staged displays of temperance material at District Synods throughout the country, put out two questionnaires and published a study for youth groups and a pre-poll leaflet, and we are still receiving complaints that educational material is not available. We believe that in some quarters there may be a conscious desire for educational material, coupled with an unconscious emotional bias against its use. We find it hard to credit for example, that after ten years of Temperance Reports, there are still a substantial number of Methodist people who have been genuinely unable to discover what our Church's temperance policy is. In order to help their infirmity, the Committee respectfully suggests that this business could sometimes be dealt with by Conference at a stage when there is more time and more members could be present, and that excerpts from the Temperance Report could sometimes be included in the material published for circulation.

Members of the Committee have made some experiments in Temperance education and discussion with local youth groups, using films, speakers and recorded talks from both Alcoholics Anonymous and temperance sources, and if there is sufficient interest in the matter, the Committee is prepared to make up a temperance kitset for this kind of work.

The Young Abstiners' League is the youth department of the New Zealand Alliance, for the 8 to 30 age group, with a total abstinence pledge (requiring parents' endorsement, in the case of children under 12), and the distribution of temperance literature, but no meetings or organisation at a local level, other than a half-yearly

rally. Literature can also be distributed through local agents where no branch of pledged members exists. The Committee commends this movement for consideration by our Department of Christian Education with a view to its possible incorporation into our overall Christian Education programme.

The committee has taken up with the Department of Education the matter of temperance publicity in schools.

In view of the known danger of alcoholism to public health and the support which the Department of Health has already given to the remedial work of the National Society on Alcoholism, the committee considers that that department should be approached to undertake preventive publicity about alcoholism, similar to that which it has issued with regard to smoking and lung cancer.

#### **Representation on the New Zealand Alliance:**

Our Methodist representatives on the Dominion Executive of the New Zealand Alliance which is centred in Wellington have for some time been nominated by the Wellington Synod Standing Committee. We consider that these should be Conference nominations. An appropriate resolution is appended, and if it is passed, nominations will be made direct to Conference.

S. J. WERREN, Chairman.

I. RAMAGE, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received, and adopted except for the material, "Compulsory Blood Tests".

2. That the matter of the introduction of compulsory blood tests, or other reliable tests, for motorists suspected of driving while under the influence of alcohol be referred to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs with a view to a concerted approach being made to the Government.

3. That the statement on Alcoholism in the report be referred to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs with the request that it be used as the draft basis of a public statement by that body.

4. That extracts from Temperance Reports of recent years suitably edited for study, be included in the material from Conference which is being published for circulation this year.

5. That the Department of Christian Education consider the Young Abstainers' League with a view to its possible incorporation in our Church's education programme and also that it examine the Roman Catholic Church's Order of Pioneers in this connection.

6. That the Department of Health be approached to sponsor a campaign of preventive publicity with regard to alcoholism, along similar lines to those followed in regard to smoking and lung cancer.

7. That our Methodist representatives on the Dominion Executive of the New Zealand Alliance be nominated annually by the Conference prior to the annual meeting of the Alliance at which they will take office.

8. That the committee receive a grant of £20 from the Contingent Fund for 1961.

9. That the Rev. I. C. E. Ramage be heartily thanked for his splendid work as Convener of the Temperance Committee.

10. That Conference respectfully draw the attention of the Government to advertising that suggests the consumption of alcoholic liquor is an appropriate and even an inevitable adjunct to work, social life and sport. The Conference urges the Government to legislate against this type of advertising.

11. That Conference expresses its appreciation to the Connexional Temperance Committee for its work in connection with the Parliamentary Select Committee on Licensing Laws.

12. In view of the continuing pressures for extended liquor facilities, the only vote at the forthcoming poll which will effectively express our disapproval is a vote for prohibition. Conference therefore urges our people to take this into account when voting.

13. That the Temperance Committee be asked to give particular study to teenage and adult temperance education with particular reference to the impairment of mental and bodily skills needed for modern industrial life and motoring caused by alcohol.

14. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 8 herein.

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

## A—General Report on Church Property

The financial operations of Church Trusts for the year ended, 30th June, 1960, are summarised herein.

### 1. TRUST ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS	£	s.	d.
Credit Balance from last year—General Account	67,903	14	9
Balance from last year held for Special Purposes	474,201	14	4
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund	15,843	1	0
Loans from other sources	56,691	16	6
All other Receipts	496,833	15	8
Total Receipts	1,111,474	2	3
Debit Balances	81,035	16	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,192,509</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>

### EXPENDITURE

Debit Balance from last year	45,427	0	0
Loan Fund Instalments	11,332	3	9
Other Loans repaid	28,396	16	1
Interest on Loans and on Bank Overdraft	10,074	4	6
Purchase of Land, Erection or Additions to Bldgs.	290,759	14	7
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc.	213,582	2	10
Total Expenditure	599,572	1	9
Credit Balances	91,942	17	1
Balances held for Special Purposes	500,994	19	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,192,509</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>

**2. TOTAL OF FIRE INSURANCES** 4,128,178 0 0

### 3. DEBT

Mortgage Debt at end of previous year	265,467	10	9
Add New Loans received during year	61,608	12	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>327,076</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>

Deduct Loans repaid during year	36,423	16	5
Amount of Mortgage Debt at end of year	290,652	6	4

This report and the general report from the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee should be read in conjunction with each other. The facts given in the two reports give a vivid picture of what our people continue to do year by year to provide the building necessary to carry on the essential task of the Church.

A comparison of figures does not state all the facts but it may be useful to set out the position in regard to some of the more important items comparing this year's figures with those for last year:

1. General trust income .....	an increase of £99,791
2. Amount held for special purposes .....	an increase of £26,793
3. Amount spent on erection of buildings, land purchases, etc. ....	an increase of £51,024
4. Amount of debt .....	an increase of £25,184

H. L. FIEBIG,

General Secretary for Church Property.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That thanks be tendered to the District Property Secretaries for their services.

3. That where there is only one auditor of account his qualifications be indicated with the signature.

4. That where monies 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.

#### District Secretaries for Church Property.

##### NORTHLAND:

Mr A. H. M. Farrell, Cliff Road, Onerahi, Whangarei.

##### AUCKLAND:

Mr F. M. Souster, 408 Richardson Road, Auckland.

##### SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Mr W. B. L. Williams, 214 River Road, Hamilton.

##### TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Mr A. L. Fox, Brecon Road, Stratford.

##### HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Mr G. H. Bisson, Box 40, Napier.

##### WELLINGTON:

Mr S. N. Roberts, Box 62, Wellington.

##### NELSON:

Mr H. Oldman, 24 Leitrim Street, Blenheim.

##### NORTH CANTERBURY:

Mr N. Hillary, Box 552, Christchurch.

##### SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Mr P. G. Woodnorth, P.O. Box 254, Timaru.

##### OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Mr A. J. Ganderton, 71 Carson Street, Mornington, Dunedin.

### QUESTION XXXVIII.

## B—Church Building and Loan Fund Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

A detailed list is set out later in the report indicating projects undertaken in the various synodal districts which have been approved by the Committee.

A summary is given herein to focus attention on the extent of the work being undertaken by our circuits.

New sites purchased (for Churches or Parsonages)—excluding additional land (12).

New Churches (8).

New Halls (9).

New Parsonages—including 3 replacements (16)

Extensions and additions to buildings (23).

Sundries, Camp Buildings, Dwellings, Hostel etc. (15).

It is estimated that the cost of these projects will be approximately £227,500.

#### Loans:

(a) As at 31st May, the total number of interest-free loans was 129 totalling £71,914/11/5.

(b) New loans advanced to 16 trusts amounted to £15,150 as under:

Northland District: Kamo Parsonage £1000.

Auckland District: Manurewa Hall £1000.

South Auckland District: Taupo Parsonage £1250; Mt. Maungani Parsonage £1000.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District: St. Leonards (Hastings) Church £1000; Wairoa Parsonage £300; Woodville Church £1000.

Wellington District: Wainui-o-mata Church £1000.

Nelson District: Hokitika Parsonage £1000; Mayfield Church Hall (Blenheim) £1000.

North Canterbury: Lyttelton Church £1000; Clarence St. (Riccarton) Church £600; Wigram Church £1000; Cashmere Church £1000.

Otago-Southland District: Mornington Parsonage £1000; Ohai Parsonage £1000.

(c) Loans Promised now amount to £43,000.

#### Grants:

Grants from the Sites Fund for new sites purchased have been made as follows:

Henderson £100; Glenfield £100; Beach Haven £100; Mangere (Walmsley Road) £100 (all in the Auckland District).

#### SALES

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of the following properties. If not acted upon by January 31st, 1962, the sanction lapses.

##### Northland District:

Mangonui Church and land £400; Okaihau (1 acre).

##### Auckland District:

Te Atatu Hostel Block £22,000; Howick (1 rd. 30.7 per.) £4500.

##### South Auckland District:

Whakatane Parsonage £2400; Te Kuiti (20 per.) £400; Putaruru Parsonage £2275; Rotorua Hostel £8000.

##### Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District:

West End (P.N.) 27.5 per. £850; Hastings (pt. Pars. sec.).

##### Wellington District:

Brooklyn Parsonage; Eketahuna Parsonage (Strip) £30; Otaki Parsonage £3100; Te Horo (39.1 per.) £250.

##### Nelson District:

Spring Grove (demolition).

**North Canterbury District:**

Harewood (demolition); Kimberley Church and land £100; Tai Tapu Parsonage £1300; Ohoka Parsonage £2300; Annatt (2 rds.); Sydenham Parsonage £3000; Springston Parsonage £1250.

**Otago-Southland District:**

Trinity, Dunedin Parsonage £6250; Bluff (2 rds.) £825.

**LEASES**

Grey Institute Block—New Plymouth (41 sections).

**LAND PURCHASES**

Purchases of land have been approved as under:

**Northland District:**

Mangonui (new site); Kaikohe (36.6 per.) £525.

**Auckland District:**

Massey (Henderson) (3rds. 8.28 per.), £2000; Glenfield (Birkenhead) 32 per. £900; Beach Haven (32 per.) £650; Howick (5 ac.) £6000; Waitoki (1 rd.) £300.

**South Auckland District:**

Matamata (1 rd.) £600; Te Puke (1 rd. 19.82 per.) £1750; Claudelands (1 rd. 7.5 per.) £950.

**Taranaki-Wanganui District:**

Waitara (1 rd.) £700; Hawera (28 per.) £650.

**Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District:**

Hastings (Addit. Parsonage); Dannevirke (1 rd. .3 per.) £400; Norsewood (2 rds.) £100; Makotuku (Gift); Roslyn (P.N.) 1rd. 21.9 per. (Gift).

**Wellington District:**

Otaki (30.4 per.) £550; Tawa (34 per.) £825; Wairarapa Camp Trust (2 ac. 1 rd. 8 per.) £50.

**Nelson District:**

Motueka (1 rd. 7.7 per.) £3000.

**North Canterbury District:**

Masham (Riccarton) 2 rds. (Gift); Christchurch Central Mission Hostel (addit.) 1 rd. 14.6 per. £400.

**Otago-Southland District:**

Central Mission Dunedin Hostel (addit.) 24.6 per. £800.

**BUILDINGS**

Purchases (P), Erections (E), Additions and Alterations (A).

Plans and purchases have been approved as follows. In some cases estimated costs only can be given at present.

**Northland District:**

Waipapa (E) Church Hall, £1000; Kamo (E) Hall, £2000; Hikurangi (E) Parsonage, £3700.

**Auckland District:**

Manly (A) Church Hall, £100; Makarua (P) Hall, 2 acres, 1 rod, £335.

Panmure (A) Parsonage, £1800; Children's Home (E) Dwelling, £5200; Henderson (E) Hall, £6000; Ellerslie (E) Church Hall, £3000; Campbells Bay Hostel (A) £1000; Mission Bay (E) Church, £11000; Marion Avenue, Mt. Roskill (E) Parsonage, £4900; New Lynn (A) Parsonage, £600; Glen Innes (Remuera) (E) Parsonage, £4700; Papakura S.S. (A) £6000; Mangere (E) Parsonage, £4900; Ponsonby (A) Flats, £1400; Bombay (A) Parsonage (£100); Otahuhu (A) Hall, £3000.

### **South Auckland District:**

Claudlands (E) Parsonage, £5000; Hillcrest (E) Classrooms, £1000; Matamata (P) Dwelling, £4850; Tokoroa (E) Church Hall, £6000; Springdale (A) Church, £300; Eastport Road (A) Church, £200; Putaruru (P) Parsonage, £5200; Te Rahui Hostel (A) £3000; Ohura (E) Parsonage, £4250; Taupo (E) Parsonage, £3200.

### **Taranaki-Wanganui District:**

Rahotu Camp (E) Bunk Houses, £800; Gonville (A) Parsonage, £200; Castlecliff (A) Church, £150.

### **Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District:**

Trinity (P.N.) (A) Dwelling, £700; Roslyn (P.N.) Church Hall (A), £3000; Westshore (Napier) (E) Church, £3500; St. Leonard's Hastings Parsonage, (P) £4850; Milson (P.N.) (A) Church Hall, £500; Norsewood (P) Parsonage, £2300; Foxton (A) Church, £65; Mangapapa (Gisborne) (P) Parsonage, £3800.

### **Wellington District:**

Brooklyn (P) Dwellings, £3400; Hataitai (E) Lounge, £3500; Petone (1) (E) Club Room, £1000; (2) Church (A) £6170; Upper Hutt (P) Hall, £6000; Masterton South (A) Church and Hall, £5150; Greytown (E) Hall, £4000; Otaki (E) Parsonage, £3800; Nae Nae (E) Parsonage, £4200.

### **Nelson District:**

Richmond (E) Parsonage, £4500; Murchison (E) Hall, £1600; Lower Moutere (E) Hall, £5500.

### **North Canterbury District:**

Wainoni (Christchurch East) (E) Church, £7000; Central Mission (1) Hostel, Dormitories, £4000; (2) Maori Meeting House, £5000; Lincoln Road (E) Classrooms, £300; New Brighton (E) Hall, £5500; Masham (P) Hut, £100; Sefton, Amenities, £100; Islington (P) Hut, £100; Islington (P) Parsonage, £2650; Redcliffs (A) Church, £400; Sydenham (P) Dwelling, £3000; Greendale (E) Classrooms, £1000.

### **South Canterbury District:**

South Canterbury Camp Trust Hall, £7000.

### **Otago-Southland District:**

Waverley (E) Church Hall, £4000; Invercargill Central (A) Hall, £900; Alexandra (E) Church and Hall, £1500; Lawrence (E) Hall, £800.

### **Church Extension Fund:**

A summary of the position covering the three years during which the appeal has been made is given in the special report requested by last Conference.

Information will be sent to Synods and Conference concerning the current appeal. With the operation of the Budget system many circuits make progress payments or remit money later in the year. It is not possible, therefore, at an early date to obtain a clear picture of the result.

### **Auckland Central Mission:**

The Trustees have submitted tentative plans for new buildings to be erected at Airedale Street and running through to Wakefield Street, with a frontage on Queen Street.

A special meeting of the Committee was held to meet the President of the Conference and a member of the firm of architects who are preparing the plans.

The interim plans were explained and discussed. A brochure was also submitted outlining the scheme of finance.

It is proposed to erect a Church with various amenities which

will make it suitable to carry out a full programme of spiritual activities in the heart of the city. The Church will be opened free of debt.

Adjacent to it will be a large 9-storied commercial building. While they will be separate entities every endeavour is being made to have some unity of design so that as far as possible the Church will be the centre-piece of attention.

The decisions of the Committee were as follows:

1. **Office Block:** That general approval be given to the plans submitted.
2. **Church:** (a) That further plans for exterior and interior be submitted; (b) That additional information be submitted concerning cost of Church, estimates of which seem to be excessive.
3. **Finance:** That the financial report and survey for the whole scheme be reported on more fully in due course.
4. That a project of such magnitude should carry the special approval of Conference.

For the Committee,

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

## **REPORT ON POLICY CONCERNING USE OF MONEY RAISED FOR CHURCH EXTENSION**

(1959 Minutes, pp. 112-113).

The Committee was instructed by last Conference to report on this matter with order of reference as per Minutes of Conference, pp. 112-113.

### **Present Policy:**

In order to evaluate the proposal under consideration it is necessary to examine the policy which has been adopted hitherto.

Since the inception of the special appeal for funds to assist the general expansion of our work, the policy of the Conference has been to use the money in the following manner:

- (a) Two-thirds of the amount raised has been added to the capital of the Church Building and Loan Fund from which interest-free loans are advanced.
- (b) One-third has been used to make straightout grants to assist in the purchase of new sites and the erection of new buildings in new areas.

Over the period of three years during which this money has been raised, the sum of £39,540 has been added to the capital of the Loan Fund and £19,745 has been available for grants.

### **What has been done with this money?**

- a. 27 new causes have received a straightout grant, ranging from £250 to £2950.
- b. 9 new causes have received an interest-free loan (only).
- c. 11 of these 36 places have received a grant and a loan. That is, 36 new causes have received substantial assistance.
- d. In addition, 32 established Churches have received an interest-free loan to assist them with their own expanding work—thus a total of 68 Churches have received assistance.

### **What are the Results?:**

Every one of these 36 new causes today has an adequate Church, or Church Hall, or both Church and Hall. In addition, 8 of them have a new Parsonage.

Further, having assisted in all these new projects the Church has

also new Loan Fund capital to the extent of £39,540 which will be available in perpetuity to assist scores of new progressive works.

#### **New Proposal:**

The proposal sent to the Committee for consideration is that the following method be adopted:

"That in any one year the money received be used to assist not more than 3 circuits and/or causes in rapidly developing areas, the money so allocated to be in the form of a grant and not to be interest-bearing or repayable."

If this latter method had been adopted each year in the past the position would have been as under:

- (a) 9 causes would have received very substantial assistance indeed.
- (b) 27 new causes which have now been established would not have received any help at all and would still be waiting for assistance.
- (c) 32 existing Churches would not have received an interest-free loan to assist them in their expanding work and would also still be waiting for it.

It is not possible to state accurately to what extent the work under category

- (a) would have been more effective than it is today, or whether the work under
- (b) would have been hindered in part or in full.

#### **Operating Factors:**

Three aspects of these special efforts must be kept in mind:

(a) The Conference has been convinced that the Capital of the Church Building and Loan Fund had to be increased as the most effective way of assisting circuits is with more and larger interest-free loans.

If all the money which had been raised in the past three efforts had been allocated in grants then the Loan Fund capital would be £39,540 less than it is today—a most undesirable state of affairs. As a result of the policy followed this large amount of new money is part of the permanent capital of the Connexion and will be available in perpetuity to assist progressive works.

Money that is given can be given only once and to one group of people. Money that is loaned (interest-free) can be loaned over and over again, thus assisting an innumerable number of causes.

(b) While we must assist to the maximum all our new causes, we must not ignore entirely our established Churches which also need assistance with their own expanding projects, and the replacement of old buildings. Ultimately it is from such established Churches that there must come the resources that make possible extension work at all—manpower, money and spiritual dynamic.

(c) After 1946, new housing areas sprang up simultaneously all over the country, hence it was necessary to assist as many new places as possible at the same time. Although the amount of assistance was smaller because it was spread more widely, it did stimulate a commencement of work which otherwise might not have been started at all. This growth will continue although it may be at a more steady rate in the future.

#### **Oversight and Assistance:**

The second recommendation under consideration (Mins. 112-113) is the question of more urgent attention by Conference to new Housing Areas and the use of Connexional funds for this work.

The following comments are made:

(a) In respect to the oversight within Districts it is pointed out that this position is fully met in the powers and duties of the Standing Committee of Synod. All the necessary machinery is there and nothing will be gained by seeking to add to it.

(b) If Church Extension work is to be really effective and enduring two basic principles must be adhered to:

- i. Before any steps are taken to purchase land or to erect a building, a canvass of the areas should be undertaken to discover what Methodist constituency or group of interested people are there and to obtain promises of practical co-operation and assistance. It is not sufficient to say that in a given area there will be a certain number of houses and people, therefore a building must be erected—and hope for results.
- ii. Information should be given to such a group as to the steps which have to be taken to establish the work. It should be made clear that the Connexion will render the maximum assistance possible but that some responsibility must be accepted by the local community.

It may be objected that such a procedure will hinder rather than help a new cause. Experience proves that the reverse is true. A vital element in the growth of any Church is positive membership participation in every phase of its life including the finding of the finance necessary to carry on the work.

#### **Additional Finance:**

In regard to money held by departments it must be recognized that this money is held in trust for the specific work of such departments. The stability of their funds depends very largely upon their earning the highest rate of interest possible. If this were not done the value and strength of such funds would be diminished and the work of the Church would suffer as a consequence. To be of value loans to trusts need to be either interest-free or at as low an interest rate as possible.

The H.M. Investments Fund Board is prepared to receive deposits at call which it is lending out at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent interest. Considerable assistance can be made available to Church trusts in this way.

There are in all districts and circuits local sources of loan money which can be sought out and made available at a low rate of interest or even on an interest-free basis. This procedure is meeting with a great deal of success in many places and is capable of considerable expansion.

In view of the establishment this year of the new Connexional Budget system and the increased levies already placed on circuits it is most undesirable to increase still further such levies for the purpose under review, as suggested in the recommendation being examined.

#### **Conclusion:**

The issues raised in the recommendation under review have had long and continuous consideration by the Committee and also by the Conference at intervals. In its enquiry the Committee has collaborated with the Home Mission Department which concurs in the statements of this report and with the conclusions reached:

(a) The policy adopted by the Conference in the past was the right one to meet the situation which the Connexion has had to face and which it must continue to meet.

(b) It is a mistake to see the requirements of the Church in this connection as a matter of either the need of Grant Monies or of Loan Fund monies, setting one over against the other. The fact

is that both are necessary as illustrated by the facts set out in this report.

(c) If it is possible to limit assistance to a smaller number of causes, thus making such assistance of more substantial proportions, that is a most desirable course to follow. Such action, however, must be determined by the needs of the work as a whole.

(d) One district may desire to focus its attention on one new cause only being prepared to allow other areas to wait two or more years for assistance. Another district may consider that that would be a very unwise policy to follow as the needs of its work call for assistance to be divided immediately between two or more causes. There must be some flexibility of method and all cases decided on their merits.

For the Committee,

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the present policy be continued as set out in para. 1 of the special Report—that two thirds of the money raised in this special effort be added to capital of the Church Building and Loan Fund for interest-free loans and one-third be used to make straightout grants to new causes.

3. That Conference approves the Auckland City Mission's proposal to erect a new church and commercial building on the Queen Street property. It expresses its complete confidence in the Mission Trustees in respect to this project and all its related activities.

4. That the following be referred to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for consideration and report:—

I. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee consider in the Annual Property Schedule a return of the Capital Value of all property held by the Church in each District.

II. That the following amendments be made to the standard Property Forms:

(a) "All other receipts" be amended to show "general" and "special fund" items separately.

(b) On the Payments side, two items be split to show separately payments from "general" and "special" funds, i.e. (i) purchases and additions; (ii) rents, rates, etc. The last item could be clarified by amendment to read: Repairs and Maintenance—Rates, Insurance and all current expenses.

III. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be requested to examine the practicability of introducing a standard obligatory scheme of depreciation and/or renewals funds to be operated by all circuits in respect to all buildings within the circuit and to be an annual charge against current circuit income.

That if such a scheme be instituted the committee consider such matters as: rate of depreciation on the type(s) of buildings concerned, to what age group of buildings the depreciation provisions will apply, if the age group is such that depreciation does not apply then, what recommendations could be made as to an obligatory scheme of renewal funds to ensure that in due course the buildings in this class can be replaced with the aid of such fund.

That the funds be invested in a common pool administered by the C.B. and L. Fund committee and available to any Trust at an

approved rate of interest, and that the Committee keep a separate account of each Circuits' investment.

(NOTE.—Conference is concerned at the lack of provisions for this type of fund in many circuits. It believes that in many circuits maintenance is neglected and must be afforded due recognition in circuit budgets.)

IV. With a view to making the fullest possible use of the financial resources of the Methodist Church and of our Methodist people generally for church extension purposes, Conference set up a strong committee to investigate the merits of an Incorporated Investment Society for the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

5. That Conference record its gratitude to Mr Bothwell of Port Underwood for the gift of the land on which has been erected a memorial cairn in memory of the Rev. Samuel and Mrs Ironside.

6. That suitable action be taken during Conference for contributions to be made to meet the costs involved at Port Underwood on which stands the Ironside Memorial Cairn.

7. That the attention of all Trusts be called to the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act as they affect the local situation, with a view to united action at the local level where possible.

8. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be asked to confer with representatives of other Churches with a view to united action to secure some modifications of the proposed regulations governing the erection and alteration of Church Buildings.

9. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 5 herein.

#### DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES

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

##### NORTHLAND:

Messrs A. H. M. Farrell and W. J. Court.

##### AUCKLAND:

Revs. R. F. Clement and L. R. M. Gilmore; Messrs A. M. McKerras and K. J. Rosser.

##### SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Revs. W. R. Francis, V. R. Jamieson; Messrs W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young and A. A. Lilley.

##### TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

The Ministers of New Plymouth Circuit, and Messrs L. M. Moss and M. S. Hughson.

##### HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Rev. Dr R. Dudley, Mr A. H. Fisher.

##### WELLINGTON:

Rev. G. R. H. Peterson, Messrs S. N. Roberts, T. M. Pacey.

##### NELSON:

To be appointed by the Synod Standing Committee.

##### NORTH CANTERBURY:

Nil.

##### SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Rev. A. R. Witheford and Mr H. C. B. Withell.

##### OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Messrs E. B. McLeod, J. R. Wesney, P. C. Thorn and A. S. Morgan.

# C—Report of Custodian of Deeds

1960

For the year ended 30th June the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged as under:

Northland District: Toka Toka; Ruawai (2); Keri Keri; Redhill Camp Trust.

Auckland District: Trinity College (2); Central Mission (3); also Hamilton Eventide Home; Beach Haven; Northcote; Manurewa.

South Auckland District: Melville; Matamata; Hamilton; Kawerau; Western Heights (Rotorua).

Taranaki-Wanganui District: Hawera; Waitara; Dublin Street (Parsonage).

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District: Ashhurst; Hastings (St. Leonards).

Nelson District: Stoke; Richmond; Brooklyn (Motueka).

North Canterbury District: Wairakei Road; Wainoni; Cambridge Terrace.

Otago-Southland District: Broad Bay; Waverley; Lawrence.

## New Trusts Registered:

Auckland District: Makarau; Northcote Central.

South Auckland District: Lake Rotoma Camp.

Wellington District: Wairarapa Camp.

North Canterbury District: Hills Road; New Brighton (Parsonage).

South Canterbury District: Willowby Parsonage.

Otago-Southland District: Waverley.

## Trustees:

Changes in the personnel of trusts have been registered as follows:

	Trusts	Deletions	Registrations
Northland District	5	9	14
Auckland	28	73	97
South Auckland	17	31	40
Taranaki-Wanganui	12	15	11
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	16	16	26
Wellington	15	30	50
Nelson	12	25	25
North Canterbury	24	56	81
South Canterbury	7	26	23
Otago-Southland	21	31	40
	157	312	407

Christchurch, 30/6/60.

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 Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for the year ended 30th June, 1960.

The Annual financial report herewith shows a satisfactory increase in rentals and in interests on investments.

Under expenditure, there was an increase for Repairs and Maintenance. This can be expected in view of the need for keeping the property in thorough sound order and condition.

The advance made to Trinity College for the new Chapel was repaid during the year. The increase in Investments are all in Government or Local Body Funds.

The appropriations for the year were as follows:

£1500 to Trinity College,  
£1500 to Building Renewal Fund,  
£1000 to Trinity College Special Appeal.

The members of the Board for the ensuing year are: Revs. E. W. Hames and J. C. Draper, Hon. Mr Justice Stanton, Messrs E. A. Astley, J. H. Blackwell, P. Dellow, T. L. Hames, W. E. Lewisham, G. C. Riddell and W. F. Winstone.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.

F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

### RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

### XXXIX (2) PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1960.

The following is the Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30th June, 1960.

As indicated in the last report, the mortgage to the Bank of New Zealand was liquidated during the year, and the property is now unencumbered.

The property administered by the Trust consists for practical purposes of two sections:

1. The row of shops fronting Upper Queen Street; and
2. The area of land bordered by three other Streets and on which the buildings known as the "People's Palace" now stand.

The portion of the property represented by seventeen shops in Upper Queen Street, Auckland, has been maintained in good order under careful supervision throughout the year, and the rents from these are all paid regularly. Of this number, six are under weekly tenancies, five under monthly tenancies, and six under leases for a term of five years, subject to the right of renewal.

This block of shops is an economically satisfactory proposition. They are not in the best section of Queen Street, and are worth less in rental value than if they were up the hill or further down it. However, the rents received are based on the present Capital value as assessed by competent valuers, and is a satisfactory Trusteeship.

The matter causing the Trustees the greatest concern is the future utilisation of the "People's Palace" section of the property after the Salvation Army vacates the premises on 30th June, 1961.

The two buildings (plus the old corrugated-iron building used as staff-quarters) are both obsolescent and costly to maintain. If there is to be a new lease for residential purposes, a substantial sum of money would be required to bring the facilities up to modern standards. This particularly applies to the kitchen which is impossibly inconvenient, and also to the toilet facilities which are totally inadequate by today's standards. It has been estimated that the cost of

bringing these buildings up to required standards may be in the vicinity of £50,000 to £60,000.

Advice tendered to the Trust confirms the opinion of most of the Trustees, that, even if the Trust had that money available to spend, it would be doubtful whether its expenditure on these old buildings would be justifiable. Such an expenditure would greatly increase the rental that would have to be asked for the buildings if let for accommodation, which may "price the Trust out" of that market.

The Conference has accepted two principles as applying to this property:

- (1) that it should be a revenue-producing asset;
- (2) that the property should not be sold.

For the Trust to follow any alternative to either of the above principles would require consent of the Conference.

Advice has been sought from several people qualified to give advice, including the paid services of a professional valuer and consultant. Advice has confirmed the prior opinion of the Trust, (1) that it is responsible for an asset of considerable and increasing value; (2) that the land on which the "People's Palace" property stands is a valuable and increasingly valuable asset; (3) and that any development of the site which would be worthy of its location would require the expenditure of a vast sum of money—which has been variously stated as £½ million or more.

(The Trust has very little money, and has no way of borrowing more than a small fraction of that sum for purposes of development.)

The preponderance of advice received by the Trust has suggested that it would be inadvisable for the Trust to develop the land in a "piece-meal" fashion, although some of the Trustees believe that this may be the way forward. Letting the land out for "Ground-lease" is not practicable unless there is security of tenure for the lessee, and would give a return of a small sum in comparison with the return that may be obtained by the lessee.

In this situation there is a division of opinion within the Trust. A group of the Trustees is of the opinion that the best course of action for the church would be that the Trust should recommend to the Conference that some of the property should be sold or, and the proceeds re-invested in some comparable asset. Other Trustees are reluctant to consider this possibility, which would mean that the Church would lose the potentially valuable asset of almost three acres of land in an area of Auckland that cannot but appreciate considerably in value.

(A secondary reason for reluctance to sell would be that the sale of the property could lead to its ownership passing ultimately into the hands of people who would use it as the site for a Licenced Hotel—a use for this site which would not meet with unanimous Methodist approval.)

Further negotiations for a possible lease of the property have proved abortive within the past few days—mainly on the grounds of the cost of renovations and improvements which would be necessary to bring the buildings into conformity with modern residential standards. The Trust has formed a sub-committee which is empowered to call for enquiries from people willing to rent the buildings for residential use as they are, and awaits response from the market.

This Trust faces a problem that appears simple only when one is remote from the problem. Such advice as has been received is contradictory in many ways, and the Trustees will be glad of any assist-

ance that may be forthcoming from interested members of the church for the development and use of this valuable property.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

P. DELLOW, Secretary.

### RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

### XXXIX (3) THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST BOARD

#### REPORT FOR 1960

Grants amounting to £394/7/6 have been made. This is the largest annual amount for the past five years. Such grants are available for needy Methodists of good standing for whom no adequate provision is made by any other fund of the Church. Applications for assistance are received through our Ministers on a Dominion-wide basis and are given sympathetic and confidential consideration.

New Zealand Government Inscribed Stock amounting to £5755 has matured and plus an additional £245 has been reinvested in an Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Loan at 4½ per cent.

Mr K. M. Griffin replaces Mr E. A. Astley as a Board member, but the latter's services as Auditor are gratefully retained.

The Board is as follows:—Mr L. W. Peak (Chairman), Revs. Dr. H. Ranston, A. H. Scrivin, W. Walker, F. Copeland, G. I. Laurensen, E. W. Hames, M.A., E. E. Sage (Secretary), Messrs J. S. Caughey, K. M. Griffin, C. K. Wigglesworth, F. Penn and G. S. Gapper.

L. W. PEAK, Chairman.

E. E. SAGE, Secretary.

### RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

### XXXIX (4)—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

#### ANNUAL REPORT

We are pleased to present to the Conference our report of the Board's activities for the year ended 30th June, 1960.

#### Masterton Methodist Children's Home:

As mentioned in our last report, a scheme was submitted by a sub-committee of the Board and the Home Committee which, it was hoped, would be a first step towards the Committee accepting full responsibility for the arrangement and financing of the Home. Under this scheme the Committee accepts responsibility for certain payments previously looked after by the Board, and the net revenue of the Board is divided equally between the Committee and the Board of the Rangiatea Maori Girls' College Trust. The Masterton Committee has accepted the scheme for a trial period of two years from July 1st, 1959, so that it not be until next conference that we will be able to report as to the suitability of the scheme for more permanent adoption.

The Committee has reported directly to the Conference, and the Board endorses the recommendations made therein.

#### Rangiatea Maori Girls' College Trust:

The Hostel is now serving a useful purpose which we trust will be of a great benefit to our Maori people. This Board will assist the project to the greatest possible degree. The capital grant of £1,000 referred to in our last report was paid out during the year as

well as a further grant from 1959 revenue amounting to £416/3/5.

Under the new scheme of distribution of our net revenue, the College Trust Board becomes entitled to £1,179/0/4 for the year ended June 30th, 1960, and of this amount £600 has already been paid out.

#### **Finance:**

Net revenue available for appropriation between Masterton Home and Rangiatea amounted to £2,358/0/9 for the year. An exact comparison with last year is difficult in view of the different method adopted in relation to disbursements. However, gross revenue shows an increase of £310 which is brought about principally by a substantial increase obtained from the Foxton farm rental on revaluation for the purposes of a new lease.

On behalf of the Board,

**ROBERT THORNLEY**, Chairman.

**J. A. KELLOW**, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. Robert Thornley be re-appointed Chairman.
3. That Messrs A. Eaton Hurley, G. C. Burton, and A. D. Priestley be re-appointed as representatives of this Board on the Rangiatea Maori Girls' College Trust Board.
4. That the Masterton Children's Home Committee as nominated in the annual report of that Committee be appointed.

#### **XXXIX (5)—THE EMSLY TRUST BOARD RESOLUTION**

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **XXXIX (6)—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That in future the Balance Sheet as well as the Revenue Account be submitted to Conference.

#### **XXXIX (7)—KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE RESOLUTION**

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **XXXIX (8)—GIBSON ESTATE TRUST RESOLUTION**

That the financial statement be received and adopted.

#### **XXXIX (9)—YOUTH OPPORTUNITY (WESLEY) TRUST BOARD, AUCKLAND**

Report given under M.S.S.A. Report.

#### **Papakura Circuit Trust—**

That a Commission be appointed to visit the Papakura Circuit to confer with the Trust.

That the members of the Commission be: The Connexional Secretary, the Chairman of the Auckland District, Revs. A. E. Orr and H. W. Payne; Messrs F. Souster, W. A. Smith and L. W. Peak.

QUESTION XL.—What is the Report of the Board of Connexional Insurance?

## Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board

### INTERIM REPORT TO SYNODS, 1960

#### Claims:

It is gratifying that the Board is able to report that for the year under review no fire claims have had to be met. A number of losses have been incurred but provision for reinsurance covered them all. This is very satisfactory in view of the heavy claims reported last year.

#### Employers' Liability Cover:

The attention of all officials is drawn to the fact that by decision of the Conference it is now compulsory for Trusts to see that Employers' Liability Cover is arranged for voluntary workers of every kind as well as for any persons who may be paid a wage for work done in or about Church premises.

Full details have been submitted to Quarterly Meetings and Trusts but there are obviously a number of Churches where this matter has not been attended to.

#### House Owner and Householder Insurance:

The value that this type of cover could have for Parsonages has been demonstrated on several occasions during the year. This cover gives protection against contingencies such as burst pipes, storm damage, theft, etc., as well as ordinary fire damage. Houseowner Insurance applies to the building and carries an extra premium of 1/6d. %. Householder cover applies to the contents and carries an additional premium of 3/- %. It is possible to have either or both forms of cover. Several parsonages this year suffered water and other damage which was not covered by the ordinary fire policy in operation.

#### Replacement Cost Insurance:

This matter has had considerable attention during the year. There are important issues involved particularly in connection with old wooden buildings which have a limited life and which must be replaced within a short period of time.

The Board in consultation with its re-insuring company has considered certain propositions concerning which satisfactory finality has not yet been reached.

Matters arising from the financial operations of the Fund will be reported in the usual way in the Board's report to Conference.

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st May, 1960, are presented with this report. These reveal a satisfactory year's operations.

#### Income:

Earned income amounted to the sum of £6330/8/8, comprising the following:—

	£	s.	d.
Premiums and Commission	3688	2	7
Interest from Mortgages, Debentures and Deposits	2642	6	1.

Administration and general charges amounted to 1155 0 2 enabling the sum of £5175/8/6 to be transferred to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account. Adding to this amount the sum of £107/19/10

brought forward from last year, after provision for reserves and grant, and a supplementary grant of £18/-/-, the total herein was £5283/8/4.

The sum of £4700/-/- has been transferred to Fire Loss Reserve. Grant recommended amounts to £460/-/-. Such provision leaves a balance of £105/8/4 to be carried forward.

#### **Fire Claims and Losses:**

Fire Claims amounting to £152/-/- were received and paid in full. Re-insurance covered these claims, thus our Fund had to carry no share of the losses.

#### **Fire Loss Reserve:**

As reported last year, extra provision for Fire Loss Reserve was made necessary by the unusual extent of fire losses incurred during the year.

The Board considers that this policy must be followed again this year in order to consolidate its finances. The sum of £4700/-/- has therefore been set aside for this purpose. After such transfer this Reserve stands at £24,864/10/4.

#### **Investment Contingency Reserve:**

This Reserve Fund now stands at £3195/15/4.

#### **Grants:**

Last year the Board reported that a reduction in the amount of grants was necessary in view of heavy fire losses. Although no losses have been incurred this year the Board has felt it necessary to recommend a grant to one fund only, namely the sum of £460 to the Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund. This will enable the balance of surplus earnings to be used to build up reserves.

#### **New Insurance:**

New and additional insurance written up during the year amounted to £466,882/-/-, covering 226 items of Church property.

#### **Synod Report:**

Matters referred to in the interim report to Synods were:—Employers' Liability Cover; House Owner and House Holder Insurance and Replacement Cost Insurance.

For the Board,      A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.  
H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the following grant be approved—£460 for the Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund.
3. That the Board for 1961 be as printed on page 5 herein.

**QUESTION XLI.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?

## **Connexional Secretaryship Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1960**

The reports presented to Conference covering the activities of the five departments concerned indicate the steady growth of the work connected therewith.

In this connection opportunity is taken to pay a tribute to the loyal co-operation given by staff members. It is gratifying that we

can record long terms of service on the part of most of them.

Miss R. Brandon has been with us for fourteen years. Miss S. Leatham has served for over twelve years. Mrs E. M. Baxter completes ten years in the near future. After a term of nearly four years Miss I. Baker has left us in order to be married. Our junior, Miss M. Boyd, is in her second year.

Such continuity of service combined with a positive interest in the total work of the Church has been of inestimable value in carrying through the work of the office, involving as it does a considerable mass of detail.

R. A. MARSH, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the following appropriations be made for the ensuing year:—Supernumerary and allied Funds, £900; Fire Insurance Fund, £900; Church Building and Loan Fund, £600; Methodist Times, £500; General Purposes Trust Fund, £450; Contingent Fund, £400.
3. That the Committee be as printed on page 5 herein.

**QUESTION XLII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

## Trinity Methodist Theological College

ANNUAL REPORTS, 1960

### A—COUNCIL REPORT

This has been the most momentous year in the life of the College since its inception, for in it we have seen the successful establishment of the School for Christian Workers, the inauguration of the vacation emergency course, and a start made on the complete renovation and development of the premises.

**Renovation:** The monies raised from last year's appeal have enabled us to go ahead as planned with the work of renovating the stonework and replacing windows where necessary. The work has proceeded somewhat slowly, due to a hold up in the supply of window frames in the first few months of the year, but these are now coming to hand in good supply, and the exterior work should be well on its way to completion by the end of the year. The redecoration of the interior is still an urgent need, but this will be proceeded with as soon as we know what monies will still be available when the exterior work is completed. After paying for the College Chapel and the exterior renovation, it is highly doubtful whether anything substantial will be left in hand. Nevertheless, we are anxious that for the morale of the students and the good name of the College, the interior work be tackled immediately the way is clear.

**Study Courses:** The inauguration of the School for Christian Workers and the Vacation Training Course for married men has changed the face of College life somewhat this year. If this is any indication of the pattern for the future, it becomes immediately apparent that (a) we must increase our College Staff.

(b) We must face the accommodation problem, in respect of board for the students, classroom accommodation, and living quarters for a fourth member of the staff. In the current year, the present staff has carried practically the whole burden of three different

courses—one for divinity students, one for students in the School for Christian workers, and one for married men in the full-time work of the Church. It is our considered opinion that Conference will need to appoint a fourth member of the staff at the Conference of 1961 at the latest.

The matter of increase in accommodation will be the subject of the 1961 Connexional Appeal to the Church for Trinity College.

**Chinese Student:** Arrangements have been made to take into the College for training next year a Chinese Methodist student from Hong Kong. This is in line with the policy of the Church to foster tangible links with Christians of S.E. Asia, and also with the practice of other Theological Colleges in New Zealand. Our recommendation to Conference is that we grant free board, lodging and tuition to this student, provided that the Hong Kong Methodist Church accept responsibility for travel costs, and for the support of the student in New Zealand during vacations.

**College Accounts:** From July 1st, 1960, at the request of the auditor, the College accounts will be somewhat simplified. From this date, a regular Hostel Fee will be paid to the House Account on behalf of every divinity student, and the whole charges of running the Hostel, including a management fee, will be charged to the House Account. This will not make any significant difference to the cost of running the College, but will make the accounts simpler to operate and to understand.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

L. P. SCHROEDER, Secretary.

## **B—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

In externals, one College year is very much like another, but to the staff each session acquires a character of its own. 1960 is proving a very strenuous year, as we had anticipated, but at the same time it is one of the most satisfying years we have known. The Hostel, of course, is full and community life is maintained on a helpful level in spite of some discomforts due to building repairs. The roll of divinity students is smaller than usual. We have twenty-four students, four of whom are Student-Pastors. We look forward to larger classes in 1961.

The Principal taught Systematic Theology (Holy Spirit, Church Ministry and Sacraments, the Last Things), Church History (since 1500) Worship etc., Junior N.T. Greek and Elementary Hebrew. Dr. Williams takes the Pastoral Theology I and II together with the Sermon Criticism class, the N.T. Introduction and Intermediate N.T. Greek. Dr. Lewis teaches the Senior Greek class, Old Testament Introduction and Teaching, N.T. Teaching (junior and senior groups) and the Senior Exegesis class, and English. Principal Nicholas of the Congregational College taught the Exegesis class (junior and intermediate). In addition the Principal teaches Hebrew at the University of Auckland.

A majority of the students have some contact with the University though it becomes increasingly difficult to combine a full divinity course successfully with reading for a degree. The men have done a fair share of preaching in and around the city, and a small group conducted a successful mission at Helensville during the May vacation. The general attitude of the men is helpful and Mr Russell Marshall (senior student) and the senior year have given a good lead.

### **School for Christian Workers:**

The School opened with 20 Diploma students, including one woman, and two men who are spreading the course over two years. Eleven of the number are offering themselves as Candidates for the Ministry. Fifteen required accommodation, and they were placed, some in the Hostel and some in a flat made available by the Central Mission. The year is experimental but in the main we are running on right lines. We hope next year to eliminate most of the night classes. The Rev. G. R. Harris (exegetis) and the Rev. John Silvester (Theology and Church History) have assisted with the teaching, and to them our thanks are due.

In view of the pronounced success of the School in its first year, and of the number of enquiries for 1961, it is clear that it will be a permanent part of our work. It is not on the whole desirable that the School should be too closely involved with the Hostel, and it would seem that we must begin to plan for another building and for further staff.

### **Emergency Course:**

To meet the difficulty in providing training for married men, the Conference of 1959 accepted our proposal for an Emergency Course which is now in operation. Ten men (three recently ordained, two Probationers, and five H.M. Probationers) have been formed into a group, to spend a fortnight in the College twice a year for intensive discussion and teaching, following six months of directed reading. This is to continue for five sessions. The keenness of the men concerned and the quality of the work done has delighted the Tutors, and we feel that we are gaining as well as giving in this experiment. The Auckland Circuits are unwilling to accept Student Pastors, who in the nature of things are unable to do justice to a busy pastorate, while the men have no hope of keeping up with their studies. It may be that our experiments with the Emergency Course will open up a better way.

### **Staff:**

The immediate success of the School for Christian Workers, no less than the appeals that reach the College Staff for assistance in Schools for Local Preachers and Church Workers, etc., indicates the demand within the Church for leadership of this kind. We should be able to lend some help on occasion to Schools of various kinds in different parts of the country. But our ability to respond is limited. In my judgment the appointment of a fourth Tutor to the College Staff is now an urgent priority.

E. W. HAMES, Principal.

## **C—PROBATIONERS' COURSE OF STUDY**

(See under Question XXIV, P. 23)

## **D—REPORT re TRINITY COLLEGE STAFF AND FUTURE POLICY**

The Rev. E. W. Hames, Principal of Trinity College, has indicated to the College Council his intention to retire at the Conference of 1962. This will require that the College Council make a nomination of his successor at the Conference of 1961, for designation as Principal—and to take office at the beginning of the College year 1963.

Enquiries throughout the world have not yet proved fruitful. The position has not been advertised, at this early stage.

Certain important principles require clarification before a nomination can be made, and it is felt desirable that these should be con-

sidered by a fully representative committee of the Conference to ascertain, as far as is practicable, the mind of the church.

Particular questions requiring clarification are:

(1) Future requirements of the College now that the School for Christian Workers is an established part of our church life.

(2) The present need for a specialist Tutor in New Testament Theology.

(3) The need for a Tutor in Theology after the retirement of the present Principal.

(4) How far the above two requirements impinge directly on the selection and appointment of a Principal.

(5) The desirability of seeking for staff from overseas, balanced against the value of New Zealand staff members with overseas experience.

The Collegè Council will be holding special meetings to consider the above questions and will place its recommendations before the above committee, during Conference, 1960.

### **E—TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1960**

Our Accounts this year should be considered under two main headings, Receipts and Payments and New Chapel and Building Account.

#### **Receipts and Payments:**

We can report a satisfactory position for the current accounts, the year finishing with a small credit balance of £27/19/1.

#### **Receipts:**

As you are all aware, our College Finance is based on the support of Trust Boards, the Contingent Fund and the Central Finance Committee, and we wish to thank them for their continued regular support allowing us to budget ahead with certainty. Our receipts closely followed the budget figures.

Hostel Fees are up on the budget figure by £666 making the total £5,266. This increase is explained by a reduction in the Theological Students this year and an increase in paying Hostel Boarders.

Friends of Trinity. With the special appeal, some of our Friends gave through this channel, but we would like to thank those who made their regular gift supporting us and our organiser, Mr Keith Lawry. A sum of £43/13/6 was paid into the New Chapel Building Account.

#### **Payments:**

We wish to thank Dr Lewis for his careful administration of the House and Service Account, also the Matron for her work and supervision, and although costs rose during the year we finished £5 under the budget figure of £5,000.

Also our thanks go to the Students for the maintenance and repair work carried out under the guidance of Dr Williams.

University Fees show in our accounts at £140 less than budget but this is due to our not receiving the account for fees in time to include in the year's figures.

Repairs and maintenance are up on our budget figure by £298. Furnishings are up on our budget figure by £382. We can expect both these items to be at a high level for a number of years as there is a lot of delayed work to be done in this respect. We, therefore, have to budget for considerable increased amounts under these two headings

as there is little prospect of a surplus from the College Extension Appeal to devote to internal renovations.

#### **New Chapel and Building Account:**

The total monies received in this Account this year were £22,198. To all our friends throughout New Zealand who generously gave to the College we offer our thanks.

All the expense entailed for the new Chapel has now been paid off and we are now engaged in other renovations to the College buildings and to date we have spent £4,310. This work will take all the available money, and possibly more, to complete.

We will then be faced with the necessity of major Hostel extensions if we are going to house the additional Theological Students, the Students for the School of Christian Workers and maintain accommodation for the Methodist Hostel Students in particular.

#### **New Organ Fund:**

The Organ for the new Chapel is now been made and we have made a progress payment of £500. We are pleased to advise that we have sufficient money in hand to pay for the Organ which will greatly assist our Chapel Services.

#### **Balance Sheet:**

The land, buildings, etc. are shown on our Balance Sheet at a conservative figure, and the very necessary maintenance work has now been carried out and will maintain this very valuable Church property in good order.

The Church will be pleased to learn that our property attached to the College for future extension, which was being zoned for Auckland Hospital extension, has been released.

#### **College Accounts:**

At the Auditor's request, to clarify and simplify our accounts, in the future they will be split into two sections, General Account and House and Service Account.

In future the General Account will pay a fee for each Divinity Student to the House and Service Account. In compensation all legitimate charges in maintaining and running the Hostel as a place of residence including furnishings, repairs and similar expenses, will be charged to the House Account together with a reasonable fee for administration in consideration of the services of the resident tutor.

The Principal and Staff of the College are working under heavy pressure, beside the training of our Theological Students they are running the School for Christian Workers. Also they have run other special courses, including a course for local Preachers. Added to this teaching work, the administration and general running of the College and the big renovation programme has thrown on them considerable additional work. I would like to thank the Principal and his staff for their close co-operation in all financial matters.

WILFRED F. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

**TRINITY COLLEGE, AUCKLAND**  
**PROPOSED BUDGET FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1961**  
**INCOME**

	£	s.	d.
Credit Balance		27	19 1
Budget (5 months from 1st February)	1,958	0	0
Probert Trust	1,500	0	0
Emsly Trust	80	0	0
Prince Albert Trust	200	0	0
Pitt Street Trust	100	0	0
Hamilton Trust	50	0	0
Administration Fee Hostel	500	0	0
Contingent Fund (7 months)	1,400	0	0
General Connexional Appeal (7 months)	700	0	0
Friends of Trinity	50	0	0
Balance	399	0	11
	<b>£6,965</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**EXPENDITURE**

	£	s.	d.
Divinity Students' Hostel Fees	3,000	0	0
Stipends and Allowance	2,650	0	0
Tutors Fees	65	0	0
Bursaries	240	0	0
Connexional Charges	250	0	0
Library Fund	50	0	0
University Fees (2 years)	300	0	0
Rent Board Room	15	0	0
Imprest Account	300	0	0
Sundries	45	0	0
Friends of Trinity to Building Fund	50	0	0
	<b>£6,965</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That Conference approve the action of the College Council in making a scholarship available to a theological student from South East Asia through the N.C.C.
3. That the proposed budget for 1961 be adopted.
4. That appreciation and thanks be expressed to the Staff of Trinity College for their continued excellent service, and especially for the way they have handled the extra responsibilities involved in the Emergency Course and the School for Christian Workers.
5. That the College Teaching Staff be increased to four, viz.:  
 Tutor in Old Testament  
 Tutor in New Testament  
 Tutor in Theology and Church History  
 Tutor in Pastoral Theology
6. That the Rev. J. A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D., be designated for appointment as Tutor in New Testament Language, Literature and Theology at the Conference in 1961, to take up his duties at the College in February, 1962.

QUESTION XLIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Colleges and Hostels?

## (1) Wesley Training College

### A.—REPORT OF THE BOARD FOR 1960

It is with gratitude that the Board reports another successful year with a high standard of learning being achieved in the College and an improvement in the property and amenities administered by the Trust.

The financial result for the year was disappointing in that an excess of expenditure over income of £704 was disclosed but this was arrived at after a direct transfer to Capital Account of the net rents derived from the new Sub-Division at Waikowhai of £1162. A fall in the College Roll caused a drop in the fees received from pupils at the College but the budgeted expenditure for a maximum Roll of 180 pupils was not able to be reduced, with the result that the College operated at a loss of £8188. In part compensation for this the farm at Paerata showed a pleasing improvement in the profit obtained and it is evident that this department of the Board's activities is being very efficiently operated by the Farm Manager and the Farm Committee. The scoria royalties from the Maurice Harding Park for the year approximated only one half of those received in the previous year and in the current year have shown a further decline. The uncertainty of this form of revenue and the fact that the Board has no control over the yield from this source has been stressed in past years. The income from the renting properties was consistent with previous years and it will be some years before any marked improvement can be expected.

The Board was most pleased with the excellent report given by the Inspectors for the Education Department after their visit during the second term of the last school year, and appreciation of the efforts of both the Principal and the Staff was recorded by the Board. The improvements to the amenities at the College effected over the more recent years has no doubt contributed to the excellent tone and level of teaching at the College. During the year an Arts and Crafts Room was completed, whilst the outside property was improved by increasing the size of the land given over to the College gardens which now provide virtually all vegetables and fruit required for College use, and the formation was commenced of an alternative access roadway to the farm, this relieving the College entrance and roadway from the heavy traffic servicing the farm. At the present time the Board is considering the erection of a classroom block which will provide for an additional three classrooms, which will relieve the pressure on the existing classrooms and provide the required accommodation for an increase in Roll.

From time to time vacancies occur in teaching, domestic and farm positions and the attention of Church Members is requested to the desirability of maintaining a true Christian Staff at Wesley College.

Under consideration at the moment is a sub-division plan for a further ten sections at Waikowhai which will complete the development of this endowment property to the stage where only major capital expenditure will provide any further revenue from sub-divisions. The Board was successful in obtaining amendments to two Town Planning Schemes so that the maximum benefit may be obtained from sub-divisions in the future, while the Education Department has requested a renewal of their lease of the school buildings at Maurice Harding Park for a further three years. The scheme for the conversion of some fixed term leases to Glasgow type leases for

the Grafton Road property has now been completed and the Board benefited during the year by capital receipts of £11,023 and will continue to receive by way of capital payments approximately £950 per annum.

Since the last Report three valued Members of the Board have retired; Rev. F. Copeland after thirteen years of service, Rev. W. Walker after sixteen and a half years and Mr W. E. Donnelly after four and a half years. During their respective periods of service all these members made very worthwhile contributions to the management of the Trust. The congratulations of the Board are extended to Mr Donnelly in his appointment by the Council of Chiefs to the high and honoured position of Principal of the New Memorial Co-Education Post Primary School in Fiji.

New appointments to the Board were made of Rev. R. F. Clement and Mr R. S. McDonald.

The demands of running an establishment of the nature of Wesley College are continually growing and the resources of the Board would appear to be taxed to meet these demands in the future. It is felt that the work at Wesley College should be extended but some assistance from outside the Trust will be required if the plans for the development of Wesley College are to be fulfilled.

J. STUART CAUGHEY, Chairman.

G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.

### B.—REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

**Roll:** The overall roll has remained at about the same level as in 1959.

The number of new enrolments in 1959 was 40; in 1960 to date it is 50. This year there has been no Intermediate Department as such. Some boys have been retained in classes below Form III, and special provision has been made for their instruction.

There are 18 Maoris and 7 Islanders on the Roll. The number of Maoris is lower than usual, due not to expense entirely. There are more suitable schools now available for Maori students near to their homes; and there are more Boarding Schools taking Maori students than formerly. The fee for a Maori at the College is £130 p.a. (for a European it is £220), and some come on an additional Bursary. A Government Scholar has to pay only £55 p.a. fee. Not many Maori students are interested in the land, but most of those who come study for School Certificate at least and do well. A number this year are preparing for active work in the Church, and it is hoped that three of these will sit for part of the Local Preachers' Examination this year. Every encouragement, financial and otherwise, is given to parents to enrol their sons, and it is hoped that the number of those who wish to have the benefit of education in this environment will increase. Mr R. Kerr, B.A., an ex-pupil of the College, is Instructor in Maori.

The number of Islanders coming to the College is likely to decrease on account of the restrictions being imposed by Island or New Zealand authorities.

#### **Staff:**

We have again had complete staffs in all Departments, and a tribute is here gratefully paid to the "heads": Mr E. A. Crane, M.A., First Assistant; Mr J. L. Browning, Farm Manager; Miss A. M. Greene, Senior Matron; Mr M. B. Knott, Grounds Overseer; Mr L. Dynes, Domestic Manager.

The Staff Social Club is valuable in establishing and maintaining a good spirit amongst the staffs.

### Examinations, 1959:

There were 10 passes in School Certificate, 8 in University Entrance; 8 gained their Endorsed School Certificate, and 4 their Higher School Certificate.

### The Policy of the School in Relation to Courses and Curriculum:

The policy has been essentially the same since 1923, but a change of emphasis has been made over the years to meet the requirements of students. The school has always provided a practical training-ground for those interested in farming and trades, and it still does this to an even greater extent than before. There is a good Commercial course. A well-equipped manual department with qualified instructors provides a valuable opportunity for all boys to engage in hobbies, to receive first-class instruction in woodwork and crafts; and for specialisation in woodwork, cabinetmaking, art, craft, technical drawing.

The agriculture course is for those who wish to study animal husbandry, field husbandry, and dairying up to School Certificate level, and for those who require practical farm instruction. It is not possible to offer an academic agriculture course until the roll is larger.

The academic course has been built up over the past ten years. It is a one-language course at present, and boys are prepared for the professions adequately. Boys in Form VI may take subjects that will make it possible to study for Degrees in art, science, law, commerce, architecture, and if extra time is taken, in agriculture.

The curriculum is that followed in the orthodox Post-Primary School, with certain special features. As a boarding school, we have excellent opportunities for cultural, social and sports activities. Hobbies Clubs, the use of visual aids, school visits out, the giving of hospitality to many visitors . . . all are given prominence, and are an important part of College life. As a Church school, we provide a Christian background to all our activities. Religious instruction is given, and all boys participate in worship. But the most pleasing feature is the number of senior boys who voluntarily attend the Divinity classes and the choir, the number who offer themselves as Chapel Monitors and the number who attend the special classes for Local Preachers' preparation.

#### General:

We are happy to report that it has been a good year in health and progress. We are grateful to those who have been generous with gifts and personal interest in the welfare of the College. The work being done is abundantly worth-while. There are many who give their time and attention to the College without remuneration, and this is the place to put on record the sincere appreciation and gratitude of the staff and pupils of the school.

E. M. MARSHALL, Principal.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express its sincere appreciation of the fine service rendered to the College by the Principal, Teachers and Staff.
3. That the Board be as printed on page 8 herein.

## (2) Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel

(Spotswood, New Plymouth)

### REPORT OF BOARD, 1960

Your Executive has pleasure in presenting the report for the year ending 30th June, 1960.

This is the first report covering a full twelve months of operations at the new Hostel.

Valuable experience in running the Hostel and in caring for the property has been gained during that time.

The different sub-Committees appointed, on a more or less experimental basis, are now in a position to appraise the value of their work to the Board and to the Matron-in-Charge, and to take steps to remedy the shortcomings.

Actually affairs have settled down and run along comparatively smoothly under the existing set-up. There have been some difficult problems to solve. These have chiefly concerned the staffing position especially that of a cook. However, Sister Evelyn and the House Committee have managed to keep the wheels turning. In this connection a special word of praise is due to Sub-Matron, Miss Rose James, who at some time or other during the year has temporarily filled all manner of vacancies on the staff. Her loyalty and devotion has been splendid. The girls, too, have co-operated well.

During the year the builders and architects have completed their respective contracts so that the property is now completely in the hands of the Board. It is considered that good service has been given by these people and that the quality of the materials used, has in main, been of the best. The grounds and surroundings have been partly laid out and planted. Funds, and time, would not permit of a comprehensive job being carried out. It is hoped to carry this work a stage further during the coming Spring. The Matron is very keen to have a playing area provided within close proximity of the Hostel. We have been fortunate in obtaining favourable terms for earth-moving work and purchase of trees. We have been fortunate, too, in securing the services of a capable groundsman who puts in about two days a week gardening and attending to the surroundings. A considerable area of the grounds especially the hillsides, has been fenced off for grazing with sheep, thereby saving labour in mowing the pastures.

Maintenance of plant equipment and buildings has been attended to as the need has arisen. We have made an arrangement with the Taranaki Hospital Board whereby their Chief Engineer carries out inspections of the Laundry Equipment etc., and arranges minor repairs and adjustments, as required.

The year has witnessed the final payments in respect of the capital items including the inevitable extras. The balance of the furniture and equipment required to cater for the additional number of girls and business girls has been purchased during the year. There are now 36 girls and 6 business girls in residence at the present time.

The total cost of the Hostel including extras amounted to £56,614 as compared with the original contract price of £55,097, an increase of £1,517, while plant furnishings and equipment have cost £6,300. Architects fees and supervision cost £3,951.

The final subsidy from the Department of Maori Affairs was

received during the year bringing the total of subsidies from the Department to £27,100.

The Board understood from the outset that whereas sufficient funds would be available for the actual building, money for furnishing the Hostel would require to be specially raised. Accordingly the Board at last Annual Meeting authorised the Executive to approach the Bank for an overdraft of up to £5,000 with an agreement to Mortgage as security. This was accomplished but due to financial support from various directions the amount overdrawn at any time has not exceeded the £4,000 mark and at close of the financial year stood at £2,799.

The Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year reveals that Income for the year has exceeded the estimates presenting at last Board meeting while the expenditure shows little variation. A pleasing feature of the accounts is the improvement position with regard to Fees and Board. Grants have also been well maintained. The matter of Fees has obtained very careful consideration during the year from the Bursar, Mrs Armstrong, and the Matron-in-Charge, with satisfactory results in practically all cases.

Having no previous twelve months by which to compare item against item on the expenditure side we can only report at this juncture that purchases are all made in the best possible markets and accounts are scrutinised by the House Committee. We feel that the Matron and her staff have joined to run the institution economically and efficiently and that with the experience gained throughout the past year, not only the staff but the Sub-Committees representing the Board as well will take the necessary steps to remedy the weaknesses.

This report would not be complete without reference to the financial support received from various bodies both Maori and Pakeha and of expressing our sincere appreciation of same. Also to our many friends who have donated goods to the Hostel and have assisted in various ways. To the Matron-in-Charge and her staff we extend our congratulations on the satisfactory result of the first complete year's operations in the new Hostel.

For the Executive,

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

QUESTION XLIV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Supernumerary Fund?

## Supernumerary Fund Board

### REPORT TO SYNODS, 1960

Widow of a Minister who dies in the active work

(Minutes of Conference 1959, page 138):

Last Conference adopted a recommendation from the Board in respect to the annuity and furniture grant to be paid to the widow of a minister who dies in the active work and instructed the Board to bring down this year the required amendments to the law. These are submitted with this report.

With the amendments to the regulations concerning the annuity and the furniture grant is one related to the position of a minister's widow who subsequently re-marries. Hitherto such a person continued to receive an annuity for life but at a reduced rate of two fifths of the annuity which she received prior to such re-marriage.

In view of the increased provision now being made for persons in the category under consideration the Board considers that if such a widow re-marries any annuity being paid to her by the Board should cease three months after re-marriage. An amendment to the relevant regulation is set out below.

#### **Relationship to the Supernumerary and Home Acquirement Funds of a Woman Minister who marries**

(Minutes of Conference 1959, page 223):

The Board was instructed by last Conference to report on this matter.

#### **General:**

The purpose of the Supernumerary Fund is to make provision for the financial needs of aged and infirm ministers, for widows of ministers and for orphaned children of ministers.

The nature of the Fund presupposes continued life-time service, until such time as age or other factors make retirement necessary.

If ill-health makes it necessary for a minister to superannuate before the completion of a full term of 40 years' service, provision is made for benefits to be paid to him proportionate to his years of service and he is continued in financial relationship with the Fund retaining also his status as a minister of the Church.

On the other hand, if a minister resigns on account of ill-health or for any other reason, he receives back his contributions in terms of the rules of the Fund and his relationship therewith ceases.

A minister may "Rest" or be left "Without Pastoral Charge". Under both categories he may do one of two things.

- (a) With consent of Conference, to continue in some field of Christian service not under the control of the Conference, or
- (b) He may enter into temporary retirement. His ministerial status remains the same but his relationship to the Fund is different. If he "Rests" he continues to contribute to the Fund paying both his personal subscription and the Church subsidy. If he is left "Without Pastoral Charge" all contributions cease for the time being and benefits on ultimate retirement are affected accordingly.

#### **Conference Decisions:**

The Conference of 1959 decided:

- (a) That a woman minister who marries shall be left without an appointment at the end of the current year unless otherwise determined by the Conference.
- (b) A woman minister who marries and who has not been continued in the active work shall be given the status of a minister "Without Pastoral Charge".

#### **Supernumerary Fund Rules:**

The application of the Rules of the Fund would be as follows:

- (1) **A woman minister who marries and is left without appointment:**  
This situation would be met by a new regulation. Under same the Board could, under Actuarial advice, compound her claims upon the Fund by the payment of a lump sum. Financial relationship with the Fund would thereupon cease.
- (2) **A woman minister who marries and who is continued in an appointment by the Conference:**

A married woman minister would be in the following relationship to the Fund:

- (a) She would pay the usual contributions and she herself in retirement would be eligible for the usual benefits.

- (b) The husband of such a woman minister would have no claim on the Fund.
- (c) In regard to para. 51 (page 140), provision would have to be made for the children of a woman minister who became a widow and subsequently died.

#### **Home Acquirement Fund:**

In regard to the Minister's Home Acquirement Fund the position would be as follows:

- (a) If she were left without an appointment she would receive back her personal contributions plus subsidies with interest.
- (b) If she were continued in an appointment her financial relationship would continue in the ordinary way.
- (c) The husband of such a woman would have no claim on the Fund, other than under the provisions of para. 11, page 144 of the Law Book. The provisions of this paragraph are being studied by the Board.

#### **Life Insurance for Ministers:**

The Board has had under consideration the question of ministers being required to have some form of life insurance—this in addition to what provision is made for retirement through the funds of the Church.

In order to clarify the position information has been sought from each minister as to the position at date in respect to this matter. At present—

132 ministers have a life insurance policy for £500 or more;

10 have a policy for a smaller sum;

42 have no insurance at all;

10 report that they have investments of an alternative nature.

In brief 162 have some provision supplementary to what is required through the Supernumerary and Home Acquirement Funds of the Church, while 42 have not taken any action in regard to the matter.

In view of the position outlined above and also of other related matters dealt with in this report, the Board considers that no action need be taken.

#### **Supernumerary Fund: Contributions and Benefits:**

The Board has constantly under consideration the related matters of contributions to the Fund and benefits therefrom, with particular reference to conditions which change from time to time.

In the past the Conference has in effect sustained the principle that contributions should be on a general basis of 10 per cent of the minimum stipend as determined from time to time by the Conference, with a due apportionment as between the personal contribution of ministers and the circuit subsidy. It has thus recognised the fact that an adequate balance should be maintained as between stipend, future retirement needs, and prevailing economic conditions within which ministers, like other people, must live.

In 1923 the personal contribution was £10 p.a. with a circuit subsidy of £15 p.a. That total payment of £25 was 10 per cent of the then minimum stipend (£250).

No increase in contributions was made until 1953 when they were lifted to £16 and £24 p.a. respectively. This new total of £40 was again approximately 10 per cent of the minimum stipend at that time (£440).

Subsequent to this action, in 1953 benefits were raised for all annuitants, present as well as prospective, by approximately 33 1-3rd per cent. Last year substantial additional provision was also made for the widow of a minister who dies in the active work.

Today the minimum stipend is £705 and the Conference has decided that it will be increased to £725 in 1961 and to £745 in 1962. These increases reduce the present contributions of £16 and £24 respectively to a low ratio to stipends which by 1962 will have risen £305 since 1953 when the last adjustment was effected in respect to this Fund.

The action taken in 1953 was quite adequate then but events have moved rapidly since that time. It would be a serious mistake to allow any long period again to elapse before some further adjustments are made. That was the mistake made in the 1923-1952 period referred to earlier in this report.

Because that time-lag was allowed to eventuate there was created a real imbalance for some years as between stipends, retiring allowances, and economic conditions.

For these reasons the Board emphasises that adequate increases should be effected as soon as possible in respect to both personal contributions and circuit subsidies.

These will again make possible increases in benefits which will permit of provision for retirement that will be more adequate under the financial conditions which seemingly must obtain in the future.

The new Connexional Budget comes into operation next year and will involve circuits in heavy commitments. If it were not for this circumstance the Board would seriously have had to consider recommending an increase in the circuit subsidy as well as in the payment made by the ministers. The Board is in consultation with the Connexional Finance and Stewardship Committee concerning the matter. It would appear that the full implementation of the basic principle referred to herein must be brought about progressively.

A step that could be taken immediately would be to equate the personal contribution of ministers with the subsidy paid by circuits, namely £24 p.a. This would prepare the way for an increase in the circuit subsidy when practicable.

The Board believes that ministers will take a large view of this matter and see the wisdom of using a proportion of their rising stipend to increase their personal contribution to their own Fund that makes the fullest possible provision for their ultimate retirement, and that they will welcome the opportunity of doing so.

The Board has sought to interpret as clearly as possible all the facts involved and submits with this report to Synods two recommendations which it considers will greatly assist in meeting the present situation.

#### **Deaconess and Home Missionaries Retiring Funds:**

All that has been said about the Supernumerary Fund can and should be said concerning these two Funds. Stipends for both categories of workers have steadily increased since 1953 when increases in personal contributions and circuit subsidies were effected. The Board considers that such workers will see the wisdom of paying a portion of their increasing stipend into their retiring funds.

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stage the Board feels that the whole question needs reviewing again in the light of changing conditions and so reports accordingly.

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The audited financial statements for the year ending 30th June, presented to Conference with this report reveal the following position:—

	£	£
<b>Income:</b>		
Income was received as under:—		
Fund contributions (Ministers' subscriptions and Circuit Subsidies)		8,672
Commission and Interest—Mortgage, Government Stock, Debenture and Bank Deposits	7,114	
Less interest paid on deposits to allied Funds	1,948	
		5,166
Freehold property (Epworth Chambers)		3,422
<b>A net total of</b>		<b>£17,261</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>		
Administration costs amounted to		1,042
Fund disbursements Annuities (£11,542) and Furniture grants (£905) totalled		12,447
Provision for Reserves—		
Investment	200	
Property depreciation	500	
Building maintenance	400	
		1,100
<b>A total of</b>		<b>£14,589</b>
The Excess of income over expenditure added to the Accumulated Fund was therefore		2,671
<b>Accumulated Fund (Supernumerary)—</b>		
Last year the amount herein was		144,545
Commuted annuities and refunded subscriptions amounted to	5,693	
Less surplus from Revenue Account	2,671	
		3,021
Reduced Accumulated Fund by		3,021
<b>Making the Fund at date</b>		<b>141,523</b>
<b>Investments are as follows:—</b>		
(a) Mortgages		87,513
(b) Debentures and Government Stock		42,614
(c) Freehold property (after depreciation at £13,250)		41,908
(Of the above, the sum of £47,951 is held on behalf of allied funds.)		
Current assets, in the form of bank deposits and accruals of various kinds, total		19,064
<b>Interest earnings.</b> From all investments a return of 5.24 has been earned on the actuarial formula.		
<b>Annuitants and Contributors:</b>		
At date annuitants number	104	(101)
Supernumeraries total	54	(53)
Widows number	50	(48)
Contributors at date	224	

Last year's figures are shown in brackets.

Allied Funds. These are as follows:—

(a) Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund—					
Accounts total	.....	.....	.....	.....	27,447
Payments made	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,218
Contributors	.....	.....	.....	.....	224
(b) Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund—					
Accounts total	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,445
Payments made	.....	.....	.....	.....	476
Contributors	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
(c) Deaconess Retiring Fund—					
Accounts total	.....	.....	.....	.....	18,548
Payments made	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,700
Contributors	.....	.....	.....	.....	41

General. Various policy matters have been presented to Conference in a separate report.

For the Board,

R. G. PEARCE, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following Financial Statements be received and adopted—  
Supernumerary Fund, Benevolent Fund, Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund, Deaconess Retiring Fund, Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund.

#### 3. Widow of a minister who dies in the active work:

A. That para. 46 of the Law Book (page 139) be amended as follows:

- (a) The annuity payable to the widow of a minister who has been made a supernumerary shall be according to the scale in force for the time being but shall be only for the years for which her husband has paid his subscription.
- (b) The annuity payable to the widow of a minister who dies in the active work shall be according to the scale in force for the time being and shall be for the years of service that her husband would have given had he lived to age 65.

B. That para. 47 of the Law Book (page 139) be deleted and the following substituted:

If the widow of a minister re-marries any annuity being paid to her by the Board shall cease three months after the date of such marriage, provided always and it is hereby declared that the repeal of the previous sub-para. 47 shall not affect any annuity being paid to such a widow at the date of such repeal.

C. That para. 50 of the Law Book (page 140) be amended as follows:

A minister on becoming a Supernumerary shall be entitled to receive a furniture grant of such amount as may from time to time be determined by the Conference.

The widow of a minister who dies in the active work shall receive a furniture grant based on the years of service her husband would have received had he survived to age 65.

#### 4. A woman minister who marries:

That Conference approve of the proposed application of the Rules of the Supernumerary and Home Acquirement Funds to a

woman minister who marries as outlined in the report and instructs the Board to report to next Synods and Conference relevant amendments to the Law.

**5. Supernumerary Fund:**

That as from 1st July, 1962, payments to the Supernumerary Fund be (a) Personal: £24 p.a.; (b) Subsidy: £36 p.a.

**6. Deaconess and H.M. Retiring Funds:**

That as from 1st July, 1962, the payments to the Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund and the Deaconess Retiring Fund (for N.Z. workers) be as follows: Personal contribution: £18 p.a.; Circuit or Institution Subsidy: £14; Home Mission Board Subsidy: £13.

**7. That the following be referred to the Board for report:**

In respect to a minister who does not commute any portion of his interest in the fund the possibility of increasing the proportion of annuity payable to the widow in ratio to that paid to the minister.

**8. That the Board be as printed on page 8 herein.**

**QUESTION XLV.—What are the resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist General Purposes Trust Fund?**

## **Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc.)**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1960**

New Trusts accepted during the year were as under:—

Durham Street Church Trust (Rudkin Memorial), Mayfield Parsonage Trust, Kimberley Church Trust, Edgeware Road Church (Westerfield), P. E. Buckrell Trust, G. F. Drayton Trust.

The Board now administers 106 Trusts and Deposit Accounts totalling £106,352/13/3.

Grants amounting to £260/16/8 were made from the Winstone Memorial Trust Fund to Ministers and Home Missionaries who had not received the minimum stipend from their Circuits.

For the Board,

R. G. PEARCE, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

### **RESOLUTION**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

**QUESTION XLVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist Children's Fund?**

## **Methodist Children's Fund**

### **Treasurer's Report 1960**

Another record has been established in the number of allowances paid during the present year in respect of the children of ministers. Allowances totalling 378½ have been provided as compared with 357½ in 1959 and 167 in 1940. The reasons for this continuing trend were given in last year's report, the situation being intensified this year by a greater than usual number of children of ordinands becoming eligible.

The annual allowance of £10 per child has been maintained and a total sum of £3782/10/- has been dispersed as compared with a sum of £3,700 made available by the Connexion for this purpose. The difference has been met from the slender resources of the Fund which have now been reduced from £123/9/5 to £42/15/3.

The Connexional Budget for next year is due to provide a sum of £3750 for the Children's Fund. The extent of forthcoming events will decide whether this amount will be sufficient. Present registrations indicate that there will be little or no margin.

**Women Ministers and marriage.** The last Conference directed the Children's Fund Treasurers to report on the issues involved in the relationship to the Fund of a Woman Minister who marries. (1959 Minutes, page 223).

The Children's Fund allowances are payable in respect of the children of ordained Ministers "in the active work." No allowance is payable for the children of such Ministers who are

- (a) "resting" for reasons other than failure of health
- (b) "without pastoral charge"
- (c) left by Conference without an appointment

It appears that this broad rule should apply also to married Woman Ministers, provided of course that her children have not also qualified by reason of their father being also one of our ministers in the active work.

In the circumstances envisaged, there needs to be some definition of what constitutes "active work." It will presumably be quite impossible for a married woman minister with responsibility for caring properly for children to undertake a full time circuit ministry. Her first obligation will, in our opinion, be to her husband and children. Circumstances can arise, however, especially as the children grow older, where she can justifiably undertake some service within the Church such as

- (a) Ministerial Assistant in a circuit.
- (b) Youth Director.
- (c) Warden of some Church institution, e.g., Deaconess House.
- (e) Hospital Chaplaincy.

Provided the service rendered is full-time, and is a Conference-approved appointment within our Church's operations, we are of the opinion that the children of such a woman minister would qualify for the benefits of the Children's Fund and we recommend accordingly.

ROBERT THORNLEY,

T. M. PACEY,

Hon. Treasurers.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.
3. That provided the service rendered is full-time and is a Conference approved appointment within our Church's operations, the children of a woman minister qualify for the benefits of the Children's Fund.
4. That the Treasurers, Rev. R. Thornley and Mr T. M. Pacey, be thanked for their services and be re-appointed.

**QUESTION XLVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Contingent Fund?**

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Financial Statement for the year ending 30th June, 1960, be received and adopted.
2. That authority be given to the Contingent Fund to pay air fare for this Conference only to those official representatives who could not have reached Conference in time for the meeting of the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee, by other means.

3. That the President and Contingent Fund Treasurers consult with the Deaconess Board with a view to making the best possible arrangements to assist them financially during the coming Connexional year.

4. That the Contingent Fund Treasurers and Church Finance and Stewardship Committee consult as to the best method of facilitating the changeover to the Budget and as to the best procedure for paying out District Expenses under the new system.

5. That the Budget for the year ending 30th June, 1961, including grants amounting to £2966, be received and adopted.

6. That the Rev. L. P. Schroeder be appointed clerical treasurer of the Contingent Fund and that Mr A. H. Winstone be re-appointed as lay treasurer.

7. That Conference thanks Rev. L. G. Hanna for his services during the past year as Clerical Treasurer of the Contingent Fund and expresses its sincere regret that he is forced to relinquish this office for reasons of health.

8. That the Consultative Committee consist of the Revs. E. W. Hames, Dr. D. O. Williams, Rev. W. Walker and L. G. Hanna, the Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, the Treasurers and Messrs J. H. Blackwell and G. S. Gapper.

9. That Mr J. C. Wigglesworth, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., be thanked for his services as Honorary Auditor and be re-appointed.

10. That Conference express appreciation of the work of Mr A. H. Winstone as Lay Treasurer of the Contingent Fund.

11. That the present rate of Connexional Levies payable by Circuits apply for January, 1961.

### METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND BUDGET 1960/61

COST OF CONFERENCE							Budget. 1961 £
Equalisation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	650
Travel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	750
Printing Agendas	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300
Printing Supplementary Agendas etc.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
Printing Minutes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600
Printing Miscellaneous	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100
Secretary's Expenses and General	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
Platform Staff etc.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
DISTRICT Expenses	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,200
SYNOD EXPENSES	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	700
MINISTERIAL SUPPLY	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
CONNEXIONAL PAYMENTS:							
Pres. and V.P. Travel Balance Previous Year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74
Pres. and V.P. Travel Current Year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200
President's Supply	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
President's Personal Allowance	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65
President's Gown and Hood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Printing Synod Reports	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	175
Printing Membership Cards and Certificates	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100
Printing Ministerial Index	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100
Printing General Connexional	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300
Expenses Board of Examiners	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
Church Council	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100
Church Union Committee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100

Special Course Trinity College	400
General Connexional Payments and Committee Travel	150
Contingencies	150
<b>GRANTS</b>	<b>2,966</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£9,550</b>

#### RECEIPTS:

	£
Levies	9,033
Synod Collections	125
Conference Collections etc.	100
Sale of Agendas	30
Sale of Minutes	125
Sales, Miscellaneous	150
	<b>£9,563</b>

7 months at £10,000 = £5,833

5 months at £7,700 = £3,200

**£9,033**

**QUESTION XLVIII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Removal Expenses Fund?

## Removal Expenses Fund Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

During the year, 68 removals were carried out compared with 54 in 1959 and 44 in 1958.

The average cost per removal was £63 compared with £69 last year, and £73 in 1958. This is a good average in time of increased costs but the very high number of removals has resulted in a very large deficit of £816 on the year's transactions. This has meant that the Fund has used more than its capital and has at present a deficiency of £578.

Included in the removals carried out were 20 inter-island moves costing a total of £2,664—an average of £133. This is an increase over the previous year's average of £129 for 19 moves, but generally speaking this year's moves were longer and the majority of the moves were large ones.

The majority of the removals were carried out by the Railway Department although two inter-island moves were done by the N.A.C. at a cheaper rate than the railway's. Quotations were received from the Airways and the Railway Department and in only these two instances were the Airways cheaper.

This year, in most removals and in all inter-island moves, ministers packed and consigned their books and in some cases, heavy furniture such as a piano by rail or sea instead of sending them by rail-air-rail or with their furniture etc. This resulted in a saving to the Fund of £532.

Last year the Committee asked for an increase in the Levy to £4,000 which met with some adverse comment at Conference. The Committee wishes to point out that the number of moves that the same Conference authorised reached the abnormal total of 68, of which 20 were inter-island, the total cost of which exceeded the levy asked for by £433. This year the Committee expects that the number

of moves will not be as large as before and is requesting the same levy of £4,000, but in so doing, it makes an appeal to Conference to keep the moves down to an absolute minimum.

The Committee reports that six Circuits were asked to refund amounts in excess of the amount allowed by Conference for removals made in 1958-59. Five Circuits have paid the amounts due but the Committee has not received any payment from the sixth.

For the Committee,

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG

W. E. CLOTHIER Treasurers.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the maximum for removals be, inter-island £125, within the island £75.
3. That the levy for the ensuing year be £4,000.
4. That the Treasurers Rev. H. L. Fiebig and Mr W. E. Clothier be thanked for their services and re-appointed.
5. That Mr F. H. Sowden, Honorary Auditor be thanked for his services and be re-appointed.
6. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION XLIX.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Foreign Missions?

## Foreign Mission Department

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

This report covers the activity of the Department in New Zealand. A fuller supplementary report will be presented to Conference, following receipt of the business of the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea Highlands District Synods.

**Staff:** The Highlands staff is now stable at four New Zealand workers. All Saints' College has now been established with Presbyterians and Congregationalists at Sydney, and Sister Kathleen Shaw is training there before proceeding in November to the Solomons. Sister Gladys Larkin was to leave in July for Roviana direct. Following Plunket training at Dunedin, Sister Lesley Bowen is to return to the field in September, whilst Sister Audrey Highnam is on study leave overseas. Sister Nancy Ball has now returned to New Zealand. Sister Norma Graves is rejoining our teaching staff after furlough. The Rev Iliesa Buadromo of Fiji is replacing the Rev Ahofitu Maka, who returned to Tonga last year.

The resignation of Mr J. M. Miller (Joiner) takes effect in September; Mr R. C. Fleury's offer to continue after furlough has been accepted by the Board. A further carpenter is urgently required.

The challenge of new secondary teaching and teacher training prospects partially backed by government grants prompts the Chairman of the District to appeal for two male teachers, each experienced about the Forms I and II level.

New prospects of overseas training for Solomon Islands staff have opened up. The two young men who spent two years at the B.T.I. have been appointed catechists and are relieving in posts formerly held by Solomon Island ministers. Three girls are undertaking full nursing training at the Papuan Medical College. Assisted by the

Lepers' Trust Board, two young men are training, one as a laboratory technician and the other in X-ray work, at Wellington Public Hospital. Financed by CORSO, a young woman has come to St. Helen's Hospital Auckland, to train as a maternity nurse.

**Committee on Policy:** This committee is continuing its work on three subjects remitted to it:

- (a) Further details of the proposed Solomon Islands District budget are awaited from the Synod there.
- (b) A study has been made of ministerial duties and problems on the field and the tentative results and recommendations have been laid before the Solomon Islands District Synod.
- (c) **New constitution of the Department:** The whole of paragraph 504 of the Book of Laws has been reviewed. Clauses 20-30 will be retained meantime, pending the early submission of a proposed constitution of the Solomon Islands District. Clauses 31-42 are to be retained, though renumbering will be required. On the advice of the President's Legal Adviser, the Board is not printing the full proposed redrafting of paragraph 504 (1-19) in the agenda for Synods, though copies will be in the hands of District Chairmen and District Foreign Mission Secretaries, and available for the perusal of any interested. The detailed proposals will come before the overseas missions district synod. Their findings and the relevant recommendations of the synods in New Zealand will be considered by the annual meeting of the Board, which will frame its recommendations direct to Conference.

The Board desires, however, that Synods be aware of the main proposed changes in the constitution of the Department. These are as follows:

- (i) **Name:** 1959 Conference resolved that the Board seek a new name for the Department more in keeping with the changing pattern of the work. Careful inquiry and discussion have been given to this assignment. We have tried to find a name that would do justice to the ecumenical character of Missions these days. All suggested names were cumbersome and in various ways open to question. Members were unanimous that the word "missions" should not be eliminated. After consultation with Bishop Lesslie Newbigin and other overseas authorities, including our sister department in Australia, the Board is proposing to change the name of "the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand" to the "Overseas Missions Department" of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

It is hoped to strike the ecumenical note in the statement of aims and objects.

- (ii) **Objects:** It is proposed that the objects of the Department shall be:

1. To represent the Methodist Church of New Zealand in Christian evangelism among non-Christian peoples in countries overseas to which its missionaries are or may be appointed.
2. To organise programmes of Christian witness, education, medical and pastoral care and economic welfare within such countries.
3. To conduct relationships with Churches in overseas countries where the missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand are or may be at work.

4. To negotiate with governments and other official bodies on matters pertaining to the work of the Department, as the Board may consider necessary.
  5. In collaboration with interested Church Departments and bodies, to organise and promote missionary education within New Zealand.
- (iii) **Size of Board:** It will be known that the Board at present comprises resident Auckland members and certain distant members, who normally attend only the annual meeting. The principle and number of distant members is retained. It is proposed to reduce the number of Auckland members by ten. Apart from ex-officio members and officers of the Department, there shall be sixteen instead of twenty-six Auckland members; six ministers and six laymen instead of ten of each; two instead of three local representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union and one instead of two representatives nominated by the Department of Christian Education. This recommendation has followed a study of attendance figures and of the conduct of the Board's business over a period of years, and confirms the view increasingly established in Auckland that more compact Boards with consequent spreading of membership among the available ministers and laymen will encourage greater specialisation and closer attention to business by the members of the Board. Provision is included whereby Conference *may* appoint a minister other than the Chairman of the District as Chairman of the Board. We propose to abolish the post of Clerical Treasurer.
- (iv) **Overseas Missions Sunday:** It is proposed that "one Sunday in each year shall be designated 'Overseas Missions Sunday' in each church and preaching place." The references to the collections on that day are deleted, as the position is now to be covered by the connexional Budget.
- (d) **Commercial Policy:** A study has been initiated of the commercial activities engaged in in the Solomon Islands, and certain broad proposals for further investigations of a long-range and far-reaching nature made to the Solomon Islands District Synod.
- The Ministry on the Mission Field:** The Board has carefully considered and endorsed the statement being presented by the Faith and Order Committee on "Ordination, Reception into Full Connexion, and the Native Ministry."

An invitation was accepted for the General Secretary and the Rev D. I. A. McDonald to take part in a commission at Sydney on theological training for the Methodist districts in the Western Pacific. The matter is now before the New Guinea and Solomon Islands District Synods.

**Ecumenical:** The visit of the new General Secretary of the International Missionary Council, Bishop Lesslie Newbigin, was appreciated by the officers and members of the Board. Special representatives shared in the special consultations with C.O.M.I.C.A. in March. Proposals directed at imparting a greater international flavour to missions are to be considered at the Board's annual meeting. Later in the year, our representatives are to share in an inter-Church consultation on the theology of missions. Though three Solomon Islands representatives are eligible, it is feared that costs will prohibit more than one taking part in a study conference of the Pacific Church leaders next April in Samoa. The General Secretary is to be an observer there.

**Publicity and Literature:** In June, 1960, the "Open Door" appeared in digest format for the first time. Initial reaction to the change has been favourable. The June number featured "Missions and Social Change." The September number will deal with Africa and the December one with "the Mission of the Methodist Church of New Zealand."

Supplies of bound copies now being exhausted, the remaining unbound copies of "Isles of Solomon" by Clarence Luxton are being bound and will shortly be on sale. Copies of the "Children" series, as published by the mission board in Australia, are finding a ready sale in New Zealand. Consideration is being given to publishing a similar book about the Solomon Islands.

In view of the connexional budget, consideration is being given to the future nature and frequency of missionary publicity and deputation.

Further sets of slides and tapes have been prepared during the year. These are freely availed of by circuits and groups within the Church. A common policy has been arrived at in collaboration with the Department of Christian Education. Two libraries of tapes will be established, one at Wellington and one at Auckland. Some tapes will be duplicates. A small hiring fee will be payable hereafter, plus postage.

**Financial:** Pending the arrival of figures from the two overseas districts, the Officers can only reiterate the report given to last Conference, that the estimates for the current year provide for a deficit, with little evidence to date that that result will be avoided. With the imminence of the connexional budget, an appeal is made to all circuits to see that their overseas missions efforts are promptly and generously made and discharged for 1960, so that the whole Church may be free to launch enthusiastically in 1961 into the new method of connexional finance, on which the wellbeing of every Dominion-wide and overseas activity of our Church will so greatly depend.

We desire to emphasise again two features of the mission finance:

- (1) The M.W.M.U. contributions of £3,700 annually to each mission department, have been excluded from the connexional budget. In other words, M.W.M.U. financial efforts will be depended on as hitherto.
- (2) No capital expenditure has been provided for under the connexional budget. With the new ventures at Nipa in the New Guinea Highlands, we shall be dependent on the Highlands appeal fund raised five years ago. In the Solomon Islands, we shall be dependent for capital expenditure on legacies. These continue to come to hand, though their nature is to be unpredictable from year to year. The new government policy re duty on gifts to charities made during the lifetime of the donor has resulted in £1,600 being donated this year, in lieu of legacies, to the overseas missions work of the Church.

E. W. HAMES, Deputy Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY ANNUAL REPORT

(Based on Synod Minutes and workers' annual reports)

#### SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT:

Once again the District reports a candidate for the ministry, namely Leslie Boseto of Choiseul, who recently spent two years in New Zealand. The Rev. Francis Bongbong commences probation,

while the Revs. John Bitibule and Joeli Zio are recommended for ordination. These all help provide the indigenous ministry so urgently needed by the District. The District is encouraged to take these steps by the reception given the Rev. Samson Pataaku, when he took up his ministry on probation among the Nagavisi people. These appointments, together with increased responsibilities given to Tongan and Fijian missionaries, and the proposals for the division of Roviana and Buin circuits, point towards increasing autonomy of the Church within the District. A Synod standing committee is to be established with the injunction to make immediate plans for the District Diamond Jubilee in 1962.

Meantime, the interest of the Solomon Islands Methodists in the New Guinea Highlands field has been further quickened. An overseas missionary committee has been set up and various financial grants made from the fund established by the Solomon Islands circuits themselves. They gave £579 for the Highlands mission last Christmas. Four more Solomon Islanders are designated for the Highlands field.

The financial returns from the District are not quite up to 1959 figures, but running expenses likewise were somewhat less than expected. The District, however, has many capital projects. The emphasis this year has been on churches. The erection of the Emmanuel Chapel at Goldie College, Banga, financed partly from the fund raised from the "Lotu" readers by the Rev. A. A. Bensley during his term as editor, was completed in December. Now the long awaited church at Honiara is ready for opening and a new parsonage also nearly complete. The Synod recommends the appointment of a New Zealand minister to Honiara.

Shipping matters continue to give the District concern. The Board is asked to supply a vessel to replace the "Malakuna" and to equip the "Cicely 2" with a refrigerator.

Educational proposals abound. The necessity for fostering our post-primary and teacher training work is stressed. Further buildings, for which we shall call on legacy money, and further staff are called for. The Synod resolved: "We recommend to the Board that the attention of the Methodist Church be drawn to the need for more adequate staffing by overseas workers of our post-primary and district training institutions." This work is essential to the education of leaders.

In answer to the question on the spiritual state of the circuits, the Synod resolved: "Good news was received of the increasing interest in women's work. There is felt a growing desire for more use of the Holy Communion service and for more pastoral oversight. We note the joy of our people in the appointment of more ministers and catechists; also the increasing number of students in our schools, many of whom are taking a growing and active interest in the work of the Lotu. We note with concern, however, the growing number of people drawn away to follow the 'new way' of lotu led by Silas Eto; we are taking steps to combat the error that is spreading. We have confidence in God and in the power of the Gospel to save to the uttermost, and humbly acknowledge that the future is in His hands."

Because so many Bougainville people now live in Rabaul, it is likely that a Solomon Island worker will be stationed there, to work in conjunction with the New Guinea District.

Sister Lucy Money's completed New Testament in Bambatana has been published by the Bible Society. Sister Pamela Beaumont has given greater attention this year to translation in Siwai.

The Synod deeply appreciated the year of service given in Boys'

Brigade organising work by Mr Derek McKay. Several Bible class camps were held with good results.

#### PAPUA NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS DISTRICT:

In November, the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the work at Mendi will occur. Amidst the district celebrations of this event, there will be rejoicing that this year has marked the first fruits of the Gospel among the Highlands people. The Acting Chairman marks three highlights of the year. First, a service at Tari on 27th December last at which nineteen people (eight men, four women, six girls and one boy) made a public confession of faith in Jesus Christ. There have been similar occasions since. A number of people are now being prepared for Christian baptism. Secondly, one Mendi man, a medical orderly, has also accepted Christ. Thirdly, there has been the establishment of our work in the Nembi Valley (which to avoid confusion with Mendi, will be known as Nipa). The Australian Board has already recognised Nipa as a separate circuit, of which the Rev. C. J. Keightley is the pioneer missionary and superintendent. The establishment of the work at Nipa means that heavier calls will be made on our New Zealand fund for the Highlands, which is to bear the cost of the new station. The district and the Board are in consultation regarding the allocation of this fund.

Enheartening reports come from all four New Zealand workers in this District. The other workers are drawn from Australia (8), Germany (1), Tonga (1), New Guinea District (10), Solomon Islands District (6, with 4 newly appointed) and Papua District (5).

The pioneer missionary, the Rev. Gordon H. Young, has returned to circuit work in South Australia. A message of appreciation for his leadership has been sent him by the Board. The Board supports the nomination of the Rev. Roland L. Barnes, L.Th., as the new Chairman. During the furlough of Mr Barnes, Mr Keightley will be acting Chairman.

"There is reason to believe," writes the new Chairman, "that in the Mendi and Tari areas, there are approximately 90,000 people we can reach quite readily. We are reminding ourselves that we are here not just to do Mission work, but to bring these into God's Kingdom. We seek to direct our young members to this task."

E. W. HAMES, Deputy Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

#### NEW CONSTITUTION

##### THE OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT

(Law Book, Par. 504, P. 106).

504. (1) There shall be an Overseas Mission Department established under the control and direction of the Conference. The Overseas Missions Department shall be the legal successor of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand.

(2) The Department shall be managed by a Board called the Overseas Missions Board, which shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(3) The objects of the Department shall be:—

(a) To represent the Methodist Church of New Zealand in Christian evangelism among non-Christian peoples in countries overseas to which its missionaries are or may be appointed.

(b) To organise programmes of Christian witness, education, medical and pastoral care, and economic and social welfare, within such countries.

- (c) To conduct relationships with Churches in overseas countries where the missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand are or may be at work.
  - (d) To negotiate with governments and other official bodies on matters pertaining to the work of the Department, as the Board may consider necessary.
  - (e) In collaboration with interested Church Departments and other bodies, to organise and promote missionary education within New Zealand.
- (4) The funds of the Department shall be derived from the following sources:—
- (a) Income from properties and investments.
  - (b) Collections, subscriptions and donations.
  - (c) Gifts and legacies.
  - (d) Grants from governments and public bodies.
  - (e) Grants from connexional funds.
  - (f) Other sources as from time to time may be determined by the Conference.
- (5) The Overseas Missions Board shall comprise (a) The President of the Conference, (b) the Officers of the Department, (c) Resident members, being members resident within the Auckland District, and (d) Distant members, being members resident within other Districts of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The office of the Board shall be located at Auckland.
- (6) The Officers of the Department shall be a Chairman, a General Secretary and a Treasurer. Unless otherwise determined by the Conference, the Chairman of the Auckland District shall be the Chairman of the Board. The General Secretary shall be appointed in pursuance of paragraph 143. The Treasurer, who shall be a layman, shall be appointed by the Conference.
- (7) The resident members shall consist of the following: The Chairman of the Auckland District (if not Chairman of the Board); six ministers; six laymen; the General Superintendent of the Home Mission and Church Extension Department or his Assistant; one representative of the Department of Christian Education; the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if resident in the Auckland District); two members, nominated by the Dominion Conference of the M.W.M.U.
- (8) The distant members shall consist of the following: four ministers; four laymen; the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if not resident in the Auckland District); two members, nominated by the Dominion Conference of the M.W.M.U.; the Chairman of the Solomon Islands District; one representative, ministerial or lay, from each of the Solomon Islands District Synod and the Papua New Guinea Highlands district Synod, each such representative to be nominated by the Synod of the District in which he serves and to attend when in New Zealand.
- (9) An annual meeting of the Board shall be held, at which the work of the Department shall be reviewed, its financial position considered and the policy for the year determined. If so recommended by the Officers of the Department, or if requested by a majority of the distant members of the Board, the General Secretary shall call a special meeting of the Board.
- (10) In the intervals between the annual and special meetings of the Board, the Officers of the Department and the resident members shall have full power to conduct the business of the Department, provided, however, that no alteration in the general policy determined by

the Board at the annual or a special meeting shall be made unless any proposed alteration shall have first been submitted to all members of the Board with a view to securing from such members an expression of opinion thereon, and unless such alterations shall have been sanctioned by a majority of Board members.

(11) The President of the Conference shall be Chairman of all meetings (if present) and in his absence the Chairman of the Board shall be entitled to preside, but if neither be present, the members present shall elect a Chairman.

(12) In the event of any member notifying his inability to attend any annual or special meeting of the Board, the President of the Conference may appoint a substitute, always preserving the distinction between resident and distant members.

(13) The Board shall have power to superintend and direct the financial and administrative affairs of the Department and transact all business in relation to Overseas Missions and shall submit an annual report and financial statement, duly audited, to the Conference.

(14) The Board shall have power to make and amend rules, regulations and conditions governing (i) the selection, training, service, medical examinations and furlough of all persons employed by the Department (ii) the allowances other than the stipends of ministerial missionaries appointed from New Zealand (iii) the stipends and allowances of ministerial missionaries received from other Conferences for service in our mission Districts (iv) the employment, remuneration and allowances of all other agents employed by the Board.

(15) District Overseas Missions Committees shall be appointed by the Conference to co-operate with the Board in furthering the work of Overseas Missions.

(16) One Sunday in each year shall be designated "Overseas Missions Sunday" in each church or preaching place.

(17) A candidate for the position of a lay missionary shall be a Local Preacher or shall be required to pass an examination in Methodist doctrine and polity before a Committee appointed for that purpose.

(18) Lay Missionaries shall be under the direction of the Superintendent of the circuit to which they are appointed.

(19) The Board, after obtaining the consent of the President of the Conference, may recall a missionary provided that this power shall not be exercised except by a vote of an absolute majority of the Officers of the Department and resident members of the Board, the other members having been previously notified.

(20) Any Minister transferred by an Australian Conference to the New Zealand Conference for appointment as a missionary under the jurisdiction of the Methodist Church of New Zealand shall have the right to return to the Conference to which he formerly belonged.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT, 1960**

A surplus of £1500 in the Income and Expenditure Account has been transferred to the Accumulated Fund, which now amounts to £5200.

The incidence of payments by the Circuits brought a record income for the financial year. The returns for the 1959 appeal year showed only a slight increase above the 1958 record, and there is no evidence that there will be any further increase in the current year.

There was a substantial decrease in the Solomon Islands Circuit Income. The possibility of this decrease had been foreseen. As the

figure was below £12,000, no amount was available for transfer to the Solomon Islands District Reserve.

Expenditure in both the Solomon Islands and the New Guinea Highlands Districts was below the estimates. Head Office payments were as estimated.

Capital Expenditure amounted to £10,700. The final payments were made on account of the Leper Relief Vessel "Ozama Twomey". The total cost of construction and delivery was £26,880. This was entirely met from Leper Trust Board Grants. In addition to increased grants for general medical work and for upkeep of "Ozama Twomey", the Leper Trust Board has made a further special grant of £3000 for construction of a Hospital Dispensary.

The vessel "Blue Lagoon" was sold at a satisfactory price. The proceeds have been partly applied to the purchase of Boat Equipment and repairs to "Mandalay".

The notable happening of the year, financially, was the unexpected receipt of War Damage Compensation in respect of losses in the B.S.I.P. The amount was £30,437, together with £1276, a refund of sums advanced to members of the staff to cover their individual losses. The Board authorised the transfer of £7000 to the Boat Insurance Fund, £6000 to the Fire Insurance Fund and £2500 to the Honiara Church Building Fund.

**Investments:** Receipts from Government Inscribed Stock and Local Body Debentures matured were £10,000. The amount of £13,000 transferred to the Insurance Funds was invested in 5 per cent Local Body Stock. £5000 was lodged with the Home Mission Investment Funds Board at call—restoring the advance called in during the previous year—and £2000 with the Transport Trust Board. Further lodgments have been made in Savings Bank Accounts, these being held to meet periodical heavy payments locally and by draft.

Receipts in the Building and Equipment Fund from legacies were £4250. The balance of this Fund, available for Capital Expenditure, is £8000.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the Treasurer's Report, Statements of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet be received and adopted.
3. That the Estimates of General Income and Expenditure and Special Expenditure for 1960-61 be received and adopted.
4. **Greetings:**
  - (a) That the Conference be associated with the greetings sent by the Board to the workers overseas and to the Solomon Islands Church.
  - (b) That a special greeting be sent from the Conference to the workers in the Papua New Guinea Highlands District on the attainment of the tenth anniversary of the Highlands Mission (23rd November, 1960).
5. **Retirements:**

That Conference be associated with the appreciation expressed by the Board to retiring workers, namely Sisters Merle Carter, Nancy Ball, Rewa Williamson, Phyllis Rudolph, Messrs J. M. Miller and S. Ligairi (of Fiji).
6. **Fraternal Visit:**
  - (a) That Conference approve the proposed fraternal visit to the Solomon Islands District.

- (b) That the Rev. E. C. Leadley be asked to undertake this visit, suitable arrangements being made for supply in Auckland South Circuit.
  - (c) That Conference appoint Mr Leadley to represent the New Zealand Church at the ordination of the Revs. J. Bitibule and J. Zio.
7. I.M.C. Study Conference of Pacific Church Leaders, Samoa, April, 1961:  
That Conference endorse the arrangements made by the Solomon Islands Synod for the Rev. Joel Zio to represent the Solomon Islands Church at this conference, and by the Board for the General Secretary to attend as observer.
  8. Central Theological College for New Guinea and Solomon Islands Districts:  
That the Conference endorse the approval given by the Board to the proposal to establish such a college, and asks both districts concerned to prepare a detailed scheme with estimates to submit to both the Australian and New Zealand Boards.
  9. Constitution of the Department:  
That Conference approve the change of name of the "Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand" to be "The Overseas Missions Department of the Methodist Church of New Zealand".
  10. That appropriate steps be taken to change names as follows:—
    - (a) "Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand Trust Association" to "Methodist Overseas Missions (New Zealand) Trust Association".
    - (b) "Methodist Foreign Mission Investment Board" to "Methodist Overseas Missions Investment Board".
  11. That Conference receive and give general approval to the proposed new wording of law para. 504 (1-20) to replace the present para. 504 (1-19) and refer the matter to the Law Revision Committee for final drafting and presentation to Conference, 1961: Provided, however, that Clause 17 shall be altered to read:—  
"A candidate for missionary service, not being a minister, shall be a local preacher or shall be required to pass an examination in Methodist doctrine and polity before a committee appointed for that purpose."
  12. That where they occur in Church Law the words "Foreign Missions" be replaced by "Overseas Missions".
  13. That the new basis of membership of the Overseas Missions Board take effect from 1st February, 1961.
  14. That the Law Revision Committee in consultation with the Overseas Missions Board, revise the balance of paragraph 504 and submit a new constitution to Conference, 1961.
  15. That the Solomon Islands District, in collaboration with the Overseas Missions Board, prepare a set of regulations to govern the practice of the Islands Church, such regulations to be consistent at all points with the principles and provisions of the Book of Laws.
  16. That the Law Revision Committee be requested to consult with the Overseas Missions Board and report to 1961 Conference on the practicability of providing that not more than two lay representatives of overseas missions, in addition to the Lay Treasurer, may be appointed by the Board as members of the Conference.

17. That Conference approve the policy of appointing a separated Chairman of the Solomon Islands District, this decision to take effect, if practicable, at the 1961 Conference.
18. That the following notice be received:  
 "That Conference note the Board's intention to seek at 1961 Conference to fill the vacant (New Zealand) ministerial appointment to the Solomon Islands District."
19. **Methodist Fraternal Workers:**
  - (a) That Conference request the Overseas Mission Board to consider the relationship of Methodist fraternal workers in missionary work in the Pacific Islands and South East Asia to the over-all missionary programme of our Church and to the Board and to report to 1961 Synods and Conference.
  - (b) That, in view of an emergency situation that has arisen in relation to Methodist fraternal workers already overseas, Conference members and other New Zealand Methodists be invited to contribute to a Special Fraternal Workers' Fund to be administered by the Overseas Mission Board.
  - (c) That the first £200 raised for the Fraternal Workers' Fund be allocated by the Board to the specific emergency at present before us, any further amount to be held pending the determination of our policy in relation to fraternal workers.

**Board Appointments, 1961:**

20. That the Rev. C. T. J. Luxton be appointed Chairman of the Overseas Missions Board.
21. **Representatives to C.O.M.I.C.A.:**  
 Rev. S. G. Andrews and Mr S. N. Roberts.
22. **District Overseas Missions Conveners:**  
 NORTHLAND: Rev. P. P. Rushton.  
 AUCKLAND: Rev. G. R. Trebilco.  
 SOUTH AUCKLAND: Rev. J. Churchill.  
 TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. J. H. Hall.  
 WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT: Rev. W. C. Jenkin.  
 HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Mr J. S. Rowe.  
 WELLINGTON: Rev. I. M. Raynor.  
 NELSON: Rev. E. F. Hanson.  
 NORTH CANTERBURY: Rev. T. Shepherd.  
 SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. L. F. Bycroft.  
 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev. L. Shapcott.
23. That the Home and Overseas Missions Boards be authorised to arrange in consultation for simultaneous observance throughout the connexion of—
  - (a) Home Mission Sunday, and
  - (b) Overseas Missions Sunday.
24. That the Board be as printed on page 6 herein.

# Methodist Women's Missionary Union of N.Z.

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING  
31st AUGUST, 1960.

It is our privilege to present this, the 46th Annual Report of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union for the year ending 31st August, 1960. As we review the year's work, the first for the present Executive, we give thanks and praise to our Heavenly Father for Spiritual Guidance and for the steady progress that has been made. Again we are happy to report advancement and continued interest by the members throughout the Dominion.

## **Tribute:**

On the 12th July, Mrs E. M. Lewis of Auckland was called "Home" suddenly. Mrs Lewis served the Union as Dominion Secretary in 1937. She will be remembered for her loyal service to her Church and her Lord. To others of our Union who have passed to higher service we pay our tribute also, and extend sincere sympathy to those who have passed through days of sorrow and bereavement.

## **Executive:**

Meetings have been held regularly each month plus a special meeting at Ashburton in conjunction with the Dominion Executive of the Women's Guild Fellowship to discuss matters pertaining to the 'Arahina' Marton Conference. All have commenced with a period of devotion led by one of our members.

## **Membership:**

This stands at 6,363, an increase of 52 on last year. The number of Gleaners still varies considerably on the returns sent in, making it difficult to record accurately the true figure. However, it would seem that the year has been a good one, two new groups having been formed.

## **District Councils:**

District working continues in nineteen districts with conventions having been held in all. One or two have held more than one so as to contact all members. A personal message has been sent to all by the Dominion President. These meetings prove well worthwhile for their Christian fellowship and their educational value.

## **Auxiliaries:**

The total number is now 226, an increase of 3. The new ones are:—Paekakariki (Wellington District; Kensington (South Canterbury District); and Waitati (Otago District).

## **President's Letter:**

Auxiliaries, through their District Councils, all pay glowing tributes to these monthly letters. A vast amount of time and thought is put into the compiling of same. 2,600 copies are printed and sent out each month.

## **New Workers:**

Sister Beryl Grice was dedicated at Cambridge and left New Zealand on the 1st of February to serve in the Solomons for one year under the Order of St. Stephen. Sister Lorraine J. Flowers is on loan to the Australian Mission Board. Her dedication service took place at the All Saints' College, Sydney, she is now serving on the 5th Methodist Mission Station in Arnhem Land. Sister Kathleen Shaw, a teacher, was dedicated on the 13th of March in the Durham Street Church, Christchurch, and left for training at the All Saints' College on March 21st. She is expected to leave for the Solomon Islands in November next. Sister Gladys Larkin, a nurse, whose

dedication took place in Cambridge Terrace Church, Christchurch, on July 10th, left New Zealand for the Solomon Islands on July 28th.

#### Deputation:

Sister Audrey Highnam did itinerary work in the Wellington, Manawatu and North Canterbury Districts. Whilst no official deputation was planned for Sisters Lesley Bowen, Beulah Reeves and Rewa Williamson, all three sisters have taken every opportunity of telling of their work and have addressed many gatherings.

#### President's Visitation:

The Dominion President, Mrs A. E. Richards, has visited the West Coast and South Canterbury Districts for their Convention meetings.

#### Marton Conference:

This special conference called to discuss our Women's work throughout the Dominion, was a time of deep thought and discussion. It seemed that the Holy Spirit was leading and directing our thoughts along the lines of greater service for the Kingdom of God in the future. It would also seem that we must be prepared for changes in the future, and be ready to serve as God directs. The findings will be discussed during Conference.

In conclusion, we express our deep appreciation to all District Officers for their co-operation, and to the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, for their kindly help and guidance.

As we go forward into the future, trusting in the power of God to direct our planning, confident that He will guide our path, may we be,

*Like the stars that shine afar,  
Without haste and without rest,  
Let each one wheel with steady sway  
Round the task that rules the day  
And do their best.*

A. E. RICHARDS, President.

E. M. GERRY, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That appreciation be expressed to the M.W.M.U. for their consistent support to the Missionary work of the Church.

QUESTION L.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?

## Home Mission Department

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

#### Staff:

Last Conference saw several changes in the full-time staff of our Home Missionaries. After a very faithful ministry, Rev. H. R. Wright was placed on the retired list. In addition, four of our Senior Home Missionaries, Revs. W. J. Henderson, C. E. Roke, O. L. Christian and F. D. Peterson, were brought forward within their Districts as Special Candidates for the ministry and were accepted and ordained by the Conference. This has greatly altered the position of fully accredited Home Missionaries.

Four new Home Missionary Probationers were accepted, Messrs M. L. Bruce, R. E. Fields, D. H. Ansell and K. J. Keall.

### Obituary:

We regret to report the death during the year of Rev. W. Sussex, one of our Retired Home Missionaries. Mr Sussex was a valued member of our staff for many years.

### Policy re the Employment of Home Missionaries:

Immediately following last Conference the Board reviewed the whole policy of the employment of Home Missionaries. The following plan was adopted and is now recommended to Conference for approval:

- (1) Even though the Church has largely attained its objective of an adequate trained ministry, it is most likely that in a growing country like New Zealand there will always be a need for a certain number of men to fulfil a "supply ministry."
- (2) It is envisaged that for this supply ministry only two types of men will be sought for Home Mission status:
  - (a) Experienced laymen who on early retirement from other employment could offer some years of active full-time service to the Church,
  - (b) Men who desire to test themselves in the work in response to a sense of call to the ministry, before offering themselves as candidates. This should be looked on as a temporary supply service.

### Church Extension. Home Mission Special Loans Account:

We again draw the attention of our people to the service being given to the Church by our Special Loans Account. In this we had at 30th April over £63,000 out on loan at 3½% of interest. Normally this would be earning at least 5%, and we are thus making a grant of over £1,000 per annum which otherwise would appear in our Income from Properties and Investments. It is a great service to the Church. These comprise 81 loans throughout the Connexion covering Churches, Sunday Schools, Parsonages and certain Maori Mission loans.

\* During the year we printed and circulated to our ministers a special circular inviting deposits by interested people of sums at call with varying terms of notice, at a moderate rate of interest. We would urge our people to give serious consideration to this means of serving the Church. In this connection it should be pointed out that all clerical and recording costs are carried in the office as a service to the Church and that the whole Loans policy has meant a very great addition to the work of our office staff.

### Policy Under the New Overall Connexional Budget System:

We have realised that the inauguration of the Connexional Budget will mean some revision of the programme of activities of the Superintendents of the Department. The older pattern of an annual Deputation visit to every Circuit will not be necessary. However, a policy of continued publicity and education with occasional special visits will be necessary.

a. Part of the Stewardship programme must be a constant educational policy. We envisage a regular Stewardship Budget Bulletin going out to all our people—covering briefly each time the total commitment, but in turn giving special emphasis to one or more of the special units. In this connection we would expect to provide one such annual bulletin covering the work of our Department. We would also recommend the setting aside of our Sunday for the special interpretation annually of the work of each of the Mission Departments of the Church.

b. For the Superintendents the following emphasis will be taken up:

- (1) The sharing in the usual growing programme of administration at headquarters.
- (2) Making each year a comprehensive and detailed deputation visit to one or two Synodal Districts, visiting every preaching place, holding gatherings for Missionary Education and Study, thus such visits would be very special occasions, deserving of a loyal effort to make them an outstanding success.
- (3) The surveying of the Church Extension situation in each district and seeking in consultation with Superintendents of Circuits and Synod Standing Committees to initiate and guide the programme of advance.
- (4) A more frequent coverage of the Maori Field, co-operating with the Maori Mission Staff in special services and gatherings, pastoral visiting, and encouragement of the basic organisation of the Mission.
- (5) Much closer co-operation with the work of the Spiritual Advance Committee in conducting Missions of Teaching, Inspiration and Appeal.
- (6) Co-operation with the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee in visiting Districts or Circuits where consultation and inspirational gatherings could assist in places of special need.

c. **Grant Application Forms.** In view of the widespread Stewardship set-up in so many of our Circuits, new forms for annual returns in applying for Home Mission grants have become necessary. An interim cyclostyled form is being used this year, which takes cognisance of the existence of Circuit Stewardship Programmes. Next year we shall have special forms printed to work in with the Connexional Budgeting System.

**Loan of Rev. J. A. Penman as Acting Stewardship Officer:**

As the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee had been thus far unsuccessful in obtaining the services of a suitable layman as Director of Stewardship, and it was essential that some capable person should be handling the urgent programme involved in initiating the over-all Connexional Budget, the Board agreed to lend Mr Penman to the Committee for the balance of this Connexional year, the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee to continue its efforts to secure a suitable layman, and the Board strongly expressed its profound conviction that Mr Penman should return to his work with this Department at the end of that period.

**General Superintendent:**

At the forthcoming Conference it will be thirty years since the General Superintendent was first appointed to the Department as Assistant Superintendent; and this year is his twenty-first year as General Superintendent. By Conference resolution Mr Laurenson has three more years to go in this appointment as his final term as General Superintendent, and only a further three years after that before retirement. The Policy regarding Departmental leadership needs careful thought.

**The Board:**

The death of Dr Maharaia Winiata, and the resignations of Messrs W. E. Donnelly and R. G. Laking during the year was all a great loss to our Board. We have been grateful to receive as new members, Messrs A. Turner and A. McLachlan. In addition Mrs A. E. Richards and Mrs H. J. Beavis replaced Mrs Carter and Mrs

Hemmings as representatives of the M.W.M.U. The Connexion is well served by a loyal group of ministers and lay folk on this important Board.

### **The Literature and Colporteur Society:**

The major programme of re-building that is shortly to be undertaken by the Auckland Methodist Central Mission means that for an interim period, the activities of the Epworth Bookroom (Auckland) will be carried on under somewhat difficult circumstances. We urge our ministers and laymen to give all possible publicity to this work and loyally to support the Literature and Colporteur Society in its activities.

### **Office Accommodation:**

The Department offices will also be in temporary accommodation during the re-building period. This will of necessity mean considerable re-organisation, during two shifts, and we ask our people to realise the extra work that will be involved, and to be patient. We are grateful to the Central Mission for their efforts to secure suitable temporary accommodation for Bookroom and Departmental Offices. Considerable outlay will inevitably be involved for Bookroom and Department Funds in the two stages of development.

### **Further Staff Changes:**

At the forthcoming Conference, two losses that we can ill afford just now will be taking place in the Retirement of Rev. F. E. Trim who will be nominated for Retired Home Missionary Status, and the resignation of Pastor E. H. Downer from service as a Home Missionary Supply. Both of these members of our staff have been supplying circuit appointments so that their withdrawal is a further heavy loss in a year that is already very difficult for stationing. We record our great appreciation of the very helpful service rendered by Mr and Mrs Trim and Mr and Mrs Downer in their various appointments.

### **Conclusion:**

We again commend our work to the generous and prayerful concern of our people.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman of the Board.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Policy re Employment of Home Missionaries as outlined in the Report be approved as the Policy of the Conference.
3. That the following be referred to the Church Council:—"This Conference, while desiring in no way to minimise the importance of the work of the Home Mission Department since its inception, nevertheless believes, in view of the development of the Circuit system and improved methods of District and Circuit management, and of the prospective conclusion of the present term of the General Superintendent of the Department, that serious consideration should be given to a changed strategy 'involving the formation of fewer and stronger Districts in which Chairmen can be sufficiently separated to be able to exercise pastoral leadership to both the ministry and the Circuits in place of that now given by the Department.'"
4. That the following Statements of Account be received and adopted.
  - (a) The General Fund.
  - (b) The Maori Mission Account.
  - (c) The Investment Funds Board.

- (d) The Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust.
  - (e) Seamer House Hostel.
  - (f) The Mission Property Trustees.
  - (g) The Literature and Colporteur Society.
5. That the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the year 1961 be received and adopted.
  6. That Treasurers for 1961 be the Rev. J. A. Penman and Mr B. O. Stokes.
  7. That Conference give permission to the Home Mission Board to consider during the year a nomination of a successor to Mr Penman as Assistant Superintendent to be appointed at Conference 1961.
  8. That Conference express thanks to all who have served the Department during 1960.
  9. Conference congratulates the General Superintendent on his completion of 30 years of service with the Department, 21 years as Superintendent.
  10. That the District Home Mission Conveners be:
    - Northland—The Rev. D. H. Burt.
    - Auckland—The Rev. H. W. Kitchingman.
    - South Auckland—The Rev. C. L. Duder.
    - Taranaki-Wanganui—The Rev. E. L. Le Couteur; sub-district, the Rev. W. C. Jenkin.
    - Hawkes Bay-Manawatu—The Rev. W. J. Henderson.
    - Wellington—The Rev. W. J. Cable.
    - Nelson—The Rev. A. Grundy.
    - Christchurch—The Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A.
    - South Canterbury—The Rev. T. L. Bennett.
    - Otago-Southland—Mr A. H. Harman.
  11. That the Board be as printed on page 6 herein.
  12. That the estimates for the Budget for 1961 be received and adopted.
  13. That the following be given the status of Senior Home Missionaries: F. L. Johnson, A. E. Tardif.

**QUESTION LI.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Maori Work?

## Maori Mission Report

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

#### Obituary:

The whole of our Maori Mission came under a heavy shadow during the year with the sudden passing of our beloved Dr Maharaia Winiata. Throughout the whole of our Mission and out into the wider Church and community his influence was widely felt, and we shall miss him greatly for his bright personality, and his mature Christian Leadership.

#### Missionary in the Maori Work:

We have pleasure in recommending that Rev H. A. Darvill be appointed for a further three years as Missionary in the Maori work.

#### Deaconess Staff:

With the resignation of Sisters Mavis Dickie, Winnifred Bennett, Frances Smith and June Peters, to be married, and the entry of Miss Graewyn Hammond into Deaconess House, our Deaconess position promised to be very serious. We were grateful, however, for the

appointment of Probationers Joan Wedding, Erena Browne, and Norma Yarr from Deaconess House, and the offer of Sisters Atawhai (Mrs G. George) and Miss Barbara Miller, a graduate of the N.Z.B.T.I. to give full time supply work. Very faithful work is being done by our Staff and we pay a ready tribute to them all. We have on our staff 11 full time Deaconesses, one semi-retired Deaconess in full status, three full time and three part-time Deaconess supplies.

#### **New Honorary Maori Home Missionary:**

The Board was pleased during the year to grant Honorary Home Missionary status to Mr Matu Makiha, of Taheke.

#### **Rev. Te Awha Tahere, Visit to Indonesia:**

Mr Tahere has returned from his visit as a member of the New Zealand Fraternal Christian group who visited Indonesia under the auspices of the National Council of Churches. He was also able to visit our Australian Aboriginal Mission Field in North Australia. We are grateful to those folk who contributed to the fund\* for the travelling expenses of Mr Tahere.

#### **Our Maori Hostels:**

These Hostels of our Church are filling a great need and we are sure that this aspect of the Maori Mission Service will become more urgent as the Maori race increases.

We would be very glad to hear from any suitable Christian folk who would be willing to serve in the guidance of these Hostels. A married couple given accommodation, the wife acting as Matron and the husband giving fatherly oversight to the home and going out to his normal occupation for his employment, is to us the best set-up. It gives to each Hostel the home atmosphere that is essential. We would welcome the offer of two such couples very urgently in the New Year.

**Fire at Te Rahui (T).** Just prior to Christmas a serious fire occurred at our Maori Boys' Hostel in Hamilton. The building has been since restored, but it meant that instead of the usual 37 boys, we had only about 10 for almost six months. This has been a strain on the Hostel finances. While the Hostel was adequately insured, certain maintenance work including replacement of roofing not damaged by fire meant that additional outlay of several hundreds of pounds was incurred. Any gifts to assist in covering this would be much appreciated. The work is again proceeding very satisfactorily.

**Te Rahui (W).** We were grateful to the M.W.M.U. for indicating that their Special Objective for 1960 would be for assisting in the renovation and re-equipping of this Maori Girls' Hostel in Hamilton. This property was not originally planned or built for Hostel purposes. It was decided to seek some assistance from the Maori Purposes Fund Board to carry out some structural alterations to add greatly to the convenient working of the Hostel. This request was met by a splendid grant of £2,000, and with this help certain essential alterations are being put in hand so that the new equipment and furnishings will be placed in much more convenient setting.

We greatly regret that for family reasons Mr and Mrs Roke are asking to be relieved of their Hostel appointment as from the end of the year and urgent replacement will be needed. Mr Roke will continue in his Maori Circuit appointment.

#### **J. R. McKenzie Trust:**

Again this year we have been encouraged by a grant of £300 from this Trust. It was specified as £100 each for Seamer House, Auckland, and Te Rahui (W) and Te Rahui (T) in Hamilton. We express our deep appreciation of this assistance.

### **Queen's Birthday Hui:**

Again this year our Maori Mission conducted a week-end Hui at Ngaruawahia Pa, Waikato. A good number gathered from all Districts and very valuable discussions took place. We were grateful to the Vice-President of Conference, Mr M. G. Hughson, for representing the President who was away in Australia at the time. Considerable discussion took place as to whether future policy should be of holding in alternate years only a Dominion gathering, but finally it decided to make it an annual event. In several areas the basic organisation of regional Committees and Quarterly Meetings is being developed, and the workers are seeing the value of these in creating a Church consciousness.

### **Mr Napi Waaka:**

Mr Napi Waaka, who was accepted by last Conference as a Maori Home Missionary, has taken up his duties in the Auckland Circuit. He is also attending the School for Christian Workers at Trinity College, and intends at a later date to offer as a candidate for the Ministry.

### **Our People and the Sects:**

We are suffering constantly from the inroads of various militant sects and movements among our people. It is most unwise to make a great fuss when this takes place, but instead it is necessary for our workers to sustain a more Biblical and Devotional ministry in a steady and faithful manner and to indicate to the people who are being disturbed that our Church is going on faithfully with its task. We call on all our interested Church people, Pakeha and Maori, to maintain constant prayer for our Maori people in these disturbed conditions.

### **Scattered Maori Families:**

There are many circuits where a small number of our Methodist Maori families are residing and where only occasional visits are possible from our Maori Mission Staff. Our workers in such cases are instructed to pass on names and addresses of such families to our Circuit Ministers. We would urge our ministers and local congregations to do everything possible to minister to these families as a normal responsibility, and by patient and considerate efforts to endeavour to gather them into the common fellowship of the Church.

### **The South Island Maori Work:**

A great deal of consideration has been given to this during the year. We are very grateful for a growing interest and concern on the part of our South Island ministers and officials in this matter, and especially for the practical assistance of the Christchurch Central Mission.

We again point out that the primary and normal responsibility for the shepherding of these scattered South Island Maori families rests on the Pakeha Circuits, but we assure them that all possible assistance will be given by the Maori Mission staff.

We regret that we cannot at present make an appointment of a full time Maori worker to the South Island without seriously disrupting larger existing work at present under the care of our full time staff. Further, we cannot at the present juncture make any substantial change of the present appointments as some important developments in organisation are maturing in several areas which should not be endangered by premature changes.

It is evident that the Maori Minister best equipped by experience and family ties to make a strong contribution to the South Island work is the Rev. Ruawai D. Rakena. It is our intention to ask him

to take the special oversight of the organising of the South Island visits for the next twelve months, and for himself to make two extended visits during the year. Then in 1962 we propose to change the appointment of Mr Rakena and Mr Tahere, with Mr Rakena becoming Superintendent of the Taranaki-Wanganui Circuit, living at New Plymouth, with responsibility for the Maori Hostel contacts, development further of the North Taranaki Circuit work, and with the special oversight of the South Island Maori work. The North Taranaki Circuit area is the one where the least serious disruption of an existing pattern of Mission activities would be caused by the breaks for visiting the South Island. It is too big and important an area to leave vacant and it also has a big potential for development.

This year, all our Maori representatives to the Church Conference will be making a thorough coverage of the Maori communities in the south, prior to and following Conference.

We have asked the Sub-Committee of the North Canterbury Synod Standing Committee to endeavour to gather from all South Island Circuits statistics regarding the Church affiliation of the Maori families, especially with reference to Methodist, Anglican and Ratana membership.

#### **District Reports:**

In each District which includes a section of the Maori Mission, reports will be prepared for presentation to the Synod concerned with recommendations affecting the work.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman of the Board.

E. TE TUHI, Senior Maori Superintendent.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary to the Board.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Conference express greetings to the Maori staff and workers in their services for Christ.
3. That Rev. H. A. Darvill be appointed for a further term of three years as European Missionary in the Maori work.
4. Induction Service for Deaconesses. That the Faith and Order Committee in consultation with the Deaconess Board be requested to prepare an order of service for the Induction of Deaconesses into their appointments.
5. That the Home Mission Board in consultation with the Examination Committee prepare a suitable course of studies for candidates for Maori Home Missionary status (honorary or full time).
6. That the following be referred back to the Home Mission Board and Wesley College Board for consultation.

That in view of the urgent need for educated Maori Leadership, Conference expresses its concern at the small number of Maori lads at present on the Roll of Wesley College and therefore recommends, (a) That the Home Mission Board seek means of establishing suitable scholarships for attendance at Wesley College which would have as their intention the preparation of suitable young Maori men for leadership not only within the Church, but also in the community life of the Maori people; and (b) That some provision be made at Wesley College for instruction in the organisation and sanctions directing the affairs of the local Maori community.
7. That the following be referred to the Church Council for

consideration when the Memorandum from the Home Mission Board is under review.

That the matter of the Maori work of our Church be examined with reference to the questions of policy in the light of present trends, changing conditions and modern demands, the relation of the Maori Mission Department to the Home Mission Department, the financial appropriations in the light of the overall claims of the whole Church, for the purpose of implementing the most effective policy for extending the Kingdom of God among the Maori people. This matter to be reported direct to Synods and Conference.

8. "That Conference re-affirm the policy of appointing a full-time Maori Mission worker in the South Island at the earliest opportunity."

**QUESTION LII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting City Missions?

## **N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association**

### **ANNUAL REPORTS, 1960**

#### **I—M.S.S.A.**

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held in the Methodist Church Lounge, Picton, on 2nd March, 1960. The President of the Conference, Rev. A. Everil Orr, presided.

Representatives of City Missions, Orphanages and the Maori Mission reported on their work.

All aspects of our New Zealand Social Service work is in good heart, and undoubtedly the Social Service enterprises of the Church reveal that Methodism is translating the faith into terms of service.

**Health Dept. Policy:** Mr R. E. Sullivan, Senior Executive Officer of the Department of Health outlined to the Conference the Government policy in regard to care of the aged. He pointed out that 3% of the aged in New Zealand—approximately 9,000—are dependent upon someone else to provide care and attention for them. To date 4,000 beds are available in Eventide Homes, therefore nearly 5,000 are still required before the problem of the aged is overtaken. The Department stressed that the major concern of Religious and Welfare Organisations should be for the frail, infirm, convalescent and confused.

**Hospital Chaplaincy:** It was decided to survey the present arrangements for Hospital Chaplaincy in the main and secondary cities and to present a memorandum for a common pattern or organisation to the next meeting of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. This was submitted to Synod Standing Committees for consideration and comment during the year.

**Nelson Hospital:** The Association approved the establishment of a Home and Hospital for the aged in Nelson. The Hospital unit to be established first.

**Lister House, Waimate:** The President authorised the Superintendent of the Dunedin Central Mission to represent the M.S.S.A. on the Waimate Inter-church Committee to administer Lister House as a home for the aged in Waimate.

**Dominion Folder:** Final approval was given to the format of a Dominion Social Service folder and costs were allocated to constitutional members of the Association.

**Central Mission Administration:** A special Committee submitted a report on this matter. All Boards were requested to consider the

pattern of administration outlined, and to report on the matter to the next annual meeting.

The proposed new policy for the administration of all Social Service work is as follows:

1. Board of Management representing the District and Mission officials.
2. Trustees as at present.
3. Executive comprising a limited number of elected representatives from the Board of Management and Trust.
4. Sub-Committees subject to the Board to administer various Social Service Departments and Institutions, e.g., Eventide Homes, and Hospitals, Children's Homes, Youth Hostels.

**Ministerial Appointments:** The M.S.S.A. is firmly of the opinion, that the particular Methodist approach to Social Service work, in which it is centred on a worshipping congregation, is the right one. It gives opportunity for the full expression of the gospel, and presents our Missions with the opportunity of winning for Christ and His Church those whom they serve through their Social Service activities.

Concern was expressed that the Auckland Central Mission with its wide Social Service programme had never received a second appointment. The following resolution was unanimously approved: "It is the firm conviction of the Annual Meeting of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. that additional ministerial staffing at the Auckland Central Mission is regarded as urgent."

**Trained Staff:** With the growth of our Social Service institutions throughout the Dominion, it has become apparent that a supply of trained and dedicated staff is essential if we are to maintain our institutions as Christian homes.

It was decided to discuss this matter with the Department of Christian Education to see if there are ways in which the Order of St. Stephen could be adapted and broadened to help meet the need for dedicated staff.

**Insurance Schemes:** During the year we have suggested to the Deaconess Board that the retiring scheme for Deaconesses be examined and compared with the retiring schemes of the Foreign and Home Mission Departments.

We have requested the Connexional Secretary to report on the question of an insurance scheme for staff engaged in the churches' institutions.

**Publicity:** Sets of coloured slides depicting all branches of Social Service work throughout the country, are to be prepared and made available to circuits.

**Refugees:** The President reported that the Auckland Central Mission had taken the responsibility for the care of two refugees during the year.

**Sale of Te Atatu Hostel:** It was reported that the sale of this Hostel would realise approximately £17,000, £9,500 of which was Government subsidy.

The Auckland Area Committee of the M.S.S.A. is giving consideration to the erection of alternative Hostel accommodation.

**Maori Social Service:** The General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department stressed the need for increased Hostel accommodation over the next few years. This was due to the rapid population increase of the Maori race. The Home Mission Department is convinced that a need exists for a Hostel for Maori boys at New Plymouth, and to this end it is negotiating with the Government.

**Various Social Service Developments:** The following is a list of definite plans and some of the future proposals, showing the remarkable development that can be anticipated in Social Service enterprise throughout the Dominion.

**Auckland:** Nine-storey City Mission building in Civic Square. Cottages for the aged. 40-bed Hospital for the aged.

**Hamilton:** Eventide Settlement. 10 acres of land purchased for this purpose. Plans are now before the Government for the first stage of the scheme which will provide accommodation for 50 aged people.

**Wellington:** 48-bed Eventide Home. 10-bed Hospital for aged.

**Nelson:** Hospital for the Aged as first stage of an Eventide Settlement.

**Picton:** Sixteen-bed wing to be erected at Wesley House.

**Christchurch:** Eventide Settlement, including flats, hospital and home. Maori Meeting House now in course of construction.

**Waimate:** Combined Churches Home for the Aged.

**Timaru:** 36-bed Anglican-Methodist Old People's Home. This is sponsored on behalf of the Church by the Dunedin Central Mission.

**Dunedin:** New City Mission Building in the Octagon.

We commend the Social Service activities of the Church to our circuits and people. It is our privilege to minister to those in need in the name of Christ and His Church.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference request the M.S.S.A. to give widespread publicity to the hostel accommodation which is available to our Methodist people throughout the Dominion.

3. That the M.S.S.A. be asked to investigate the need for Eventide Homes in the Taranaki area, as previously requested.

4. That the Rev. A. E. Orr be appointed the Convener and official representative of the M.S.S.A. for 1961.

## II.—Central Missions

### A—CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH AND MISSION, DUNEDIN

The following is the 70th Report of Methodist Mission activities in Dunedin and the 7th Annual Report of the Central Methodist Church and Mission.

#### 1. General:

The Church owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to all those people who established a witness in the centre of Dunedin; to the late Rev. Leslie B. Neale, who initiated Social Service work on a new scale and in whose ministry the Company Bay Homes were established and the farm purchased; and to the Rev. Dr. Raymond Dudley, who extended the work by the establishment of the Citizens' Day Nursery, Wesley Manor and Wesley Residential Hall for students.

The new Superintendent is grateful to Dr. Dudley for the efficient state of the office and all records pertaining to Social Service, which enabled the change in superintendency to be carried out without any difficulties.

The Rev. E. Heppelthwaite continues to share in the Circuit work, together with certain District responsibilities. It has been obvious for a number of years that help was required in the administrative work of the Mission to enable the Superintendent to devote more time to Circuit work. The Board is grateful to God that it was able recently to appoint Mr Ian A. Skene as full-time Administrative Officer and Social Service Secretary. Mr Skene, who previously occupied an important business executive position, takes up his duties on the 1st July.

With the exception of Mr Skene's appointment and Miss Ruth Strange, who has returned to her home in Australia, there have been no other major staff changes in the past year.

Since our last report, a former Superintendent of the Central Mission, the Rev. Leslie B. Neale, B.A., M.B.E., F.R.G.S., has been called to Higher Service. Dunedin people from all walks of life remember his ministry with deep gratitude. At a Memorial Service in the Octagon Hall the Rev. Dr. R. Dudley paid fitting tribute to his memory. We offer thanks to God for the work and witness of Leslie B. Neale.

Miss Ruth Strange, who has been office secretary for the past five years, left at the end of 1959 to return to her home in Australia. We are grateful for the efficient work that Miss Strange did, not only in social service administration, but also in the general Circuit life.

## **2. Social Service Department:**

(i) **Retirement of Trust Secretary and Social Service Secretary:** Suitable tributes were paid to Mr H. H. Johnson, a former Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, who retired at the end of 1959 from the positions of Trust and Social Service Secretary after serving in these capacities for forty-seven years and having been a Board member for over 50 years. His place was taken by Mr A. L. Fleury.

(ii) **Finance:** The finances of the C.M.C.M. are in a sound position, although little canvassing has been done in recent years through pressure of work. It is anticipated that Mr Skene will be able to embark upon a comprehensive canvass as soon as possible.

(iii) **New Building—Octagon Site:** Our policy in regard to the erection of a new building remains unchanged. Little progress has been possible, however, since the change in superintendency. It is the Trust's desire to commence work as soon as possible, but a great deal has yet to be done in the matter of planning and raising necessary finance and it is unlikely that a start will be made before 1962. Discussions on this matter are to be held with the President of the Conference, the Rev. A. Everil Orr.

### **(iv) Institutions:**

(a) **In Dunedin:** Work among the aged at our Eventide Home and Hospital for Women at Company Bay and for aged men at Wesley Manor is being satisfactorily maintained. During the past year the staff situation has improved considerably. At present, the Board is discussing our future policy in regard to Annesley Flats for women, and will be considering extensions to our Wesley Residential Hall for men. The Day Nursery is carrying on under difficult conditions. Here, more than anywhere else, we are conscious of the inadequacy of our present buildings.

In December, 1959, Mr George Hughes, a faithful worker and convener of our Farms and Works Committee, died. Mr Peter Butcher, our new convener, has put a great deal of work into investigating the management and economy of the farm and our future policy there.

(b) **Waimate:** We congratulate the people of Waimate in the establishment of Lister House Incorporated. The South Canterbury-Otago-Southland M.S.S.A., as represented by the C.M.C.M., has agreed to meet a proportionate share of any annual deficit in the Home and, in return, the Waimate Quarterly Meeting has agreed to indemnify the C.M.C.M.

(c) **Timaru:** Since the announcement of a 100% Government subsidy for Eventide Homes, the Board of the Anglican-Methodist Old People's Home at Timaru has resolved to proceed with a thirty-six bed Eventide Home scheme in Timaru on the Wai-iti Road site. The estimated cost of the work will be in the vicinity of £85,000.

(d) **Radio Church of the Helping Hand:** We value the contact which we are able to make with a number of people through the Radio Church of the Helping Hand each Sunday morning. We are grateful to the Station Manager, Mr Gordon Mitchell and his staff. A new transmitter has enabled us to get a wider coverage.

### 3. Circuit Life:

The Services of the C.M.C.M. continue to be held in the morning in Trinity Church and in the evening in the Octagon Hall. During the year, it is proposed to conduct a Stewardship Review Campaign on the wider basis of time, talents and possessions. House fellowship meetings have been established in three areas. As a result of the Superintendent being freed from much of the routine administrative work, he hopes to concentrate on the general pastoral work and preaching ministry.

**Extensions at Waverley:** On the 3rd July, the President of Conference is to lay the Foundation Stone of a fine new Church Hall at Waverley and it is hoped that the building will be ready for occupation towards the end of the year. Services are being held at present in the Waverley School.

### 4. Conclusion:

We remember with thankfulness the devoted service of church officials, members of the staff and interested friends who have given of their best for the work of the C.M.C.M. There is a real sense of unity and purpose amongst our people, and, with a group of competent and dedicated lay readers to work with, the ministers look to the future with quiet confidence. Above all, we give thanks to God for His guidance and blessing in the past years and put our trust in Him for all that's to come.

D. B. GORDON,  
E. HEPPELTHWAITE, Ministers.  
S. LAWN,  
G. F. PASCOE, Circuit Stewards.  
A. L. FLEURY, Social Service Secretary.

## B—WESLEY CHURCH (WELLINGTON CENTRAL) SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST BOARD (Inc.)

(1) **Wesleyhaven:** During the year the Eventide Settlement homes have been fully occupied. There is still a large waiting list of applicants. At present there are 20 residents and the ministry to the senior citizens is being maintained.

**Property:** Plans have been approved for an additional main residential block of 48 bed-sitting rooms and amenities block. The Government subsidy of £113,000 has been granted for this work. Also a proposal for a 10-bed hospital wing and accommodation for a staff of 12 has been submitted to the Health Department for approval. Plans are also under consideration for additional pensioners' flats.

When completed the whole settlement should prove a worthy acquisition in which our Church can participate in the ministry of the aged.

**Staff:** Following the resignation of Mr N. R. Hooper as Custodian, who, with his wife, has given a number of years of faithful service, the appointment was made of Mr and Mrs C. D. Anderson who are rendering excellent service. The Matron, Miss M. Brewin, with her staff, continue to render devoted service which is greatly appreciated by the residents.

(2) **Epworth House:** The hostel at Claremont Grove continues to provide a Christian home for our young women who come to live in Wellington. At present there are eighteen being accommodated. Extensions and renovations carried out during the year have improved the facilities and the hostel is one of the finest in Wellington. A Government subsidy of over £910 has been received. The debt at present stands at £3184.

**Staff:** Following the resignation of Miss M. Smith, Mrs Jean Garrett was appointed acting matron as she is able to give us only a limited time. Mrs Garrett has brought to the hostel a gracious atmosphere and we are grateful for her willing assistance. We are seeking a suitable permanent appointment and will be grateful for any information that will enable the House Committee to find the right person for this work.

(3) **Department of Social Service:** An office and counselling centre has been established on Wesley Church property, 75 Taranaki Street. Miss P. Solloway has been appointed as Secretary. The appointment of Rev. B. H. Riseley as Director of Social Services has enabled the Board to proceed with this aspect of service to the community.

(4) **Finance:** We are grateful for the assistance rendered through the generosity of circuits and individuals. Our needs are still great and we still seek all the financial help possible to enable us to develop the work.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.  
T. M. STEPHENS, Secretary.

### C—CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION

We are happy to report that the year has brought no major staffing or administrative problems and the several departments and institutions have functioned smoothly under the guidance of their committees and staff.

**Rehua Maori Apprentices Hostel:** A contract was let for the erection of a twenty-four-bed dormitory (50 beds in all). To avoid the necessity of raising a mortgage for a portion of the finance a canvass of building and similar firms was made and also many individuals were contacted. Ultimately all the building materials were generously donated. The value of the building which has been erected free of debt is £5,500 and we gratefully acknowledge the generosity which has made it possible. The new residents moved in early in January, 1960. Approximately 100 Maori youths have come under the Christian influence of Rehua Hostel since its opening. Mr and Mrs H. Rennie, who have served as Master and Matron for the last six years, have recently resigned and we record our appreciation of their services over this strenuous development period.

**Rehua Recreation Hall/Meeting House:** Contemporaneously with the construction of the new dormitory, work was begun on a Recreation Hall/Meeting House. This artistic Meeting House will serve not only as a Recreation Hall but also as a point of Christian contact

with the Maori race. There is no other Meeting House in the South Island which faithfully expresses Maori art. The building is now structurally complete and will accommodate 200 persons. Most of the tuku-tuku panelling is finished and the carving is well in hand. The value of the building is approximately £9,000. The official opening is planned for later this year. An opportunity occurred to purchase 40 perches of land adjoining the Rehua block and this was done giving a total area of approximately 1½ acres. The Christchurch Junior Chamber of Commerce, during the year, made Rehua fencing one of their "projects". A total of £302 was raised and fencing of the entire property is well advanced. An offer of an adjoining property is being considered. It would provide admirable staff accommodation, or an ideal parsonage for a Maori Minister when it is possible to make such an appointment.

**Wesley Lodge:** This home continues to serve a maximum of old folk (30). The total number of admissions since the opening in November, 1952, is 78. During the year Sister L. White (sub-matron) retired and Miss J. Hill has been appointed to fill the vacancy. A strong committee, including several doctors, exercises oversight of both the Lodge and Wesley Hospital.

**Wesley Hospital:** In the three years of its life 235 patients have received the blessing of expert and loving care. A system of "short-term" beds (28 days) affords much needed temporary relief to the relatives of old folk. During the year it became apparent that it was necessary to increase the "living in" accommodation for nursing staff. It was fortunate that an adjacent house property became available for sale and this was purchased at a cost—including renovations and additions of £4,920. The property is now in excellent order and accommodates 6 nurses and aids.

**Wesley House, Picton:** Plans have now been approved by the Picton Committee and Board of Management for an additional 16 single rooms and only Governmental approval of the usual subsidy is now required. Miss E. Atkinson is a very capable Matron and the home is in every way a credit to the Church.

**Goodwill Store:** This continues to be an aspect of community service which plays a very important part in the lives of people on small incomes. Large quantities of serviceable used clothing are sold at "token" prices or are given freely in cases of extreme necessity.

**Darby and Joan Club:** Mrs W. A. Megson continues to give inspirational leadership to the 100 or more persons who constitute this club. Shortage of space is the only factor which restricts a large expansion. The development of adequate buildings on the Cambridge Terrace site is rapidly assuming a No. 1 priority.

**Hospital Chaplaincy:** The Board of Management in conjunction with the Synod Standing Committee continues to be responsible for the work at Christchurch and Burwood Hospitals, Cashmere Sanatorium, and Sunnyside Mental Hospital. Six Ministers serve as part-time Chaplains. We urge the Church to give serious consideration to the appointment of a full-time Chaplain.

**Staff:** We record our appreciation of the work of the Rev. H. G. Brown for the last four years. His successor, the Rev. D. W. Edmonds, has already commended himself to our people.

Sister Doreen Bulford's influence amongst non-church youth is increasingly effective and a "Teenagers Club" of 30 or more members is most encouraging.

During the year Mr J. E. Colechin joined the staff as administrative officer and is making a distinctive contribution in appeal organising and general activities.

**Gifts and Bequests:** The following bequests and gifts have been received during the period covered by this report: Estate M. H. Parker, £1,447/13/0, Estate O. E. Cresswell, £160/0/0, Estate K. Elliott, £350/0/0, Estate Mrs Kirk, £100/0/0, Estate R. J. O. Goodwin, £376/16/5, Arnold Williams and Heathcote Beale Memorial Trust, £200/0/0, Sargood Trust, £100/0/0, Rotorua Unclaimed Maori Trusts, £250/0/0 Maori Purposes Trust Fund Board, £500/0/0, McKenzie Trust, £110/0/0. Total £3,844/19/5.

**Repayment of Mortgages:** It is gratifying to be able to report that the mortgage amounting to £2,750 on the Mission Office property has been repaid and the premises are now free of debt.

**The Future:** The Board of Management is convinced of the need for an expansion of work among the aged frail. An eventide Settlement, comprising a home, a number of self-contained but centrally serviced flats and a hospital for the aged sick is the line upon which tentative plans are taking shape. Various sites are under consideration including land at the Children's Home, Papanui. A 24 bed hospital in Nelson is also fully approved and only awaits the sanction of the Health Department. Indications are that this will be granted in 1961. Also as mentioned above, the time is near when serious consideration must be given to the erection of a Mission building and Church, together with several floors for commercial offices. We are convinced that such a building would not only permit a vast increase in Social Service activity but would also be a financial asset.

**Finally:** We express our thanks to God for the loyal and devoted service of the fully employed staff, the Board members, conveners of committees and all concerned.

W. E. FALKINGHAM	} Ministers
D. W. EDMONDS	
H. G. STEWART, Secretary.	
A. A. DINGWALL, Treasurer.	

#### **D—AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION**

Evangelism and social services continue to go hand in hand in the maintenance and development of our work. Sunday services and the various groups and meetings have been well maintained.

**New Building Scheme:** That portion of land necessary in order to make a straight line across the Civic Square has been approved by the City Authorities and surveyors are now at work arranging for the Title. The Trustees have given long and studied consideration to a large number of sketch plans and have decided to make the office block an entity in itself so that the church and other amenities may have a distinctive setting in the Square. This calls for more traditional planning for the church on modern lines. The economic survey, the negotiations for a loan, housing work during building and other ramifications are being seriously studied.

#### **Homes and Hospital:**

Approximately 300-elderly people are on our waiting lists.

(a) **Astley House:** The work at Astley House continues under the able oversight of the Matron, Mrs I. Palmer.

(b) **Tyler House:** The Thomas Ashby Memorial Hospital was officially opened by Mrs M. W. Ashby last November, the Minister of Health, Hon. H. G. R. Mason, and the President of the Conference being in attendance. Sister M. Frampton is well equipped for her work as Matron.

(c) **Leigh Haven:** The cottages were commenced before Christmas, 1959. They provide flats for married couples, single folk and two elderly people who desire to live together in life's eventide. The official opening will take place on Saturday, 3rd September, 1960.

(d) **Wesley Hospital:** The preliminary plans for a new Hospital together with a laundry to provide for all our Institutions, are now before the Health Department for approval in principle. In the first stage the present hospital will be converted into a Nurses' Home and a new hospital will provide for 40 beds. The second stage is planned for a further story of 40 beds and an extension to the Nurses' Home. The first stage will cost up to £120,000, excluding furnishings. Sister Preece has rendered excellent service since the inception of the hospital.

(e) **South Auckland Project:** Preliminary plans to provide for 30 women, 10 men and 10 hospital beds, with staff quarters and caretaker's cottage, are also before the Health Department for approval. When this portion of scheme has been established the matter of further accommodation in the form of cottages and hospital will be considered. The initial project will cost up to £130,000. The South and North Auckland representatives meet with the District M.S.S.A. so that the whole District is behind the scheme. In conjunction with the South Auckland Standing Committee, a committee for the project has been formed. Over £3,000 is in hand.

(f) **Campbell's Bay Health Camp and Waiheke Holiday House:** The central block of the Health Camp has been converted making a hall to seat approximately 200. A large kitchen is available with every modern convenience for camps of 200, as well as for church family camps and provision for individual families who care to cater for themselves. £3,500 has been expended to date and there is an approximate debt of £2,000. The city water supply has been temporarily installed and the official link-up is being arranged in conjunction with the representatives from the North Shore Fire Brigade so that adequate provision for every emergency is made. The proximity of the city, the spacious grounds overlooking Rangitoto and Waitemata Harbour, make the Camp an ideal setting for the purposes described above. We are grateful to Mr A. Davies and Mrs Hamilton for gratuitous services.

A number of families have been able to take advantage of the two cottages at Waiheke. Though the access to this property is awkward it is and will continue to be one of the few places around Auckland where one can spend a quiet holiday.

#### **Hostel:**

**Winstone Lodge:** Students and business girls are always grateful for the warm Christian atmosphere, and the consecrated service of the Matron, Mrs M. Butterworth.

**Counselling Centre:** Dr. D. O. Williams and his colleagues are assisting many individuals who seek their services and there is ample evidence of the worthwhileness of this work. The Edith Winstone Blackwell Trustees, during the next few years, are providing £4,000 so that this centre may be permanently established in the office building.

#### **Gifts and Legacies:**

**Gifts:** Sargood Trust, £1500; Campbell Trust, £1250; Edith Winstone Blackwell Foundation, £500. Mr George Irvine £3,300.

**Legacies:** Estates L. P. Hardie, £100; Mrs Houghton, £100; B. J. Walker, £579/11/5; C. J. Goldsworthy, £50; Ethel Griffith, £10; Catherine Trounson, £400; Ian McKenzie, £3,994/16/9.

**Tribute:** The passing of Rev. L. B. Neale has been a serious blow. His vision and drive in the eventide of life were directed not only towards the Homes for elderly people, but chiefly in assisting the Superintendent in the augmenting of the New Building Fund for

the Mission centre. Brother Neale had compassion in his soul, and passion in his preaching which he retained until the end. The Home call came suddenly, but peacefully, on the 26th August, 1959.

**Staff and General:** The Mission Board of Management is grateful to its Board of faithful Trustees, Officers and consecrated staff. During the year Sister Gwenda Kennedy has become engaged to be married and will be officially resigning at the end of the Connexional year. We record our grateful thanks to Almighty God for her six years of faithful and consecrated service. Thanks also to Rev Gilmore for work at Mt. Eden Prison, Rev E. T. Olds and College staff and others for preaching service.

The Mission has reached a stage where it is impossible for one minister to carry the full responsibility of every Department and has invited the Rev. S. J. Spindler as associate minister, and this invitation has been accepted. A second Parsonage has been procured. If this arrangement is approved by the Conference the Mission will not press for a Deaconess appointment at present. Again we record our very real thanks to Almighty God, and all who have contributed so generously.

A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.  
F. M. SOUSTER,  
WALTER WOOD, Circuit Steward.  
R. T. GARLICK, Hon Secretary.  
E. A. ASTLEY, Hon. Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of Auckland, Christchurch and Dunedin Central Missions and Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust be received and adopted.

2. Conference records its gratitude to Mr H. H. Johnson for his faithful and untiring service as Trust Secretary and Social Service Secretary of Central Mission work in Dunedin for 47 years.

3. That Conference, gratified to learn that the planning stage of the new Auckland Central Mission Building Scheme is nearing completion, congratulates Rev. A. E. Orr on the progress made thus far, and expresses appreciation of his devoted service toward this objective.

4. That appreciation be expressed to Mr W. Wood, who has retired after 27 years as Circuit Steward of the Auckland Central Mission and has fulfilled many other offices in the Church.

#### 5. BOARDS OF MANAGEMENT:

##### Auckland:

Superintendent of Central Mission (Chairman), General Superintendent of Home Missions, Chairman of District, Revs. E. W. Hames, M.A., L. R. Gilmore, B.A., Dr. D. O. Williams, Dr. H. Ranston, Revs. A. J. Seamer, Wesley Parker and the Ministers of the Takapuna, Mt. Albert and Remuera Churches; Mesdames C. K. Wiggleworth, J. S. Caughey, W. Woodward, A. H. Winstone, R. Simpson, N. Mee, F. E. Sutherland, C. W. Firth, A. N. West and Keith Clark, together with the Circuit Officials and Trustees of the Mission properties.

##### Christchurch:

Revs. W. T. Blight, H. G. Brown, H. K. Brown, H. L. Fiebig, G. V. Thomas, A. K. Petch, Messrs L. S. Ayers, L. Butler, T. J. Chamberlain, F. G. Colechin, M. Couch, W. Couch, R. Ellison, N. J. Hillary, P. A. LeBrun, W. T. Lill, G. S. Salter, W. A. Hadlee, R. Thomas, plus Circuit Officials; Mesdames F. G. Colechin, J. Leask, R. A. Marsh, W. A. Megson; Doctors T. Enticott, T. Hurrell, S. C. Peddie.

# III—Children's Homes

## A—MASTERTON

There are now 34 children under our care. During the year there were seven admissions and six departures.

The resignation of Mrs C. D. Shoesmith as a member of the Management Committee was received with regret, and appreciation of her valuable services recorded.

Mesdames E. Roberts and A. Kay were welcomed as new members of the Committee.

Miss Margaret Hopkins who has been a member of the staff for three years will be leaving at the end of the year to be married.

Miss Rose Falconer completed her period of service for the Order of St. Stephen by serving for five months at the Home. She has now joined the permanent staff.

Considerable improvements to the interior of the Home have eventuated during the year. Play material has been donated, new tables purchased for the Dining Room, the Common Room painted, and the Staff sitting room completely re-decorated and carpeted. The painting of the roof will be attended to in the coming year.

It has been decided that the Home will in future be known as "HOMELEIGH".

The Committee again expresses appreciation to those people who opened their homes to the children during the school holidays, those who have contributed gifts and of financial support from the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board, Trust Lands Trust, and Police Charity Day, also to our Honorary Physicians, Drs N. H. and O. F. Prior; to the Master, Matron and Staff.

## B—AUCKLAND

This is our 47th year of Children's Homes work.

**Our Family:** At date we have in the home 36 boys and 17 girls. The preponderance of boys is a general feature in most Auckland Children's Homes.

The ages of those in Wesleydale range from 3 to 15 years, while the 3 boarded out all turned 16 years of age in 1959/60.

Health of the children has generally been good. The majority of our boys and girls of Brigade age attend and enjoy Brigade activities at Dominion Road Methodist Church. Twelve boys play in local soccer teams, and one girl plays in a local basketball team. Sunday schools at Mt. Roskill and Dominion Road are attended by our children.

### **Our Staff:**

Mr and Mrs Riley from Gisborne joined us as Superintendent and Matron last July, bringing with them an enthusiasm for the work, which coupled with their first year's experience at Wesleydale is proving helpful to the work for the children. Other staff changes have been numerous for various reasons, but the behaviour of the children has been generally good.

### **Our Finances:**

As our financial year does not end until 30th June, our final figures for the year are not yet available. However, tentative total revenue expenditure for this year is £12,150 compared with an actual of £11,476 for the previous year. The main reason for the increase is increased wages, because of our decision to have a Superintendent and his wife Matron part-time, where formerly we had a Matron. Expenditure is at the annual and weekly rates of £243 and £4/13/6 per child respectively.

### **Our Supporters:**

Monetary donations account for 27 per cent. of our income, this comprising 13 per cent from the general public via the Auckland Community Chest giving, and direct donations to us, and 14 per cent from our churches, Sunday schools, etc., in our North Auckland, Auckland and South Auckland districts. Beyond this we get donations of clothing, sewing up of our materials, produce, food, etc. from our Church folk throughout the three districts, and from local Auckland firms and interested people. We also received a grant of £300 from the J. R. McKenzie Trust last year.

### **Our Ladies' Committee:**

This is the 44th year of the activities of our Ladies' Committee. Their continued support is invaluable. Perhaps their major contributions this year were their annual fair and sale at our Home, and their assistance in running Wesleydale at the commencement of the year prior to Mr and Mrs Riley's arrival.

### **Secretary-Manager:**

Sister Ivy Jones, M.B.E., J.P., retired last January after 14 years in this position, which was preceded by over 17 years in Maori Deaconess work for our Church. Mr R. K. Stacey was appointed the new Secretary-Manager.

### **Accommodation:**

Wesleydale Home, opened in 1956, was planned in four dormitories, two on either side of the central block. The preponderance of boys recently has made it necessary for the youngest boys to be accommodated with the youngest girls in one of the girl's dormitories. At the present time our three to six age group accommodation is fully taxed, and our seven to eleven age group of boys is almost full.

During the year we have completed the residence for our Superintendent and Matron and their family. Its benefits are already being felt by them, and also in the good use they are putting it in giving the elder children in the Home short periods of staying at the residence, and experiencing living as a small family unit.

### **Children's Holidays:**

We are grateful to many kindly folk who give our children hospitality at holiday times. While not wishing to particularise we would like to mention the help given in this way this year by some of the Rotary and Jaycee Clubs.

The matter of our Children's Homes work coming more directly under the supervision of the M.S.S.A. organisation is under consideration by the Board.

## **C—SOUTH ISLAND**

With 64 children in residence we have the highest number for some years. There are 36 boys and 28 girls. Two boys are boarded out, one doing full-time University and the other University Entrance.

The health of the children has been generally good, and thanks are due to Dr J. A. B. Burn for his willing and co-operative service as Honorary Doctor.

The staffing position has been subject to normal fluctuations but has been satisfactory. The most important changes took place when Mr and Mrs W. Robertson resigned after two years' service with the Board. Opportunity was taken to express the thanks of the Church to Mr and Mrs Robertson.

Mr and Mrs J. E. Scott of Sumner, were appointed to the vacancy.

We place on record the valued services rendered to the Board and the Home by the Rev. A. O. Harris, who was appointed Secretary in 1949.

The Rev. H. A. Cochrane was appointed the new Secretary.

The new Chaplain, Rev. H. C. Matthews, has taken up his duties and already has rendered valuable service to the moral and spiritual welfare of the children.

Intensive research has been carried out by the Board during the year evaluating the advantages and limitations of the present policy of the home and examining the Cottage Home system and alternative types of homes. The Recommendations and findings of the Board have been sent to the Conference Commission.

## D—COMMISSION ON ORPHANAGES

(1959 Minutes, p. 168, No. 3)

### INTERIM REPORT

1. During the year the Commission has itself given initial consideration to the subject and has assembled information and material from:—

- (a) Authorities administering Methodist Children's Homes in New Zealand;
- (b) Authorities under the auspices of other Churches in New Zealand administering Children's Homes and other services for dependent children;
- (c) The School of Social Science, Victoria University of Wellington;
- (d) Authorities under the auspices of the Methodist Church in the United States of America concerned with the administering of Homes and other services for dependent children;
- (e) Persons with active interest and experience in the care of dependent children under the auspices of the Church and under other services.

2. While the Commission is not yet in a position to come to any conclusions, some points are emerging from the evidence and opinions received so far, and these may well prove to be indications of likely findings and recommendations. They can be summarised as follows:—

- (a) While the traditional method of caring for dependent children in single large institutions, as used by the Methodist Church in New Zealand up to the present, was no doubt in accordance with current thinking on the subject when the present institutions were established, and while it has always reflected the desire and will of the Church to meet the urgent needs of such children, it now appears that developments which have taken place in thought and practice in this field can help our Church to provide more effective care for those dependent children.
- (b) Need for a thorough review and the likelihood that substantial alterations are required, are indicated as a result of—
  - (i) The great advances in knowledge and understanding in the field in recent years;
  - (ii) Considerable social changes affecting family life in New Zealand;
  - (ii) The tremendous development of social services for children, especially under the auspices of the State, in New Zealand during the last 25 years.
- (c) New services, already established and proved by other authorities, and which may well largely or wholly replace the present Children's Homes, are—
  - (i) A competent casework for families and for individual children, to provide sound diagnosis and skilled counselling in the children's own homes in appropriate cases;

- (ii) Foster homes within the membership of the Church, and skilled assistance to foster-parents;
- (iii) "Family homes" (caring for 6-8 children) for children with special needs, located in the ordinary community;
- (vi) (Possibly) a settlement of "cottage homes".
- (d) Regular consultation and co-ordination of work with that of other social services for children, such as Child Welfare and Child Health Clinics, to ensure that—
  - (i) The children referred to the Methodist authorities in the first instance, have their needs and situation understood as accurately as possible before a decision is made;
  - (ii) If the child is to be placed other than in its own home, the placement is made where its particular needs will be met best—which may or may not be with a Methodist authority;
  - (iii) Whatever the decision regarding each child, those who will care for him will know of and be helped to avail themselves of the best services available in New Zealand for his needs;
  - (iv) Experience and resources are shared with kindred services to the fullest extent possible.
- (e) As caring for and helping dependent children is recognised as a skilled task, it is essential that the Church should now establish a staffing policy. This would involve—
  - (i) The recruiting of staff who have personal resources adequate for such difficult and demanding work, and who are prepared to undergo the best training available;
  - (ii) Provision for training of staff. At least for key positions of responsibility, the Diploma of Social Science course at Victoria University (or other similar course overseas) merits consideration. In-service training on a systematic basis should be an integral part of the practice;
  - (iii) Because of the Christian basis of a Church social service, some special preparation and training, possibly with periodic "refresher" courses, should be provided. This could probably best be done under the auspices of the National Council of Churches.

3. The Commission will continue its work and will collect further material, information and opinions. It will also consult with authorities in the field for their advice and help. The Commission will keep in working contact with the Methodist Church authorities at present carrying out this work on behalf of the Church, and will at all times welcome their comments and contributions to its work.

The Commission hopes that its Report to Synods and Conference of 1961 will thus carry the conviction of those at present administering the work as well as of the members of the Commission itself.

(Order of Reference b.): The Commission has not yet dealt with the matter of administration. This can best be considered after the other questions of policy have been settled.

W. F. FORD, Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the interim Reports, "Commission on Orphanages", be received.
3. That the ministers at Dominion Road and Mount Roskill be appointed Joint Chaplains to "Wesleydale" Children's Home.

4. That Conference approve in principle the suggested scheme which would bring the Children's Homes within the M.S.S.A. organisation; provided that the interests of the Children's Homes are safeguarded by the appointment of a special Children's Homes Committee in each District.

5. That the Boards of Management be as printed on page 7 herewith.

**QUESTION LIIL.**—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, 1960

**Deaconess House:** With only two students in residence this year, the Board finds its responsibilities no lighter, owing to the full complement of 27 boarders in the hostel.

Both students have done satisfactory work, and in addition to their normal lectures have received permission to do additional studies, Miss Jenkin taking the University Entrance Course, and Miss Hammond the School Certificate English Course, both at the Technical College. In addition both young women conduct Bible-in Schools lessons each week, and give some time to visiting and youth work in two city circuits.

The Board draws the attention of the Church to the splendid opportunity open to Methodist young women, who are coming to Christchurch to further their studies at Training College or University, to obtain excellent accommodation in the best surroundings the Church can offer in Christchurch City.

**Staff:** We report that at present Mrs Gauntlett, Lady Superintendent of Deaconess House is on leave in England, and we express grateful thanks to Miss A. Firth who had so willingly come to take charge of the House during Mrs Gauntlett's absence, and who has given excellent service.

**House Committee Report:** Following the major alterations and improvements to the House in 1958, the House Committee has pursued the policy of re-furnishing one or two rooms a year, as funds permit. Reserves of cutlery and china have recently been purchased, also 20 pairs of blankets. We are grateful for the many gifts of produce made to the House by the churches of the District at Harvest Festival time. We are especially grateful to the many Women's Guilds throughout the Dominion whose generous response to the recent circular was most gratifying. The financial help given by guilds in past years had enabled the Committee to provide a reasonable standard of comfort for the students in residence.

**Lecturers:** We express our appreciation to the lecturers who give weekly lectures in the following subjects: New Testament, Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A.; Homiletics, Rev J. D. Grocott, B.A.; Pastoral Theology, Rev. W. A. Chambers, M.A.; Old Testament, Rev. H. I. K. Hooper, B.A.; Theology, Rev H. G. Brown; Church History, Rev Phyllis Guthardt, M.A. The Board tenders its grateful thanks to Miss Guthardt for her work as lecturer, and sincerely offers best wishes for the furthering of her studies overseas.

**Library:** Additional volumes of the Interpreter's Bible, and books for the Biblical, Theological, Devotional and Biographical sections of the library have been added this year.

**Field Work:** The ultimate goal of Deaconess Training is that young women may be equipped to give service in the various fields of Church life and activity. At present the Church is ably served by no fewer than 26 Deaconesses in the Home Field, in City Missions, Children's Homes, Circuits, and Maori work, while a Deaconess and a Deaconess probationer are serving in the Overseas Field. The whole Church should be aware of this splendid field of service for Christ and the Church, that more women may be encouraged to follow in the steps of those who have so willingly pioneered the way.

**Deaconess Convocation:** The Convocation was held this year at Wesley House, Feilding, under the Presidency of Sister Madeline Holland. 16 Deaconesses and one Board member attended. The Convocation is an occasion for discussing matters relating to Deaconess work generally, and a time of rich fellowship. We congratulate Sister Anne Wilson on her election as President of the Order.

**Resolutions of Conference, 1959 (Minutes of Conf. p. 172):**

In order to obtain the fullest possible information on matters referred to it by last Conference, the Board communicated with the Rev. Thomas A. Morrow, M.A., of Ilkley College, England, and at the direction of the Conference, forwarded questionnaires to selected Deaconesses and interested women of the Church, also to Trinity College Board of Studies, to representatives of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, to the Department of Christian Education, and to the Convener of the Faith and Order Committee. The historical and policy aspects of Mr Morrow's report, together with the replies from questionnaires were of material assistance. The Board submits the following:

**a. Vocation:**

The Methodist Church offers to a candidate for the Deaconess Order a life-time vocation, but where it is not the intention of a Deaconess to fulfill such life-time service, the Church expects that at least seven years' service will be given. This minimum is expected because there is a growing need in the Church for trained members of the Order, and because training is costly.

**b. Relationship Between the Deaconess and the Minister:**

While the Deaconess participates in a preaching and pastoral ministry, the Minister is ordained to a special responsibility in relation to the ministry of the Word and the Sacraments. A Deaconess may be asked by the Superintendent Minister to share some administrative responsibilities within the circuit, but the final responsibility rests with him. Nevertheless, because she shares in so many aspects of the work, it is fitting that a Deaconess should be regarded by the Minister as a colleague.

**c. Entrance Standard:**

At present the Board does not envisage a radical alteration in the Entrance Standard, but suggests that in view of the growing demand for preaching and pastoral work in circuits, it would be an advantage for a candidate to qualify as a Local Preacher.

There was a general agreement among experienced workers who were approached by the Board, that there is need for maturity in candidates offering for service within the Order. The period between leaving school and entering Deaconess House should be used by the prospective candidate to equip herself as effectively as possible in some way, such as a teacher, a nurse, an office worker etc.

**d. Siting of the Institution:**

The case for the siting of Deaconess House in Auckland has been set out as under:

- (a) The establishment of the School for Christian Workers makes possible the provision of accommodation both for members of the School and Deaconess trainees.
- (b) Deaconesses could be trained on a parity with the ministry by sharing in the training given to present Theological students.
- (c) The combination of this work would make possible the strengthening of the staff at Trinity College.
- (d) Should Church Union take place, it is likely that Trinity College would be the North Island centre for training.

Against these advantages, there are the following important considerations:

- (a) Deaconess training calls for a separate institution whether in Christchurch or in Auckland. While some subjects in the curriculum could be taken in Trinity College, other essential elements would still need to be provided by such an institution.
- (b) The Board believes that the policy of the Church should be the appointment of a full-time warden as soon as possible. Such a warden would be responsible for the pastoral oversight of the Members of the Order, and for the supervision of training in the House.
- (c) While the appointment of a full-time warden would make heavy financial demands on the Church, some arrangement with a strong circuit might be entered into, by which the warden's service was shared between duties in the House and part-time service in the circuit.
- (d) A warden could also visit circuits throughout the Dominion, and make contacts with Youth Groups and other interested organisations in order to publicise the work of the Order.

**Deaconess Retiring Fund:** At the request of the M.S.S.A. the Board investigated the difference between Deaconesses serving on the Home Field and those serving Overseas in relation to the Deaconess Retiring Fund, and reported to the M.S.S.A.

**General:** That the Board be permitted to continue its enquiry in matters raised under Question 7, Minutes of Conference 1959, p.172, and other matters raised in the questionnaire.

A. K. PETCH, Chairman

G. V. THOMAS, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference express its thanks to Miss Anne Firth, Acting Lady Superintendent, for her excellent leadership in the House during the absence of Mrs Gauntlett.

3. That Conference record its appreciation of the service of lecturers during the past year.

4. That the Board continue its enquiry in matters raised under Q. 7, Minutes of Conference, 1959, p. 172, and other matters raised in the questionnaire.

5. That the Board for 1961 be as printed on page 6 herein.

6. That Conference express its gratitude and appreciation to the Methodist Women's Missionary Union for its generous gifts of £400 to the Deaconess Retiring Fund and of £100 towards the cost of a chapel or prayer room in Deaconess House.

**QUESTION LIV.—What are the Resolutions of Conference respecting Children's Homes?**

(See Under Question LII.)

**QUESTION LV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?**

## Methodist Times Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

### Circulation:

Our publication figures are the same as for last year. This can be regarded as satisfactory, as although we have not increased the actual number of readers, our position has been maintained in spite of the subscription rate having been raised. Natural causes, such as age, death, and so on, always account each year for a large proportion of the deletions which total 404, offset by the names of 393 new subscribers enrolled.

### Finance:

After reporting a working loss for several years in succession, we are now able to record a surplus of £335/0/5, resulting from the higher subscription rate of 15/-, together with increased revenue from advertising.

We still record, however, an accumulated deficit of £664/2/8. For the current year we have not had to meet any material increase in costs. If that position is maintained during the ensuing year, we hope to wipe out the deficit and start to rebuild our reserves.

### Editorial:

**Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., Editor.**

As reported last year, the Rev. W. T. Blight will relinquish his position as Editor in April, 1961. He took up this office in 1947, and at the time of his anticipated retirement from the same, he will have served for 14 years, a considerably longer term of service than that of any of his predecessors.

In reviewing his work over that long period, we feel that we cannot do better than quote from our report to the Conference of 1946 when nominating him for appointment.

"Mr Blight is endowed with strong intellectual powers and is able to express himself with a lucidity that makes a strong appeal. Not only is he a scholar of no mean order; but also he has kept himself abreast of modern thought and has a strong grasp of contemporary situations, religious, social, and international. He is a man of rich spiritual experience and of sound judgment. His sympathies do not run in a narrow channel, but are broad enough to express themselves through our Church Journal in a way that will evoke a wide response. He is steeped in Methodism and out of his knowledge and experience gained through many years of effective service to the Church is able to give a strong and wise lead in all matters affecting the life of our Church and its witness in the community."

The Church will agree that what was a forecast in 1946, has been amply fulfilled in the intervening period of 14 years, to the enrichment of our life and work in many ways.

When it is remembered that for the greater part of his term of office he was also a busy circuit minister, and a District Chairman, it will be realised how whole-heartedly he has given himself to the work.

We trust that his dedicated gifts will still be available to the Church for many years to come.

### **Rev. H. S. Kings, Sub-Editor.**

The Rev. H. S. Kings also desires to retire in April, 1961. He has given two periods of service totalling 10 years. He has always maintained a vital interest in the paper and has attended to the many details connected with the task of seeing the paper through the press, with his characteristic zeal and thoroughness.

### **Mr H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip. Ed.**

In terms of the nomination made by last Conference, Mr H. W. Beaumont is to be appointed Editor as from 1st May, 1961.

### **Committee for 1961:**

Nominations are set out below.

For the Committee,

E. H. ANDREWS, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Business Manager.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

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

2. That the question of Editorial Policy be referred to the Methodist Times Committee for consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1961.

3. That the best thanks of the Church be accorded to the Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., for his outstanding services as Editor for the past 14 years.

4. That the Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., be accorded the title of Editor Emeritus of the Methodist Times.

5. That the Rev. H. S. Kings be thanked for his untiring services as Associate Editor for 10 years.

6. That Mr H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip. Ed., be appointed Editor as from 1st May, 1961, for a term of 3 years.

7. That the Committee be as printed on page 7 herein.

## **B—Board of Publications**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1960**

Since the present Chairman assumed office, the Board has returned to a system of working in Committees. The following have been appointed: (a) Reading, (b) Publishing, (c) Finance, and (d) Methodist Times (to co-operate as opportunity arises with the Christchurch Committee.)

### **Reports for Study:**

The Board expresses its gratitude to the Rev. W. F. Ford for putting into study form the material on "The Church and war in this Nuclear Age". The cost of printing is so high that mere extracts from reports are often too lengthy and probably are not read as widely as they should be. This year, as it turned out, it was possible to publish a reasonably attractive booklet including the above study and extracts from other reports.

### **Manual of Christian Doctrine:**

The Manual of Christine Doctrine by the Rev. Principal E. W. Hames, is nearly completed and will be published as soon as possible.

### **Visitation Leaflets:**

The Board will shortly publish a series of leaflets on vital subjects for use in visitation. We often find ourselves in the difficulty of having to print relatively small quantities of some leaflets and

then finding that the selling price is uneconomic. Alternatively, when we print more copies to reduce unit cost, Circuits are often slow to purchase and we are left with surplus stocks. We urge our Circuits to make full use of the Board's publications.

#### **Publishing Programme:**

The programme of publications is severely limited by the fact that all Board members are busy people for whom the work of the Board must necessarily be a very spare-time interest. This position can only be met, we feel, by the appointment in due course of a full-time Director of Publications.

#### **Matters Referred by Conference:**

Three matters referred by Conference are under consideration and will be dealt with in a separate report direct to Synods:

- (a) Publishing of Conference statements.
- (b) Unification of Connexional papers.
- (c) Release of Conference news.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1960**

Three matters referred to the Board by last Conference have been given extensive consideration, and we report as follows:—

1. **Res. 6, p. 176, 1959 Minutes.** The Board feels it must issue a warning against the tendency of some Church Committees to expect extensive statements to be printed and circulated free of charge. The cost of printing is high and the exposition of important findings of Conference could be done to a greater extent through such media as "The Methodist Times", "The Open Door", and "Christian Education Handbook". The fact that the British Conference issues regular statements of its findings is scarcely a fair comparison, membership there, and hence the likely demand, being so much greater. Here, it would prove uneconomic.

However, the Board endorses the proposal for a short popular statement, giving details of important extracts from reports and notable resolutions of Conference, and recommends accordingly. (See recommendations below).

2. **Res. 7, p. 176, 1959 Minutes.** The proposal to unite all Church publications into one Connexional journal, was apparently made with the idea that a full-time Editor-Manager of the "Methodist Times" would be appointed in the very near future. It is clear that such an appointment still lies some distance away.

The Board does not in any case support the suggestion and believes that publications like "The Open Door", "Christian Education Handbook", etc., should continue to be issued as at present. We therefore have no recommendation to make.

3. **Res. 8, p. 176, 1959 Minutes.** A professional journalist on our Board made some unsuccessful endeavours to get in touch with the official opinion concerning the handling of press releases.

The Board feels, with him, that the real problem lies not in the handling of press releases, but in the absence of an active, Conference-authorised source of statements to release. It would seem that the present method whereby the Public Questions Committee may issue statements after Presidential approval is too cumbersome for quick action.

Meanwhile it is suggested that key officials of the Church should acquaint themselves with the many excellent books on church publicity

which are currently available. We believe that successive Presidents would greatly benefit from having a qualified Public Relations Officer to assist in the field of publicity. Such an appointment would facilitate, among other things, the early release of authoritative statements on current issues.

E. P. SALMON, Chairman.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the Board be authorised to compile and publish as soon as possible each year, 15,000 copies of the President's Pastoral Letter and a popular report of Conference proceedings, and that an annual grant of £50 be made from the Contingent Fund for this purpose.
3. That the President of Conference be authorised to co-opt, if he so desires, a suitably qualified person to act as his Public Relations Officer to assist him in the field of publicity prior to and during his year of office.
4. That Conference learns with pleasure that Rev. W. T. Blight has completed an Index of Ministerial Appointments supplementing the Pinfold Index, bringing same up to 1960. It accords to him its hearty thanks for this valuable piece of work.
5. That the Board for 1961 be as printed on page 7 herein.

**QUESTION LVI.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Chaplaincy Matters ?

## Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

**Navy:** The position insofar as our Church is concerned remains unchanged. There are five chaplains giving full-time service in the Navy: C. of E. (3); Presby. (1); R.C. (1). In the event of a further increase in establishment it appears probable that the Methodist Church may be asked to provide a naval chaplain.

**Army: N.Z. Div.:** The Revs. G. T. Gilbert, P. A. Stead and H. I. Shaw have completed their three year period of service. In the new list of posting, the Revs. P. P. Rushton has been posted to 1 Northern Battalion; L. M. Tauroa to the 6 L.A.A. Regt., and H. I. Shaw, at the request of the C.O., is continued with 1 Fd. Engr. Regt. for a further term.

**Chaplain's Course:** There is the possibility of a Chaplain's Course being held towards the end of the year and if so the Revs. R. J. Hamlin, G. L. Bennett, J. C. F. Mabon, and L. M. Tauroa will be expected to attend.

**Air Force:** The Rev. C. F. Peart will complete his term of service at the end of January, 1961, and will be available for a Circuit appointment at Conference. In July Mr Peart will leave New Zealand on a short tour of duty in Singapore. In accordance with the resolution of last Conference the Rev. R. J. Hamlin will succeed Mr Peart.

In accordance with the instruction of Conference (Mins. Conf. 1959 p. 177 Res. 6) the Committee has given consideration to the question of the Church affiliations of adults and children being gathered into services and Sunday schools in Stations of the Armed Forces and submits the following report.

1. Every Armed Service Station lies within the boundary of, or is adjacent to some Circuit. This brings the Methodist personnel under the pastoral care of that particular Circuit.

2. A chaplain living on a Station is under obligation to take the oversight of the spiritual and moral welfare of all families of serving personnel living on the Station. This will include organising cultural activities for young people; but these will be on an interdenominational basis and may not properly be included in denominational statistics. Local Circuits can, if the officials so desire, arrange transport to local churches and youth groups. Even if this is not done, children of Methodist parents living on Station can be included as being under pastoral care.

In accordance with a further instruction of Conference (Mins. Conf. p. 177 Res. 8) the Committee has given consideration to the procedure in respect designating chaplains for full-time service. The following report is submitted. In the past the following has been the procedure. The ChDAC would ask, through the Senior Chaplain, for the Methodist Church to provide a chaplain. This request would be communicated to the President and brought to Conference. If the Conference agreed to the request the Conference Chaplains' Committee would submit a name. Usually the minister concerned would be given a day or two in which to give a decision. As the duration of Conference is limited it would be difficult to give a minister more time to consider the proposition unless the responsibility to make a nomination to Conference is taken from the Conference Chaplains' Committee and given to some other Committee.

V. R. JAMIESON, Senior Chaplain.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Messrs A. J. Johnston and E. C. D. Watson be re-appointed Treasurers.
3. That the Rev. V. R. Jamieson be reappointed Senior Chaplain.
4. That where a Circuit has an Armed Forces establishment within or adjacent to its boundaries the Circuit Superintendent (a) shall be responsible for the Pastoral oversight of Methodist families domiciled there; (b) shall include these families in his Circuit Returns.
5. That Methodist families domiciled within Armed Forces establishments should be officially transferred to the Circuit within whose boundaries the establishment is located.
6. That when a minister is to be designated for full-time service the Central Advisory Committee shall make a nomination to Conference.
7. That the District Advisory Committees shall be: Northern District Committee: All chaplains stationed in the District. C.M.D.: Revs. V. R. Jamieson, H. I. Shaw, L. Greenslade, P. D. Ramsay, H. Whitfield; Messrs T. M. Pacey, H. J. Steptoe, A. J. Johnston, E. C. D. Watson.
8. That appreciation and blessing of the Conference be accorded to the Chaplains of our Connexion.
9. That the thanks and appreciation of the Conference be extended to the Rev. C. F. Peart for his work as a Chaplain to the Air Force for several years.
10. That the Rev. R. J. Hamlin be appointed as Chaplain to the Air Force from February, 1961, for a period of three years.

# C—Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand)

## REPORT FOR 1960

The Society continues to attract the interest of an increasing number of Methodists, as the value of preserving the history of our Church becomes more widely recognised.

At the 1959 Annual Meeting it was decided to seek a publisher for Miss M. Blight's "Life of James Buller". Investigations to this end are in progress. Should the search prove unsuccessful, an abbreviated version will be published.

### Proceedings for 1960:

The following issues of Proceedings will appear in due course:

Vol. 18, Nos. 1 and 2 "A Century of Witness" (Pukekohe Centenary).

Vol. 18, No. 3 "John H. White and the Coast Mission".

### Annual Meeting, 1960:

Lecturer: Rev. Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.

Subject: "The Life and Work of the Rev. J. F. H. Wohlers."

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

## RESOLUTION

That the Report be received and adopted.

**QUESTION LVIII.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods or Committees?

## I. (A) Church Union Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The Executive of the Church Union Committee has met twice during the year and the full Committee once, on the 11th May, 1960, when 28 were present. The Committee has worked in close co-operation with the Joint Standing Committee in the preparation of the Draft Basis of the Union.

### The Feilding Conference:

The most important event in Church Union negotiations this year was the Conference with the four Church Union Committees held under the auspices of the Joint Standing Committee at Feilding House, Kimbolton Road, Feilding, on 16th and 17th February. The discussions gave evidence of the real growth in understanding since the Conference at Lower Hutt in August, 1958. It was the progress registered at Feilding which has made possible the presentation of a Draft Basis of Union to the Supreme Courts of the four Churches this year. This will appear in the Joint Standing Committee Report to Conference.

### Conversation with Church of England Representatives:

The day prior to the Conference of Church Union Committees the Joint Standing Committee, suitably strengthened by the presence of representative leaders of each of the four Churches, met representatives of the Church of the Province of New Zealand (commonly called the Church of England) for exploratory conversations on Church Union. The Methodist representatives were the Methodist members of the Joint Standing Committee together with the Revs. H. L. Fiebig, G. I. Laurenson and Dr. J. J. Lewis. Evidence of the

importance attached to these conversations by the Anglican Church was to be seen in the strength of its representation, comprising the Rt. Rev. N. A. Lesser, Bishop of Waiapu, the Rt. Rev. A. K. Warren, Bishop of Christchurch, the Very Rev. M. G. Sullivan, Dean of Christchurch, Canon R. E. Sutton, Principal of St. John's College, Archdeacons M. G. McKenzie and S. F. N. Weymouth, and Messrs. A. Marsden Woods and H. E. Evans, Q.C. Following a strong introductory statement by the Rev. R. S. Anderson, Convener of the Joint Standing Committee, on the history of Church Union negotiations thus far, a very helpful paper on "Apostolic Succession" was presented by Canon Sutton. A statement by the Bishop of Christchurch on the constitutional episcopacy as practised in New Zealand proved most enlightening. Bishop Lesser indicated that this meeting was but the commencement of Conversations. The Joint Standing Committee now awaits the outcome of a meeting of the Anglican Committee in August. Our Church Union Committee welcomes these initial conversations and is asking that an appropriate greeting be sent to the Church of the Province of New Zealand from the Conference.

#### **Meeting with Bishop Lesslie Newbigin:**

At the invitation of the Joint Standing Committee, members of the Church Union Committee participated in a most stimulating and profitable meeting with Bishop Lesslie Newbigin in Wellington on 8th March, 1960. Bishop Newbigin spoke on "Basic Issues in our Approach to Unity" and dealt with: (1) Matters of Faith; (2) Matters of the Ministry (especially episcopacy); and (3) Matters of Form. His great emphasis was that the true approach to unity is the missionary approach—a concern for the world, and that the quest for unity is not a matter of patching together present administrations ("ecclesiastical joinery") but of recovering the true character of the Church as the embassy of Christ.

#### **Union Churches:**

Difficulties in regard to extension work and the financing of buildings in the Wainui-o-mata Union Parish led the Committee to forward to the Joint Standing Committee the following resolution: "That in view of the difficulty of nurturing building developments in existing Union Causes, the Methodist Church Union Committee requests the Joint Standing Committee to approach the Presbyterian Assembly and the Methodist Conference to introduce regulations that would enable grants and/or loans to be made for the erection of buildings on sections held in the name of the other Church." Together with the resolution went a copy of a Memorandum on Property Development in Union Church prepared by the Home Mission Department in terms of the Model Constitution of Union Churches. The questions of the ministerial staffing of Union Churches, methods of appointment, and the matter of the revision of the Model Constitution were also referred to the Joint Standing Committee.

#### **Corstorphine Union Church:**

Significant developments have been taking place in Corstorphine Union Church during the year. In 1956 the Conference gave general approval to a Memoranda of Agreement in which the Corstorphine Union Church, while retaining its Union character as a congregation, was "associated" with the Columba Presbyterian Parish (1956 Conf. Mins., p. 182, Res. 14). At the time it was hoped that before long the Union Church would become strong enough to achieve independence as a Union Parish. During the last three years Corstorphine Union Church has grown and strengthened its position in an encouraging way. This year steps have been taken towards the securing of a manse and a request has been made to the President for a Methodist

ministerial appointment in 1961. To this end discussions between the Union Congregation and the District Courts have been taking place as to whether Corstorphine is to continue to be "associated" with a Presbyterian Parish or to become once more an independent Parish.

#### **Co-operation on the Basis of Reciprocal Membership:**

Approval has been given by the District Courts to the Draft Memorandum of Agreement for the Presbyterian-Methodist Church at Burwood, Christchurch, similar to the arrangement at Hillsborough in Auckland and at Maungatoto.

#### **Reciprocal Membership:**

The Joint Standing Committee will be reporting to Conference on this question.

#### **Conference Resolutions (1959 Conf. Mins. p. 182, 2; 3 (a) and (b)):**

The Faith and Order Committee has prepared a statement on the principles involved in the reception into membership of the Methodist Church of communicant members of any denomination not included at present in the provisions regarding reciprocal membership. The Law Revision Committee is reporting on Resolutions 3 (a) and (b).

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express its pleasure at the commencement of exploratory conversations on Church Union between the four Churches represented on the Joint Standing Committee and the Church of the Province of New Zealand and that Conference convey to the Church of the Province of New Zealand its greetings and express the hope that the conversations thus begun may also be continued under the guidance of God.
3. That Conference request the Faith and Order Committee to prepare a statement from the Methodist point of view on episcopacy.
4. That the Convener, the Rev. A. K. Petch, be re-appointed.
5. That the Joint Standing Committee representatives for 1961 be: Revs. R. Thornley, G. H. Goodman, B. M. Chrystall, W. F. Ford, R. G. Bell, A. K. Petch, and Messrs. R. H. Ellis and A. R. Dellow.
6. That the Committee investigate the possibility of some joint evangelical venture amongst the negotiating Churches.
7. That the Church Union Committee and the Local Preachers' Association Executive give consideration to the acceptance of properly qualified preachers transferred to the Methodist Church from any of the negotiating Churches as eligible for accreditation by Quarterly Meetings.
8. That a grant of £12 from the Contingent Fund be made to the Joint Standing Committee for 1961.
9. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 5 herein.

## **(B) Report of The Joint Standing Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT TO ASSEMBLIES AND CONFERENCES, 1960.**

#### **A.**

The chief concerns of the Joint Standing Committee throughout the year have been (1) the preparation of a Basis of Union and (2) the opening Exploratory Conversations on union with the Committee of the Church of the Province of New Zealand (commonly called the Church of England).

#### **1. Preparation of Basis of Union:**

In last year's report reference was made to Sub-Committees of

the Joint Standing Committee appointed to deal respectively with questions of Membership, Doctrine, Worship, the Sacraments, the Ministry, Polity and Organisation and Baptism with a view to the preparation of the first draft of a Basis of Union for the negotiating Churches.

The reports of these Committees were presented to a Conference of the Committees on Church Union of the four negotiating Churches held in Feilding on 17th and 18th February last. At the Conference the reports were carefully considered, full discussion took place and many alterations and amendments were made.

At that Conference the Sub-Committees of the Joint Standing Committee were discharged and the work which each of them had been engaged upon was passed over to larger Committees situated in different centres as follows:

**Ministry (Auckland):**

Convener: Dr Ian W. Fraser, Rev. M. H. Johnston, Dr J. J. Lewis, Rev. Principal E. W. Hames, Rev. G. W. Jackson, Rev. Principal H. G. Nicholas, Rev. Ian W. Ogier, Rev. W. B. Burn.

**Doctrine (Feilding):**

Convener: Rev. J. E. Stewart, Revs. E. K. Orange, B. M. Chrystall, R. G. Bell, Jas. Crawford, R. D. G. Russ, D. Jackson Inglis.

**Polity and Organisation (Dunedin):**

Convener: Rev. J. M. Bates, Dr John A. Allan, Revs. J. Lloyd Gammon, G. D. Munro, A. L. Haddon, A. J. Johnston, D. B. Gordon.

**Sacraments of the Church (Lower Hutt):**

Convener: Rev. E. R. Vickery, Mr A. A. Liebezeit, Revs. E. R. Lewis, Robt. Thornley, M. H. Taylor, D. J. Brown, G. F. McKenzie.

**Worship (Wellington):**

Convener: Rev. A. M. Richards, Mrs D. M. Hereus, Rev. D. L. Woolf, Mr M. R. Downey, Rev. W. F. Ford, Rev. W. G. Eisner.

**Membership of the Church (Christchurch):**

Convener: Rev. A. K. Petch, Revs. M. W. Wilson, R. M. Rogers, R. M. O'Grady, M. Hodder, J. D. Grocott.

These Committees have continued their study of the various sections of a Basis of Union and have reported from time to time to the Joint Standing Committees. These reports, along with the report of the Committee on Baptism, have been the material from which has been prepared the Basis of Union which is now presented to the Supreme Courts of the Churches.

When discussion commenced towards the formulation of a Basis of Union it was quite clear that many difficulties would be encountered, and at several points in the negotiations it appeared that some difficulties would be insurmountable. The experience of those engaged in the discussion, however, has been that of being led by the Spirit of God to a richer and more sympathetic appreciation of the differing views of the Churches involved, and this has led to the development of such a formulation as would resolve or contain the differing views.

It is to be clearly understood that this basis is to be seen as a setting forth of the main principles, only, upon which a corporate union of the four negotiating Churches could be effected. The Joint Standing Committee realises that some important matters, e.g. the legal processes involved, are not dealt with in this first draft. Such considerations as are not referred to in this draft are now under discussion and will be dealt with when a further draft is presented at a later date.

This is now offered to the Supreme Courts of the Churches as a first draft for consideration and for submission to the district and parish Courts and to the Congregations of the Church for full discussion at every level of Church life. The comments and any suggested amendments would then be reported through the respective Church Union Committee to the Joint Standing Committee.

In the light of such reports the Joint Standing Committee will prepare a further draft to be submitted in due course to the Supreme Courts. If this draft of the basis is accepted by the Supreme Courts of the Churches it will then be submitted to the vote of the membership of the negotiating Churches. This will be the second vote on a Basis of Union, the first vote being that taken in 1957 on the principle of union.

If the voting of members of the Churches shows that this is an acceptable basis on which to proceed to union the detailed Constitution and Regulations for the consummation of the union and the effective life of the United Church will be prepared for submission to the Supreme Courts of the Church and only when this full detailed basis is agreed upon will the union of the Churches be effected.

The Joint Standing Committee has ever sought the guidance of the Spirit of God in the discussions that have taken place, and its urgent desire in making every effort to bring about a full and harmonious union of the Churches at present in negotiations has been to the end that Christ may be glorified and the world may know that He is the Saviour.

## **2. Joint Meeting with Committee of the Church of the Province of New Zealand:**

It was reported last year that the General Synod of the Anglican Church in New Zealand in reply to the invitation to enter into negotiations for Union, had agreed to enter into exploratory conversations with the Joint Standing Committee. The J.S.C. is pleased to report that after due preparation the first Joint Meeting of the exploratory conversations took place in Feilding House on February 16th and 17th last. Those present at this Joint Meeting were as follows:

### **The Associated Churches of Christ:**

The Rev. E. R. Vickery, The Rev. Dr A. L. Haddon, The Rev. D. L. Woolf, Mr M. R. Downey, Mr A. A. Liebezeit.

### **The Presbyterian Church:**

The Rev. G. F. McKenzie, The Very Rev. Dr J. A. Allan, The Rev. R. S. Anderson, The Rev. J. M. Bates, The Rev. Dr Ian W. Fraser, The Rev. A. M. Richards, The Rev. J. E. Stewart, The Rev. M. W. Wilson, Mrs D. M. Hercus.

### **The Congregational Union:**

The Rev. D. Jackson Inglis, The Rev. J. L. Gammon, The Rev. G. W. Jackson, The Rev. Principal H. G. Nicholas, The Rev. M. H. Taylor.

### **The Methodist Church:**

The Rev. Ashleigh K. Petch, The Rev. R. G. Bell, The Rev. B. M. Chrystall, The Rev. H. L. Fiebig, The Rev. G. H. Goodman, The Rev. G. I. Laurenson, The Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis, The Rev. Robt. Thornley, Mr R. H. Ellis.

### **The Committee of the Church of England:**

The Bishop of Waiapu, The Rt. Rev. N. A. Lesser; The Bishop of Christchurch, The Rt. Rev. A. K. Warren; Very Rev. M. G. Sullivan, Dean of Christchurch; Ven. Archdeacon G. M. McKenzie; Ven. Archdeacon S. F. N. Waymouth; Canon R. E. Sutton; Mr H. E. Evans, Q.C.; Mr A. Marsden Woods.

In this first joint meeting the aim of the Committee of the Church of England was to understand more clearly the stage which the present negotiations amongst the four Churches had reached, and the setting in which they were being conducted. The aim of the Joint Standing Committee was to understand the mind of the Anglican Church in the matter of negotiations towards union with particular reference to episcopacy, apostolic succession and the nature of the office of the Bishop.

The Joint Meeting was opened with a solemn act of Worship in which representatives of all the Churches involved took part. Two papers were presented:

1. An outline of the stage reached in mutual consultation by the negotiating Churches and the steps by which this has been achieved.
2. Apostolic Succession and the nature of Episcopacy in New Zealand.

In the discussion which followed these addresses the exchange of views amongst those present was notable for the restraint and deliberation which was exercised by all who took part. It was the experience of the people of Christ together in fellowship, but under pain of their denominational separation.

No conclusions were reached—this had not been the purpose of the meeting. The Chairman of the Anglican Committee gave an assurance that as they understood the matter this meeting was to be regarded as the first of a series of meetings in the exploratory conversations. The Anglican Committee has since written indicating its intention to recommend to General Synod in February next that the conversations be continued and suggesting that a Committee of a size more comparable with that of the Anglican Committee be appointed for this particular purpose. We welcome this provided that the committee is large enough adequately to represent the four negotiating churches rather than the Joint Standing Committee.

## **B. RECIPROCAL MEMBERSHIP:**

The attention of the Joint Standing Committee has been directed on several occasions recently to difficult situations which have arisen when Christian people in certain areas have sought various means of expressing in their Church life the unity of Christ's people. Such attempts have sometimes proved difficult and the Joint Standing Committee considers that it would be appropriate to remind all Congregations of the provisions for reciprocal membership which were agreed to in 1951 by the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

These provisions were as follows:

**Preamble:** The three Churches have already, in time past, declared their willingness to accept into membership members from the other two Churches—

- (a) Where a member from one of the other two Churches is received on the communion roll the previous Church allegiance should be noted on the roll.
- (b) It should be understood that should the Church of such a member commence a cause in that district he should be encouraged to join the same should he so desire.
- (c) On leaving the congregation such a communicant should be referred to the Minister of his own Church if it is operating in the area to which he is shifting, and the communicant should be encouraged to join his own Church should he so desire.

In addition to the above provisions of the agreement of 1951 it is felt that a clause should be added stressing the importance of making it clear to all concerned that these provisions for reciprocal membership are in existence and are being acted upon in the local area. It is proposed therefore that the following clause be added and that these provisions be circulated to all Ministers and parish Courts of the negotiating Churches: "In places where agreement has been reached between the Churches to establish only one of the negotiating Churches in any one area, membership may be on a basis whereby a member retains his denominational membership while having membership with full privileges and responsibilities in the congregation of his adoption, in such a way as may be specifically provided in the local constitution."

### **C. REPORTS OF UNION CHURCHES.**

**Wainui-o-mata:** Minister: Rev. C. G. Brown (Methodist).

In a very rapidly growing area the Church is showing a corresponding growth. The membership increased from 137 to 179 in the course of the year, persons under pastoral care from 1225 to 1575. A successful stewardship campaign has brought vigour to the congregation's life. Much consideration has been given to future development in the Wainui-o-mata Valley where two new parishes will become necessary within the next few years. The nature, siting and financing of these parishes have not been easily settled, but through the Joint Regional Committee a workable arrangement appears to be possible. The present minister is seeking a transfer for family health reasons in February next, and a Presbyterian appointment has been recommended.

**Taita.** Minister: Rev. E. R. Lewis (Methodist).

A steady growth in membership (an increase of 14 to 98) and a deepening of the spiritual life of the whole congregation is reported. The finances show a slight credit balance in the general account.

The proposed development of 200 housing sections to the north presents the church with an opportunity and a challenge which it is facing boldly but with which it will need assistance, as further building will be necessary.

**Raglan.** Minister: Rev. R. McD. Durham (Congregational).

The membership remains constant at 171 but there has been a marked improvement in the giving with particular generosity towards a church rebuilding fund. Receipts this year balanced at £4693 as against £2755 last year. Sunday School and Young People's membership and activities show a healthy state as indeed does the life of the Church as a whole.

### **Marchwiell Union Church:**

A successful Teaching Mission and Stewardship Review carried through this year has greatly strengthened the Marchwiell Union Church. Communicant membership has increased from 166 to 192 in the twelve months. There are approximately 400 on the Sunday Youth Rolls. All capital expenditure upon the present buildings (Church Hall and Manse) is virtually completed. £550 has been repaid on the New Life Loan. The average weekly offerings are sufficient to cover all Parish expenditure and meet the Budget assessments of both the present Churches. The congregation is working together harmoniously, and is entering more into the life of the larger Church.

### **Union Church Building Finance:**

Considerable difficulty is being found in various situations in reaching agreement regarding the financing of Union Church buildings. The different systems and requirements of the negotiating

Churches lead to much misunderstanding and frustration. The Committee agreed to approach the Presbyterian Assembly and the Methodist Conference to introduce regulations that would enable grants and/or loans to be made for the erection of buildings on sections held in the name of the other Church.

R. S. ANDERSON, Convener.

## DRAFT OF PROPOSED BASIS OF UNION

### Introduction:

The United Church of New Zealand will be the Church constituted by the Union of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, Methodist Church of New Zealand. The Churches of the Congregational Union of New Zealand and The Associated Churches of Christ in New Zealand, to be consummated upon agreement being reached on the following basis:

### Section 1—The Faith of the Church:

(1) That United Church holds the faith which the one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church has ever held in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the world, in whom men are saved by grace through faith. In accordance with the revelation of God in Jesus Christ, Himself God Incarnate, the Church worships one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

(2) The United Church acknowledges the word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, to be the supreme rule of faith and life.

(3) The United Church accepts the Creeds commonly called Apostles' and Nicene as witnessing to and safeguarding that Faith which is continuously confirmed by the Holy Spirit in the experience of the Church.

(4) The United Church has the inherent right and the power, in dependence on the promised guidance of the Holy Spirit, to formulate, adopt, modify and interpret supplementary doctrinal statements, always in agreement with the Word of God and the fundamental doctrines of the Christian Faith, of which agreement the Church itself shall be sole judge. The Church recognises liberty of opinion on points of doctrine which do not enter into the substance of the Christian Faith.

### Section II—The Membership of the Church:

(1) Members in full standing of the uniting Churches will be recognised as communicant members of the United Church.

(2) The United Church believes that all men are children of God whom the church must always seek in His name. It believes, however, that those who have covenanted with Christ, together with their families, stand in a particular relationship to God being within the household of faith.

The United Church therefore accepts and admits as members in full standing and as sharing in the full privileges and obligations of membership, those who: (a) Have been baptised into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and (b) Have openly confessed their faith and been admitted to Holy Communion.

(3) The United Church (a) recognises that baptised children or children who have been brought to a service of dedication belong with the family of the Church, and (b) accepts responsibility for their Christian nurture and instruction.

(4) The United Church acknowledges the responsibility to exercise discipline over its members for the good of the offender and the purity of the Church.

### Section III—The Polity and Organisation of the Church:

#### (1) The Polity of the Church:

(a) The United Church affirms that the Lord Jesus Christ is the only King and Head of the Church.

(b) The United Church accepts the congregational, presbyteral and episcopal elements in church order as means through which the Lordship of Christ in His Church may be expressed.

#### (2) The Organisation of the Church:

(a) i. The Parish.

ii. The district, comprising a natural grouping of parishes.

iii. All districts together, comprising the whole area of New Zealand.

(b) Each of the three jurisdictions shall have an appropriate council.

(c) Within the parish, all who belong to the United Church will be the congregation.

(d) The congregation shall meet at least quarterly to consider the life and work of the church.

(e) The communicant members of the congregation shall elect from their own number elders to have spiritual oversight of the parish. Such elders will act along with the Minister or Ministers to form the parish council.

(f) The congregation shall elect annually the congregational board which will consist of the parish council together with such other members of the congregation as may be elected so that all parts of the congregational life are represented. The board shall elect its own property and finance committee, and shall generally consider and co-ordinate the work of the congregation.

(g) The district council shall consist of the Ministers of parishes within the district, and other stated persons, together with an equal number of representatives elected by the parish councils from their own members.

(h) The district council shall have oversight of the parishes within its area through regular consultation, exercising authority in the interests of both the local congregation and the whole church, which authority shall be defined by the United Church.

(j) The national council shall consist of representatives of the district councils chosen in such a way as to provide equal numbers of Ministers and elders and also as wide a representation of parishes as possible.

(k) The national council shall meet annually to consider the life of the United Church in all its aspects and shall be its supreme authority.

(l) There shall be right of appeal from the parish council to the district council, and from both to the national council. The decision of the national council in any matter shall be final.

### Section IV—The Ministry of the Church.

#### A. The Ministry of the Church Members:

The United Church recognises that it is the duty and privilege of every member to share in that service of God which is the Church's ministry. This ministry includes the worship of God both in private and in public, Christian loving service within the family of the Church and to the community at large, and the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through evangelism. Within this ministry the Church recognises and welcomes a rich diversity of gifts both to men and women, for the exercise of which it will seek to provide. It is a prime

concern of the Church that all its members should contribute fully to its life of worship, witness and service.

## **B. The Ordained Ministry.**

### **1. Introduction:**

The United Church believes that the office of the Ministry within the church was constituted by Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the Church, for the perfecting of the saints, the upbuilding of the Body of Christ, and is a gift of God to the Church in the service of the Word and Sacraments. The Ministry does not exclude, but presupposes, the Royal Priesthood to which all Christians are called as the redeemed of Jesus Christ.

### **2. Recognition of Existing Ministers:**

(a) The United Church recognises the ministers ordained to the ministry of the whole church by any of the uniting churches.

(b) This includes women ministers in the uniting churches.

(c) After Union there will be no further acceptance of women candidates for the ministry until the general principle is determined by the United Church.

### **3. Ordination:**

(a) The United Church ordains to the Ministry by prayer and the laying on of hands. It will be the custom for those already ordained to lay on hands, though this does not signify that the Ministry is a separated order over the Church. At the ordination service a representative of the National Council of the United Church shall be present.

(b) Congregations will continue with the practice at present followed with regard to those ordained to administer the sacraments and any alteration cannot be made without the agreement of the District Council.

### **4. Training:**

(a) A candidate for the Ministry of the Church shall be a communicant member of the United Church. Normally, training shall involve University studies, practical work in preaching and pastoral counselling, visitation done under supervision and at least three years at a Theological College, as the United Church may direct.

(b) The United Church shall have power to receive into the Ministry a Minister from another denomination.

### **5. Ministerial Appointment and Discipline:**

(a) A Minister may be called by a meeting of the communicant members of the congregation.

(b) This call may be confirmed by the district council.

(c) The district council has power to make an appointment as follows: (i) If no call has been made or confirmed after a lapse of six months, and (ii) In such other cases as the United Church may determine.

## **Section V—The Sacraments of the Church.**

The United Church believes that the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper proclaim and communicate the gospel. These Sacraments were ordained by Christ Himself as means of grace by which we are united to God and through which God works in us.

### **1. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism.**

#### **A. Doctrine:**

The Sacrament of Baptism is a sign and seal of the covenant of grace, of union with Christ in his Body, of forgiveness of sins by his blood and of resurrection to eternal life through him. By this

sacrament we are solemnly admitted into the household of faith and are engaged to be the Lord's.

**Practice:**

1. All within the United Church acknowledge that this is the meaning of baptism, but three of the uniting churches administer baptism to believers and the children of believers, while the other administers it to believers only.

2. (a) In the former case, believing parents who publicly confess their faith present their children for baptism in the conviction that the covenant of grace includes such, and with the intention so to bring them up in the family and household of faith that in due time they will confess Christ as Lord and Saviour.

(b) In the latter case, believing parents who publicly confess their faith bring their children for presentation to God in the Church in a service distinct from and not an alternative to baptism, with the intention so to bring them up in the family and household of faith that in due time they will confess Christ as Lord and Saviour.

(c) The church regards the real Christian nurture of such children as one of its chief works.

(d) While it is expected that each congregation will continue the practice followed at the time of union, where a desire is expressed for any change reference should be made first to the district council for pastoral advice and decision.

3. (a) Those baptised in infancy complete their initiation into membership of the church by confirming the vows made on their behalf at their baptism by a public confession of Christ, and by prayer that the Holy Spirit will confirm them as Christ's faithful servants to their lives' end.

(b) Those not baptised in infancy who on their own responsibility confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, and promise to follow Him and serve Him in the fellowship of the church are publicly baptised.

(c) All such are welcomed into the communicant membership of the church and admitted to the Lord's Table.

4. Baptism shall be administered with water by sprinkling, pouring or immersion in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

5. A minister who has conscientious scruples about baptising infants shall invite another minister to baptise the children of believing parents upon their request.

6. While re-baptism is not the policy of the United Church and is contrary to its order, there may be cases calling for special pastoral care. Matters of conscience concerning the baptism of believers baptised in infancy should be referred to the district council which may appoint a person to undertake the pastoral counsel involved and make a decision.

**2. The Sacrament of Holy Communion.**

(a) The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is the central and normative act of Christian worship.

(b) The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is celebrated in the context of the Word of God.

(c) Provided that bread and wine are set apart with Christ's words of institution and with thanksgiving, forms of service in use in any of the uniting churches may be used in the United Church.

(d) It shall be the rule of order in the United Church that the administration of the Lord's Supper shall be entrusted only to those who have by ordination received authority thereto. (Note: See Section IV, B, 3 b.)

(e) To the Lord's Supper are welcome all whom the Church receives in Christ's name. The normal conditions of participation in the Lord's Supper are Baptism and reception into full communicant membership.

#### **Section VI.—Worship.**

(1) The United Church recognises that the essential elements in Christian worship are embodied in the forms of worship of the uniting churches.

(2) Forms of worship which before the union were in use in any of the uniting churches may be continued in the United Church which will undoubtedly develop its own forms.

#### **Property and Finance:**

When the uniting churches have decided to proceed to union on the basis of agreement on the above six heads it will be necessary to set up special committees of experts to examine the problems of property and finance involved and to prepare the necessary enabling legislation.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted, except for Section "Draft of Proposed Basis of Union".

2. That the draft Basis of Union be sent down to Synod Standing Committees, District Ministerial Committees, Quarterly and Leaders' Meetings, and Congregations for discussion and report to the Church Union Committee by June 30th, 1961.

3. That Conference approve the continuing of exploratory conversations with the Church of England Committee through the Joint Standing Committee and authorise the Church Union Committee to appoint representatives to a combined committee for that purpose.

4. That the statement on Reciprocal Membership be approved and authority given to the Joint Standing Committee to print and circulate it to all ministers, Theological students and Leaders' Meetings through the Church Union Committee.

5. That Conference approve the setting up of a combined committee to prepare a Statement of Faith for adoption by each of the negotiating Churches and inclusion in the act of union of the United Church and authorise the Church Union Committee, in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee, to appoint two representatives.

6. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee in consultation with the Home Mission Board investigate and report on ways in which Loans or Grants may be made available to Union Parishes.

7. That Conference recognises that the Corstorphine Union Church has resumed its status as a separate Union Parish.

8. That Conference convey to Rev. R. E. Anderson its thanks for his outstanding leadership and devotion to the cause of Church Union during his term as Convener of the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union.

## 2—Central Finance Committee

### REPORT FOR 1960

Conference in 1942 changed the method of levying Connexional charges. The Central Finance Committee was set up with instruction to inquire from the Treasurer of the Contingent, Children's, Removal Expenses and Supernumerary Funds, their financial requirements for the ensuing five years and then to determine the assessments for each District. The amount required in 1942 was £8610. The amount required in 1960 was £17,700 for the Contingent, Children's and Removal Expenses Fund, the Supernumerary Fund having been removed and levied separately in 1944.

Circuits had the right to appeal to the Central Committee against the assessments imposed on them by District Committees. In its early days the Central Committee had to consider a number of appeals. There have been no appeals against the decisions of District Committee since 1948. District Committees therefore are to be congratulated on the equitable manner in which they have assessed Circuits. It is clear that circuits have confidence in the District Committees. This will assist the introduction of the new budget system.

In 1948 Conference directed that the Committee prepare a scheme to co-ordinate all Connexional appeals in each year in order that the multiplicity of appeals be avoided. In 1951 Conference decided that appeals for Trinity College, National Council of Churches, Armed Forces Chaplaincy Fund, New Zealand Alliance, Council of Christian Education, Hospital Chaplains and University Chaplains be included in one general appeal. Later three other appeals were included—National Society on Alcoholism, Local Preachers' Association and Spiritual Advance Committee.

Originally the basis of the appeal was 1/6 per member but for 1960 it is 2/- per member plus the amount required in any District for its Hospital Chaplain.

Since 1952 the Church has been asked in the General Appeal up to and inclusive of the 1959 Appeal for £22,143 and in that period £21,948 has been given. The Church thus over this period fell short of the target by only £195. The amount asked for in the 1960 Appeal is £3811/10/-.

Only two of the Districts, namely Auckland and Otago, have caused concern in their continued failure to meet their commitments. In the period mentioned in the previous paragraph Auckland District was £700 short of its target. If £200 of this shortage had been forthcoming the target set would have been exceeded.

Since its inception in 1952, the expenses incurred in administering the appeal have been only £178/11/-, an average of £22/6/3 per year.

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the thanks of the Conference be extended to the Convener, Mr H. de R. Flesher and the Committee for their work over many years.
3. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 5 herein.

## DISTRICT FINANCIAL COMMITTEES

- NORTHLAND:** Chairman of the District, Revs. A. T. Kent, G. R. Thompson, Messrs G. H. Lendrum, A. H. M. Farrell, W. J. Court, and the Associate Lay Treasurer.
- AUCKLAND:** District Chairman, Rev. E. W. Hames, Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore, District Financial Secretary, Messrs A. Turner, H. P. Mourant, and G. S. Gapper.
- 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.
- HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:** District Chairman, Revs. Dr R. Dudley, J. M. Blight, R. G. Bell, Messrs A. H. Fisher, P. Mercer, A. Downer, C. B. Radcliffe and O. Grant.
- WELLINGTON:** District Chairman, one to be appointed, Messrs T. M. Pacey, A. J. Johnston, J. H. McFadden, and D. Taylor (Convener).
- NELSON:** District Chairman, Messrs A. Thomas, E. S. Wratt, and F. H. Southgate.
- NORTH CANTERBURY:** The Chairman of the District, Financial Secretary, and Rev. H. K. Brown, Messrs D. A. White, B. A. Caygill, W. E. Clothier and F. Baird.
- SOUTH CANTERBURY:** District Chairman, Messrs E. B. F. Hight, H. C. P. Withell, and P. G. Woodnorth.
- OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:** District Chairman, Financial Secretary, Messrs J. McIndoe, H. H. Johnson, and A. L. Stanton.

### QUESTION LVIII. (3)—STIPEND COMMITTEE.

No Report.

### QUESTION LVIII.

## 4—Transport Trust Board, Inc.

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

From information reaching the Board from time to time it is apparent that the needs of Ministers, Home Missionaries and others, in the obtaining of motor cars suitable for their work, have been substantially met. Certain popular makes of cars are still in short supply and considerable notice is required to obtain one of these vehicles. The main difficulty throughout the year has, however, been the need for having to face up to the increased capital cost.

**Travelling Allowances:** During the past year the church has continued to adopt the Public Service Scale of mileage allowances as the basis for reimbursing Ministers and others for the use of their cars for circuit purposes. There has been no change in this scale since last Conference and it is again recommended for adoption.

There has been some reduction in the price of petrol during the past year, but any saving in this direction has been substantially offset by increased costs in other directions. If there is a change in the Public Service Scale before the coming Conference, the matter will be considered by the Board and will be the subject of a supplementary report. In the meantime the present scale now recommended for re-adoption is set out hereunder:

Miles Per Annum	Small Car (Under 1000 c.c. Cylinder Capacity) d.	Medium Car (1000-2000 c.c. Cylinder Capacity) d.	Large Car (Over 2000 c.c. Cylinder Capacity) d.
0-1000	9.00	10.25	11.75
1001-2000	8.00	9.25	10.50
2001-3000	7.50	8.50	9.75
3001-4000	7.00	8.25	9.25
4001-5000	6.50	7.75	8.75
5001-6000	6.25	7.25	8.25
6001-7000	6.00	7.00	8.00
7001-8000	5.75	7.00	7.75
8001 and over	5.75	6.75	7.75

When more than two passengers are carried the above rates are increased by 1d. per mile.

There still appears to be some confusion as to how this scale operates. The following example is given to clarify the position:

For a Minister using a medium sized car and travelling, say, 4789 miles per annum, the scale would operate from the commencement of the Connexional year as under:

	£	s.	d.
1000 miles at 10½d.	42	14	2
1000 miles at 9½d.	38	10	10
1000 miles at 8½d.	35	8	4
1000 miles at 8½d.	34	7	6
789 miles at 7½d.	25	9	7
<b>4789</b>	<b>£176</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>

At the start of the next Connexional year, the allowance would revert to 10½d. for the first 1000 miles, and so on.

**Motor Car Insurance:** The Minister's right to place his motor car insurance business wherever he so wishes was raised some time ago and was the subject of some comment in last year's report. Following some further discussion with the Connexional Office it can now be stated that Ministers and Home Missionaries desiring to insure their cars may do so wherever they wish and are under no obligation to specifically support the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund, although it should be pointed out that the Church as a whole does receive some benefit through their so doing.

**Financial Assistance for the Purchase of Motor Cars:** The Board has continued to assist Ministers and Home Missionaries by providing finance by way of loans for the purchase of motor cars for use in Circuit work. The hire purchase restrictions imposed by Government regulation continue to operate and it has again been necessary for any financial assistance now being given to be on the basis of loans being supported by two guarantors. Again the Board records its appreciation of those who have come forward to give assistance in this way.

During the past year nine new loans and one further advance have been granted to a total value of £3191, nine loans have been fully repaid and, as at the 30th June last, there were thirty-one loans current of a total value of £7660/19/3. The Board is happy to record that all obligations under these loans are being satisfactorily met.

**Annual Accounts:** The accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1960, show an excess of income over expenditure of £118/10/3, thus bringing the accumulated fund up to £804/5/10.

The rate of interest charged has continued at 4½ per cent and the usage of bank overdraft during the year has been reduced by the action of various Church Departments and Trusts in depositing temporarily unused funds with the Board as under: £

Foreign Missions Department	2000
Department of Christian Education	750
Wellington Charitable and Educational Trust	1000
Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust	1000
	<hr/> £4750

Interest at current deposit rates is, of course, paid to these Departments and the Board again records its sincere appreciation of this very practical way of assisting the general work of the Church.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

DEREK TAYLER, Treasurer.

T. M. PACEY, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That in future the Public Service Scale be accepted as the Conference Scale for the purpose of assessing travelling allowances. (The new scale is shown below.)

3. That the Transport Trust Board be empowered to advise the Church immediately through its Circuit Stewards if there is any change in the Public Service rate. That in this instance the new rate operate from February 1st, 1961.

4. That attention of the Circuits be drawn to the Law Book Part 4 Section 2, 228 (e) with a view to indicating especially that no probationer shall be required to provide the means of transport for the work of the Circuit.

5. That the Committee be as printed on page 9 herein.

### CURRENT PUBLIC SERVICE SCALE

Miles per annum.	Small Car (under 1000 c.c. cyl. capacity). d.	Medium Car (1000-2000 c.c. cyl. capacity). d.	Large Car (over 2000 c.c. cyl. capacity). d.
0-1000	8.50	10.00	11.25
1001-2000	7.50	8.75	9.75
2001-3000	7.00	8.25	9.25
3001-4000	6.50	8.00	8.75
4001-5000	6.25	7.50	8.25
5001-6000	5.75	7.00	7.75
6001-7000	7.75	6.75	7.50
7001-8000	5.50	6.75	7.25
8001 and over	5.50	6.50	7.25

When more than two passengers are carried the foregoing rates for motor cars shall be increased by one penny per mile.

### QUESTION LVIII. (5)—CLOSER RELATIONS WITH AUSTRALIA COMMITTEE

The Ex-President of the Conference (the Rev. A. Everill Orr) reports:—

**Australian Visit:** As President of the Conference, I was privileged in representing the Church at the Australian General Con-

ference in Sydney during May. The Australian Church is anxious to continue fraternal visits, to share work in the Overseas Field and feels that information about the Church should be available at a Central place in the large towns. Visits were also made to Brisbane, Adelaide and Melbourne. The Church in Australia is in good heart and is keen in evangelism and Stewardship. The larger Departments are well organised and the leadership in education and Social Services are of a very high order. Many ministers in Australia would welcome an exchange for three months or more.

#### **QUESTION LVIII.**

## **6—Church Finance and Stewardship Committee**

### **REPORT FOR 1960**

The Committee has continued the work of preparing for the introduction of the Connexional Budget in February, 1961, and has also provided such assistance as it could to Circuits planning local Stewardship campaigns. This help continues to be on a limited scale, because of the Committee's inability to secure the services of a full-time Executive Officer.

#### **Appointment of Executive Officer:**

In terms of the approval of last Conference, every effort has been made to locate a suitable layman for appointment to this post. Advertisements were inserted in the "Methodist Times" and a circular letter sent to Superintendent Ministers. A number of replies were received, but the only two persons considered suitable subsequently withdrew.

The Committee became so concerned about the need for an appointment, particularly to help Districts and Circuits to prepare for the coming of the Connexional Budget, that it approached the Home Mission Department and, later, the President, with a view to securing the services of the Assistant Superintendent of Home Missions, Rev. J. A. Penman—to engage full-time in stewardship work until the end of the Connexional year. Despite the additional burden which would be imposed upon the General Superintendent, Rev. G. I. Laurenson, and some interference with the Department's programme, both Mr Laurenson, and the Home Mission Board agreed, in view of the urgency of the situation, to make Mr Penman available on the basis mentioned. The President also gave his agreement. The Church Finance and Stewardship Committee, and indeed the whole Church are grateful to those concerned, including Mr Penman, for the assistance now provided.

The Committee is continuing its efforts to obtain the services of a suitable laymen as Executive Officer, but, based on experience to date, it seems likely that it will have to ask the forthcoming Conference to release a minister to fill the position. Without doubt a full-time appointment will be essential from the beginning of next Connexional year.

#### **Allocation of Connexional Budget:**

In accordance with the procedure laid down by last Conference, Districts were advised in February of their shares of the 1961/62 Connexional Budget of £132,800. Some Districts raised objections to their allocations, but it was clear to the Committee that their opposition was basically against the amount which had to be allotted to them because of the size of the Dominion Budget, rather than against the criteria used in determining individual allocations. In the circumstances it has not been possible to amend any District totals.

This Committee has maintained the consistent attitude that while the total Budget is large, the sums included in it are all urgently needed to enable Methodism to play its proper part in this rapidly developing country, and the figure of £132,800 can be met by our people without difficulty, if they are provided with real leadership and giving everywhere is put on a sound stewardship basis. The Connexional Budget must succeed in its first year (and subsequent years) of operation and it is to be hoped that our leaders at all levels will do their very best to ensure this result.

Following the appointment of Mr Penman, it is intended before February next to carry out extensive publicity about the Budget, both per medium of the "Methodist Times" and District gatherings.

#### **Allocation of Funds of Connexional Budget:**

As requested by resolution 4 (iv) on page 193 of the 1959 Minutes of Conference, the Committee has considered the question of priorities in the distribution of moneys received under the Connexional Budget.

The Committee's view is that, basically, Conference should not legislate for a contingency which should not arise—the Budget having been approved by Conference should be met in full. However, some working rules will be required for the Budget Treasurer, to enable him to allocate amounts to Departments and Funds. The Committee, therefore, recommends to Conference that in the event of the full amount of the Budget not being raised in any year, up to the first £10,000 of any deficiency be borne by the Church Extension Fund and any deficiency beyond that figure by other Departments and Funds included in the Budget on a pro rata basis, with the exception that the amounts provided for the Supernumerary, Contingent, Removal Expenses and Children's Funds are to be met in full.

#### **Budgeting Procedure:**

Conference asked the Committee to prepare a report on a standardised budgeting procedure for Connexional and Circuit Income and Expenditure, for submission to Conference, 1960 (see Minutes of Conference, 1959, page 193, resolution 5). Conference also directed the Committee to work out, with Departments and Funds, a detailed scheme for remittance of Connexional Budget amounts from Circuits (see Minutes of Conference, 1959, page 192, resolution 2).

The Committee has given careful attention to both matters and its proposals are set out as an appendix to this report. They are in a form in which they could, if Conference approves, be incorporated in the Law Book as a complete statement or regulation governing Connexional Finance.

Certain passages are only an explanation of or a reason for what has been said immediately before. These passages have been placed within brackets, indicating that once the procedure has been fully understood and accepted, they would be unnecessary and could perhaps be deleted before the Regulation is finally adopted for the Law Book.

Most of the matter in the report has already been adopted by Conference either specifically or in principle. It has been necessary, in producing a complete report, to add certain portions which are considered necessary for the successful working of a Budget system, but which have not yet received the approval of Conference. Such portions of the report are printed in italics, indicating that they are still to be approved.

### **APPENDIX TO REPORT BUDGETING PROCEDURE A.—CONNEXIONAL FINANCE**

1. Conference will control the financial requirements of the Connexion, insofar as the annual income and expenditure of the

various Departments and Funds is concerned, by means of a Budget system. The aim of the system will be to present to Conference in advance for each annual period an estimate of the total expenditure which will require to be met from income provided by the Circuits. A Conference committee will examine and, if necessary, amend the estimates and report to Conference that they are reasonable and that it is within the capacity of the circuits to provide the necessary income. This Committee will at the same time inform Conference of the proportion of the total income to be raised by each District. Approval of the estimates by Conference will constitute an assessment by Conference on each District, and through the District Synod Standing Committees on each circuit for its proportion of the required income. "Annual Period" means from 1st July in one year to 30th June in the next.

2. For the purpose of advising Conference on all matters regarding the Connexional Budget there shall be a Conference Committee of Detail known as the Connexional Budget Committee.

The Committee shall be comprised of an equal number of ministerial and lay representatives, made up as follows for 1961, the future composition of the Committee to be referred back to the Church Finance Stewardship Committee for further consideration.

The President, President-Elect, Secretary of Conference, Chairmen of Districts in New Zealand, General Secretary Foreign Mission Board, General Superintendent Home and Maori Missions, Director of Department of Christian Education, Connexional Secretary, the Vice-President, Vice-President-Elect, a representative of the Trinity College Council, one Treasurer of each Mission Board, Chairman and Executive Officer of the Standing Committee on Church Finance, one layman from each Synodal district, and a sufficient number of laymen or ministers to make the numbers equal, including such members of the Standing Committee as may be attending Conference.

This Committee will meet prior to the opening of Conference, and will have before it a statement prepared in advance by the Standing Committee, showing the estimated financial requirements under all headings for the next annual period following that Conference, together with the Standing Committee's recommendations as to how the requirements should be allocated between districts, and as to any other matter affecting the Connexional Budget.

The Committee will examine the estimated requirements in detail to ensure that they are necessary, that reasonable provision has been made for contingencies, and that no items have been overlooked. It will also consider, from its knowledge of possible future events, whether there is likely to be any extraordinary expenditure outside the usual requirements for which some provision should be made.

Should the total arrived at be considered to be too high, the Committee must consider the best method to reduce it to the required level, without affecting the efficient working of the Church.

The Committee must also, examine, if necessary amend, and approve the allocation of the District proportions.

The budget and allocation will then be presented to Conference for approval.

3. The duty of preparing the statement of estimated requirements will be the responsibility of the Standing Committee on Church Finance and Stewardship.

This Committee, domiciled in Wellington, will consist of the Chairman of the District, five other Ministers, ten laymen, the Executive Officer of the Committee and a Budget Treasurer who will be

appointed by Conference on the nomination of the Standing Committee. The Secretary of Conference, Connexional Secretary, General Superintendent of Home and Maori Missions and the General Secretary of Foreign Missions will be corresponding members.

This Committee will require each Department and Fund to submit as early as possible and not later than 30th September in each year, a statement of its estimated requirements from Circuits for the next annual period after the forthcoming Conference. Statements will be required from the following:

Home & Maori Mission Department	Deaconess Board
Foreign Mission Department	Removal Expenses Fund
Department of Christian Education	Contingent Fund
Supernumerary Fund	Trinity College
Children's Fund	Children's Homes
	Social Services

In submitting these statements, the officials of the various Funds must take care that their estimated requirements under all headings are included, and that a reasonable amount, which is indicated, has been added for contingencies. The statements must be sufficiently detailed to indicate in broad outline the nature of the requirements and the reason for any marked fluctuation from previous Budgets. The Mission Departments which submit detailed estimates to Conference need only indicate the reason for fluctuations. All funds, in determining their estimated requirements will take into account unexpended balances and income derived from other sources, e.g. M.W.M.U., trading, legacies and the like.

Social Services will not need to supply detailed estimates of requirements but will make an annual request for a suitable amount to augment their funds. (The Budget meantime, is making no attempt to finance Social Services, but is endeavouring to supply an amount which will indicate the Connexion's belief in, and desire to support, the work they are doing.)

The Standing Committee, where necessary, shall consult the Church Council as to the object and amount to be included in the Budget under the heading of Church Extension Fund.

The Standing Committee will examine all these estimates, and where necessary will obtain clarification, and so save the time of the Conference Committee.

The Standing Committee cannot alter the amounts without the consent of the Department Fund concerned, but it may, if it thinks fit, recommend the Conference Committee to do so. Where it makes any such recommendation, it must give prior notification to the Department or Fund concerned.

The Standing Committee shall assess the amount to be included in the Budget under the heading previously known as the General Connexional Appeal, to be known in future as the Miscellaneous Causes Fund. The causes participating under this heading are:

National Council of Churches	National Society of Alcoholism
Council for Christian Education	Local Preachers' Association
Armed Forces Chaplaincy	Spiritual Advance Committee
New Zealand Alliance	University Chaplains

and such other causes as may from time to time be included by resolution of Conference. The Standing Committee shall also approve the amounts to be raised by the various Districts for Hospital Chaplains.

The Standing Committee will assess the amount to be included to cover the costs of the Executive Officer less the amount recoverable from Circuits who have employed him in stewardship campaigns.

It will also recommend to the Conference Committee an amount to be included to cover General Contingencies. (Although each Department and Fund will have included a reasonable amount for contingencies under its own heading, there is a need for this general item, which could be used for extraordinary contingencies under any heading or for new items not previously included in the Budget.)

Commencing with the Budget for the year ending 30th June, 1964, the Standing Committee will recommend to the Conference Committee what amount, not exceeding 2½ per cent., should be added to the Budget each year for the purpose of forming a reserve. (The intention of the Budget is that each year's expenditure shall be met by that year's income. This can be done only if all circuits meet their commitments in full within the specified time. At the outset, this must be relied on, as the only alternative is borrowing, either from Church resources or by overdraft. It would be a mistake, however, to assume that all circuits will always meet their commitments in the period, so as soon as possible an amount over and above current needs should be gathered in, to cushion the effect of several circuits lagging behind in the same year, and obviate the recourse to overdrafts which are expensive. Such a reserve could also serve to reduce the Budget allocations in time of recession.)

4. When forwarding the completed draft of the Budget to the Conference Committee the Standing Committee will indicate the percentage of the total amount to be met by each District. (The amount in money will not be given as the budget total may be amended before approval.)

In determining this percentage the Standing Committee will proceed in the following manner

1. The basic percentage will be the same as the percentage of members in each district is to the total membership of the Connexion.
2. This basic percentage may be increased or decreased on a consideration of these factors.
  1. Membership.
  2. Number of Ministers in proportion to membership.
  3. Travelling Expenses.
  4. The amount of capital expenditure being undertaken in a district.

The percentage finally decided on will remain unchanged for three years, unless there are disturbing factors such as marked change in the distribution of membership between districts, in which case the committee may recommend an alteration.

At each succeeding triennial review of percentages, the Standing Committee will consider the following additional factor:

- (e) How has each district met its commitments under the Budget for the preceding three years.

(Failure to pay will not, ipso facto, be regarded as inability to pay; the reasons will be sought in each case before any variation is made.)

5. As soon as possible after Conference, the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee will advise each Synod Standing Committee

the amount of its allocation for the next annual period, so that it may commence the work of apportioning it between circuits. It should use, in general, the same methods as are outlined in (4) above, and will have the advantage of more detailed local knowledge of the position of circuits. Following the 30th June in each year the C.F. and S. Committee will advise the Synod Committee what circuits, if any, are in arrears on the Budget just completed, and the amounts of arrears to be collected from each, during the current Budget term.

The Synod Standing Committee may, at its discretion, take note of these arrears as a factor in determining the allocation between circuits of the next succeeding budget. It may also, at its discretion and with the consent of circuits, re-allocate the amounts of the current budget to assist a circuit in trouble.

Before apportioning the district allocation among circuits, the Synod Standing Committee will add to it the amount approved for Hospital Chaplains in the district, and also an amount to cover its own administrative expenses. These amounts will be shown separately for circuit information, but will be included in the Budget payment by the circuits, and will be recovered by District Financial Secretaries from the Budget Treasurer. Nothing else may be included in the Budget by districts without Conference approval, but there is nothing to prevent a Synod Standing Committee from issuing an appeal to its circuits for some special local objective, provided it is kept entirely clear from the Budget.

Each District Financial Secretary shall ensure that circuits are advised of their Budget allocation for the following year before the 31st March in each year, as they must have the opportunity of discussing it at the March quarterly meeting. A return showing the amount allocated to each circuit must be sent to the Budget Treasurer, who will be attached to the Standing Committee on Church Finance and Stewardship. This return must show the separate amount for Hospital Chaplains and District Expenses.

6. The Synod Standing Committee will receive along with the notice of the amount of its allocation, details showing how the amount is divided among the various headings in the Budget. Circuits must be given the same details, care being taken to use the same proportions. (At the same time it must be stressed to circuits that these details are for information only for comparison with what has previously been given to each Department or Fund. For the future the Circuit is concerned with one amount only, the total which it is required to pay to the Budget as a whole. In other words it is not anticipated that any Circuit will be short in its payment, but should this occur through unforeseen circumstances, the circuit need not concern itself as to where the shortage will fall; that must be decided by the Standing Committee. It must also be stressed to circuits that the Budget allocation for each Fund is the minimum requirement of that Fund. Many of the Funds could do with much more if it is available.)

Many circuits will find that their allocation for some Funds is less than they have been paying in the past, particularly to Missions and Orphanages. They will most probably wish to continue giving on the higher level, and this should be done only after all other Budget commitments are met, either through Budget channels, suitably earmarked, or direct to the Department concerned. If paid direct to a Department it should be made clear that the Budget amount has been met, and this is an additional payment.

7. *The whole organisation of the Connexion depends on a continuous and regular flow of income to the Budget. (Circuits must therefore pay more attention to prompt remittance than some have done in the past.) Circuits will remit one-twelfth of their Budget*

allocation monthly, i.e. so as to be in the hands of the Budget Treasurer by the 15th of the following month.

The Budget Treasurer will advise the District Financial Secretary, should any circuits fail to remit regularly, and it will be the responsibility of the Synod Standing Committee to see that they are brought up to date.

The Budget Treasurer will have accounts with the Bank of New Zealand in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, known as the "New Zealand Methodist Church Budget Account".

Every Circuit Steward may remit funds to one of the accounts through any branch or agency of the Bank of New Zealand.

The special Bank Deposit forms supplied will enable the person paying in money to obtain a duplicate receipt from the Bank. This receipt must be forwarded immediately to the Budget Treasurer in Wellington. Advice of the payment, on a form supplied, must also be sent to the District Financial Secretary.

All North Island Districts other than Wellington will remit to the Auckland Account. Wellington Districts will remit to the Wellington account. All South Island Districts will remit to the Christchurch Account. (An analysis of the first Budget shows that this will result in the money deposited in each account being approximately equal to the amounts required to be paid to funds domiciled in that centre.)

Money will be withdrawn from any one of these accounts by cheque signed by the Budget Treasurer and the Chairman of the Wellington District or a senior Minister nominated by the Chairman.

8. The Budget Treasurer will keep two separate sets of accounts. One set will have an account for each circuit and also a summarised account for each synodal district. The other set will have an account for each department and fund included in the Budget.

Immediately after the close of each month, the Treasurer will distribute the money accumulated in the Budget Account between the various funds entitled to receive it, under a system laid down for him by the Standing Committee on Church Finance and Stewardship. This system will be established by the Committee in consultation with the various Departments and Fund Treasurers. (Although the aim will be that each Fund will receive its due proportion each month, a certain amount of flexibility will be needed. For instance the Removal Expenses Fund requires a large amount of money early in the year, and thereafter needs little until the next year. Until the Budget Account has built up a reserve, it can pay the Removal Expenses Fund in full early in the year, only by the forbearance of some other funds which do not require their money urgently.)

In laying down the rules for the monthly distribution, the Committee must arrange for sufficient funds to be retained in the Budget Account to meet any emergency calls, and also to ensure that the Supernumerary Fund, Contingent Fund, Removal Expenses Fund and Children's Fund can be paid in full within the annual period.

## **B.—CIRCUIT FINANCE**

### **Adopted for the Guidance of Circuits**

(Conference has twice recommended all circuits to adopt comprehensive Budget schemes for circuit finance. See 1957 Minutes page 189, resolution 4, and 1958 Minutes page 194 resolution 10 (a). In

1959 Conference directed this Committee to prepare a report on "a standardised budgeting procedure for Connexional and Circuit income and expenditure"—see Resolution 5 page 193 of 1959 Minutes. It appears that Conference 1959 had in mind that all circuits shall adopt budgeting procedure, and the following detail has been prepared on the assumption that Conference will eventually give a specific direction to this effort.)

On occasions, exception is taken to the linking of the words "finance" and "stewardship". While it is correct that a true conception of stewardship is very much wider and more important than regarding it as merely a financial obligation, nevertheless it is also correct that no one can fully exercise stewardship in Church affairs without entering into a definite and adequate commitment towards the support of the Church's work.

Therefore, before setting out the rules governing Circuit Budgeting procedure, it may be appropriate to emphasise that no circuit should enter upon a budget scheme without first undertaking a programme of education and training in Christian stewardship. This is necessary not, as some believe, merely to promote the flow of money, but also to rouse the attention of the whole congregation and so stimulate its interest in every phase of the Church's life, that all members will be anxious to see that the budget scheme is a success. They will be interested to know what happens to the money subscribed, and this interest will lead to wise planning to ensure that every avenue of expenditure is provided for. Moreover it will ensure that the money coming in is correctly handled and recorded, and will provide the leadership to see that the circuits' share of the Budget fund is wisely used to the best advantage, and that the Connexion's share is regularly dispatched to the right place at the right time. This stewardship training should be a continuing matter, with a re-vitalizing campaign every few years.

1. The rules for the organisation of a Budget plan will vary according to the nature of the Circuit. A circuit of one society needs one budget; a circuit of multiple societies may need a budget for each Society. They all will have one thing in common—a Circuit Finance Committee, which will be a Standing Committee of the Quarterly Meeting and be representative of all societies in the circuit. Its functions will be to examine all matters connected with the finances of the circuit, and make recommendations to the Quarterly Meeting and give directions to the Leaders' Meetings within the circuit. It will have a particular responsibility in giving oversight to the circuit commitments to the Connexional Budget and ensuring that payments are made as directed by Conference.

In particular, the Circuit Finance Committee will meet prior to the March Quarterly Meeting to receive from the District Synod Standing Committee notice of the circuit's allocation for the Connexional Budget, and draw up and present to the March Quarterly Meeting the Circuit Budget for the ensuing year (1st July - 30th June next year). This will comprise:

- (a) Circuit:  
Stipends, Travelling Allowances, Parsonage Maintenance, Parsonage Furnishing Allowances, Stationery, Offering envelopes, etc., Telephone Rentals (including Toll Calls), Insurance Premiums (Workers' Compensation), Sundries of a local nature, Contingencies say 7½% of total.
- (b) Connexional:  
One lump sum covering all that was formerly subscribed to Missions, Christian Education, Children's Homes, Church

Extension Appeal, Connexional Levy, General Connexional Appeal, City Missions and Trinity College.

In bringing the Budget before the Quarterly Meeting, the Circuit Finance Committee will at the same time state the percentage of the Circuit Budget to be raised by each society.

The lump sum Connexional charge must be divided between all societies in the circuit primarily on a membership basis, but taking into account other factors such as ability to pay, as the Quarterly Meeting may think fit.

It is not easy to lay down rules for the apportionment of the circuit's internal charges between the societies, as there can be so many variations in the organisation of different circuits. In some circuits each society will have an ordained minister and a parsonage of its own, in other circuits two societies may be sharing a minister and a parsonage, while other societies may have no responsibility for a parsonage at all. Travelling allowances needed may vary greatly between societies. All these factors will need to be allowed for. In general the best method is to take all the internal charges together and apportion them as outlined above for the Connexional charge, but special cases may need other methods. The Quarterly Meeting should be guided by its Finance Committee, the members of which will be selected for their business ability to deal with such matters.

2. When each society in the circuit has been advised of its circuit levies both for the connexional and the local circuit budgets, a combined gathering representing its Leaders' Meeting, its local Trust and its Local Council must be held to settle the society's budget for the period. This will be more easily done; the connexional and the circuit charges having been settled for it, the society will have to deal only with its own youth and trust expenditure, including debt reduction, and with any funds it may be raising for improvement or expansion.

It must be clearly understood that Conference has directed that the M.W.M.U. is to be free to carry on its fund-raising activities independently of any budget. The local branch of the M.W.M.U. may prefer to receive its funds through the local budget, but unless it makes such a request, the society cannot include it in the budget scheme.

3. Subject to the consent of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting, each society may operate a banking account of its own, into which shall be paid all the offerings and any other donations towards the budget funds. Offerings earmarked for special causes must be carefully recorded so that they do not merge into the general funds.

This account shall be controlled by a Finance Committee of from three to five members plus the Superintendent Minister or his deputy as Chairman. It shall be a sub-committee of the Leaders' Meeting and include representatives of the local Trust and the Local Youth Council. Two members of this Committee shall be appointed as Secretary and Treasurer and shall do the recording and operating of the account. Payments shall be made from the account as follows:

- (a) The society's contributions to the Connexional and Circuit Budgets paid to the Circuit Account monthly.
- (b) The local Trust's share of the society's budget paid to the Trust Account at regular intervals as shall be arranged.
- (c) Bible Class, Sunday School and other expenditure as may be required, all disbursements to be by cheque.

4. As an alternative to the above, the Circuit Finance Committee may gather information from all the societies including Trusts and Local Youth Councils, and compile and present to the Quarterly Meeting a comprehensive budget for the whole circuit. If this is done, all the offerings will be paid into one Circuit Banking Account, and disbursed by the Circuit Steward to the Various bodies as required.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

This Committee has apportioned the Budget for 1961-62 between Districts by the method laid down by Conference 1959.

While the majority of Districts accepted their allocations without question, there are two or three Districts which have expressed dissatisfaction in varying degrees.

The Committee therefore desires to lay the following points before Synods for consideration:

1. The Committee was instructed to consider the "ability to pay" of the various Districts. A reasonable method was devised which gave a fairly accurate result, but this is disputed in some quarters. There is no method that could be devised to assess ability to pay except by expression of opinion, and no expression of opinion is likely to be entirely acceptable throughout the Church.

2. It had also to consider the income and liabilities of the Districts, i.e. the combined income and the combined liabilities of all the Circuits in a District, but the published statistics do not give the necessary information. It is, of course possible to find out the true position, but it could not be done in the time at our disposal. Under our present system of Church legislation, it would probably be two or three years before an adequate form of statistical return to give the information could be devised, accepted and approved by Conference.

3. The most important factor to be considered—the one which must form the main basis of the allocation—was the membership of the Districts. The membership as at 30th June, 1959, had to be used and this is nineteen months before the Budget year commences.

4. It was evident at last Conference that there was a strong body of opinion favouring a Budget year from 1st July-30th June, to coincide with the normal Circuit year.

Having considered the whole question, including the above four points, the Committee makes the following recommendations:

- (a) That the second Budget period be from 1st July, 1962, to 30th June, 1963, and the amounts for inclusion therein be decided by Conference 1961.
- (b) That the monthly payments to be made by all Circuits to the 1st Budget (see the rules laid down in the "standard procedure" statement attached to main report) be extended to cover the months February to June, 1962, i.e. five further monthly payments at the same rate, unless the amount is altered by this Committee.
- (c) That Conference 1960 give this Committee a new direction on the method of apportioning the Budget between Districts for the second Budget. Should the resulting allocation, when approved by Conference 1961 (see the rules already mentioned) be substantially different from that for the first Budget, this Committee be empowered to make adjustments to the monthly payments required for February to June, 1962, to correct as far as possible any anomalies.

- (d) That in giving the new direction, Conference omit "ability to pay" as a factor to be considered in apportioning the Budget between Districts. (Note: It is a useful factor which may well be used at the discretion of Synod Standing Committees in apportioning the District Budget between Circuits.)
- (e) That the main factors Conference should consider in giving the new direction are:
  1. Membership.
  2. Number of Ministers in proportion to membership.
  3. Travelling expenses.
  4. The amount of developmental work being undertaken in a District, such as the establishment of new causes in growing areas. (Note: The replacement of old Churches, or the enlarging of buildings would not enter into this consideration unless caused by a sudden large increase in the housing in the area.)

The adoption of these resolutions would involve consequential alterations in the wording of the Standard Budgeting Procedure attached to this Committee's main report.

E. S. HODDINOTT, Chairman.

E. G. HEGGIE, Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the second Budget period be from 1st July, 1962, to 30th June, 1963, and the amounts for inclusion therein be decided by Conference 1961.
3. That the monthly payments to be made by all Circuits to the 1st Budget be extended to cover the months February to June, 1962, i.e. five further monthly payments at the same rate, unless the District Allocations are altered by the Church Finance and Stewardship committee.
4. Conference directs the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee to omit "ability to pay" as a factor to be considered in apportioning the Budget between Districts. (NOTE: It is a useful factor which may well be used at the discretion of Synod Standing Committees in apportioning the District Budget between Circuits.)
5. Conference directs the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee to apportion the Connexional Budget between Districts using the following factors:
  1. Membership.
  2. Number of Ministers in proportion to membership.
  3. Travelling Expenses.
  4. The amount of capital expenditure being undertaken in a District.
6. That in view of the new direction on the method of apportioning the Budget between districts for the second Budget the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee be empowered to make adjustments to the monthly payments required for February to June, 1962, to correct as far as possible any anomalies.
7. That from 1st July, 1962, the circuit contributions to the Supernumerary Fund be allocated to each District according to the number of ministers in active circuit work in that district.
8. That in the event of the full amount of the Connexional Budget not being raised in any year, up to the first £10,000 of any

deficiency be borne by the Church Extension Fund and any deficiency beyond that figure by other Departments and Funds included in the Budget on a pro rata basis, with the exception that the amounts provided for the Supernumerary, Contingent, Removal Expenses and Children's Funds are to be met in full.

9. In the event of there being any serious deficiency in the amount available for the Trinity College Appeal, Conference assures the College Council that the Connexion will subsequently recognise their claim for special assistance within the overall budget.

10. That when publicity for the Connexional Budget is being distributed people who do not contribute by pledged giving through Circuit Budgets be given the opportunity to contribute to the wider work of the Church through envelopes for that purpose.

11. The Conference Committee of Detail on Church Finance and Stewardship be empowered to meet at a time to be arranged prior to Conference in order to consider:

1. The Connexional Budget.

2. The District assessments.

12. That this Conference records its profound thanks to Mr E. G. Heggie for his outstanding contribution to the Church as Convener of the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee over a period of years.

(1) That the Committee be congratulated on the Reports.

14. That the method of paying District expenses from the Contingent Fund be determined by the Contingent Fund Treasurers in consultation with the President of Conference.

15. That Mr G. G. Slater be appointed Budget Treasurer.

16. That the arrangement between the Home Mission Department and the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee for the Rev. J. A. Penman to act as Executive Officer of the Committee be continued for another year, Mr Penman keeping his contacts with the Home Mission Department, and living in Auckland.

17. That the Committee be as printed on page 5 herein.

#### QUESTION LVIII.

## 7—Church and Ministry Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

The Committee has met five times during the year including an all-day retreat in April. Arrangements were made through the Spiritual Advance Committee and local committees for the holding of three Schools of Theology and Evangelism which were held in June. Contact was made with the Trinity College Board of Studies through the Principal regarding the recruiting and training of Candidates for the Ministry.

The following is the completion of our study of the questions in the Order of Reference as directed by Conference 1956 (see Mins. page 59).

The Committee was asked to consider the well-being of the Ministry, in order that it may fulfil its duties in relation to:

(a) Economic Pressure, e.g. Parsonage and its furnishings; Superannuation; Travelling Costs. These have now been considered by other Committees of the Conference.

(b) Pastoral Efficiency: Ministerial Functions; Secretarial

Duties; Circuit System. The first two of these have been handled in our Report of the essential Functions and Characteristic Practices of the Ministry. (See Minutes of Conference 1959 pages 194 to 196.)

### **The Circuit System:**

A Circuit is an area in which is situated a Church or number of Churches or preaching places ministered to by a superintendent minister often assisted by other ministers and probationers. Following the death of John Wesley, the need for supervision moved the Conference to set up Districts, comprised of Circuits. This became a feature of Methodism wherever it spread. The committee believes that this is still the best system for New Zealand conditions. This has enabled Methodists to work in scattered areas as well as in centres of population. The growing costs of the Church make the Circuit System essential in New Zealand under present conditions and it calls for the use of local preachers whose services are a source of strength to the Church. The principle behind the Circuit System should be that the stronger Churches help the weaker ones and that each Circuit should assume missionary responsibility for developing the work of God in its own area.

### **(c) City Ministry and Rural Ministry:**

There are special features of our Rural work to which the Church has not given sufficient attention. The advent of motor cars and the fact that many young people brought up in the country go to live in the cities have brought about a new situation. We have not given any specialised training to Ministers for Rural Work. Most Ministers prefer City appointments and we have kept many preaching places open with non-Methodist lay preachers and have not thought out the kind of Church building most suitable for country districts.

There are strains and tensions due to the amount of travelling necessary, financial strain due to small numbers of members, the necessity of using untrained lay leadership and the difficulties of observing the law of the Church in regard to official meetings.

We have lost many country preaching places for the above reasons together with the fact that other denominations are ministering to their own folk.

It would strengthen our Rural work if more trained and experienced ministers were appointed to country circuits, especially in the first ten to fifteen years of their ministry. If it is necessary to use laymen in supply work, they should be used in well-established Circuits rather than in remote struggling ones. The maintenance of Rural work depends on effective pastoral oversight.

### **(d) Candidates for the Ministry: Qualifications and Training.**

Suggestions for this section were received from the Principal of Trinity College. These were considered by the Committee but it was finally agreed that this work could be done more efficiently by the Board of Studies of Trinity College.

In presenting this report, the Committee considers that it has completed the order of reference assigned by Conference of 1956 and therefore that there is no need for its re-appointment.

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. V. UTTING, Convener.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee be thanked for its services and not re-appointed.

## QUESTION LIX.—Who are Members of the Standing Committees?

### A. Committee of Privileges:

The President, Vice-President and Secretary, Connexional Secretary, and the President's Legal Adviser; Revs. C. O. Hailwood, E. S. Hoddinott, R. Thornley; Messrs S. N. Roberts, T. M. Pacey, N. P. Alcorn, A. E. Hurley. Convener: Secretary of Conference.

### Committee of Exigency:

Wellington members of the above Committee.

### B. President's Committee of Advice:

Ex-President, President-Elect, Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, the Legal Adviser; Revs. G. L. Bennett, J. A. Dalglish, G. H. Goodman, W. C. Jenkin; Messrs W. S. Thrush, E. L. F. Buxton, S. G. Laurenson, C. B. Radcliffe, I. G. Baber. Convener: Secretary of Conference.

## QUESTION LX.—Who are the Members of the Synod Standing Committees?

### NORTHLAND:

All circuit ministers including Northern Maori and Rev. Te Tuhi and Pastor D. H. Ansell, and Messrs H. Neal, J. W. Cliff, W. G. Simpkin, G. H. Lendrum, W. J. Court, R. M. Salmon, J. Keightley, W. Wotherspoon, G. Ferguson, J. T. Williams, Tawai Kawiti, A. H. M. Farrell, R. O. Howard, Lionel Hayes, plus one more lay representative from the Whangaroa/Bay of Islands Circuit, and the associate Lay District Financial Secretary.

### AUCKLAND:

The District Chairman, Heads of Missions and Stewardship Departments, Superintendents of City and Suburban Circuits, District Secretary, District Treasurer, Financial Secretary, District Missions Secretaries, Revs. J. H. Osborne, J. H. Conway, C. T. J. Luxton; Messrs O. A. H. Allison, M. A. Berry, H. L. Clark, W. Davison, A. Davies, H. M. Denton, E. C. Flyger, N. W. Gilling, C. R. Howell, A. B. Johnston, G. W. Matheson, F. Norrs, G. C. Riddell, T. G. R. Stevens, F. M. Souster, B. O. Stokes, J. C. Tietjens, A. Turner.

### FRANKLIN SUB-COUNCIL:

That the Committee for 1961 be: The Ministers of Papatoetoe, Papakura, Pukekohe, Waiuku and Bombay-Tuakau Circuits. The Rev. E. M. Marshall, Sister Joan Wedding, Messrs C. M. Buttimore, C. Edgar, E. L. Curnow Jnr., W. H. Brownlee, A. M. McKerras, J. Watson, H. Leadley, L. Shaw, A. M. Winstone, and L. S. Hall.

### SOUTH AUCKLAND:

Superintendent Ministers of Hamilton, Hamilton East, Matamata, Cambridge, Otorohanga, Te Kuiti, Te Awamutu, Morrinsville, Thames, Waihi, Tauranga, Hauraki Plains, Putaruru, Whakatane, Rotorua, Te Aroha, Opotiki and King Country Maori Circuits. Messrs W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young, G. E. Simpson, T. G. M. Spooner M.A., J. R. Horne, P. Rushton, W. F. Walters, D. H. Payne, J. Davys,

### TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Chairman of District and circuit Ministers, Messrs K. F. Andrews, M. S. Hughson, W. H. King, J. P. Harding, W. Greenwood, A. L. Fox, P. C. Hill, A. T. Hughson, S. C. Graham.

### WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT:

Chairman of District, Revs. G. L. Bennett, W. C. Jenkin, J. A. Dalglish, and K. C. Griffith, Messrs W. S. Thrush, A. Catraw, R. Doughty, S. Laurenson, N. Dixon and H. Queree.

## HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

**Manawatu Synod Standing Committee:** The Ministers and Home Missionaries together with Sister Dorothy Pointon, Messrs F. Ansell, J. R. Grigg, T. M. Henson, I. G. Baber, J. G. Bleakley, L. Cotter, W. G. Holloway, A. Olsson, B. F. White, R. A. Currie (D.Y.C.), R. T. Woodfield (L.P.A.), H. W. Wood (M's F.), V. C. Rotherham; Mesdames R. Sandford (M.W.M.U.), and M. McIvor (W's G.F.), Convener, Rev. J. M. Blight.

## HAWKES BAY AREA COMMITTEE:

The Minister and Circuit Stewards of the Napier and Hastings Circuits, with Ministers of Gisborne, Wairoa, and Waipawa-Waipukurau Circuits and one lay representative from each of the five Circuits. Chairman: Rev. Dr. R. Dudley. Convener: to be appointed.

## WELLINGTON:

"All ordained ministers, one lay representative from each circuit, a representative from each district organisation and all conference officials."

## NELSON:

The Ministers of Nelson, Waimea, Blenheim and Motueka Circuits; Messrs R. C. A. Marshall, A. F. Thomas, S. V. Everett, J. S. White, F. H. Southgate, C. G. Parker, A. C. Barrington, D. H. Williams, H. Holland; Mesdames L. G. White, M. R. Best, M. V. Humphreys, J. Trathen. Convener: Rev. L. J. Gibson.

## WEST COAST SUB-COUNCIL:

Ministers of Greymouth, Hokitika, Reefton, Westport Circuits; Messrs F. Lindbom, N. Leadley, A. McDonald and Rev. T. Steele.

## NORTH CANTERBURY:

The Superintendent Ministers of the Christchurch East, Durham St., St. Albans, Addington, Riccarton, Sydenham, Papanui, Woolston-Lyttelton, Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church, Springston, Rangiora and Kaiapoi Circuits, the Rev. C. H. Raynor, the Financial Secretary, the Secretary of the District; and Messrs J. Pryor, J. H. Yarr, G. E. Hill, H. Falkingham, N. G. Hillary, C. M. R. Manhire, D. A. White, P. B. Birkett, B. A. Caygill, J. E. Horrell, E. Ridgen, P. A. Le Brun, A. C. Bowis, F. Bartley and N. P. Alcorn. Secretary: The District Secretary.

## SOUTH CANTERBURY:

All ministers and probationers of the District, Messrs K. Fowke, T. Wakelin, G. T. Lill, O. Neutze, R. Cone, A. Gorringer, M. A. Bull, W. Simmons, F. Prestidge, M. E. Hayman and F. G. Stuart. Convener: Rev. L. F. Bycroft.

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Revs. A. J. Johnston, W. K. Abbott, D. B. Gordon, W. Green, A. J. Handyside, E. Hepplethwaite, D. L. Kitchingman, W. J. Morrison, R. E. Patchett, I. C. E. Ramage, W. J. Reddihough, L. Shapcott, J. H. Thompson; Mrs E. R. Patton, Misses C. H. Kane, L. Hetherington; Messrs J. Angell, E. W. Ashby, C. Chirnside, A. J. Ganderton, A. H. Harman, L. A. Hayward, S. S. Holden, H. H. Johnston, I. A. Skene, A. L. Stanton.

## SOUTHLAND SUB-COUNCIL:

All the Ministers and Probationers of Southland, Mrs S. S. Craw, Messrs H. C. McKenzie, L. H. Allott, E. A. Humphries, W. G. Coventry, E. McCullough and R. V. McLean.

**QUESTION LXI. (a)—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Laws and Regulations of the Church?**

## **Law Revision Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1960**

The Committee submits its report and its recommendations on the various matters referred to it by the Conference.

#### **1.—MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS**

**(Resolution 8 (a) and (b), 1959 Minutes, Page 60)**

The Committee has been instructed to prepare a suitable question to be added to the agenda of the District Ministerial Committee and submits the following, Law Book, page 63 (9) (h): Have all notifications of membership transfers been sent out and acknowledged?

The Committee, when considering the drafting of a suitable question saw many practical difficulties in the working of the new direction and suggests that the whole matter might well be considered again by Conference.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

That the following be added to para. 337 sub-para. (9) h, Law Book page 63: (h) Have all notifications of membership transfers been sent out and acknowledged?

#### **2.—SOCIETY STEWARDS**

**(Resolution 10, 1959 Minutes, Page 60)**

The Law Revision Committee has been directed to consider a proposal that the law relating to the election of Society Stewards be altered to allow a Society to elect a maximum of 18 Society Stewards instead of 12 as at present.

The Committee has checked the number of members in various Churches who could attend quarterly and other official meetings and has found that in smaller churches one person in four could attend and in a larger church one in nine. Quarterly meetings of our larger circuits are often unwieldy and to increase the number of Society Stewards would aggravate the position.

If the difficulty is to obtain sufficient stewards on Sundays this can be overcome by the appointment of associate stewards as is done in the larger churches.

The Committee does not recommend any change.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received.
2. That the following be referred to the Committee for drafting: "That the law relating to the election of Society Stewards be altered to allow a Society to elect a maximum of eighteen Society Stewards, instead of twelve as at present."

#### **3.—CHURCH COUNCIL REPORTS TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE**

**(Resolution 2 (a) and (b), 1959 Minutes, Page 77)**

The Committee has been directed to report on the procedure to be adopted in respect of reports from the Church Council.

The Committee considers that in view of the Conference decision (see Resolution 2 (a) page 77, 1959 Minutes) that the Church

Council be an advisory body on "major" matters of policy, the findings of the Council should be reported direct to Conference.

The Committee makes recommendations which will safeguard the rights of Synods and also guard against hurried legislation.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the findings of the Church Council be reported direct to Conference; except that when it is deemed desirable, the Council may report to the Conference through the Synods.

#### 4.—CHURCH FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

(Resolution 5 (2), 1959 Minutes, Page 78)

A draft constitution for the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee is in the course of preparation. The draft has been submitted to the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee for its consideration.

The Committee notes that laymen have been appointed District Financial Secretaries. There is no provision for the appointment of laymen as such.

The Committee asks for authority to make provision for the appointment of either a Minister or layman as District Financial Secretary in an appropriate position in the Law Book. It suggests that the appointment be made by Conference.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Law Revision Committee make provision in the appropriate part of the Law Book for the appointment of either a Minister or a layman as District Financial Secretary.

#### 5.—AUDIT OF TRUST ACCOUNT

(Resolution 2, 1959 Minutes, Page 112)

There has been referred to the Committee a proposed amendment to para. 154 (t) of the Law Book to the effect that the trust account be audited by the Minister or his deputy in conjunction with the Circuit Stewards.

The Committee points out that paragraph 20 of the Model Deed (see Law Book, page 179) provides for not only Ministers but also for circuit stewards to appoint deputies to act for all or any of them in the audit of the trust account.

Further para. 228 (h) (Law Book, page 41) provides that circuit stewards either personally or by deputy, in conjunction with the Ministers shall conduct the audit.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That paragraph 154 (t). (Law Book, page 26) be amended by adding after the words "Circuit Stewards" the words "either personally or by deputy".

#### 6.—SUBMISSION OF ACCOUNTS OF VARIOUS GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS TO QUARTERLY MEETINGS

(Resolution 5, 1959 Minutes, Page 206)

The Committee has been directed to consider and report on a proposal that a suitable question be added to the Quarterly Meeting agenda seeking annually the audited financial statements of all groups and organisations within the circuit.

The Committee points out that in a large church there could be

up to one dozen groups and organisations under the auspices of such church. This total will be increased where there are several churches in a Circuit.

At present Quarterly Meetings have a large agenda to consider. It does not seem necessary that they should have to consider the annual accounts of all organisations and groups in the Circuit.

The Committee agrees, that there should be an annual audit of the accounts of such organisations and groups.

At present it is the duty of the Superintendent Minister to see that proper banking accounts are kept. (See Law Book, page 26, para. 154 (bb)). The Committee suggests that he should see that the accounts are annually audited.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That paragraph 154 (bb) Law Book, page 26, be amended by the addition at the end thereof of the words "and that an audited financial statement be submitted to the annual meeting thereof."

### 7.—STANDING ORDERS OF CONFERENCE

(Resolution 7, 1959 Minutes, Page 206)

The Committee has been directed to redraft clause 10 of the standing orders relating to the time allowed for speakers.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That paragraph 10 of the Standing Orders (Law Book, page 161) be repealed and the following substituted therefor: 10 (a) Unless Conference shall otherwise determine by a vote of a majority of those present, no person shall speak for more than three minutes at any time in any debate of the Conference, provided always that the mover of a motion when introducing such motion may speak for five minutes.  
(b) Nothing contained in the preceding sub-paragraph shall apply to or prevent any explanation in response to a question being made with the consent of the President by any member moving the adoption of any report and such explanations shall not be deemed to be speeches within the meaning of this paragraph.
3. That the Law Revision Committee review the procedure for Conference in the presentation of Reports through Committees of Details, with special reference to those Synod recommendations on which "No Recommendation" is made.

### 8.—ELECTION OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES ETC.

(Resolution 10, 1959 Minutes, Page 206)

Ministers are selected for official positions in the Conference or District either in accordance with the law of the Church or by the general usage and practice of the church by ballot without nomination. The only exception is in the case of the District Financial Secretary who is nominated for appointment by the Chairman of the District.

It would appear that the reason for this procedure is that a preliminary vote is equivalent to a nomination of the whole and names are therefore brought before the group. By this method every individual exercises his right to nominate. Certain names are brought before the group which then is in a position to make its final selection.

In the opinion of the Committee the present procedure works satisfactorily and therefore no change is recommended.

## RESOLUTION

That the Report be received and adopted.

### 9.—REPRESENTATION OF UNION CHURCHES IN LOWER AND HIGHER COURTS

(Resolution 3 (a) and (b), 1959 Minutes, Page 182)

(Resolution 3, 1954 Minutes, Page 164/5)

The Committee has been requested to implement certain resolutions of Conference 1954 in regard to the representation of Union Churches in Synods and Conference and also to consider the representation of such in Conference during a non-Methodist ministry.

#### A.—Representation in Synods:

All Ministers and Home Missionaries are as of right members of the District Synod in which they are stationed. A Minister or a Home Missionary appointed to an Union Church is therefore a member of the Synod in which the Union Church is situated.

It is noted that each Home Mission Station is entitled to appoint a lay representative to Synod. The Committee proposes that the same privilege should be granted to Union Churches.

#### B.—Representation in Conference:

The Committee has given consideration to this and as yet is not in a position to bring down any recommendations. Conference has confirmed that any representation should be according to the normal procedure of the negotiating church concerned. The committee is of the opinion that there should be uniformity amongst the churches in this matter. It proposes to ascertain the procedure of the other Churches and to confer with the Church Union Committee. A report will be submitted to next Conference.

#### Recommendation:

That paragraph 323 (e) Law Book be amended by the addition at the end thereof of the following words "and from each Union Church".

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received.
2. That the Section be referred back to the Law Revision Committee for further consideration.

### QUESTION LXI.—(b) Who is appointed the President's Legal Adviser?

Mr H. de R. Flesher, M.A. LL.B.

### QUESTION LXII.—What is the Report of the Ecumenical Committee?

## Ecumenical Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

#### World Methodist Council:

The Tenth World Methodist Conference meets in Oslo, Norway, from the 17th to 25th August, 1961. The World Federation of Methodist Women meets from the 14th August to 16th August, 1961; the Executive Committee of the World Methodist Council meets on 15th August, 1961; the World Methodist Council meets on 16th August, 1961. In accordance with the procedure laid down by Conference (1957 p. 198; 1958 p. 205), Synods are asked to nominate three representatives to the Tenth World Methodist Conference. It is recommended that one representative should be the President, one a

woman who would also attend the meetings of the World Federation of Methodist Women, and the third, a layman.

A communication has been received from the World Methodist Council indicating the necessity to make proper provision for its expenses, and asking that the Methodist Church of New Zealand make an annual contribution. A total budget of 15,000 dollars breaks down to a New Zealand figure of approximately £20 on a membership basis.

#### **World Council of Churches:**

The Third Assembly of the World Council of Churches begins in New Delhi on 18th November, 1961. It is anticipated that the Methodist Church of New Zealand will be entitled to two representatives. Synods are therefore asked to nominate two representatives to the Third Assembly of the World Council of Churches. (Ref. 1957 Minutes p. 198.)

Preparatory study material for the Assembly will be available in New Zealand at the beginning of 1961. The committee has ordered sufficient copies to supply one to each minister, and seeks an increased grant to cover the cost. This material will be available through Church Bookrooms.

#### **Nominations to N.C.C.:**

The Committee has given consideration to the method of nomination of representatives to the National Council of Churches (1959 p. 210 res. 8), and recommends that normally appointments to the N.C.C. should not be extended beyond 8 years of continuous active service, with the exception that this rule should not be applied so rigidly as to destroy the continuity of Methodist representation, and with the further exception that an appointment might be extended if this was specially requested by the N.C.C. Executive. Adoption of this general policy will ensure that as many suitable persons as possible are given the opportunity to make a contribution in this sphere, and to bring back into the life of the Methodist Church something of their ecumenical experience.

#### **Indonesia:**

After much preparation eleven representatives of New Zealand Churches, including Rev. A. J. Johnston, Rev. Te Awa W. Tahere, and Mr J. A. Davys, visited Indonesia at the invitation of the Indonesian Council of Churches. This visit will contribute much to the understanding of our neighbour country and its peoples.

The Christian Teachers' Training College at Salatiga is now being incorporated in a University. Mr and Mrs Dudley Mander left New Zealand to serve as fraternal workers in this College in September, 1959, after a commissioning service in Christchurch Cathedral.

#### **Inter-Church Aid:**

The N.C.C. Christmas Appeal increased by £10,000 to a total of £32,000 for 1959-60. Considering the need of our brethren in Asia it is to be hoped that the amount raised will continue to increase substantially. Circuits should remember that this cause is not covered by the Connexional Budget, and should make provision for a generous response of their people each year. Grants from this fund have been made for relief and aid in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, Burma, Vietnam, Pakistan, India, Ceylon, Malaya, Indonesia, Africa, and elsewhere.

#### **Overseas Visitors:**

New Zealand has been very fortunate to receive a visit from Bishop Lesslie Newbigin, secretary of the International Missionary Council. Expected in New Zealand this year are Canon Alan Richard-

son, and Bishop Enrique Sobrepena, of the United Church of the Philippines, chairman of the East Asia Christian Conference.

#### **Theological Students' Conference:**

The executive of the N.C.C. has made tentative plans for the holding of the next ecumenical Theological Students' Conference in May 1961 in Wellington.

#### **East Asia Christian Conference:**

The East Asia Christian Conference has initiated a scheme by which each country in the region is asked to provide at least one free place in one of its academic institutions to be made available for an appropriately qualified student from one of the other Asian countries. It is understood that these free places would involve free tuition and free board. This development was verbally reported to Conference last year and Trinity College Council was asked to investigate the possibility of making a theological scholarship available. Scholarships under this scheme are already being offered elsewhere.

The arrangement by which the General Secretary of the N.C.C. gives half his time to serve as Inter-Church Aid Secretary of the East Asia Christian Conference is bringing to the N.C.C. an enriching participation in the wider concerns of the ecumenical movement, particularly in Asia.

#### **Youth Committee of the N.C.C.:**

The event to which most endeavours have been directed in 1960 is the Third Ecumenical Youth Conference to be held at Lower Hutt Civic Centre from 27th December, 1960, to 4th January, 1961, where it is anticipated that upwards of 1500 young people between the ages of 17 and 30 years will attend. The staffs of Christian Education Departments and members of the Constituent Churches in Christchurch and Lower Hutt are co-operating to the fullest extent to make this conference an occasion which can have a lasting effect for good, not only upon the Christian Church in New Zealand but beyond its borders also. It is anticipated that 50 young people from Australia will be present as well as representative youth from East Asian countries. The Rev. Philip Potter, a Jamaican who is Youth Secretary of the World Council of Churches, is to give daily Biblical expositions. The services of a further outstanding Christian leader from overseas are being secured, and the Conference will be under the chairmanship of the Rev. Alan A. Brash.

#### **Maori Section of the N.C.C.:**

During the year the Rev. Lane Tauroa returned from his term as an Ecumenical Fellow, manifesting great benefit from his experience and study. Another traveller overseas was the Rev. W. Tahere who represented the Maori Mission on the fraternal visit to Indonesia.

The General Meeting was this year held at Wairoa. The main feature was the inspiring and challenging report of the Australian Council of Churches' Conference made by Dean Sullivan. The new Chairman of the Section is the Bishop of Aotearoa.

A statement on "Your Baptism" was published to help people the validity of whose baptism is challenged. The Section released a statement on the All Black Tour issue, has studied spiritual healing, subjects relating to education, and some social questions.

The Rotorua Hostel continues to serve the race well.

Visits to the Borstal have been maintained.

#### **Women's Committee of the N.C.C.:**

The biennial Conference, held in Christchurch in June, brought much stimulus to the members of the Women's Committee and the representatives of its twelve Branches. Increased enthusiasm is

evident from Branch reports which feature in each area a well-attended Ecumenical Day for the purpose of teaching and fellowship. Such a day on the North Shore of Auckland subsequently resulted in the formation of a Sub-Committee of the Auckland Women's Committee. Most Branches precede their monthly meetings with an hour's study using one of the publications prepared by the Literature Committee.

At the request of the Secretary of the N.Z. Council of Christian Education, Women's Committees have organised very successful area meetings to test public opinion on the question of religious instruction in schools and submissions have been sent to the Commission on Education.

World Day of Prayer—observed in 145 countries of the world—is the focal point of ecumenical encounter in the local community, and reports indicate a growing realisation of the importance of adequate planning and the preparation of leaders. Particular interest was shown this year in the life of the Mar Thoma Syrian Church whose plan to establish a Christian School near Singapore was supported by collections amounting to £1271, while £213 was donated to the British and Foreign Bible Society for the sending of Bibles to Indonesia.

The retiring Convener, Mrs C. C. Holland, will represent the Women's Committee at the 75th Anniversary of World Day of Prayer in Hong Kong in February, 1961.

An additional paper to the series of Elementary Studies, viz. "The World Council of Churches", has been issued by the Literature Committee, as have a further 500 prayer leaflets.

Study material prepared by the World Council of Churches for use before its Third Assembly in New Delhi will be available in New Zealand in January, 1961.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

EVAN R. LEWIS, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the following grants be authorised:  
£375 to the budget of the N.C.C.  
£145 to the W.C.C. through the N.C.C.  
£25 to the budget of the World Methodist Council.  
£25 to the Ecumenical Committee (including £15 for W.C.C. study material).

3 (a) That the N.C.C. Christmas Appeal be commended to the circuits over the signature of the President.

(b) that Conference send a message of fraternal Christian greetings through the National Council of Churches to the Christian family of South East Asia and that the members of Conference pledge themselves to do their utmost to raise substantially the giving of our people to the N.C.C. Appeal.

4. That the representatives on the following committees be:  
N.C.C.: Revs. Dr. R. Dudley, J. D. Grocott, A. K. Petch, R. Thornley, with Rev. G. H. Goodman as alternate.

Women's Committee: Mrs A. K. Petch, Mrs J. R. Maddren, Mrs A. Pratt, Mrs L. Haycock, corresponding member.

Youth Committee: Mr C. Couch (South Island Field Director of the Department of Christian Education), Rev. J. D. Grocott.

**Maori Section:** Revs. G. I. Laurenson, E. Te Tuhi, R. Rogers, and H. A. Darvill.

**Council of the Religious Film Society:** Revs. G. I. Laurenson, A. Jolly, Mr Sydney Eady, Miss H. M. Astley.

5. That normally appointments to the N.C.C. should not be extended beyond eight years of continuous active service, with the exception that this rule should not be applied so rigidly as to destroy the continuity of Methodist representation, and with the further exception that an appointment might be extended if this were specially requested by the N.C.C. Executive.

6. That the representatives of the New Zealand Methodist Church at the 10th World Methodist Conference and associate meetings be the President of Conference (Rev. B. M. Chrystall); Women's representative, Mrs R. Dudley; and Mr A. A. Dingwall, and that their official expenses be a charge on the Ecumenical Travel Fund.

7. That the choosing of further representation to the World Methodist Conference be referred to the Ecumenical Committee in consultation with the President of Conference—the further representatives to travel at their own expense.

8. That the representatives to the 3rd Assembly of the W.C.C. be the Rev. E. C. Leadley (President of the 1961 Conference) and Rev. G. R. H. Peterson, and that their official expenses be a charge on the Ecumenical Travel Fund.

9. That the Ecumenical Committee make representation to the N.C.C. re the possibility of Maori representation at the E.A.C.C. prior to the W.C.C. Assembly, and that the Committee consider the matter of financing any such representation.

10. That the distribution of Overseas Travel Funds as between representatives to the Conference be left to the Ecumenical Committee.

11. That the question of Maori representation on the N.C.C. be referred to the Ecumenical Committee for consideration and report.

**12. N.C.C. Constitution:**

That Conference approve the addition of the following clauses to the N.C.C. Constitution:—

6. (a) (5) The Executive shall be authorised to invite to the Annual Meeting, observers from approved ecumenical organisations, and such consultants in special fields as in the opinion of the Executive will be required for the competent handling of the business.

(6) Each member Church shall be permitted to appoint two observers to attend the Annual Meeting, the expenses of such observers to be paid by the appointing churches.

13. That Conference give authority to the M.S.S.A. to act on behalf of the Church, when representations are made by the National Council of Churches concerning possible Homes for Aged Refugees.

14. That the Committee for 1961 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION LXIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Other Questions?

## 1—Faith and Order Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1960

**Outside Service by Ministers** (1959 Mins. p. 78, Res. 7):

A memorandum on this question was prepared for the Committee by Dr. Ranston, and this was used as the basis of a statement submitted to Church Council.

**Ordination of Probationers Appointed to Overseas Mission Stations** (1959 Minutes, p. 148, Res. 10):

This matter has been given very careful consideration in conjunction with the Law Revision Committee and the Home and Foreign Boards, and the following statement is submitted to Synods and Conference:—

**Ordination:** The nature of ordination is set out in the preamble to the Book of Laws, paras. 4 and 6.

In the past, the Methodist Church of New Zealand has had provision for three groups of ordained ministers:

- (a) Ministers in full connexion;
- (b) Probationers ordained for special service before reception into full connexion;
- (c) Native ministers for service in the Maori Mission circuits and the Overseas Missions' Districts.

**Reception into Full Connexion:** By a vote of Conference, a minister is received into full connexion. This is the act whereby the Minister is granted Ministerial Membership in the Conference with full voting powers, and full relationship to certain funds of the Church.

Law paragraph 110 provides that a Minister admitted into full connexion shall thereafter be ordained.

Certain Ministers, however, have from time to time been ordained prior to reception into full connexion so that they may serve in either military chaplaincy or overseas missions appointments. (Law paragraph 111 applies to such overseas missions appointments.)

The time has come for this policy to be re-examined. The 1959 Conference noted that the Foreign Mission Board had approved in principle the repeal of paragraph 111.

It is our conviction that ordination should not precede reception into full connexion but should follow closely upon it. Provision for exceptional cases is made by Law paragraph 112 (b), though there is some conflict between this paragraph and paragraph 107.

In any event the resolution to "receive into full connexion and ordain" should be taken at one and the same Conference. Ministers should never be ordained prior to reception into full connexion. If a minister is not yet deemed fit to be received into full connexion, he should not be given the representative function and status accorded by ordination.

This implies that, in very exceptional cases, where special qualifications suggest an appointment where ordained status would be required or advantageous, the probationer concerned be received into full connexion forthwith, and thereafter ordained. The anomaly created by ordination prior to reception into full connexion should cease forthwith.

**Native Ministers:** Though no specific provisions (other than questions at Conference) appear in the 1951 Lawbook, our Church has long observed the usage of receiving and ordaining native ministers. Such ministers are ordained for a lifetime of service, but have not been accorded full rights as members of Conference, nor membership in the Supernumerary and Home Acquisition Funds. This policy also now calls for re-examination.

It is the wish of the Home Mission Board, that Maori Native status now be eliminated from our order. Any ministers in Native Status should continue under the present regulations, but no further appointments of this type should be made. All future Maori candidates should take the full training for the Ministry, and, if successful in their training, should be received into full connexion in the normal way.

The ministry of the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea Highlands Districts calls for special consideration. Of the several Solomon Islands workers in the New Guinea Highlands, none is at present a minister or probationer. Provision would need to be made for any native ministers who may later be appointed from the Solomon Islands to the Highlands, or for any Solomon Islands workers there who may become candidates for the ministry. For all other purposes, in this context, the Papua New Guinea Highlands District may be excluded, and our attention given solely to the Solomon Islands District.

In the Solomon Islands we have two classes of "native ministers" — (a) ministers of the Tonga Conference, and ministers from the Fiji District of the New South Wales Conference who retain rights to appointments in their own home areas on their withdrawal from the Solomon Islands. Normally, however, such ministers have been received, trained and ordained in their own home districts before being sent out; (b) "native ministers" received by our Conference for service in the Solomon Islands District. At present we have one such man in ordained status, and five others at various stages of their training. Two men, ordained earlier, have since withdrawn from the ministry.

The question of membership in Conference for such "native ministers" has never arisen in practice. It is not regarded as feasible or desirable to relate such ministers to New Zealand funds. Special provisions for retirement are being made with the District.

We believe that we should, however, be working towards the establishment of a "local connexion" in the Solomon Islands, or in the Western Pacific region. Proposals will probably come from the Foreign Mission Board to Conference seeking to grant limited powers of self-government to the Solomon Islands District. Steps are also being taken towards a much closer liaison among the four Methodist Districts in the Western Pacific area: (in order of seniority, New Guinea, Papua, the Solomon Islands and the Papua New Guinea Highlands). If and when a Conference is constituted in that area, the present "native ministry" with such missionaries as were transferred from Australia and New Zealand, would constitute the "connexion". "Full connexion" would then have a meaning for the "native ministers". Thereafter transfers to and from that Conference would be conducted in the same way as any other inter-conferential transfers.

In recognition of this trend and in anticipation of the possible future constitutional changes, we recommend that all references to "native ministers" be removed from our law and that Conference questions VII to X be altered accordingly to read:

VII, Who are now admitted as Solomon Islands ministers?

- VIII. What Solomon Islands preachers remain as probationers?  
IX. Who are now received as Solomon Islands preachers on probation?  
X. Who are now (a) received; (b) continued as Solomon Islands students for the ministry?

**Reception into the Methodist Church of Communicant Members of Other Denominations (1959 Minutes, p. 182, Res. 2):**

The following statement is submitted for adoption as the view of the Methodist Church on this question:

1. Reception into the membership of one communion involves membership in the one Church of Jesus Christ. The position with respect to membership is analogous with ordination.

2. The Methodist Church of New Zealand recognises the membership of other communions acknowledging the Lordship of Christ as membership in the one Church of Jesus Christ and looks to other communions to recognise her membership as reception into the same Church.

3. In view of the above it is not proper to speak of the "reception" of members of other communions into the Methodist Church but of the "transfer" of such members. There can be no question of repeating reception into membership or confirmation.

4. It is proper and advisable that members being transferred from other communions should receive instruction in the history and distinctive features of Methodism, and be welcomed after the approval of the Leaders' Meeting, into the membership of the Methodist Church.

**Representation of Deaconesses and Home Missionaries in Conference (1959 Minutes, p. 206, Res. 9 (3) ):**

A considerable amount of work has been done on this question. Two ministers outside the committee have been asked to prepare memoranda. One of these has been considered. The Committee is not yet ready to report, but hopes to be able to do so by Conference.

**Handbook of Doctrine and Polity:**

The Rev. E. W. Hames reports that the manuscript is about half completed at the moment.

**Theological Implications of Pastoral Counselling**

(1959 Minutes, p. 217, Res. 2):

The Committee asked the Rev. I. C. E. Ramage to prepare a statement. This has been examined and amended, and is submitted in the following form:

"Within recent years there has been a growing recognition on the part of the Church as a whole that many of the insights of modern psychology into the nature of emotional stress and mental pain can be useful to the Christian pastor in his ordinary work of ministering the grace of God to people within the fellowship of the Church.

"These new insights and techniques have very important theological implications and may be used in a manner which is psychological rather than religious, and falls short of the proclamation of the grace of God to men whose disorder springs fundamentally from the disruption of their relationship to God by sin. There is no reason to believe that this humanistic type of counselling has found a place in the Methodist Church of New Zealand. On the contrary, the Church may have confidence in the approach at present being made to this aspect of pastoral theology and practice.

" 'Pastoral Counselling' is a term used to describe such a modern approach to the pastoral ministry which owes much to the experience

of a non-directive type of psychotherapy that has been developed mostly in the United States under the leadership of Dr. Carl Rogers. Insofar as it lays central emphasis on the need to accept people with genuine respect for their personal integrity and spiritual freedom, and a greater readiness to share their problems in a deep way, rather than merely to give them good advice, this particular approach to human need does appear to have close affinities with those attitudes of Christ-like love that any genuinely pastoral ministry should express.

"It is necessary, however, to bear in mind that the aims of a Christian pastoral ministry can never merely coincide with those of any form of psychotherapy. The alleviation of mental pain and anxiety is no doubt a worthy expression of Christian concern, but it fails to reach the depths of the Gospel unless these things are seen also as an indication of that deeper need for salvation which the sufferer shares in common with all mankind. From a Christian point of view man is made for fellowship with God, and whether he is emotionally happy or not, he is never spiritually whole on any other terms. His deepest need then, to which the Christian pastor is called to minister is for forgiveness and reconciliation with God, mediated to him through the saving work of Christ. At every level of this pastoral ministry then, the really creative work is the work of God, and the pastor carries out his task, not looking to the emergence of any merely human resources, but in deliberate dependence on the Holy Spirit.

"While all the implications of modern psychotherapeutic theory and practice for Christian theology have not been fully investigated by the Church, it does seem that pastoral counselling can have a very valuable place in her ministry, so long as the profound need of all men for full salvation is kept clearly in mind."

#### **Gown for Vice-President (1959 Minutes, p. 217, Res. 2):**

The Committee submits the following statement:

1. The wearing of a gown is related primarily to the teaching office of the Church.
2. If the Vice-President is a lay preacher he should wear a gown as the symbol of that office.
3. If the Vice-President is not a lay preacher it is a seemingly thing that he should be uniformly robed with the officers of the Conference for official Conference functions, when presiding over the Conference and when representing the Church.
4. It should be left to the discretion of the Vice-President as to whether he should wear a gown at functions outside the Conference.

#### **Orders of Service for Family Worship:**

The manuscript of the book "Family Worship" was received from the Department of Education for examination, and a number of amendments were suggested. Unfortunately the manuscript was received at too late a stage to make a thorough examination. It is desired to draw attention to the following resolution: "We consider that the publication of liturgy, having theological implications, should be referred to the Faith and Order Committee."

#### **Order for Baptism (1959 Minutes, p. 217, Res. 3):**

The Exhortation was given further consideration and an amended draft submitted to the Schools of Theology. Reports indicate that there is still some divergence of opinion. After consideration of the findings of the Schools of Theology the committee submits the following:

Dearly Beloved, Holy Baptism is the sacrament of union with Christ, of pardon and renewal through His Gospel, and of membership in His Church: being the outward and visible sign of the sealing of the Holy Spirit. The visible Church is not limited to those who consciously believe and profess the Faith. Children are heirs of the covenant of grace, and are to be received into the Christian Fellowship and numbered with the Household of Faith.

Forasmuch as it has pleased God to commit to human hands the care of little children; and forasmuch as these persons here present do bring *this child*, and do now present *him* for Holy Baptism, let us, being gathered together in the name of Christ and in obedience to His command, hear for our instruction and encouragement in this service the teaching of His holy word.

I will establish my covenant . . . thy seed after thee. (Gen. 17.7).

For the promise is unto you . . . Lord our God shall call. (Acts 2. 39).

Christ died for all . . . rose again. (2 Cor. 5. 15).

And they brought young children to him . . . Kingdom of God. (Mk. 10: 13-16).

See that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you . . . which is in heaven. (Matt. 18:10).

And Jesus came and spake unto them . . . of the Holy Ghost. (Matt. 28: 18-19).

Wherefore, being thus persuaded of the goodwill of our heavenly Father towards *this child* declared by His Son Jesus Christ, and believing that He looks with favour upon this work of ours in bringing *this child* to His Holy Baptism; we are confident that He will embrace *him* with the arms of His mercy, and will give unto *him* the Holy Spirit, to the end that *he* may be a partaker of His heavenly kingdom.

**Order for Confirmation** (1959 Minutes, p. 218, Res. 10):

The Committee submits for consideration the following draft of an Order for Confirmation:

**Rubrics:**

(1) This Office shall be used at a service of worship on the Lord's Day, or at some other convenient time; and those who are members of the Church shall be urged to attend.

(2) It is desirable that the Chairman of the District or his deputy should represent the Connexion at every Service of Confirmation and take an appropriate part therein.

(3) Candidates for Confirmation shall be instructed in preparation classes in the essential doctrines of the Christian Faith, in the privileges and duties of membership in the Church, and in the history and distinctive features of Methodism.

(4) Those who have been so instructed shall appear before the Leaders' Meeting or a Committee thereof and on the nomination of the minister and subject to their approval, be publicly confirmed.

(5) Candidates for Confirmation shall be made familiar with this Office, and especially with the questions to which they will be required to give answer; and shall be exhorted to prepare themselves by careful thought and earnest prayer for the confession of faith which they will make and the solemn obligations they thus take upon themselves.

(6) Inquiry shall be made whether candidates have been baptized. Those who have not shall be baptized prior to the Confirmation Service or as provided in this Office.

**Call to Worship:**

**Hymn:**

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession:**

**Declaration of Purpose of Service:**

In the Name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

We are met to confirm and receive into the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ these persons presently to be named, who after due preparation have been approved by the Leaders' Meeting of the Church and now present themselves to make public confession of their faith.

**Congregational Affirmation of Faith in the Church:**

See British Order for Public Reception of New Members pp. 108-109.

**Prayer, Collect and Lord's Prayer:**

See British Order for Public Reception of New Members pp. 110-112.

**Scripture Lessons: Old and New Testament.**

**Intimations:**

**Offertory:**

**Hymn:**

**Sermon:**

**Hymn:**

**Common Confession of Faith:**

Apostles' Creed or Scriptural Confession of Faith (British Order pp. 114-115).

**Presentation of Candidates:**

**Rubric:** Those to be confirmed shall then stand, their names shall be announced, and they shall be presented to the presiding Minister by their Bible Class Leaders or some other persons appointed by the Leaders' Meeting, and the Minister shall address them in these words:

Brethren in Christ, we are here present as children of the one Family of God and in His sight, to receive you into full communion in His Holy Church.

Forasmuch, however, as the true fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ is given to those who seek to be saved from their sins, and who trust in Him as their Saviour, it is meet that you who desire to live in that fellowship should confess your faith in Him.

At your Baptism you were engaged to be the Lord's and received into the congregation of Christ's flock.

You have heard the voice of Jesus saying to you, as He said to His first disciples, Follow Me.

We believe that you have personally responded to His call; that you are prepared to make public confession of your faith in Him as Saviour and Lord; and that it is your desire that the membership conferred at your Baptism should now be confirmed.

In taking your place among the great company of those who in many generations and in every land have become His servants and His brethren, you are called with a high calling.

Our Lord Jesus offers you Himself, and in Him all the promises and gifts of God are yours. You can do all things in Him who strengthens you. He will not fail you. Having loved His own which are in the world, He loves them to the end. (Cf. British Order pp. 115-116.)

### Questions to Confirmands and Responses:

Q. Do you now affirm your personal acceptance of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord?

A. I do.

Q. Do you now confess the Christian Faith in which you have been duly instructed?

A. I do so confess.

Q. Do you now desire to be confirmed in this Faith and to be received into Full Communion in the Holy Catholic Church?

A. That is my desire.

Q. Do you now engage yourself to take up your cross, and to continue through good report and ill to be Christ's faithful soldier and servant to your life's end?

A. I do so pledge myself to Him.

Q. Do you now resolve, trusting in God alone for strength, to hallow your life by daily prayer and meditation upon God's word? Do you now resolve to join regularly with God's people in public worship and the Holy Sacraments, and to share in the work of God by the dedication of yourself and your possessions?

A. I will endeavour so to do, God being my helper.

### Question to Congregation and Response:

Q. Dearly Beloved who are of the Household of Faith, through the high calling of God in Jesus Christ, and who are in Christ's Name to receive *these persons* upon *their* confession of faith, will you endeavour so to maintain here a fellowship of worship and service that they may find in it full opportunity and encouragement in *their* discipleship?

A. We will, God being our helper.

Rubric: The following sentences shall then be recited by the Minister and the people.

M. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

P. Who made heaven and earth.

M. Blessed by the name of the Lord,

P. Who only doeth wondrous things.

M. This is our God for ever and ever.

P. He will be our guide even unto death.

### Baptism:

Rubric: The Minister shall say,

We are now to baptize N who *declares* that *he* seeks this sacrament in penitence and faith.

Rubric: The Minister shall then read the Scripture as follows, Let us hear the words of Holy Scripture:

Repent ye, and be baptized . . . prayers (Acts 2:38, 39, 41 & 42).

Rubric: The Minister shall then offer the following collect:

Let us pray,

Almighty God, who hast ordained the Sacrament of Holy Baptism . . . the help and blessing of Thy Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (As in Order for Holy Baptism.)

Rubric: Here, the congregation standing, the **person** to be baptized shall kneel. The Minister, having asked the name of the **person** to be baptized, shall baptize **him** with water, saying,

N, I baptize thee in the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Rubric:** The following Benediction shall then be said or sung:  
The Lord bless thee, and keep thee . . . peace. Amen.

**Act of Confirmation:**

**Rubric:** Here the confirmands shall kneel and the officiating Minister and the Chairman of the District (or his deputy) shall lay their hands upon the head of each candidate in turn, the officiating Minister saying,

N, in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we confirm you and receive you into full communion in the Church of Jesus Christ.

Defend, O Lord, this Thy Servant with Thy heavenly grace, that *he* may continue Thine for ever; and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, until *he* come unto Thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

**Silent Intercession for Confirmands:**

**Prayers for Confirmands:**

**Rubrics:** Here the Minister shall offer one or more of the following prayers:

Let us pray,

O God, the giver of all grace, who knoweth the thoughts and desires of every heart, stablish, strengthen and settle these Thy servants; and so fill them with all spiritual benediction and grace that they may daily rejoice in Thy salvation and be ready to do and suffer Thy perfect will, that finally they may become partakers of Thy eternal Kingdom and Glory. Amen.

Almighty and Everliving God, who makest us both to do and to will . . . world without end. Amen. (From Book of Common Prayer, Order for Confirmation.)

O Almighty Lord, and Everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee . . . Jesus Christ. Amen. (From Book of Common Prayer, Order for Confirmation.)

**Hymn:**

**Holy Communion:** From "We do not presume . . ."

**Hymn:**

**Benediction and Blessing:**

Now unto Him that is able to keep . . .

The peace of God which passeth all understanding . . .

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

J. SILVESTER, Convener.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the statement on "Ordination of Probationers Appointed to Overseas Mission Stations" be adopted.

2. That Conference recognises as the standard practice for the Methodist Church of New Zealand that Ordination should be preceded by reception into full connexion.

3. That all references to "native ministers" be removed from the Book of Laws, and that Conference questions VII to X be amended to read:

VII. Who are now admitted as Solomon Islands ministers?

VIII. What Solomon Islands preachers remain as probationers?

IX. Who are now received as Solomon Islands preachers on probation?

X. Who are now (a) received (b) continued as Solomon Islands students for the ministry?

4. That the statement on "Reception into the Methodist Church of Communicant Members of other Denominations" be adopted.

5. That the Exhortation in the Order for Baptism be approved, and that the Order be adopted, subject to a final editing by the Faith and Order Committee.

6. That the Order for Baptism be printed.

7. That the statement on "Theological Implications of Pastoral Counselling" be adopted.

8. That the Statement on "Gown for Vice-President" be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

9. That the Order for Confirmation be given general approval and sent forward to the March Ministerial Meetings for study and report to the committee.

10. That the committee be given leave to continue its work on:  
Handbook of Doctrine and Polity.

Revision of Book of Offices.

Representation of Home Missionaries and Deaconesses in Conference.

11. That a grant of £5 be made from the Contingent Fund to the Faith and Order Committee.

12. That the Annual Membership Card be re-designed by the Board of Publications in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee, and that it include the President's Text.

13. That the question of the recognition of Orders within the Methodist Church be referred to the Faith and Order Committee.

14. That the Report be received and adopted, except the Section on "Gown for Vice-President".

15. That the Board of Publications print as a separate booklet the Order of Baptism, together with a brief exposition on the significance of Baptism suitable for use by ministers advising parents presenting their children for baptism.

16. That the Committee be as printed on page 6 herein.

#### QUESTION LXIII.

## 2—Radio Committee

### REPORT FOR 1960

In March the N.C.C. held a Conference on television and the following statement was adopted:

"That this conference believes that the ultimate objective is the establishment of a permanent inter-Church Commission to be known as "The National Council of Churches Commission on Television" to represent the churches in their dealings with the Broadcasting Authority, and to act for the Churches in the field of television programmes, in planning and co-ordinating the use of materials". It was agreed "That the Churches be asked to intimate before the end of December 1960, whether they support the establishment of the N.C.C. Commission on Television and to nominate their representatives."

An interim Directorate has been appointed consisting of Canon A. C. F. Charles (Convener), Mr J. S. McClure, and the Rev. Dr S. L. Edgar.

The Committee considers that Conference should take action along these lines:

1. Give the official support of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to the N.C.C. Television Commission (the policy making body) and to the Directorate (the executive body).
2. Appoint a representative to the Commission (representation parallels the present C.R.A.C.).
3. Authorise the payment of £145, being the Methodist share of the Budget for the period July 1st, 1960 to June 30th, 1961.

#### **Central Religious Advisory Committee:**

The Committee has in hand revision of the "Guiding Principles for Religious Broadcasting". When this is completed it will cover Church Services, Devotional Services and Children's Services, C.R.A.C. approved the widening of the interpretation of the main stream rule in the following way: "Each denomination should preach positively its particular contribution to the central tradition of Christianity as represented by the Main Stream Churches."

During 1961 on four Sunday evenings seven of the stations which broadcast evening Church services will be linked for a National broadcast.

#### **The Methodist Central Radio Committee reports as follows:—**

In some Synodal Districts Radio Committees have been appointed by Synod Standing Committees, with conveners to maintain liaison with the Central Committee. Special or experimental broadcasts in any centre should be conducted on the initiative and with the support of the District Radio Committee. Some experimental Broadcasts have been conducted and the Central Committee has also encouraged them in other centres. It is suggested that tapes of such experimental Broadcasts should be forwarded to the Central Committee.

#### **Matters referred from 1959 Conference:**

Minutes page 220, Resolutions 2 and 7.

The Committee is still willing to give guidance but in the light of experience recognises that it cannot perform the functions of a supervisor.

However, we cannot recommend the appointment of a separate Methodist Supervisor in view of the following:

1. The Committee is convinced that both in Television and Radio, inter-church control and direction is essential. The setting-up of the N.C.C. Commission on Television represents a new approach and any Methodist action should support this and not be parallel with or run counter to it. In this new field we must work ecumenically and not denominationally.

2. Further the Committee is concerned at the present acute shortage of Ministers for Circuit work and the likelihood that an appointment would cost between £2,000 and £2,500 per annum.

3. Although the Anglican and Presbyterian churches have supervisors it must be remembered that the Methodist Church has significantly fewer broadcasts than either of these.

Nevertheless Conference should pledge its full support to the N.C.C. Directorate and state its willingness to assist in any way possible.

ROBT. THORNLEY, Chairman.

N. P. LARSEN, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the report be received and adopted, with the exception of the paragraphs headed "Matters referred from 1959 Conference".

2. That the Contingent Fund make a grant of £20 to the Radio Committee.

3. That Methodist District Radio Committees be directed to study with care the allocation of broadcasts within their areas by selecting suitable people and Churches and to seek the assistance and guidance of the Central Committee when deemed necessary.

4. That the Methodist Church become a member of the N.C.C. Commission on Television.

5. That a grant of £145 be made from the Contingent Fund to the Budget of the N.C.C. Commission on Television for the period July 1st, 1960, to June 30th, 1961.

6. That the Methodist representative on the N.C.C. Commission on Television be the Rev. R. Thornley.

7. That the following commission consider and make recommendations on the adequate use of Radio and Television by the Methodist Church: Revs. W. S. Dawson (Convener), L. G. Hanna, J. Penman, S. G. Andrews, B. M. Chrystall (President), W. H. Greenslade, R. Thornley and Messrs Leo Foster, R. T. Garlick and Harold Marshall.

8. That the name of this Committee be changed to the "Radio and Television Committee".

9. That the Report from "Matters referred from 1959 Conference" be referred to the above commission for consideration and report.

10. That the Radio and Television Committee be as printed on page 8 herein.

#### QUESTION LXIII.

### 3—Report of Laymen's Conference Committee

The Kit-sets prepared for the Committee last year on the subject of visitation evangelism have been used consistently by Church and Circuit Groups of Laymen. All the kits have been out in use in different parts of the country and the main difficulty has been to have one on hand to oblige an urgent request. The committee would appreciate the kits being returned more promptly when there is no further planned use for them in the area to which they have been forwarded.

The Committee has considered the question of a new kit-set and has decided that one should be prepared directed towards the work of leaders meetings. The contents of the kit-set will be directed towards the holding of one day conferences of leaders' meetings. This will be a training conference where Leaders would be asked to study the Mission of the Local Church.

1. The kit-set will contain suggestions for a local Church programme.
2. Details for the arranging of the Conference and securing adequate attendance.
3. Programme material such as coloured slides and tape for illustrated material subjects covered will include Worship, Education, Evangelism, Social Service and Stewardship. Arrangements are in hand in conjunction with the Department of Christian Education for the preparation of the Slides and these will be used to illustrate the theme.

The committee expects to have the kit ready for use during 1961 and will arrange a pilot conference to test the effectiveness of the approach prepared.

The committee is sure there will be a big demand from Leaders' Groups for this kind of Kit-Set and that it will be the natural follow-up to the present one.

For the Laymen's Committee,

A. A. DINGWALL, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee's action in preparing a new kit-set for the training of leaders meetings be approved.
3. That these kits be included in the libraries to be established for the hiring of programme material.
4. That the Committee and the Board of Christian Education discuss the relationship between their work and report to Synods and Conference.

### QUESTION LXIV.—

- (a) When Shall the District Synods be held?

During the week ending 26th August, 1961.

- (b) When and Where Shall the Next Conference be held?

On Wednesday, 1st November, 1961, in the Pitt Street Church, Auckland.

BERNARD M. CHRYSTALL, President.

HUBERT De R. FLESHER, Vice-President.

ATHOL R. PENN, Secretary.

Invercargill, November 10th, 1960.

# AMENDMENTS TO LAW BOOK

ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE, 1960

## 1. Change of Title—

Page 106, Section 3, OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT.

The name of "The Foreign Missionary Society" shall be changed to the "Overseas Missionary Department."

(1960 Minutes, Page 156)

## 2. Amendments etc.—

### MINISTERIAL DUTIES

(b) Superintendents of Circuits.

Page 26, Section 154 (t) is hereby amended by adding after the words "Circuit Stewards" the words "personally or by deputy."

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

Page 26, Section 154 (bb) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and that an audited financial statement be submitted to the annual meeting thereof."

(1960 Minutes, Page 222)

### VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE

Page 39, Section 221 is hereby amended by adding after the word "Privileges" the words "the Synod Standing Committee in his District."

(1960 Minutes, Page 79)

### SOCIETY STEWARDS

Page 41, Section 236 is hereby amended by deleting the word "twelve" in the second to last line thereof and substituting therefor the word "eighteen."

(1960 Minutes, Page 220)

### SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE

Page 68, Section 351 is hereby amended by adding after the words "Chairman of Committee the following sentence. "The Vice-President of the Conference shall be ex officio an additional member in his District."

(1960 Minutes, Page 79)

### DISTRICT FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Page 27, Section 158 is hereby repealed.

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

Page 68 — Add the following:—

### Section III DISTRICT FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Section 355a. When deemed necessary a Financial Secretary to a District may be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Chairman. He shall keep the District accounts.

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

### THE SUPERNUMERARY FUND

Page 139, Sub-Section 46 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(46) (a) The annuity payable to the widow of a Minister who has been made a supernumerary shall be according to the scale in force for the time being but shall be only for the years for which her husband has paid his subscription.

(b) The annuity payable to the widow of a Minister who dies in the active work shall be according to the scale in force for the time being and shall be for the years of service that her husband would have given had he lived to age 65.

Sub-Section 47 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(47) If the widow of a Minister re-marries any annuity being paid to her by the Board shall cease three months after the date of such marriage, provided always and it is hereby declared that the repeal of the previous sub-para. 47 shall not affect any annuity being paid to such a widow at the date of such repeal.

(1960 Minutes, Page 142)

Page 140, Sub-Section 50 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(50) A Minister on becoming a Supernumerary shall be entitled to receive a furniture grant of such amount as may from time to time be determined by the Conference.

The widow of a Minister who dies in the active work shall receive a furniture grant based on the years of service her husband would have received had he survived to age 65.

(1960 Minutes, Page 142)

### STANDING ORDERS OF THE CONFERENCE

Page 161, Section 521 Sub-section (10) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(10) (a) Unless Conference shall otherwise determine by a vote of a majority of those present, no person shall speak for more than three minutes at any time in any debate of the Conference, provided always that the mover of a motion when introducing such motion may speak for five minutes.

(b) Nothing contained in the preceding sub-paragraph shall apply to or prevent any explanation in response to a question being made with the consent of the President by any member moving the adoption of any report and such explanations shall not be deemed to be speeches within the meaning of this paragraph.

(1960 Minutes, Page 222)

# SUPPLEMENT TO LAW BOOK

## CORRECTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BOOK OF LAWS SINCE 1st OCTOBER, 1951.

### PREAMBLE TO LAW BOOK

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is that communion of Christian believers which came into being as a result of the union of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, the Primitive Methodist Church and the United Methodist Free Church—all such Churches having their origin in the Evangelical Revival of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. These finally united as one community in New Zealand in 1913.

The Methodist Church claims and cherishes its place in the Holy Catholic Church which is the Body of Christ. It rejoices in the inheritance of the apostolic faith and accepts the fundamental principles of the historic creeds and of the Protestant Reformation.

The doctrines of the Evangelical Faith which Methodism has held from the beginning, and still holds, are based upon the divine revelation recorded in the Holy Scriptures. The Methodist Church acknowledges this revelation as the supreme rule of faith and practice. These evangelical doctrines, to which the preachers of the Methodist Church, both ministers and laymen, are pledged, are contained in Wesley's Notes on the New Testament and in the first four volumes of his sermons. Under its constitution the Conference has no power to alter or to vary in any manner these doctrinal standards. The Conference is the final authority within the Methodist Church on all questions concerning the interpretation of its doctrines.

The Methodist Church holds the doctrine of the priesthood of all believers, and consequently believes that no priesthood exists which belongs exclusively to a particular order or class of persons. In the exercise of its corporate life and worship, special qualifications for the discharge of special duties are required. The preachers, ministerial and lay, are examined, tested and approved before they are authorised to minister in holy things. For the sake of church order, and not because of any priestly virtue inherent in the office, the Ministers of the Church are set apart by ordination to the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments. Those who are ordained perform acts as representatives of the whole body.

It is the universal conviction of the Methodist people that the office of the Christian Ministry depends upon the call of God; it is not a profession to be chosen but a vocation accepted from God Himself, who bestows the gifts of the Spirit, the grace and fruits which indicate those whom He has chosen.

Those whom the Church recognises as called of God, and whom it receives into its Ministry, are ordained by the imposition of hands, as expressive of the Church's recognition of the minister's personal call and seal of the Church on that call.

All persons are welcomed into membership who sincerely desire to be saved from their sins through faith in Jesus Christ, evidence the same in their life and conduct, seek to have fellowship with Christ Himself and His people, and are prepared to take up the duties and privileges of the Methodist Church by accepting its discipline.

The governing body of the Methodist Church is the Annual Conference, consisting of all ministers in Full Connexion and an equal number of laymen as provided by the Constitution. Its

decisions are final and binding upon both the ministry and laity.

Within the Methodist Church, its Conference and its subsidiary courts, the ministry and laity together possess certain powers and privileges, including the exercise of discipline. These powers and privileges are exercised at every stage under the judgment of God. Ministers and laymen are responsible to Him as they seek to interpret His mind and will in every situation.

(1958 Minutes, Page 198.)

#### **I. Corrections:**

(a) Page 38. Section 218—**The Vice-President:** Add the following: "He shall have some part in the conduct of the Ordination Service at the Conference at which he is elected."

Section 219—Delete the last sentence.

(b) Page 46. Section 254 (d)—**Preachers' Meeting and Local Preachers:** In line three delete the word "by" and substitute the word "to."

(c) Page 54. Section 9 (E)—**Invitation to Minister:** Read (June meeting).

(d) Page 60. Section 321—**District Ministerial Committee:** Delete the word "Probationers."

Section 323—**Synod Representative Session:** After the word Committee in (a) insert the words "and Probationers whose names appear on the station sheet for the District."

(e) Page 79. Section 388—**Examination Committee:** After line 5, insert the words: "Board of Examiners as may be attending Conference and ten other ministers" . . .

(f) Page 165.

Appendix I. **The General Rules of the Society.** In line 21, after the words "as we would" insert the word "not."

#### **II. Change of Title**

##### **Synod Standing Committee**

Page 68. Section II.

The name of the "District Executive Committee" shall be changed to the "Synod Standing Committee."

(1955 Minutes, p. 69)

Page 106, Section 3, **OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT.**

The name of "The Foreign Missionary Society" shall be changed to the "Overseas Missionary Department."

(1960 Minutes, Page 156)

#### **III. Amendments and Additions:**

##### **Members' Rolls**

Page 2. Section 7 is hereby amended by adding the following:

"All Members' Rolls and Circuit Schedules shall be submitted by the Superintendent Minister to the March Meeting of the Ministerial Committee which shall make suitable arrangements for the examination of the same."

(1956 Minutes, p. 194)

##### **Dancing on Church Property**

Page 3, Section 18 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

18. Dancing on Methodist premises is permitted when arranged by Church Societies and groups.

(1959 Minutes, P. 205)

### Young People and Church Membership

Pages 7 and 8, Sections 47, 48 and 49 are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefore:—

47. **Baptismal Roll.** A record of all baptisms shall be kept by the Minister and a certificate shall be given by him to the parents or guardians of each child. The certificate shall set forth: (a) That the child is received into the congregation of Christ's flock, and (b) the responsibilities undertaken by the parents or guardians to bring up the child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

48. **Young People's Rolls.** Rolls shall be kept for each department in the Church's educational work as under:—

- (a) Nursery—From birth to four years.
- (b) Beginner-Primary—From five to seven years inclusive.
- (c) Junior—From eight to ten years inclusive.
- (d) Intermediate—From eleven to twelve years inclusive.
- (e) Bible Classes—
  - (1) From thirteen to eighteen years inclusive.
  - (2) Nineteen years and over.

49. **Family Pastoral Roll.** A Family Pastoral Roll which is to be in card form shall be kept by the Minister. (1957 Minutes, page 81.)

### 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, page 33).

Page 14, Section 88 is hereby repealed and the following substituted:—

88. "An accepted Candidate for the Ministry shall be required to undergo a course of training at the Theological College and serve a term on probation in a Circuit or Department prior to ordination. The normal term of training shall consist of three years on probation provided that in the case of a candidate who is a graduate of a University College or is a married Home Missionary or a married Home Missionary Probationer, the period of training may be reduced to five years." (1952 Minutes, page 31.)

### 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, page 33.)

### Women Ministers and Marriage

- 123 (a) (1) A Woman Minister intending to marry shall notify the Chairman of the District of her intention. At the end of the current Connexional year, unless otherwise determined by Conference, she shall be left without an appointment.
- (2) Where Conference is satisfied (inter alia) that marriage will not interfere with the appointment of a Woman Minister it may on the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee continue her in the active work provided always that in the Committee and in the Conference at least two-thirds of those present vote for her continuance in the active work. Each such case shall be reviewed annually.
- (3) A Woman Minister who marries and who has not been continued in the active work shall be given the status of a minister without pastoral charge.

(1959 Minutes, page 222)

### **Invitations to Ministers**

Page 21, Section 127 is hereby amended by repealing the last sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:—

"Except as hereinafter provided no invitation shall be extended to any Minister or be accepted by him until the June Quarterly Meeting in the third year of his term in any Circuit. In the case of an invitation to a Minister for an extended term the invitation shall be given to him and shall be accepted or declined by him at the March Quarterly Meeting."

(1958 Minutes, Page 204.)

### **Appointment of Ministers—Engagement of Agent between Conferences**

Page 21. Section 128 is hereby amended by adding the following: "Acting in consultation with the Home Mission Board."

(1956 Minutes, Page 197.)

### **Ministerial Duties**

(b) Superintendents of Circuits.

Page 26, Section 154 (t) is hereby amended by adding after the words "Circuit Stewards" the words "personally or by deputy."

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

Page 26, Section 154 (bb) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and that an audited financial statement be submitted to the annual meeting thereof."

(1960 Minutes, Page 222)

### **District Financial Secretary**

Page 27, Section 158 is hereby repealed.

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

### **Chairman of Districts and Deputy Chairmen.**

Page 27. Add the following:

159a. Each Chairman may appoint a Minister in Full Connexion to act as Deputy Chairman of his District. Such Minister shall perform the duties assigned to him by the Chairman.

Page 28. Section 161 is hereby amended by deleting the words "a deputy" in the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "the Deputy Chairman or a Minister in Full Connexion."

(1959 Minutes, page 206)

### **Election of Vice-President**

Page 38, Section 213 is hereby amended by repealing the last sentence and substituting therefor the following:—

"He shall be elected at the opening session of the Conference preceding that at which he is to take office by a majority of the votes cast, the voting being by ballot."

Section 217 is hereby amended by deleting the words "the election of his successor" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "until his successor takes office."

Section 218 is hereby amended by deleting the words "he is elected and at the succeeding Conference" in the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "at which he takes office and at the next succeeding Conference."

Section 218 as amended by 1956 Conference is further amended by deleting the words "he is elected" wherever they appear and substituting therefor the words "he takes office."

Section 214A. If for any reason the member elected as Vice-

President is unable to take office the Conference at its first session shall proceed to fill the vacancy.

Section 214B. Should the Vice-President die, become incapable of acting or resign while the Conference is in session the Conference shall proceed to elect a Vice-President in his stead.

(1958 Minutes, Page 200.)

#### **Vice-President of the Conference**

Page 39, Section 221 is hereby amended by adding after the word "Privileges" the words "the Synod Standing Committee in his District."

(1960 Minutes, Page, 79)

#### **Circuit Stewards Duties**

Page 41, Section 228 (c) is hereby amended by repealing the last sentence thereof and substituting the following therefor: "Such furniture shall include curtains and shall exclude linen, blankets, cutlery, crockery and kitchen utensils."

(1956 Minutes, page 197)

#### **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).

#### **Society Stewards**

Page 41, Section 236 is hereby amended by deleting the word "twelve" in the second to last line thereof and substituting therefor the word "eighteen."

(1960 Minutes, Page 220)

#### **Society Stewards—Leaders and Leaders' Meeting**

Page 42, Section 238 is hereby amended by repealing Sub-Section (j).

Page 47, Section 268 (1) is hereby amended by deleting the words "one of the Society Stewards" and substituting therefor "one of its members." (1957 Minutes, page 194.)

#### **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, p. 55)

Page 45. Section 254 is amended by repealing sub-section (a) and substituting therefor the following:

(a) Every Local Preacher on Probation, before being accredited, shall take the written examination prescribed by the Board of Examiners, conduct a trial service and be orally examined in the Preachers' Meeting by the Superintendent or other duly appointed person provided always that in the case of a Local Preacher on Probation who is at least 40 years of age and has given at least 10 years' continuous preaching service, he may be excused the written examination.

(1959 Minutes, page 205)

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 between sub-section 9 (d) and (e):—

(dd) Invitation of Minister for an extended term. (March Meeting.)

(1958 Minutes, Page 204.)

Page 54, Section 290, is hereby further amended by adding the following

(9) (o) Provisions of adequate transport for Ministers and/or Home Missionaries (June meeting).

(192 Minutes, page 167)

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.)

Page 55, Section 290 (11) is hereby amended by deleting the words in brackets "(third Sunday in September)" and substituting therefor the words "(fourth Sunday in September)." (1957 Minutes, page 98.)

Page 55. Section 290 is hereby further amended by adding the following question: "(15A) Are there any matters remitted by the Synod Standing Committee to this Meeting?"

(1956 Minutes, page 65)

### **Trusts and Trustees**

Page 57. Add the following:

302a. The Trustees shall see that no trust premises are used for any purpose forbidden by the Laws of the Church or for any purposes, entertainments or amusements which conflict with the spiritual purpose for which the Church was called into being or which are likely to bring reproach upon the Church.

(1959 Minutes, page 205)

### **District Synods—Boundaries**

Page 61. Section 318 is hereby amended by adding the following: "Conference may for the purposes of administration subdivide a district into areas"

(1956 Minutes, page 198)

### **District Ministerial Committee**

Page 62, Section 337 (2A): Are there any Theses due from Ministers stationed within the District? (1955 Minutes, pages 173, 174.)

### **District Synods—Agenda**

Page 66, Section 340, Question 38 (a) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "Connexional and District." (1958 Minutes, Page 202.)

Page 66. Section 340 is hereby amended by adding the following: "(42A) What is the report of the Synod Standing Committee?"

(1953 Minutes, page 62)

Section 340 is hereby further amended by adding the following:  
“(47A) Who is nominated as lay representative to the Church Council?”  
(1956 Minutes, page 66)

#### **Synod Standing Committees Constitution**

Page 68. Section 351 is hereby amended by adding to the beginning of the section the following: “A Synod Standing 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)

Section 351 is hereby further amended by repealing the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following: “The Committee shall consist of no fewer than three and not more than fifteen Ministers and an equal number of Laymen.”

(1956 Minutes, page 65)

Page 68, Section 351 is hereby amended by adding after the words “Chairman of Committee the following sentence. “The Vice-President of the Conference shall be ex officio an additional member in his District.”

(1960 Minutes, Page 79)

#### **Duties**

Page 68. Add the following sections:

354a. Where a District is subdivided into one or more areas pursuant to paragraph 318, Conference may on the nomination of the Synod Standing Committee appoint in respect of each area an area sub-committee consisting of not fewer than 3 and not more than 15 Ministers and a similar number of Laymen.

354b. The area sub-committee shall within its area carry out such duties of the Synod Standing Committee as are allocated to it by such Committee to which it shall report and make recommendations.

354c. The Chairman of the district shall be ex officio Chairman of the area sub-committee. Conference may, on the nomination of the Chairman, appoint a Minister to act as his Assistant and when required act as his deputy within the area.”

(1956 Minutes, page 198)

Page 68 — Add the following:—

#### **Section—III District Financial Secretary**

Section 355a. When deemed necessary a Financial Secretary to a District may be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Chairman. He shall keep the District accounts.

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

#### **Constitution of Conference**

Page 69, Section 356 (b) is hereby amended by adding after the word “including” in the first line thereof the words “the Vice-President-elect and.”

(1958 Minutes, Page 200.)

Page 70. Section 359: Add the following:

(16) The Deaconess Order (additional two members).

Page 71. Section 366 is hereby amended by deleting the words “and no Home Missionary.”

(1959 Minutes, Page 206)

#### **Conference Agenda**

Page 75. Section 379 is hereby amended by repealing (18) and substituting therefor the following: “(18a) What Ministers or Probationers have permission to serve with other organisations during the year? (18b) What Ministers or Probationers have permission ‘to Rest’ during the year?”

Section 379 is hereby further amended by repealing (28) and substituting therefor the following: "(28) What Circuits are due to provide a parsonage for an Ordained Minister?"

(1956 Minutes, page 195)

Section 379 is hereby amended by repealing Question 33 and substituting therefor the following:

"33 (1). 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.)

Page 76, Section 379, is hereby amended by adding the following: "56 (a) What Ministers are to serve as whole or part time chaplains during the ensuing year?" (1955 Minutes, page 173.)

Page 77, Section 379 is hereby amended by adding the following: "63A. When shall the next District Synods be held?"

(1956 Minutes, page 66)

#### **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, page 33.)

##### **(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 years." (1952 Minutes, page 32)

##### **(d) Candidates:**

Page 83, Section 424 (b) as amended by Conference, 1955, is hereby repealed and the following is hereby substituted therefor:—

(b) The minimum academic qualification for all candidates except Home Missionaries who are over twenty-five years of age shall be either the University Entrance Examination or its equivalent or the Diploma of the School of Christian Workers.

(1958 Minutes, Page 124.)

Page 84, Section 427, is hereby repealed. (1955 Minutes, page 173)

#### **Theses**

Page 85, Section 440A. Each Minister within two years from the date of his reception into full connexion shall prepare and submit a Thesis to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners who shall arrange for its assessment. The subject of the Thesis shall be first approved by the Board of Studies. (1955 Minutes, pages 173, 174)

#### **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 488A. 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).

#### **World Peace Committee**

Page 91 X b. A World Peace Committee shall be appointed at each Conference. It shall give leadership to the Church on all matters relating to world peace and shall report thereon to Synods and to the Conference.

(1956 Minutes, page 195.)

#### **International Affairs Committee.**

Page 91, Xb. An International Affairs Committee shall be appointed at each Conference.

(1957 Minutes, page 90.)

#### **Church Council**

Page 92, Section 490a (2) be amended by inserting the word "President-Elect" after the word "Ex-President" and the words "a representative of the Methodist Social Service Association" after the words "Senior Youth Director." (1955 Minutes, page 69.)

Page 92, Section 490a (2) (b) is hereby amended by adding after the words "Vice-President" the words "Vice-President-elect."

(1958 Minutes, Page 201.)

#### **Trinity Theological College**

Page 97, Section 502 is hereby amended by deleting the word "eight" in the first line of sub-section (13) and substituting therefor the word "eleven." (1957 Minutes, page 120.)

#### **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).

Page 106, Section 503 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (30) and substituting therefor:—

"The Sunday School Superintendent shall be appointed annually by the Leaders' Meeting on the nomination of the Local Youth Council. The Sunday School staff shall elect annually the other officers of the School." (1957 Minutes, page 80.)

#### **The Foreign Missionary Society**

Page 107. Section 504 (4) is hereby amended by deleting all the words after "Solomon Islands District" and substituting therefor the following:

"And one representative, ministerial or lay, from each of the Solomon Islands District Synod and the Papua New Guinea Highlands District Synod, each such representative to be nominated by the Synod of the District in which he serves and to attend when in New Zealand.

(1959 Minutes, page 148)

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 109, Section 504 (26) be further amended by adding the following:—

(b) Native Probationers.

(f) One native lay representative appointed by the Quarterly meeting of each Circuit. (1955 Minutes, page 124.)

Page 110, sub-section 26 (e) of Section 50 as amended by 1953 and 1955 Conference is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(e) Four Missionary Sisters. Such sister must have served one complete term and shall be elected by the sisters serving in the District." (1958 Minutes, Page 140.)

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-section (33) of Section 504 is hereby amended by deleting the figures £50 in the first line on page 111 and substituting therefor: £100. (1956 Minutes, page 130)

Page 111, Sub-sections 40 and 41 of Section 504 are hereby repealed 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).

#### **Home Mission Department**

##### **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).

Page 115, Section 505 (24) as amended (1952 Minutes, page 171) is hereby further amended by inserting the word "and subsection (14)" after the words "sub-section 13." (1955 Minutes, page 129.)

#### **Home Missionaries**

Page 117, Section 505, sub-section 37 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence:—

"In the event of the marriage of a woman employed as a Home Missionary her employment shall be terminated."  
(1958 Minutes, Page 203.)

#### **Order of Deaconesses**

Page 121, Section 506, sub-section (12) is hereby amended by deleting the words "twenty-one" in line three thereof and substituting therefor the words "eighteen." (1957 Minutes, page 165.)

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.)

Page 123, Section 506 (31) as amended by 1956 Conference is hereby further amended by repealing the last sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:

"(31) The appointment shall be made by the Conference on the recommendation of the Deaconess Board. The Board shall present to the Stationing Committee its list of recommended appointments, and the Stationing Committee shall make its recommendations to Conference for the stationing of Deaconesses during the Second Reading of Stations."

(1958 Minutes, Page 161.)

#### **Removal Expenses Fund**

Page 126, Section 508 (11) is hereby amended by deleting all the words after the words "two removals" and substituting therefor the following: "be as from time to time determined by the Conference."

(1956 Minutes, page 124)

#### **Contingent Fund**

Page 129, Section 510 (8) (e) is amended by adding after the words "second class railway fares" the words "for journeys up to and including 100 miles, first class railway fares for journeys in excess of 100 miles."

(1959 Minutes, page 140)

#### **The Supernumerary Fund**

Page 135, sub-section 23 (a) of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"23 (a) Each Candidate for the Ministry, before being accepted by the Conference, shall undergo the prescribed medical and chest X-ray examination, the report on same to be submitted by a practitioner approved by the Board."

Sub-section 23 (b) is hereby repealed.

(1958 Minutes, Page 201.)

Page 136, Section 511 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section 27.  
(1953 Minutes, page 117)

(27) a. That when a Home Missionary who has served for more than three years as such is received as a Probationer he may exercise the option of buying into the Fund for the number of years in excess of three for which he thus served as a Home Missionary. In the case of a Home Missionary who proceeds to Trinity College for three years, the proviso concerning the three-year limitation shall not apply.

b. Such payment shall be at the ruling rate of annual personal contribution and annual Circuit subsidy plus compound interest for the number of years involved.

c. In the case of Probationers received after 1st February, 1958, such option must be exercised not later than three months after the applicant has been received on Probation. (1957 Minutes, page 134.)

Page 137, sub-section 33 of Section 511 is hereby amended by inserting after the words "shall receive an annuity" the words "or commuted sum."

Sub-section 34 of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(34) When the application of a Minister to become a Supernumerary has been approved by the Conference, then the Board shall offer to him the option either of receiving an annuity according to scale, or of commuting a specified part of his interest in the Fund. Such interest shall be determined by the Board's Actuary as at the date of such retirement." (1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Section 511 (35) is hereby amended by adding the following: "Provided that in the case of a Minister who is in receipt of a War Veteran's Pension he may commute in full his interest in the Fund. This proviso shall not apply to the remaining annuity of the widow of such War Veteran." (1956 Minutes, page 121)

Sub-section 36 (b) of Section 511 is hereby repealed.

(1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Sub-section 37 (e) of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(37) (e) Decide as to the amount of annuity to be commuted and as to the amount or amounts of the annuity or annuities remaining to be paid in respect to the applicant's interest in the Fund." (1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Page 139, Section 46 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(46) (a) The annuity payable to the widow of a Minister who has been made a supernumerary shall be according to the scale in force for the time being but shall be only for the years for which her husband has paid his subscription.

(b) The annuity payable to the widow of a Minister who dies in the active work shall be according to the scale in force for the time being and shall be for the years of service that her husband would have given had he lived to age 65.

Sub-Section 47 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(47) If the widow of a Minister re-marries any annuity being paid to her by the Board shall cease three months after the date of such marriage, provided always and it is hereby declared that the repeal of the previous sub-para. 47 shall not affect any annuity being paid to such a widow at the date of such repeal.

(1960 Minutes, Page 142)

Page 140, Sub-Section 50 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(50) A Minister on becoming a Supernumerary shall be entitled to receive a furniture grant of such amount as may from time to time be determined by the Conference.

The widow of a Minister who dies in the active work shall receive a furniture grant based on the years of service her husband would have received had he survived to age 65.

(1960 Minutes, Page 142)

### **Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund**

Page 144, Sub-section 9 of 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**

Page 152. "Special Loans Fund." (1953 Minutes page 95).

### **Women's Guild Fellowship**

#### **District Guild Fellowship**

Page 156. Section 517 (7) is hereby amended by deleting the words "one other person" in the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "two other persons."

(1959 Minutes, page 72)

Page 156, Section 519, is hereby amended by adding the words "or Guilds" after the words "A Women's Guild" in the first line of sub-section (1).

Page 157, Section 519 is hereby further amended by repealing sub-section (11) and substituting therefor the following:—

(11a) The New Zealand Guild Fellowship shall consist of:—

(a) The Presidents of District Guild Fellowships.

(b) Members of the Executive Committee holding office prior to the annual meeting of the Fellowship.

(c) Representatives from District Guild Fellowships.

(11b) Each District Guild Fellowship shall be entitled to one representative for each fifteen or fraction of fifteen guilds in the District.

(11c) In the event of a District President being unable to attend she may appoint a substitute.

Section 519 is hereby also further amended by adding to sub-section 13 the following:—

"and shall consist of the officers of the New Zealand Guild Fellowship together with the President of the District Guild Fellowship of the District in which this Executive Committee is stationed." (1957 Minutes, page 192.)

### **Methodist Social Service Association**

Page 159. Add the following:

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

Section 520a (1). The Methodist Social Service Association of New Zealand shall be the Methodist Church of New Zealand as organised for the promotion of social service work in New Zealand. It shall be under the control of the Conference and shall be directed by a General Committee appointed annually by the Conference.

2. The objects of the Association shall be:

(a) To initiate, develop, and co-ordinate the social service work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

(b) To provide adequate publicity for the social services of the Church with a view to stimulating interest and ensuring practical support.

(c) To receive and administer funds and assets given for the general social work of the Church.

3. The General Committee shall consist of:

The President of the Conference, the Connexional Secretary, the Vice-President of the Conference, two representatives (one Ministerial and one lay) each from the Home Mission Department, the Auckland and Christchurch City Missions, the Wesley Church

(Wellington Central), Social Service Trust Board (Incorporated), the Central Methodist Church and Mission, Dunedin, one representative from the Board of Management of each Children's Home, one representative from each such other Social Service organisation as may from time to time be duly approved by the Conference and one layman not engaged in Social Service work from each area, nominated by the District Standing Committee.

4. The President of the Conference shall be Chairman of the General Committee, but if he is not present the members present shall elect a Chairman. There shall be an Official Representative and a Convener appointed annually by the Conference.

5. There shall be an Executive comprising the President of the Conference, the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department or his substitute, and the Superintendents of the City Missions in Auckland and Christchurch, the Chairman of the Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust, the General Superintendent of the Central Methodist Church and Mission, Dunedin. The Convener and Official Representative is not a Superintendent of a City Mission shall be ex officio a member of the executive.

6. The Executive shall meet when necessary and shall deal with matters of urgency.

7. For the purpose of organising its social work the Conference may from time to time divide New Zealand into areas, one or more Synodal Districts may be joined into one area.

8. In each area there shall be appointed by the Conference an Area Committee which shall generally initiate, develop and co-ordinate social service work in the area. Each area committee shall submit an annual report to the General Committee.

9. Each Area Committee shall consist of the District Chairman stationed in the Area, one representative from each Synod Standing Committee in the area, one representative from each Children's Home in the area, four representatives from each City Mission or Social Service Trust in the area, one representative from any other social service organisation in the District which has been duly approved by the Conference and, in areas in which the Home Mission Department is actively engaged in Social Service work, a representative from that Department.

10. Each Area Committee shall elect its own officers.

11. Conference may for the purposes of administration subdivide an area and may on the nomination of the area committee appoint sub-committees which shall within the sub-area carry out such duties as are allocated to it by the area committee to which it shall report and make recommendations.

12. There shall be established a General Social Service Fund which shall be operated through the General Purposes Trust Board or otherwise as directed by the Conference. Any moneys given or bequeathed to the said Fund shall be distributed by the Conference on the recommendation of the General Committee.

13. No new or major extension of Social Service activity involving major capital expenditure or requiring continued support shall be commenced without the prior approval of the Area Committee, the Executive and the Conference.

14. In cases of urgency between Conferences the approval of the Conference may be given by the President of the Conference on the recommendation of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee provided the approval of the Area Committee and the Executive be first obtained.

15. An Annual Report and Financial Statement shall be submitted by the General Committee to Synods and to the Conference.

(1959 Minutes, page 205)

#### **Standing Orders of Conference**

Page 161, Section 521 Sub-section (10) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(10) (a) Unless Conference shall otherwise determine by a vote of a majority of those present, no person shall speak for more than three minutes at any time in any debate of the Conference, provided always that the mover of a motion when introducing such motion may speak for five minutes.

(b) Nothing contained in the preceding sub-paragraph shall apply to or prevent any explanation in response to a question being made with the consent of the President by any member moving the adoption of any report and such explanations shall not be deemed to be speeches within the meaning of this paragraph.

(1960 Minutes, Page 220)

#### **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, page 155.)

#### **Women's Missionary Union**

Page 193, Section 5 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (4).

Page 195, Section 6 (g) is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (3).

Page 198, Section 9 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (b). (1957 Minutes, page 147.)

#### **Methodist Local Preachers' Association**

Page 200. Section 5 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor.

5. The Executive shall consist of the President, two Vice-Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and not less than 5 or more than 10 other members all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 6 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

6. The executive shall come into office on the 1st day of February following the Annual Meeting at which it is elected and shall continue in office until its successor takes office.

(1959 Minutes, page 69)

## PASTORAL LETTER

### From the 1960 Conference to the Church

The Conference sends its greetings to all members and adherents of the Church in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Held at Invercargill, the Conference was attended by a large number of ministers and representatives, and the first-class arrangements made for their hospitality and their meetings by the Arrangements Committee, made up of personnel from the Southland Circuits, is gratefully acknowledged as contributing to the fine tone which prevailed throughout the Conference.

For the sub-title of our message to the Church we would use various emphases heard time and time again throughout the discussions and the debates.

#### "The Gospel is for the World"

This was the theme of the Presidential Address, and repeatedly the point was made that the life of the churches needs to be re-orientated so that concern for those outside the fellowship dominates the worship, the thought, the witness and the strategy of every congregation.

It is in the light of that concern that Conference looked at the Membership and Youth Returns. Our membership has now gone above the 31,000 mark—to 31,307. During the year 1776 members were added to the rolls (an increase of 2.5%) but because of removals by death, ceased to attend, and transfers the net increase was only 651. This is disquieting for it means that for every 17 members we receive, we lose 11, four by death, five by "ceased to attend," and two in transfers. We would urge Leaders' Meetings, (1) to exercise more careful pastoral concern over those who are spasmodic in their attendance, and (2) to embark upon membership drives, especially amongst the 44,635 families comprising 136,237 people who are under pastoral care.

Our Sunday Schools show a decrease in every Department. This is most disturbing, occurring at a time when our primary and post primary schools are being hard pressed to accommodate growing rolls. The decreases have been explained by inferring that the churches have been slow to extend their work into the new housing areas. This is no doubt true, but is it all the truth? We ask all Local Youth Councils to examine their youth programmes with a view to holding the young people they have, and initiating action to increase their rolls. The Department of Christian Education in its report, drew attention to the State School enrolment projections made by the Education Department in which it is estimated "that from 1958 to 1972 Primary School Rolls will increase from 357,350 to a total of 480,000, and Post Primary Rolls from 83,150 to 152,400. Circuits should be alert to this opportunity of extending their work. The most effective method of recruiting is to have the kind of programme which will attract and hold the children and the young people. We should be endeavouring to lift our standards in buildings and equipment, in teaching methods and the through-the-week programmes.

A "New Look" for Leaders' Meetings. As a first step to securing greater participation of the laity in the work of the Church and to make better use of the abilities and talents available, Conference gave general approval to the proposal that Leaders' Meetings be reorganised so that subcommittees can be formed to cover various aspects of the Church's life and work. It is hoped that this will lead to a greater realisation amongst the members that all share in the ministry of the church to the fellowship and for the world.

Our advance is being halted because of shortage of Ministers. No less than 27 appointments had to be left "one wanted" after the stationing was completed. Many of these are in rapidly growing areas. We must continue to challenge our most talented young people to consider the ministry as a sphere in which they may exercise their gifts for the Master. We have not only to supply ministers for a rapidly-growing country, but also missionaries for the Solomon Islands and the New Guinea Highlands.

**Church Union negotiations.** The Conference accepted as basis for discussion a Draft Basis of a proposed union between our own Church, the Presbyterian Church, the Churches of the Congregational Union, and the Associated Churches of Christ. This is being sent down to be discussed by Synod Standing Committees, Quarterly and Leaders' Meetings, and congregations, and the reports of the findings are to be sent to the Church Union Committee by the 30th June, 1961. This means that no time should be lost in putting the basis before our people in the first half of 1961. Our Church, having voted overwhelmingly in favour of the principle of union, is obliged to give this basis serious consideration. The main question is: Will this basis lead to a union of churches which will enable the Gospel to be presented more effectively to our fellow countrymen?

#### **"The Methodist Church is a Family"**

This note was struck by the Rev. John Penman in "The Conversation on the Work of God" and also in introducing matters pertaining to the Connexional Budget which is to come into operation in February, 1961. The overall Budget represents the work which the Church does as a Family. Every item in the Budget—for Overseas Missions, for Home and Maori Missions, for the Department of Christian Education, for Children's Homes, for Trinity Theological College, for the Retiring Funds, etc.—has been checked and re-checked and it is now obvious that the total of £132,800 allocated to the Circuits is all required if the Methodist Connexion is to do its work adequately. The change-over to the new method of financing the work of the family will put the large-heartedness, the generosity, and the vision of every Methodist to the test. As every member has in his membership vows undertaken to support the work of the church we are confident that Quarterly Meetings will do their best to ensure that the monthly proportions of the Circuit assessments are remitted regularly on the due dates so that the Departments will not be embarrassed by lack of funds. In due course suggestion will be made by the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee of the ways by which non-pledged members may contribute to the wider work of the family, thus assisting the circuits to meet the assessments.

For a detailed account of the work undertaken by the various Departments of the Church we would commend a study of the Minutes of the Conference which may be procured through the ministers.

#### **The Lordship of Christ**

We appeal to all to demonstrate in life and witness their loyalty to Jesus Christ as Lord. He does not ask that his followers shall be successful but He does call all to be faithful in their discipleship. Such fidelity to Him demands that we shall identify ourselves with Him and His purposes which we do every Lord's Day as we gather for Worship. But it also means that we shall identify ourselves in love and service with our fellow men everywhere. We who know the Love of God in Jesus Christ cannot but have a concern for all who know little or nothing of Him and His Love. Can we not resolve to win some of them for the Master and bring them into the fellowship of the Church? Given an efficient churchmanship and an evangelistic

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# APPENDIX

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# THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. C. M. Luke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J. Serpell	E. Rosevear	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	H. Holland	William A. Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C. Lawry	G. Winstone	William A. Sinclair
Wellington	1917	William A. Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A. Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E. Bellhouse	J. H. Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E. H. Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W. Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Charles H. Laws, B.A.	L. M. Isitt, M.P.	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	Sir Donald Cameron	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1927	Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt. D.	J. A. Flesher, O.B.E.	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Christchurch	1928	William J. Elliott	J. W. Shackelford	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1929	John F. Goldie	T. P. Hughson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1930	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.	Arch. Peak	Jonathan H. Haslam
Dunedin*	1931	Ernest D. Patchett	Wm. S. Mackay	Jonathan H. Haslam
Christchurch	1932	M. A. Rugby Pratt	J. Voss	Jonathan H. Haslam
Auckland	1933	Arthur J. Seamer	S. T. S. Martin	Jonathan H. Haslam
Wellington	1934	Clarence Eaton	J. T. Johnson	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1935	Jonathan H. Haslam	W. Charles Francis	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1936	E. Percy Blamires	Richard Hampton	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1937	Fred. Copeland	Henry R. French	William A. Burley, M.A.
Wellington	1938	Percy R. Paris	John C. Tietjens	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1939	Angus McBean	Mark Kershaw	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1940	Leslie B. Neale, B.A., F.R.G.S.	David J. Wesney	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1941	William A. Burley, M.A.	Frank Penn, N.D.H.(NZ)	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1942	William Walker	G. H. B. Lill	William G. Slade, M.A.
Christchurch	1943	Charles H. Olds, B.A.	Hedley Oldham	William G. Slade, M.A.

PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Auckland†	1944	Robert B. Tinsley	Charlie E. Bellringer	William G. Slade, M.A.
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H. Scrivin	William E. Burley, B.A.	William G. Slade, M.A.
Auckland	1946	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.	James Tyler	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1947	William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.	Gordon S. Gapper	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Christchurch	1948	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington§	1949	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
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	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington	1953	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.	Hugh M. Patrick, M.V.O.	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1954	Charlie O. Hailwood	E. Laurence F. Buxton	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Dunedin	1955	M. Alexander McDowell, D.D.	Leonard A. Davis	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Auckland	1956	Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.	Sister Rita F. Snowden	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Palmerston North	1957	David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D.	Philip A. LeBrun, J.P.	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1958	Gordon R. H. Peterson	Allen A. Dingwall	Athol R. Penn
Wellington	1959	A. Everil Orr, M.B.E.	Magnus S. Hughson	Athol R. Penn
Invercargill	1960	Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.	Hubert de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B.	Athol R. Penn

\*William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assume Office. Died 19th August, 1931

†For Validating Regulations see 1944 Minutes, page 10. § February, Exec. Comm. of Conference.

# A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

## OF THE

# MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

### IN CONNECTION WITH THE

## METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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| <p>1896—Blamires, Henry L. (Sup.)</p> <p>1899—Keall, Robert P. (Sup.)</p> <p>1900—Blamires, E. Percy (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Hunt, George P. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Leadley, Frank E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1901—Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D.<br/>(Fellow of Trinity College)<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>1903—Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G.<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>1904—Blamires, Ernest O. (Sup.)</p> <p>1905—Copeland, Fred. (Sup.)</p> <p>1906—Ryan, Henry (Sup.)</p> <p>1907—Blair, Charles (Sup.)</p> <p>1908—Tinsley, Robt. B. (Sup.)</p> <p>1909—Cottom, Harry (Sup.)</p> <p>    " McArthur, John D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Harris, Archer O. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Olds, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1911—Enticott, Walter J. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Fowles, Albert H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Hopper, Arthur (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Richards, H. Leslie (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Rowe, William (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1912—Hinton, George B., (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Scrivin, Arthur H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Walker, William, E.D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1913—Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1914—Werren, Samuel J. (Sup.)</p> <p>1915—Cooke, Percy I. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Olds, E. Thomas (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Odell, Henry J. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Slade, William G., M.A., D.D.<br/>(Toronto) (Sup.)</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Fordyce, Robert E. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Harkness, Edwin S. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.)</p> | <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.<br/>(Melb.) (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Chambers, Ernest B. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Dennis, John (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>    " Neal, Wallace S. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Parker, James W., (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Skuse, Thomas, (Sup.)</p> <p>1919—Ford, Herbert (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1922—Brooks, Leslie, A.G. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Jack, J. Francis (Sup.)</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Hames, Eric W., M.A.</p> <p>    " Spencer, Herbert (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Bateup, Frank (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Brown, Hubert G.</p> <p>    " Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A.</p> <p>    " Kings, Harry S. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Taylor, Cecil R. (Sup.)</p> <p>1925—Peterson, Gordon R. H.</p> <p>1926—Hall, James H.</p> <p>    " Harris, G. Raymond</p> <p>    " Voyce, A. Harry</p> <p>1927—Larsen, Norman P.</p> <p>    " Laurensen, George I.</p> <p>    " Penn, Athol R.</p> <p>    " Raynor, Ivo M.</p> <p>    " Silvester, A. Wharton E. (M.M.)</p> <p>    " Utting, Harry V.</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D., B.A.</p> <p>    " Hailwood, Charlie O.</p> <p>    " <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Handy, Francis J.</span></p> <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E.</p> <p>    " Horwood, Leonard C.</p> <p>    " Kent, Arthur T.</p> <p>    " Parker, Walter</p> <p>1930—Blight, J. Montgomery</p> <p>    " Draper, Joseph C. (Sup.)</p> <p>    " Leadley, E. Clarence</p> <p>    " McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D.<br/>(Mt. Union, U.S.A.)</p> <p>    " Parker, Wesley, M.A., B.D.</p> |
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# CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1931—Carr, Thomas H.  
" Carr, W. E. Allon  
" Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D.  
" (Dickenson, U.S.A.) F.R.E.S.  
" Greenslade, William W.H.  
" Moore, William E.  
" Payne, Herbert W.  
" Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D
- 1932—Day, Reginald  
" Hickman, D. J. Donald (Sup.)  
" Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D.  
" Jenkin, William C.
- 1933—Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A.  
" Daglish, J. Ainsley  
" Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E.  
" Patchett, Ralph E.
- 1934—Goodman, George H.  
" Johnston, Andrew J.  
" Matthews, Howard C., B.A.
- 1935—Duder, Clifford L.  
" Hanna, L. Gordon (Temp. Sup.)  
" Luxton, Clarence T. J.  
" Thornley, Robert, M.A.  
" Dip.Soc.Sc.  
" Witheford, Arthur R. B.A.
- 1936—Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A.
- 1937—Churchill, John  
" Francis, William R., B.A., B.D.  
" (Lond.)  
" Norwell, Leslie T.
- 1938—Harkness, Howard E., M.A.  
" B.D. (Melb.)  
" Hoddinott, Ernest S.  
" Laws, William R., M.A., B.D.  
" (Melb.)  
" Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A.  
" Silvester, John, M.A.  
" Whitfield, Harris, E.D.
- 1939—Cochrane, Herbert A.  
" Grice, Reginald  
" Hayman, Leslie A. D. B.Agr.Sc  
" Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th.  
" Oldfield, Charles B.  
" Watson, John K., M.C., B.A.
- 1940—Dawson, John B. B.A.  
" Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D.  
" Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A.  
" Greenslade, Lawrence  
" Jones, Alan O.
- 1941—Bell, Charles H., B.A.  
" Brown, Harold K.  
" Darvill, Harold A.  
" Thomas, Gordon V., B.A.  
" Woolford, Henry J., M.A.
- 1942—Clement, R. Frederick, M.A.  
" Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B.  
" B.Com.  
" Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.  
" (Melb.), Ph. D., (London)  
" Morrison, William J., M.A.  
" Rogers, Ranginohoorā  
" Willing, Leonard V.  
" Williams, J. C. Aldwyn
- 1943—Andrews, Stanley G., M.A.,  
" Dip.Ed.  
" Brown, Clifford G.  
" Cramond, George W.  
" Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A.  
" Falkingham, Wilfred E.  
" Grounds, Edmund D.  
" Jolly, Albert  
" Prosser, Frederick O. (Sup.)
- 1944—Allen, Robert H., B.A.  
" Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D.  
" Bycroft, Leslie F.  
" Chambers, Wesley A., M.A.  
" Dorrian, A. Peter  
" Sherson, Donald G., B.A.
- 1945—Green, Warren  
" Shapcott, Leonard
- 1946—McDonald, D. I. Alister  
" Moore, Harry  
" Olds, Norman W.  
" Shepherd, Trevor  
" Thompson, George R., E.D.
- 1947—Attwood, A. Francis  
" Campbell, Michael J.  
" Clements, Leslie C.  
" Divers, W. Lloyd  
" Hall, Allen H., M.A.  
" Parker, Francis H.  
" Riseley, Benjamin H.  
" Stewart, Edmond S.
- 1948—Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A.  
" Hilder, Basil J.  
" Marshall, Edward M., B.A.,  
" Dip.Ed.
- 1949—Baker, Edward  
" Benny, T. Ralph  
" Burt, Douglas H.  
" Burton, Ormond E., M.A.  
" Cornwell, Gordon A. R.  
" Ford, Wilfred F., B.A.  
" Garner, William M. (Sup.)  
" Keightley, Clifford J.  
" Nuttall, A. Roger G., B.A.  
" Olds, J. Stanley  
" Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A.

# CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1950—Clark, Colin D., M.A.  
" Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A.  
" Ramsay, Phillip D., C.F.  
" Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A.,  
B.D.  
" Woodfield, Frank H.  
" Woodfield, Owen T.
- 1951—Besant, H. David, B.A.  
" Burrough, Amos W.  
" Carter, George G., M.A.  
" Dip.Ed.  
" Clucas, Ivan J.  
" Gilbert, Geoffrey T.  
" Raynor, Charles H.  
" Ruck, Idris J.  
" Stead, Peter A., B.A.  
" Toothill, Harry W.  
" Olds, O. McLennan
- 1952—Edmonds, David W.  
" George, R. Leslie  
" Gibson, Loyal J.  
" Hall, John R.  
" Handyside, Allan J.  
" Penman, John A., B.A.  
" Reid, Ian W.  
" Shaw, Harry I.  
" Spindler, Sydney J.  
" Thompson, John H.  
" Trebilco, George R.
- 1953—Baker, Frederick J. K.  
" Le Couteur, E. Raymond  
" Craig, Hughan M.  
" McKay, Archibald W.  
" Newman, Alan  
" Osborne, John H.  
" Stubbs, David G.
- 1954—Billingham, Noel D.  
" Boyd, Edward P.  
" Dickie, Arthur W.  
" Eastwood, Eric R.  
" Grundy, John, M.A.  
" Heppelthwaite, Ernest  
" Newton, Alan H. V.  
" Rakena, Ruawai D.  
" Rushton, Percy P.  
" Tahere, Te Awha W.  
" Trebilco, David L.  
" Watson, Alexander C.
- 1955—Abbott, William K.  
" Bennett, Trevor L.  
" Cable, Wilfred J.  
" Peart, Cuthbert R.  
" Rigg, Frank S.  
" Tauroa, Lane M., B.A.  
" Thornicroft, Neville  
" Wood, Ronald H.
- 1956—Andrews, Robert S.  
" Bennett, George L.  
" Grant, Ian D.  
" Kitchingman, Owen  
" Nicholls, Trevor L.  
" Scammell, Bruce  
" Ziesler, John A., M.A., B.D.,  
(Lond.)
- 1957—Bell, G. Basil W.  
" Brough, Gordon D., B.A.  
" Cropp, James F.  
" Fowler, Irwin J.  
" Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A.  
" Kitchingman, Henry W.  
" Mabon, John C.F.  
" Reddihough, John W., F.R.G.S  
" Russell, Kenneth H.  
" Scarr, Geoffrey E.  
" Taylor, Phillip F.  
" Walker, Bryan A., M.A.
- 1958—Climo, Frederick J.  
" Gilbert, Wilfred S.  
" Glen, Frank G.  
" Hamlin, R. John  
" Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A.
- 1959—Barker, Peter S.  
" Bowen, Lewis A.  
" Dine, Mervyn L.  
" Gibson, Roger M.  
" Goudge, Stanley, R. B.A.  
" Greening, G. Kihgsley  
" Griffith, Keith C.,  
" Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Ms.  
" Jones, Dorothea M., B.A.  
" Kitchingman, David L., B.A.  
" Morrison, William  
" Salter, Lawrence E.  
" Widdup, Robert W.
- 1960—Brazendale, Graham.  
" Grundy, Albert W., M.A.  
" Christian, Owen L.  
" Conway, James H.  
" Gust, Warwick, B.A.  
" Hanson, E. Francis I., B.A.  
" Henderson, W. John  
" Hornblow, Maxwell A.  
" Horrill, C. Seton  
" McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc.  
" Major, Lewis H.  
" Mullan, David S.  
" Peterson, Frederick D.  
" Reid, Andrew G.  
" Roke, Charles E.

## CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—*Continued*

1961—Edwards, Bruce W.

„ James, Russell E.

„ Langley, John E.

„ Marshall, C. Russell

„ Sides, Brian W.

„ Taylor, A. Kerry

„ Wallace, William L , B.A.

### **Maori Minister—**

1941—Kukutai, Ngatete K. (Sup.)

### **Solomon Islands District Ministers—**

(including Tongan and Fijian  
missionaries)

1944—Piani, Timothy

„ Taufu, John

„ Palavi, Daniel

1950—Vula, Aisake

1955—Bitibule, John Veo

„ Baudromo, Iliesa

1957—Pataaku, Samson

„ Zio, Joeli

1961—Bongbong, Francis

„ Boseto, Leslie

# AN ALPHABETICAL LIST

## OF THE

# MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

*in connection with the*

## METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

1. The figures in the first column mark the year in which each Minister entered on his work ; those in the second column the year of Annual Appointment. S denotes that the Minister is a Supernumerary, the year in which he became a Supernumerary being in parenthesis immediately after his address. The number of the Circuit in the Station Sheet is denoted in the right hand column. The Overseas Mission and Maori Mission Stations are distinguished by numbers in square brackets.

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| 2. H.M.—Home Missions      | O.M.—Overseas Missions     |
| M.M.—Maori Missions        | C.S.—Connexional Secretary |
| C.E.D.—Christian Education | Th.C.—Theological College  |
| Dept.                      |                            |

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1955	.. 4	Abbott, William K., 81 Johnson Street, Milton ..	.. 136
1944	.. 6	Allen, Robert H., B.A., 57 Glenfield Rd., Birkenhead, Auckland, N.5 ..	.. 21
1956	.. 3	Andrews, Robert S., 19 Exeter St., Lyttelton ..	.. 111
1943	.. 10	Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.Ed., 16 Atherton Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 ..	O.M.
1947	.. S	Attwood, A. Francis, High Street, Katikati (1959) ..	.. 35
1924	.. S	Bailey, John H., Hill St., Warkworth, Northland (1956) ..	.. 40
1949	.. 5	Baker, Edward, 22 Union Street, New Brighton, Christchurch, E.3 ..	.. 110
1953	.. 2	Baker, Frederick J. K., 33 Clothier St., Putaruru ..	.. 43
1959	.. 3	Barker, Peter S., Stanley Street, Eketahuna ..	.. 95
1924	.. S	Bateup, Frank, Campbell Street, Thames (1948) ..	.. 32
1941	.. 7	Bell, Charles H., B.A., Tainui Street, Matamata ..	.. 42
1957	.. 5	Bell, G. Basil W., 56 Foyle Street, Bluff ..	.. 143
1944	.. 5	Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D., 100 West Street, Feilding ..	.. 78
1956	.. 3	Bennett, George L., 8 Cambridge St., Gonville, Wanganui ..	.. 63
1955	.. 3	Bennett, Trevor L., Willowby, R.M.D., Ashburton ..	.. 128
1949	.. 6	Benny, T. Ralph, 5 William Street, Gore ..	.. 138
1913	.. S	Bensley, Arthur A., 29, 13th Ave., Tauranga (1950) ..	.. 45
1951	.. 4	Besant, H. David, B.A., 36 Kings Road, Panmure, Auckland, E.2 ..	.. 15
1954	.. 1	Billinghurst, Noel D., Kapiti Road, Paraparamu ..	.. 98
1907	.. S	Blair, Charles, "Noeldene," Main Rd., Stoke, Nelson (1947) ..	.. 99
1923	.. S	Blakemore, Albert, Leigh Haven, Mt. Albert, Auckland S.W.2. (1946) ..	.. 17
1900	.. S	Blamires, E. Percy, 43a Church Street, Devonport, Auckland, N.1 (1944) ..	.. 19
1904	.. S	Blamires, Ernest O., 15 Blomfield Spa, Takapuna, Auckland (1946) ..	.. 20
1896	.. S	Blamires, Henry L., 98 13th Ave., Tauranga (1930) ..	.. 45
1930	.. 2	Blight, J. Montgomery, Ashhurst ..	.. 77
1917	.. S	Blight, William T., B.A., B.D., 76 Halton Street, Papanui, Christchurch, N.W.1 (1957) ..	.. 108
1959	.. 3	Bowen, Lewis A., 29 Rimu St., Helensville, Auckland ..	.. 29
1955	.. 4	Boyd, Edward P., 58a Scotland Street, Roxburgh ..	.. 144
1960	.. 2	Brazendale, Graham, Hikurangi, Northland ..	.. 5

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1922	.. S	Brooks, Leslie A. G., 3 Heather Place, Melville, Hamilton (1959)	.. 39
1957	.. 3	Brough, Gordon D., B.A., Methodist Mission, Keesu, Teop, Bougainville, Territory of New Guinea	.. [10]
1943	.. 1	Brown, Clifford G., 45 Glouster Street, Greenmeadows, Hawkes Bay	.. 68
1916	.. S	Brown, George E., 611 Blockhouse Bay Rd., Blockhouse Bay, Auckland (1956)	.. 17
1941	.. 3	Brown, Harold K., 38 Cranford St., Christchurch, N.1	.. 115
1924	.. 2	Brown, Hubert G., 170 Fitzgerald Ave., Christchurch C.1	.. 110
1910	.. S	Burley, William A., M.A., Thompson St., Shannon (1951)	.. 82
1951	.. 4	Burrough, Amos W., 10 Freyberg St., Wairoa, Hawke's Bay	.. 71
1949	.. 5	Burt, Douglas H., Box 12 Ruawai, Northland	.. 8
1949	.. S	Burton, Ormond E., M.A., Lupin Rd., Otaki	.. 97
1944	.. 5	Bycroft, Leslie F., 142 North Street, Timaru	.. 124
1955	.. 1	Cable, Wilfred J., 18 West Road Northland, Wellington	.. 84
1947	.. 3	Campbell, Michael J., 63 Tukapa St., Westown, New Plymouth	.. 54
1931	.. 1	Carr, Thomas H., C.F., 12 Wesley St., Pukekohe	.. 26
1931	.. 2	Carr, W. E. Allon, 42 Malfroy St., Rotorua	.. 44
1951	.. 11	Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed., Methodist Mission, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands	.. [6]
1917	.. S	Chambers, Ernest B., 52 Woodlands Rd., Glen Eden, Auckland (1956)	.. 18
1944	.. 1	Chambers, Wesley A., M.A., 98 North St., Timaru	.. 123
1960	.. 2	Christian, Owen L., Ngaruahoe St., Inglewood, Taranaki	.. 67
1933	.. 3	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., C.F., 33 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui	.. 61
1937	.. 2	Churchill, John, 37 Bank Street, Te Awamutu	.. 48
1950	.. 2	Clark, Colin D., M.A., 19 Regent Street, Hawera	.. 58
1942	.. 5	Clement, R. Frederick, M.A., C.F., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3	.. 11
1947	.. 6	Clements, Leslie C., 5 Rodrigo Rd., Kilbirnie, Wellington	.. 83
1958	.. 2	Climo, Frederick J., Paparoa	.. 9
1951	.. 2	Clucas, Ivan J., 67 Searman Street, Waimate	.. 125
1939	.. 2	Cochrane, Herbert A., 15 Verran Place, Bryndwr, Christchurch	.. 115
1915	.. S	Cooke, Percy I., 528 Te Atatu Rd., Te Atatu, Auckland (1952)	.. 18
1960	.. 2	Conway, James H., Neville Street, Warkworth, Northland	.. 31
1905	.. S	Copeland, Fred., 40 Abbotleigh Ave., Te Atatu Auckland (1947)	.. 18
1949	.. 13	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., Methodist Mission, Skotolan, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea	.. [11]
1918	.. S	Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sci., South Tee., Picton (1955)	.. 103
1909	.. S	Cottom, Harry, Springston, R.D. Canterbury (1949)	.. 117
1953	.. 3	Craig, Hughana M., Kohukohu, Hokianga	.. 3
1943	.. 4	Cramond, George W., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	.. 129
1957	.. 2	Cropp, James F., Greendale, No. 1 R.D. Christchurch	.. 121
1933	.. 3	Daglish, J. Ainsley, Cuba Street, Marton	.. 66
1941	.. 17	Darvill, Harold A., 107 Waihi Road, Hawera	.. H.M.
1940	.. 1	Dawson, John B., B.A., 801e Queen St., Hastings	.. 69
1943	.. 8	Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A., C.F., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna, Auckland N.2.	.. 20
1932	.. 3	Day, Reginald, 62 Albert Street, Pahiatua	.. 74
1917	.. S	Dennis, John, 8 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay, Auckland (1954)	.. 20
1929	.. 4	Dickens, Charles E., 82 Murray Place, St. Albans, Christchurch, N.1	.. 115
1954	.. 1	Dickie, Arthur W., 41 Newall Street, Kawerau	.. 53

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1959	.. 3	Dine, Mervyn L., 4 Heath St., Mt. Maunganui, Tauranga	45
1947	.. 1	Divers, W. Lloyd, 5 Chapman St., Invercargill	140
1940	.. 5	Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D., P.O. Box 2453, Auckland	13
1944	.. 2	Dorrian, A. Peter, 88 Linwood Ave., Christchurch	110
1930	.. 8	Draper, Joseph C., C.F., 302 Glenfield Road Birkenhead (1959)	21
1935	.. 4	Duder, Clifford L., 38 Sealey Street, Thames	32
1931	.. 2	Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., 151 Kennedy Rd., Napier	68
1954	.. 4	Eastwood, Eric R., 22 Donegal St., Cromwell	145
1952	.. 2	Edmonds, David W., 237 Salisbury St., Christchurch C.1	109
1961	.. 1	Edwards, Bruce W., Ohura	52
1948	.. 5	Eisner, Wilf, G., B.A., 31 Huanui St., Porirua, Wellington	88
1911	.. 8	Enticott, Walter J., Nahum St., Paeroa (1948)	34
1943	.. 11	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, P.O. Box 1449, Christchurch, C.1	109
1924	.. 16	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., P.O. Box 931, Christchurch C.1	C.S.
1919	.. 8	Ford, Herbert, 24 Denman Street, Sumner, Christchurch (1948)	108
1948	.. 5	Ford, Wilfred F., B.A., 16 Duncan St., Tawa, Wellington C.E.D.	
1916	.. 8	Fordyce, Robert E., 27a Lorna St., New Plymouth (1956)	54
1957	.. 5	Fowler, Irwin J., Apiti	80
1911	.. 8	Fowles, Albert H., 18 Lionel Street, Avonside, Christchurch N.E.1 (1941)	110
1937	.. 8	Francis, William R., B.A., B.D., 24 Liverpool Street, Hamilton, C.F.	39
1949	.. 8	Garner, William M., Whangaroa, North Auckland (1957)	2
1952	.. 1	George, R. Leslie, Tauranga Road, Waihi	35
1952	.. 2	Gibson, Loyal J., 28 Oxford Street, Richmond, Nelson	100
1959	.. 3	Gibson, Roger M., Russell, Bay of Islands	2
1952	.. 1	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., C. F. 16 Belvedere St., Te Puke	45
1958	.. 1	Gilbert, Wilfred S., 230 High Street, Dannevirke	72
1940	.. 8	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A., 12 Poronui St., Mt. Eden, Auckland	15
1958	.. 4	Glen, Frank G., Methodist Parsonage, Ohai, Southland	142
1934	.. 5	Goodman, George H., 111 Wood St., Palmerston North	76
1950	.. 2	Gordon, Bruce, M.A., 56 Royal Tce., Dunedin, C.2.	130
1959	.. 1	Goudge, Stanley R., B.A., 10 Onslow Road, Huntly	41
1956	.. 2	Grant Ian D., 4 Titoki St., Stoke, Nelson	99
1945	.. 3	Green Warren, 46 Beresford St., Roslyn, Dunedin, N.W.2	132
1959	.. 2	Greening, G. Kingsley, Queen Street, Waiuku	28
1940	.. 4	Greenslade, Lawrence, 18 Matai Rd., Hataitai, Wellington E.2.	86
1931	.. 5	Greenslade, William W. H., 92 Liardet St., New Plymouth	54
1939	.. 5	Grice, Reginald, 43 Queen Street, Cambridge	38
1959	.. 3	Griffith, Keith C., Taihape	64
1928	.. 6	Grocott, John D., B.A., 15 Nelson St., Riccarton Christchurch, W. 1	114
1943	.. 3	Grounds, Edmund D., The Manse, 24 Tyne St., Timaru	124a
1960	.. 2	Grundy, Albert A., M.A., 131 Livingstone St., Hokitika	107
1954	.. 3	Grundy, John, M.A., 274 High Street, Carterton	93
1957	.. 1	Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A., Cheshunt College, Cambridge, England	114
1960	.. 2	Gust, Warwick, B.A., Waitoa, Waikato	37
1928	.. 4	Hailwood, Charlie O., 77 Pretoria St., Lower Hutt	89
1947	.. 15	Hall, Allen H., M.A., Methodist Mission, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands	[6]
1926	.. 6	Hall, James H., 9 Paynter's Ave., New Plymouth	54
1952	.. 6	Hall, John R., Geraldine	126

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1923	.. 23	Hames, Eric W., M.A., "Richmond House," Trinity College, Grafton, Auckland	Th. C.
1958	.. 1	Hamlin, R. John, C.F., R.N.Z.A.F., Woodbourne	.. 103
1928	.. 6	Handy, Francis J., 64 Station Rd., Otahuhu, Auckland, S.E.7	.. 23
1952	.. 1	Handyside, Allan J., 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine, Dunedin	.. 133a
1935	.. S	Hanna, L. Gordon, 20 Nogat Ave., Papatoetoe, Auckland (1960)	.. 24
1960	.. 2	Hanson, E. Francis, B.A., 40a Henley Street, Westport	.. 105
1916	.. S	Harkness, Edwin S., 14 Atanga Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1 (1947)	.. 15
1938	.. 1	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton	.. 94
1910	.. S	Harris, Archer O., 44 Redruth Ave., Spreydon, Christchurch, S.W.1 (1951)	.. 108
1926	.. 3	Harris, G. Raymond, 19 Schofield St., Grey Lynn, Auckland	.. 11
1900	.. S	Haslam, Jonathan H., 26 Rhodes St., Waimate (1940)	.. 125
1939	.. 4	Hayman, Leslie A.D., B.Agric.Sc., "Friendship House," (20a) Bueckburg, West Germany	.. 83
1960	.. 2	Henderson, W. John, Methodist Parsonage, Rongotea	.. 79
1954	.. 4	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 3 Delta St., Dunedin, N.W.1	.. 130
1932	.. S	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert St., Ashburton (1960)	.. 127
1948	.. 4	Hilder, Basil J., 18 Tennyson St., Opunake	.. 60
1912	.. S	Hinton, George B., 49 Roberta Ave., Beverley Hills, Auckland, E.1 (1949)	.. 16
1938	.. 2	Hoddinot, Ernest S., C/- Mt. Crawford P.B., Kilbirnie P.O. Wellington	.. 86
1911	.. S	Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935)	.. 69
1936	.. 3	Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A., 304 Stanmore Rd., Christchurch, N.E.1	.. 110
1960	.. 2	Hornblow, Maxwell A., Main Road, Greytown	.. 92
1960	.. 2	Horrell, C. Seton, Cavendish Street, Ashburton	.. 127
1929	.. 1	Horwood, Leonard C., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2	.. 17
1959	.. 3	Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Ms., 14 Te Pari Pari Rd., Pukerua Bay, Wellington	.. 88
1900	.. S	Hunt, George P., 215 Great South Rd., Manurewa, Auckland (1940)	.. 13
1942	.. 4	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., Riemenschneider St., Manaia	.. 59
1922	.. S	Jack, J. Francis, 15 Northboro Rd., Takapuna, Auckland N.2 (1956)	.. 20
1961	.. 1	James, Russell E., Taupo	.. 44
1932	.. 2	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D., 30 Church St., Te Aroha	.. 36
1919	.. S	Jefferson, Alfred E., 118 Gray Ave., Papatoetoe (1954)	.. 24
1932	.. 3	Jenkin, William C., 138 Somme Parade, Aramoho, Wanganui	.. 62
1934	.. 2	Johnston, Andrew J., 31 Whitby St., Morningson, Dunedin	.. 135
1943	.. 3	Jolly, Albert, 83 Kolmar St., Papatoetoe	.. 24
1940	.. 1	Jones, Allan O., 66 Firth St., Hamilton East	.. 40
1959	.. 3	Jones, Dorothea M., B.A., C/o Epuni Methodist Church, Brees Street, Lower Hutt	.. 89
1899	.. S	Keall, R. Purcell, 14 Green St., Lower Hutt (1940)	.. 89
1949	.. 8	Keightley, Clifford J., Methodist Mission, Nipa, via Mendi, Territory of New Guinea	.. [12]
1916	.. S	Kendon, Charles H., 99 Avondale Road, Greenmeadows, Napier (1954)	.. 68
1929	.. 6	Kent, Arthur T., C.F., 149 Kamo Road, Whangarei	.. 6

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1924	.. S	Kings, Harry., 98 Salisbury Street, Levin (1956)	.. 96
1959	.. 2	Kitchingman, David L., B.A., 24 Passmore Cres., Maori Hill, Dunedin	.. 132
1957	.. 1	Kitchingman, Henry W., 1 Seabrook Ave., New Lynn, Auckland	.. 17
1956	.. 2	Kitchingman, Owen, B.A., Wesley Tce., Te Kuiti	.. 50
1961	.. 1	Langley, John E., 28 Paddington St., Glen Innes, Auckland	.. 16
1927	.. 1	Larsen, Norman P., 112 Cambridge St., Levin	.. 96
1927	.. 23	Laurenson, George I., Kakariki Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1	H.M.
1938	.. 3	Laws, William R., M.A., B.D., 226 Thames St., Morrinsville	.. 37
1930	.. 2	Leadley, E. Clarence, 5 Paice Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland	.. 13
1900	.. S	Leadley, Frank E., 7 Fowler Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2. (1940)	.. 17
1953	.. 6	LeCouteur, E. Raymond, King Edward St., Eltham	.. 57
1958	.. 4	Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A., 73 Molesworth St., Taita, Lower Hutt	.. 89a
1942	.. 9	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D., Ph.D., 134 Grafton Rd., Auckland	.. Th.C.
1939	.. 4	Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th., 162 King St., Rangiora	.. 120
1935	.. 2	Luxton, Clarence T. J., 4 Meyers Rd. Manurewa, Auckland	.. 25
1957	.. 4	Mabon, John, C.F., Middleton St., Johnsonville, Wellington	.. 87
1960	.. 2	Major, Lewis H., 110 High Street, Masterton	.. 94
1961	.. 1	Marshall, C. Russell, C/o 5 Cedars St., Hoon Hay, Christchurch	.. 114
1948	.. 14	Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip.Ed., Wesley College, Paerata, Auckland	.. W.C.
1934	.. 2	Matthews, Howard C., B.A., C.F., 18 Chapel St., Papanui Christchurch	.. 116
1909	.. S	McArthur, John D., 47 Rogers St., Blenheim (1949)	.. 103
1946	.. 9	McDonald, D. I. Alister, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, P.O. Gizo, British Solomom Islands	.. [8]
1930	.. 4	McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson	.. 99
1953	.. 1	McKay, Archibald W., 30 Matai St., Hamilton	.. 39
1960	.. 2	McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., Parsonage, Otautau, Southland	.. 142
1946	.. 2	Moore, Harry, 170 West Coast Rd., Glen Eden, Auckland	.. 18
1931	.. 2	Moore, William E., Ford St., Opotiki	.. 47
1959	.. 3	Morrison, William, 39 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, Wellington S.2	.. 82
1942	.. 2	Morrison, William J., M.A., 80 Wesley Street, Dunedin	.. 133
1960	.. 2	Mullan, David S., Ngatea, Hauraki Plains	.. 33
1918	.. S	Neal, Wallace S., 61 Mathiesons Rd., Linwood, Christchurch, E.1 (1953)	.. 110
1953	.. 2	Newman, Allan, 12 Marsden Rd., Greymouth	.. 106
1954	.. 2	Newton, Alan H. V., 179 Regan St., Stratford	.. 56
1956	.. 1	Nicholls, Trevor L., Te Reinga Street, Kaitaia	.. 1
1949	.. 3	Nuttall A. Roger, B.A., 1060 Heapy Tce., Claudelands, Hamilton	.. 40
1937	.. 1	Norwell, Leslie T., 46 Radley St., Woolston Christchurch	.. 111
1915	.. S	Odell, Henry J., 9 Ravi St., Khandallah, Wellington, N.5 (1953)	.. 83
1939	.. 1	Oldfield, Charles B., 45 High Street, Blenheim	.. 102
1910	.. S	Olds, Charles H., B.A., 21 Alpha Street, Cambridge (1951)	.. 38
1915	.. S	Olds, E. Thomas, 28 Bannerman Rd., Auckland W.2 (1957)	.. 11
1949	.. 6	Olds, J. Stanley, 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	.. 141
1946	.. 3	Olds, Norman W., 19 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay, Auckland	.. 20
1951	.. 3	Olds, O. McLennan, 2 Westend Rd., Herne Bay, Auckland W.1	.. 14

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1933	.. 29	Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E., C.F., Box 5104, Auckland C.1	.. 12
1953	.. 2	Osborne, John H., Silverdale, Northland	.. 30
1947	.. 5	Parker, Francis H., 11 Redwood St., Upper Hutt	.. 90
1918	.. S	Parker, James W., 143 St. John's Rd., Meadowbank, Auckland, S.E.3 (1950)	.. 16
1929	.. 10	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Rd., Epsom, Auckland S.E.3	13
1930	.. 9	Parker, Wesley, M.A., B.D., C.F., 10 New Bond Street, Kingsland, Auckland	.. 11
1933	.. 2	Patchett, Ralph E., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh Dunedin	.. 134
1931	.. 1	Payne, Herbert W., 77 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland	22
1955	.. 1	Pear, Cuthbert F., C.F., 83 King Street, Whakatane	.. 46
1952	.. 3	Penman, John A., B.A., 28 Mt. Albert Rd, Auckland, S.W.2	H.M.
1927	.. 1	Penn, Athol R., 17 Pukehana Ave., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3	15
1938	.. 10	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 54 Chester Street W., Christchurch, C.1	.. 108
1960	.. 2	Peterson, Frederick D., No. 3 R.D., Wellsford	.. 10
1925	.. 2	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 235 Karori Rd., Karori, Wellington	.. 84
1943	.. S	Prosser, Frederick O., 34 Stoke Street, Sumner, Christchurch, S.E.3 (1948)	.. 111
1954	.. 8	Rakena, Ruawai D., Waima, Hokianga	.. [1]
1949	.. 1	Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A., 890 George Street, Dunedin	.. 131
1950	.. 4	Ramsay, Phillip D., C.F., 100 Waiwhetu Rd., Lower Hutt	89
1901	.. S	Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College, 43 Maungawhau Road, Epsom, Auckland S.E.3(1941)	16
1951	.. 2	Raynor, Charles H., 23 Aynsley Tee., Opawa, Christchurch	111
1927	.. 5	Raynor, Ivo M., 18 Orari St., Ngaio, Wellington N.4	.. 87
1957	.. 1	Reddihough, John W., 78 Church Street, Mosgiel	.. 133
1960	.. 2	Reid, Andrew G., Okato, Taranaki	.. 60
1952	.. 1	Reid, Ian W., 298 Adelaide Road, Wellington	.. 85
1911	.. S	Richards, H. Leslie, Leeston, Canterbury (1948)	.. 118
1955	.. 4	Rigg, Frank S., 81 Yule Street, Wellington, E.3	.. 86
1947	.. 2	Riseley, Benjamin H., 75 Taranaki St., Wellington	.. 83
1942	.. 7	Rogers, Ranginohooru, 519 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland S.1	[2]
1960	.. 2	Roke, Charles E., P.O. Box 400 Hamilton	.. [3]
1911	.. S	Rowe, William, 60 The Esplanade, Paremata, Wellington (1949)	.. 88
1951	.. 4	Ruck, Idris J., 39 Strathavon St., Miramar, Wellington E.4	86
1954	.. 3	Rushton, Percy P., B.A., P.O. Box 21, Rawene, Hokianga, Northland	.. 4
1957	.. 2	Russell, Kenneth H., 37 Mouatt Street, Waitara	.. 55
1906	.. S	Ryan, Henry, 8 Burns Road, Napier (1943)	.. 68
1916	.. S	Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis St., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1955)	.. 17
1959	.. 3	Salter, Lawrence E., 30 Kelso Street, Tokoroa	.. 43
1956	.. 3	Scammell, Bruce, Taitua, St., Taumaranui	.. 51
1957	.. 2	Scarr, Geoffrey E., 128 Vogel St., Palmerston North	.. 75
1950	.. 5	Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., B.D., 14 St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, Auckland S.E. 2	.. 16
1912	.. S	Scrivin, Arthur H., "Roviana" 16 Empire Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1952)	.. 15
1903	.. S	Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G., Box 400, Hamilton (1939)	.. 12
1945	.. 6	Shapcott, Leonard, 95 Fitzroy St., Dunedin, S.W.1	.. 133
1952	.. 5	Shaw, Harry I., 37 Nelson Street, Petone	.. 91
1946	.. 4	Shepherd, Trevor, Park Ave., Oxford	.. 122
1944	.. 8	Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 32 Edmonton Rd., Henderson, Auckland	.. 18
1961	.. 1	Sides, Brian W., Bombay, Auckland	.. 27

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1927	.. 3	Silvester, A. Wharton E., (M.M.) 12 DeMerle St., Kaikohe Northland	2
1938	.. 3	Silvester, John M.A., 17 Church St., Devonport, Auckland N.1	19
1918	.. S	Skuse, Thomas, No. 2 R.D., Kumeu, Auckland (1956)	18
1915	.. S	Slade, William G., M.A., D.D., 198 Clyde Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, N.W.1 (1957)	108
1923	.. S	Spencer, Herbert, 24 Hipango Terrace Ext., Durie Hill Wanganui (1949)	61
1952	.. 1	Spindler, Sydney J., 19 Hillside Cres., Mt. Eden, Auckland	12
1951	.. 3	Stead, Peter A., B.A., 524 Church Street, Palmerston North	75
1947	.. 1	Stewart, Edmond S., C/o 75 Taranaki St., Wellington C.3	68
1953	.. 2	Stubbs, David G., Robinson Street, Foxton	82
1955	.. 5	Tauroa, Lane M., B.A., North Esplanade Rd., Te Kuiti	[4]
1954	.. 8	Tahere, Te Awa W., 37 Breakwater Rd., New Plymouth	[5]
1961	.. 1	Taylor, A. Kerry, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay	81
1924	.. S	Taylor, Cecil R., 23 Garreg Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, N.W.1 (1955)	115
1957	.. 4	Taylor Phillip F., Methodist Mission, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea	[9]
1911	.. S	Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E., Otarei Aratapu, Nth. Wairoa (1954)	H.M.
1941	.. 2	Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 118 Colombo Street, Sydenham, Christchurch	112
1946	.. 3	Thompson, George, R. E.D., P.O. Box 196, Dargaville	7
1951	.. 3	Thompson John H. 12 Barr St., Balclutha	137
1955	.. 5	Thornicroft, Neville, 82 Pah Street, Motueka	101
1935	.. 5	Thornley, Robert, M.A., 38 McFarlane St., Wellington, C.4	83
1908	.. S	Tinsley, Robert B., Kereone Rd., Morrinsville (1949)	37
1951	.. 1	Toothill, Harry W., 35 Wood Street, Papakura, Auckland	25
1954	.. 4	Trebilco, David L., 84 Hackthorne Rd., Cashmere Christchurch, S.2	108
1952	.. 2	Trebilco, George R., 42 Melanesia Rd., Kohimarama, Auckland	16
1927	.. 2	Utting, Harry V., 53 Fuller Street, Kaiapoi	119
1926	.. S	Voyce, A. Harry, 29 Prospect Terrace, Takapuna, Auckland, N.2	20
1956	.. 3	Walker, Bryan A., M.A., 106 Rata St., Lower Hutt	89
1912	.. S	Walker, William, E.D., 54 St. John's Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1945)	16
1961	.. 1	Wallace, William B.A., 3 Scotia St. Port Chalmers, Dunedin	131
1945	.. 6	Watson, Alexander C., Methodist Mission, Box 36 Honiara, British Solomon Islands	[7]
1939	.. 3	Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., C.F., Otorohanga	49
1914	.. S	Werren, Samuel J., 17 Murray Street, Maeroa, Hamilton	39
1938	.. 2	Whitfield, Harris, E.D., C.F., 17 Iti Street, Otaki	97
1959	.. 1	Widdup, Robert W., Kiwi Road, Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	21
1931	.. 15	Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D., "Leigh House," Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland C.3	Th.C.
1943	.. 2	Williams, J. C. Aldwin, 463 Gladstone Rd., Gisborne	70
1942	.. 7	Willing, Leonard V., 77 Shirley Rd., Shirley, Christchurch, N.E.1	110
1935	.. 5	Wittheford, Arthur R. B.A., C.F., 119 Burnett Street, Ashburton	127
1953	.. S	Woodnutt, Alfred G. 32 Fulford St., New Plymouth	54
1950	.. 3	Woodfield Frank H. Springston No. 4 R.D., Christchurch	117
1950	.. 3	Woodfield, Owen T., Selwyn Street, Leeston	118
1955	.. 1	Wood, Ronald H., 203 Chelmsford St., Invercargill	140
1941	.. 6	Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., 60a 13th Ave., Tauranga	45
1956	.. 2	Ziesler, John A., M.A., B.D., 811 Pakowhai Rd., Hastings	69

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### MAORI MINISTER

1941	.. S	Kukutai, Ngatete, Gibsons Road, Tuakau (1954)	.. 2
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### SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT MINISTERS

(including Tongan and Fijian missionaries)

1955	.. 2	Bitibule, John V., Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1955	.. 1	Buadromo, Iliesa, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1944	.. 1	Palavi, Daniel, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1957	.. 2	Pataaku, Samson, Buin, Territory of New Guinea	
1944	.. 2	Piani, Timothy, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1944	.. 15	Taufa, John, Kieta, Territory of New Guinea	
1950	.. 8	Vula, Aisake, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1957	.. 5	Zio, Joeli, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1961	.. 1	Bongbong, Francis, Tearaka, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea	
1961	.. 1	Boseto, Leslie, Senga, Choiseul, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	

### HOME MISSIONARIES

Entd.	Names and Addresses	Years
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1908-1928 and 1946—	W. E. Sleep, (Retired) C/o Mrs. J. Chote, Tipapakuku R.D., Dannevirke	14
1917—	A. L. Witheford, (Retired) 14 Claude St., Claudelands, Hamilton	27
1919—	J. W. Bayliss, (Retired) Awaroa Road, Henderson, Auckland	23
1922—	C. Robinson, (Retired) 108 McGrath Street, Napier	10
1924—	R. T. Alexander (Retired), Pah Street, Motueka	10
1924—	W. H. Wilson, (Retired) 19 Rangitoto Tee., Takapuna, Auckland N.2	23
1928—	R. Coombridge, (Retired) Kerikeri Central, North Auckland	11
1939—	H. R. Wright, (Retired) 7 Tor St., Westown, New Plymouth	2
1940—	W. J. Bryant, (Retired) James Street, Whakatane	6
1941—	T. Steele, (Retired) Dick Street, Reefton	4
1948—	H. Prowse, (Retired) 34 Harris Street, Marton	3
1952—	F. L. Johnston, Westgate Street, Ngaruawahia	3
1956—	F. E. Trim (Retired) Supply, Mace Street, Reefton	1
1961—	A. E. Tardif (Senior H.M.), 77 Grey Street, Woodville	1
1958—	D. I. Robertson (Retired), Onetangi P.O. Waiheke Island, Auckland	3
1957—	S. Hargreaves, 252 Rutherford Street, Nelson	3

### HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS

1958—	Selwyn A. Neal, 336 Selwyn St., Addington, Christchurch, S.W.1	1
1959—	Geroge A. Lee, C/o 45 High Street, Blenheim	1
1959—	Paul A. Garside, 12 Gilbertthorpe Rd., Islington, Christchurch	3
1960—	Ronald E. Fields, P.O. Box 11, Woodend, Canterbury	2
1960—	David H. Ansell, Flat 2, Ford Avenue, Kamo, Whangarei	2
1960—	K. J. Keall, Methodist Parsonage, Arney St., Paeroa	2
1961—	Henry D. Kelly, B.A., 82 Auckland Street, Picton	1
1961—	David Armstrong, P.O. Box 41, Kaeo, Northland	1

### HOME MISSIONARY "SUPPLIES"

Thomas Walker, Pagitt Street, Coromandel  
 Rev. W. M. Isitt, 259 Old Taupo Road, Rotorua  
 Arnold C. Hight (Non-resident Student of Trinity College)  
 28 Marion Ave, Mt. Roskill, Auckland.  
 Derek G. Laws (Non-resident Student of Trinity College)  
 35 Walmsley Road, Mangere, Auckland, S.E.5  
 Rev. Milton Gale—a Minister of the South Australian Conference—  
 27 Cambrai Avenue, Mt. Roskill, Auckland S.2

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1922	—Te Hira Ratete, Punakitere, Hokianga, Northland ..	34
1930	—Paahi Moke, Kawhia (Retired) ..	5
1932	—Tuteao Manihera, Raglan ..	14
1954	—Huru Wiperi, 5 Aroha Ave., Morningside, Auckland, S.W.1 ..	5
1936	—Ngaweke Tuhimata, Tuakau, Waikato ..	16
1937	—Roi Moke, Atoea Harbour, via Kawhia ..	10
1938	—Piripi Livingstone, Pokere, Bay of Islands ..	24
1938	—Wiremu Paki Ihaka, 15 Ropata Ave., Tamaki, Auckland ..	8
1940	—Wiremu Tonga, Aramiro R.D., Raglan. ..	3
1942	—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of Islands ..	20
1945	—Tame Ponui, Kopaki P.O., King Country ..	13
1946	—Waiwera Rangawhenua, Maketu Pa, Kawhia, King Country ..	16
1946	—Tumu Te Huia, C/o 60 Churchill Avenue, Maeroa, Frankton Junction ..	15
1946	—Waaka Kukutai, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato ..	16
1946	—Henare Kapa, Rangitane, Pouto, Kaipara Heads ..	16
1947	—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki ..	15
1948	—Nguru Winikerei, Marokopa, King Country ..	14
1950	—Hotai Mita Hohepa, P.O. Box 167 Kaikohe ..	11
1950	—Te Iwikau Waaka, R.D. No. 4, Rotorua ..	12
1951	—Pukerau Rangitutia, C/o Oliver Bros., Arohena, Te Awamutu ..	11
1952	—Matene Hori De Thierry, Rangiriri, Waikato ..	10
1952	—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, Whatawhata, Waikato ..	10
1952	—Hone Wilcox, 81 Premier Avenue, Pt. Chevalier, Auckland ..	10
1952	—J. Hatoitoi Pihama, Higgins Rd., Frankton Junction ..	10
1952	—Hohepa Hemara, Cartwright's Road, Onerahi, Northland ..	10
1952	—Tutu Keepa, Thomas Street, Ngaruawahia ..	10
1954	—Alexander Grahame Kahui, Thomas St., Ngaruawahia, Waikato ..	8
1954	—Te Akonga Pihama, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia ..	8
1955	—Wera Couch, Rapaki, Lyttelton ..	7
1957	—Tipua Te Uira, Taharoa Private Bag, King Country ..	5
1957	—Wiremu Tamehana Pukeikura, Aramiro R.D., Raglan ..	5
1958	—Himiona Waata, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi ..	4
1958	—Marshall Rite, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton ..	4
1960	—Napi Waaka, 519a Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland S.1. ..	2
1960	—Matu Makiha, Taheke, Hokianga ..	2
1960	—Hoera Whakaari Hakopa, Whatawhata, Waikato ..	2

## DEACONESES

1921	—Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main Road, Papanui, Christchurch N.W.2
1921	—Sister Margaret Nicholls, P.O. Box 400 Hamilton
1928	—Sister Rita Snowden, "West Hills," Titirangi Road, Titirangi, Auckland.
1929	—Sister Airini Hobbs, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.
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, 455 South Rd. New Plymouth
1939	—Sister Dorothy Pointon, P.O. Box 36, Halcome
1943	—Sister Anne Wilson, P.O. Box 172 Hawera
1944	—Sister Ruth Hilder, "Seamer House," 515 Remuera Rd., Auckland
1945	—Sister Jean Miller, 861 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland
1946	—Sister Lucy Money, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands
1948	—Sister Rona Collins, Methodist Children's Home, Papanui, Christchurch
1948	—Sister Grace Clement, 8 Airdale Street, Auckland
1949	—Sister Betty Yearbury, 21 Longfellow Street, Opunake

- 1955—Sister Doreen Bulford, Central Mission, Box 1449, Christchurch  
 1955—Sister Kathleen Rogers, Taheke, P.O. Hokianga  
 1956—Sister Lorraine Flowers, Yirrkala, North Australia  
 1957—Sister Beverley Taylor, C/o 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3  
 1958—Sister Mary Sealey, P.O. Box 9, Otorohanga  
 1960—Sister Gladys Thomas, 3 Waverley Flats, 5 Ruahine St., Trentham, Upper Hutt.  
 1960—Probationer Pamela Beaumont, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 1960—Sister Norma Yarr, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti  
 1960—Sister Joan Wedding, C/o Maori Mission Centre, Airdale St., Auckland  
 1960—Sister Erena Brown, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton

### MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Ada Lee, Kihili, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Myra Fraser, Munda, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Thelma Duthie, Kekesu, Teop, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister June Hilder, Skotolan, Buka, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Norma Graves, Skotolan, Buka, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Edith James, Tari, via Goroka, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Joy Thompson, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Audrey Grice, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Mary Addison, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Audrey Highnam (leave of absence), Box 5023, Auckland, C.1  
 Sister Lesly Bowen, Munda, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Beulah Reeves, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Audrey Roberts, Choiseul, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Kathleen Shaw, Kekesu, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea  
 Miss Joyce K. Rosser, Mendi, via Goroka, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Gladys Larkin, Munda, British Solomon Islands

### RETIRED

#### (a) Deaconesses—

- 1909—Sister Ruth Fawcett, 10 Littlebourne Road, Dunedin  
 1913—Mrs. W. J. Williams, C/o Mrs. A. J. Hill, Atkins, Enroa, Victoria  
 1913—Sister May Barnett, Tai Tapu, No. 2 R.D., Christchurch  
 1914—Sister Annie Tocker, 36 MacFarlane Street, Wellington  
 1918—Sister Winifred Beaumont, 7 Braswell Street, Lower Hutt  
 1919—Sister May Ralph, 248 Broadway, Palmerston North  
 1923—Sister Lily White, 'Wesley Lodge,' Park Terrace, Christchurch  
 1927—Sister Grace McDonald 10 Ormiston Drive, Knock, Belfast  
 1927—Mrs. C. B. Jones, 11 Mt. Albert Road. Mt. Albert, Auckland  
 1928—Sister Ivy Jones, 34b Grange Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland.  
 1945—Mrs. Roland Venis, 479 Gt. South Road, Auckland, S.E.6

#### (b) Missionary Sisters—

- 1924—Sister Lina Jones, 56 Nottingham St., Westmere, Auckland  
 1936—Mrs. H. Breed, R.D., No. 4, Cambridge  
 1936—Sister Edna White 479 Gt. South Road, Auckland, S.E.6  
 1938—Sister Merle Farland, Box 11, Taichung, Taiwan, Formosa  
 1932—Sister Effie Harkness, 14 Atanga Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland S.1

# 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	Christchurch
Aldred, John	Suffolk, England	1818	1839	14th January, 1894	Christchurch
Allen, Alexander	Christchurch, N.Z.	1884	1910	8th May, 1918	France
Allen, James Henry	Normanby, New Zealand	1891	1922	6th December, 1955	Whangarei
Alley, Donald C.	Clinton	1906	1932	— June, 1942	Lost at Sea
Armitage, John	Leeds, England	1834	1875	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Ashcroft, Arthur	Lancashire, England	1869	1895	15th December, 1943	Palmerston North
Avery, William W.	Blenheim	1878	1906	15th March, 1954	Christchurch
Ayrton, Moses	Yorkshire, England	1879	1924	3rd October, 1950	Wellington
Bailey, Samuel	Staffordshire, England	1871	1901	27th October, 1949	Wellington
Barley, Charles E.	Fincham, England	1851	1874	5th October, 1888	Hawera
Bathey, Percy	Yorkshire, England	1886	1913	12th July, 1923	New Plymouth
Baumber, William	Lincolnshire, England	1852	1876	8th September, 1932	Christchurch
Bavin, Rainsford	Lincolnshire, England	1845	1866	2nd August, 1905	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Baxter, Matthew	Cumberland, England	1812	1831	1st May, 1893	Oxford, Nth. Cantby.
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
Benny, Henry	Broadfield	1888	1921	16th December, 1956	New Plymouth
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

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Bond, George	Durham, England	1848	1871	6th November, 1931	Auckland
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	Christchurch
Buller, James	Cornwall, England	1812	1837	6th November, 1884	Christchurch
Bumby, John Hewgill	Thirsk, England	1808	1829	26th June, 1840	Dr'wed, Hauraki Gulf
Bunn, Robert S.	Dublin, Ireland	1835	1860	22nd June, 1907	Sydney, N.S.W.
Burnett, Oswald	Woodend, Nth. Canterbury	1888	1914	4th March, 1960	Christchurch
Buttle, George	Yorkshire, England	1810	1838	10th July, 1874	Auckland
Buttle, Joseph Newman	Waipa, N.Z.	1850	1878	23rd December, 1914	Christchurch
Cannell, William	Manchester, England	1836	1861	8th September, 1921	New Plymouth
Carr, Thomas Goodwill	Eastwood, Notts, England	1846	1871	2nd August, 1935	Auckland
Chappell, Albert B., M.A.	Southsea, England	1872	1896	28th August, 1942	Auckland
Chapman, John G.	London, England	1865	1889	30th December, 1925	Wellington
Clark, James R.	Maysbury, Bucks, England	1854	1906	1st August, 1928	Christchurch
Clement, George	Yorkshire, England	1860	1887	4th October, 1948	Dunedin
Clover, James	Suffolk, England	1850	1874	7th December, 1919	Hamilton
Coatsworth, Thomas	Durham, England	1877	1902	21st March, 1953	Palmerston North
Cocker, James	Derbyshire, England	1862	1890	6th March, 1935	Masterton
Collins, Alan F.	Kaiapoi	1916	1942	2nd September, 1959	Dunedin
Cook, George S.	Braidwood, N.S.W.	1864	1901	23rd February, 1945	Otaki
Cossum, Percy J.	Kent, England	1869	1897	9th September, 1933	Wellington
Creed, Charles	Somerset, England	1812	1837	18th February, 1879	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Crump, John	Kingsland, Herefordshire, Eng.	1828	1857	28th May, 1912	Stoke, Nelson
Daniel, Herbert	London, England	1881	1906	21st February, 1939	Matamata
Dawson, John	Keighly, Yorkshire, England	1859	1888	13th September, 1925	Wellington
Dawson, William	Northumberland, England	1865	1894	24th July, 1906	Christchurch
Dean, William John	Hereford, England	1826	1854	9th September, 1905	Wellington
Dellow, John	Kent, England	1851	1879	21st November, 1897	Woodend
Dewsbury, Henry R.	Alloa, Scotland	1849	1871	8th June, 1926	Auckland
Drake, Edward	Staffordshire, England	1868	1893	28th April, 1953	Christchurch
Dudley, Ben	London	1872	1898	1st January, 1948	Christchurch
Dukes, John	Staffordshire, England	1845	1880	16th August, 1919	Manurewa, Auckland
Dumbell, John	Isle of Man	1830	1852	28th September, 1923	Wellington

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Eaton, Clarence	Auckland	1878	1901	26th August, 1949	Christchurch
Eketone, Hare	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Elliot, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17th June, 1879	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C.	Hull, England	1879	1903	4th June, 1944	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, New Zealand	1882	1912	3rd May, 1920	Auckland
Fairclough, Paul W.	South Australia	1852	1874	17th April, 1917	Christchurch
Featherston, Jacob	Weardale, England	1864	1901	24th June, 1951	Christchurch
Fee, Thomas	County Down, Ireland	1850	1876	18th April, 1940	Christchurch
Fellows, Samuel B.	Derbyshire, England	1858	1888	21st October, 1933	Mt. Barker, W. Aust.
Fletcher, Joseph Horner	St. Vincent, West Indies	1823	1847	30th June, 1890	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Fletcher, William, B.A.	Granada, West Indies	1829	1856	20th June, 1881	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Foston, Charles A.	Lincolnshire	1870	1914	4th June, 1944	Levin
Frost, George	Suffolk, England	1866	1893	29th March, 1944	Auckland
Garland, Charles H.	London, England	1857	1881	4th November, 1918	Auckland
Garlick, Samuel J.	Greenwich, England	1848	1876	27th August, 1917	Wellington
Gatman, William	Hull, England	1884	1919	21st September, 1960	Auckland
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	Christchurch
Greenwood, Fred	England	1868	1897	18th October, 1956	Wellington
Griffin, Cornelius	Oldbury, England	1851	1876	18th June, 1929	Auckland
Griffin, John Wesley	Ireland	1853	1894	6th January, 1932	Auckland
Griffin, Thomas N.	Whitehaven, England	1853	1880	20th August, 1924	Christchurch
Griffith, Samuel	London, England	1859	1882	19th December, 1937	Auckland
Grigg, William	Cornwall, England	1862	1888	3rd October, 1951	Christchurch
Guy, James	Kent, England	1855	1875	6th March, 1934	Christchurch
Haddon, Robert Tahupotiki	Taranaki	1866	1900	5th November, 1936	Normanby
Hammond, Thomas Godfrey	Richmond, Nelson	1846	1874	15th December, 1926	Putaruru
Hana, Piripi	Wellington	—	1856	1857	Auckland
Harding, Arthur	Ludlow, Shropshire	1861	1887	25th November, 1938	Lower Hutt

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Harding, Isaac	Wanstron, England	1815	1836	17th July, 1897	Toowong, Queensland
Harper, George S.	Yorkshire, England	1840	1864	24th September, 1911	Palmerston North
Harris, Francis Thomas	Christchurch	1888	1914	19th April, 1933	Christchurch
Harris, John	Cornwall, England	1874	1905	27th August, 1936	Christchurch
Harris, Walter	Warwickshire, England	1848	1872	9th March, 1926	Christchurch
Harrison, Colin C.	Allendale, England	1867	1893	22nd November, 1943	Wellington
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	Otahuhu
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
James, Benjamin, J.	Victoria	1874	1903	20th July, 1955	Christchurch
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 October, 1953	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		Christchurch
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
Lawrence, Frederick B.	London	1883	1912	16th July, 1959	Nelson
Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D.	Newcastle on Tyne, England	1867	1887	8th February, 1958	Auckland
Lawry, Albert Charles	Auckland, New Zealand	1862	1885	21st June, 1940	Christchurch
Lawry, Henry Hassall	New South Wales	1821	1845	8th May, 1906	Auckland
Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26th July, 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30th March, 1859	Parramatta, N.S.W.

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Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1851	1884	13th November, 1927	Christchurch
Lee, William	Yorkshire, England	1848	1864	12th November, 1925	Auckland
Loigh, Samuel	Milton, England	1788	1812	2nd May, 1852	Reading, England
Lewis, John James	Abergavenny, Wales	1844	1870	12th June, 1931	Auckland
Liddell, Ralph J.	Ballarat, Australia	1876	1903	21st July, 1948	Auckland
Liversedge, Arthur	Barnsley, England	1874	1898	31st December, 1948	Christchurch
Lochore, John Alexander	Westland, New Zealand	1869	1895	2nd June, 1931	Dunedin
Long, Joseph	Carlisle, England	1818	1843	24th February, 1892	Auckland
Long, Wesley L.	Onewhero	1902	1938	16th August, 1946	Paeroa
Luke, James Henry	St. Just, Cornwall, England	1860	1881	22nd November, 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A., C.M.G.	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1876	28th January, 1921	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall, M.R.C.S.	Yorkshire, England	1810	1836	27th February, 1887	York, England
Macfarlane, Samuel	Liverpool, England	1828	1852	25th June, 1898	Christchurch
Mann, George, Henry	Yorkshire, England	1868	1894	26th October, 1918	Gore
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	Christchurch
McGregor, Robert	Dunedin	1887	1924	1956	Paeroa
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
Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S.	Auckland	1886	1911	26th August, 1959	Auckland
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

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Oliver, William C.	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1842	1867	14th April, 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1866	1888	5th March, 1950	Auckland
Orchard, Hector C.	Geelong, Australia	1884	1920	16th May, 1957	Dunedin
Orchard, John	Devonshire, England	1838	1861	6th January, 1907	Christchurch, N.Z.
Oxbrow, Walter	Ballarat, Victoria	1873	1902	29th June, 1956	Auckland
Parker, Frederick John	Dunedin	1892	1917	15th November, 1959	Auckland
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
Patchett, Ernest D.	Styx, North Canterbury	1878	1902	13th September, 1958	Auckland
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 Warana	Waima	1852	1879	31st July, 1907	Waikato
Pickering, William B.	Staffordshire, England	1881	1920	1st November, 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas, D.D.	Manchester, England	1855	1876	30th July, 1933	Wellington
Potter, William Smith	London, England	1854	1896	30th January, 1929	Auckland
Pratt, M.A., Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6th March, 1946	Christchurch
Prior, Samuel F.	Bedford, England	1851	1875	1919	Masterton, N.Z.
Purchon, Samuel R.	Leeds, England	1851	1875	24th January, 1878	Motueka
Pybus, T. Arthur	Yorkshire, England	1873	1897	28th August, 1957	Port Chalmers
Raine, Robert	Durham, England	1868	1892	17th March, 1942	Wellington
Rakena, Piripi	—	—	1882	25th March, 1934	Mangamuka
Rakena, Rakena P.	Maungamuka, Northland	1890	1908	February, 1956	Rapaki
Rands, Frederick	Methven, New Zealand	1883	1908	14th February, 1919	Germany
Ratou, W. Te Kote Te	Wairarapa	1820	1859	4th May, 1895	Lower Wairarapa
Read, Frederick T.	Sleaford, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1867	1889	29th July, 1937	Christchurch
Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, England	1875	1901	20th June, 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7th September, 1927	Auckland
Redstone, Harry B.	Tavistock, Devon, England	1836	1862	20th September, 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5th May, 1912	Te Aroha

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Reid, Alexander	Edinburgh, Scotland	1821	1848	25th August, 1891	Auckland
Richards, James	Victoria, Australia	1883	1910	7th March, 1957	Christchurch
Richards, Raymond	Mooroopna, Victoria	1879	1905	13th August, 1948	Christchurch
Richards, Thomas R.	Wodonga, Victoria	1867	1895	9th January, 1944	Wellington
Richardson, John B.	Nottingham, England	1840	1864	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Rigg, Charles W.	—	—	1850	July, 1883	—
Rishworth, John S.	Bingley, Yorkshire, England	1835	1864	21st October, 1918	Auckland
Roberts, Charles M.	Henderson, Auckland	1882	1906	17th May, 1958	New Plymouth
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
Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.	Napier	1875	1900	8th October, 1955	Christchurch
Serpell, Samuel J.	Victoria, Australia	—	1884	9th July, 1918	Thames
Sharp, Harold A.	Christchurch	1885	1910	1956	Christchurch
Sharp, Joseph	Maidstone, Kent, England	1849	1871	15th August, 1916	Auckland
Shaw, Joseph T.	Yorkshire, England	1826	1859	13th February, 1894	Hawthorn, Victoria
Simmonds, Joseph H.	Nelson	1845	1869	30th June, 1936	Auckland
Sinclair, William A.	Christchurch	1868	1891	4th January, 1950	Auckland
Skevington, John	Nottingham, England	1814	1839	21st September, 1845	Auckland
Slade, William	Staffordshire, England	1859	1881	20th April, 1916	Onehunga
Smalley, Joseph S.	London, England	1845	1868	26th April, 1921	London
Smith, G. Knowles	Yorkshire, England	1870	1892	1st June, 1951	Greytown
Smith, John	Prince Edward Island	1835	1862	19th August, 1926	Auckland
Southern, John	Oldham, England	1874	1899	23rd December, 1933	Christchurch
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	Christchurch
Thomas, James	Hobart, Tasmania	1846	1871	14th May, 1926	Melbourne, Victoria
Thomas, Thomas E., M.A.	Auburn, S.A.	1851	1876	6th March, 1909	Christchurch

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
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	Christchurch
Ward, Josiah	New Plymouth, New Zealand	1848	1872	19th September, 1926	Wellington
Ward, Robert	Sporle, Norfolk, England	1816	1835	13th October, 1876	Wellington
Warihi, Heteraka	Te Kuiti	1826	1865	10th July, 1898	Blenheim
Warren, John	Norfolk, England	1814	1836	23rd November, 1883	Auckland
Watkin, James	Manchester, England	1805	1830	14th May, 1886	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Watkin, William James	Tonga	1833	1857	28th September, 1909	Auckland
Whewell, John	Hadfield, England	1825	1854	11th December, 1886	Remuera
Whiteley, John	Nottinghamshire, England	1806	1832	13th February, 1869	New Plymouth
White, Hedley	Silchester, England	1883	1906	14th December, 1950	Wellington
Whittaker, J. D.	Lancashire, England	1822	1845	3rd October, 1862	Wellington
Wilcox, Davis Pou	Hokiana	—	1911	January, 1937	Waikare
Williams, William James	Redruth, Cornwall, England	1847	1870	11th May, 1936	Auckland
Wills, Peter	Staffordshire, England	1853	1879	29th September, 1884	Springston
Wills, William	Cornwell, England	1872	1899	3rd September, 1950	Auckland
Woodward, C. William	Auckland	1868	1890	27th September, 1901	At Sea
Woolloxall, Thomas R. B.	Liverpool, England	1873	1901	29th January, 1946	Auckland
Woon, William	Cornwall, England	1804	1830	22nd September, 1858	Wanganui
Worboys, John Wesley	London, England	1843	1874	10th July, 1908	Wellington
Worker, William	Cornwall, England	1817	1841	2nd February, 1900	Wellsford
Wrigley, James	Yorkshire, England	1857	1887	3rd June, 1937	Auckland

# N.Z. METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1960

## GENERAL FUND

RECEIPTS		£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS		£	s.	d.
Interest Government Stock ..	..	23	15	0	Balance forward ..	..	11	15	2
Interest General Purposes Trust Board ..	..	22	17	6	Book Purchases ..	..	19	11	6
Bank Interest ..	..	4	11	0	Travelling Expenses ..	..	8	0	0
General Purposes Trust Board Grant ..	..	50	0	0	Stationery, Paper, Stamps, Stencils ..	..	49	11	8
Wellington L. P. Association ..	..	1	3	2	Cheque Book ..	..			4
					Otago Daily Times Co. ..	..	11	16	0
					Balance ..	..	11	8	4
		£102	6	8			£102	6	8

## BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1960

LIABILITIES		£	s.	d.	ASSETS		£	s.	d.
General Account ..	..	411	8	4	National Bank				
Benevolent Fund Account ..	..	1150	0	0	Banevolent Fund Account ..	..	150	0	0
					Balance General Account ..	..	11	8	4
					Investments				
					Government Stock ..	..	500	0	0
					General Puposos Trust Board ..	..	900	0	0
		£1561	8	4			£1561	8	4

Dunedin,  
8th July, 1960

Audited and found correct,  
G. E. HICKEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z.

Statement for Year ending 30 /6 /60.

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Audited and found correct,

H. O. BONIFACE, Registered Accountant.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Directors' Salaries .. ..		1826	8 6	By Contributions .. ..		4316	3 3
Office Salaries .. ..		780	0 3	Bookroom Grant .. ..		1000	0 0
Rent—Office Space .. ..		102	0 0	Interest .. ..		31	13 0
Property Expenses .. ..		100	4 5	Duplicating Services .. ..		107	3 6
Connexional Charges .. ..		163	12 0	Film Hire .. ..		11	8 6
Grants .. ..		132	0 0	Excess Expenditure over Income		448	17 0
Travelling Expenses .. ..		512	10 11				
Christian Education Handbook .. ..		311	19 5				
Home Sunday School & Bible Class .. ..		196	7 6				
Depreciation .. ..		318	11 0				
Printing & Stationery .. ..		741	3 11				
Postages .. ..		126	19 10				
General Expenses .. ..		313	10 8				
Leadership Training .. ..		255	3 8				
Order of St. Stephen .. ..		31	13 2				
Youth Conference .. ..		3	0 0				
		£5915	5 3			£5915	5 3

\*After Balance date the final account of £1073 5s. 6d. has been received from the Building Contractors for the internal alterations and fittings of the premises occupied by the Department and the Epworth Bookroom.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**  
**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960**

LIABILITIES			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
*Sundry Creditors	..	..	212	12	8				P.O.S.B. Special Appeal	..	..	887	17	1			
Bookroom	..	..	529	11	6				P.O.S.B. Car Fund	..	..	420	4	1			
						742	4	2	P.O.S.B. Special Purposes	..	..	666	10	6			
Home Mission Board Loan, secured									P.O.S.B. New Ventures	..	..	419	6	11			
by Mortgage over Wellington Property						1433	11	3	P.O.S.B. Furniture Account	..	..	283	9	11			
SPECIAL RESERVES—															2677	8	6
Special Appeal	..	..	1682	17	1				Sundry Debtors	..	..				90	13	9
Car Fund	..	..	420	4	1				Wellington Property	..	..				5974	10	1
Special Purposes	..	..	666	10	6				Wellington Furniture	..	..				870	7	3
Missions—Overseas	..	..	58	11	1				Department Alterations	..	..				213	18	1
Missions—Home & Maori	..	..	83	4	11				Equipment	..	..				794	11	4
New Ventures	..	..	615	6	11				Films	..	..				77	5	2
Parsonage Furniture	..	..	283	9	11				Loan to H.M. Transport Trust Board								
Kaikohe Appeal	..	..	1632	4	7				(Special Appeal Investment)	..	..				750	0	0
Work and Witness	..	..	10	0	0				Stock in Hand (Printing &								
Missionary Education	..	..	15	6	6				Stationery	..	..				200	0	0
Auckland Holiday Camp	..	..	38	15	4				Cash in Hand	..	..				5	12	3
						5506	10	11	National Bank of New Zealand	..	..				1368	2	1
Accumulated Fund (1/7/59)	..	..	5788	19	2												
Less Excess Expenditure over																	
Income	..	..	448	17	0												
						5340	2	2									
						£31022	8	6							£13022	8	6

D. M. HAY, TREASURER.

I report that I have examined the books accounts and vouchers of the Department of Christian Education of the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the year ended June 30th, 1960 and have obtained all the explanations and information I have required in respect of these accounts. I certify, that in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and the accompanying Income and Expenditure Account for the year are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Board for the year.

Wellington,  
 2nd September, 1960.

A. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z., Auditor

**METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT for Year ending 31st MAY, 1960**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Loans as at 31/5/59	67089	10	2	By Loans Repaid	10324	18	9
Loans Advances	15150	0	0	Loans as at 31/5/60	71914	11	5
	£82239	10	2		£82239	10	2

**SITES FUND REVENUE ACCOUNT**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Grants—				By Contribution—Home Mission Dept.	150	0	0
Henderson	100	0	0	Interest	38	7	4
Glenfield	100	0	0	Balance	211	12	8
Beach Haven	100	0	0				
Mangere East	100	0	0				
	£400	0	0		£400	0	0

**ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Administration Costs	600	0	0	By Working Expenses	484	2	3
Stationery & General	208	11	11	Trust Contributions	252	15	0
Balance to Capital A/c.	368	17	3	Hymn Book Commission	182	6	4
	£1177	9	2	Bank N.Z. & P.O.S.B. Interest	258	5	7
					£1177	9	2

# METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MAY, 1960

LIABILITIES		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Accumulated Funds	....				72845	13	0	Loans Account	....	75737	7	8			
Loans Account	....				700	0	0	Less Working Expenses	....	3822	16	3			
Extension Grants Fund	....				665	0	0						71914	11	5
Extension (1960) Fund	....				405	9	4	Bank of New Zealand (Loans)					931	1	7
Trust Accounts	....				863	10	6	P.O. Savings Bank (General A/c.)					2633	19	10
SITES FUND—								SITES FUND—							
Balance at 31/5/59	....	2097	14	8				P.O. Savings Bank	....	1372	19	2			
Less Transfer from								Bank of New Zealand	....	513	2	10			
Revenue Account	....	211	12	8									1886	2	0
					1886	2	0	ADMINISTRATION—							
ADMINISTRATION—								Bank of New Zealand	....	96	0	3			
Capital	....				300	0	0	P.O. Savings Bank	....	226	13	7			
Plus transfer from Revenue													322	13	10
Account	....	368	17	3				Sundry Debtors	....				184	8	3
Less Deficit, 31/5/59	....	161	15	2											
					207	2	1								
					£77872	16	11						£77872	16	11

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, 1960.

H. L. FIEBIG

H. de R. FLESHER, TREASURERS.

H. F. ARNOLD, A.P.A.N.Z.

R. H. SHERRIS, AUDITORS.

12TH JULY, 1960

**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960**

EXPENDITURE		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	INCOME		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION :															
No. 1 Block..	..	..	2070	17	4			Rent ..	..	..			7160	18	0
No. 2 Block..	..	..	162	5	11			Interest ..	..	..					
No. 3 Block..	..	..	17	14	6			Bank of New Zealand	..	29	1	0			
Cottages, Etc.	..	..	68	8	1			N.Z. Government Stock	..	237	10	0			
						2319	5	10	Debentures ..	..	438	0	4		
Insurance Premiums	..	..				217	17	3	P.O. Savings Bank	..	13	2	3		
Rates	..	..				188	19	6					717	13	7
SUNDRIES :															
Audit Fee ..	..	..	12	12	0										
Land Tax ..	..	..	96	7	1										
Sundries ..	..	..	20	7	0										
Secretary's Salary	..	..	150	0	0										
Commission on Rent, Etc.															
Collected	..	..	215	6	0										
						494	12	1							
SURPLUS for the Year	..	..				4657	17	7							
						£7878	12	3					£7878	12	3
Appropriated to Building Renewal Fund	..	..	1500	0	0										
Paid to Theological College	..	..	1500	0	0			Balance, 30th June 1959	..				£4608	18	4
Paid to Theological College—Special Appeal	..	..	1000	0	0			Surplus for the year	..				4657	17	7
Balance—30th June, 1959	..	..	5266	15	11										
						£9266	15	11					£9266	15	11

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.

Examined and found correct.

M. IZZARD, Secretary.

P. F. PRESCOTT,  
A. R. MARTIN, Auditors.

**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960**

LIABILITIES		£	s.	d.	ASSETS		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
CAPITAL ACCOUNT .. .. .	..	..	50000	0	0	FREEHOLD PROPERTIES—Gt. North Rd.						
INCOME ACCOUNT .. .. .	..	..				Land .. .. .	17580	0	0			
Balance as at 30th June, 1960 ..	..	..	5266	15	11	Buildings .. .. .	33940	7	3			
BUILDING RENEWAL FUND .. .. .	..	..	16500	0	0					51520	7	3
						BUILDING RENEWAL FUND INVESTMENTS						
						DEBENTURES—						
						Auckland City Council, 5% 1/2/69 3000 0 0						
						Auckland City Council, 5% 1/10/69 2000 0 0						
						Auckland Electric Power Board						
						5%, 1/9/69 .. .. . 2000 0 0						
						Auckland Hospital Bd., 5%, 1/2/66 500 0 0						
						Auckland Metro. Drainage Board,						
						5%, 21/6/64 .. .. . 3000 0 0						
						N.Z. Govt. Stock, 4½%, 15/8/62-63 5000 0 0						
						REGISTERED STOCK—						
						Auckland Transport Board						
						(£1000), 4%, 31/7/63 .. 966 17 6						
						Post Office Savings Bank .. 33 2 6						
										16500	0	0
						DEBENTURES—						
						Auckland Hospital Board, 5%,						
						1/2/66 .. .. . 1500 0 0						
						Post Office Savings Bank .. 479 19 9						
						Bank of New Zealand—Current A/c. 1600 14 7						
						Cash in Hand .. .. . 165 14 4						
						£71766 15 11						
						£71766 15 11						

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1960, and certify that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We report that the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a correct view of the Board's position on the 30th June, 1960 as shown by the Books.

M. IZZARD, Secretary

P. F. PRESCOTT,  
A. R. MARTIN, Auditors.

**PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960**

EXPENDITURE		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	INCOME		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Interest on Mortgage ..	..	76	13	5				Rent received .. ..	..				64	76	12 11
Rates to 31st May, 1960 ..	..	847	14	11				Rates received .. ..	..				776	16	11
Repairs and Maintenance ..	..	403	18	0				Interest—N.Z. Govt. Stock ..	..	37	10	0			
Insurance .. ..	..	149	13	5				„ B.N.Z. Current A/c. ..	..	20	7	10			
Land Tax .....	..	97	5	10				„ Auckland Savings Bank ..	..	10	14	3			
Legal Expenses .. ..	..	5	8	6									68	12	1
Salaries .. ..	..	92	0	0				Profit on N.Z. Government Stock—							
Sundry Expenses .. ..	..	85	5	9				Matured .. ..	..				40	0	0
					17	57	19 10								
GRANT to Trinity College ..	..				200	0	0								
Excess Income over Expenditure					5404	2	1								
					£7362	1	11						£7362	1	11

## BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960

TERM LIAILITY	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mortgage—Bank of N.Z.	.. 20000 0 0	
Repaid since 1946 ..	.. 20000 0 0	
	<hr/>	NIL
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Balance as 1st July, 1959 ..	99043 17 11	
Add Excess Income over		
Expenditure ..	5404 2 1	
Add increase in Govt. valuation	15150 0 0	
	<hr/>	
BALANCE as at 30th June, 1960 ..		119598 0 0
	<hr/>	
	£119598 0 0	

ASSETS	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
FIXED ASSETS—			
Queen St. Shop Properties			
Land (1953 Valuation)	34600		
„ (add Val. 1959) ..	400		
	<hr/>	35000 0 0	
Buildings, 1953 Val. ..	27250		
„ dec. Val. 1959 ..	2250		
	<hr/>	25000 0 0	
		<hr/>	60000 0 0
Peoples Palace Property			
Land, 1953 Val. ..	20000		
„ add Val. 1959 ..	6000		
	<hr/>	26000 0 0	
Buildings, 1953 Val. ..	19000		
„ add Val. 1959 ..	11000		
	<hr/>	30000 0 0	
		<hr/>	56000 0 0
		<hr/>	116000 0 0
CURRENT ASSETS—			
Bank of New Zealand	3229 6 3		
Auckland Savings Bank	368 13 9		
	<hr/>	3598 0 0	
		<hr/>	£119598 0 0

R. F. CLEMENT, CHAIRMAN.

**AUDITOR'S REPORT**—I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Prince Albert College Trust. In my opinion the above Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet have been properly drawn up so as to show a true and fair view of the state of the Trust's affairs as at 30th June, 1960.

Auckland, 18th July, 1960.

(signed) JOHN C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com. A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.

**KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960**

EXPENDITURE			£	s.	d.	INCOME			£	s.	d.
Grant to Rangiatea Trust .. .. .	..	..	200	0	0	Rent .. .. .	..	..	575	0	0
Interest (State Adv. Mortgage) ..	..	..	114	9	5	Interest on Depreciation Fund Investment ..	..	..	15	15	8
General Expenses .. .. .	..	..	3	3	0	Interest Bank New South Wales .. .. .	..	..	3	11	7
Depreciation Reserve Account .. ..	..	..	100	0	0						
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	..	..	176	14	10						
			£594	7	3				£594	7	3

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960**

LIABILITIES			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
State Adv. Mortgage .. .. .	..	..	2795	4	0				Farm Property .. .. .	..	..	15276	8	0			
Less repaid .. .. .	..	..	82	17	1				Less Depreciation Reserve .. .. .	..	..	400	0	0			
						2712	6	11							14876	8	0
Loan Account .. .. .	..	..	1200	0	0				Sundry Debtors .. .. .	..	..				125	0	0
Less repaid .. .. .	..	..	75	0	0				Bank N.S.W. Current A/c. .. .. .	..	..				123	16	2
						1125	0	0	Depreciation Fund Investment A/c. ..	..	..						
Accumulated Fund .. .. .	..	..	11584	13	6				P.O.S.B. A/c. .. .. .	..	..	223	11	1			
Plus Excess Income over Expenditure .. ..	..	..	176	14	10				Local Body Loan .. .. .	..	..	250	0	0			
						11761	8	4							473	11	1
						£15598	15	3							£15598	15	3

B. M. CHRYSTALL, Chairman

E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary.

I certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Kai Iwi Mission Estate for the year ended June 30th, 1960, and in my opinion the above accounts and balance sheet show the true financial position of the Trust at 30th June, 1960.

15th July, 1960

D. R. SMART, A.R.A.N.Z.

METHODIST CHURCH CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

## REVENUE ACCOUNT For Year ending 31st MAY, 1960

EXPENDITURE		£	s.	d.	INCOME		£	s.	d.
To Administration Costs	....	900	0	0	By Premiums & Commission	....	3688	2	7
Stationery & General	....	255	0	2	Mortgage Interest	....	509	18	3
Balance to Profit & Loss Appropriation A/c.		5175	8	6	Mortgage Interest Accrued	....	58	10	9
					Debenture Interest	....	1518	4	4
					Debenture Interest Accrued....	....	504	11	6
					Deposit Interest	....	51	1	3
		£6330	8	8			£6330	8	8

**PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT as at 31st MAY, 1960**

			£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.
To Additional Grant	....	....	18	0	0	By Balance as at 31/5/59	....	....	107	19	10
Fire Loss Reserve	....	....	4700	0	0	Transfer from Revenue Account	....	....	5175	8	6
Recommended Grants	....	....	460	0	0						
Balance forward	....	....	105	8	4						
			<u>£5283</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>				<u>£5283</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>

## BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MAY, 1960

LIABILITIES		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Accumulated Funds	....				33500	0	0
Fire Loss Reserve	....	20164	10	4			
Plus provision	....	4700	0	0			
					24864	10	4
Investment Contingency Reserve	....	3196	2	10			
Less Premium	....		7	6			
					3195	15	4
Profit & Loss Appropriation A/c.	....				105	8	4
Recommended Grants	....				460	0	0
Sundry Creditors	....				6522	18	1
Levies prepaid	....				8	3	1
Natural Calamities Account	....	1596	13	10			
Less Grants	....	33	15	0			
					1562	18	10
					£70219	14	0

ASSETS		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Mortgage Investments	....	9182	3	3			
Mortgage Interest Accrued	....	58	10	9			
					9240	14	0
Debenture Investments & Govt. Stock	....	48762	0	0			
Debenture Interest Accrued	....	504	11	6			
					49266	11	6
Bank of N.Z.	....				7737	6	10
P.O.S.B. Bank	....				1611	1	6
Premiums Due	....				1239	19	0
Government War Damage Due	....				1124	1	2
					£70219	14	

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and have compared them with the Books of the Fund and certify to the correctness of the same. We have had all the securities produced to us except those deposited with the Bank of New Zealand whose certificate has been accepted by us. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 31st May, 1960.

E. R. CAYGILL,  
H. L. FIEBIG, TREASURERS

F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.  
H. T. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z., AUDITORS.  
14TH JULY, 1960.

**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**INCOME and EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960**

EXPENDITURE			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	INCOME			£	s.	d.
To Salaries	....	....	....			3177	16	0	By Appropriations	....	....	3850	0	0
Office Rent	....	....	....			150	0	0	Registration Fees	....	....	58	11	0
Connexional Charges	....	....	....			146	5	0	Board Room Rents	....	....	56	0	0
Telephone & P.O. Box Charges	....	....	....			68	18	4	Duplicating	....	....	2	0	9
Stationery & General Expenses	....	....	....			125	14	4	Bank Interest	....	....	8	17	2
Office Equipment Reserve A/c.	....	....	....			75	0	0						
Salaries Reserve A/c.	....	....	....			75	0	0						
HOUSE PROPERTY—17 MERIVALE LANE														
Rates	....	....	....			43	17	11						
Insurance	....	....	....			8	14	1						
Repairs	....	....	....			40	4	7						
Interest	....	....	....			51	0	0						
								143	16	7				
Surplus	....	....	....					12	18	8				
						£3975	8	11				£3975	8	11

**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960**

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Sundry Creditors .....		377 8 1	Bank of New Zealand .....	831	8 10
CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND			House Property—17 Merivale Lane .....	2621	12 5
House Mortgage .....		1600 0 0	Furniture.....	599	12 0
PROVISION & RESERVES			Office Equipment .....	560	18 8
Depreciation—Merivale Lane					
Property .....	688	5 7			
Salaries & Fluctuation Reserve	371	12 5			
Office Equipment Reserve .....	245	0 0			
		1304 18 0			
CAPITAL ACCOUNT					
Balance as at 30/6/59 .....	1318	7 2			
Plus excess Income over					
Expenditure .....	12	18 8			
		1331 5 10			
		£4613 11 11			£4613 11 11

I report that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Connexional Secretaryship Committee for the year ended 30th June, 1960. 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 of the Committee as at 30th June, 1960.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
H. de R. FLESHER, TREASURERS.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.I.A.N.Z. A.C.I.S.  
AUDITOR  
6th September, 1960

**TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**  
**STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960**

RECEIPTS		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS		£	s.	d.
Balance 1st July, 1959	..	..	..	..	15	6	5	House & Service	..	4995	16	9
Probert Trust	..	..	..	..	1500	0	0	Stipends & Allowances	..	2597	0	0
Emsly Trust	..	..	..	..	83	2	6	Tutors' Fees	..	89	8	0
General Puposes	..	..	..	..	1100	0	0	Bursaries	..	220	0	0
Contingent Fund	..	..	..	..	2240	0	0	Connexional Charges	..	261	7	10
Home Mission Dept.	..	..	..	..	150	0	0	Rates	..	258	3	10
Prince Albert College	..	..	..	..	200	0	0	Insurance	..	170	8	1
Pitt Street Church	..	..	..	..	100	0	0	Repairs & Maintenance	..	798	3	0
Hamilton Church	..	..	..	..	50	0	0	Furnishings	..	882	9	5
Friends of Trinity	..	..	..	..	43	13	6	Telephones	..	79	14	5
Fees : School for Christian Workers	..	..	..	..	15	2	0	University Fees	..	62	14	0
Hostel Fees	..	5266	12	0	..	..	..	Subsidy to Students' Recreation	..	70	0	0
Emergency Course	..	75	0	0	..	..	..	Rent Board Room	..	14	0	0
Local Preachers' Course	..	21	5	0	..	..	..	Printing & Stationery	..	139	13	5
	..	..	..	..	5362	17	0	Motor Mower	..	50	8	6
Baptist College Tuition	..	..	..	..	29	8	0	Rent, 34 Esplanade Road	..	63	0	0
Garden Rents	..	..	..	..	24	8	6	Bank Interest & Charges	..	4	9	8
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Sundries	..	85	8	5
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Transfer to New Chapel & Building Fund	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Friends of Trinity	..	43	13	6
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Balance 30th June, 1960	..	27	19	1
	..	..	..	..	£10913	17	11		..	£10913	17	11

**TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**  
**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Capital .. .. .	..	69107	16 5	Freehold Land .. ..	..	8550	0 0
New Chapel and Building Appeal ..	..	8849	3 6	College Building .. ..	..	35000	0 0
New Organ Fund .. .. .	..	2606	13 5	New Chapel .. ..	..	11470	13 1
				House, 134 Grafton Road ..	..	2834	9 6
				Furnishings & Fittings			
				College .. ..	..	6093	9 5
				New Chapel.. ..	..	1131	5 4
						7224	14 9
				Contents of Library .. ..	..	4000	0 0
				Shares: South British Ins. Co. Ltd.	..	300	0 0
				Auckland Savings Bank .. ..	..	2606	5 11
				Post Office Savings Bank .. ..	..	5000	0 0
				Bank of New Zealand Current A/c.	..	3577	10 1
		£80563	13 4			£80563	13 4

I have examined the books, vouchers and bank statements of the Trinity Methodist Theological College Council, have compared them with the Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1960, and certify that in my opinion the Balance Sheet shows the correct position of the affairs of the Council as at that date.

2nd AUGUST, 1960

E. P. SALMON, F.R.A.N.Z., AUDITOR

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# THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1959.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
<b>Sundry Creditors:</b>										<b>Land, Buildings and Improvements:</b>						
State Advances Corporation—Suspensory Loan				200	0	0				Paerata	139,612	0	0			
Bank of N.Z.—New Subdivision Accounts	7,926	15	9							Maurice Harding Park	11,072	0	0			
Less Current A/c.	1,812	0	0							Waikowhai Park	18,859	18	5			
										Grafton	19,407	19	6			
										Hobson County	10	0	0			
Trade Accounts				6,614	13	9								188,961	17	11
				2,653	6	10				<b>Plant and Equipment:</b>						
							9,468	0	7	Farm Machinery	765	0	0			
<b>Scholarship Funds:</b>										Motor Vehicles	1,113	0	0			
Marianne Caughey				2,000	0	0				Furniture and Equipment	13,660	0	0			
Smith-Preston				1,000	0	0								15,538	0	0
George Winstone										<b>Stock on Hand:</b>						
Stephen James				1,000	0	0				Livestock	2,502	4	0			
Ambury										Produce and Sundries	2,882	10	11			
War Memorial Fund (Maori)				384	10	0								5,384	14	11
										<b>Sundry Debtors</b>	10,260	6	9			
				4,384	10	0				Less Reserve for Bad Debts	150	0	0			
Undistributed Income				50	0	0			4,434	10	0			10,110	6	9
										<b>Scholarship Funds Investments:</b>						
<b>Funds:</b>										N.Z. Government Stock—						
Chapel Organ				1,287	2	9				(Maturity Value £3400)	3,384	10	0			
Building				1,054	14	0				Frank M. Winstone (Merchants) Ltd. (1000 Shares of £1 each fully paid)	1,000	0	0			
Furnishing				3	0	0								4,384	10	0
Blacklock Library																
Bequest	199	15	0													
Less Expenses	49	15	0													
Library Book Fund				150	0	0										
				125	0	0										
							2,619	16	9							

Capital Account:

Balance at 1/1/1959	196,011	3	3
Net Rents New Subdivision, Waikowhai	1,162	3	4
Donations Received	315	0	0
Expended Blacklock Library Be- quest	49	15	0
Grafton Property Lease Conver- sions	11,023	9	0
	208,561	10	7
Less Excess Expenditure over Income	704	8	4
	207,857	2	3
	£224,379	9	7

£224,379 9 7

G. C. B. MINOGUE, F.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
General Secretary.

J. S. CAUGHEY,  
Chairman.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

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 the 31st December, 1959, as shown by the books. We have obtained from the Solicitors to the Board, Messrs Peak, Kirker and Newcomb, a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order and have been furnished with certified valuations of the Stock on Hand at Paerata, which we have accepted as correct.

AUCKLAND,  
31st January, 1959.

HUTCHISON, ELLIFFE, CAMERON & CO.,  
Auditors.

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960

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W. P. OKEY, Secretary

New Plymouth,  
5th August, 1960

MORINE & JAMES,  
Auditors.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND.**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.**

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Working Expenses:									
Administration Charges	714	10	0						
Audit Fee	56	10	0						
Stationery and General Expenses	254	10	6						
Govt. Earthquake Premium	16	15	9						
				1,042	6	3			
Interest on Deposits				1,948	9	1			
Fund Disbursements:									
Annuities	11,542	11	1						
Furniture Grants	905	0	0						
				12,447	11	1			
Appropriations:									
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	200	0	0						
Building Depreciation Reserve	500	0	0						
Building Maintenance Reserve	400	0	0						
				1,100	0	0			
Balance transferred to Accumulated Funds				2,671	8	5			
				£19,209	14	10			

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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, 1960.

CAYGILL, HIBBERD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

27/9/60.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.

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, 1960.

CAYGILL, HIBBERD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

27/9/60.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND.**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.**

EXPENDITURE.					INCOME.				
				£ s. d.					£ s. d.
To Withdrawals	—	—	—	3,218 19 2	By Balance as at 30/6/59	—	—	—	26,181 8 6
„ Forfeitures	—	—	—	38 0 0	„ Personal Subscriptions	—	—	—	3,295 9 3
„ Balance as at 30/6/60	—	—	—	27,447 11 10	„ Fire Insurance Fund Subsidy	—	—	—	448 0 0
					„ Interest to Contributors' Account	—	—	—	779 13 3
				<u>£30,704 11 0</u>					<u>£30,704 11 0</u>

**REVENUE ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance as at 30/6/59	—	468 4 1	Forfeitures	38 0 0
Interest to Contributors	—	779 13 3	Interest on Deposits and Investments	1,050 4 4
Administration Charges	95 10 0		Balance as at 30/6/60	306 12 10
Stationery and General Expenses	51 9 10			
		<u>146 19 10</u>		
		<u>£1,394 17 2</u>		<u>£1,394 17 2</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.**

LIABILITIES.					ASSETS.				
				£ s. d.					£ s. d.
Personal Accounts	—	—	—	27,447 11 10	Debentures and Government Stock	—	—	—	7,295 0 0
					Debenture Interest Accrued	—	—	—	47 14 8
					Deposit Account—Supernumerary Fund	—	—	—	19,798 4 4
					Revenue Account Deficit	—	—	—	306 12 10
				<u>£27,447 11 10</u>					<u>£27,447 11 10</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1960.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBERD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

27/9/60.

**METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND.**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.**

EXPENDITURE.			INCOME.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Retiring Allowances—Withdrawals	476	14 5	By Balance as at 30/6/1959	3,416	8 7
„ Transfer to Supernumerary Fund	52	0 0	„ Contributions:		
„ Benefits Surrendered	44	17 9	Personal	203	0 0
„ Home Mission Contributions Refunded	38	5 0	Circuit	147	15 0
„ Balance as at 30/6/1960	3,445	15 5	Home Mission Board	153	0 0
			„ Interest		503 15 0
					137 9 0
					<u>£4,057 12 7</u>
					<u>£4,057 12 7</u>

**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.**

	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance as at 30/6/1959		38 15 2	By Interest		128 5 11
„ Interest to Contributors' A/c.		137 9 0	„ Benefits Surrendered		44 17 9
„ Office Expenses:			„ Balance as at 30/6/1960		31 9 0
Administration Charges	10	0 0			
Audit Fee, Stationery and					
General Expenses	18	8 6			
		28 8 6			
		<u>£204 12 8</u>			<u>£204 12 8</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.**

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Personal Accounts	3,445 15 5	Debentures and Government Stock	3,110 0 0
Capital Account	584 15 0	Debenture Interest Accrued	19 2 4
		Deposit Account—Supernumerary Fund	869 19 1
		Revenue Account	31 9 0
	<u>£4,030 10 5</u>		<u>£4,030 10 5</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1960.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

27/9/60.

CAYGILL, HIBBERD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

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REVENUE ACCOUNT.BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.

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, 1960.

CAYGILL, HIBBERD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

27/9/60.

**METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (Inc.)**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.**

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Interest on Trust Accounts	---	2,624	17 6	By Interest Earned	---	3,053	7 11
.. Authorised Appropriation	---	425	0 0	.. Commission	---	244	7 10
.. Stationery and General Expenses	---	161	17 3				
.. Excess Income over Expenditure	---	86	1 0				
		<u>£3,297</u>	<u>15 9</u>			<u>£3,297</u>	<u>15 9</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.**

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.		
£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
<b>Deposits:</b>			<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Personal, Church and Connexional			Bank of New Zealand	6,123	3 5
Trusts	56,390	9 0	Supernumerary Fund Deposit	6,414	13 3
Trinity College Appeal	931	1 2			12,537 16 8
Special (Chaplaincy, etc.) Appeal	2,292	8 6	<b>Sundry Debtors and Accruals:</b>		
		59,613 18 8	Personal Trusts	25	9 3
<b>T. W. Newbold Trust:</b>			Winstone Trust	659	14 10
Capital A/c. as at 30/6/59	9,150	18 5	Interest Accrued on Mortgages,		
Transfer from Revenue A/c.	338	4 11	etc.	94	10 9
		9,489 3 4	Interest Accrued on Debentures,		
<b>Winstone Memorial Fund:</b>			etc.	491	14 1
Permanent Capital					1,271 8 11
at 30/6/59	28,657	8 7	<b>Investments:</b>		
Plus Transfer from			Debentures and Govt. Stock	58,475	0 0
Revenue	589	12 9	Less Investment Fluctuation		
		29,247 1 4	Reserve	1,096	16 3
Grants Capital at					57,378 3 9
30/6/59	5,904	15 9	Mortgages	11,237	16 8
Plus Revenue less			Loans to Trusts against Deposits	3,756	10 0
Grants	2,097	14 2	Advance to Removal Expenses Fd.	700	0 0
		8,002 9 11			73,122 10 5
<b>General Purposes Trust Board</b>			<b>Freehold Property:</b>		
Capital Account:			Winstone Trust		20,895 16 8
Balance as at 30/6/59	1,388	18 5			
Plus Revenue	86	1 0			
		1,474 19 5			
		<u>£107,827</u>			<u>£107,827</u>
		<u>12 8</u>			<u>12 8</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1960.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBERD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

27/9/60.

**CHILDREN'S FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1960.**

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1960.

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ROBERT THORNLEY,  
T. M. PACEY,  
Hon. Treasurers.

Audited and found correct.  
J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Hon. Auditor.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ended 30th June, 1960.

	RECEIPTS				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	By Cost of Conference—	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balance 1/7/59—					(a) Travelling to Wellington:			
Bank Balance ———			2641	16 10	Equalisation Fund ———	500	0 0	
Balances held by Chairmen ———			270	19 0	Official Representatives ———	233	3 2	
" Current Levies—Districts—								733 3 2
Northland ———	353	10 0			(b) Printing and General:			
Auckland ———	1986	18 4			Agendas ———	362	6 4	
South Auckland ———	1152	0 0			Minutes ———	604	12 5	
Taranaki-Wanganui ———	768	0 0			Station Lists ———	30	6 0	
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu ———	863	0 0			Half Cost Financial			
Wellington ———	1144	0 0			Statements ———	19	17 6	
Nelson ———	481	0 0			Other Printing ———	37	4 8	
North Canterbury ———	1631	0 0			Secretary's Expenses ———	40	0 0	
South Canterbury ———	481	0 0			Platform Staff ———	30	0 0	
Otago-Southland ———	768	0 0			Stationery ———	15	14 0	
			9578	8 4	General ———	15	16 6	
" Synod and other Collections—								1155 17 5
Northland ———	8	4 0			" District Expenses—			
Auckland ———	9	9 6			Northland ———	118	17 1	
South Auckland ———	18	5 8			Auckland ———	136	8 3	
Taranaki-Wanganui ———	15	3 0			South Auckland ———	241	0 2	
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu ———	16	11 0			Taranaki-Wanganui ———	56	13 9	
Wellington ———					Hawke's Bay-Wanganui ———	95	18 8	
Nelson ———	9	0 0			Wellington ———	136	13 2	
North Canterbury ———	20	1 0			Nelson ———	104	5 4	
South Canterbury ———	7	2 2			North Canterbury ———	36	11 8	
Otago-Southland ———	15	3 3			South Canterbury ———	36	5 8	
			118	19 7	Otago-Southland ———	214	17 6	
" Collections—								1177 11 3
Conference Opening ———	65	7 7			" Synod Expenses—			
Ordination Service ———	75	8 0			Northland ———	58	16 0	
Presidential Visiting ———	13	12 6			Auckland ———	13	12 6	
			154	8 1	South Auckland ———	208	10 6	
" Sales—					Taranaki-Wanganui ———	55	16 7	
Conference Agendas ———	39	0 0			Hawke's Bay-Manawatu ———	50	17 3	
Conference Minutes ———	144	4 4			Wellington ———	75	1 5	
Law Books ———	40	0 11			Nelson ———	44	12 2	
Communion Booklets ———	110	0 5			North Canterbury ———	48	4 8	
Pastoral Roll Cards ———	40	18 4			South Canterbury ———	31	13 6	
Circuit Schedules ———	50	0 0			Otago-Southland ———	39	9 11	
			424	4 0				626 14 6

„ Miscellaneous—			
Interest	—	—	28 19 0
Refund Affiliation Fee N.C.C.	—	—	6 0 0

34 19 0

„ Ministerial Supply—			
Dunedin South	—	—	50 9 3
„ Connexional Payments—			
Presidents Travel Bal. 1959	—	—	16 0 6
Presidents Travel Bal. 1960	—	—	129 9 6
Presidents Personal allowance	—	—	65 0 0
Presidents Supply	—	—	50 0 0
Presidents Gown	—	—	19 19 0
Vice Presidents Expenses	—	—	7 0 6
Printing Synod Agendas	—	—	162 8 1
Printing Communion Booklets	—	—	93 14 8
Printing Members'p Certificates	—	—	97 8 0
Printing Membership Cards	—	—	41 16 3
Printing Baptismal Cards	—	—	20 15 6
Printing Schedule Books	—	—	497 2 6
Exam. Comm. Expenses	—	—	25 0 0
Special Course Trinity College	—	—	232 3 6
Special Grant Finance and Stewardship	—	—	500 0 0
Church Council	—	—	86 9 5
School of Theology	—	—	214 6 5
Church Union Conference	—	—	105 14 11
Council on Christian Education	—	—	28 13 8
Committee on Budgets	—	—	41 16 7
General	—	—	156 12 11

„ Grants—			
Trinity Theological College	—	—	2240 0 0
Connexional Secretary	—	—	350 8 9
Deaconess Institute	—	—	125 0 0
Methodist Times	—	—	150 16 2
Methodist Times Editors Exp.	—	—	25 0 0
Overseas Travel Fund	—	—	500 0 0
Spiritual Advance Committee	—	—	25 0 0
Public Questions Committee	—	—	25 0 0
World Council of Churches	—	—	135 4 0
World Methodist Council	—	—	10 0 0
Ecumenical Committee	—	—	5 0 0
Wesley Historical Committee	—	—	10 0 0
Temperance Committee	—	—	10 0 0
Radio Committee	—	—	20 0 0
Faith and Order Committee	—	—	5 0 0
Sub Religious Film Society	—	—	4 0 6
Spiritual Healing Committee	—	—	10 0 0

2591 11 11

Finance & Stewardship Comm.	75	0	0	
Publications Committee	40	0	0	
International Affairs Committee	25	0	0	
University Expenses	37	5	6	
Welfare of the Ministry Comm.	5	0	6	
Examination Committee	25	0	0	
Publicity Committee	5	0	0	
				3862 15 5
„ Exchange and Bank Charges				9 11 10
„ Balances held by Chairmen—				
Northland	44	2	8	
South Auckland	5	9	4	
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	112	14	8	
Wellington	14	5	3	
Nelson	79	4	8	
North Canterbury	85	11	4	
South Canterbury	12	13	9	Dr.
Otago-Southland	153	5	1	
				481 19 3
„ Balance Bank of New Zealand				2534 0 10
				<u>£13,223 14 10</u>
				<u>£13,223 14 10</u>

£13,223 14 10

**METHODIST CHURCH REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS for Year ended 30th JUNE, 1960**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 30th June, 1959—Bank of N.Z. ....	499	3	1	By Removal Expenses .....	4336	2	5
P.O.S.B. ....	23	11	6	Postages, Tolls, Exchanges, Etc. ....	12	2	3
Levies .....	3186	6	8	Balance—P.O.S.B. ....	23	11	6
Refunds of Removal Expenses .....	13	2	0				
Interest .....	18	19	4				
Balance—Bank of N.Z. ....	630	13	7				
	£4371	16	2		£4371	16	2

**REVENUE ACCOUNT for Year ended 30th JUNE, 1960**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Removal Expenses—less Refunds....	4323	0	5	By Levies .....	3500	0	0
Postages, Tolls, Exchanges, Etc. ....	12	2	3	Interest .....	18	19	4
				Excess of Expenditure over Income ....	816	3	4
	£4335	2	8		£4335	2	8

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Bank of New Zealand .....	630	13	7	Sundry Debtors .....	728	14	10
General Purposes Trust Board .....	700	0	0	Post Office Savings Bank .....	23	11	6
				DEFICIENCY ACCOUNT—			
				Excess of Expenditure over Income	816	3	4
				Less Balance 1st July, 1959	237	16	1
					578	7	3
	£1330	13	7		£1330	13	7

Audited and found correct.

F. M. SOWDEN, A.R.A.N.Z.  
 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1960.

W. E. CLOTHIER, TREASURER.

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Auckland,  
6th September, 1960.

Audited and found correct.

(signed) W. T. WALTON. A.R.A.N.Z.

# N.Z. METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS for Year ended 30th JUNE, 1960

RECEIPTS		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS		£	s.	d.
Cash in Bank as at 20th June, 1959					96	7	9	Advertising in N.Z. Law Journal	....	89	5	0
LEVIES RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS—								Publishing of M.S.S.A. Brochure	....	232	18	7
Home Missions Department	....	10	0	0				Travelling Expenses to Annual Conference	....	10	2	0
Auckland Central Mission	....	10	0	0						332	5	7
Auckland Methodist Orphanage	....	10	0	0								
Masterton Children's Home	....	10	0	0				Cash at Bank of New South Wales as at				
Wesley Church (Wellington Central)								30th June, 1960	....	56	7	2
Social Services Trust	....	10	0	0								
Christchurch Central Mission	....	10	0	0								
South Island Orphanage	....	10	0	0								
Dunedin Central Mission	....	10	0	0								
					80	0	0					
Grants towards Cost of M.S.S.A.												
Brochure	....				209	12	7					
Interest	....				2	12	3					
					£388	12	9			£388	12	9

Audited and found correct,

J. A. KELLOW, A.P.A.N.Z., HON. AUDITOR

ROBERT THORNLEY,

T. M. PACEY, HON. TREASURERS.

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.

[illegible]

Motor Vehicle	—	—	—	245	0	0		
Add Rotary Hoe	—	—	—	150	0	0		
				<u>395</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		
Less Depreciation	—	—	—	49	0	0		
							346	0 0
Stock on Hand	—	—	—				100	0 0
Payments in Advance and Sundry Debtors	—	—	—				170	1 8
Bank of New Zealand:								
Current Account	—	—	—	2,527	7	3		
Current Account, Mt. Roskill	—	—	—	400	0	0		
Imprest Account, Mt. Roskill	—	—	—	50	0	0		
							<u>2,977</u>	<u>7 3</u>
							<u>\$123,840</u>	<u>4 0</u>
Trounson Bequest— with General Purposes Trust Board	—	—	—				510	0 0

£123,840 4 0

G. C. RIDDELL, Acting Chairman.

P. DELLOW, Treasurer.

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the books and vouchers relating to the above Balance Sheet of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home and Orphanage, which I consider is properly drawn up so as to exhibit the true position of the Trust as at 30th June, 1960, as shown by the books of the Trust.

15th August, 1960.

A. R. W. GREGORY, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Public Accountant.

**MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.**

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	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries	2,281	19	11	By Contributions from Circuits	1,315	1	3
.. Household Stores and Expenses	1,380	6	3	.. Donations	60	4	6
.. Repairs and Maintenance—				.. Maintenance	1,252	2	9
Uncompleted 1958/59	£250	0	0	.. Social Security Benefits	1,313	9	7
1959/60	964	5	11	.. Government Capitation	856	7	9
	1,214	5	11	.. J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	250	0	0
.. Drapery and Clothing	965	16	9	.. Masterton Trust Lands Trust—			
.. Advertising	28	7	7	School Stationery Grant	30	0	0
.. Fares of Children	48	10	9	.. Income from Estates	210	1	9
.. Farm Expenses	51	0	8	.. Interest	708	16	4
.. General Expenses	50	18	2	.. Wellington Board—			
.. Heating and Lighting	473	19	0	Grant for uncompleted 1958/			
.. Insurance	42	2	3	59 Maintenance	250	0	0
.. Maintenance—Children Boarded Out	85	7	6	Grant from 1959/60 income	1,179	0	5
.. Motor Car Allowance	200	0	0		1,429	0	5
.. Music Fees	21	19	6	.. Farm Income	45	2	1
.. Manager's Disbursements	117	0	0	.. Transfer from Police Charity Fund	91	16	2
.. Optician's Fees	7	2	6				
.. Postages and Telephones	36	3	11				
.. Rates	95	16	3				
.. Secretary's Expenses	25	0	0				
.. Recreational Equipment and Expenses	91	16	2				
.. Stationery and School Requisites	155	8	7				
.. Depreciation	184	6	5				
	7,557	7	8				
.. Excess of Income over Expenditure	4	14	11				
	£7,562	2	7		£7,562	2	7

# MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<b>Accumulated Funds:</b>													
Balance as at 1/7/59	413	17	0				Land and Buildings vested in Wellington Board (£17,894/1/8)						
Investments held by Wellington Board at 1/7/59	19,726	9	4				Furniture and Equipment	730	0	0			
Income Accrued at 1/7/59	132	3	4				Additions	269	6	5			
Grant of 1958/59 income from Wellington Board	416	3	6										
							Depreciation	999	6	5			
New Balance as at 1/7/59				20,688	13	2		172	6	5	827	0	0
<b>Add Legacies:</b>							Rotary Hoe	60	0	0			
Estate D. L. Craig	1,512	19	5				Depreciation	12	0	0			
Estate T. W. Featherston	110	3	4								48	0	0
Estate B. O. Anderson	1,401	9	9				Investments held by Wellington Board				22,751	1	10
				3,024	12	6	Farm Stock				70	0	0
Transfer from Police Charity Fund				262	7	3	Wellington Board—Current Account				323	4	6
Excess of Income over Expenditure				4	14	11	Sundry Debtors				145	3	4
							Post Office Savings Bank				331	18	3
Balance as at 30/6/60				23,980	7	10	Bank of New Zealand				107	18	3
<b>Police Charity Fund</b>							Cash				5	10	6
Further donation	391	12	10										
Interest	283	0	0										
	11	8	10										
	686	1	8										
Expended	354	3	5										
				331	18	3							
Sundry Creditors				297	10	7							
				£24,609	16	8					£24,609	16	8

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 30th June, 1960, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Home as at 30th June, 1960, and the results of its transactions for the year ended at that date.

Masterton,  
6th September, 1960.

J. A. WELLINGTON,  
D. A. BARNES,  
Auditors.

# THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE & EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS.

## REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To General Expenses	120	8	10	By Rents	1,562	11	0
„ Land Tax	91	19	2	„ Interest	1,007	17	9
„ Rates*							
„ Insurance*							
„ Retiring Allowance*							
„ Revenue Appropriation Account	2,358	0	9				
	<u>£2,570</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>				
					<u>£2,570</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>

\*These items are now charged to the Masterton Committee.

## REVENUE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Masterton Committee	666	3	6	By Revenue Account, 1959	1,082	6	11
„ Rangiatea Trust	416	3	5		<u>£1,082</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u>£1,082</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>				
To Masterton Committee	1,179	0	5	By Revenue Account, 1960	2,358	0	9
„ Rangiatea Trust	1,179	0	4				
	<u>£2,358</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>		<u>£2,358</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>

N. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z.,  
Auditor.

# SOUTH ISLAND ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME

## REVENUE ACCOUNT for Year ended 31st MARCH, 1960

EXPENDITURE			£	s.	d.	INCOME			£	s.	d.
To Salaries & Wages	....	....	5173	15	9	By Interest Received	....	....	3	11	5
House Supplies	....	....	1855	0	9	Donains & Collections	....	....	2171	10	3
Drapery, Clothing, Etc.	....	....	1117	4	0	Combined Orphanage Appeal	....	....	1775	0	0
Lighting & Heating	....	....	829	1	8	Maintenance Fees	....	....	6109	1	7
Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance	....	....	872	5	10	Miscellaneous Receipts	....	....	11	18	1
Stationery, Stamps & General Expenses	....	....	609	6	6	Deficit	....	....	2539	16	11
Insurances	....	....	56	12	3						
Board & Residence Payments	....	....	349	4	0						
Travelling Expenses	....	....	179	6	0						
Rates	....	....	119	19	7						
Grounds	....	....	123	9	11						
Miscellaneous Expenses	....	....	727	15	0						
Bank Interest	....	....	10	16	3						
Depreciation written off	....	....	587	0	9						
(This includes £40 11 3 on van.)											
			£12610	18	3				£12610	18	3

## BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MARCH, 1960

We have audited the Accounts of the South Island Methodist Orphanage for the period ended 31st March, 1960 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.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE, AUDITORS.

# SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD

## REVENUE ACCOUNT for Year ended 31st MARCH, 1960

EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Expenses & Commission Account	27	3 10	By Interest Earned	1189	7 2
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	50	0 0	Bank Interest	98	0 10
Legacies Transferred to Capital A/c.	6084	5 9	Legacies Received	6084	5 9
Balance to Income Account	1210	4 2			
	£7371	13 9		£7371	13 9

## BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MARCH, 1960

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	1057	19 2	Mortgage Investments	12840	13 0
Plus further provision	50	0 0	Plus accrued Interest	118	0 0
		1107 19 2		12958	13 0
Capital Account	28265	1 11	Debentures & Government Stock	13830	0 0
Plus Legacies	6084	5 9	Plus accrued Interest	139	12 6
			Secured Deposit Stock		
Plus Nett Revenue for Year	1210	4 2	N.Z. Farmers' Co-op. Assn.		350 0 0
			Preference Shares		
	35559	11 10	St. Elmo Courts		500 0 0
Less Transfers	2500	0 0	National Savings		1799 5 6
		35059 11 10	Deposit P.O. Savings Bank		44 3 0
			Bank of New Zealand		4545 17 0
		£34167 11 0			£34167 11 0

CHRISTCHURCH, 31st MAY, 1960

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE, Auditors

**METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1960**

EXPENDITURE				£	s.	d.	INCOME				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
House Supplies	..	..	..	1058	1	7	Hostel Receipts	..	..	..	..	..	3154	10	11	
Lighting & Heating	..	..	..	274	11	6	Rent	..	..	..	..	..	201	15	0	
Wages, Salaries	..	..	..	1612	6	1	Grants—Home Mission	..	100	0	0	..	..	..	..	
Telephone & Tolls	..	..	..	22	12	10	Foreign Mission	..	25	0	0	..	..	..	..	
Repairs	..	..	..	87	17	0	Contingent Fund	..	125	0	0	..	..	250	0	0
Rates	..	..	..	132	5	10						..	30	18	4	
Advertising	..	..	..	9	0	0	Interest Earned	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Printing, Stationery, Etc.	..	..	..	33	1	5										
Student Lectures	..	..	..	11	6	6										
Insurances	..	..	..	52	11	1										
Depreciation	..	..	..	100	0	0										
Travelling Expenses	..	..	..	57	16	6										
Excess Income over Expenditure	..	..	..	180	17	11										
Library	..	..	..	4	16	0										
				£3637	4	3							£3637	4	3	

**FURNITURE RENEWALS ACCOUNT**

				£	s.	d.					£	s.	d.
To Expenditure	..	..	..	255	6	8	By Balance 31/5/59	..	..	..	276	5	0
Balance	..	..	..	229	2	9	Interest	..	..	..	7	0	0
							Donations from Guilds	..	..	..	201	4	5
				£484	9	5					£484	9	5

**METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION**  
**BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MAY, 1960**

LIABILITIES			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors	..	..				108	8	5	Freehold Property	..	..	5000	0	0			
Grants in Advance	..	..				20	16	8	Furniture	..	..	754	0	0			
Trainees' Allowances	..	..				14	10	0	Aga Cooker, Gas Stove	..	..	138	12	0			
Trainees' Emergency Fund	..	..				5	5	0	Refrigerator	..	..	90	0	0			
Furniture Renewals	..	..				229	2	9	Electric Cylinder	..	..	259	0	0			
Property Renewals	..	..				1421	11	6	Electric Toaster 30/5/60	..	..	30	4	10			
Maori Library	..	..	54	7	3							6271	16	10			
Less Purchases	..	..	1	11	6				Less Depreciation Reserve	..	..	2983	6	8			
						52	15	9							3288	10	2
Chapel Fund	..	..				27	7	6	P.O. Savings Bank	..	..				977	6	10
Accumulated Fund	..	..	3020	16	8				General Purpose Trust	..	..				34	17	8
Excess Income over Expenditure			180	17	11				Bank of New Zealand	..	..				719	4	2
						3201	14	7	Cash	..	..				20	0	0
									Sundry Debtors	..	..				25	0	0
															16	13	4
						£5081	12	2							£5081	12	2

A. K. PETCH, Chairman

H. T. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z., Treasurer

Audited and found correct,

F. M. SOWDEN, A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
Auditor.

**NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TIMES**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT for Year ending 30th APRIL, 1960**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Printing & Publishing .....	2678	3	3	Subscriptions .....	3863	17	0
Addressograph Plates .....	21	13	4	Advertisements .....	731	2	4
Process Blocks .....	65	5	0	Contingent Fund Grant .....	175	16	2
Distribution Charges .....	698	14	0	Bank Interest .....	14	6	10
Exchange .....	4	5	6				
Agents' Commission .....	113	2	1				
Editors' Honoraria, Expenses & Contributors' Fees .....	175	11	8				
Office Expenses .....	193	7	1				
Authorised Appropriation .....	500	0	0				
Excess Income over Expenditure .....	335	0	5				
	£4785	2	4		£4785	2	4

**BALANCE SHEET as at 30th APRIL, 1960**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Advertisements (Unexpired value) .....	285	15	2	Subscriptions in Arrear .....	340	16	5
Subscriptions prepaid .....	150	19	9	SUNDRY DEBTORS—			
Agents' Commission Provision .....	14	0	6	Advertising Accounts in Arrear .....	76	4	5
Suspense A/c. ....	21	19	1	Accumulated Deficit as at 30/4/59 .....	999	3	1
Sundry Creditors .....	289	9	3	Less Balance from Revenue A/c.			
Contingent Reserve A/c. ....	500	0	0	as at 30/4/60 .....	335	0	5
	£1262	3	9	Bank of New Zealand .....	664	2	8
					181	0	3
					£1262	3	9

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, 1960.

ERNEST H. ANDREWS,  
H. L. FIEBIG, TREASURERS.

H. F. ARNOLD, A.P.A.N.Z.  
F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.  
20TH MAY, 1960.

# METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1960.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Stock of Booklets and Papers 1st August, 1959				391	4	10	Sale of Booklets and Papers				1,008	7	10
Printing Booklets, etc.—							Grants—						
Prayer Manuals	126	12	6				Spiritual Advance Committee	25	0	0			
Conference Leaflets	89	17	6				Contingent Fund	80	0	0			
Lenten Leaflets	121	19	0				Home Mission Fund	55	0	0			
Communion Cards	16	16	0								160	0	0
Four Months to Live	16	7	3				Interest—						
Open Letter to Young Men	16	19	2				Auckland Savings Bank	7	5	10			
Advent	63	15	6				National Bank	18	11	0			
Dedication Cards	7	18	6								25	16	10
End of the Road	15	2	11										
Dr. Greeves Handbills	34	4	5										
Your Baptism	19	15	0										
Laying on of Hands	15	12	6										
	545	0	3										
Duplicating Paper and Envelopes	480	18	6										
				1,025	18	9							
				1,417	3	7							
Less Stock of Booklets and Paper 31st July, 1960				444	9	2							
Cost of Sales				972	14	5							
Petty Cash,, Postages, Bank Fees, etc.				34	1	8							
Travelling Allowances				10	0	0							
Rent of Storeroom				13	0	0							
Total Expenses				1,029	16	1							
Excess Income over Expenditure for Year				164	8	7							
				£1,194	4	8					£1,194	4	8

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1960.

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Audited and found correct.

R. H. HAMES, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z.

EPWORTH BOOKROOM (WELLINGTON) STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30/6/60.

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1960.

LIABILITIES.						ASSETS.									
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors	—	—	—	—	1,173	16	11	Sundry Debtors	—	—	—	7,652	12	11	
Capital Account (1/7/59)	—	—	—	—	6,006	8	8	Less Sales in Advance	—	—	—	3,312	12	1	
Transferred to Dept. of Christian Education	—	—	—	—	1,000	0	0					£4,340	0	10	
					5,006	8	8	Dept. of Christian Education	—	—	—	529	11	6	4,869 12 4
Add Profit for year	—	—	—	—	2,860	5	3	Stock on Hand—Trade	—	—	—	2,250	0	0	
					7,866	13	11	Printing and Stationery	—	—	—	150	0	0	
															2,400 0 0
								Equipment—Cost Less Dep.	—	—	—				798 7 6
								Cash in hand	—	—	—				4 16 3
								National Bank of New Zealand	—	—	—				967 14 9
					£9,040	10	10								£9,040 10 10

### TRADING ACCOUNT

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Stock (1/7/59)	2,000	0	0	By Sales	15,916	11	5
„ Purchases	11,037	2	2	„ Sales in Advance	3,528	4	2
„ Sales in Advance	3,312	12	1	„ Stock	2,250	0	0
„ Gross Profit	5,345	1	4				
	<u>£21,694</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7</u>		<u>£21,694</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7</u>

### PROFIT AND LOSS

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To General Expenses	188	11	1	By Gross Profit	5,354	1	4
" Printing and Stationery	126	11	1	" Interest	47	10	4
" Postages	260	15	9				
" Salaries	1,765	14	5				
" Rent	102	0	0				
" Depreciation	88	14	1				
" Net Profit	2,860	5	3				
	<u>£5,392</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>		<u>£5,392</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>

D. M. HAY, Treasurer.

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) for the year ended the 30th June, 1960, and have obtained all the explanations and information that I have required in respect of the accounts. I certify that in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Bookroom for the year.

Wellington,  
2nd September, 1960.

J. STEPHENS,  
A.P.A.N.Z.

**CENTRAL FINANCE COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL CONNEXIONAL APPEAL FUND**

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 30th June, 1960

RECEIPTS			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS			£	s.	d.	£	i.	d.
To Balance forward	..	..				1585	8	10	DISTRIBUTIONS								
CONTRIBUTIONS—									Trinity College	..	..	1100	0	0			
Northland District	..	..	118	17	4				National Council of Churches	..	..	375	0	0			
Auckland District	..	..	861	17	9				Council for Christian Education	..	..	250	0	0			
South Auckland District	..	..	450	3	6				N.Z. Alliance	..	..	200	0	0			
Taranaki-Wanganui District	..	..	123	1	0				Armed Forces Chaplaincy Fund	..	..	100	0	0			
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District	..	..	420	5	6				National Ed. Soc. on Alcoholism	..	..	25	0	0			
Wellington District	..	..	627	2	2				Local Preachers' Assn.	..	..	50	0	0			
Nelson District	..	..	164	4	0				Spiritual Advance Committee	..	..	160	0	0			
North Canterbury District	..	..	591	11	0										2260	0	0
South Canterbury District	..	..	154	4	3				HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS								
Otago-Southland District	..	..	274	2	6				Auckland	..	..	316	0	0			
						3785	9	0	Hawkes Bay	..	..	65	0	0			
									Wellington	..	..	65	0	0			
									Christchurch	..	..	100	0	0			
									Dunedin	..	..	43	10	0			
															589	10	0
									UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINS								
									Auckland	..	..	30	0	0			
									Wellington	..	..	100	0	0			
									Canterbury	..	..	75	0	0			
															205	0	0
									Office Expenses	..	..				23	19	4
									Balance Forward	..	..				2292	8	6
						£5370	17	10							£5370	17	10

# TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD

## BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1960

LIABILITIES		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS		£	s.	d.
Bank of New Zealand	....	2091	13	8				Secured Advances	....	7660	19	3
Add Interest Accrued	....	14	19	9								
					2106	13	5					
LOANS AT CALL—												
Foreign Mission Dept.	....	2000	0	0								
Dept. of Christian Education	....	750	0	0								
Wellington Charitable and Educational Endowment Trust	....	1000	0	0								
Wesley Church Social Services TrustBoard	....	100	0	0								
					4750	0	0					
ACCUMULATED FUNDS—												
Balance, 30th June, 1959	....	685	15	7								
Add, Excess of Income over Expenditure	....	118	10	3								
Balance, 30th June, 1960	....				804	5	10					
					£7660	19	3			£7660	19	3

ROBERT THORNLEY, CHAIRMAN.

D. TAYLER, TREASURER.

I report that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Transport Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1960 and have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required. I certify that in my opinion the above Accounts are properly drawn up so as to show a fair and correct position of the trust.

WELLINGTON, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1960.

J. B. STEEL, HON. AUDITOR.

# METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st August, 1960 (excluding properties on the mission field)

## LIABILITIES

<b>Solomon Islands District:</b>	
Circuit Balances .....	599
Sundry Creditors .....	5,891
Personal Balances .....	101
	<u>6,591</u>
Solomon Islands Church Building Funds .....	2,890
Loan .....	200
Sundry Creditors .....	293
<b>Special Funds:</b>	
Medical .....	33,875
Medical Orderly .....	576
Working Capital .....	25,939
Vanes Bequest .....	479
Boat Insurance .....	26,734
Fire Insurance .....	8,484
Sickness and Accident .....	1,045
South Sea Islands Catechists' Retiring Fund .....	182
Solomon Islands Native Ministers' and Catechists' Retiring Fund .....	354
Solomon Islands Rehabilitation Fund .....	8,520
New Guinea Highlands Appeal .....	8,786
New Guinea Highlands Agriculture .....	109
Solomon Islands Jubilee .....	8,012
Vella Lavella Memorial Hall .....	478
Nicholson Memorial .....	437
Refrigerator Replacement .....	483
Don Alley Memorial .....	92
D. R. Alley Trust .....	202
Leper Fund .....	4,840
Lepers' Trust Board Grant .....	5,198
Lepers' Trust Board Hospital Dispensary Grant .....	3,000
Leprosy Relief Vessel .....	6,276
Mission to Lepers Grant .....	354
Honiara Church .....	344
<b>M.W.M.U. Funds:</b>	
Solomon Islands Girls' School Equipment ..	225
Vella Lavella and Roviana Hostels .....	62
Choiseul Dormitory .....	131
Teop Dormitory .....	51
Buka Dormitory .....	322

## ASSETS

<b>Solomon Islands District:</b>	
Cash in Hand and in Bank .....	21,655
Sundry Debtors .....	597
Stock .....	9,580
	<u>31,832</u>
Boats .....	27,000
Solomon Islands District Account .....	40,039
Sege Plantation Lease Account .....	500
<b>Investments:</b>	
N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock .....	69,792
Local Body Stock and Debentures .....	16,300
Shares and Stock .....	4,777
Savings Bank and National Savings Accounts .....	17,535
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	354
Loans at Call .....	10,000
	<u>118,758</u>
Medical Fund .....	33,875
Medical Orderly .....	576
Working Capital Account .....	25,939
Vanes Bequest .....	479
D. R. Alley Trust Account .....	202
Boat Insurance Fund .....	26,734
Fire Insurance Fund .....	8,484
Sickness and Accident Fund .....	836
South Sea Islands Catechists' Retiring Fund .....	182
Solomon Islands Native Ministers' and Catechists' Retiring Funds .....	354
Capital Investment Fund .....	15,937
General Investments .....	5,160
	<u>118,758</u>
Residence, General Secretary .....	1,292
Projectors and Tape Recorder .....	172
Motor Car .....	727
<b>Debtors:</b>	
Solomon Islands Special .....	1,031
Sundry .....	209
	<u>1,240</u>

Girls' Dormitory, Kokengolo .....	7
Kihili Girls' School Equipment .....	375
Teacher Training .....	1,173
Building and Equipment Fund .....	2,387
Sale of "Blue Lagoon" Account .....	7,955
New Guinea Highlands — Solomon Islands .....	2,305
Contributions .....	1,534
M.W.M.U. Translation .....	100
Boat Reserve Account .....	27,000
Solomon Islands District Reserve .....	2,396
Papua New Guinea Highlands: Sundry Creditors .....	174
Capital Investment Fund .....	15,937
Exchange Account .....	3,669
Accumulated Fund .....	5,192
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	£224,595

<b>Stocks:</b>	
Maps .....	47
"Isles of Solomon" .....	34
Stationery, etc. ....	123
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Papua New Guinea Highlands District Account .....	204
Cash .....	1,207
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	1,624
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	£224,595

G. S. GAPPER,  
Treasurer.

We hereby Certify that we have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand, and that in our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the books of the Society, as at 31st August, 1960. Islands assets and liabilities have not been verified, these having been entered on the basis of signed statements received from the Islands.

Auckland,  
19th October, 1960.

(Sgd.) Macky & Frear,  
Public Accounts and Auditors.

### INCOME OF SPECIAL FUNDS for the Year Ended 31st August, 1960

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
Medical Income Transferred to Solomon Islands Income .....	1,077	Medical Fund Income .....	1,077
Transferred to Special Funds as per contra .....	14,000	Leper Fund .....	4,195
		Leper Relief Vessel (Maintenance) .....	4,500
		Rehabilitation Fund .....	234
		Building and Equipment Fund .....	4,252
		Refrigerator Replacement .....	82
		New Guinea Highlands: Solomon Islands contribution .....	467
		Sickness and Accident Fund .....	259
		Nicholson Memorial Fund .....	11
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	£15,077		14,000
			<hr/>
			£15,077

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND  
HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT  
GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JULY 31st, 1960

Treasurers: REV. J. A. PENMAN and MR. B. O. STOKES

R E C E I P T S		P A Y M E N T S	
	£		£
<b>Balances at 31st July, 1959:</b>		<b>Debit Balance at 31st July, 1959:</b>	
Legacies held for Disbursement	1,156	General Account	4,647
H.M. Removal Expenses Fund	39	<b>LEGACY DISBURSEMENT GRANTS:</b>	
Picture Department	86	Russell Parsonage	40
H.M. Training Conference	33	Wainui-o-mata	100
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	305	Kaikōhe	50
		Upper Hutt Parsonage	50
	1,619	Putaruru Parsonage	50
<b>LEGACIES received during year</b>	1,264	Hikurangi	100
<b>CIRCUIT INCOME:</b>		Bombay-Tuakau-Meremere	100
Northland	921	Coromandel Loan	50
Northland Maori	129	Hokitika Loan	50
	1,050	Alexandra Loan	25
Auckland	3,746	Wairakei Road Loan	50
Auckland Maori	114	Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	
	3,860	Loan	50
South Auckland	3,231	Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	
South Auckland Maori	277	Loan	50
	3,508	Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	
Taranaki-Wanganui	1,505	Loan	50
Taranaki-Wanganui Maori	72	Opunake Maori Centre	25
	1,577	Kawakawa Maori Centre	50
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	2,407	Church Sites Fund	150
Wellington	2,882	Religious Film Society	100
Nelson	1,690	Picture Department	46
North Canterbury	3,646		1,186
South Canterbury	1,287	<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST</b>	
Otago-Southland	1,317	<b>GRANTS:</b>	
	23,224	Onehunga	50
1959 Appeal		Inglewood	40
1960 Appeal	16,056	Upper Hutt	40
	7,168	Hokitika	25
<b>SUNDRY INCOME</b>	40	Woolston-Lyttelton	50
<b>DISTRICT YOUTH COUNCILS</b>	113	Cromwell-Alexandra	30
<b>CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES:</b>		Putaruru	50
Mission Property Trust	150		285
Spring Creek	5	<b>MAORI MISSION:</b>	
	155	<b>(a) To Maori Mission Account:</b>	
<b>INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD</b>	1,951	Stipends	12,680
M.W.M.U.	3,675	Travelling	2,694
M.W.M.U. Smethurst Interest	195	Maori Ministers' Car Accounts	427
	3,870	Deaconess Car Accounts	1,260
Duplicating and Typewriting	28	Circuit Expenses	505
Use of Duplicator	10	Rent, Mission Hill	125
H.M. Removal Expenses Fund—		Contingencies	100
Circuit Levies	16	Workers' Conference	50
Picture Department—Grants	121	Maori Section, N.C.C.	36
H.M. Training Conference—			17,877
Grant	75	<b>(b) European Minister in Maori Work:</b>	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust		Stipend	697
—Share of Income	343	Travelling	175
			872
<b>DEBIT BALANCE, 31st July, 1960:</b>		Investment Funds Board	
General Account	6,230	Rents (7)	629
		Connexional Charges	187
			816
		<b>CIRCUIT GRANTS:</b>	19,565
		<b>Northland District:</b>	
		North Hokiangā	200
		Hokianga	33
		Whangaroa-Bay of Islands	313
		Port Albert	67
			613
Carried Forward	39,059		26,296

# HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS (Continued)

R E C E I P T S		P A Y M E N T S	
	£		£
Brought Forward .....	39,059	Brought Forward .....	26,296
		<b>Auckland District:</b>	
		North Waitemata .....	165
		Bombay-Tuakau .....	125
		Auckland West .....	100
		Birkenhead .....	75
		Orakei .....	50
		Onehunga .....	50
		Auckland East .....	50
		Auckland South .....	100
			715
		<b>South Auckland District:</b>	
		Coromandel .....	15
		Kawhia .....	23
		Taumarunui .....	95
		Ngaruawahia .....	25
		Hauraki Plains .....	113
		Te Kuiti .....	90
		Putaruru .....	250
		Opotiki .....	55
		Whakatane .....	100
		Rotorua .....	487
		Huntly .....	87
			1,340
		<b>Taranaki-Wanganui District:</b>	
		Marton .....	45
		Inglewood .....	52
		Raetihi-Ohakune .....	100
		Taihape .....	78
		Waitara .....	30
			305
		<b>Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District:</b>	
		Apiti .....	85
		Wairoa .....	95
			180
		<b>Wellington District:</b>	
		Paraparaumu .....	163
		Upper Hutt .....	80
		Wainui-o-mata .....	75
		Porirua .....	175
			493
		<b>Nelson District:</b>	
		Reefton .....	37
		Hokitika .....	38
			75
		<b>North Canterbury District:</b>	
		Woolston-Lyttelton .....	125
		Springton .....	120
			245
		<b>South Canterbury District:</b>	
		Willowby .....	25
			25
		<b>Otago-Southland District:</b>	
		Waikouaiti-Palmerston .....	150
		Cromwell-Alexandra .....	105
		St. Kilda .....	35
		South Dunedin .....	120
		Roxburgh .....	110
		Dunedin North .....	68
		Corstorphine Union .....	20
		Western Southland .....	50
		Port Chalmers .....	52
			710
Carried Forward .....	39,059	Carried Forward .....	30,374

# HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS (Continued)

Brought Forward ..... £ 39,059

Carried Forward ..... £ 30,374

### MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS:

Seamer House .....	200	
Trinity Theological College ..	150	
Board of Publications .....	55	
Spiritual Advance Committee ..	25	
Methodist World Conference ..		
Travel Fund .....	25	
Social Service Association ..	10	
Circulating Library (Wesley) ..	25	
Picture Department .....	75	
H.M. Study Conference .....	75	
Colportage Society of Otago ..	13	
Church Sites Fund .....	150	
Deaconess Institution .....	100	
Deaconess Students .....	45	
Ministerial Supply Expenses ..	75	
Rev. W. Tahere's Visit to Indo- nesia .....	185	
		1,208

### RETIRING FUNDS:

Deaconess' .....	184	
Home Missionaries' .....	110	
		294

### OFFICE AND GENERAL EXPENSES:

Office Salaries .....	635	
Office Rent .....	186	
Expenses: Postages, Exchange, etc. ....	166	
Light and Power .....	14	
Telephones and Tolls .....	72	
Printing and Stationery .....	196	
Audit Expenses .....	12	
Interest on Overdraft .....	54	
		1,335

### SUNDRY PAYMENTS:

Annual Reports .....	469	
Deputation Expenses .....	667	
Share of "Lotu" .....	100	
Office Furniture .....	29	
Employer's Liability Insurance ..	21	
Share of cost of M.S.S.A. Brochure .....	23	
Staff Superannuation .....	19	
Sundry Expenses .....	108	
On Account of Finance and Stewardship Committee ..	96	
		1,532

### CONNEXIONAL CHARGES:

CONNEXIONAL CHARGES: 251

### GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:

Stipend .....	700	
General Allowance .....	50	
Travelling .....	206	
		956

### ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT:

Stipend .....	620	
General Allowance .....	50	
Travelling .....	162	
		832

### RENT TO INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD:

For Two Parsonages .....	300	
Removal Expenses Fund .....	5	
Picture Department .....	95	

### BALANCES, 31st July, 1960 :

Legacies, held for Disbursement ..	1,233	
H.M. Training Conference .....	108	
H.M. Removal Expenses Fund ..	50	
Picture Department .....	113	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust ..	363	
		1,867

£39,059

£39,059

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Home and Maori Mission Department for the year ended 31st July, 1960, and certify that the foregoing Statement of Receipts and Payments for the General Account is correct. Receipts and Payments made through the Maori Mission Account have been shown on a supplementary statement which has also been audited.

W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.

1st September, 1960

Auditor.

**METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION  
INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JULY 31st, 1960**

Treasurers: REV. J. A. PENMAN and Mr. B. O. STOKES

R E C E I P T S			P A Y M E N T S		
	£	£		£	£
<b>BALANCE, Bank of New Zealand, 31st July, 1959:</b>			<b>INTEREST TRANSFERRED TO HOME MISSION FUND:</b>		
On Account of Income .....	194		Through Mornington .....	3	
On Account of E. W. Blackwell Trust .....	235		Through Invercargill .....	9	
On Account of T. G. Brooke Memorial Account .....	562		Direct .....	1,939	
On Account of Capital .....	827				1,951
		1,818			1,264
<b>CASH ON ACCOUNT OF CAPITAL:</b>			<b>LEGACIES FOR DISBURSEMENT</b> .....		
Estate of late E. M. West .....	314		<b>CAPITAL INVESTED:</b>		
" W. Pankhurst .....	100		New Special Loan .....	1,800	
" John Palmer .....	180		Waitemata County Council Stock .....	4,000	
" V. M. Houghton .....	100		Shares, Bycroft Ltd. ....	100	
" G. H. Gilling .....	50		Post Office Savings Bank .....	1	
" T. W. Featherstone .....	165				5,901
" Louise Vile .....	639		<b>PROPERTIES:</b>		
" M. H. Morley .....	159		Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel .....	644	
" J. Drury .....	500		Te Kuiti Maori Centre .....	11	
" Walters' Trust .....	50		Auckland Maori Parsonage .....	223	
" J. Bonnin .....	234		Hawera Deaconess Cottage .....	2,090	
" Diana Kent .....	200		Hawera Maori Parsonage .....	112	
" H. M. Patrick .....	50		11 Kakariki Avenue .....	20	
" Claudia Somerville .....	100		28 Mt. Albert Road .....	81	
Gift, Mrs. M. E. Paltridge .....	50		New Plymouth Maori Parsonage Furniture .....	16	
Gift, Mr. E. C. Gardner .....	100		Taheke Deaconess Cottage .....	430	
Gift, Anonymous .....	50		Te Kuiti Maori Parsonage .....	2,455	
		3,041	Waima Maori Parsonage .....	5	
Less Proportion for Disbursement .....		1,264			6,087
		1,777	<b>REPAYMENT OF LOANS:</b>		
<b>LEGACIES, PROPORTION FOR DISBURSEMENT</b> .....		1,264	Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	260	
<b>REPAYMENT OF SPECIAL LOANS</b> .....		3,891	Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	160	
<b>REPAYMENT OF MORTGAGE</b> .....		140	Loans at Call .....	6,275	
<b>NEW LOANS AT CALL</b> .....		8,614			6,695
<b>INVESTMENTS MATURED:</b>			<b>MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS:</b>		
Otorohanga Town Board Debentures .....		3,700	Net Expenditure .....		139
Sale of Assets .....		455	<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST:</b>		
			Expended .....		1,337

	£	£
<b>NEW CAPITAL:</b>		
Sinking Funds .....	653	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	235	
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel .....	2,615	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	95	
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	114	
Opunake Deaconess Centre .....	45	
Northern Building Account .....	7	
	<u>      </u>	3,764
<b>T. G. BROOKE MEMORIAL FUND</b> .....		36
<b>E. D. &amp; M. E. JONES TRUST:</b> Loan Repayment .....		10
<b>NET INTEREST AND RENTS</b> .....		1,951
<b>GEORGE BUTTLE CENTENNIAL GIFT</b> .....		15
<b>THOMAS BUDDLE LIBRARY FUND</b> .....		5
<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST:</b> Net Rents ..		1,241
		<u>      </u>
		£28,681

	£	£
<b>INTEREST DISBURSED:</b>		
George Buttle Centennial Gift .....	15	
Thomas Buddle Library Fund .....	5	
	<u>      </u>	20
Northern Building Account, transferred to Kaikohe Circuit .....		242
<b>BALANCES, Bank of New Zealand, 31st July, 1960:</b>		
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust .....	139	
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund .....	598	
Capital .....	4,332	
	<u>      </u>	5,069
Less Income Dr. ....	24	
	<u>      </u>	5,045
		<u>      </u>
		£28,681

**METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION  
INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD  
BALANCE SHEET AS AT JULY 31st, 1960**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	£	£		£	£	
<b>CREDITORS:</b>				<b>CASH, Bank of New Zealand:</b>			
Loans at Call .....		29,640		Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust .....	139		
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund, 31/7/59 .....	562			T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund .....	598		
Added during year .....	36			On Account of Capital .....	4,332		
		598					
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....		1,325			5,069		
			31,563	Less Income Overdrawn .....	24		
						5,045	
<b>SUNDRY FUNDS:</b>				<b>INVESTMENTS:</b>			
George Buttle Centennial Gift Fund .....		300		<b>Memorial Gifts, Auckland Drainage Board Stock:</b>			
Thomas Buddle Memorial Library Fund .....		100		George Buttle Centennial Gift .....	300		
			400	Thomas Buddle Library Fund .....	100		
E. D. & M. E. Jones Trust Fund .....			100				400
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust .....			139				
<b>RESERVES:</b>				<b>General:</b>			
Working Expenses Maintenance .....			55	Mortgage .....	390		
Sinking Funds, 31/7/59 .....	6,366			Debentures and Stock .....	5,100		
Added during year .....	653			Government Inscribed Stock .....	14,745		
		7,019		Sundry Shares .....	1,852		
Investment Reserve .....		400		Post Office Savings Bank .....	32		
Loan Repayment Reserve .....		2,000				22,119	
			9,474	<b>Special Loans</b> .....	62,726		
<b>MAORI CENTRES AND HOSTELS:</b>				Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	2,000		
<b>Mortgages:</b>				E. D. & M. E. Jones Trust (Wekaweka) .....	90		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	3,940					64,816	
Less Repaid during year .....	260			<b>PROPERTIES:</b>			
		3,680		Parsonages, etc. ....		22,909	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	2,160			<b>MAORI HOSTELS AND CENTRES:</b>			
Less Repaid during year .....	160			Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	24,600		
		2,000		Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel .....	7,544		
<b>Capital Receipts to Date:</b>				Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	11,953		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....		13,397		Dargaville Maori Centre .....	2,058		
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....		8,648		Hawera Maori Centre .....	2,395		
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel .....		7,544		Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	501		
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel—Special Objective .....		1,971					
Dargaville Maori Centre .....		2,058					
Hawera Maori Centre .....		2,222					
Hokianga Deaconess Cottage .....		25					
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....		501					



**EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1960**

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
	£		£
Repairs .....	36	Rent and Rates .....	1,899
Rates .....	260		<u>1,899</u>
Insurance .....	188		
Commission .....	95		
Legal Expenses .....	79		
	<u>658</u>		
Depreciation Reserve .....	275		
Net Income Carried down .....	966		
	<u>£1,899</u>		
Transferred to Capital .....	209	Net Income Brought down .....	966
Transferred to Maintenance Reserve .....	150	Dr. Balance Carried down .....	<u>79</u>
Transferred to Home Mission Fund .....	343		
Transferred to Investment Funds Board .....	343		
	<u>£1,045</u>		<u>£1,045</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1960**

LIABILITIES			ASSETS	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Capital:</b>			Buildings .....	10,000
Balance at 31/7/59 .....		11,577	<b>Investments:</b>	
Added during year:			National Savings Investments .....	3,016
From Income .....	209		Post Office Savings Bank .....	21
From Interest .....	48		Auckland Harbour Bridge — Authority Stock ..	<u>2,500</u>
	<u>257</u>	11,834		5,537
<b>Depreciation Reserve:</b>			Income and Expenditure Account .....	<u>79</u>
Balance at 31/7/59 .....		2,874		
Added during year:				
From Income .....	275			
From Interest .....	88			
	<u>363</u>	3,237		
<b>Maintenance Reserve:</b>				
Balance at 31/7/59 .....		307		
Added during year:				
From Income .....	150			
From Interest .....	9			
	<u>159</u>	466		
Bank overdrawn .....		79		
		<u>£15,616</u>		<u>£15,616</u>

**METHODIST MISSION PROPERTY TRUSTEES**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JULY 31st, 1960**

Treasurers: REV. J. A. PENMAN and Mr. B. O. STOKES

R E C E I P T S		P A Y M E N T S	
	£      £		£      £
<b>BALANCE, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/59:</b>		Rates and Insurance .....	17
Capital Account .....	1,208	Repairs and Sundries .....	10
Less Income Account Overdrawn .....	150	Transfer to Home Mission Fund — surplus income .....	150
	1,058	<b>Capital Expenditure:</b>	
<b>RENTS:</b>		Mt. Wesley Parsonage .....	105
Mt. Wesley .....	269	<b>BALANCE, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/60:</b>	
Opononi .....	26	Capital .....	1,168
Newark .....	2	Income .....	3
	297		1,171
Rent of Hoarding .....	3		
Interest on Current Account .....	30		
Repayments, Opononi .....	65		
	£1,453		£1,453

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1960**

L I A B I L I T I E S		A S S E T S	
	£      £		£      £
<b>ACCUMULATED FUND:</b>		Properties and Loans, 31/7/59 .....	5,296
At 31st July, 1959 .....	4,956	Add Capital Expenditure, Mt. Wesley .....	105
Add Income Surplus for year .....	153		5,401
	5,109	Less Repayments, Opononi .....	65
Held for Special Purpose .....	10		5,336
Proceeds, Capital, Kinross Street .....	1,388	<b>Cash:</b>	
		Capital .....	1,168
		Income .....	3
	£6,507		1,171
			£6,507

# SEAMER HOUSE ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JULY 31st, 1960

R E C E I P T S			P A Y M E N T S		
	£	£		£	£
Boarding Fees .....		2,238	Dr. Balance Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/59 .....		396
Home Mission Fund Grant .....		200	Salary of Matron .....		400
J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant .....		100	Wages .....		388
Canteen Account .....		6	Provisions .....		934
Donation — Cake Mixer .....		20	Light and Heat .....		256
Sundry Receipts .....		1	Cleaning and Laundry .....		18
Staff and Boarders Furnishing Fund:			Repairs and Maintenance .....		43
Donations .....	12		Rates and Insurance .....		258
Less Payments .....	3		Interest on Loans .....		174
		9	Sundry Expenses .....		22
Dr. Balance Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/60 .....	409		Sundry Equipment .....	10	
Less Petty Cash in Hand .....	15		Sundry — Cake Mixer .....	24	
		394			34
			Telephone .....		36
			Deaconess Retiring Fund .....		9
		<u>£2,968</u>			<u>£2,968</u>

# METHODIST LITERATURE AND COLPORTEUR SOCIETY

## TRADING ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1960

Stock .....	6,367 2 9	Sales .....	9,999 10 6
Purchases .....	7,118 18 7		
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	13,486 1 4		
Less Stock, 31/7/60 .....	6,303 0 0		
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Cost Price of Goods sold .....	7,183 1 4		
Gross Profit .....	2,816 9 2		
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	£9,999 10 6		£9,999 10 6

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1960

Accountancy and Audit .....	52 10 0	Gross Profit .....	2,816 9 2
Advertising and Stationery .....	90 9 7	Interest Received .....	19 2 10
Commission .....	59 10 0		
General Expenses .....	74 2 10		
Insurance .....	20 11 2		
Interest .....	107 6 1		
Light and Power .....	57 2 10		
Postages, etc. ....	152 4 6		
Rent .....	416 13 4		
Rates .....	72 7 3		
Repairs .....	3 10 0		
Salaries .....	1,078 5 0		
Superannuation .....	51 9 0		
Depreciation .....	179 10 8		
Net Profit .....	419 19 9		
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	£2,835 12 0		£2,835 12 0

# METHODIST LITERATURE AND COLPORTEUR SOCIETY

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1960

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
<b>Sundry Creditors:</b>				<b>Cash in Hand</b>	15	15	2
Trade Creditors	1,236	18	4	<b>Cash in Bank</b>	788	5	4
Bills Payable	319	17	1				804 0 6
Subs. in Advance	31	10	0	<b>Van Reserve:</b>			
			1,588 5 5	In General Bank Account	780	18	5
<b>Loan</b>			1,900 0 0	In Auckland Savings Bank	659	6	7
Van Reserve			1,438 5 0				1,438 5 0
<b>Capital:</b>					786	2	2
Balance at 31/7/59	5,982	17	6	<b>Sundry Debtors:</b>			
Add Adjustment of Accountancy Fees	140	0	0	Less Bad Debts Reserve	50	0	0
Add Net Profit	419	19	9				736 2 2
			6,542 17 3	<b>Stock</b>			6,303 0 0
				<b>Superannuation in Advance</b>			62 0 0
				<b>Fittings and Equipment: 31/7/59</b>	286	5	6
				Less Depreciation	28	5	6
							258 0 0
				<b>Renovations: 31/7/59</b>	2,019	5	2
				Less Depreciation	151	5	2
							1,868 0 0
							£11,469 7 8
			£11,469 7 8				

I have audited the books and accounts of the Methodist Literature and Colporteur Society for the year ended 31st July, 1960 and certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Society's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Society. I have accepted the Manager's certificate as to quantities and values of stocks on hand.

24th August, 1960.

W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.

Auditor.

# HOME MISSION FUND

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## ***Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the connexional year, 1961***

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### INCOME

Circuits and H.M. Stations, per Connexional Budget ....	28,850
Properties and Investments .....	2,000
M. W. M. U. Sisters' Salaries .....	3,700
M. W. M. U. Special Gift .....	300
M. W. M. U. Smethurst Interest .....	130
Edith W. Blackwell Trust .....	363
Maori Circuits .....	700
Miscellaneous — outside Connexional Budget :	
Sundry Donations, Camps, etc. ....	200

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GRAND TOTAL, ESTIMATED INCOME .....	£36,243
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# EXPENDITURE

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

### Maori Work

Minister—	
Stipend .....	725
Travelling .....	200
Supernumerary Minister—	
Honorarium .....	52
Travelling .....	100
Special Travelling .....	25
Home Missionary (Part-time)—	
Travelling .....	52
Hon. H.M.'s (Part-time) —	
Travelling .....	52
General Circuit Expenses .....	50
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	504
Provision for car .....	125
Deaconess Supply—	
Stipend .....	440
Travelling Allowance .....	125
Deaconess Supply —	
Stipend .....	425
Provision for car .....	125
Connexional Charges (One Minister)	60
Parsonage Allowance .....	12½
Investment Funds Board—Rent for Waima M.P. ....	125
	<hr/> £3,197½

### European Work

Hikurangi M.P. ....	50
Whangaroa—Bay of Islands .....	E.W.B. 50
if 2 M.O.M.'s 1 M.P. ....	350
North Hokianga — if M.O.M. ....	175
	<hr/> £625

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

### Maori Work

Minister—	
Stipend .....	725
Travelling .....	200
Supernumerary Minister—	
Travelling .....	75
(Parsonage in lieu of hon.)	
Home Missionary Supply—	
Stipend .....	550
Travelling .....	100
General Circuit Expenses .....	50
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	547
Provision for car .....	125
Deaconess Supply—	
Stipend .....	504
Travelling .....	25
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	471
Provision for car .....	125
Connexional Charges (One Minister)	60
Parsonage Allowance .....	12½
Investment Funds Board — Rents	
Tuakau Parsonage .....	100
Auckland Parsonage .....	200
	<hr/> £3,869½

### European Work

Auckland South—if 2 M.O.M.'s and M.H.M.P. ....	150
Auckland West—M.O.M. ....	100

Auckland Birkenhead — if 2 M.O.M.'s .....	E.W.B. 50
	150
Auckland Orakei — If 2 M.O.M.'s and 1 M.P. ....	100
Onehunga — If M.O.M. and M.H.M.P. ....	100
Parsonage Grant .....	R.B.
Kaipara — If M.P. ....	100
Whangaparaoa — If M.O.M. ....	150
	<hr/> £900

R.B. — Refer to the H.M. Board for special consideration at a meeting during the year.

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

### Maori Work

#### Waikato Circuit:

Minister—	
Stipend .....	725
Travelling .....	200
Rent .....	175
Parsonage Allowance .....	12½
Home Missionary—	
Stipend .....	628
Travelling .....	75
Provision for car .....	125
Home Missionary (Half time share with King Country Circuit—	
Stipend .....	314
Travelling .....	38
Provision for car .....	62½
Rent .....	39
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honorarium .....	200
Travelling .....	60
Provision for car .....	125
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honorarium .....	104
Travelling .....	85
Home Missionary (part-time)—	
Honorarium .....	100
Part-time Home Missionaries—	
Travelling .....	125
(Provision for car) .....	
General Circuit Expenses .....	190
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	547
Provision for car .....	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	471
Provision for Car .....	125
Deaconess (two half-time)	
Stipend .....	440
Provision for car .....	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	547
Provision for car .....	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	547
Travelling Allowance .....	125
Deaconess Supply (half-time) —	
Stipend .....	220
Travelling .....	62½
Hon. S.S. Teacher Travelling .....	36
Investment Funds Board — Rent	
Ngaurawahia Parsonage .....	100
Connexional Charges—	
One Minister .....	60
	<hr/> £7,038½

**METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st August, 1960**

<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
<b>Solomon Islands Expenses:</b>	
Overseas Staff: Stipend and Allowances ..	17,088
Local Staff .....	8,881
Superannuation, Retiring and Repatriation Funds .....	818
Native Ministers' and Catechists' Retiring Funds .....	87
Lighting Account .....	536
Education .....	3,729
Circuit Travel .....	638
Furniture Replacements .....	116
Buildings .....	1,220
Agriculture .....	172
Sickness and Accident Fund .....	75
Printing and Literature .....	116
Stamps, Stationery and Cables .....	313
Land Rents .....	341
Fire Insurance .....	626
Boat Insurance .....	400
Interest on Trust Funds .....	22
Overseas Travel .....	4,390
District Travel .....	2,998
Medical .....	5,544
	<hr/> 48,110
Less reduction to N.Z. Currency .....	5,831
	<hr/> 42,279
<b>Papua New Guinea Highlands Expenses:</b>	
Stipends and Allowances .....	2,131
Retiring Funds .....	70
District General Expenditure (N.Z. Share) .....	1,069
	<hr/> 3,270
<b>New Zealand Working Expenses:</b>	
<b>General Administration</b>	
General Secretary's Stipend and Allowance .....	776
General Secretary's Home Expenses .....	150
General Secretary's Travelling and Car Expenses .....	187
Connexional Charges .....	133

<b>INCOME</b>	
<b>Solomon Islands Contributions:</b>	
Roviana Circuit .....	2,277
Vella Lavella Circuit .....	1,600
Choiseul Circuit .....	2,877
Buin Circuit .....	1,119
Teop Circuit .....	1,127
Buka Circuit .....	1,463
Goldie College .....	73
	<hr/> 10,536
<b>Government Grants:</b>	
B.S.I.P. — Medical .....	1,938
Territory of New Guinea —	
Medical .....	1,249
Educational .....	4,256
Meteorological Supervision .....	100
	<hr/> 7,543
<b>Sales of Produce:</b>	
Roviana Circuit .....	179
Vella Lavella Circuit .....	904
Choiseul Circuit .....	275
Buin Circuit .....	70
Buka Circuit .....	530
Goldie College .....	1,049
Banga Lease .....	631
	<hr/> 3,638
<b>Sundry Income:</b>	
Interest .....	43
High School Fees, Bilua .....	21
Refueling Service .....	330
Tonga Contribution to Overseas Travel ..	500
	<hr/> 894
	<hr/> 22,611
Less Reduction to N.Z. Currency .....	4,375
	<hr/> 18,236
<b>Papua New Guinea Highlands:</b>	
Government Grants — Medical .....	259
Interest on Appeal Fund Account .....	265
	<hr/> 524
Leper Income Transferred .....	1,333
Medical Income Transferred .....	1,077

Office Salaries .....	657	
Office Rent .....	202	
Printing and Stationery .....	139	
Office Equipment .....	23	
General Office Expenses .....	185	
Audit Fee .....	26	
Telephones .....	98	
Travelling, Annual Meeting .....	89	
Staff Superannuation .....	21	
	<hr/>	2,686
<b>Publicity and Deputation</b>		
Annual Reports .....	181	
Folders, Handbill and Film Expenses )		
Travelling )	329	
Subsidy "Open Door" and "Lotu" .....	302	
	<hr/>	812
<b>Miscellaneous</b>		
Deaconess Institution .....	25	
Interest on Loan .....	7	
"Methodist Times" Grant .....	20	
Trinity College .....	75	
Contribution, C.O.M.I.C.A. ....	27	
Sundry Expenses .....	92	
	<hr/>	246
<b>Depreciation</b>		
Projectors and Tape Recorder .....	75	
Car .....	125	
	<hr/>	200
Balance, carried to Accumulated Fund ..		1,515
	<hr/>	£51,008

<b>New Zealand Contributions:</b>		
Circuits .....	24,825	
Native Teachers .....	262	
Adoption of Leper Patients .....	277	
	<hr/>	25,364
Methodist Women's Missionary Union .....		3,700
Interest .....		774
		<hr/>
		£51,008

## King Country Circuit :

Minister—	
Stipend .....	725
Travelling .....	200
Parsonage Allowance .....	12½
Home Missionary (half time share with Waikato Circuit) Stipend—	314
Travelling .....	38
Provision for car .....	62½
Rent .....	39
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honarium .....	25
Travelling .....	25
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honarium .....	100
Travelling .....	50
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honarium .....	25
Travelling .....	25
General Circuit Expenses .....	80
Kawhia Circuit Travelling .....	60
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	471
Travelling .....	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	471
Provision for car .....	125
Connexional Charges—	
One Minister .....	60
Investment Funds Board — Rents	
Te Kuiti Parsonage .....	200
Kawhia Parsonage .....	125

### European Work

Ngaruawahia M.H.M. ....	R.B.100
Coromandel (if present arrangement)	20
Hauraki Plains, M.P. ....	100
Kawhia, for Travelling .....	45
Kawerau, Travelling and Student Supply .....	50
Putaruru M.O.M. & M.P. ....	E.W.B.50
	450
Opotiki M.O.M. ....	80
Rotorua (for Taupo) M.P. ....	E.W.B.50
	400
Huntly M.O.M. (if new Parsonage, otherwise £75) .....	150
Te Kuiti M.O.M. (Travelling) .....	70
Ohura M.P. (if new Parsonage proceeded with, otherwise £50) ..	100
Taumarunui M.O.M. ....	100
	£1765

## TARANAKI - WANGANUI DISTRICT

### Maori Work

Minister (Missionary in Maori Work)	
Stipend .....	725
Travelling .....	200
Minister—	
Stipend .....	725
Travelling .....	200
Rent for New Plymouth Par. ..	150
Parsonage Allowances (2) .....	25
Connexional Charges — Two	
Ministers .....	120
General Circuit Expenses .....	100
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	547
Provision for car .....	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend .....	547
Provision for car .....	125
Investment Funds Board — Rent	
Hawera Parsonage .....	200
	£3,789

## European Work

Raetihi—Ohakune Student Supply	50
Taihape if P. ....	E.W.B.25
	125
Inglewood .....	150
Marton M.O.M. ....	45
Waitara M.O.M. ....	100
	£495

## HAWKES BAY — MANAWATU DISTRICT

Wairoa M.O.M. ....	E.W.B.20
	100
Apiti M.O.M. ....	100
	£220

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Porirua M.O.M. and M.P. ....	100
Paraparaumu M.O.M. ....	100
Upper Hutt 2nd Agent Deac. ....	E.W.B. 50
	150
Special Grant .....	200
Wainui-a-Mata Union Parish .....	150
	£750

## NELSON DISTRICT

Hokitika if P .....	75
Reefton if Senior M.H.M. ....	50
	£125

## NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Springston if M.O.M. & M.H.M.P. ..	140
Woolston-Lyttelton if 3 M.O.M.'s ..	150
	£290

## OTAGO - SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Cromwell-Alexandra .....	E.W.B.35
	75
Roxburgh M.O.M. ....	90
Western Southland — if 1 M.O.M. ....	E.W.B.33
and 1 M.P. ....	117
Dunedin West .....	200
Corstorphine Union Special .....	200
	£750

(NOTE: E.W.B. refers to allocation of the sum of £363 available from the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust as portion of annual grant).

## GENERAL EXPENDITURE

### Maori Work

South Island Deaconess—	
Honarium .....	52
Expenses Allowance .....	26
Subsidy, Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	200
National Council of Churches	
Maori Section .....	48
Contingencies .....	150
Deaconess Car Depreciation .....	100
Maori Workers' Conference .....	100
South Island Travelling .....	100
	£776

# MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS

Spiritual Advance Committee .....	25
Board of Publications .....	55
Deaconess Institution .....	R.B.100
Church Sites Fund .....	400
Methodist Ecumenical Travel Fund .....	25
Methodist Social Service Ass. ....	10
Colportage Society — Otago-Southland .....	12½
Wesley Circulating Library .....	25
	<u>£652½</u>

# MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE

H.M. Deputation Expenses .....	400
Deputation Material, Visual Supplies .....	50
H.M. Retiring Fund Estimate ....	150
Deaconess Student Allowances ....	75
Workers' Compensation Insurance — Staff .....	40
Printing and Stationery .....	400
"Methodist Times" Advtg. ....	12½
Ministerial Supplies .....	100
Share of "Lotu" printing .....	100
Interest and Bank Charges .....	100
Contingencies and Sundries .....	500
Deaconess Retiring Fund Estimate .	350
Picture Department Plant .....	75
H.M. Study Conference .....	75
	<u>£2,427½</u>

# GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

Stipend .....	725
General Allowance .....	50
Travelling .....	200
	<u>£975</u>

# ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Stipend .....	725
General Allowance .....	50
Travelling .....	200
	<u>£975</u>

# EUROPEAN MISSIONARY IN MAORI WORK

See under Taranaki Maori Circuit

# CONNEXIONAL CHARGES

Two Ministers .....	327
	<u>£327</u>

# INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

Rent for two parsonages .....	400
	<u>£400</u>

# OFFICE EXPENSES

Book-keeping, Sec. wages, etc. ....	650
Office Rent .....	200
Lights, Postages and Sundries ....	180
Telephones and Tolls .....	100
	<u>£1,130</u>

# GRAND TOTAL:—

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE £34,835½

# SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1961

## INCOME

From Connexional Budget .....	28,850
Properties and Investments .....	2,000
M.W.M.U. Sisters' Salaries .....	3,700
M.W.M.U. Special Gift .....	300
M.W.M.U. Smethurst Interest .....	130
Edith W. Blackwell Trust .....	363
Maori Circuits .....	700
Miscellaneous, outside Budget .....	200
	<u>£36,243</u>

## EXPENDITURE

Maori Work .....	22,028½
Circuits .....	5,920
General .....	6,887
	<u>34,835½</u>
Portion of Debit Balance of £2,548 at 31.1.60 ....	1407½
	<u>£36,243</u>

**FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1960**

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## GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1960.

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CIRCUITS									Number Recd. during the year.				Number Removed from the Roll			No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	Communicants	No. of Baptisms	PASTORAL CARE	
	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	No. Members on Roll at 30th June last year	New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend							No. of Families	No. of People
Mangonui .. .. .	4	1	2	1	1	—	—	4	124	—	6	6	1	15	3	117	—	—	—	71	23	159	484
Whangaroa-Bay of Islands ..	5	12	1	3	4	—	—	3	180	1	6	12	2	11	3	183	3	—	—	225	39	398	1373
North Hokianga .. .. .	3	6	2	1	1	—	—	1	65	5	—	—	—	7	—	63	—	—	—	50	11	110	350
Hokianga .. .. .	3	3	3	1	1	—	—	4	76	1	6	—	—	2	—	81	5	—	—	117	12	155	492
Hikurangi .. .. .	1	6	1	1	1	—	—	1	52	—	—	6	—	6	2	50	—	—	—	35	10	110	322
Whangarei .. .. .	4	4	4	2	1	1	—	12	296	1	6	30	4	20	2	307	11	—	—	300	33	368	1015
Dargaville .. .. .	3	6	4	1	1	—	—	10	250	18	6	21	4	25	6	260	10	—	—	285	25	240	784
Ruawai .. .. .	2	3	—	1	1	—	—	4	101	3	1	11	2	12	1	101	—	—	—	104	10	150	547
Paparoa .. .. .	4	4	1	1	1	—	—	1	103	—	6	6	—	6	—	109	6	—	—	83	5	140	560
Port Albert .. .. .	7	4	4	1	—	—	—	1	143	—	—	2	3	6	1	135	—	8	—	150	14	200	800
TOTALS .. .. .	36	49	22	13	12	1	—	40	1390	29	37	94	16	120	18	1406	16	19	—	1420	182	2030	6727

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central .. .. .	5	—	5	6	10	—	1	10	560	9	39	37	14	49	15	567	7	—	—	541	73	796	2015
Central Mission .. .. .	1	1	1	2	2	—	1	3	215	6	7	1	5	8	6	210	—	5	—	245	9	192	738
Auckland South .. .. .	5	1	3	3	5	1	—	10	503	8	22	40	1	49	17	499	—	4	11	619	70	788	2411
Auckland West .. .. .	2	—	3	1	1	—	—	2	109	1	9	4	5	8	4	106	—	3	—	112	18	250	700
Auckland East .. .. .	6	—	3	3	5	—	—	11	566	22	2	53	9	62	10	562	—	4	—	500	36	665	1350
Orakei .. .. .	4	—	2	2	4	1	—	6	434	8	13	41	2	32	4	458	24	—	—	395	23	487	1399
Avondale .. .. .	4	3	4	2	5	—	—	11	435	11	6	19	10	38	2	421	—	14	—	408	41	554	1663
Henderson .. .. .	4	7	5	2	6	1	—	9	317	5	14	31	3	20	7	337	20	—	7	422	69	820	3039
Devonport .. .. .	3	—	2	1	2	—	—	1	138	4	3	7	2	5	6	139	1	—	—	120	20	175	500
Takapuna .. .. .	5	—	3	2	8	1	—	15	470	27	30	44	5	19	8	539	69	—	—	450	39	721	2361
Birkenhead .. .. .	4	3	3	1	2	1	—	6	343	17	36	22	9	8	1	400	57	—	—	420	48	674	2012
Onehunga .. .. .	5	—	6	1	1	1	—	6	274	11	5	15	5	28	20	252	—	22	3	295	23	625	2187
Otahuhu .. .. .	2	—	2	1	1	—	—	3	142	12	18	6	4	16	6	152	10	—	—	170	21	100	200
Papatoetoe .. .. .	2	1	2	1	2	—	—	9	302	13	17	35	3	10	1	353	51	—	—	300	32	480	1800
Papakura .. .. .	3	1	2	2	2	—	—	2	240	17	10	24	3	8	3	277	37	—	11	250	48	440	1230
Pukekohe .. .. .	5	3	2	1	2	—	—	5	236	17	6	19	3	15	—	260	24	—	—	240	12	256	670
Bombay-Tuakau .. .. .	3	4	—	1	1	—	—	4	117	—	4	14	1	25	1	108	—	9	—	120	10	186	653
Waiuku .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	—	—	3	144	8	1	8	2	15	1	143	—	1	—	145	12	192	637
North Waitemata .. .. .	5	7	1	2	2	—	—	9	150	14	4	7	4	5	1	165	15	—	—	110	13	251	717
Mahurangi .. .. .	2	9	—	1	2	—	—	2	114	8	13	4	1	6	—	132	18	—	—	128	17	158	466
TOTALS .. .. .	71	43	50	36	64	6	2	127	5809	218	259	431	98	426	113	6080	333	62	39	5990	634	8810	26748

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Thames .. .. .	3	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	143	3	3	6	4	12	—	139	—	4	—	200	12	203	585
Hauraki Plains .. .. .	3	4	1	1	1	—	—	1	63	—	4	6	1	10	—	62	—	1	—	85	15	76	272
Paeroa .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	58	3	1	3	—	4	—	61	3	—	—	40	5	87	220
Waihi .. .. .	1	4	1	1	1	—	—	3	95	—	5	5	—	1	1	103	8	—	—	80	9	153	500
Te Aroha .. .. .	3	1	2	1	1	—	—	2	228	2	8	8	3	23	1	219	—	9	—	205	17	200	550
Morrinsville .. .. .	3	5	4	2	2	—	—	4	272	10	2	20	1	13	1	289	17	—	—	275	36	494	1636
Cambridge .. .. .	3	2	2	1	2	—	—	6	162	—	10	6	1	4	5	168	6	—	—	120	9	184	460
Hamilton .. .. .	5	1	3	2	5	—	—	10	604	21	7	40	8	113	4	547	—	57	—	687	80	704	2154
Hamilton East .. .. .	4	3	5	1	2	—	—	11	276	8	12	99	4	21	3	367	91	—	—	350	27	466	1472
Huntly .. .. .	1	5	—	1	1	—	—	1	86	—	9	4	—	9	14	76	—	10	—	80	11	215	500
Matamata .. .. .	3	3	2	1	1	—	—	4	210	8	4	11	1	15	1	216	6	—	—	200	15	242	792
Putaruru .. .. .	1	4	1	2	3	—	—	2	102	8	9	9	1	3	—	124	22	—	—	80	33	296	978
Rotorua .. .. .	3	2	1	2	1	2	—	9	211	2	3	27	2	15	11	215	4	—	—	190	30	237	716
Tauranga .. .. .	4	5	1	3	5	—	—	13	370	9	8	36	5	22	9	387	17	—	—	395	41	589	1840
Whakatane .. .. .	1	—	1	1	1	1	—	2	90	4	—	8	2	8	2	90	—	—	—	80	4	165	515
Opotiki .. .. .	2	—	2	1	1	—	—	2	64	—	—	2	1	8	1	56	—	8	2	70	14	85	306
Te Awamutu .. .. .	2	3	3	1	1	—	—	3	266	—	3	13	5	15	6	256	—	10	—	260	21	280	890
Otorohanga .. .. .	1	6	1	1	1	—	—	2	109	2	2	1	2	3	1	108	—	1	—	59	24	92	347
Te Kuiti .. .. .	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	71	—	5	13	1	8	—	80	9	—	—	40	20	195	365
Taumararui .. .. .	1	4	—	1	1	—	—	—	62	—	5	5	3	7	—	62	—	—	—	50	15	154	635
Kawarau .. .. .	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	13	—	8	2	—	1	—	22	9	—	2	10	2	50	173
Ohura .. .. .	3	5	1	—	1	—	—	1	45	1	2	4	—	3	—	49	4	—	3	77	9	125	475
Ngaruawahia .. .. .	3	1	1	1	—	1	—	—	56	1	2	4	—	3	5	55	—	1	—	65	7	105	340
Kawhia .. .. .	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coromandel .. .. .	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	—	—	—	36	5	15	49
Raglan Union .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	68	—	—	—	—	2	—	66	—	2	—	—	5	—	450
TOTALS .. .. .	54	65	36	29	35	6	—	77	3759	82	112	332	45	323	65	3852	196	103	7	3744	466	5412	17220

## TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth .. .. .	6	3	5	3	5	2	—	16	580	4	3	31	9	24	3	582	2	—	—	465	56	840	2700
Waitara .. .. .	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	4	102	—	—	7	—	11	6	92	—	10	—	120	25	285	875
Stratford .. .. .	7	—	1	1	1	—	—	4	180	—	—	5	1	4	6	174	—	6	—	120	23	200	800
Eltham-Kaponga .. .. .	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	9	137	—	9	17	—	22	5	136	—	1	—	100	13	150	500
Hawera .. .. .	4	—	1	1	1	—	—	6	256	5	2	24	3	23	2	259	3	—	—	212	29	326	1134
Manaia .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	—	—	2	97	3	—	—	2	16	—	82	—	15	—	100	7	110	380
Opunake .. .. .	6	1	5	2	2	—	—	6	218	4	2	9	2	21	3	207	—	11	—	120	57	297	1225
Wanganui Central .. .. .	1	—	1	1	2	—	—	3	268	1	7	19	8	12	—	275	7	—	—	290	17	296	770
Wanganui North .. .. .	2	2	2	2	1	—	—	8	158	—	3	4	4	21	5	135	—	23	1	170	7	205	570
Wanganui West .. .. .	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	3	115	—	4	7	1	12	2	111	—	4	—	125	26	210	555
Taihape .. .. .	1	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	47	—	—	1	1	1	—	46	—	1	—	20	2	50	120
Raetihi-Ohakune .. .. .	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	—	1	—	3	1	—	29	—	3	—	18	5	39	106
Marton .. .. .	1	—	1	1	1	1	—	1	92	—	—	3	2	5	—	88	—	4	—	90	12	115	340
Inglewood .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	—	—	1	133	—	4	—	1	18	—	118	—	15	—	35	26	220	400
TOTALS .. .. .	40	15	22	17	19	3	—	63	2415	17	35	127	37	191	32	2334	12	93	1	1885	295	3343	10475

## GENERAL RETURNS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960

## NELSON DISTRICT

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	No Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Number Recd. during the year.			Number Removed from the Roll			No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	Communicants	PASTORAL CARE		
										New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend						No. of Baptisms	No. of Families	No. of People
Nelson .. .. .	2	1	3	2	3	1	-	13	480	11	16	29	6	32	11	487	7	-	3	450	43	688	2095
Waimea .. .. .	5	1	2	1	1	-	-	7	171	1	1	13	1	13	4	168	-	3	-	160	20	245	725
Motueka .. .. .	2	2	3	1	1	1	-	7	125	-	6	1	2	1	2	127	2	-	-	110	11	160	500
Murchison .. .. .	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	4	2	1	-	3	-	25	4	-	-	35	7	72	312
Blenheim .. .. .	8	9	5	4	5	-	-	12	466	3	9	25	10	30	2	461	-	5	-	420	54	626	2189
Reefton .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	1	-	1	75	-	1	3	1	5	-	73	-	2	-	55	16	118	375
Westport .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	2	87	1	4	3	2	4	-	89	2	-	-	77	22	238	657
Greymouth .. .. .	2	5	1	1	1	-	-	3	221	-	6	20	5	31	3	208	-	13	-	187	19	219	616
Hokitika .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	61	-	1	5	-	9	-	58	-	3	-	92	9	90	262
TOTALS .. .. .	24	25	17	12	14	3	-	46	1707	20	46	100	27	128	22	1696	15	26	3	1586	201	2456	7731

## NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham St. .. .. .	3	-	3	2	6	-	-	12	657	29	32	47	11	45	11	698	41	-	18	642	39	748	2020
Ch.Ch. Central Mission & Cambridge Tce. Church .. .. .	1	1	3	3	2	-	2	4	145	-	10	9	3	10	-	151	6	-	-	120	8	219	571
Christchurch East .. .. .	8	2	7	5	7	-	-	12	759	24	26	61	13	55	19	783	24	-	-	803	108	1471	4511
Woolston-Lyttelton .. .. .	6	3	6	3	4	-	-	4	338	19	15	19	6	22	-	363	25	-	-	383	28	710	2030
Sydenham .. .. .	2	1	3	2	1	-	-	5	199	3	7	7	2	5	3	206	7	-	-	190	13	224	568
Addington .. .. .	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	4	146	4	8	4	4	7	9	142	-	4	-	160	24	104	400
Riccarton .. .. .	5	1	4	1	2	-	-	4	288	12	2	18	6	16	8	290	2	-	-	275	49	650	2000
St. Albans .. .. .	3	2	5	3	5	-	-	13	631	31	16	96	9	74	8	683	52	-	-	515	52	956	2721
Papanui .. .. .	2	1	1	2	1	-	2	3	225	-	5	21	1	27	4	219	-	6	-	200	46	400	1200
Springston .. .. .	7	-	4	2	2	1	-	6	142	14	2	5	1	12	3	147	5	-	-	130	19	246	824
Leeston .. .. .	4	-	1	1	2	-	-	4	211	3	19	8	2	10	5	224	13	-	8	147	11	158	556
Kaiapoi .. .. .	5	-	2	2	1	-	-	2	175	3	6	9	4	5	1	183	8	-	-	100	20	210	620
Rangiora .. .. .	7	1	3	2	1	1	-	6	325	-	4	19	7	9	-	332	7	-	6	260	41	430	1350
Greendale .. .. .	3	3	2	1	1	-	-	3	100	4	3	5	2	12	2	96	-	4	-	95	16	93	320
Oxford .. .. .	4	-	3	1	1	-	-	6	127	4	7	1	-	9	-	130	3	-	-	129	2	110	358
TOTALS .. .. .	61	15	48	31	37	2	4	88	4468	150	162	329	71	318	73	4647	193	14	32	4149	476	6729	20049

## SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru (Banks Street) .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	200	3	4	6	4	15	5	189	-	11	-	170	22	190	570
Timaru (Woodlands St.) .. .. .	4	1	3	1	1	-	-	8	279	5	4	18	5	19	5	277	-	2	-	250	18	340	1030
Marchwiell Union Parish .. .. .	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	61	5	4	5	-	8	1	66	5	-	-	66	9	109	436
Waimate .. .. .	2	-	2	1	2	-	-	1	210	-	-	11	5	10	-	206	-	4	-	200	2	230	684
Geraldine .. .. .	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	67	4	-	2	-	3	-	70	3	-	-	75	-	53	164
Temuka .. .. .	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	71	-	1	2	1	2	1	70	-	1	4	65	-	64	173
Ashburton .. .. .	4	4	3	2	2	-	-	15	414	1	11	14	12	19	-	409	-	5	-	300	22	430	1240
Willowby .. .. .	6	2	3	2	1	-	-	7	106	-	-	8	-	7	2	105	-	1	-	80	6	106	340
Oamaru .. .. .	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	161	8	7	4	5	4	3	168	7	-	-	143	6	190	519
TOTALS .. .. .	23	11	15	10	10	-	-	33	1569	26	31	70	32	87	17	1560	15	24	4	1349	85	1712	5156

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church & Mission (Dunedin) .. .. .	2	2	2	3	2	-	-	7	266	-	4	14	6	36	12	230	-	36	-	200	-	357	783
Dunedin (Dundas St.) .. .. .	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	127	-	5	14	2	11	2	131	4	-	-	120	-	167	421
Dunedin North .. .. .	3	-	3	1	1	-	-	3	118	3	2	14	2	9	1	125	7	-	-	89	-	188	442
Dunedin South .. .. .	4	-	4	2	2	1	-	8	289	2	4	16	3	15	8	285	-	4	-	280	-	478	1524
Corstorphine Union .. .. .	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	4	-	-	-	26	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dunedin (St. Kilda) .. .. .	3	-	1	1	2	-	-	2	197	8	1	19	1	15	-	209	12	-	-	180	-	300	858
Dunedin (Mornington) .. .. .	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	3	149	10	14	-	5	10	-	158	9	-	-	130	-	210	600
Dunedin (Roslyn) .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	2	106	-	-	2	5	10	2	91	-	15	-	90	-	180	360
Port Chalmers .. .. .	3	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	58	-	1	-	2	2	-	55	-	3	-	33	-	108	301
Mosgiel .. .. .	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	62	3	4	5	1	2	2	69	7	-	-	63	-	123	369
Milton .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	42	2	5	6	-	5	2	48	6	-	-	42	-	60	150
Balclutha .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	4	148	2	5	4	-	11	7	141	-	7	-	90	-	171	535
Gore .. .. .	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	108	-	2	9	4	5	3	107	-	1	-	65	-	124	498
Edendale .. .. .	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	45	-	-	-	-	3	1	41	-	4	-	29	-	37	60
Invercargill Central .. .. .	2	1	4	2	2	-	-	8	339	1	7	15	3	16	1	342	3	-	4	360	-	438	1150
Invercargill (St. Peters) .. .. .	3	-	2	2	1	-	-	5	294	-	9	22	1	23	1	300	6	-	-	250	-	431	1600
Western Southland .. .. .	7	2	2	2	2	-	-	5	148	6	10	10	1	8	2	163	15	-	10	155	-	333	978
Bluff .. .. .	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	68	6	-	-	3	2	1	68	-	-	-	25	-	165	280
Roxburgh .. .. .	3	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	48	1	-	1	2	3	1	44	-	4	-	50	-	75	128
Cromwell-Alexandra .. .. .	3	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	53	4	3	7	-	2	-	65	12	-	1	65	-	136	426
Waukauaiti-Palmerston .. .. .	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	30	-	2	4	-	4	-	32	2	-	-	38	-	49	110
Lawrence .. .. .	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	19	2	1	3	-	1	-	24	5	-	-	18	-	20	60
TOTALS .. .. .	50	15	27	26	21	3	-	54	2736	50	79	169	41	193	46	2754	92	74	15	2372	278	4150	11633

# MAORI MISSION RETURN, 1960

	NORTHLAND	AUCKLAND	SOUTH AUCKLAND	KING COUNTRY	TARANAKI	TOTALS for 1960	TOTALS for 1959	INCREASES	DECREASES
<b>General</b>									
Number of Churches ..	11	3	..	1	1	15	15	..	..
Other Preaching Places ..	12	23	56	36	18	145	168	..	23
Parsonages .. ..	1	2	2	2	1	8	9	..	1
Ordained Ministers ..	2	1	2	1	2	8	6	2	..
Home Missionaries ..	..	3	3	1	1	8	14	..	6
Hon. Home Missionaries ..	8	..	10	6	..	24	18	6	..
Deaconesses .. ..	3	5	4	2	1	15	17	..	2
Local Preachers .. ..	1	2	5	2	1	11	12	..	1
<b>Membership</b>									
No. of Senior Members ..	527	450	1578	889	736	4180	8894	..	4714
No. of Junior Members ..	665	1079*	2260	1300	894	6198	5674	524	..
<b>Pastoral Care</b>									
No. of Families .. ..	97	906	860	421	430	2714	3343	..	629
No. of Persons .. ..	485	2700*	3640	2379	1713	15417	15520	..	103
<b>Youth</b>									
No. of Sunday Schools ..	38	11	66	16	20	151	194	..	43
No. of S.S. Scholars ..	508	184	596	307	381	1976	3117	..	1141
No. of Bible Classes ..	2	4	3	4	9	22	40	..	18
No. of B.C. Members ..	11	56	36	35	116	254	456	..	202

\*N.B.—These numbers are estimates only.

# SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

## STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1960

	Buka	Teop	Buin	Chois-eul	Vella Lavella	Rovi-ana	Total
Churches .....	36	31	82	37	28	49	263
Other Preaching Places .....	1	7	3	2	2	12	27
European Ministers .....	1	1	1	1	1	2	7
Doctor .....	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Sisters .....	2	2	4	2	2	4	16
Lay Missionaries .....	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Lay Workers .....	—	—	1	—	—	2	3
Native Ministers .....	—	1	2	—	1	4	8
Native Agriculturalists .....	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Catechists .....	4	3	8	7	6	8	36
Pastors .....	14	9	3	—	—	4	30
Pastor Teachers .....	19	17	75	42	37	38	228
Teachers .....	6	17	7	24	—	53	107
Medical Assistants .....	5	2	7	2	7	16	39
Local Preachers .....	23	16	18	38	37	104	236
Class Leaders....	12	—	11	—	—	10	33
European Members .....	4	4	7	4	4	19	42
European Youth Roll .....	3	—	2	2	3	23	33
European Adherents .....	22	—	—	—	—	4	26
Native Members .....	1225	476	1578	1709	673	2633	8294
Native Youth Roll .....	760	419	1282	1749	1440	2888	8538
Native Adherents .....	419	1015	1552	461	725	764	4936
Sunday Schools .....	26	14	57	33	28	48	206
Sunday School Scholars .....	615	230	1283	1036	780	1250	5694
Day Schools .....	18	22	45	37	34	48	204
Day School Teachers .....	35	34	85	73	62	98	387
Day School Scholars .....	595	637	1169	1164	1030	2160	6755
Members & Adherents .....	2404	1950	4411	3919	2848	6331	21863

## GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	STIPENDS, Etc.					STATE OF FINANCES at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Minis- ters specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling additional to Annual Stipend)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Car Ownership Circuit Minister		Circuit		Trust Account Totals	
						Credit	Debit	Total Credit Balances ex- cluding bal- ances held for special purposes	Total Debit Balances
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mangonui .. ..	666 13 4		207 5 9	C		867 3 6		57 17 11	
Whangaroa .. ..	682 10 0	12 10 0	237 9 0	M			315 2 10	156 7 8	5 6 1
Bay of Islands ..	638 11 8	12 10 0	339 13 5	C					
	553 16 8	5 4 2	176 15 1	M					
North Hokianga ..	692 10 0		250 0 0	C			60 10 4	78 12 4	
Hokianga .. ..	637 13 7		438 0 0	C	21 5 11			58 14 7	1028 18 9
Hikurangi .. ..	302 1 4		75 8 3	M			788 17 11		24 13 3
Whangarei .. ..	692 10 0	37 18 0	150 1 7	M	63 18 5			496 19 3	
	47 10 0			M					
Dargaville .. ..	692 10 0		264 0 0	M	254 17 10			140 15 9	
Ruawai .. ..	680 0 0		269 0 0	M		42 19 6		368 2 3	
Paparoa .. ..	695 0 0		238 6 1	M		2 9		131 0 4	2 15 1
Port Albert .. ..	705 0 0		300 0 0	M	213 4 5			350 14 0	
TOTALS .. ..	7686 10 3	68 2 2	2505 19 2	M9 C4	1420 10 1	1208 13 4		1839 4 1	1061 13 2

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central ..	725 0 0	25 0 0	160 0 0	M	489 15 6			485 17 10	3150 15 6
	692 10 0		100 0 0	M					
	692 10 0		100 0 0	M					
Central Mission ..	750 0 0		All Exes.	M		41 17 2			
Auckland South ..	705 0 0		75 0 0	C		1529 11 9		51 11 8	6231 18 8
	705 0 0		75 0 0	M					
	705 0 0		75 0 0	M					
	570 0 0		50 0 0	M					
Auckland West ..	643 18 0		114 11 3	M		42 2 8			1900 1 4
Auckland East ..	720 0 0	5 0 0	108 0 0	M	155 0 0			1333 12 2	1000 3 8
	705 0 0	5 0 0	103 0 0	M					
	705 0 0	5 0 0	103 0 0	M					
Orakei .. ..	705 0 0	5 0 0	150 0 0	M	1112 17 7			945 8 3	767 0 9
	705 0 0	5 0 0	145 0 0	M					
	570 0 0	5 0 0	135 0 0	M					
Avondale .. ..	705 0 0		140 0 0	M	340 5 5			654 16 8	
	610 0 0		78 0 0	M					
			156 0 0	M					
Henderson .. ..	725 0 0		180 0 0	M		1180 1 11		306 17 5	806 6 6
	725 0 0		150 0 0	M					
	52 0 0		120 0 0	M					
	60 0 0		120 0 0	M					
Devonport .. ..	705 0 0		80 0 0	M	437 10 1			388 8 1	
Takapuna .. ..	705 0 0	36 0 0	180 0 0	M					
	705 0 0	26 0 0	156 0 0	M		158 0 0		554 11 5	582 19 7
Birkenhead .. ..	705 0 0		162 0 0	M	968 13 4			195 2 2	3026 4 2
	570 0 0		135 0 0	M					
Onehunga .. ..	692 10 0		111 13 4	M	23 10 8			305 16 1	4117 12 9
	582 6 8		120 0 0	M					
Otahuhu .. ..	705 0 0		78 0 0	M	23 15 10			40 15 9	
Papatoetoe .. ..	705 0 0		225 0 0	M	16 6			19 13 4	
Papakura .. ..	705 0 0		135 0 0	M	936 2 2			3919 16 9	2430 10 0
	705 0 0		125 0 0	M					
Pukekohe .. ..	755 0 0		288 7 5	M	1450 4 4			256 17 11	
Bombay-Taukau ..	638 11 8		346 15 5	M		73 6 6		126 12 8	
Waiuku .. ..	700 0 0	6 0 0	220 0 0	C		70 3 4		612 5 2	156 11 5
North Waitemata ..	705 0 0		180 0 0	M		301 9 3		188 16 3	1702 10 3
	610 0 0		180 0 0	M					
Mahurangi .. ..	705 0 0		213 0 0	M	184 7 8			38 13 1	
TOTALS .. ..	24774 6 4	123 0 0	5373 7 5	M35C2	6122 19 1	3396 12 7		10425 12 8	25872 14 7

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Thames .. ..	700 0 0		100 0 0	M	308 0 0			116 13 3	1865 17 10
Hauraki Plains ..	657 0 0		193 18 0	M		1 9 10		148 13 9	2061 12 9
Paeroa .. ..	570 0 0	12 10 0			60 8 0			21 1 8	
Waihi .. ..	692 0 0		180 0 0	M	1046 8 10			216 5 9	
Te Aroha .. ..	730 0 0		240 0 0	M	82 6 7			521 13 8	
Morrinsville .. ..	697 8 11	50 0 0	223 0 0	M	872 19 8			1062 19 5	526 14 2
	276 0 0		148 0 0	C					
Cambridge .. ..	705 0 0		144 0 0	M	272 7 11			263 9 7	440 8 10
Hamilton .. ..	705 0 0	15 0 0	152 0 0	M	726 15 1			1496 5 8	
	692 10 0	10 0 0	144 0 0	C					
	599 10 0	10 0 0	82 0 0	M					
Hamilton East ..	718 10 0		81 0 0	C	200 0 0			1264 11 1	229 18 4
	352 10 0	(half year)	45 0 0	M					
Huntly .. ..	705 0 0			C		2 0		42 15 11	
Matamata .. ..	755 0 0		260 0 0	M	269 15 4			32 13 0	3362 14 2
Putururu .. ..	643 0 0		120 0 0	M		707 4 9			2820 11 0
	510 0 0		91 14 3	M					
Rotorua .. ..	705 0 0		200 0 0	M		75 16 2		425 11 9	720 10 2
	400 0 0		100 0 0	M					
	566 0 0		75 0 0	M					
Tauranga .. ..	692 0 0	25 0 0	150 0 0	M	17 8			258 0 2	47 8 8
	692 0 0		125 0 0	M					
	599 0 0		153 0 0	M					
Whakatane .. ..	692 0 0		59 7 9	M	93 5 1			58 2 8	
Opotiki .. ..	705 0 0		109 7 4	M	227 4 7			69 12 2	
Te Awamutu .. ..	692 10 0		265 6 10	M	327 19 2			316 5 7	
Otorohanga .. ..	705 0 0		189 0 0	C	21 13 8			506 0 10	
Te Kuiti .. ..	705 0 0		150 0 0	M		310 19 10			553 10 11
Taumarunui .. ..	693 0 0		189 0 0	M		141 13 4			
Kawarau .. ..			115 15 0	M	45 15 9			11 16 8	
Ohura .. ..	553 0 0		142 6 1	C	86 4 2			62 1 10	
Ngaruawahia .. ..	560 0 0		186 0 0	M		61 17 6		93 1 5	
Kawhia .. ..									
Coromandel .. ..	104 0 0				36 11 3			15 13 4	
TOTALS .. ..	19771 18 11	122 10 0	4413 15 3	M35C6	4678 12 9	1299 3 5		7003 8 4	12669 12 10

## TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth ..	776 0 0		125 0 0	M	13 2			2869 5 3	220 8 3
	689 0 0		93 15 0	M					
	692 0 0		135 9 11	M					
Waitara .. ..	669 12 4		259 17 3	M		148 1 5		56 9 3	
Stratford .. ..	682 13 9		163 1 2	M	8 8 5			177 2 3	
					296 12 5				
Eltham-Kaponga ..	671 0 0		186 0 0	M	1323 16 11			185 16 3	
Hawera .. ..	709 11 0		156 0 0	M	71 2 7			271 5 11	
Manaia .. ..	705 0 0		168 0 0	M	142 7 11			130 12 9	
Opunake .. ..	692 10 0		146 0 0	C	488 18 4			345 1 4	
	614 16 8		130 0 0	M					
Wanganui Central ..	761 15 0		108 0 0	M	595 3 1			785 4 4	37 6 9
Wanganui North ..	692 10 0		100 0 0	M	46 1 10			207 5 11	
Wanganui West ..	734 6 6		80 0 0	M		79 2 2		163 0 11	
Taihape .. ..	536 15 10		29 12 1	L/C	45 4 4			35 1 11	
Raetihi-Ohakune ..	108 0 0		67 0 0		349 18 10			53 19 7	
*Marton .. ..	677 3 4		20 0 0		7 16 6			213 14 11	
Inglewood .. ..	654 8 4		150 0 0	C	55 6 8				421 7 4
TOTALS .. ..	11067 2 9		2117 15 5	M12C2	3431 11 0	227 3 7		5494 0 7	680 2 4

## HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

Napier .. ..	725 0 0	25 0 0	132 0 0	M	1485 13 8			61 14 2	452 9 9
	708 0 0	25 0 0							
Hastings .. ..	705 0 0	50 0 0	180 0 0	M	74 11 4			270 7 2	1986 12 3
	705 0 0	20 0 0	104 0 0	M					
Gisborne .. ..	714 4 5		156 7 10	M		1601 13 1		5423 3 9	
Wairoa .. ..	656 0 0		79 4 1	M	5 0			2 4 2	
Dannevirke .. ..	705 0 0			C	86 4 5			86 4 5	
Pahiatua .. ..	694 0 0		183 7 0	M	50 0 0			248 3 6	
Palmerston North (St. Paul's) ..	705 0 0	45 0 0	158 0 0	M				279 14 3	
	610 0 0		75 0 0	M					
Palmerston North (Trinity) ..	828 0 0		276 0 0	M	43 5 4				96 18 2
Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe ..	683 17 4		156 0 0	M	36 14 7			166 14 4	
Feilding .. ..	692 10 0	95 0 0	225 0 0	M	50 17 5			310 18 2	100 6 7
	521 10 0	5 0 0	150 0 0	M					
Sanson-Rongotea ..	705 0 0		250 0 0	M	89 4 4			438 18 8	

## GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1960.

## NELSON DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	STIPENDS, Etc.					STATE OF FINANCES at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Minis- ters specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling additional to Annual Stipend)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Car Ownership Circuit M. Minister		Circuit		Trust Account Totals	
						Credit Balance	Debit Balance	Total Credit Balances ex- cluding bal- ances held for special purposes	Total Debit Balances
Nelson .. .. .	£ s. d. 725 0 0 725 0 0 471 0 0	£ s. d. 26 0 0 25 0 0	£ s. d. 175 0 0 150 0 0 10 0 0	M M M		£ s. d. 11 7 1	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 229 11 1	£ s. d.
Waimea .. .. .	692 10 0		225 0 0	M		240 0 2		166 19 5	
Motueka .. .. .	675 16 8	12 10 0	123 0 0	M		100 11 10		48 0 3	600 0 0
Murchison .. .. .			146 12 11	M		204 8 3		51 12 5	
Blenheim .. .. .	717 10 2		75 17 2	C			63 13 9	829 14 0	
	482 1 8		89 19 5	C					
	553 16 8		66 5 0	M					
Reefton .. .. .	599 3 4		110 0 0	M		68 0 7		266 11 4	
Westport .. .. .	648 15 0		95 3 3	M		76 19 9		65 12 4	
Greymouth .. .. .	709 0 8		210 0 0	M			197 12 0	57 2 10	
Hokitika .. .. .	599 0 0		50 16 8	M			78 19 10		72 0 1
TOTALS .. .. .	7598 14 2	63 10 0	1487 14 5	M11C2		701 7 8	340 5 7	2061 10 6	672 0 1

## NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street .. .. .	800 0 0 705 0 0	25 0 0	143 6 9 135 10 0	M M		820 8 2		920 0 1	582 7 5
Chch. Central Mission & Cambridge Tee. Church	730 0 0 717 10 0		75 0 0	M M		33 13 11 131 14 4		1639 3 10 2910 18 11	30 11 1
Christchurch East .. .. .	692 10 0 692 10 0 692 10 0 692 10 0 692 10 0		60 8 4 60 8 4 60 8 4 60 8 4 60 8 4	M M M M M					
Woolston-Lyttelton .. .. .	692 10 0 692 10 0 692 10 0	2 0 0	65 0 0 65 0 0 105 0 0	M M M			4 4 0	1037 14 1	1075 0 0
Sydenham .. .. .	692 10 0		135 15 0	M		91 11 0		591 15 11	
Addington .. .. .	705 0 0		48 0 0	M		17 0 0		3 6 11	
Riccarton .. .. .	705 0 0 602 0 0		139 0 0 118 0 0	M M		9 18 1		556 18 0	1497 17 5
St. Albans .. .. .	717 10 0 693 0 0 693 0 0	15 0 0 15 0 0 15 0 0	88 15 0 95 18 6 143 13 0	M M M				930 15 3	902 0 6
Papanui .. .. .	697 15 2		165 9 0	M		348 7 5		324 12 8	11 1 7
Springston .. .. .	693 17 0 565 9 6		223 19 0 4 0 0	M M		170 19 11		486 11 1	300 2 10
Leeston .. .. .	696 12 8		181 4 0	M		122 10 6		398 18 0	
Kaiapoi .. .. .	592 13 4		120 0 0	M		131 7 10		777 13 2	
Rangiora .. .. .	692 0 0 582 0 0		210 0 0 152 0 0	M M		48 17 8		369 18 2	
Greendale .. .. .	692 10 0	31 0 0	250 0 0	M		172 18 4		111 10 9	
Oxford .. .. .	705 0 0		210 0 0	M		6 2 3		387 19 1	
TOTALS .. .. .	19218 7 8	103 0 0	3184 4 0	M26		2105 9 5	4 4 0	11447 5 11	4399 0 10

## SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru (Banks Street)	705 0 0		120 0 0	M		510 18 7		21 5 9	
Timaru (Woodlands St.)	705 0 0		120 11 7	M		503 12 11		82 11 11	
Marchwiell Union Parish	690 0 0		130 0 0	M		142 9 4		142 9 4	
Waimate .. .. .	691 10 0		135 15 0	M				159 8 1	
Geraldine .. .. .	692 0 0		225 0 0	M		31 5 7		148 5 7	
Temuka .. .. .						51 16 10			9 1 6
Ashburton .. .. .	707 10 0 428 3 4	10 0 0 10 0 0	143 0 0 104 0 0	M M		212 15 11		2092 5 9	
Willowby .. .. .	705 0 0		270 0 0	M		309 19 7		341 7 11	16 14 11
Oamaru .. .. .	695 10 0		100 0 0	M			61 9 7	717 6 0	724 18 9
TOTALS .. .. .	6019 13 4	20 0 0	1348 6 7	M9		1762 18 9	61 7 9	3705 0 4	750 15 2

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church and Mission (Dunedin) .. .. .	738 6 8 692 10 0		110 0 0 110 0 0	M M		286 10 1		2091 0 6	
Dunedin (Dundas St.) .. .. .	650 10 0		50 0 0	M		7 17 0		26 10 1	519 1 7
Dunedin North .. .. .	692 10 0		70 0 0	M		10 0 0		302 6 9	
Dunedin South .. .. .	692 10 0 692 10 0 439 0 0		50 0 0 25 0 0 12 0 0	M M M		61 12 0		365 14 9	
Dunedin (St. Kilda) .. .. .	692 10 0 533 17 6		74 1 4 85 18 3	M M			259 6 8	23 13 2	579 4 4
Dunedin (Mornington)	705 0 0		70 0 0	M		26 11 3		318 10 3	
Dunedin (Roslyn) .. .. .	692 10 0		87 10 5	M		62 11 8		23 7 10	
Port Chalmers .. .. .	491 13 0		35 6 10	M			27 0 10	133 9 5	
Mosgiel .. .. .	599 0 10		13 15 0	M		53 12 10		10 6	
Milton .. .. .	692 10 0		49 1 3	M		28 8 11		14 3 2	
Balclutha .. .. .	692 10 0		111 7 11	M			90 15 2	55 8 11	
Gore .. .. .	695 0 0	10 0 0	100 0 0	M		49 10 9		8 9 9	688 5 8
Edendale .. .. .			97 10 0	M			6 11 3		
Invercargill Central .. .. .	692 10 0 692 10 0		151 0 0 60 0 0	M M			589 16 1	3 16 2	
Invercargill (St. Peters)	705 0 0	20 0 0	100 0 0	M		199 14 3		297 13 3	
Western Southland .. .. .	599 0 0 254 3 4		303 11 0 97 10 0	M M		54 18 10	2084 19 6	175 19 3	20 18 7
Bluff .. .. .	692 10 0		80 0 0	M		428 11 0		111 9 4	
Roxburgh .. .. .	692 10 0		100 0 0	M		13 8 5		71 13 4	
Cromwell-Alexandra .. .. .	692 10 0		212 11 1	M		13 18 0		280 14 0	
Waikouaiti-Palmerston	512 0 0		106 0 0	M			43 0 0	68 7 3	
Lawrence .. .. .			142 0 0	M		16 10 7		1 5 2	
TOTALS .. .. .	15925 1 4	30 0 0	2504 3 1	M24		1313 15 7	3101 9 6	4374 2 10	1807 10 2

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