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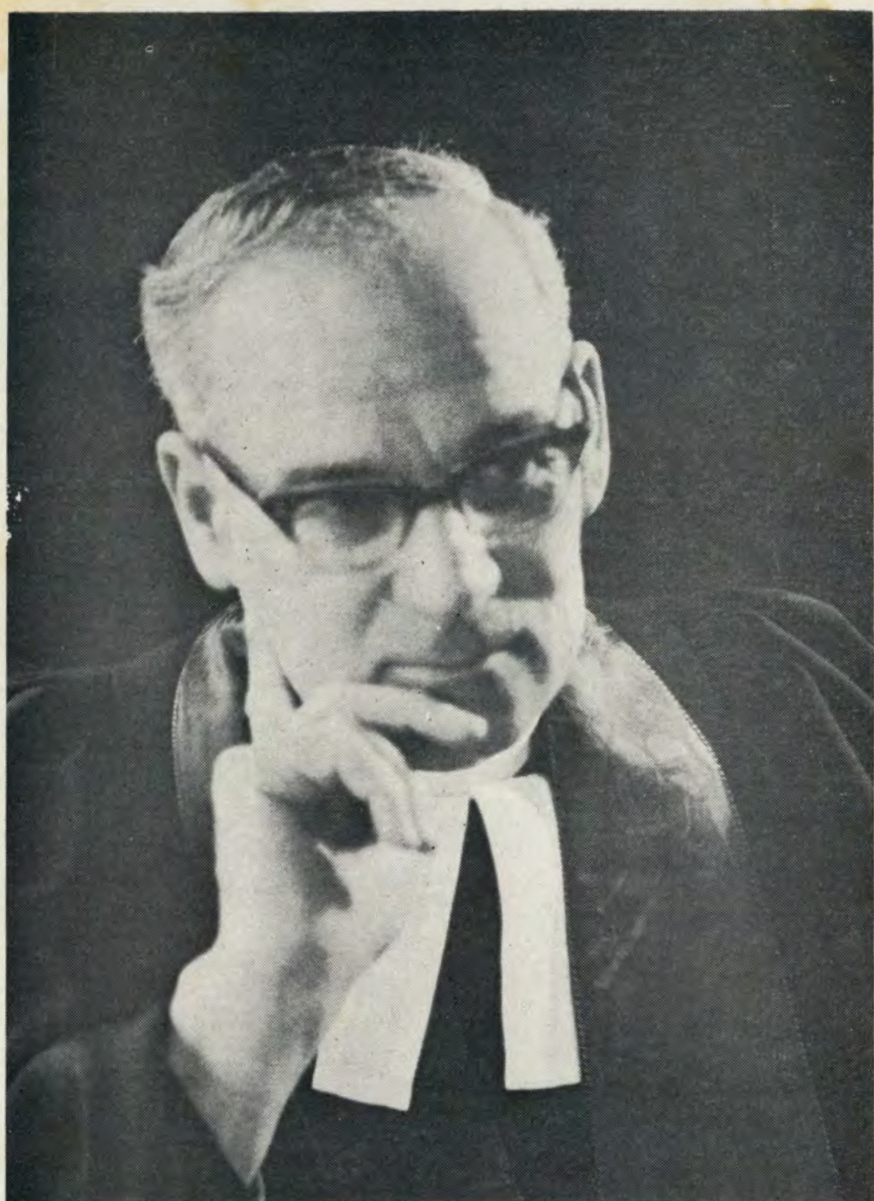
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“The Missions in Australia, Van Diemen’s Land, the Friendly Islands and Feejee” were constituted by the British Conference of 1854 “a distinct Connexion, to be denominated ‘The Australasian Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion,’ with an Annual Conference, 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

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

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### THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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

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## LECTIONARY 1963-64

(FOR OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

APRIL, 1963		MORNING	EVENING
Palm Sunday	7	Zechariah <b>9</b> : 9-12 Matthew <b>21</b> : 1-17	Isaiah <b>52</b> : 13- <b>53</b> : 12 Matthew <b>27</b> : 32-54
Easter Day	14	Exodus <b>12</b> : 1-14 Matthew <b>28</b> : 1-10	Exodus <b>14</b> : 15-31 Luke <b>24</b> : 13-35
1st after Easter	21	Isaiah <b>25</b> : 1-9 John <b>21</b> : 1-22	Ezek. <b>37</b> : 1-14 John <b>20</b> : 19-31
2nd after Easter	28	Deut. <b>18</b> : 15-19 Acts <b>3</b> : 1-10	Exodus <b>14</b> : 15-31 Mark <b>4</b> : 35-41
<b>MAY</b>			
3rd after Easter (Bible Sunday N.Z.)	5	Psalm <b>19</b> (No. 23) 2 Tim. <b>3</b> : 14- <b>4</b> : 8	Exodus <b>15</b> : 20-27 Romans <b>15</b> : 4-13
4th after Easter (Home & Family Day)	12	Deut. <b>10</b> : 12-15; 17- <b>11</b> : 1 Matthew <b>19</b> : 13-22	Exodus <b>16</b> : 2-15 2 Tim. <b>1</b> : 1-14
5th after Easter (Aldersgate & Rogation Sunday)	19	Psalm <b>130</b> (No. 59) Mark <b>12</b> : 28-34 ; 41-44	Numbers <b>14</b> : 11-24 Luke <b>10</b> : 1-12 ;17-20
Sunday after Ascension	26	2 Kings <b>2</b> : 1-15 Hebrews <b>1</b> : 1-12	Jeremiah <b>31</b> : 1-13 Ephes. <b>4</b> : 1-16
<b>JUNE</b>			
Whit Sunday	2	Psalm <b>104</b> (No. 52) Acts <b>2</b> : 1-13	Ezek. <b>36</b> : 22-28; 35-6 Romans <b>8</b> : 1-17
Trinity Sunday	9	Psalm <b>89</b> : 1-18 (No. 45) John <b>14</b> : 6-19	Isaiah <b>63</b> : 7-16 1 Peter <b>1</b> : 1-21
1st after Trinity	16	Numbers <b>27</b> : 12-23 John <b>4</b> : 1-10; 13b- 14; 19-26	Exodus <b>1</b> : 8-10, 22; <b>2</b> : 1-10 Mark <b>1</b> : 14-28
2nd after Trinity	23	Deut. <b>34</b> : 1-12 John <b>4</b> : 27-42	Exodus <b>2</b> : 11-22 Mark <b>1</b> : 29-39
3rd after Trinity	30	Josh. <b>2</b> : 1-9 ; 12-21 Acts <b>2</b> : 22-42	Exodus <b>4</b> : 1-16 Mark <b>2</b> : 1-12
<b>JULY</b>			
4th after Trinity	7	Joshua <b>3</b> : 7-17; 4 : 4-7 Acts <b>3</b> : 1-19	Exodus <b>6</b> : 2-12 Mark <b>2</b> : 13-28
5th after Trinity	14	Joshua <b>5</b> : 13- <b>6</b> : 5 Acts <b>4</b> : 1-12	Exodus <b>7</b> : 8-27 Mark <b>3</b> : 1-12
6th after Trinity (Youth Day)	21	1 Chron. <b>28</b> : 1-10 Matthew <b>13</b> : 44-58	Job <b>28</b> : 12-28 (No.66) 1 Tim. <b>4</b> : 6-16
7th after Trinity	28	Joshua <b>6</b> : 12-16; 20 Acts <b>4</b> : 13-22	1 Sam. <b>1</b> : 1-11; 19-20 John <b>5</b> : 1-15

## AUGUST

		MORNING	EVENING
8th after Trinity	4	Proverbs <b>1</b> : 1-9 Acts <b>5</b> : 12; 17-32	1 Sam. <b>4</b> : 1-11 John <b>5</b> : 16-29
9th after Trinity (L.P. Sunday)	11	Proverbs <b>4</b> : 5-23 Mark <b>6</b> : 30-44	1 Sam. <b>7</b> : 1-12 John <b>5</b> : 30-47
10th after Trinity	18	1 Sam. <b>16</b> : 14-23 Matthew <b>14</b> : 22-36	Prov. <b>14</b> : 31-15 : 9, Ephes. <b>1</b> : 1-14 [13-17]
11th after Trinity	25	1 Sam. <b>17</b> : 1-11 John <b>6</b> : 22-40	Proverbs <b>17</b> : 1-14 Ephes. <b>1</b> : 15-23

## SEPTEMBER

12th after Trinity	1	1 Sam. <b>17</b> : 32-51 John <b>6</b> : 41-51	1 Sam. <b>18</b> : 1-16 Ephes. <b>4</b> : 17-32
13th after Trinity	8	1 Sam. <b>21</b> : 1-4a; 6-9 John <b>6</b> : 52-71	1 Sam. <b>26</b> : 5-25 Ephes. <b>5</b> : 1-8; 14-21
14th after Trinity	15	1 Sam. <b>28</b> : 3-20 Matthew <b>18</b> : 15-35	2 Sam. <b>1</b> : 1-10 17-27 2 Cor. <b>5</b> : 20-6 : 10
15th after Trinity (Temperance Sunday)	22	Daniel <b>1</b> : 1-21 Romans <b>14</b> : 1-12	Proverbs <b>20</b> : 1-12 Romans <b>14</b> : 13-23
16th after Trinity	29	2 Kings <b>5</b> : 1-14 Acts <b>18</b> : 24-19 : 6	2 Kings <b>6</b> : 8-23 Luke <b>5</b> : 1-16

## OCTOBER

17th after Trinity (World Communion)	6	Hosea <b>6</b> : 1-6 Acts <b>20</b> : 17-38	2 Kings <b>17</b> : 1-6; 24-28 Luke <b>14</b> : 1-14
18th after Trinity	13	Hosea <b>11</b> : 1-9c Matthew <b>11</b> : 20-30	2 Kings <b>22</b> : 3-11; <b>23</b> : 1-3 Acts <b>24</b> : 24-25 : 12
19th after Trinity	20	2 Kings <b>23</b> : 4-14 Luke <b>13</b> : 1-17	2 Kings <b>23</b> : 28-24 : 7 Acts <b>28</b> : 16-31
20th after Trinity (Industrial Sunday)	27	Isaiah <b>35</b> (No. 69) Ephes. <b>6</b> : 5-20	Proverbs <b>1</b> : 20-33 Romans <b>13</b>

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

## NOVEMBER

21st after Trinity	3	Ezek. <b>11</b> : 14-20 Luke <b>18</b> : 35-19 : 10	Jeremiah <b>38</b> : 1-13 Matthew <b>21</b> : 23-32
22nd after Trinity (Remembrance Day)	10	Job <b>19</b> : 1-9; 21-29 Romans <b>8</b> : 18-39	Psalms <b>46</b> (No. 33) Rev. <b>7</b> : 9-17
23rd after Trinity	17	Ezek. <b>18</b> : 1-4; 19-22 27-32 Mark <b>12</b> : 13-27	Ezek. <b>33</b> : 1-9 1 Tim. <b>1</b> : 12-17; 2 : 1-7
24th after Trinity (Next before Advent)	24	Haggai <b>2</b> : 1-9 2 Cor. <b>4</b> : 5-18	Jeremiah <b>23</b> : 1-8 John <b>12</b> : 37-50

DECEMBER		MORNING	EVENING
1st in Advent	1	Zephaniah <b>3</b> : 1-8; 12-15 Matthew <b>25</b> : 1-13	Isaiah <b>5</b> : 1-7 Rev. <b>1</b> : 1-20
2nd in Advent	8	Isaiah <b>11</b> : 1-10 Luke <b>4</b> : 16-30	Psalms <b>119</b> : 105-112; 129-136 Rev. <b>20</b> : 11-21 : 8
3rd in Advent	15	Ezek. <b>34</b> : 1-12 Matthew <b>25</b> : 14-30	Isaiah <b>26</b> : 1-9 Rev. <b>21</b> : 9-16; <b>22</b> : 5
4th in Advent	22	Ezek. <b>34</b> : 20-31 Matthew <b>25</b> : 31-46	Isaiah <b>29</b> : 9-19 Rev. <b>22</b> : 8-17; 20-21
Sunday after Christmas	29	Isaiah <b>40</b> : 1-11 Luke <b>2</b> : 21-40	Isaiah <b>42</b> : 10-17 John <b>1</b> : 1-18
JANUARY, 1964			
2nd after Christmas	5	Isaiah <b>40</b> : 12-31 Phil. <b>2</b> : 1-18	Joshua <b>1</b> : 1-11; 16-17 1 John <b>4</b> : 7-21
1st after Epiphany	12	Isaiah <b>61</b> : 1-11 Matthew <b>2</b> : 1-12	Isaiah <b>49</b> : 3-13 Ephes. <b>2</b> : 1-22
2nd after Epiphany	19	Jonah <b>1</b> : 1-17 1 Thess. <b>1</b> : 1-10	Gen. <b>37</b> : 3-14; 18-28 John <b>2</b> : 1-12
Septuagesima	26	Proverbs <b>8</b> : 1-4; 22-36 Matthew <b>5</b> : 1-16	Gen. <b>2</b> : 4-9; 15-25 1 John <b>1</b> : 1-9
FEBRUARY			
Sexagesima	2	Exodus <b>20</b> : 1-17 Matthew <b>5</b> : 17-32	Genesis <b>3</b> : 1-21 Rev. <b>12</b> : 7-12
Quinquagesima	9	Levit. <b>19</b> : 1-4; 9-18 Matthew <b>5</b> : 33-48	Gen. <b>3</b> : 22-4 : 13 1 John <b>3</b> : 1-12
1st in Lent	16	Isaiah <b>58</b> : 1-12 Matthew <b>4</b> : 1-11	Gen. <b>6</b> : 5-8; 13-22 Matthew <b>26</b> : 1-16
2nd in Lent	23	Job <b>1</b> : 6-22 Phil. <b>1</b> : 1-21	Gen. <b>7</b> : 24-8 : 13 Matthew <b>26</b> : 17-35
MARCH			
3rd in Lent	1	Job <b>2</b> : 1-13 Phil. <b>3</b> : 1-16	Genesis <b>1</b> : 1-9 Matthew <b>26</b> : 36-56
4th in Lent	8	Job <b>29</b> : 1-18; <b>30</b> : 1 Phil. <b>3</b> : 17-4:1,4-9	Micah <b>6</b> : 1-8 Matthew <b>26</b> : 57-75
5th in Lent (Passion Sunday)	15	Job <b>38</b> : 1-11; 31-36 <b>40</b> : 2-4 2 Cor. <b>5</b> : 1-19	Micah <b>7</b> : 1-9; 18-19 Matt. <b>27</b> : 1-2; 11-31
Palm Sunday	22	Zechariah <b>9</b> : 9-12, 16 Mark <b>11</b> : 1-11	Exodus <b>11</b> : 1-8 Matthew <b>27</b> : 32-56
Easter Day	29	Exodus <b>15</b> : 1-5; 10-13; 17-19 Luke <b>23</b> : 50-24 : 12	Exodus <b>12</b> : 21-36 Luke <b>24</b> : 13-35

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> : 26-49
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
All Saints' Day	2 Kings <b>6</b> : 8-17 Wisdom <b>3</b> : 1-9 (No. 74)	Rev. <b>7</b> : 9-17 Rev. <b>19</b> : 6-10 or Hebrews <b>11</b> : 32- <b>12</b> - 3
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, 31st October, 1962, at 7.30 p.m. in the Durham Street Methodist Church, Christchurch, by the retiring President, Rev. E. Clarence Leadley, after which the Rev. Robert Thornley, M.A. was inducted to the Presidency.

Mr. Frank M. Souster, 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?**

Graham Brazendale	C. Seton Horrill
James H. Conway	John E. Langley
Warwick Gust	Lewis H. Major
E. Francis I. Hanson	William Morrison
Maxwell A. Hornblow	David S. Mullan

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

G. Kingsley Greening                      Lawrence E. Salter  
Who have travelled four years.

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

Who have travelled two years.

John B. Currie	Harold C. Pomeroy
Graham E. Hawkey	Ian H. Robertson
Arnold C. Hight	Maynard G. Rutherford
David L. Hines	Frederick G. Waine
Edgar R. Hornblow, L.L.B.	Walter J. D. Waking
Barry E. Jones	Alan K. Woodley

Who have travelled one year.

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

David H. Ansell (see also Q.6).  
David Armstrong (see also Q.6).  
Niven Graeme Ball.  
Wallis F. Browne, B.A. (see also Q.6).  
Ian Leslie Clark (see also Question 6).  
Ronald E. Fields (see also Q.6).  
Paul A. Garside (see also Q.6).  
Kenneth J. Keall (see also Q.6).  
Derek G. Laws.  
Brian Keith Rowe, B.A.  
Kenneth Toomer (see also Q.6).  
William Geoffrey Tucker.  
John W. White (see also Q.6).

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

Maxwell L. Bruce	Brian L. Olsen
Hendrik Gerritsen	John H. Roberts
Michael Maguire	Charles D. Shave
Ronald G. Major	Nelson W. Stockbridge
Barry W. Neal	Stuart G. Slinn

Who are continued for a third year.

William A. Chessum	Colin B. Herbert
Edwin B. Clarke	Bruce E. Mackie
Ronald C. Collingwood	Neil E. Smith
Ludwig Felderhof	Napi Waaka
John G. Hayhurst	Norman J. West

Who are continued for a second year.

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

Roy M. Alexander.  
Robert A. Allan.  
David H. Ansell (see also Q.4).  
David Armstrong (see also Q.4).  
A. Roy Bowden.  
Wallis F. Browne, B.A. (see also Q.4).  
Ian L. Clarke, A.R.A.N.Z. (see also Q.4).  
Ronald E. Fields (see also Q.4).  
Paul A. Garside (see also Q.4).  
Daniel P. Harris.  
Richard J. Hendry.  
Kenneth J. Keall (see also Q.4).  
John I. Manihera.  
Alastair D. Pain.  
Te Taotahi John Pihama.  
Donald F. Prince.  
Keith J. Taylor.  
Robert Te Whare.  
Kenneth Toomer (see also Q.4).  
Stanley J. West.  
John W. White (see also Q.4).

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

Takeo Returoba, who has travelled six years.

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

J. Francis Bongbong.  
Who has travelled two years.  
Leslie Boseto (See also Question X)  
Moses Mosusu.  
Who have travelled one year.

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

None.

**QUESTION X—(a) Who are now received as Solomon Islands Students for the Ministry?**

Jechoniah Kaskas.  
Luke Pitu.

**(b) Who are Continued as Solomon Islands Students for the Ministry?**

Matthew Beaso.  
Leslie Boseto (see also Q. VIII).  
Misake Tarurava.

Who are continued for a second year.

**QUESTION XI.—(A) What Deaconesses are dedicated at this Conference?**

Graewyn Hammond. Edna Jenkin.

**(b) What Students are to be received on to Deaconess Probation?**

Lyn Bowker. Barbara Miller.  
Janet Evans. Shirley Simpson.  
Elva Harris.

(c) What Students are to continue Deaconess Training?

Shirley Ungemuth.

(d) What candidates are received for Deaconess Training?

None.

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

**First Year**

Wallis F. Browne

Laurie A. Michie

Owen P. Davies

Donald Prince

Ronald W. Ferguson

E. T. Simpkin

Colin C. Jamieson

J. W. White

**Second Year**

Henry W. Kelly

David Armstrong

**Third Year**

David H. Ansell

Kenneth J. Keall

Ronald E. Fields

**Fourth Year**

Paul Garside

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

H. Leslie Richards.

Piripi Livingstone (Hon. Maori Home Missionary).

J. Hatoitoi Pihama (Hon. Maori Home Missionary).

**HORACE LESLIE RICHARDS**

Horace Leslie Richards was born in Moonta, South Australia, in 1883. By trade he was a mechanical engineer. In his early twenties he came to New Zealand and worked in the Te Aroha district. Accepted as a Candidate for the ministry in 1908 he proceeded to "Dunholme" for theological training. Two years of his probation were spent in Epsom, Auckland, and two in Dunedin. During his subsequent Ministry, he served in the following appointments: Hokitika, Fitzroy (New Plymouth), Otahuhu, Dunedin (Cargill Road), Richmond, Takapuna, Cuba Street (Palmerston North), Waimate, Kaiapoi and Leeston. In all these places his ability as a preacher was recognised. His naturally dramatic gifts were often suppressed in the interests of precise statement, but he spoke with conviction. He had a high sense of the dignity of the office to which he was called, without ever becoming clerical. He could be friendly without being familiar. In getting alongside men he never made himself cheap.

In preaching, his emphasis centred largely on the social implications of the gospel and the cause of universal peace. He was an ardent advocate of monetary reform.

In his pastoral work he was the confidant of many. As people came to know him they learned that beneath a brusque exterior lay a genuine interest in people and a kindly humour.

In 1915 he married Miss Myrtle Rountree. By her personal charm and wonderful devotion, Mrs Richards greatly enriched her husband's ministry.

Settling in Leeston after his retirement, he continued to give considerable time to the cause of Social Credit and stood, unsuccessfully, in its interests as a Candidate for Parliament. After some weeks of suffering, he passed to higher service on August 14, 1962, at Christchurch.

To Mrs Richards, the two daughters and two sons, we extend the sympathy of the Church.

### PIRIPI LIVINGSTONE

The late Piripi Livingstone was born at Mangamuka, Hokianga. When a youth, the late Rev. Piripi Rakena took interest and conferred on him the surname of Livingstone. In the course of time Three Kings College at Auckland attracted a number of Maori boys from Northland and Piripi was one of them. He showed average ability in school work coupled with thoroughness, method and reliability.

Piripi settled in the Bay of Islands district and there he built a home and established a dairy farm by sheer hard work. His college training gave him a good opportunity for leadership among those of his people with whom he became associated. As an honorary Home Missionary for a number of years Piripi publicly showed forth his loyalty to the Church and his love for his Lord.

Recognised by the people as a Christian gentleman Piripi's example in the beauty of goodness in Christ's way of life remains a source of inspiration. The Church and our Maori Mission wish to convey to the widow and her family their sincere sympathy in the loss of a good husband, a loving father and friend.

### J. HATOITOI PIHAMA

In the passing from this life of Mr Joe Hatoitoi Pihama, a faithful and loyal servant of the Methodist Church has gone to his reward. Born at Mercer in 1902 of Christian parents he has left a treasured memory and we believe his influence will be felt for years to come. He was educated at Three Kings and Paerata. In his early life Mr Pihama was associated with Rev A. J. Seamer whose influence left a deep impression on his life in Christian thinking and living.

After a serious accident on the railway, resulting in the loss of a leg Mr Pihama fitted himself for secretarial work by mastering shorthand and typing. He also qualified as an A Grade Maori Interpreter.

He was received as an Honorary Home Missionary in 1952 and was a valued worker. His contribution to the Maori Church life was largely through his translation work especially the "Mataapuna" and more recently of a monthly Circuit letter and Bible Study.

His sudden death has brought a sense of loss to Mission workers who esteemed his advice and valued his sound judgment. Our sympathy is extended to Mrs Pihama and family.

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

Henry L. Blamires	William Walker
Arthur Hopper	Ernest O. Blamires
Arthur J. Seamer	Fred Copeland
R. Purcell Keall	Charles Blair
Jonathan H. Haslam	Edwin S. Harkness
George P. Hunt	Albert Blakemore
Frank E. Leadley	Walter J. Enticott
Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D.	Herbert Ford
Albert H. Fowles	Frederick O. Prosser
E. Percy Blamires	Harry Cottom
Henry Ryan	George B. Hinton

William Rowe  
 Robert B. Tinsley  
 Frank Bateup  
 Arthur A. Bensley  
 James W. Parker  
 William A. Burley, M.A.  
 Archer O. Harris  
 Charles H. Olds, B.A.  
 Percy I. Cooke  
 Arthur H. Scrivin  
 Wallace S. Neal  
 John Dennis  
 Alfred E. Jefferson  
 Charles H. Kendon  
 Ngatete K. Kukutai, M.B.E.  
 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  
 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  
 D. J. Donald Hickman  
 L. Gordon Hanna

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

James H. Hall.  
 Eric W. Hames, M.A.  
 W. John Henderson.

**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	W. J. Bryant
J. W. Bayliss	T. Steele
W. H. Wilson	D. I. Robertson
R. T. Alexander	H. Prowse
Roy Coombridge	H. R. Wright
Cyril Robinson	F. E. Trim

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

J. C. R. Ashworth.

**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.).

Wilf G. Eisner (with permission to serve with the Justice Department).

Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A. (With permission to serve under the National Council of Churches as a Fraternal Worker in Indonesia).

Lane M. Tauroa. (With permission to serve under N.C.C. as a fraternal worker in Indonesia).

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

Leslie C. Clements  
Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Agr.Sc.  
Ernest S. Hoddinott

Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A.  
Leonard V. Willing

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

Dorothea M. Noble, B.A.  
Wilf G. Eisner, B.A.  
Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A.

Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D.  
Stanley R. Goudge, B.A.

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

Peter S. Barker

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

Sakeo Rataroha (who is transferred to New South Wales Conference).

Rev. A. C. Linstead, who is on exchange from the United Church of Canada.

**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?**

Joel Zio, who being a Solomon Islands minister in full status, 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. W. Gust, B.A.

2nd year: Rev. P. P. Rushton, B.A.

3rd year: Rev. W. Gust, B.A.

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.  
 Christian Education—Rev. W. F. Ford, B.A.  
 Religion and Psychology—P. A. Stead, B.A.  
 Social Ethics—Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade.  
 Comparative Religion—Rev. J. B. Dawson, B.A.  
 Maori 1 and 2—Rev. Ranginohooa 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. E. R. Le Couteur.
Third Section	..	..	..	Rev W. J. Morrison, M.A.

#### Tutor in Greek

Rev. D. L. Kitchingman, B.A.

#### (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.,
(c) Holy Spirit, Church, Ministry and Sacraments, Last Things	..	..	..	B.D. 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 W. S. Dawson, M.A.
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. C. B. Oldfield.
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 D. H. Burt
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 G. R. H. Peterson



### (E) Examiners for Local Preachers.

Old Testament .. .. .	Rev O. T. Woodfield, B.A.
New Testament .. .. .	Rev. H. K. Brown
Theology .. .. .	Rev M. Jackson Campbell
Homiletics .. .. .	Rev D. B. Gordon, M.A.
The Church (History, Organization, and Mission) .. .. .	Rev C. D. Clark, M.A.

### (F) Examiners for Deaconesses.

Theology .. .. .	Rev R. G. Bell, M.A., B.D.
Church History .. .. .	Rev H. W. Payne
Old Testament .. .. .	Rev. G. V. Thomas, B.A.
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.

## I—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 1963 (from N.Z. B.D. Course Stage I).

**NOTE:** All chapters are inclusive.

1st year: Matthew 4-6; Acts 14-15; 1 Corinthians 1.

2nd year: Matthew 4-7; Acts 14-16; 1 Corinthians 1 and 2.

3rd year: Matthew 3-7; Acts 13-16; 1 Corinthians 1-3.

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 1963. Third Section: "The Holy Spirit, etc."

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 1963—Third section (a two-hour paper).

1st SECTION—Sermons on:

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

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): Textbook "Psychology of Religion" by Paul E. Johnson (Abingdon)—Revised Edition.

- (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) Christian Education: "The Teaching Ministry of the Church" by James D. Smart (Westminster Press), and "The Clue to Christian Education" by Randolph Crump Miller (Scribner).
- (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 1963: The Last Week of Jesus' Life on Earth.

2nd year 1963: Romans, Chapters 1-12.

3rd year 1963: James to Jude.

4th year 1963: 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. District Constitution.

### 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 1962-63 be:

Theology—Rev I. Buadromo.

Bible Knowledge—Rev T. F. Taylor.

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

Methodism—Rev D. I. A. McDonald.

Book List—Rev J. Cropp.

### **SOLOMON ISLANDS CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY**

1. English—All those who have not recently passed an exam. at Std. 9 level to sit a written paper in English.
2. Arithmetic—An exam to be set at Std. 7 level for those who have not recently passed Std. 9 Arithmetic.
3. Theology—A close study of the book GOD AND MAN by M. Temple. (Key Books).
4. Bible Knowledge—An elementary knowledge of the Bible—both Old and New Testaments and a knowledge of how we got it.  
Texts: How we got the Old Testament; How the New Testament came to us; The Greatest Book in the World; African Home Library.
5. History of the District—Candidates should write an essay on some aspect of the history of their own District.
6. Candidates must appear before Synod, conducting a trial service in English and pass an oral examination in theology.

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

1. Old Testament.
  - (a) Elementary Hebrew. 1 period weekly.  
1st year—Structure of the language, elementary grammar and syntax, key biblical words.  
2nd year—Easy translation and exegesis.  
Advanced Hebrew at the University.
  - (b) Old Testament Introduction. 1 period weekly.  
1st year—Canon, text, archaeology, authority of the Old Testament.  
Introduction to Pentateuch and to Historical Books.  
2nd year—History and background of the prophetic movement.  
Introduction to the Prophetic Literature.  
3rd year—History of Hebrew People from 586 B.C. to A.D. 70.  
Judaism in the Hellenistic Period.  
Introduction to canonical Psalms and Wisdom Literature and selected works from the Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha.
  - (c) Old Testament Theology and Exegesis. 1 period weekly.  
1st year—General Outline of Old Testament Theology.  
2nd year—The Teaching of the Prophets.  
3rd year—Development of Jewish thought in the Hellenistic Period.  
Teaching of the Psalms and of the Wisdom Literature.
2. New Testament.
  - (a) New Testament Greek.  
Junior Year—Grammar, two periods weekly.  
Intermediate Year—Grammar and Syntax, Easy Translation.  
Two periods weekly.  
Senior Year—Syntax, translation, unseen translation. Two periods weekly.
  - (b) Introduction.  
Junior Year—Literary and Form Criticism of the Synoptic Gospels.

Intermediate Year—Introduction to Acts, Pauline Epistles; Textual Criticism.

Senior Year—Introduction to Johannine literature and other epistles; History of the Canon.

(c) New Testament Exegesis

On selected passages from the Synoptic, Pauline and Johannine literature, one period weekly for each year. Senior exegesis on the Greek text, Junior on the English.

(d) New Testament Theology.

Junior Year—Synoptic Teaching.

Intermediate Year—Pauline Teaching.

Senior Year—Johannine Teaching.

One period weekly each.

3.

**SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY**

1st year

God, Man, Sin.

2nd year

The Person and Work of Christ.

The Doctrines of Grace.

3rd year

Church, Ministry and Sacraments. The Last Things. Methodist Theology to-day.

Also, the 2nd and 3rd year students are taken together in a class devoted alternately year about to 1, Christian Ethics; 2, Worship, Special Services, Church Organization and Law Book.

**CHURCH HISTORY**

Combined class, 1 period weekly.

1st year. To 1500 A.D.

2nd year. 1500 to present time. Ecumenism.

3rd year. Methodism, origins and world development.

IV.

**PASTORAL THEOLOGY**

Pastoral I—Religious Education. Teaching Method. Child Development. The All-age School. Adult Education. Group Process.

Pastoral II—Pastoral Visitation and Pastoral Care. Ministering to the Sick, the Bereaved, etc. Pastoral Counselling.

Pastoral III—Advanced Homiletics. The Gospel in the Modern World. Personality and Evangelism. Methods of Evangelism.

**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:**

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Matthew chapters 5-7.        | Galatians chapter 5        |
| Luke chapters 14-16          | Ephesians chapters 2 and 4 |
| John chapters 14-17          | Hebrews chapter 11         |
| Romans chapters 5, 8, 12, 14 | 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 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; Examina-

tion 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.

## VI—COURSE OF STUDIES—DEACONESSES

### 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, 1963

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—1964.

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 LAY 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.
5. The Church—"History, Organization and Mission." For text-book information write to Rev. D. H. Burt.

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

N.B.—In addition to the Written Examinations, a Lay Preacher must conduct not less than 10 services and 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 insufficiently 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 1963—**

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

#### **DATES OF EXAMINATIONS.**

Examinations for 1963 shall commence on the following dates:

Probationers—Tuesday, May 16th, and Tuesday, September 19th.

Tutorials for Probationers—Greek: Feb. 1st; Theology: June 6th.

Candidates for Ministry—Tuesday, July 18th.

Home Missionary Probationers—Tuesday, September 12th.

Bible Knowledge (For H.M. Probationers)—Tuesday, March 7th.

Deaconess Candidates—Tuesday, July 18th.

Local Preachers—First week in June and December.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That congratulations be extended to Rev. O. T. Woodfield on graduating B.A., and to Sister Rita Snowden, on being made a Fellow of the International Institute of Arts and Letters (Switzerland), and that permission be granted for these honours to be printed in the Minutes.
2. That Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A., be thanked for his services as Secretary of the Board of Examiners, and that he be reappointed.
3. That Rev. L. P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D., be thanked for his services as Assistant-Secretary of the Board of Examiners, and that he be reappointed.

4. That Rev. D. H. Burt be appointed acting Assistant-Secretary during the absence overseas of Rev. L. P. Schroeder.
5. That a representative Committee examine the whole pattern of our law and procedure, with special reference to:
  - (a) Candidature for the Ministry, and its relationship to Local Preacher status;
  - (b) The length and nature of Theological and practical training for Ministers;
  - (c) Probation—its length and study and other requirements;
  - (d) The question of Candidature for married men, and the financial provision for their support during training;
  - (e) Conference Examination of Students.

And that the Committee report to Synods and Conference.

6. That this representative Committee be the Trinity College Board of Studies, with Revs. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D., A. K. Petch, B.A., B. M. Chrystall, B.A., W. F. Ford, B.A., The President of Conference, Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A., J. D. Grocott, B.A., and H. C. Matthews, B.A., as corresponding members; Convener to be Rev. J. J. Lewis, M.A., Ph.D., with power to co-opt.
7. That the Committee appointed under resolution 6 also consider and report on the suggestion that intelligence tests be taken for all Candidates for the Ministry.
8. That the Oral Examiner for 1963 be Rev. G. R. H. Peterson.

**QUESTION XXV.—(a) Do we sanction the amalgamation alteration or division of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station, or do we originate any proposal having reference thereto?**

**NORTHLAND:**

**Whangaroa-Bay of Islands:** That in line with the recommendations of the Commission, the present Whangaroa-Bay of Islands Circuit be divided into the Whangaroa Circuit (staffing: one ordained Minister); Kaikohe-Bay of Islands Circuit (staffing: 1 Ordained Minister and 1 Probationer).

The Whangaroa Circuit Boundaries shall be as before the amalgamation the Kaikohe-Bay of Islands shall consist of the remainder of the present Circuit.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

1. That **Waverley** from the Central Church and Mission (Dunedin) Circuit be included in the St. Kilda Circuit.

2. That **Palmerston, Waikouaiti** and **Waitati** from Dunedin West Circuit be included in the Central Church and Mission (Dunedin) Circuit, with a suitable Home Mission grant. Staffing to be three Ordained Ministers.

3. That **Mornington Circuit** be amalgamated with the remaining **Dunedin West Circuit**, the Circuit to be known as the Dunedin West Circuit, the staffing to be 2 ordained ministers.

4. That the **Milton Circuit** and **Lawrence** Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit to be known as the Milton-Lawrence Circuit.

(5) (a) That the **Edendale** Circuit, except Morton Mains, be incorporated in the Gore Circuit and that Morton Mains be included in the Invercargill Central Circuit.

(b) That Invercargill Circuits be under obligation to provide one ministerial supply each month and local preacher supply as required to the Gore Circuit.

**QUESTION XXV.—(b) What new Districts, Circuits or Home Mission Stations are now constituted.**

See under Question XXV (a) re Whangaroa-Bay of Islands and Dunedin Circuits.

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

**SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

**Hamilton East:** "That the staffing be two Ordained Ministers and a Probationer."

**WELLINGTON:**

**Wainuiomata:** That the staffing of the Wainuiomata Union Parish be two Ordained Ministers

**NELSON:**

**Waimea:** That the staffing of the Waimea Circuit be one ordained Minister and one Probationer.

**NORTH CANTERBURY:**

**St. Albans:** That the staffing of the St. Albans Circuit be four Ordained Ministers with a suitable grant.

**Durham St.:** That the staffing of the Christchurch (Durham St.) Circuit be two Ordained Ministers and a Deaconess.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

**Dundas St.:** That the Dundas Street Circuit be named North Dunedin Circuit.

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

Hamilton East 3rd.  
Wainuiomata.  
Waimea.

**QUESTION XXVI.—(c) From what Circuits are preachers to be withdrawn?**

Christchurch Durham Street.

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

None.

**QUESTION XXVIII.—What Circuits are due to provide a Parsonage for an ordained minister?**

Ohura has fulfilled its obligation.

**Tauranga (Greerton)** is taking steps to have a Parsonage built. **Taihape** is due, and seeks relief for a further year.

**Lower Hutt (4th)** is due but seeks relief for a further year.

**Riccarton** is due, and is providing rented accommodation for married probationer, and is seeking a suitable house with view to purchase as a Parsonage.

**St Kilda (2nd)** is due and is providing rented accommodation.

# LIST OF STATIONS OF THE Methodist Church of New Zealand

President—REV. ROBERT THORNLEY, M.A.

Vice-President—MR FRANK M. SOUSTER.

Secretary—REV. ATHOL R. PENN.

## STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1963.

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 145 and [1] to [16] 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. **Kaikohe-Bay of Islands**—Harris Whitfield, One Wanted.
3. **Whangaroa**—David Armstrong, William M. Garner (Sup.).
4. **North Hokianga**—Hughan M. Craig.
5. **Hokianga**—George C. Hopkins.
6. **Hikurangi**—Graham Brazendale.
7. **Whangarei**—William R. Francis, B.A., David H. Ansell.
8. **Dargaville**—Andrew G. Reid, One Wanted.
9. **Ruawai**—Amos W. Burrough.
10. **Paparoa**—Frederick J. Climo.
11. **Port Albert**—Frederick D. Peterson, One Wanted.

### MAORI MISSION—

- [1] **Northland**—Te Awha W. Tahere Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup.). 6 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

WILLIAM R. FRANCIS, B.A.

Chairman of the District.

R. HOWARD, Financial Secretary

### II—AUCKLAND DISTRICT

12. **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.), Ruawai D. Rakena (Asst. Sup.), Harold A. Darvill (Maori Missionary—residing at Hawera), Ranginohoora Rogers, Senior Maori Supt.

**The Overseas Mission Department**—Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Gen. Sec.).

**Trinity Theological College**—David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D., Tutor in Pastoral Theology, Principal; John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., Tutor in Biblical Languages, Literature and Teaching, Resident Tutor; John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D. (Bristol), Tutor in N.T. Language, Literature, and Teaching. One Wanted (Tutor in Systematic Theology and Church History), Eric W. Hames, M.A., Supply.

**Department of Christian Education**—Field Director (see Question 30).

13. **Auckland Central Mission**—A. Everil Orr, M.B.E., Sydney J. Spindler, Arthur J. Seamer, C.M.G. (Sup.), Two Deaconesses.
14. **Auckland South**—E. Clarence Leadley, Reginald Grice (Roskill), Walter Parker (Sandringham), Douglas H. Burt George P. Hunt (Sup.). Children's Home: Chaplains, E. Clarence Leadley and Reginald Grice.
15. **Auckland West**—O. McLennan Olds, One Wanted.
16. **Auckland East**—Athol R. Penn (Secretary of Conference), E. Raymond Le Coureur, H. David Besant, B.A., Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B., Edwin S. Harkness (Sup.), Arthur H. Scrivin (Sup.).
17. **Auckland (Orakei)**—Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D. (Chaplain to Winstone Lodge and Joint Chaplain to Seamer House), H. C. Linstead (on exchange from the United Church of Canada), 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.), Eric W. Hames, M.A. (Sup.).
18. **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.), Albert Blakemore (Sup.).
19. **Auckland (Henderson)**—Arthur T. Kent, Harry Moore (Glen Eden) and Lawrence E. Salter (Te Atatu), Percy I. Cooke (Sup.), Thomas Skuse (Sup.), Fred Copeland (Sup.), Walter J. Enticott (Sup.).
20. **Auckland (Devonport)**—John Silvester, M.A., E. Percy Blamires (Sup.).
21. **Auckland (Takapuna)**—John A. Penman, B.A., Norman W. Olds (who shall supervise Whangaparaoa Circuit), John Dennis (Sup.), A. Harry Voyce (Sup.), Ernest O. Blamires (Sup.), Henry L. Blamires (Sup.).
22. **Auckland (Birkenhead)**—Donald G. Sherson, B.A., Robert W. Widdup (Beach Haven), Kenneth J. Keall (Northcote), Joseph C. Draper (Sup.).
23. **Onehunga**—Herbert W. Payne (Joint Chaplain to "Kurahuna"), One Wanted, James H. Hall (Sup.).
24. **Otahuhu**—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.).
25. **Papatoetoe**—Albert Jolly, Harold C. Pomeroy, L. Gordon Hanna (Sup.).
26. **Papakura**—Clarence T. J. Luxton (who shall supervise the Waiuku Circuit), Harry W. Toothill.



27. **Pukekohe**—Thomas H. Carr, One Wanted. Wesley Training College, Paerata; Principal, Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed.  
 28. **Bombay-Tuakau**—Brian W. Sides, One Wanted.  
 29. **Waiuku**—G. Kingsley Greening.  
 30. **Kaipara**—Lewis A. Bowen.  
 31. **Whangaparaoa**—Paul A. Garside.  
 32. **Mahurangi**—James H. Conway.  
 [2] **Auckland—Ranginohora Rogers** (Senior Maori Supt., Joint Chaplain to Seamer House and "Kurahuna"), Ngatete K. Kukutai (Sup.), 7 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
 COLPORTEUR WORK—A Home Missionary.

E. CLARENCE LEADLEY, Chairman of the District.  
 ERIC W. HAMES, M.A., Deputy Chairman.  
 G. RAYMOND HARRIS, Financial Secretary.

### III—SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

33. **Thames**—Reginald Day (who shall supervise the Coromandel Home Mission Station), Frank Bateup (Sup.).  
 34. **Hauraki Plains**—David S. Mullan.  
 35. **Paeroa**—John H. Osborne, B.A.  
 36. **Waihi**—R. Leslie George, [J. Francis Attwood (Sup.).]  
 37. **Te Aroha**—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D.  
 38. **Morrinsville**—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D., Warwick Gust, B.A. (Waitoa), Robert B. Tinsley (Sup.).  
 39. **Cambridge**—Leonard Shapcott.  
 40. **Hamilton**—Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A., Archibald W. McKay, One Wanted. Stanley R. Goudge (Without Pastoral Charge). Samuel J. Werren (Sup.), Leslie A. G. Brooks (Sup.).  
 40a. **Raglan Union Parish**—Cong. Appointment.  
 41. **Hamilton East**—Allan O. Jones, Derek G. Laws, William A. Burley, M.A. (Sup.), Charles H. Olds, B.A. (Sup.), John H. Bailey (Sup.), George Brown (Sup.).  
 42. **Huntly**—Eric R. Eastwood.  
 43. **Matamata**—Campbell P. Lucas.  
 44. **Putaruru-Tokoroa**—Frederick J. K. Baker, Frank H. Woodfield.  
 45. **Rotorua**—W. E. Allon Carr, One Wanted, Russell James (Taupo).  
 46. **Tauranga**—Robert H. Allen, B.A., Arthur H. Ivory LL.B., B.Com. (Mount Maunganui), One Wanted, Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).  
 47. **Te Puke**—Geoffrey T. Gilbert.  
 48. **Whakatane**—Cuthbert F. Peart (who shall supervise the Kawerau Circuit).  
 49. **Opotiki**—William E. Moore.  
 50. **Te Awamutu**—John Churchill, One Wanted (Deaconess Supply).  
 51. **Otorohanga**—John K. Watson, M.C., B.A.  
 52. **Te Kuiti**—Owen Kitchingman, B.A. (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit), a Home Missionary.  
 53. **Taumarunui**—Bruce Scammell.  
 54. **Ohura**—Bruce W. Edwards.  
 55. **Kawerau**—One Wanted.

- [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  
**S. V. LEACH, Financial Secretary.**

#### IV—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

56. **New Plymouth**—William W. H. Greenslade (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel), Keith C. Griffith, T. Ralph Benny, Robert E. Fordyce (Sup.), Charles H. Kendon (Sup.).
57. **Waitara**—Kenneth H. Russell, A Home Missionary.
58. **Stratford**—Alan H. V. Newton.
59. **Eltham-Kaponga**—Edward Baker, A Home Missionary.
60. **Hawera**—Colin D. Clark, B.A. (who shall supervise the Manaia Circuit), A Home Missionary (Patea).
61. **Manaia**—B. Keith Rowe, B.A.
62. **Opunake**—Basil J. Hilder, Ian L. Clark.
63. **Wanganui Central**—Bernard M. Chrystal, B.A., Wilf. G. Eisner, B.A. (Chaplain with Justice Department).
64. **Wanganui North**—William C. Jenkin.
65. **Wanganui West**—Geo. L. Bennett.
66. **Taihape**—W. Geoffrey Tucker.
67. **Raetihi-Ohakune**—One Wanted.
68. **Marton**—Edward P. Boyd.
69. **Inglewood**—Mervyn L. Dine.
- [5] **Taranaki-Waimarino**—Harold A. Darvill (Hawera, Acting-Circuit Superintendent), One Wanted (New Plymouth), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
**BERNARD M. CHRYSTALL, B.A.,** Chairman of the District.  
**A. L. FOX, Financial Secretary.**

#### V—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

70. **Napier**—Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., Clifford G. Brown (Greenmeadows), One Wanted, Henry Ryan (Sup).
71. **Hastings**—John B. Dawson, B.A., John C. F. Mabon, Arthur Hopper (Sup.).
72. **Gisborne**—J. C. Aldwyn Williams (who shall supervise Wairoa Circuit), Alan K. Woodley.
73. **Wairoa**—Arnold C. Hight.
74. **Dannevirke-Norsewood**—Wilfred S. Gilbert, One Wanted.
75. **Woodville**—One Wanted.
76. **Pahiatua**—Clifford L. Duder (who shall supervise Woodville Circuit).
77. **Palmerston North (St Paul's)**—Peter A. Stead, B.A., Geoffrey E. Scarr (Roslyn), Harry I. Shaw, C.F.
78. **Palmerston North (Trinity)**—George H. Goodman, One Wanted.
79. **Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe**—J. Montgomery Blight.

80. **Feilding**—Leslie F. Bycroft (who shall supervise the Apiti Circuit), A Deaconess Wanted.
81. **Sanson-Rongotea**—William K. Abbott.
82. **Apiti**—Graham E. Hawkey.
83. **Waipawa-Waipukurau**—A. Kerry Taylor, W. J. Henderson (Sup.).
84. **Foxton-Shannon**—David G. Stubbs,  
GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman of the District.  
K. D. HUSE, A.R.A.N.Z., Financial Secretary.

#### VI—WELLINGTON DISTRICT

85. **Wellington Central**—Robert Thornley, M.A. (President of Conference), Gordon D. Brough, B.A., 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), Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A. (Fraternal Worker under N.C.C. in Indonesia).  
**Department of Christian Education**—Director, Wilfred F. Ford, B.A.
86. **Wellington West**—Gordon R. H. Peterson, Wilfred J. Cable.
87. **Wellington South**—Ian W. Reid, One Wanted.
88. **Wellington East**—Lawrence Greenslade, J. Ainsley Daglish, Frank S. Rigg, Ernest S. Hoddinott (Senior Chaplain to Justice Department).
89. **Wellington North**—George R. Thompson, E.D., Roger M. Gibson.
90. **Porirua**—Percy P. Rushton, B.A., One Wanted, Ivo M. Raynor, William Rowe (Sup.).
91. **Lower Hutt**—Charlie O. Hailwood, Phillip D. Ramsay, John B. Currie, Bryan M. Walker, M.A., Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (without pastoral charge), Dorothea M. Noble, B.A. (without pastoral charge), R. Purcell Keall (Sup.).
- 91a. **Taita Union Parish**—Pres. Appointment.
92. **Upper Hutt**—Francis H. Parker, One Wanted.
93. **Petone**—Idris J. Ruck.
- 93a. **Wainuiomata Union Parish**—Pres. Appointment, William Morrison (2nd).
94. **Greytown-Featherston**—Maxwell A. Hornblow.
95. **Carterton**—Charles E. Dickens.
96. **Masterton**—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D., (who shall supervise Eketahuna Circuit), Kenneth Toomer. Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
97. **Eketahuna**—Wallis F. Browne, B.A.
98. **Levin**—Norman P. Larsen (who shall supervise the Otaki Circuit), Harry S. Kings (Sup.).
99. **Otaki**—John W. White, Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.).
100. **Paraparaumu**—Noel D. Billinghamurst.  
ROBERT THORNLEY, M.A. (President of Conference),  
Chairman of the District.  
GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Deputy-Chairman.  
T. M. PACEY, Financial Secretary.

#### VII—NELSON DISTRICT

101. **Nelson**—M. Alexander McDowell, D.D., Ian D. Grant (Stoke, who shall supervise the Murchison Circuit), Maynard G. Rutherford.
102. **Waimea**—Loyal J. Gibson, One Wanted.

103. **Motueka**—John R. Hall.  
 104. **Murchison**—One Wanted.  
 105. **Blenheim**—Charles B. Oldfield, One Wanted (Picton), One Wanted (Springlands), John R. Hamlin, C.F., Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).  
 106. **Reefton**—Ian H. Robertson.  
 107. **Westport**—E. Francis I. Hanson.  
 108. **Greymouth**—Alan Newman (who shall supervise the Reefton Circuit), One Wanted (Runanga).  
 109. **Hokitika**—Albert A. Grundy, M.A.  
     M. ALEXANDER McDOWELL, D.D.,  
     Chairman of the District.  
     ALAN NEWMAN, Deputy-Chairman.  
     H. HOLLAND, Financial Secretary.

#### VIII—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

110. **Christchurch (Durham Street)**—W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A., David L. Trebilco, A. Deaconess, Herbert Ford (Sup.), Archer O. Harris (Sup.), William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. (Sup.), William G. Slade, M.A., D.D. (Sup.), Charles Blair (Sup.).  
 CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE—Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.  
 FIELD DIRECTOR—(See Question 30).  
 111. **Christchurch Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church**—Wilfred E. Falkingham, David W. Edmonds, A Deaconess Wanted, Leonard V. Willing (resting).  
 112. **Christchurch East**—Hubert G. Brown, A. Peter Dorrian, Frank G. Glen, A. Wharton, E. Silvester (Medal of Merit, U.S.A.), H. I. K. Hopper, B.A., Albert H. Fowles (Sup.), Wallace S. Neal (Sup.).  
 113. **Christchurch (Woolston-Lyttelton)**—Leslie T. Norwell, Charles H. Raynor (Opawa), One Wanted (Lyttelton), Frederick O. Prosser (Sup.).  
 114. **Christchurch (Sydenham)**—Gordon V. Thomas, B.A.  
 115. **Christchurch (Spreydon)**—M. Jackson Campbell, R. Russell Marshall.  
 116. **Christchurch (Riccarton)**—John D. Grocott, B.A., David L. Hines, Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A. (Overseas).  
 117. **Christchurch (St Albans)**—R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Harold K. Brown, Herbert A. Cochrane, Trevor Shepherd, Cecil R. Taylor (Sup.).  
 118. **Christchurch (Papanui)**—Howard C. Matthews, B.A., One Wanted. South Island Orphanage: Chaplain, Howard C. Matthews, B.A.  
 119. **Springston**—John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus., Walter J. D. Wakeling (Islington), Harry Cotton (Sup.).  
 120. **Leeston**—Owen T. Woodfield, B.A.  
 121. **Kaiapoi**—Harry V. Utting.  
 122. **Rangiora**—Charles H. Bell, B.A., Ronald E. Fields.  
 123. **Greendale**—Irwin J. Fowler.  
 124. **Oxford**—Owen L. Christian.

HUBERT G. BROWN, Chairman of the District.  
 A. PETER DORRIAN, Financial Secretary.

#### IX—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

125. **Timaru (Banks Street)**—Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.  
 126. **Timaru (Woodlands Street)**—John Grundy, M.A., One Wanted (Kensington).

- 126a. **Marchwiell Union Parish**—Edmund D. Grounds.  
 127. **Waimate**—Ivan J. Clucas, Jonathan H. Haslam (Sup.).  
 128. **Geraldine-Temuka**—Neville Thornicroft, One Wanted.  
 129. **Ashburton**—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A., C. Seton Horrill, D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.).  
 130. **Willowby**—Trevor L. Bennett.  
 131. **Oamaru**—George W. Cramond.

ARTHUR R. WITHEFORD, Chairman of the District.  
 A. MARSHALL, Financial Secretary.

#### X—OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

132. **Central Church and Mission (Dunedin)**—D. Bruce Gordon, M.A., Ernest Heppelthwaite, Warren Green, A Deaconess.  
 133. **North Dunedin**—Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A., William L. Wallace, B.A.  
 134. **Dunedin West**—Andrew J. Johnston, David L. Kitchingman (Roslyn-Maori Hill).  
 135. **Dunedin South**—William J. Morrison, M.A., One Wanted, John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S., Ernest B. Chambers (Sup. Supply).  
 135a. **Corstorphine Union Parish**—Alan J. Handyside.  
 136. **Dunedin (St. Kilda)**—Ralph E. Patchett, Barry E. Jones.  
 137. **Milton—Lawrence**—Robert S. Andrews (who shall supervise the Roxburgh Circuit).  
 138. **Balclutha**—J. Herbert Thompson.  
 139. **Gore**—J. Henry Woolford, M.A.  
 140. **Invercargill Central**—W. Lloyd Divers, Ronald H. Wood.  
 141. **Invercargill (St. Peter's)**—J. Stanley Olds, One Wanted (New-field).  
 142. **Western Southland**—Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc., Niven G. Ball.  
 143. **Bluff**—G. Basil W. Bell.  
 144. **Roxburgh**—Frederick G. Waine.  
 145. **Cromwell-Alexandra**—Lewis H. Major.

ANDREW J. JOHNSTON, Chairman of the District.  
 S. S. HOLDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., Financial Secretary.

#### XI—SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

- [6] **Roviana**—James F. Cropp (Kokenggolo), Alexander C. Watson (Honiara), Iliesa Buadromo (Simbo), John V. Bitibule (Gizo), One Missionary Sister (teacher), One Missionary Sister (teacher) Wanted, One Missionary Sister (nurse) Wanted.  
**Helena Goldie Hospital**—One Missionary Doctor Wanted, One Missionary Sister (nurse).  
**District Headquarters**—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Chairman of the District), One Lay Missionary (accountant), One Lay Missionary (engineer), Allen H. Hall, M.A., with permission to pursue translation work in New Zealand.  
**Goldie College (Banga)**—One Wanted, One Missionary Teacher Wanted.  
 [7] **Marovo**—Aisake N. Vula (Sege).  
 [8] **Vella Lavella**—Daniel Palavi (Bilua), One Wanted (Maravari), Timothy Piani (Ranonga), One Missionary Sister (teacher), One Missionary Sister (nurse).  
 [9] **Choiseul**—D. I. Alister McDonald (Sasamungga), Job Rotoava (Sasamungga), One Wanted (Sengga), One Missionary Sister (deaconess), One Missionary Sister (teacher), One Missionary Sister (nurse) Wanted.

- [10] **Buin**—Philip F. Taylor (Tonu), One Wanted (Kihili), Samson Pataaku (Nagavisi), One Missionary Teacher Wanted, One Missionary Sister (nurse), One Missionary Sister (deaconess).  
**District Girls' School (Kihili)**—Two Missionary Sisters (teachers).
- [11] **Kieta**—John Taufu (Roreinang).
- [12] **Teop**—Peter S. Barker (Kekesu), J. Francis Bongbong (Tearaka), One Missionary Sister (teacher), One Missionary Sister (nurse).  
**Teacher Training Institution**—One Missionary Sister (teacher) seconded to the Inter District Teacher Training Institution at Namatanai, New Guinea District.
- [13] **Buka**—Gordon A. R. Cornwell (Skotolan), Moses Mosusu (Kunua), One Wanted, One Missionary Sister (teacher), One 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

- [14] **Mendi**—John B. Rees, A. Graham Smith, One Lay Missionary, Two Missionary Sisters.
- [15] **Tari**—John Atkinson, Two Lay Missionaries, One Carpenter, Three Missionary Sisters.
- [16] **Nipa**—Clifford J. Keightley, One Missionary Sister (nurse), One Missionary Sister (teacher) Wanted.
- N.B.—John B. Rees, A. Graham Smith and John Atkinson are ministers of the New South Wales Conference.

CLIFFORD J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman of the District.

#### OVERSEAS MEDICAL AND LAY MISSIONARIES

One Missionary Doctor wanted.

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

Bruce D. Smith (Accountant), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

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

Rodney C. Fleury (Builder), via Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.

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

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

#### NORTHLAND DISTRICT—

Whangaroa—R. Coombridge (retired).

Kaikohe-Bay of Islands—(2nd) E. T. Simkin.

Dargaville—(2nd) (Te Kopuru), Ian Barker.

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

#### Maori Mission:

Mangamuka—Supply.

Whirinaki—Supply.

Punakitere—Te Hira Ratete.

Kaihohe—Hotai Mita Hohepa.

Taheke—Matu Makiha.

Waiomio—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti.

Kawakawa—Supply.

Pokere—Supply.

Totara North—Robert Taka.

Whananaki—Himiona Waata.

Hikurangi—Hohepa Hemara.  
Dargaville—Wiremu Paki Ihaka.  
Rangitane—Henare Kapa.  
Batley—Supply.  
Pakiri—Supply.

#### **AUCKLAND DISTRICT—**

Department of Christian Education, Field Director—Miss Mary Astley.  
Auckland (Orakei)—D. I. Robertson (retired).  
Auckland West (2nd)—One wanted.  
Auckland (Takapuna)—W. H. Wilson (retired).  
Auckland (Onehunga) (2nd)—One wanted.  
Pukekohe (2nd) (Mauku)—One wanted.  
Bombay-Tuakau (2nd) (Bombay)—One wanted.

#### **Maori Mission:**

Rewiti—Supply.  
Point Chevalier—Hone Wilcox.  
Auckland Suburban—Non-resident Student Supply (Napi Waaka).  
Auckland—Huru Wiperi (retired).  
Te Kohanga—Waaka Kukutai.  
Tuakau—Ngaweke Tuhimata (retired).

#### **SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT—**

Kawerau—Supply (A. W. Dickie).  
Whakatane—W. J. Bryant (retired).  
Tauranga (3rd)—L. A. Michie (Greerton).  
Coromandel—Supply (Thomas Walker).  
Rotorua (2nd)—One wanted (Western Heights).  
Ngaruawahia—F. L. Johnson.  
Hamilton East—A. L. Witheford (retired).  
Hamilton (3rd)—Supply wanted (Melville).  
Kawhia—One wanted.  
Te Awamutu (2nd) Deaconess Supply (Sister Doreen Bulford) (Pirongia).

#### **Maori Mission:**

Hamilton—Wiremu Tonga and Herehere Maihi Maaka.  
Rangiriri—Matene Hori de Thierry.  
Huntly—Supply.  
Ngaruawahia—Te Orahi Tonga and Tutu Keepa.  
Ngaruawahia Rural—Grahame Kahui.  
Frankton Junction—Supply.  
Whatawhata—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama and Hoera Whakaari [Hakopa].  
Aramiro—Supply.  
Raglan—Tuteao Manihera.  
Aotea Harbour—Roi Moke.  
Mokomako—Tumu Te Huia.  
Maketu Pa—Waiwera Rangawhenua.  
Kawhia—Paahi Moke (retired).  
Rakaunui—Supply.  
Te Kopua—Supply.  
Mourea—Te Iwikau Waaka.  
Taharoa—Taipua Te Uira.  
Marokopa—Nguru Winikerei.  
Ngutunui—Supply.  
Mokau—Supply.  
Aotearoa—Pukerau Rangitutia.  
Otorohanga—Supply.  
Waitomo—Supply.  
Hangatiki—Supply.  
Waimiha—Tame Ponui.

### **TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—**

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

#### **Maori Mission:**

New Plymouth—Te Akonga Pihama (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel).  
Urenui—One wanted.  
Rahotu—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka.  
Nukumarū—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).  
Dannevirke-Norsewood (2nd) (Norsewood)—O. P. Davies.

### **WELLINGTON DISTRICT—**

Wellington South (2nd) (Island Bay)—One wanted.  
Upper Hutt (2nd)—Deaconess Appointment (Probationer Janet Evans).

### **NELSON DISTRICT—**

Blenheim (2nd)—H. D. Kelly, B.A. (Picton); (3rd)—C. G. Jamieson.  
Moteuka—R. T. Alexander (retired).  
Murchison—One wanted.  
Reefton—T. Steele (retired).  
Greymouth (2nd) (Runanga)—One wanted.  
Waimea (2nd)—One wanted.

### **NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Department of Christian Education, Field Director—C. H. Couch.  
Christchurch (Papanui) (2nd)—One wanted.  
Rangiora—F. E. Trim (retired).  
Woolston-Lyttelton—One wanted.

#### **Maori Mission:**

Rapaki—Wera Couch.

### **SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Timaru (Woodlands Street) (2nd)—One wanted. J. C. R. Ashworth (retired).  
Geraldine-Temuka (2nd)—One wanted.

### **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—**

Invercargill, St Peter's (2nd)—(Newfield)—R. W. Fergusson.  
Dunedin South (2nd)—Supply (Rev E. B. Chambers).



**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 Josephine Glasson. (A Deaconess on exchange from the N.S.W. Conference.) Wesley Church, Wellington.

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

Two Deaconesses wanted, Auckland Central Mission.  
One wanted, Central Mission, Cambridge Terrace, Christchurch.

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

One wanted, Central Mission, Dunedin.

(c) **Ministerial Supply**

Sister Doreen Bulford, Te Awamutu.  
Probationer Janet Evans, 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, Te Kuiti.  
Sister Joan Wedding, Hokianga.  
Sister Graewyn Hammond, Hamilton.  
Sister Edna Jenkin, Otorohanga.  
Probationer Lynette Bowker, Opunake.  
Probationer Barbara Miller, Dargaville.  
Probationer Shirley Simpson, Hamilton 2nd.  
Probationer Elva Harris.

(b) **In Maori Hostels**

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

**III—OVERSEAS WORK**

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

**IV—LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Sister Mary Sealey (with permission to travel overseas).

**V—WITHOUT APPOINTMENT**

Sister Rita Snowden, Auckland.  
Sister Gladys Thomas (on exchange with N.S.W. Conference).  
Sister Dorothy Pinton (with permission to serve with the B. and F. Bible Society).

**VI—IN TRAINING**

Shirley Vera Ungemuth (2nd year).

**VII—SUPPLY APPOINTMENTS**

Mrs G. George (Sister Atawhai), Bay of Islands.  
Miss Connie Fell, Auckland Central.  
Mrs Eunice Bell, Hamilton.

### VIII—OVERSEAS MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Ada Lee, Buin, T.N.G.  
Sister Myra Fraser, Munda, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Edith James, Tari, via Goroka, T.N.G.  
Sister Mary Addison, Buin, T.N.G.  
Sister Lesley Bowen, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.  
Sister Audrey Highnam, Bilua, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Norma Graves, Namatanai, T.N.G.  
Sister Patricia Jacobsen, 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.  
Sister Patricia Hulks, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.  
Sister Vivienne Parton, Bilua, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Janice Palmer, Buka, T.N.G.  
N.B.: B.S.I.P.—British Solomon Islands Protectorate;  
T.N.G.—Territory of New Guinea.

### IX—RETIRED

#### (a) Deaconesses:

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sister Ruth Fawcett      | Mrs C. B. Jones          |
| Mrs W. J. Williams       | Sister Olive Coleman     |
| Sister May Barnett       | Mrs H. Breed             |
| Sister Annie Tocker      | Mrs R. Venis             |
| Sister Winifred Beaumont | Sister Olive Bott        |
| Sister May Ralph         | Sister Ivy Jones, M.B.E. |
| Sister Lily White        | Mrs M. Tauroa            |
| Sister Ruth Hilder       |                          |

#### (b) Missionary Sisters:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Sister Grace McDonald | Sister Merle Farland  |
| Sister Edna White     | Sister Effie Harkness |
| Sister Lina Jones     |                       |

### LIST OF HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

The following List will be a guide to those wishing to notify ministers in the cities in particular of those from other areas who are patients in the various city hospitals. The List is not exclusive. It refers only to the main public institutions. In smaller centres, not listed, those concerned should write to the resident Minister.

#### AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

- Auckland, Greenlane, and National Women's Hospitals—Rev Walter Parker.  
Middlemore—Revs. A. Jolly and L. R. M. Gilmore.  
Oakley Hospital—Rev. L. C. Horwood.  
Kingsseat Psychiatric Hospital—Rev. T. H. Carr.

#### SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

- Waikato Hospital—Rev. L. A. G. Brooks.  
Queen Elizabeth (Rotorua)—Rev. W. E. A. Carr.  
Tokanui Psychiatric—Rev. J. Churchill.

#### HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT—

- Napier—Rev. Dr. R. Dudley.  
Hastings—Rev. J. B. Dawson.  
Palmerston North—Rev. G. E. Scarr.

#### WELLINGTON DISTRICT—

- Wellington Public Hospital—Rev. F. S. Rigg.  
Lower Hutt Public Hospital—Rev. P. D. Ramsay.  
Silverstream—Rev. F. H. Parker.

## NELSON DISTRICT—

Nelson Public Hospital—Rev. I. D. Grant.  
Ngawhatu Psychiatric—Rev. I. D. Grant.  
Seaview Psychiatric (Hokitika)—Rev. A. A. Grundy.

## NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—

Christchurch Hospital—Rev. Ian K. Hopper, B.A.  
Princess Margaret Hospital—Rev. G. R. Trebilco.  
Burwood Hospital—Rev. A. W. E. Silvester.

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—

Dunedin Public, Private and Psychiatric Hospitals—Rev W. Green.

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

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

David H. Ansell	Derek G. Laws
David Armstrong	C. Russell Marshall
Niven G. Ball	Moses Mosusu
J. Francis Bongbong	Harold C. Pomeroy
Wallis F. Browne	Ian H. Robertson
Bruce W. Edwards	B. Keith Rowe
Ronald E. Fields	Maynard G. Rutherford
Paul A. Garside	Lawrence E. Salter
G. Kingsley Greening	Brian W. Sides
Graham G. Hawkey	A. Kerry Taylor
Arnold C. Hight	Kenneth S. Toomer
David L. Hines	W. Geoffrey Tucker
Edgar R. Hornblow	Walter J. D. Waking
Russell E. James	William Wallace
Kenneth J. Keall	John W. White
	Alan K. Woodley

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

#### All Senior Home Missionaries

Sister Pamela Beaumont	Pastor H. D. Kelly
G. B. Couch	Sister Lucy H. Money
Wera Couch	Solomon Alu
Pastor Colin Jamieson	

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

### 1. CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS

Northland—William R. Francis, B.A., B.D.  
Auckland—E. Clarence Leadley.  
South Auckland—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.  
Taranaki-Wanganui—Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.  
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—George H. Goodman.  
Wellington—Robert Thornley, M.A. (President of Conference).  
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.  
Papua-New Guinea Highlands—Clifford J. Keightley.

### 2. DISTRICT AND STATISTICAL SECRETARIES:

General Statistical Secretary—William C. Jenkin.  
Northland—Trevor L. Nicholls.  
Auckland—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.  
South Auckland—Robert H. Allen, 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—Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.  
Otago-Southland—Alan J. Handyside.  
Solomon Islands—James F. Cropp.

**QUESTION XXXIII—(1) Who are Elected as President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Conference, 1963?**

President—Rev. Athol R. Penn.

Vice-President—Mr G. Cyril Burton.

Secretary—Rev. Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.

**(2)—Have adequate arrangements been made for President's Supply?**  
Yes.

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

## Report of the Statistical Secretary

**General:**

All Returns were to hand within a week of Synod and for this co-operation I extend my thanks to the District Statistical Secretaries.

The Amalgamation and the creation of new Circuits proceeded without any difficulties from a statistical point of view this year.

Again I must state that the position as accepted by a previous Conference becomes the starting point in any year's computation. Unless this fact is accepted any comparisons made are of no value at all.

The state of Finances as at 30th June need some clarification and I have written to the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee about this matter.

As accepted by Conference there are only two accounts in our system namely "Circuit" and "Trust".

In regard to the former some Circuits are keeping such items as "Stewardship Accounts" separate from the Circuit so that there can be a very great difference in the amount actually in "Credit" and that which is shown in the Annual Returns.

There appears also an annual variation between the Trust Account Credits and Debits on the General Statistical Form and those appearing on the Church Property Returns. One District had over one-third of its Circuits showing different balances for the same question on the two Returns for Synod. To be of any value the same amount should appear on each form—the instructions are quite clear on the Circuit Schedule. "Total Credit Balances" (excluding any held for special purposes). In other words the Balance held in the General Trust Expenses Account.

**Buildings:**

The number of Churches returned as at the 30th June remain the same as last year, in spite of the fact that the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee reports 9 new churches for the year. Some of these appear to be new causes so that others have been closed up, but of these there is no record whatever.

Other Preaching Places show another Net Decrease this year of 3, the total being 267. Decreases are Auckland 3, Taranaki 1, Hawke's Bay 2, Wellington 2, and North Canterbury 1; while South Auckland shows an increase of 6.

School rooms at 316 reveal an increase of 12 for the year.

Parsonages increased by 3 to total 227. There were also 6 replacements during the year.

#### **Staffing:**

An increase of 9 brings the number of Ministers and Probationers to 280. Home Missionaries also have an increase of 4, the number now being 30. The decrease of 1 Deaconess brings the total to 9 as at 30th June.

Local Preachers show a net increase of 9 bringing their total now to 711. Northland 5, Auckland 8, Wellington 14, and South Canterbury 1, return increases while the other Districts record decreases—Hawke's Bay-Manawatu and Nelson 6 each, Taranaki 3, Otago-Southland 2, Nelson and North Canterbury 1 each.

#### **Membership:**

Membership has increased by a net figure of 399 and this brings us above the 32,000 mark for the first time.

New members under 20 have risen by 170; the number this year being 799. The same number, 799, is returned for members over 20; so that the actual New Membership stands at 1598 for the year.

As against this losses in Transfers this year amount to 194—those transferred to other Circuits being 2274 and those from other Circuits being 2080.

Four hundred and seventy-seven members have died during this year and 528 have been returned as "Ceased to Attend". It should be noted that this column includes those Transferred Overseas and also those transferred to other Churches in New Zealand.

In the last 17 years under the present system we have lost 2,125 through Transfers and 8,165 through "Ceased to Attend". So that the average over that period is 480 "Ceased to Attend" and 125 in "Transfers" making a total of 605 per year.

To make a note in the "Ceased to Attend" column is not an adequate explanation to the problem. Sooner or later as a Church we shall have to face the problem fairly and squarely; and until we do the same sorry state of affairs will continue to exist.

The number of folk on Probation is lower by 31 this year, the total returned being 130 and this represents each District with one exception.

The number of families under the "Pastoral Care" of the Church has increased by 1053 for the year; the number now being 46,798 families with 144,323 persons being known by the Church.

#### **Youth Returns:**

Baptisms number 3326 for the year, an increase of 290 on the previous year; while the Cradle Roll stands at 8427, an increase for the year of 61.

Sunday School figures are disquieting there being losses recorded in Primary Department of 500; Junior Department 287 and Intermediate Department of 394. The totals being 10,196 Primary, 8383 Junior, and 5715 Intermediate.

Sunday School Teachers number 2813 being a decrease of 108

for the year. Junior Bible Classes also record losses of 181 young men and 70 young women, there being 1723 and 2277 respectively.

Intermediate Bible Classes show increase of 121 young men and 268 young women; numbers being 1182 and 1391. Senior Bible Classes also record increases of 122 young men and 71 young women. Numbers being 1034 and 878.

There are 17 more Young Men's Leaders and 1 less Young Women's Leader. The numbers at 30th June being 531 Y.M. Leaders and 340 Y.W. Leaders.

#### **Stipends, Etc.:**

In keeping with the Conference Resolutions stipends have risen by £2458/12/2 for the year, the total now being £161,886/11/-.

Travelling Expenses increased by £2976/9/9; the total paid being £35,401/18/6.

Seventeen Circuits own cars, this being the same number as last year. Cars owned by the Ministers now total 214 an increase of 16 for the year.

#### **Finances:**

As at present these figures are not giving a correct picture. Conference will need to give a firm "ruling" on this matter.

However, on the figures submitted by the Circuits the Credits in the Circuit Accounts amount to £28,206/13/7 a decrease for the year of £2483/15/9.

Circuit Debit Balances stand at £16,042/5/9, this being an increase on the previous year of £135/13/10.

As far as Trust Accounts are concerned Superintendent Ministers should ensure that the totals shown on the Property Returns are correctly copied on to the Circuit Schedule, otherwise these figures are of no value whatever and simply a waste of time.

Trust Credits have increased by £9351/16/6 making the present total £78,653/7/2 while Trust Debit Balances have increased by £912/3/7, the total being £90,568/15/7.

In addition to these Trust Balances in the General Trust Accounts the year started with £549,782 representing various amounts held for Special Purposes. To see the position as at the 30th June you will need to refer to the General Report on Church Property.

#### **Conclusion:**

The promptness of the Secretaries of Districts in sending in their returns is very much appreciated and this will ease the work of printing vital information for the Church Stewardship and Finance Committee that have a task which must be completed well before Conference.

Again my thanks to the District Secretaries for their wonderful co-operation this year.

Wm. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

#### **MAORI MISSION RETURNS REPORT, 1962**

The Official Forms as approved by the Maori Mission Department were sent personally to each Superintendent concerned on the 25th of June last.

Auckland District made their returns on an outdated form and I have put in the figures as for 1961 for the Youth and Regular Women's Organisations. Other discrepancies I will touch on later in the Report.

**General:**

The number of Churches remain the same at 18. Other Preaching Places show an increase of 8, the number now being 156. Auckland and Taranaki 3 each, and King Country 2.

Parsonages are again returned at 8.

Ordained Ministers show a decrease of 1, the number now being 7. Home Missionaries, full-time, remain the same at 6 while there are 2 less part-time Home Missionaries. the number now being 25. An increase of 2 Deaconesses bring this year's total to 18. Local Preachers show an increase of 3, the number being 12.

**Membership:**

Membership figures are unsatisfactory. South Auckland returns an estimated number which is exactly twice that of last year. If there are proper Membership Records then there should be no necessity for estimated numbers in this category.

The number of members returned for this year is given as 2167 which is an increase of 205 on last year. At the same time only 13 have been received in Reception Services during the year. A highly unsatisfactory state of affairs and makes the information of little value.

Methodist Adherents are returned this year at 5402, a decrease of 604 for the year—South Auckland a decrease of 812, while Auckland 195, King Country 7 and Taranaki 6, show increases.

**Youth:**

Taking the Auckland figures as last year, Sunday Schools are returned as 42 weekly, 38 fortnightly and 41 monthly, a total of 121 for the year. Sunday School Scholars total 2050, a decrease of 146 as at 30th June.

Ten Bible Classes meet weekly, 13 fortnightly and 2 monthly, making a total of 25, an increase of 2 for the year.

Bible Class members total 358, a decrease of 68 for the year.

**Pastoral Care:**

Estimated figures have been given for South Auckland—2614 families are on the Pastoral Rolls of our Maori Missions and the Church is in contact with 21,901 persons.

**Regular Women's Organisations:**

Twenty-one Women's Fellowships or Guilds Groups are returned with a membership of 235, an increase of 41 for the year; while there are 4 devotional groups with a membership of 37.

**Conclusion:**

To be of any value a little more care is necessary in the keeping of essential records.

Wm. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

**SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT REPORT, 1962****Introduction:**

The Island's Synod have submitted new categories which will prove more satisfactory with regard to the Annual Statistics. A glance at the Returns will speak for itself.

In computing membership, etc., the total figures are now given and if anyone wishes to see the number of European Members, etc., this information is contained under the heading of "Overseas Workers".

As set out, the various aspects of our Overseas Mission Work is now clearly stated.

**Buildings, Etc.:**

The number of Churches now totals 246, an increase of 7 for the year ending 30th June.

Other Preaching Places remain the same, at 16.

**Staffing:**

Seventeen Ministers remain the same as last year. Though there were 2 Native Ministers ordained during the year by the President.

An increase of 3 Sisters brings the total to 16. Laymen now serving in the Solomons total 8. This position will be clarified next year. There is a decrease of 3 Catechists and the number now stands at 29.

The number of Pastors stands at 62 an increase of 27 for the year; while Pastor-Teachers show an increase of 23 bringing the total to 163. Teachers now stand at 114, a decrease of 7.

Local Preachers are returned at 316 a net increase of 57 for the year. "This is the first fruits of a campaign to raise the standard of our Local Preachers and achieve a District-wide standard." The most notable increases being at Choiseul 31 and Buin 20.

Fifty-four Class Leaders are returned showing an increase of 32; Marova 24; Vella 1 and Buka 7.

**Membership:**

Here the figures show the total membership in the Solomon Islands District. An increase of 243 brings the total at 30th June to 7205. An increase of 1032 in the Youth Roll gives us a total of 8625 for the year.

Adherents are returned at 4457, a decrease of 1046.

These two last items could come about by the various categories being more sharply defined than was previously the case. This, of course, is all to the good.

**Young Peoples' Work:**

Under the heading of Sunday Schools there is a decrease reported of 3 Sunday Schools; while there is an increase of 384 Sunday School scholars. This is in keeping with the overall pattern of our work in the Solomon Islands. Sunday Schools stand at 175 and Sunday School scholars, 4947.

Next year will see returns made for the Bible Class work in the District and this should prove interesting to all concerned with Youth.

For the first time returns for Boys' Brigade and Girls' Life Brigade work are returned. This shows a most encouraging aspect of Youth Activity.

Twelve Companies with 15 Officers have 398 boys while 13 Companies of the Girls' Life Brigade have 24 Officers with 491 girls.

Girls' Life Brigade Cadets show 3 Companies staffed by 6 Officers and having 57 girls.

**Educational:**

Under this heading there is evidence of the results of the changing pattern of society in the District. Consolidation of Schools and increasing numbers of children account for the differences. There are 19 less Schools, the number now being 157. The Staffing is 298 Teachers, a decrease of 14 for the year. Next year the Teachers will be classified into "Overseas Trained", "Local



Trained" and "Untrained". Scholars will in future be shown as "School girls" and "School boys".

#### **Medical Work:**

Here again when the new scheme gets under way the returns will reveal a very interesting survey of our Medical work in the Solomon Islands District. At the moment Medical assistants have increased by 18, bringing the total to 50. Increases being: Roviana 2, Marovo 3, Buin 8, Buka 3 and Vella and Choiseul 1 each.

#### **Overseas Staffing:**

The resignation of the Rev G. Brough from Teop brings the number of Overseas Ministers to 7.

The heading Laymen and Laywomen now replaces the items "Lay Missionaries," "Lay Workers" and "Agriculturnists." This will be more clearly designated in the 1963 Returns.

The European Roll is included under this heading for those interested. There is an increase of 6 Members, total 44. Youth Roll has an increase of 1, total being 28; while Adherents show a decrease of 3, a total of 27.

#### **Conclusion:**

From a Statistical point of view it is good to see that the Islands' Synod is defining what constitutes the various classifications and future Returns should give a most clear and useful statement as to the work of our Church in this section of our Overseas Mission effort.

Wm. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

29th August, 1962.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. W. C. Jenkin be thanked for his services and re-appointed.

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

## **Welfare of the Church Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.**

#### **Lectionary:**

The Committee is grateful to the Rev. G. R. H. Peterson, who consented to prepare the Lectionary for 1963-4. Once again it is urged that "The Methodist Times" and Circuit Magazine or Preaching Plans give it publicity.

#### **Annual Covenant Service (1961 Minutes, p. 61, Res 5):**

The Committee has considered the suggestion that the Annual Covenant Service be held throughout the Connexion on Whit Sunday. The weight of opinion seemed against Whit Sunday when the following factors were taken into consideration:

(a) Whit Sunday is a very important Festival of the Christian Church in its own right, and there is much of significance to be observed without incorporating any additional service.

(b) We have already the Message from the Presidents of the World Council of Churches to be read.

(c) Whit Sunday often falls close to other special religious observances, i.e., Aldersgate Day, Bible Sunday, and Home and Family Day.

Other possible occasions therefore were considered:

(a) New Year's Eve Watchnight or the first Sunday in January: These traditional times are difficult in view of Public Holidays, combined services with other churches, and many ministers being on holiday.

(b) Low Sunday (the first Sunday after Easter): To have the Covenant Service on Low Sunday may detract from the importance of Easter Day itself as the climax to Passiontide, and it would mean that there would be special services for three Sundays consecutively.

(c) The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity: This was considered because of the suitable collect for the day, and the promise of spring that God's covenant would be again kept, and seed time and harvest would not fail. But this day is liable to fall near or on Sundays already used for special observances, i.e., World Communion Sunday, Overseas Missions Sunday, and Temperance Sunday, and may clash with local Church observances.

(d) The Second Sunday in February: This was thought to be the most suitable and it seems to present the least difficulties. In some churches the Office Bearers and Sunday School Teachers are dedicated on this Sunday. There is no reason why they should not join with the whole congregation in the Covenant Service in February, and observe the dedication service following the September Quarterly Meeting at which the Circuit Stewards are elected. New Ministers have normally taken up their appointments, and the Church Schools re-commence on the Second Sunday in February. Most of our people have returned from their holidays. The Committee therefore suggests that wherever possible the Annual Covenant Service be held on the Second Sunday in February.

The same Sunday was independently recommended by the Spiritual Advance Committee, as this date marks either the commencement of a ministry, or the continuation of a pastoral relationship.

#### **Chairmanship of Meetings** (1961 Minutes, p. 62, Res. 7):

The Committee submits a recommendation which it considers allows the principle of lay chairmanship of local Church meetings to be tested, whilst at the same time safeguarding against misuse of such a provision. The Committee considered an alternative suggestion that meetings be permitted with the consent of the Minister, to elect their own Chairman, but it was felt that the Committee's recommendation would provide, in the meantime at least, an acceptable framework for the encouragement of lay leadership.

#### **Appointment of Choir Masters and Organists** (1961 Minutes p. 62, Res. 8):

The Committee is in agreement with the proposal contained in the Resolution. In that co-operation with the Minister, and an appreciation of the devotional requirements of church music are a priority in the appointment of the musical officers, it is the opinion of the Committee that the appointment of these officers should be the sole responsibility of the Leaders' Meeting, and that the Trustees need only be consulted regarding the amount of remuneration.

#### **Church Drama Advisory Committee** (1961 Minutes p. 62, Res. 10):

The Committee feels that it is both desirable and possible to set up a Church Drama Advisory Committee. Such a Committee is needed to play an important part in the life of the Church, and its functions should include:

(1) Experimenting in the wider and more varied use of drama as a medium of worship, spiritual challenge, evangelism, and creative social entertainment among Church people, both within Methodism and on an inter-Church basis.

(2) Collecting information, scripts, and materials on plays, tableaux, pageants, and Sunday School themes that have been successfully used, and making such information available on inquiry. This would involve the listing and classifying of plays to show subject matter; level of acting ability; number, age, and sex of players; copyrights or acting fees; any suggestions regarding stage properties and costumes.

(3) Providing information regarding play production and the making and use of stage properties, lighting, sound effects and costumes.

(4) Investigating the types of religious dramatic production suitable for television.

(5) Fostering Schools of Religious Drama throughout the country.

We suggest that the Drama Committee be located in Wellington in order that it may draw on the experience of Drama Christi and the Department of Christian Education, but that corresponding members be also appointed. We consider, too, that the Christian Education Handbook might well be used to disseminate some of the Committee's recommendations.

**Scheme to Facilitate Overseas Visits** (1961 Minutes p. 200, Res. 2):

The Committee has looked into this matter in terms of the Conference resolution, and considers that any scheme of practical value would have to provide for considerable financial assistance to be made available to those desiring to take further training overseas. Travel and living costs overseas are often very expensive, and while it is only right for those wishing to undertake such a venture to meet a share of the costs themselves, it would still require far more than a small grant of assistance to make such an undertaking feasible for most potential applicants. The only justification for such a scheme is that applicants could be selected solely on the basis of their suitability. Having this principle in mind, the Committee submits the following suggestions:

(1) A Research Study Grant should be made available by the Conference initially for one person every three years, with the proviso that Conference should not be bound to make such a grant in any year, if in its opinion there is no application to hand of sufficient merit to warrant this.

(2) Such grants should normally be for study or training over the period of one year, and should be based on the minimum stipend for an ordained minister, together with fares to and from the country of study, up to the sum of £800, provided always that Conference has the right to reduce the total amount of the grant, if in its opinion, the personal circumstances of the applicant are such that he could without hardship meet a higher proportion of the total expenses involved (e.g., on present stipend rates, the total grant in any one year could be up to £1545, reducible according to fares, and at the discretion of the Conference).

(3) Any minister who has served two years since his ordination, or any lay person who has served in a position of full time service in the Church for two years should be eligible to apply for such a Research Study Grant.

(4) In the case of a married applicant with children below

secondary school age, we consider that it is desirable that his wife and family should go with him, and the figure named above as maximum travelling costs is based on that assumption. (We consider that the value of such a scheme will largely depend on the applicant's ability to assimilate further study or training in the light of some years' experience of full time Church work, and on this account it is particularly desirable that the extra cost in sending a married man abroad should not influence the Conference against the selection of such an applicant).

(5) All applications for such grants should be made with the permission of the Synod of the District in which the applicant is a member, and together with supporting evidence which should include a medical certificate, and details of tentative arrangements with the college or other training institution concerned, should be forwarded to the Chairman of the District by 30th June in the year preceding that in which the applicant hopes to go overseas. At the same time a copy of his application and all supporting papers should be forwarded to the President of Conference.

(6) All applications should be considered together, by the President's Committee of Advice, or a special standing committee of Conference set up for the purpose, which Committee should report its findings to the Examination Committee of Conference. The Examination Committee should consider all applications approved by their respective Synods, and if desired, interview the applicants, and then report its recommendation to Conference, which should be responsible for making the appointment.

(7) We suggest that in the selection of applicants, Conference would be guided by the following principles:

(a) Grants should be made only for projects of specific study, research or training which will be of benefit in the life and work of the Church, and which cannot be satisfactorily pursued in New Zealand, and the applicant will be expected to show evidence (e.g., by a written paper or an oral examination) that he has already done considerable preliminary reading and study in the subject.

(b) Applicants will be expected to show evidence that they can furnish enough money towards the project to free them from the necessity of such a degree of earning, while abroad, that they would be unable to concentrate on their study or training project.

(c) Reports from the Theological College and staff, and also from past or present superintendent ministers or Chairmen of Districts may be sought, in order to assess the applicant's ability and circuit work and experience which would fit him to make full use of further study, research or training.

(8) Before being finally accepted, applicants would be required to sign a bond guaranteeing that on the completion of their study period, they would return to New Zealand and be at the disposal of the Conference for full time service in the Methodist Church of New Zealand for a period of at least five years.

(9) If Conference decides to send a person overseas to study in any particular field, it should be fully prepared to make use of his study and experience in subsequent appointments, provided, however, that the provision of a research grant should not in itself put the Conference under any legal obligation with regard to the subsequent employment of the person concerned.

(10) Successful applicants should be expected to furnish a written report or other documentary evidence of their studies, to the Church, within three months of their return to New Zealand.

(11) The Examination Committee of Conference could at its discretion, advise unsuccessful applicants in any year, whether they should consider re-applying in a subsequent year when a Research Grant is available.

(12) To meet the cost of such a scheme, a special Research Travel Fund should be established, and each year a suitable sum should be allocated from the Connexional Budget to enable the Fund to be built up to a total of £1500 by the time the next Research Grant is due to be made.

While it is not specifically within our terms of reference, the Committee wishes to point out that there seems no good reason why a scheme like this should be confined to those wishing to study overseas. There must be many aspects of the Church's total ministry which would profit most from full time study within New Zealand, and there seems no reason why the Church should not also consider making grants to further such study, on somewhat similar conditions to those set out above.

**Parsonage Allowance** (1961 Minutes p. 220):

The Committee has consulted with the Executive of the Women's Guild Fellowship, and concurs with its recommendation that £25 would be a realistic amount for the Parsonage Allowance. The Executive, however, agrees with our Committee that the separate payment of the Allowance is no longer a necessity, and that it should be included in the stipend. This method would reduce the complexity of Circuit book-keeping and save embarrassment and remove misunderstanding for both ministers' wives and lay folk in the Church.

**General Statistical Form** (1961 Minutes p. 59, Res. 3):

All that is immediately needed in this matter is that the column in the Minutes should be worded in the same way as the form sent to Circuit Superintendents, that is, the Minutes should not just say "Ceased to attend," but also "including those transferred overseas or to other denominations." Eventually the District Return Forms, when needing reprinting, could be amended, but that is not so urgent as long as the Minutes correctly describe the information given. "Ceased to attend" has become a technical term which is widely misunderstood. The suggested fuller heading in the Minuted Statistics would save a lot of unnecessary arguments and discussion.

A. J. JOHNSTON, Chairman.

W. J. MORRISON, Acting-Chairman.

D. L. KITCHINGMAN, Convener.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Lectionary be adopted for optional use and printed in the Minutes of Conference.
3. That wherever possible the Annual Covenant Service be held on the second Sunday in February simultaneously throughout the Connexion, and that the necessary changes in the Law Book, Page 10, paragraph 67, be made.
4. That the Law Book, paragraph 154 (o), be amended to read: "Preside at all Official Meetings of the Circuit, providing that he may appoint one of his colleagues to preside at any Leaders' Meeting or any other local Church Meeting and exercise all his powers and privileges thereat. He may appoint annually laymen who are members of the Church to preside at local

Church meetings except the Quarterly Meetings and Leaders' Meetings. No such appointment may be for more than three consecutive years."

5. That the following clause be added to Paragraph 268, page 47, of the Law Book: "(1a) To appoint at the first meeting after the Annual Church Meeting a Choirmaster and Organist(s) for the Church, such appointments to be made annually. Where remuneration is paid the amount of such remuneration is to be fixed in consultation with the Trustees."

That this be referred back to the Committee for the following reasons:

(a) The suggested amendment transfers the right of appointment without transferring the responsibility to support financially the appointment. If the Leaders' Meeting is to make the appointment, the financial responsibility could become a charge on the Circuit funds

(b) The Trustees already have certain responsibilities concerning the conduct of worship and the legal implications of this should be clarified before such action as suggested by the Committee be taken

6. That a Church Drama Advisory Committee be formed in Wellington, under the direction of the Department of Christian Education.
- 7a. That Conference approve the Scheme to facilitate overseas training.
- 7b. That the question of establishing a Travel Research Fund be held over for 2 years until the operation of the Connexional Budget scheme has become stabilised.
8. That the separate payment of the Parsonage Allowance be discontinued, and that the matter be referred to the Stipend Committee for the adjustment.
9. That in the General and Youth returns and in the Minutes, those "ceased to attend" be recorded separately from those transferred overseas or to other denominations.
10. That when Statistical Forms are reprinted, allowance be made for additional columns to meet the changing needs of the Church.
11. That the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with the Dept. of Christian Education be asked to examine our general procedures in Synod and Conference business, with a view to enabling representatives to make a more significant contribution during the sessions and a more useful report for their home-Church.
12. That in view of the increasing number of committees and other meetings in which ministers and many of our laymen become involved, often to the detriment of pastoral work, family life and the spiritual welfare of the circuits, the Welfare of the Church Committee be asked to make a careful and objective study of this situation and report to the next Conference.

That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 9 herein.

## B—Spiritual Advance Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1962

The Spiritual Advance Committee has met bi-monthly for general meetings in Palmerston North, and two special meetings have also been held.

**Prayer Cells:** The Prayer Cell Movement continues to grow, 107 cells being registered at 30th June. Unfortunately the British "Prayer Cell Messenger" is no longer being produced, and the committee is giving thought to some other means of guidance and contact for the cells in New Zealand.

**Questionnaire To Unchurched People:** (1961 Minutes of Conference, p. 64). A pilot run of this questionnaire was held in the Manawatu area but the results were not satisfactory and further consideration is being given to the best method of discovering the mind and attitude of people outside the church.

**Questionnaire on Holy Communion** (1960 Minutes of Conference, p. 61). The Rev John Grundy has prepared two reports based on the replies to this questionnaire. One report is of a light, popular nature, and it has been made available to the Editor of the Methodist Times for publication. The second report is a more serious evaluation of the material and the Spiritual Advance Committee suggests that the Faith and Order Committee give consideration to the most effective use that the Church can make of his material.

**The Making of Prayers:** (1961 Minutes of Conference, p. 63). The Committee studied very carefully the manuscript of this series of 13 studies. It also made copies of it available to selected people outside the committee, and the opinion was that this was excellent material which should be published if possible. It was felt, however, that it was too long for the average congregational study group, and that therefore it would have only a limited appeal. In view of this, the committee did not feel justified in publishing it alone, and made an unsuccessful attempt at joint publication with the Presbyterian Bookroom. It is still hoped that a way will be found for these valuable studies to be published.

**Handbook for Lay Pastors** (1958 Minutes of Conference, p. 60, res. 5). In this case also, the manuscript was studied very carefully by the committee and all agreed that this was an excellent treatment of the subject and worthy of publication. The committee, however, felt that the material presented was too extensive for the training sessions envisaged in local churches, where possibly only 6-8 evenings would be available. The Department of Christian Education has material available for such training sessions, and the committee did not feel it could go ahead with publication of such a large manuscript for what would probably be a small readership. The committee is still hopeful that other avenues of publication will open up.

#### Overseas Visitors

**1. Bishop Gerald Kennedy.** Bishop Kennedy's visit was greatly appreciated in the centres he was able to visit during his short tour in February, 1962. There were good attendances at all meetings and a fine Methodist family atmosphere prevailed. Some disappointment was expressed that the Bishop did not say more on the challenge of the present day conditions in the world, and the wider implications and agonies of the faith.

**2. Professor H. H. Trigge.** Professor Trigge, who is the President General of the Methodist Church of Australasia, is to visit New Zealand with his wife from the 18th September to 18th October, 1962. Mrs Trigge is the Australasian Area President of the World Federation of Methodist Women, and she will address a number of women's meetings in New Zealand.

**3. Dr Eric Baker.** Dr Baker, the Secretary of the British Methodist Conference, is to visit New Zealand in March, 1963, and will speak at Schools of Theology, and also visit a number of Circuits.

**4. Dr Harry Denman.** Dr Denman, the Director of the Methodist Board of Evangelism in U.S.A. has accepted an invitation to conduct 3 or 4 Schools of Evangelism in New Zealand in July, 1963. The Spiritual Advance Committee is working in conjunction with the Department of Christian Education in the planning of these schools, and is anxious that the very best laymen from our Circuits be encouraged to attend.

**5. Professor C. A. Coulson.** Professor Coulson has accepted the invitation of the Church to visit New Zealand for a short period at Easter time, 1964.

**Circuit Missions:** During the year ended 30th June, the committee has been informed of 23 Circuit Missions, and there have probably been others of which we have not heard. The committee has been able to suggest missionaries in many cases and has also received useful reports after many of the missions. The biggest mission during the year was that conducted in Christchurch by Rev Arthur Preston of Brisbane. £50 of the surplus funds of this mission was sent to the Spiritual Advance Committee to be used for producing training material for counsellors.

**Advent and Lenten Leaflets:** The committee is grateful to Evelyn Nathanielsz who wrote the Advent Leaflet for 1961, and the Rev M. J. Campbell who wrote the Lenten Leaflet for 1962. The Advent Leaflet for 1962 is being written by Mrs A. B. Cochran, and the Lenten Leaflet for 1963 by Dr H. Ranston.

**Agenda for March Ministerial Committees:** During the year a letter was received from a District Standing Committee expressing concern that so much time is spent at March Ministerial Committees dealing with reports sent by other committees of the church. The letter expressed the view that the time would be spent to better advantage if the main emphasis was on the task of the ministry and particularly on the outreach of the church. The Spiritual Advance Committee concurs with this view and urges restraint in requiring Ministerial Committees to deal with matters of organisation and administration. (See Law Book, P. 67, para. 342)

**Retreat:** The committee is planning a spiritual retreat for its members, with the hope that not only will its own work be enriched, but that it may be able to share with the wider church the insights gained from such a discipline.

**Schools of Theology:** It is obvious that since the Welfare of the Ministry Committee went out of existence, there is some confusion as to which committee should organise the triennial Schools of Theology. The Spiritual Advance Committee therefore asks that consideration be given to this matter. The programme for the 1963 Schools of Theology is being prepared by a small committee in South Auckland.



**E.A.C.C. Consultation:** The Ecumenical Committee has asked the Spiritual Advance Committee to study certain material made available by the N.C.C. in preparation for this consultation which meets in Christchurch from 27th - 30th November, 1962. Spiritual Advance Committee members nominated to attend are Mrs E. R. de Zylva, Mr I. G. Baber, and Rev D. G. Stubbs.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.  
D. G. STUBBS, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That our Methodist people be encouraged to form Prayer Cells, in consultation with the minister and Leaders' Meetings.

3. That the Faith and Order Committee give consideration to the most effective use that the Church can make of the material relating to the Communion Service, prepared by the Spiritual Advance Committee.

4. That the committee continue arrangements for the visit of Dr. Eric Baker and Dr. Harry Denman in 1963, and Professor C. A. Coulson in 1964.

5. That the Spiritual Advance Committee arrange with the Committee on the Structure of the Church for Dr. Eric Baker's itinerary to include adequate time for him to be available for consultation with that Committee on the Structure of the New Zealand Church.

6. That the Spiritual Advance Committee take note of the visit of Dr. Gordon Rupp to New Zealand and make use of his visit to contact as many as possible of our Methodist groups.

7. That Circuits be encouraged to hold teaching and evangelistic missions, consulting with the Spiritual Advance Committee on the selection of missionaries and other arrangements, and sending to the committee an appraisal after the mission.

8. That the Spiritual Advance Committee seek information re the most effective means used in the making of evangelistic appeals.

9. That the Spiritual Advance Committee circulate details of missions being held and send out such information at regular intervals to Prayer Cells throughout the Connexion.

10. That the matter of the organisation of future Schools of Theology be referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee for study and report.

11. That a grant of £150 be made to the Spiritual Advance Committee from the Connexional Budget.

12. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION XXXV.

# C—Local Preachers' Association

## ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

The Dominion Executive met each month during the year and in February, 1962, the new Auckland Executive took over.

**Annual Meeting, 1961:** This meeting was held on November 2nd, 1961, at Central Mission Hall, Auckland. Fifty-six members were in attendance.

**Examination Results:** A summary of results in 1961 were as follows:—

	ENTRIES		PASSES		FAILURES	
	1961	Last yr.	1961	Last yr.	1961	Last yr.
Theology ..	58	57	41	41	17	16
New Testament	60	73	48	53	12	20
Old Testament	69	59	47	46	22	13
Homiletics ..	49	49	43	42	6	7
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>56</b>

**Accreditation Certificates:** The following certificates were issued:

Moss, Peter, Westport; Zurcher, Miss Betha, Palmerston; Barber, Ian, Auckland West, Petherbridge, Miss Shirley, Westport; Michie, Laurie, Timaru; Chirnside, Miss Beverley, Ashburton; Taylor, Keith James, Ashburton; Williams, Rhys, Kaitaia; McDonald, Wesley, Broadwood; Williams, Mrs Grace, Kaitaia; Smity, Clive, Invercargill; Prince, Donald, Dunedin; Fergusson, Gilbert, Nth. Hokianga; Grounds, Gerrard, Nth. Hokianga; Patterson, William, Auckland C.M.; Scott, J. E., Papanui; McLeod, Mrs Claire, Alexandra; Larkin, Sister Gladys, Munda, Sol. Is.; Fordyce, Robert, Hamilton; Hight, Maurice, Morrinsville; Collingwood, Ronald, Henderson; McCool, John, Upper Hutt; McCarthy, Leti, Manurewa; McKeage, Bruce, Oxford; Bennett, Joan, Ashburton; Hendry, Richard, Ashburton; Davies, Owen, Timaru; Williams, Miss Evelyn, Kaitaia; Lange, David, Otahuhu; Jillings, Brian, Invercargill; Gurney, George, Nth. Hokianga; Fergusson, Norman, Nth. Hokianga; Bernett, Greig, Huntly; Smith, C., Papanui; Wilson, Frank, Alexandra; Moore, Miss Relda, Wanganui; Highnam, Sister Audrey, Munda, Sol. Isl.; White, John, Whangaparaoa; Walsh, Leslie, Rothesay Bay.

### Geographical Distribution of New Accreditations:

	North Island	Christchurch	South Island	Munda	Solomon Islands
Auckland ..	—	—	—	—	2
Suburbs ..	7	—	3	—	—
Palmerston ..	1	—	2	—	—
Upper Hutt ..	1	—	2	—	—
Kaitaia ..	3	—	4	—	—
Nth. Hokianga	4	—	2	—	—
Huntly ..	1	—	1	—	—
Wanganui ..	1	—	2	—	—
	<b>18</b>		<b>16</b>		<b>2 Total 36</b>

**Long Service Diplomas Issued:** Horn, Charles Frederick, of Te Aroha, 51 years; Clark, William Alexander, of Te Aroha, 45 years; Preddy, Joseph, of Carterton, 60 years.

**Raising Standards of Preacher:** The new Auckland based executive started out to consider the problem of preacher status in the Church. Mostly it was believed that the following steps would have to be considered:

1. **Greater Recognition:** It has been pointed out that overseas the Local Preachers' Department is a separate department of the Church. This executive feels that the care of this Association's interest by a Church Department would help over many difficulties.
2. **Improving Standard of Qualifications:** This old perennial, often the basis of much difference of opinion, has been raised again. Branches have been asked to discuss and consider the Australasian Report on a Diploma for Lay workers where the Local Preachers' course is only part of a larger, more general course.
3. Consideration of embracing the N.Z. Local Preachers qualification with a similar set of studies in N.Z. to be operated by the Department of Christian Education are being considered.

**Future of "The Preacher":** The new executive discussed and investigated at length the economics and worth of our own periodical. After study of many alternatives, arrangements were made to obtain from the Home Mission Department stencils as used to produce the "Mission Message." This is considered by many to be one of the best expository publications for the use of our members. Used to help Home Missionaries and obtained by many of the ministers, it was felt that these printed works would be useful for all local preachers. Added material for local preachers has completed at low cost a periodical of high standard.

**Use of the "Methodist Times":** The executive made arrangements for a Local Preachers section in the Times. Social news and a general resume of the Association's activity is printed therein.

**Trial Service requirements re Resolution No. 3, Page 69, 1961 Minutes:** Discussions have been opened and are proceeding with the Board of Studies.

F. G. DAVIDGE, President.

I. S. CLEWS, Secretary.

## RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference approve in principle the change of name from "Local Preacher" to "Lay Preacher" and of the Association from "Local Preachers' Association" to "Lay Preachers' Association," and that the Law Revision Committee report on the changes necessary in the Law.

3. That Conference approve negotiations being entered into between the Department of Christian Education and the Lay Preachers' Association with a view to merging their training requirements.

4. That Conference appoint a suitable Committee to consider the requirements for Local Preachers' Status in relation to the prerequisites for Candidates for the Ministry, and report to Synod and Conference, 1963. Representatives on the Committee to be appointed from the Local Preachers' Association; Board of Studies, and Depart-

ment of Christian Education; Convener: The Secretary of the Board of Studies.

5. That Conference agree to the addition of the subject "The Church, Its History, Policy and Mission," and that this be included in the examinations for Accreditation of Lay Preachers.

6. That the subject course be as designed by the Department of Christian Education for the Methodist Leadership Course.

7. That Conference record its thanks to Lay Preachers.

#### QUESTION XXXV.

## D—Methodist Men's Fellowship

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

The past year has been a busy one for the Dominion Executive. The whole Executive met seven times and the sub-committee, which handles special matters, was convened on two occasions.

**Annual Meeting:** This was held in Bi-Centenary Hall, Pitt Street Church, Auckland. About 100 men were present. Mr A. A. Dingwall gave a most interesting and inspiring account of his contacts with Methodist leaders overseas. A tribute was paid to the outstanding contribution paid in service to the M.M.F. by our late Dominion Secretary, Mr Ernie Roberts. The remainder of the meeting was mostly given to discussion of the proposed future policy of the Movement, and the receiving of district reports.

**Future Policy:** At present we are not recommending any changes in our Constitution, but we are firm in our belief that the work of the M.M.F. must be brought into line with the changing pattern being made in the life of our Church. We await with interest the recommendation to Conference of the Council of Christian Education that a Committee of Lay Activities be located in Christchurch, and we are happy to know that two representatives of the M.M.F. are suggested as members of this Committee. We are glad to know that several Synod Standing Committees have added representatives of the M.M.F. to their personnel. We believe this to be a most important step in the promoting of fellowship and service among the men of the Church throughout N.Z.

**District Executives:** These have been active in Auckland, South Auckland, Central Districts and North Canterbury. District Rallies have been held in several centres. These proved times of inspiration and fellowship. An experiment was tried by the Central Districts Executive in conjunction with the officers of the Department of Christian Education. The emphasis was on discussion and training and we are definitely of the opinion that this type of programme has much to commend it.

**Local Fellowships:** Several new Branches have been formed while a few have gone into recess. Many of our Branches continue to give most helpful service in the life of the local Church and in the community, and a few are making worthy contributions to missionary projects. We have sought to maintain contact with Branches by means of Newsletters, and as opportunities offered, our Dominion Officers have been pleased to visit several districts.

**Methodist Times:** We are very grateful for the space afforded to the M.M.F. in the Methodist Times. By this means we are given contact with the wider life of the Church.

**Our Patrons:** We have been heartened by reports received telling of information and inspiration given by both Mr Flesher and Mr Humphries.

In conclusion may we emphasise that we feel the future of the M.M.F. largely depends on the amount of its co-operation with the Department of Christian Education. That Department maintains that a comprehensive and balanced programme for Church Adult groups should include Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism and Pastoral Care, Missions and Ecumenical, Social Service and Public Questions, Recreation. We would urge our Branches to examine their programmes to discover whether their activities are in line with the Department's recommendation.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Dominion President.

H. W. WOOD, Dominion Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Dominion Executive be located at Christchurch as from February 1st, 1963.

3. That the incoming Dominion Executive consider the question of giving financial assistance to needy students attending Wesley College, Trinity College and the School for Christian Workers.

4. That in order to ensure the best use of the services of our Patron, the Dominion Executive communicate with the Vice-President immediately following Conference with a view to

(a) ascertaining his availability and

(b) planning an itinerary of visitation to fellowships. The itinerary to be arranged in consultation with the President of Conference to avoid overlapping.

5. That the thanks of the Conference be expressed to the Men's Fellowship Dominion Executive for its excellent leadership during its location at Palmerston North over the past four years.

### QUESTION XXXV.

## E—N.Z. Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

It is our privilege to present the following Annual Report for 1962, of the Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship.

Our Annual Conference was held on 31 October and 1 November, 1961, at the Takapuna Church, Auckland. There were eighty-five representatives and observers present and were inspired to greater endeavour by the earnest message given by the Rev W. S. Dawson, from the words of Jesus, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Rev N. W. Olds assisted with the Communion.

On the evening prior to the opening of Conference, the Dominion Executive met with the Presidents of Districts, to discuss the constitution.

**Opening of Conference:** The Dominion President (Mrs McAlister) welcomed all delegates, also the Maori Representative, Mrs King, and the President of the M.W.M.U. The President directed our thoughts from St John's Gospel, Chapter 2, verses 7 and 8, urging us to bring whatever our talents and gifts to God and He will use them as He needs them. She said that God passes His gifts of love and grace through us, His servants, to others.

Greetings were received from Woodlands Street Guild, Nelson Fellowship, Otago District Executive, Aro Street Guild, Dominion Executive Men's Fellowship, Dominion Executive M.W.M.U., The Dominion Executive Presbyterian Women's Fellowship, the Wel-Wellington District Guild Fellowship, and the Executive of the World Federation of Methodist Women.

**Roll Call:** 48 delegates answered the Roll by giving a highlight in the life of their District, 15 delegates were attending conference for the first time. There were many observers all through the sessions.

<b>Membership:</b>	<b>1960</b>	<b>1961</b>	
	6765	6788	No. of Guilds connected with Church Budget, 190.
Guilds	313	319	
Districts	14	14	Amounts raised by Guilds, £19,422 2s 10d.

**Reports from Districts:** There was a very encouraging report from each District, showing increased membership, greater dedicated service to our Methodist Church, and an increasing interest in Social Services of many kinds. There was a growing desire for group Bible Study and trained leadership. Pilot Leadership training days had been a great success and members were trained in the preparation and planning of Devotional periods, and a workshop session on the duties of Officers of Guilds.

**Reports:** The following reports of other Church activities were given. Social Service, (Rev Everil Orr) one suggestion was made that a lay order might be instituted so that there would always be a group of Christian workers on whom the Church could depend for assistance with their Social Service Work.

**National Council of Churches:** Mrs A. K. Petch presented the report and commended the New Delhi Conference Handbook, "Light of the World," for study. The Christmas Appeal had been generously supported, and assistance had been extended to extra projects mainly in Asia. She commended Prison Chaplaincy work to the care of Guilds, and spoke of the excellent work being done to promote N.C.C. activities through the women's committees throughout New Zealand.

**National Council of Women:** Mrs Carlyn gave a comprehensive report of the work of the N.C.C. The Jury Service for women and the unsatisfactory film advertising were vital questions being studied at present.

**Christian Education Report:** Christian Education report was given by Miss Mary Astley and explained the assistance that could be given Guilds in the building of Guild Programmes.

**Deaconess House Report:** Presented by Mrs A. K. Petch, expressing appreciation to Guilds for their financial assistance to the Chapel, which was now completed, and the interest and help in refurnishing and replenishing in the House.

**World Federation of Methodist Women:** Mrs McDowell reported on the year's work in many countries. Reporting on the World Federation of Methodist Women's Conference held in Oslo, Norway, Mrs R. Dudley gave us a graphic description of women's work under oppression and want. This was a challenge to our women living in a welfare state, and called for our sympathy and prayers for other people. Mrs McAlister was appointed N.Z. correspondent to the W.F.M.W.

**Methodist Times:** Mrs A. H. Gorringer, 9 Mont le Grand Road, Auckland, is the guild reporter to the Methodist Times.

**Business Session:** A protest from our last Conference on the selling of alcohol at the Airports, brought a reply from the Minister of Civil Aviation. The following resolution was carried, "That the N.Z. Executive of Guild Fellowship knowing that there are representations already before the Government regarding this matter, make a further protest to the Minister."

**Church Membership Cards:** While appreciating the President's Text being written on the card, we would support the addition of some set of standards for membership, printed on the back of the card.

**Fraternal Workers Fund:** Letter from Mrs Jill Harris, Salatiga, was received expressing her appreciation of the financial assistance given to the Fraternal Workers Fund.

Letter from the Women's Christian Temperance Union asking for support for a Remit passed by their Conference, "That they deplore the alarming increase in Juvenile Delinquency, and urges all women's Conferences to give earnest consideration to the part played by beverage alcohol as a contributory factor." It was agreed to forward this remit to local and District level for consideration.

**Devotional Periods:** The Conference was stirred, challenged and inspired by the various Devotional Sessions, when Mrs A. K. Petch, Mrs A. Carr, Mrs M. A. Collins, Mrs A. R. Witheford, and Sister Rita brought to the Conference, messages from the gospel for a more vital and exacting Christian witness.

**Constitution:** During the year many combined M.W.M.U. and Guild Fellowship Executive meetings were held and further alterations and additions made to the draft copy. It is interesting to learn of many Guilds all over New Zealand who are having combined meetings, to test the working out of this Constitution. Final comments from Districts are to be made by 30 June, any final alterations may then be made before the forthcoming combined Conference. To show forth our desire for unity, a combined Conference of M.W.M.U. and W.G.F. is to be held in Dunedin on 8 to 11 October, 1962.

This year terminates our term of Dominion Executive, and we would express our appreciation to all Guilds, District Officers and Executives, for their earnest consideration of the suggestions and resolutions brought before them for the building up of the service entrusted to us. We have enjoyed the Fellowship, and as we hand over the work to the next Dominion Executive, we would welcome them and assure them of the love and co-operation of all members.

The New Executive will be situated in Wellington, and the Officers will be, Mrs J. Rickard, President; Mrs P. Ramsay, Vice-President; Mrs O. Worboys, Secretary; Miss A. Johnston, Treasurer. May God guide them and lead them to greater heights of service.

We give thanks to our Father for the rich blessings He has given us, and we pray our Fellowship will be a Fellowship of Women dedicated to forward God's work wherever our duty calls.

LAUREL G. B. McALISTER, President.

EVA HANSEN, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Council of Christian Education investigate the possibility of co-operation between the Methodist Women's Fellowship groups and Men's Fellowship groups with a view to establishing the most effective pattern of Church group life, especially within small congregations.
3. That Conference express its appreciation of the work done by the President and Members of the Dominion Executive of the Women's Guild Fellowship over the past four years.

### QUESTION XXXV.

## F—Church Council

### REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1962.

The Church Council met at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on 8th and 9th May, 1962, the President of the Conference (the Rev. E. C. Leadley) presiding.

Matters dealt with and the resolutions thereon were as follows:—

### I—CONNEXIONAL STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATION

(Ref. 1961 Mins., pp. 74, 75; also 1960, pp. 162, 166)

A memorandum from the Special Committee set up by the Council last year indicated that the Committee had invited Chairmen of Districts and Connexional Officers to make submissions. The replies seemed to suggest that the time has arrived for a general survey of certain aspects of our Connexional structure, extending beyond the affairs of the Home and Maori Missions Department.

The main matters raised in these submissions relate to:—

- (1) The undue fragmentation of certain aspects of the mission and structure of the Church because of the way in which various Connexional Departments have developed and continue to operate.
- (2) The question of whether our present Connexional and District leadership is being used to the best advantage and what changes can be made to make it more effective.
- (3) Whether the total business management of our Church affairs can be overhauled and co-ordinated so that greater efficiency and effectiveness would result.
- (4) The future of our Maori Mission work, which is an issue requiring specialist attention within the framework of the wider issues raised.

The Memorandum suggested two main lines of thought—

- (1) The possibility of the appointment of separated or partially-separated Chairmen who could take over certain functions of the present appointments of (a) General Superintendent of Home Missions as adviser in Church Extension, and of (b) the Connexional Secretary.



Certain other functions of these two officers would be carried by qualified lay officers.

- (2) If these suggestions were not acceptable, then certain recommendations were made for reorganisation of the Department for more effective working.

The Committee suggested the setting up of a Commission to go into the business practices and administration of the Church, in view of the introduction of stewardship and the Connexional Budget.

The Council was divided as to whether outside consultants were the best for such an investigation. A number contended that the Church Council was itself set up for just such purposes.

#### **Resolutions:**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That a Committee of the Church Council review the structure of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and report with recommendations to the Church Council of 1963 the following issues to be considered:—
  - (a) The number and the duties of the officers of the Connexional Departments.
  - (b) The administration of the Connexional Funds of the Church.
  - (c) The function of Chairmen of Districts and their relationship to the Connexion.
  - (d) The initiation, financing and carrying through of Church extension.
  - (e) The effects on the Maori work of any recommended changes in the Connexional structure.

In the fulfilment of its order of references, the Committee shall have the right to ask the Boards and Committees concerned for full information, to seek submissions, to travel, and to consult any experts desired.

3. That the Committee consist of the Revs. H. G. Brown and W. R. Laws; Messrs G. G. Slater and D. A. White.

4. That the Committee be empowered to invite any Committee, Board or individual to make submissions.

#### **II—CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 97, res. 6)

A Memorandum was received from Rev. Dr. J. J. Lewis, setting out reasons in favour of the suggestion of establishing such a Department and the possible gains.

A letter from the Public Questions Committee indicated that they wished to discuss the matter further. In the meantime, their present reaction was favourable provided some serious practical difficulties can be overcome.

The International Affairs Committee presented a lengthy report, setting out their views, concluding with interim findings, suggesting that the matter be considered by the Church.

Some speakers pointed out that in a small Church like ours it would not be possible to do what is done in British Methodism; also that a great deal of the success there was due to the outstanding men at the head. It was also suggested that this matter might be taken up with other churches on an Ecumenical basis.

**Resolution:** That a Committee consisting of the conveners of the Public Questions, International Affairs and the Temperance

Committees investigate the question and report to the Church Council; the Convener to be the Convener of the Public Questions Committee.

### **III—SIZE OF CONFERENCE** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 219)

The Secretary of Conference presented a Memorandum indicating the growth in numbers attending Conference over the last few years. If any action were to be taken, the two main possibilities were:—

- (1) Circuits could be represented by the ministers or laymen in alternate years (as under the Presbyterian system).
- (2) Representatives (ministerial and lay) could be appointed by Synods on a District basis.

**Resolution:** That Synod Standing Committees be asked to express their views on both the alternatives mentioned in the report.

### **IV—ORDINATION SERVICE** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 76 (V))

A Memorandum from the Faith and Order Committee made the following recommendations:—

1. The Necessity of the Sermon: We feel that while the charge should not be unduly long, it would not be satisfactory to omit it altogether, nor to replace it by a somewhat longer set charge, to be read. The preaching of the Word within the service seems to us to be sound Reformation practice.

2. The Place of the Sermon Within the Service: We feel that the order should be: first sermon, then ordination, then Communion, for the following reasons:—

(a) In our normal Communion service, the sermon comes early, and is followed by the Communion.

(b) In the Book of Common Prayer, the sermon comes before the Ordination, both for deacons and priests, and in the consecration of Bishops. In all three, the order is sermon, ordination, Communion.

(c) This suggested order would have the effect of making the ordination the climax of the service, which is considered to be desirable.

3. The Communion: We suggest this should remain in the service as at present. It is the logical sequel to the ordination, and is in no way a 'private Communion'; it is simply that in view of the numbers generally present an open invitation is not practicable.

4. We favour the retention of the present system of testimonies limited in time; and that Circuits and Districts be encouraged to explore the possibility of services of testimony be ordinands.

**Resolution:** That the suggestions made in the Memorandum be approved for action by the Conference.

### **V—CHURCH EXTENSION APPEAL** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 199, Res. 4) Suggested appeal for Capital of Transport Trust Board.

There was a good deal of opposition to the proposal, in view of the urgency of church extension, as such, at present. But there was support for a special appeal for the Transport Trust Board through private loans, etc.

**Resolution:** That Conference note the need of the Transport Board for monies which will enable it to make loans to ministers and circuits for the purchase of cars at a lower rate of interest than at present. Therefore it recommends that the Conference authorise an appeal to trusts and individuals to assist the Board

by way of gifts, or loans at call (either interest-free or at P.O.S.B. rates or lower), or bequests; and commends the appeal to the generous and sympathetic interest of the Church.

#### **VI—TRINITY COLLEGE: STANDARDS OF REMUNERATION**

(Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 125, Res. 6)

The present position was outlined by the Principal (Rev. E. W. Hames).

The principle on which the Conference and the College Council have acted is that the stipends paid to the College staff should not be seriously out of line with those paid to men in Circuit work. In general it may be said that the staff members are in pretty much the same position financially as ministers of leading circuits.

The matter of study leave has never been defined. In practice the Council has paid the full stipend of staff members abroad for study or on Church business. Such leave is granted without hesitation. The work of staff members on leave is shared by their colleagues, with some assistance from visiting tutors. The arrangements are adequate except with regard to travelling costs. There is a prospect of a considerable sum for this purpose from legacy, but it will probably not come to hand for many years. In the meantime the need could probably be met by special grant from the Probert Trust, which is always ready to listen to the special needs of the College.

**Resolution:** That Conference accept the principle that the College teaching staff have the opportunity to go overseas for study from time to time—travelling expenses involved to be a charge on the Church, through the College Council.

#### **VII—LEADERS' MEETINGS** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 76)

The Special Committee appointed last year stated that they were not ready at this stage to make a full report, and were given authority to continue their investigations.

#### **VIII—OVERSEAS VISITORS**

The Secretary reported that arrangements had been made for the following visits:—

1962—The President-General (Prof. Trigge)—One month from mid-September.

1963—March—Dr. Eric Baker.

July—Dr. Harry Denman.

1964—Easter—Prof. Coulson.

The Spiritual Advance Committee had itineraries in hand. Dr. Denman would be conducting Schools of Evangelism.

#### **IX—DATE OF MINISTERS' CHANGING CIRCUITS** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 77)

The Rev. G. I. Laurenson set out the advantages and disadvantages of the present date.

**Resolution:** That incoming ministers are entitled to move into the Parsonage on February 1st. (Note, This does not affect his commencing his ministry on the second Sunday in February).

#### **X—TIME OF SYNODS AND CONFERENCE** (Ref. 1961 Mins., p. 77)

The Secretary reported having consulted the Australian Conferences. There are difficulties if the time between Synods and Conference is shortened and also if the time of Synods is brought forward in the year.

**Resolution:** That in view of all the factors concerned no action be taken.

## SABBATICAL LEAVE

That the following be referred to the Church Council:

- (a) That Conference receive the recommendation that provision be made for Ministers who have served the Church for 25 years, to have a period of Sabbatical leave.
- (b) That Conference direct the Church Council to consider the principle of Sabbatical leave and the desirability, or otherwise, of implementing such a scheme.
- (c) That if the report is favourable, the Council bring down recommendations concerning the duration, as well as ways and means of providing for such leave, to Synods and Conference, 1963.

### XI—NEXT MEETING

That the next meeting of the Council commence at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on Tuesday, May 7th, 1963, at 10.30 a.m.

### QUESTION XXXV.

## G—Spiritual Healing Committee

### REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1962

At the beginning of this year it was felt that the time had arrived when the Committee should gather up the thoughts and experiences of the church in the field of spiritual healing. Accordingly, a questionnaire was sent out to all ministers. The Committee is grateful to those ministers who answered the questionnaire, especially to those who shared their thoughts and experiences.

In response to 240 questionnaires sent out, 123 replies were received:

- 72 ministers stated that some of their people are actively interested in spiritual healing, and a further 26 qualified their answer; for example "a few" or "not well informed".
- 44 groups meet specifically for intercession for the sick, the majority of them weekly, and a further 29 groups include intercession as part of their programme.
- 67 groups mentioned names and circumstances of those prayed for, and in a further 6 churches mention of them is made in public worship.
- 27 groups are affiliated to the Prayer Cell Movement, and 3 to Camps Farthest Out.
- 10 ministers hold healing services as a regular part of their church programme, and a further 3 hold them occasionally.
- 57 churches include intercession for the sick in public worship and 60 as part of the Communion service. Eighty ministers include this ministry as part of their pastoral work. (This question did not clearly discriminate between prayers offered for specific people, and more general prayers for the sick.)
- 34 ministers have used the "Laying on of Hands", and 4 others would be willing to do so if called upon. Five mentioned having anointed with oil.
- 29 ministers, asked if they felt that interest in this field is growing, answered in the negative; 67 were definite that interest is growing, and the remainder gave qualified answers.

To 19 ministers the subject brings definite problems; several answered indeterminately, but for 70 there was no real problem.

While many wrote at length showing a deep interest in spiritual healing, some felt they had little experience or insight to contribute, and other did not consider it necessary for the church to move further into this field.

However, it is evident that there is a growing interest in spiritual healing throughout the church. Yet many problems arise because people are ill-informed. Replies indicate a hunger for further education and guidance in what is a difficult field for many.

**Problems:** Replies indicate certain practical problems:—

1. The problem of the apparently unanswered prayer.
2. The problem that Christian living does not guarantee good health, nor peace of mind.
3. The problem of distinguishing between true spiritual healing and its counterfeits.
4. The problems which sometimes arise as to the relationship between orthodox medicine and spiritual healing.

Many ministers indicate that they keep clear of the subject because they feel unable to cope with the problems involved, and some suggest that time should be given at March Synod, or some other suitable occasion for the study of this subject.

**Comments:** The following comments taken from answers to the questionnaire may prove helpful to those who wish to move further in this field. It will be obvious that many differing points of view are expressed, and that the church has not reached any finality in its understanding of spiritual healing:—

"In a group for Bible study and prayer, again and again discussion swings to the subject. I believe it must grow out of such a fellowship where harmony and depth of adoration and confession have first been reached—not a group constituted with the specific purpose of praying for the sick."

"I do think that the church should move in this field without trying to see God's purposes for men too clearly. There seem to me to be serious dangers in the confident assertion that God wills perfect wholeness. We can pray confidently for the sick without knowing all too clearly precisely what God is doing."

"I just cannot read the New Testament and feel that we are heeding our Lord's command 'Heal the sick'. I think that were our faith stronger and the life of the church deeper, it would happen. I am baffled that since N.T. times miracles have been rare."

"The Healing ministry has also given me a new insight concerning the Will of God in relation to sickness. The following quotation has been helpful: 'Health (or perhaps better physical, mental and spiritual wholeness) is God's primary will for all his children, and disease is not only to be combatted, but to be combatted in God's name as a way of carrying out His Will. However, disease may be brought about, and in whatever way it may be over-ruled for good, it is in itself evil.' (Lambeth Conference of Bishops, 1920.) I am convinced that we need to move into a wider field than pre-occupation with spiritual healing. Some spiritual healing seems to me to be simply a longing for miracles to convince people that God breaks through into human affairs. We need to teach that God is in all human affairs always, including most of to-day's medical science."

"I wonder if the Committee has taken time off in its work to consider the philosophy of 'Acceptance of illness and suffering', and the building of the soul to meet these experiences? It is so easy to proceed step by step in one direction only."

"It is not true that we can come to God making physical health our basic demand of Him. The true attitude of faith is to come to God asking that His Will should be done. The desire to use God to promote our own ends is unChristian. But I am coming to see that the positive side must also be faced. The ministry of healing has been allowed to become dormant in the church. It is hard to see that this can be God's intention. There are many faculties we possess by which we serve our neighbours in love quite naturally, and without anxious thought. Healing must once have been like this. Unanalysed it was there to be called upon whenever a situation naturally called for it. It is not like that any longer. To all intents and purposes this is a new gift which we must receive again. The way that can happen is not by a determination to go ahead and exercise the talent, but by looking first for the commission of God. People just do not decide to be prophets, healers, etc—God commissions them. It seems therefore that we must look for a way forward in which God will contact His church, perhaps at many points, and give again the command to heal, and the talent will spring to life again in such a way that whoever comes to the church for the ministry of healing will not be disappointed. In all this I am assuming that the healing gift is something beyond the ministry of prayer, as it appears to be both in the N.T. and in modern experience."

**Summing Up:** It is obvious from the replies received that many ministers desire to move further in this field, but are fearful of the implications involved. They look for guidance and help. Where groups are venturing forth through the ministry of caring and concern for others, new vitality is being experienced in the life of the church. There is no guaranteed formula for success. We must go forth in faith and obedience. Any question of miracles must be left to God.

**Future Programme:** In addition to the questionnaire, this year the committee has been studying the relationship between Worship and Healing, and intends to continue this study, reporting to the church at a later date.

W. S. DAWSON, Chairman.  
J. G. S. PEARCE, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Spiritual Healing Committee receive a grant of £10 from the Contingent Fund.
3. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION XXXVI—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Christian Education?**

## Department of Christian Education

ANNUAL REPORT 1962

### **A. METHODIST COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Council met at Wallis House following the Church Council.

#### **Christian Education Leadership Standards**

The Council recommends the adoption of the following Leadership Standards:

It is the responsibility of the Leaders' Meeting (or L.E.C.) to search out the best equipped person to fill a vacancy and to lay before the chosen person the obligation to accept the call of God. The Leaders' Meeting should also be prepared to release the person from other positions in the Church to avoid over-burdening.

1. The person needs to have a sufficiently mature faith in Jesus Christ which can be "caught" as well as taught, and sufficient stability as a person to ensure good relationships with those he leads or teaches.
2. If the person is not a member of the Methodist Church, the Leaders' Meeting should impress upon him the necessity for showing sympathy toward the doctrines and discipline of Methodism.
3. The person should recognise the privilege and responsibility of worship and be regular in attendance at a full service of worship and at Holy Communion.
4. The person's aim in leading should be to bring those under his care to a living encounter with God as disclosed in Jesus Christ, and to help them express their growing commitment to Him through worship, witness, and service.
5. The person should spend adequate time on lesson preparation.
6. The person should accept training opportunities such as—
  - (a) The Preparatory Course. Churches are urged to require this of inexperienced staff **prior** to commencement of service.
  - (b) Observe a skilled teacher or leader at work.
  - (c) Join a local training class where organised.
  - (d) Take part in training days and leadership schools.
7. The person should exercise a pastoral concern for those under his care by: taking a personal interest in them; praying for them individually; offering them friendship; and visiting their homes.
8. The person is expected to work with other members of the staff as a team in the planning and administration of the Church School.

The Council recommends that the Standards be used at Leaders' Meetings (or L.E.C.), Christian Education Workers' Dedication Services and printed for the personal guidance of teachers and leaders.

Other suggestions referred to the Board were that the Standards be made available in poster form and that studies with a scriptural basis expounding the Standards be prepared.

**Triennial Visitation:** The Board of Christian Education was asked to prepare questions on Christian education to be included in the questionnaire for the triennial visitation to circuits.

**Care of Students:** (resolution No. 5, 1961 Minutes, page 86). It was decided to refer this matter to Synod Standing Committees in university centres to act as necessary in their own district and that their recommendations be referred back to the Board for consideration and to next meeting of Council for action.

**Committee on Lay Activities:** A Christchurch Laymen's Committee was appointed to report on the resolution of last Conference. The follow-up to Stewardship Canvasses was also referred to this Committee.

**Christian Education Staff:** The Council considered a proposal that our Church should appoint full (or part) time laymen as Directors of Christian Education to individual Circuits or groups of Circuits.

It was agreed that this proposal be referred to the Board asking them to prepare a memorandum to Council next year on question of status, the relationship between such workers and the Department and how their appointment would be approved.

**Use of Field Directors:** Council recommended that priority be given to—

- Leadership training at district or area level, and
- Creative work — evaluating the work, preparing aids, courses, resource material.

It was understood that a limited amount of Circuit or Church visiting would be fitted in with district or area training.

**Overseas training for Field Directors:** Council expressed its pleasure at the plans of the Board to seek overseas training for its Field Directors. It approved the general proposal, and asked the Board to make provision in its budget so as to spread this cost over a period of years.

**Family Church Programme:** The Council reaffirmed the principles behind the Family Church Programme and asked the Board to let the Church know of what was happening in this field. The Board was asked to collect information regarding Adult resource material, grading of adult groups, and numbers participating.

B. M. CRYSTALL, Ex-President.

W. F. FORD, Director of Christian Education.

## **B. BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**1. BUILDINGS:** Many advances in our Churches' teaching ministry and general programme, are dependent upon the provision of more suitable buildings. Experience overseas and in New Zealand, confirms the need for a series of large rooms varied in size but none smaller than say, 200 sq. ft. Such rooms are well suited for most activities of the Church's programme; they will be in frequent use and are ideal for the purposes of Christian education. These rooms encourage informal learning rather than passive listening and watching; they allow a greater variety of methods and activities to be used; they are suitable for all age groups; they allow grading to be taken more seriously; and they make for better fellowship and person-to-person experiences. (It is for some of these reasons that a number of our Churches have found that the kind of accommodation provided by a large residence has proved most useful).

It is encouraging to see how some churches have been asking fundamental questions before designing and erecting buildings. Others have, with imagination, been able to alter and renovate old



buildings to make them attractive and convenient for the kind of activities needed to-day.

The Board would stress also that the building is incomplete without furnishings and equipment. Often, for example, the type of seating provided encourages the wrong kind of setting and methods for the Churches' work. Attention to acoustics can also make buildings much more serviceable to the Church.

The Department staff is always willing to discuss with churches the type of building and equipment needed for Christian education.

**2. LEADERSHIP TRAINING:** Much of the work of the Department and its Directors comes under this heading.

**Experimental district leadership training** was done early in 1962 in co-operation with the Presbyterian Department of Christian Education. Two joint staff teams were formed and they conducted leadership courses in Whangarei, North Shore, Wairarapa; and in Greymouth, Nelson, and Christchurch, respectively. In almost all of these districts there was a very good attendance at these courses. Having learned from this experiment other districts will be offered this type of training next year.

**10-day Leadership Schools:** Ten Methodists attended the Feilding School and three the South Island School at Knox College. All those with experience of these schools with their intensive training are enthusiastic about their value. They are another joint Methodist/Presbyterian venture and held in the May holidays. It was again encouraging to see mature adults attending and a number who had obtained from their employers leave of absence in order to attend.

**Methodist Christian Leadership Course:** This course is being used widely by local Churches. The section on the Church-history, Methodist polity, and its mission—will be ready by the end of this year. Of the practical options the ones for Lay Pastors and Children's Workers are now available and will be followed by those for Youth and Adult workers.

Notes are also available to help those who are preparing Local Preachers for the practical side of their work—homiletics and the conduct of worship.

**Leadership Schools:** The programme of the long-week-end schools has been revised in recent years. More provision is now made to develop the leadership qualities of the schoolers and to give them practical experience in methods which can be used in their home church.

**3. CHILDREN'S WORK:** A committee of people chosen for their knowledge and experience in children's work has been established in Auckland, and guides the Board's policy in this sphere of its work.

**Training Course:** The Children's Workers practical section of the Methodist Christian Leadership Course has been prepared and is designed for use in local church or area training groups. Specialist tutors are to be appointed in each district to enable the standard to be kept as high as possible.

The course covers ten sessions which include: the teacher, objectives, understanding the child, total programme, lesson material, grading and organisation, buildings and equipment, the learning process, use of aids, etc., as well as observation in a recommended Sunday School.

Filmstrips, tapes, group work and practical work, all play an important part in the course, and we have hopes that it will raise

the standard of teaching in our Sunday Schools. In time, it is planned to have a copy of the set of tapes, filmstrips, etc., in each district.

**Sunday Schools and Testing:** The main aim of our Sunday School work is "to bring each child into a closer relationship with God." Because this aim involves the spiritual growth of the child, it is difficult to assess progress. It certainly cannot be done by examinations. However, the Board, realising that there is still a place for testing the Biblical Knowledge of children, has issued a statement setting out many factors to be considered, including advantages and disadvantages of examinations, as a guide to churches in their deliberations. The statement encourages churches to look at the total programme of the Sunday School, including its main aim and purpose, the curriculum and the responsibility of the teachers to each child.

Christian Education Handbook has published this statement and further copies can be obtained from the Department.

**Children's Art Project:** A number of children from our Sunday Schools, including the Home Sunday School, submitted paintings to be included in a world-wide Children's Art Project being organised under the auspices of W.C.C.E.S.S.A. This project will be exhibited in Belfast, Ireland, and New York this year.

**4. YOUTH WORK:** Emphasis has been given this year to a better appreciation of youth programme to the launching of C.Y.M.M. Councils under the new Constitution, and to training in more dynamic methods and procedures in Christian education work amongst teenagers. The ready response to practical training sessions in many parts of the country indicates that youth leaders themselves are awakening to the need for a more enlightened approach in working with this age group.

**Teenage Programme:** The review of teenage programme continues. Objectives in teenage programme have been defined for the guidance of youth leaders. Guidance in developing an adequate youth programme in the local church has been given through a brochure prepared and published by the National C.Y.M.M. Council. It is recommended that youth programme be considered regularly under four programme areas—Faith, Outreach, Service, and Fellowship. There is a pressing need also for local churches to set aside a suitable room as a clubroom for teenagers where they can meet each other and with their leaders more informally.

There has been a notable stirring amongst our young people in the field of evangelism. Two districts have experimented in direct evangelism while many local churches are seeking to befriend and win outside youth through coffee clubs and fellowship groups.

**New C.Y.M.M. Constitution:** A strong National C.Y.M.M. Council centred in Wellington was elected by the C.Y.M.M. Convention. This Council has already made a study of other Church youth movements and has undertaken the organisation of C.Y.M.M. Conference, development of youth programme and a work-camp project in the Solomon Islands ("Operation Solomons"). District and local C.Y.M.M. Councils are in the process of formation throughout the country. Encouraging reports have been received from Councils already formed.

Quite apart from ensuring the co-ordination of youth activities and the planning of an adequate youth programme these C.Y.M.M. Councils will serve our youth and the Church well by affording opportunities of leadership and self-determination that will help

young people to grow as persons and equip them for responsible and dedicated churchmanship.

**C.Y.M.M. Officers:** George Bryant (Hamilton) and Murray Clark (Wellington) were elected President and Vice-president respectively.

**C.Y.M.M. Activities:** The 1961/62 C.Y.M.M. Conference, held at Feilding, was notable for several new features which raised the level of participation by conference members, and for the presence of visitors from the Pacific Islands and from other church youth movements. The 1962/63 C.Y.M.M. Conference is to be held at Scots College, Wellington, under the chairmanship of Rev. I. W. Reid.

Separate senior and junior Easter Camp studies were produced this year as a joint venture with the Presbyterian B.C. Union and this arrangement is to continue.

Contingents are being organised to attend the Pacific Islands Youth Camp in Tonga, December, 1962, and the National Youth Convention in Melbourne, January, 1963.

**Order of St. Stephen:** A steady flow of candidates has been maintained. The following have been accepted for service during the year: Kathleen Dryden (Circuit work and Children's Home, Papanui), Alan Penny (Carpenter, New Guinea), Beth James (student work, Durham Street), Ken Skinner (Carpenter, New Guinea), Laurie Jenkin (teacher, Solomon Islands), John Tulloch (Carpenter, N.Z. Churches and Camps), Bruce McKerras (Carpenter, N.Z. Camps), and Sister Lesley Bowen (nursing sister, Solomon Islands). Miss Beth James is an Australian and came to New Zealand at her own expense to serve under the Order.

**5. ADULT WORK:** The Department staff has visited numerous Churches which have wanted to consider the Family Church programme. The constantly growing number of all-age Church Schools is helping the Church take a much more active interest in its teaching ministry. It also is providing opportunities for more and more adults to learn and grow.

Training sessions have been held in several districts for actual or potential leaders of women's meetings, Bible Study groups, and for laymen. Most of these have been called by Guild, M.W.M.U., or Men's Fellowship District organisations. The Department co-operates by helping to plan the programme and provide the staff.

During the year the Adult Committee of the Board has prepared criteria by which to select suitable study or resource material for adult groups. The Committee also has considered the kind of course required for training leaders of adult groups.

**6. A AND N.Z. JOINT BOARD OF GRADED LESSONS:** The following developments in lesson materials have taken place, or will do so from the beginning of next year:

- i. A manual for the Nursery Department (0-3 years) has been published.
- ii. Two grades of youth magazines (including their Bible Class study material) will be available from 1963: "Venture" for 13-14 years, "Horizons" for 15-17 years.
- iii. A parents' paper appearing three times a year at a cost (6d per annum) which will allow churches to deliver it free to all parents.
- iv. Series of short-term study courses for senior youth and adult groups. No. 1, studies in 1 Peter; No. 2, "Stewardship—more than money"; No. 3, "Two Thousand Years—the story of the expanding Church." Each will contain about 7-10 studies. This

series, along with the adult resource magazine "Together," should meet the needs of most church school adult groups.

**7. CONSTITUTION:** Members of the staff have visited most districts to help Ministers, members of Leaders' Meetings, the Synod Standing Committee, etc., to launch the new constitution.

We pay tribute to the devoted and fruitful service given by many people in the last twenty or more years on D.Y.C.'s and L.Y.C.'s.

We welcome those who will serve on District Education Councils (D.E.C.'s), Local Education Committees (L.E.C.'s), and the National, District and Local C.Y.M.M. Councils.

This new pattern has been very well received by the Church.

**8. STAFF:** Mr Ford was designated by last Conference for appointment now for a further term of six years.

The Field Directors, Miss H. Mary Astley, and Mr Cliff H. Couch, are giving a good lead to Children's and youth work respectively.

The Bookroom since its beginning in July, 1955, has been extraordinarily well served by Miss Isobel Bennett as its very devoted and efficient manager. Miss Bennett left early this year and deserves the warmest thanks of the Church. We are fortunate to have secured Mr Glyn Jones as the new Manager. His experience and training qualify him well for this work. All members of the Office and Bookroom staff make a dedicated team.

**9. CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:** This is the first full year in which the Department has depended on the Connexional Budget. We believe that this orderly method of financing the Church's work is to be commended. The Board appreciates the sacrificial giving which has enabled the Department for the first time to receive 100% of its estimated requirements.

**10. N.Z. COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** The sudden death of the Rev. W. P. B. Gamblen so soon after he relinquished his position as General Secretary is greatly regretted. The new General Secretary, the Rev. K. J. Mackie, has made an encouraging start.

The Council awaits with much interest and some hope the report of the Commission on Education—now in the hands of the Minister of Education.

R. THORNLEY, Chairman.

W. F. FORD, Director.

## Department of Christian Education

### REVISED CONSTITUTION

The Constitution adopted by last Conference (See 1961 Minutes, P. 87) has been before the Law Revision Committee during the year and certain amendments made. The following is the revised draft for approval of Conference.

1. There shall be a Department of Christian Education established under the control and direction of the Conference.
2. The object of the Department shall be to guide and supervise the Christian education programme of the Church.
3. There shall be a Methodist Council of Christian Education representative of all organisations in the Church promoting Christian education. The Council shall be appointed annually by

the Conference and shall meet annually. It shall formulate the policy of the Church with respect to Christian education for consideration by the Conference and report thereon to the Conference. The Council shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary of Conference, President-elect, Director of Christian Education, Field Directors of Christian Education, and such representatives of Synod and other organisations engaged in Christian education as Conference may from time to time determine. The Director of Christian Education shall be Convener.

4. The Department of Christian Education shall be administered by the Board of Christian Education which shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall consist of—

- (a) Chairman of the District in which the Board is located.
- (b) Director of Christian Education.
- (c) Field Directors.
- (d) Four Ministers.
- (e) Four members experienced in children's work.
- (f) Four members experienced in youth work.
- (g) Four members experienced in adult work.
- (h) Two representatives of the National C.Y.M.M. Convention.

5. There shall be a Director of Christian Education appointed by the Conference. He shall be the chief executive and administrative officer and adviser to the Department. He shall be responsible to the Board and to Conference.

6. The officers of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, the Director of Christian Education, and a Lay Treasurer who shall be appointed by the Board from its members.

7. Field Directors, as required for the Department's work, shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board of Christian Education.

8. In each District there shall be one or more District Education Councils which shall be appointed annually by the District Synod. Each Local Education Committee in the area shall have the right to submit nominations. The area in which each District Council shall operate shall be as determined by the District Synod. Each Council shall consist of—

- (a) The Chairman of the District or his nominee.
- (b) Three Ministers.
- (c) Three members experienced in children's work.
- (d) Three members experienced in youth work.
- (e) Three members experienced in adult work.
- (f) One representative from each Local Education Committee in the area.
- (g) District C.Y.M.M. Chairman and Secretary.

9. The Chairman of the District or his nominee shall be Chairman of the District Council. A District Education Secretary shall be appointed by the District Council from one of its members.

10. The District Education Council shall:

- (a) Promote in the District the objectives and programme of the Department of Christian Education.
- (b) Supervise and evaluate all Christian education activities—children's, youth, and adult.
- (c) Act as advisory committee of the Board of Christian Education and of the Director working in the area.

- (d) Guide and assist local Churches in all aspects of their Christian education programme.
- (e) Promote leadership training.
- (f) Arrange other district activities such as rallies, camps, and beach missions.

11. The District Education Council shall be responsible through the District Synod to the Board of Christian Education and shall report annually to the Board through the Synod.

12. There shall be a Local Education Committee in each Church in a Circuit, subject to the right of the Quarterly Meeting to group several smaller Churches under one Council.

13. The Local Education Committee shall be appointed by the Leaders' Meeting. It shall consist of:—

- (a) The Superintendent Minister and the Minister or Probationer of the local Church.
- (b) The Superintendent of the Church School.
- (c) The Leader of each Department of the Church School, such departments being as from time to time determined by the Board.
- (d) Local Christian Youth Movement Methodist Chairman and Secretary.
- (e) One representative of such other groups engaged in Christian education as the Board shall from time to time approve.
- (f) Not more than six additional representatives appointed by the Leaders' Meeting on the basis of two for the first 50 Church members and one for each additional 50 or part thereof.

Provided always that in cases where the Church School is not yet functioning the Sunday School Superintendent, the Leader of each Department of the Sunday School and two representatives appointed by and from the Leaders of the Bible Classes shall be members of the Local Education Committee..

14. The Local Education Committee shall be responsible to the Leaders' Meeting of the Local Church. The Superintendent Minister or one of his colleagues shall be the Chairman of the Committee or it may on the nomination of the Superintendent Minister annually elect from its members as Chairman a layman. One of its members shall be elected Local Education Secretary.

15. The Local Education Committee shall:

- (a) Promote and carry out in the local Church the whole programme of Christian Education according to the policy of the Department.
- (b) Recruit, appoint (subject to Section 16 hereof) and train Church School staff, including leaders of through-the-week activities.
- (c) Ensure that all members of the staff of the Church School and other leaders in the Christian education programme, where practicable, be members of the Methodist Church, but if not, that they accept and follow the Christian faith and are sympathetic with the doctrines and discipline of the Methodist Church.
- (d) Approve of lesson materials to be used in any Department of the Church School.

16. The Superintendent of the Church School or Sunday School and the Leader of each Department shall be appointed annually

by the Leaders' Meeting on the nomination of the Local Education Committee.

17. Where it is impracticable to set up a Local Education Committee the Leaders' Meeting shall perform all the duties and exercise the functions of the Local Education Committee.

18. Each Church School, Sunday School, and all their respective Departments shall be conducted in distinct and avowed connection with the Methodist Church of New Zealand in accordance with its laws and regulations.

#### **CHRISTIAN YOUTH MOVEMENT METHODIST**

19. There shall be a Christian Youth Movement Methodist under the authority of the Board of Christian Education. It shall consist normally of persons between the ages of thirteen and thirty who attend any youth group of the Methodist Church. Youth Leaders over 30 years of age may become honorary members, but shall be ineligible for election as Councillors.

20. The objects of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist are:

(a) To win youth for Jesus Christ as their Leader, Saviour, and Lord.

(b) To bring youth into membership of the Methodist Church.

(c) To relate Christianity to the whole life of youth—physical, mental, moral, and spiritual.

(d) To apply Christianity to all human relationships—personal, social, national and international.

(e) To seek the unity of the world family of Christians.

21. The Officers of the Movement shall be the National President and Vice-President. A Director of the Department shall be Executive Officer and a member of the Council.

22. There shall be a National Council consisting of the President, Vice-President, ex-President, the Executive Officer, and eleven ordinary members of whom at least four shall be young women and four young men.

23. All Council members with the exception of the ex-President and the Executive Officer shall be elected at Convention, the annual meeting of the Movement. Normally the location of the Council shall change every three years.

24. The Council shall be responsible to the Board of Christian Education.

25. In each area in which a District Education Council operates there shall be one or more District Councils of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist each consisting of its chairman, secretary, three representatives of the District Education Council experienced in youth work, and up to ten other members of whom at least four shall be young men and four young women.

26. All District officers and Council members with the exception of the representatives from the District Education Council shall be elected annually by the members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist in that District or area. The election shall be held in such time and in such manner as shall be decided by the District Council.

27. The District Council shall be responsible to the District Education Council and shall act as its Youth Committee.

28. In each Church where practicable there shall be a Local

Council of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist. The Quarterly Meeting may group several smaller Churches under one Local Council. Such Local Councils shall be responsible to and shall act as the Youth Committee of the Local Education Committee. It shall be representative of the Youth groups in a Church or Circuit. The Local Council may appoint a delegate to attend the District Council. Each such delegate shall have both a voice and, at the discretion of the District Council, a vote.

29. Each Local Council of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist, with the exception of the Minister and Counsellors, and its officers shall be elected annually by the members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist in the Church or Circuit. The Local Council shall consist of the Superintendent Minister and/or the Minister of the local Church, two adult counsellors appointed from and by the Local Education Committee, the Chairman and the Secretary and up to ten other members. The Chairman, Secretary, and other elected members shall be members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist.

#### **ORDER OF ST. STEPHEN**

30. There shall be an Order of St. Stephen which shall consist of those members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist who are at least eighteen years of age and who have given a year of service to the Church without remuneration.

31. The conditions governing the acceptance of candidates, fields of service and reception into the Order shall be as determined by the Conference on the recommendation of the Board of Christian Education.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the report of the Methodist Council of Christian Education be received and adopted.
2. That the Christian Education Leadership Standards be adopted for the guidance of Churches.
3. That the report of the Board of Christian Education be received and adopted.
4. That Churches planning buildings for Christian education be asked to consider the recommendations of the Department and seek its guidance.
5. That Conference thank Miss Isobel N. Bennett for the devoted and efficient service given to the Church for over six years as Manager of Epworth Bookroom (Wellington).
6. That the Rev. W. F. Ford be thanked for his outstanding leadership in the Department, and appointed Director of Christian Education for a further term of six years beginning 1st February, 1963.
7. **New Zealand Council of Christian Education.**
  - i. That the representatives on the Council be: Director of Christian Education (Rev W. F. Ford), Rev. J. D. Grocott, Messrs G. A. Leary and R. W. Sage.
  - ii. That a grant of £400 be made to the Council from the Connexional Budget.
8. That while recognising the valuable service rendered to education by the Commission on Education in New Zealand, for the following reasons Synod expresses deep disappointment on the Commission's recommendation concerning religious instruction in State Schools.



i. The report failed to recognise the extent of the agreement between the Churches as witnessed by the existence of an Agreed Syllabus and the attempt to safeguard standards by the system of accrediting voluntary instructors.

ii. The Commission recommends that the only section of the community which should be automatically disqualified from giving voluntary religious instruction is the section most able to do it—namely trained teachers.

iii. The recommendations of the report would make it impossible for primary schools to have both religious instruction and religious observances such as worship at school assemblies.

9. That this Conference endorses the desire of the N.Z. Council for Christian Education to improve the quality of religious instruction given by voluntary teachers in state primary schools, approves the principle of accrediting voluntary teachers—both clergy and lay—and gives authority to the Board of Christian Education to approve the system of accrediting.
10. That the Conference Committee examining the constitution of the Leaders Meeting be asked to consider giving more adequate representation to youth organisations on Leaders and Quarterly Meetings.
11. That the Revised Constitution of the Department be adopted.
12. That the Financial Statements of the Department and Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) be adopted.
13. That the Board for 1963 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?

## A—Public Questions Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

During the year the committee has considered the following matters and brings them to the notice of the Conference:

**1. Race Relations in New Zealand:** At the direction of the 1960 Conference the Committee acting in co-operation with the Department of Christian Education has in preparation for the use of Church groups a study based on the 1960 report on this matter.

**2. Christian Stewardship of Natural Resources:** As directed by the 1960 Conference a study has been prepared for use within the Church, and has been accepted by the Department of Christian Education for publication.

**3. Re Provision for Conscientious Objection under C.M.T. Act:** The Committee has studied the relevant section of the Act and the Department of Christian Education has published these provisions in the July, 1962, issue of the Christian Education Handbook.

**4. Supply of Undesirable Literature:** Arising from a case reported to the 1961 Conference relating to terms under which paper back literature is supplied to Dairies and Milk Bars, the Committee has made a number of enquiries both in Wellington and further afield. Sufficient evidence has come forward to suggest that there is some substance to complaints made. The Committee continues its work in this matter.

### 5. The Christian View of Marriage and Parenthood.

#### THE CHRISTIAN VIEW OF MARRIAGE AND PARENTHOOD

Marriage and parenthood are common to the majority of the human race, and much of our concern for these institutions is shared by all men of goodwill. But the Christian believes that his faith places him under a particular obligation of his own. The command to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind remains the first and greatest commandment in the intimate relationships of marriage and parenthood. Obedience to this command delivers these relationships from many of the tyrannies, disillusionments, frustrations and bitterness which so easily arise in a relationship lived on an exclusively human level. More positively, it opens up the possibility of the kind of reverence for the other person which has led Christians to see marriage and parenthood as signifying the intimacy and depth of the divine love for man.

This report treats three aspects of marriage which have always been important in the thinking of the Church. We do not consider that any of these aspects is subordinate to any other. To declare the pre-eminence of any one over the others may oversimplify and distort a complex human relationship.

#### A. The companionship of man and woman.

The drive in life which brings man and woman together in 'one flesh' is not merely the desire for sexual satisfaction—if it is the drive for sex we must understand sex in its widest possible reference. Marriage is a lifelong relationship in which each complements and fulfils the life of the other in a way in which only male and female can. This relationship is the basis of domestic life in all its most intimate details. Marriage is a sure

refuge from loneliness; it is life together. The marriage relationship becomes the 'home base' of life for each of the partners, and permanence is of its very essence. Sometimes we speak of faithfulness in marriage as if it meant only sexual faithfulness. But the man and the woman have just as important a duty to share with each other the hopes and anxieties, the thinking, the feeling, and all the other ingredients of which life is compounded. It is only as the marriage becomes a sharing of the whole of life that the depths of married life are sounded and the beauty of its permanence is revealed.

### **B. Sexual Union.**

It is within this relationship that Christians believe sexual intercourse finds its proper place in our lives. It becomes an expression and consummation of the commitment of the one to the other, and takes place within a context where each has accepted and promised full responsibility for the other and where children are welcomed as a result of the union. In marriage, also, a couple come to understand and accept the disciplines which make coitus truly an expression of tender love for each other.

Outside of this context of full responsibility for each other sexual intercourse is deprived of much of its symbolic content; it thus becomes an impoverished and self-defeating act, even destructive of reverence for the other person.

Where the couple are already pledged to marriage extra-marital intercourse has a somewhat different significance in that there is already a degree of life-long commitment to each other; the couple are anticipating the conditions of their intended marriage. This anticipation is widespread in our society, and is not necessarily a sign of promiscuity. Changing patterns in society and family life sometimes make it a temptation hard to resist. But it does not provide a good start to married life. That which should be awaited with patience and reverence is in a sense despoiled. What should be a part of normal life together, entered into without fear, is turned into a covert action haunted by the fear of conception. Trouble and resentment are sometimes laid up for the future.

The Church may not have stressed adequately the need for restraint in physical contact during courtship; encouraged by what they regard as a permissive attitude, some engaged couples have found themselves taken far further than they at first intended to go. The need for restraint in courtship should be recognised and observed. Where couples intending to marry find such restraint very difficult, they should perhaps consider marrying earlier than they had intended.

The procreation of children is to be regarded as the normal consequence of sexual union between man and wife if it is not prevented by illness or the inability to conceive. It seems clear that a marriage in which man and wife do not desire to share their mutual love with children in endangering that love by making it a selfish thing and is purposely separating sexual intercourse from one of the purposes for which it was intended.

The duty to procreate does not rule out family planning. Not every act of sexual intercourse need intend to procreate. The responsibility of parenthood may be fulfilled without completely dominating the other purposes for which marriage was ordained. It is right for a couple to make the arrival of children a matter of choice as to the number and the interval between them. The form of control may vary for different couples; personal considera-

tions will guide the conclusion arrived at. To some contraceptives may be distasteful. But we are concerned to say that birth control by contraceptive methods is acceptable to the Christian conscience as we understand it, so long as it does not involve the avoidance of the responsibility of parenthood nor open the way to an absence of discipline in the practice of coitus. It is not to be regarded as a second-best means of control nor as a concession to human weakness its so-called artificiality does not make it any more suspect than any of the artificial means by which men are raised from savagery to a civilised existence. This is not to say that a mutually agreed abstinence has no part in the life of a Christian couple: properly understood and freely chosen it may be a signal witness of their mutual love and the finest flower of their relationship.

### **C. Family Life.**

Marriage is designed to provide a secure environment for the upbringing of children. In the home which is based on a stable marriage relationship children learn many of the essential lessons of life, and are prepared for some aspects of the Christian life. They have experience of trusting others. Through their parents' love they may begin to understand what it means to be accepted by another without having first to merit that acceptance. If their parents are wise children learn that there is a place in life for discipline and begin to share in the essential tasks and responsibilities of the home. At the same time they enjoy the freedom which is granted by parents who see their children as made in the image of God. In a Christian home children will sense that their parents' lives (including their marriage) are founded on their love for God, and may thus be helped to discover the truth behind successful human relationships. In family prayers they will see the naturalness of prayer. The Christian family will not be turned in on itself, but as a unit in a wider society will look outward to others, and to the possibilities of service in the church. Children will thus be part of a group which is involved in the welfare of others, and be pointed away from selfishness towards concern for other people.

Society includes the unmarried and those whose marriages have been broken by death or separation. Such people have a special claim on the hospitality and friendship of the Christian home.

### **Marriages that fail.**

Some marriages break down. Sometimes this is because the marriage has been entered into unadvisedly. Counsel by skilled people or marriage guidance courses for engaged couples can be of help here. These may help couples to realise before they begin that a good marriage is something that must be worked at. In some cases they may reveal an incompatibility which can be faced up to before marriage. The conception of children outside wedlock does not necessarily mean that the father and mother should marry.

When an existing marriage is no longer working satisfactorily the couple concerned should seek counsel as soon as possible. The development of marriage guidance centres is making this easier to find—and, perhaps more important, making it a more accepted thing that a couple should acknowledge their difficulties in the presence of a counsellor. Where the breakdown has become humanly speaking irreparable we do not regard separation or even divorce as forbidden. But the situation needs to be explored

under the guidance of a wise counsellor before resort is made to this extreme way out. Many broken marriages can be mended if both wife and husband are willing that they should be.

The Methodist Church does not forbid the remarriage of divorced persons provided it is undertaken with serious intention and due recognition of the Christian standard. We believe that a blanket refusal to remarry such persons fails to recognise the complexities and ambiguities of human life.

### **Conclusion**

It is within the complexities of life that marriage and parenthood must be lived out. It would be foolish to pretend that Christians find either of them easy or that a domestic life free from strain and trouble is automatically their lot. But provided the Christian way of reverence and forgiveness is followed, Christians have found in marriage a vocation in which they and their children have been drawn close to the love of God and have found something of that love imparted to their relationships with one another.

### **6. Corporal Punishment as a Remedy for Moral Delinquency:**

Public concern has been expressed recently in New Zealand about the apparent increase in certain types of crime, in particular of rape, especially "gang" rape. There appears to be a common belief that the incidence of this type of crime would decrease if birching were to be reintroduced as an available penalty for such crime.

The Committee has considered the question of the reintroduction of judicial corporal punishment. It has not considered the matter of corporal punishment as related to the home and school, and has no recommendation to make on this issue.

Although in the past corporal punishment was a widely used sentence in a number of countries, in recent years the only civilized countries retaining the sentence were Britain, Canada, South Africa, Egypt and the States of Maryland and Delaware in the U.S.A.

Judicial corporal punishment was administered in England either by flogging with a cat-o'-nine-tails (9, 33" lengths of  $\frac{1}{4}$ " diameter whipcord fastened to a handle) or by whipping with a "birch" made of a bundle of birch twigs. Either method could be used for adults, but corporal punishment for juveniles was limited to birching. In New Zealand the sentence of corporal punishment for male offenders under 16 years of age was carried out by birching, and for those over sixteen by flogging with the "cat." Some evidence suggests that the birch is little, if any, less painful than the "cat."

In England and Wales corporal punishment as a judicial penalty for persons over the age of 16 years was virtually abolished in 1861. (This did not apply to juveniles as it was then regarded as a valuable alternative to imprisonment.) It was restored, however, in 1863 as a penalty for garrotting (i.e., attempting to choke or strangle to facilitate the commission of an indictable offence), and also for robbery with violence; and in 1898 and 1912 its use was extended to certain other offences. In 1948 the power of the Court to order corporal punishment was abolished. For a number of years prior to 1948 the sentence was actually used only for robbery with violence, and then only in a small proportion of cases. In the years prior to abolition, additional methods had become available for dealing with juveniles and the use of corporal punishment had markedly decreased.

In New Zealand the penalty of corporal punishment was available until 1941 as a sentence for adults in cases of serious assaults and rape, and as a sentence for juveniles who had committed certain offences. The most recent flogging in New Zealand took place in 1935, and the most recent birching in 1937.

Of recent years there has been a growing concern that sentences imposed by the Courts should not only act as a deterrent, but should also lead if possible to the reformation of the offender. There has been considerable doubt as to whether corporal punishment fulfilled these requirements. In 1937 the British Home Office appointed a Departmental Committee to consider the question of corporal punishment, and after an extensive investigation this Committee published in 1938 a report (popularly known as the Cadogan Report) recommending the abolition of judicial corporal punishment. On the deterrent effect of corporal punishment the Committee found, "after examining all the available evidence we have been unable to find any body of facts or figures showing that the introduction of a power of flogging has produced a decrease in the number of offences for which it may be imposed, or that offences for which flogging may be ordered have tended to increase when little use was made of the power to order flogging, or to decrease when the power was exercised more frequently. We are not satisfied that corporal punishment has that exceptionally effective influence as a deterrent which is usually claimed for it by those who advocate its use as a penalty for adult offenders." . . .

In 1960 the Advisory Council on the Treatment of Offenders was asked by the British Home Office to consider whether there were grounds for reintroducing any form of corporal punishment as a judicial penalty. The Council's report (known as the Barry Report) was published later that year. The unanimous conclusion of this Council was that corporal punishment should not be reintroduced. On the matter of deterrence it found that, "the reintroduction of judicial corporal punishment could be justified only if there was reasonable assurance that it would substantially reduce crime and afford real protection to potential victims. We think there cannot be any such assurance. There is no evidence that corporal punishment is an especially effective deterrent either to those who have received it or to others." . . .

Thus the British evidence indicates that corporal punishment is not an especially effective deterrent. The fact that corporal punishment is used as a judicial penalty in so few countries could be considered to be further evidence of this lack of effectiveness. In New Zealand the number of people flogged was comparatively small, and any conclusions based on their subsequent history would not necessarily be statistically significant.

There is always a danger of certain offenders being made the scapegoat of the community. A society which is far from being normally perfect in many areas of life, and which in particular tolerates the exploitation of sex and violence for commercial purposes in films, posters, books, and other media, must share some of the guilt when offences like rape occur. This exploitation may have little harmful effect on people of normal resistance; but some at least of the offenders are people of subnormal mentality whose capacity to resist this pressure is correspondingly smaller.

It seems clear that a sentence of corporal punishment is not reformatory. Reformation implies a change for the better in the offender's attitude towards society, and this is not likely to be achieved by corporal punishment which at best can only leave the offender with the feeling that he has paid for his crime. The

offender, however, may well have an attitude of resentment to authority. Corporal punishment is likely to harden this resentment and to make him more bitter, and therefore more likely to behave in an anti-social manner. Not only is corporal punishment likely to have an undesirable effect on the offender; it also tends to brutalise the person who is required to carry out the sentence. Since corporal punishment has little to commend it as a deterrent, and its use is likely to have undesirable effects both on the offender and the society to which he will return, this committee is of the opinion that corporal punishment should not be re-introduced as a judicial penalty.

#### **7. Interchurch Council on Public Affairs:**

Matters dealt with during the year include the following:

a. **Compassionate Immigration:** The sum of £1928 has been received from the High Commissioner for Refugees. This sum has been disbursed among the sponsoring Churches in proportion to the responsibility undertaken by each Church.

b. **Sales of Raffle Tickets by Children:** There is no legal prohibition on the sale of raffle tickets on private property. It is suggested that where action is desired for the protection of children from undue pressure to undertake sales, this is best done by rousing the public conscience in the local area, by an approach to the school authorities or sports groups who are organising appeals.

c. **Cinematograph Films Appeal Board:** The Council realises that this Board carries important responsibilities. It is the duty of the Church to understand how it works. The Council is concerned to see that the best qualified people are appointed to the Board.

d. **Censorship of Literature and Records:** Representations have been made to the Government about pornographic records. The Council has been advised that these do not come under the Indecent Publications Act but the Government is considering bringing in special legislation to cover them.

e. **Penal Policy:** Further thought and study have been given this year to penal policy. Discussions have been held with the Under-Secretary for Justice, Dr. J. L. Robson. The Justice Department is giving consideration to the following matters: The most desirable size of penal institutions; pre-release hostels; the experiment with "open Borstal" institutions; group counselling. The Churches should be able to offer real assistance in helping to mould public attitudes and in assisting the public to become aware of the need for reforms in prison administration and penal policy.

f. **Television:** The Council, with strong support from all its members, has continued its representations to Government on television control. Strenuous opposition has been voiced by the Council towards any private control of television. The Broadcasting Act of 1961, Part 3, provides for the licensing of private broadcasting stations. Under the Act the term "broadcasting" includes television broadcasts. While the Council was not successful in achieving its main objective it was able to give impressive warning of the dangers inherent in private control. The Government is confident that the public interest will be fully protected under the new form of control as embodied in the new Act. The altered situation calls for the most thorough scrutiny and careful attention the Council can give

g. During the year the Council has examined many other matters of public concern and representations have been in the

proper quarters as reflecting the considered opinion of the Christian Churches.

h. **Secretarial:** During the year Mr H. W. Shove retired from office and has been succeeded by Mr R. H. French, assistant Secretary to the Baptist Union.

#### **ADDENDUM:**

1. Mr A. Eaton Hurley has been appointed a member of the Cinematograph Films Censorship Board of Appeal.
2. The Committee draws attention to the fact that during the year the I.C.C. has received from various sources, including Church Courts, requests to examine matters regarded as being of public concern. Very often these requests have not been documented. It is not the function of the I.C.C. to undertake research or itself document matters coming before it. The Committee therefore suggests that parties give as much local action as possible to matters of concern, and that where a direct approach is made to the I.C.C. evidence supporting the matter be supplied also.
3. During the year the Committee has lost the services of the Acting-Convener, the Rev. J. C. F. Mabon, and Dr. W. Brooker, through removal from Wellington. The Committee places on record its appreciation of the services given by these former members. Mr W. Milne of Karori has been appointed in place of Dr. Brooker, and the Rev. I. J. Ruck has carried the work of Convener.

#### **ADDENDUM (B):**

##### **Interim Statement on Golden Kiwi Lottery and Grants**

In light of Synod reports and at the request of the Inter Church Council on Public Affairs, the Public Questions Committee presents the following interim statement for the consideration of the Annual Church Conference. The Committee anticipates that it will be asked to consider the whole issue of gambling at a later date, therefore this statement restricts itself to one particular aspect of the question.

The traditional attitude of the Methodist Church of N.Z. has been that gambling is morally wrong, and to consistently declare its opposition to it. Consequently the Church has not countenanced the financing of its projects by this method of fund raising, nor has it ever been willing to receive assistance from the proceeds of gambling by outside agencies.

New social factors make it necessary for the Church to re-examine its traditional position.

1. The State sponsored £30,000 Golden Kiwi Lottery has resulted in unexpected success from the promoter's point of view. Since its inception each lottery has been filled rapidly, necessitating as a rule, two draws per week. The lottery is given wide publicity both directly and indirectly through commercial radio, the broadcasting of results over both commercial and national networks, and by newspaper coverage of winners. Indications are that public sentiment to a greater degree than before now accepts this form of gambling as an intrinsic part of the New Zealand way of life. It is a fair assumption that it has given impetus to an increase of the gambling habit and that young people in particular have been introduced yet further to this practice. It is regrettable that this has been done under State sponsorship. No statistical evidence is available to suggest that the patronage of Overseas Lotteries, offering bigger stakes and better odds, has fallen off to any great extent since the institution of the N.Z. Golden Kiwi.



2. The popularity of the Golden Kiwi has resulted in large accumulation of profits for distribution to approved charities and such individual cases of need as the Minister deems fit. It is anticipated that the annual profits will be in the vicinity of £1½ million. The Government invites applications for assistance from this fund, and also has the right to offer assistance by way of grant to any charitable agency or area of need.

It is recognised that the Methodist Church is among those organisations which qualify for assistance from Lottery profits. It could be the case that specific projects of the Church's Social Services may be offered assistance from this source.

Some of our people engaged in Social Service work point out that while money from the lottery should not be accepted for the domestic purposes of the Church, the work they are undertaking such as care of the aged, is a community service. It is claimed, therefore, that no compromise of principle is involved. Indeed it is suggested that the Church has an obligation to accept lottery grants to relieve human need in the community.

3. The Committee believes however, that unfortunate consequences could follow if the Church accepted grants from the Golden Kiwi.

(a) The Church's witness against gambling, to some extent, would be weakened if its Social Services were supported from the proceeds.

(b) Also, the acceptance of grants would be interpreted by some of our people, especially young people, as the Church condoning gambling. It could, therefore, have the effect of encouraging some people to surrender to the pressures to take part in the Golden Kiwi.

(c) On the evidence available, dependence on lottery grants could, in the long run, do much harm and have an unfortunate effect on direct giving. Dr J. D. Salmond cites the Queensland Golden Casket as a case in point. Voluntary giving to State hospitals is virtually non-existent, and less than one quarter of the Lottery funds finds its way into hospital coffers.

4. Finally, the Church must make clear that its opposition to the Golden Kiwi is not a negative plea, but stems from a Christian concern for people and the health of society. To deal adequately with this would require a major report on the whole question of gambling. If the Conference requires this to be done, the Public Questions Committee will attend to it.

C. O. HAILWOOD, Chairman.

I. J. RUCK, Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the reports be received and adopted except for paragraph 5, "The Christian View of Marriage and Parenthood" which was received only.
2. That Conference congratulate the Committee on its statement on "The Christian view of Marriage and that it be reviewed in the light of Synod Recommendations for presentation to Synods and Conference, 1963.
3. That a grant of £25 be made from the Contingent Fund.
4. That the representatives to the I.C.C. be the District Chairman, the Convener of the Public Questions Committee and Mr A. Eaton Hurley.

5. That Conference heartily support the Department of Justice in its establishment of Borstal Pre-Release Hostels, and expresses its concern at the opposition voiced against them in certain localities. Christian principle requires that if society punishes wrong doing it should also make every endeavour to rehabilitate the offenders, helping them to become good citizens of use to the community.
6. That the Public Questions Committee be asked to investigate and report on the way in which the church and Christian people can best help ex-prisoners on their release from prison.
7. That Conference ask the Inter Church Council to request the Government to require the N.Z. Broadcasting Corporation to establish a code dealing with ethical standards, levels, balance, and hourage of T.V. programmes which shall apply to all stations (Corporation and Private) which may be licensed to operate.
8. That the following be referred to the Committee for reconsideration: Believing that harm may be done to persons whose names are publicised in the Press prior to trial in a Public Court, the Public Questions Committee investigate and report to Conference on this matter. We recommend that the Government pass legislation to forbid the publication of the name and occupation of person arrested and/or charged before a Court of Justice until such time as the person has been tried and convicted (unless desired by those persons). We further recommend that this matter be referred to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs.
9. Conference declares that as gambling has now reached such proportions in New Zealand with official sponsorship and licence and with the impetus given by almost unlimited publicity, the Methodist Church warns the nation that its moral welfare and standards are in grave peril. If the gambling lure is not abated the likely effects upon the character of the people can only be viewed with foreboding. A nation filled with gambling fever is a nation that must decay.
10. Because we note with concern the rapid growth of the Golden Kiwi Lotteries, and the difficulties that are arising in connection with the disposal of profits, we urge our people before they participate in the lotteries to consider the following matters:
  - (a) Any form of gambling, however harmless it may seem, may open the way to a growing obsession which lowers the sense of values and hinders the higher interests of the soul.
  - (b) When Gambling is indulged in on a national scale, it has cumulative and far reaching effects. Money which should be spent on meeting the needs of the family is able to be squandered, to the detriment of the home and of legitimate business; a spirit of greed is engendered as people are progressively led to seek something for nothing; and the many legitimate calls upon our generosity are likely to suffer.
  - (c) It is undesirable that the nation should build up a vested interest in gambling profits. Social services which should be supported directly by public finance may come to depend upon an ever increasing volume of gambling. It is altogether more wholesome for a community to support its necessary social services either through direct taxation, or through appeals to the responsible compassion of the people.
  - (d) The Methodist Church, though widely engaged in Social

Services, has set its face against its institutions being supported by lottery profits.

We urge our Methodist people, in making their decision to keep a sense of proportion, and to avoid anything that savours of self righteous judgment on those who may differ from them.

11. That the Public Questions Committee be requested to prepare a statement on the whole question of gambling for the consideration of Synods and Conference.

12. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 8 herein.

#### QUESTION XXXVII.

## B—International Affairs Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

**Migration:** (See 1961 Minutes, p. 105, Res. 8).

An increasing proportion of mankind have become migrants. The problems posed by this phenomenon of voluntary and involuntary movements of people are manifold. It is not enough to talk of aid to refugees, nor even to distinguish between permanent and temporary migration. Our first duty is to understand the humanitarian claims of migrants; their right to emigrate and their need of support from individual Christians, inter-church and inter-governmental agencies. The human need and suffering of some must become the concern of all. The ideals of peace, justice, freedom from fear, and freedom from want are — like the earth's material resources — to be shared.

Each human being is of unique value as a person for whom Christ died. That is our Christian affirmation. Inherent in our faith is a universal concern for human need in whatever form that need appears. There is also implicit in our Christian faith a passion for justice in all human relationships. Christian love and responsibility require the churches to be concerned about all migrants in need. As the Church Universal, Christians in every nation must feel responsible for the welfare of all peoples, and remind all that they live under the sovereignty of God.

It would be irresponsible to suggest that the churches urge upon all nations a completely uncontrolled and unlimited migration policy. This could lead to disorder as well as to injustice. Nor can the churches recognise any unqualified right to migration, even when migrants represent a valuable asset in terms of work force or cultural enrichment. The churches should encourage nations to adopt as their primary responsibility a regulated policy of migration that would avoid any exclusion of immigrants on the basis of race, nationality, or religion. The churches should urge upon national governments a generous immigration policy and a responsibility for friendly reception and assistance of migrants, and the particular claim of the political refugee upon the help of the world community. Churches should urge upon governments the need to support the efforts of international organisations in the field of migration and to increase their scope and effectiveness.

Conference has from time to time indicated its mind to the Government—urging increased immigration quotas and expressing pleasure (as in 1960) where helpful policy has deserved it. There is need for the Church to constantly press its compassionate view not on government alone, but also upon our members and congregations. Through the "Methodist Times" and 1960 report to Con-

ference our Committee indicated the plight of the refugee and offered some practical suggestions. We would again draw attention to these:

During 1961 the World Council of Churches gave permanent resettlement through emigration to 11,951 migrants. They moved from 36 countries to 26 receiving countries. Of these, 640 were aged or physically and socially handicapped. Integration projects were completed for 867 families, involving 2464 persons in 11 countries. Since 1948 W.C.C. has re-settled 244,374 refugees and migrants. We note that Australia during 1961 headed the list of receiver countries, providing new homes for 4872 persons—41 more than the total moved by the W.C.C. to the United States.

The Division of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees of W.C.C. convened a conference at Leysin, Switzerland, on 11th-16th June last year and their recommendations to churches and councils of churches were approved by the Executive Committee of the W.C.C. on 22nd June, 1961. They included the following:

"That they should call into consultation those involved in national migration policy, members of universities with special competence, officers of welfare agencies, etc., together with their own informed representatives to ensure that Christian witness and Christian principles are applied to the national policies of migration and the services rendered to migrants.

That they should seek to influence their members and welfare agencies locally so that all may appreciate the problems of migrants, and be ready to help with their preparation for emigration, or adjustment on immigration, and to hold them in Christian fellowship, welcoming generously both members of other confessions and non-Christians."

**Voluntary Service Overseas:** (See 1961 Minutes, pp. 103f).

**A. National Organisation:**

The University Students' Association convened a meeting of some 70 persons representing 24 organisations at Victoria University on the 30th March, 1962.

The conference was opened by the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Keith J. Holyoake, who said in his address: "There is clearly a limit, particularly in our present difficult financial circumstances, to the amount of capital aid New Zealand can afford to give each year to the underdeveloped countries, although for a small country our contributions have been substantial and on the whole remarkably effective. Until our financial position improves, any increases we can make in our aid programmes to meet the constantly growing needs of the under-developed countries will have to be in the form of skilled labour. We can do this in two ways—by bringing more Asians and Africans to New Zealand for training in useful skills, and by sending an increased number of qualified and experienced New Zealanders to help abroad. The Government is already taking steps to increase New Zealand's capacity to train people from under-developed countries, and the number of students and trainees currently in New Zealand under our external aid programmes will this year reach about 700. Our own shortage of skilled personnel, however, and the difficulties in the way of recruiting suitable people with high qualifications to serve abroad under the Colombo Plan and other technical assistance programmes have hindered efforts to send more New Zealand experts to the under-developed countries."

The conference received the extract from 1961 Minutes as a study aid and our Committee supplied cyclostyled copies for all members. The President of Conference asked our Committee to represent the Church at this conference, and Mr G. C. Burton, Dr J. B. Waterhouse, and the Rev. P. D. Ramsay attended.

Representatives at the conference agreed that a non-political organisation with the widest framework should be established to co-ordinate the work of existing schemes, help in the selection and training of volunteers, and search out the areas of need in overseas countries. It was further agreed that the organisation should begin modestly, working through a small national committee. The conference appointed Miss E. Higgs, Mr C. Cameron, Rev. Dr. I. W. Fraser, Mr N. W. Kingsbury, Mr P. Martin-Smith, Mr I. Matheson, Mr E. W. Mills, Mr J. M. O'Brien, Prof. L. H. Palmier, and Mr E. A. Woodfield with power to co-opt. As the New Zealand Council for Volunteer Service Overseas, they "should endeavour to initiate programmes to enable volunteers to work overseas, and to co-ordinate the work at present being undertaken overseas by New Zealand voluntary organisations."

**B. Service by Methodists:** (See 1961 Minutes, p. 105, Res. 9 & 10).

In last year's report to Conference we stated our faith in young people of New Zealand — that they would respond to a call to serve in needy areas of the world under sacrificial conditions. We also pointed out the difficulty of placement. We supported the idea of encouragement of individuals, rather than advocate a "scheme."

Since then we have gathered information on schemes already in action through which Methodists could serve. Besides the Government-sponsored work through external aid programmes there is the Volunteer Graduate Scheme, and also the N.C.C. sponsored service, both serving Indonesia's needs. Methodists transferred to under-developed countries could become ambassadors in the best sense within and outside their commercial employment. There is a short-term opportunity for service if the C.Y.M.M. Council scheme, "Operation Solomons," is given the support it deserves. We have noted schemes in operation by other countries and one such has already been of benefit to the people in the Solomon Islands. Young people from Britain offer their services through the V.S.O. scheme and our mission (and others) provide workers with board and £1 weekly for pocket money.

**C. Voluntary Service Abroad:**

In the near future the New Zealand Council for Volunteer Service abroad will launch a public appeal for funds to support volunteer workers in India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Malaya, North Borneo, Fiji, and Samoa. They hope to send up to 50 volunteers next year. Salaries will be paid by the Council—the rates being equivalent to the pay of nationals having similar qualifications. Farmer and artisan volunteers should be paid a higher rate, but the element of sacrifice would be maintained. An executive officer is about to be appointed and an office established. The Government has announced an annual grant to cover these overhead expenses, and also to pay travel costs of workers.

If the Church decides to become a participating member of this scheme, she must find ways of publicising the avenues of service, including opportunities that may develop **within** the Church (e.g. Overseas Missions). At the same time an inward flow of information should be encouraged—details of Methodists already serving on this sacrificial basis, persons willing to serve if suitable openings were available, and the extent to which con-

gregations maintain a pastoral link with such workers. The Meeting of representatives from the departments and committees named in the Conference resolution (1961 Minutes, p. 105) favours a fact-finding questionnaire to Circuits. No action has yet been taken.

It is suggested that the Department of Christian Education can serve as the clearing house for this information.

The Committee's duty, as directed by Conference, is now plain. The conference convened by the University Students' Association has been held. The Government has no intention of forming a "Peace Corps" nor financing a non-governmental body. They may, however, assist volunteers under approved schemes to the extent of return fares and the sharing of information gathered from external aid programmes. The newly-formed Council for Volunteer Service Overseas has a co-ordinating role, and we presume that Methodists will be working partners.

A meeting of representatives from the departments and committees named in the Conference resolution has been arranged for 31st July. We shall report direct to the Conference.

#### **Freedom from Hunger Campaign:**

"F.F.H.C." is a world programme under the auspices of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (F.A.O.) of the United Nations. It is, initially, a five year campaign directed to the basic causes of widespread hunger in the world—impoverishment and inefficient use of the land, lack of knowledge of the basic principles of agriculture, poor quality of seeds and animals, and inadequate knowledge and skills of the people, as well as lack of sufficient money (especially foreign exchange), and other resources.

The Campaign in New Zealand was officially launched on 30th August, 1961 — with a target contribution of £500,000. The national appeal for funds was made on 16th June of this year by a committee under the direction of the Council of Organisation for Relief Services Overseas (CORSO), augmented by representatives of co-operating bodies and individual people expert in their fields.

As we write — a little less than a month after this initial effort — we are gratified to note that half the target contribution has been subscribed. With the continuation of an effort so well begun the objective in New Zealand's participation will be reached or passed. This evidence of the willingness of our people to feed the hungry (and remove the causes of hunger) enables the National Committee of F.F.H.C. to allocate funds immediately to a number of selected projects in several countries.

We know that Methodist people will give loyal and continued support through the five years' Campaign and even after that. With almost 2000 million people facing permanent hunger or undernourishment, the need to help our fellow human beings will be with us for many years to come. In response to our Committee's recent Questionnaire the great majority of our leaders stated a willingness to give a definite proportion of their income to approved overseas aid. The Freedom from Hunger Campaign is an immediate and obvious project through which their votes can move into practical action.

#### **Practical Aid to South Africa:**

The 1957 Conference asked our Committee to explore ways of practical help. It may be recalled that we made an appeal through the "Methodist Times" for money. As reported in 1958 Minutes

(p. 94) went sent £44 overseas. Other groups were also active. Methodists no doubt responded to local appeals made by churches or community organisations.

"Christian Action," a representative Council under the Chairmanship of Canon L. John Collins, (2 Amen Court, London, E.C.4) is the organisation responsible for publicising the needs of the prisoners and their dependents in the "Treason Trial" and other victims of racial intolerance in South Africa and to keep the conscience of the world alive to the issues at stake. It has raised and distributed £220,000 to provide means of assisting and defending those who are suffering under unjust legislation or oppressive and arbitrary procedures.

An urgent approach to "Christian Action" has been made this year by leaders of liberal opinion in South Africa, including the Archbishop of Cape Town, Chief Lutuli and Alan Paton to make every effort to raise a further £250,000 to meet the pressing needs of the increasing number of victims and opponents of apartheid. As a former contributor, our Committee received a letter from Nobel Peace Prize winner Albert J. Luthuli which we share with the Church:—

"I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to all who, through Christian Action, have so generously supported us in the struggle for human rights and responsibilities. The nightmare of the Treason Trial in which so many of us, including myself, were directly involved would have become intolerable if you had not come to our rescue. In all sincerity I can say that the Christian Action Defence and Aid Fund made all the difference to us and our families between starving to death and living. And we do not forget your help during the Emergency following Sharpeville.

"But the struggle goes on. The Nationalist Party Government of South Africa has made it plain that the muzzling and curbing of all who resist their inhuman and unchristian racial policies will be intensified. We, on our part, intend, despite oppression, to go on working for a non-racial South Africa in which all people, irrespective of race, colour or creed, should live together in freedom, brotherhood and peace. We are ready to pay the price. But it is heart-rending when that price includes suffering and hardship for families and, in particular, the children of those who resist.

"So I have no hesitation in appealing through Christian Action for your further support. Money is urgently needed for legal defence, for aid to the victims of oppression and their families, and to ensure as far as possible, the development of a democratic way of life in South Africa."

Our Committee commends this appeal to individuals and congregations. We shall gladly act once again as a receiving agency for contributions if Conference should resolve to support the appeal.

**Peace • War Questionnaire:** (See 1961 Minutes, p. 105, Res. 13).

The Committee is gratified with the wide response to the Questionnaire. Sufficient replies were received to enable the answers to be regarded as a reasonably reliable indication of the thinking of the leaders in the congregations. Individuals and groups other than Leaders Meetings were given opportunity to use the form. Twenty individuals, three Ladies' Guilds, two youth groups, and six other groups acted on the invitation. The results from these 147 persons are not included in the report. It follows a similar voting pattern,

The most notable feature was decisiveness ("Undecided" averaged 9%).

Replies were received from 134 Leaders Meetings and Quarterly Meetings. This involved 1901 persons. The Committee's decision to restrict the Questionnaire to members of Leaders Meeting was made in order to select a uniform sample. It was the most manageable way, in our opinion, of securing a fully considered judgment. We believed it to be a representative range, guarded as far as possible against bias, and therefore to be statistically justifiable.

The Committee is conscious of the imperfections in layout and presentation. Even so, it was clearly evident from the thought devoted to the subject — indicated by some of the comments received — that in most cases the faults were successfully overcome. We presumed on Leaders' knowledge of our reports to Conference over the last four years on the Peace-War issue, and some prior study and discussion.

Although for most questions there were 15% of persons whose opinion was undecided, this did not cloud decisions on most questions. If this percentage represents mainly a group of generally indecisive persons or a general level of uncertainty, one would expect the "undecided" responses simply to fluctuate around this figure. A very much higher or very much lower figure would then indicate a topic on which there was substantially more or less indecision. In fact, the only question which goes outside the normal limits of variation is question 1 (a). The amount of indecision on question 1 (b) suggests a good deal of uncertainty felt on this topic but it falls short of statistical significance. If the "undecided" responses are ignored the difference between "Yes" and "No" is statistically significant in each case except 5 (d). In questions 1 (b) and 5 (c) there is also a significant majority but in each case the number undecided is more than twice the size of the majority and the majorities should be regarded as distinctly uncertain.

Our Methodist leaders agree in large measure that war is contrary to the spirit and teaching of Jesus Christ, but almost half hold that there may be occasions on which war is to be chosen as the lesser of two evils. To promote justice and order, the majority of leaders support the establishment of a strong United Nations force. Our leaders, by a substantial majority, do not support disarmament by one nation only. At the same time they oppose even more decisively the continuation of nuclear testing which is a cause of rising tension.

Leaders have overwhelmingly supported the spending by our Government of more on the Colombo Plan and other overseas aid. Whether the finance is raised by spending less on defence or by increasing taxation is a debatable point. The great majority of our Methodist officials indicate a willingness to allocate a definite proportion of their income to approved overseas aid as a personal contribution to peace making.

Methodists holding office support a ministry to the members of the Armed Forces, being rather more in favour of chaplains in uniform and receiving the pay of the Services. On the questions of military training in secondary schools and conscription for military training in peace time there is a fairly even division of opinion. The answers are not statistically significant one way or the other — answers may be coloured by some extent by particular schemes and their worth as judged by results from the investment of money and time, rather than the relations of training to eventualities of war which it may be hoped will not occur.



In the summary of results, given below, the percentages are given to the nearest 5%

	YES	NO	UNDECIDED
1. Do you believe			
(a) That war is contrary to the spirit and teaching of Christ .. .. .	90%	5%	5%
(b) That war is to be chosen as the lesser of two evils ..	45%	35%	20%
(c) That a strong U.N. force should be established to keep international order? ..	70%	15%	15%
2. Do you support			
(a) Disarmament by one nation only if other nations are unwilling? .. .. .	20%	65%	15%
(b) The testing of nuclear weapons .. .. .	15%	75%	10%
3. Do you advocate			
(a) The spending of more money on Colombo Plan and other external aid by our Government? .. ..	80%	10%	10%
(b) If so, by increasing taxation	35%	50%	15%
(c) By spending less on defence?	60%	25%	15%
NOTE: New Zealand spends £26m on defence and £14m on Colombo Plan and similar aid in an annual Budget of £336m.			
4. Are you prepared to give a definite proportion of your income (say, 1%) for approved overseas aid as a personal contribution to peace-making? .. .. .	65%	15%	20%
5. Are you in favour of			
(a) Chaplains, as at present? (That is, in the uniform and receiving the pay of Armed Forces) . . . .	65%	20%	15%
(b) Ministers of the Church who serve these personnel without belonging to the Armed Forces? . . . .	60%	25%	15%
(c) Military training in Secondary Schools? (That is, the cadets) .. .. .	45%	40%	15%
(d) Conscription for military training in peace time? (That is, the 20 yr. olds as at present) .. .. .	45%	45%	10%

**Peace and War Issues:** (See 1961 Minutes, p. 104, Res. 2).

Our Committee has tried, over the years, to state the issues facing the Church. We welcome the willingness of Conference to allow time for adequate debate this year. The Committee submits

the following draft as a basis for an Agreed Statement which Conference may *adopt*. (Note: Committee reports heretofore have been received only.)

## PREVENTING WAR AND MAKING PEACE

### 1. Principles and Objective

The Methodist Church declares that war is evil and that the prevention and abolition of war is one of the urgent concerns of all our people.

We affirm that war is contrary to the spirit, teaching, and purpose of our Lord; that it is a contradiction of our faith that God is the Creator and Father of all men; that it is a denial of the ministry of reconciliation which is the calling of the Church as the Body of Christ.

The Christian lives by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, but also accepts his duties as a citizen and member of the State.

The State is an instrument to be used for the purposes of God, and therefore it has a claim on all citizens. But obedience to the State is never absolute or unconditional. The power of the State is needed for the preservation of order and justice and its use must always be governed by the upholding of this end.

The Christian citizen to-day is by force of circumstances compelled to be a world citizen. In the revolution of our time much thought must be given to the role of the nation state in relation to the emerging world community. Support must be given to all international agencies devoted to the spiritual and material well-being of mankind.

There is tension in world affairs between governments and governments, nations and nations. The causes of tension are both complex and intricate. The nations must choose between the toilsome pathway that leads to world order, or the road that leads downwards to complete anarchy and destruction. The existence of nuclear weapons makes the situation yet more urgent and dangerous. Both the Christian Church and the State have their spheres of responsibility in the supreme objective of the prevention and abolition of war.

But the calling of the Christian Church is to know, *and represent to the world*, the Holy Will of God who is Creator, Redeemer, and Sovereign Lord of the universe. This calling constrains all Christians to seek to make and maintain peace.

### 2. Divisions of Opinion and Judgment

While there is general agreement upon the statement of principles and the supreme objective, we must face the fact that there is division of judgment among earnest and convinced Christians as to the practical means to be adopted in the harsh realities of our present situation.

All Christians agree that war is evil, but different positions are adopted by individuals and groups.

Some reject war in every circumstance and urge complete and unilateral disarmament; some, while individually opposed to participation in war, accept that governments cannot base their policies on such doctrines. There are those who believe that the use of armed force can be compared with police action, and would support limited war insofar as it appears to be the lesser of two evils. Some people believing that peace is preserved through some balance of power, are therefore prepared to support limited armaments to maintain a balance.

The nuclear deterrent introduces a new factor. So destructive and swift would major nuclear warfare be that decisions whether or not to participate could not even have time to arise. We cannot imagine circumstances where major nuclear warfare could be the lesser of two evils. The only possible justification of the nuclear deterrent is if it prevents major war. In this situation, some press for nuclear disarmament, if not total disarmament, as an over-riding priority. Others believe that only controlled general disarmament would be effective. Whatever our views on the nuclear deterrent, we recognise the urgent need of making full constructive use of the breathing space the deterrent affords.

There are Christians who interpret the demand to show absolute sacrificial love in terms of individual behaviour and individual responsibility, and this leads some of them to a complete renunciation of war. There are other Christians who interpret that same demand in terms of responsibility for social justice and order—and in an imperfect society and world this leads them to a qualified acceptance of the limited use of war.

These examples of positions adopted by Christians are not exhaustive or exclusive.

We need the spirit of humility and charity that will accept and respect these divergencies of conviction. It may well be that at this time the cause of peace is best served by holding together in fruitful tension within the Church these different convictions.

While acknowledging our differences, it is also important that the Church affirm the wide area of agreement that does exist among us as disciples of our one Lord and Saviour. We agree that the Christian way embraces all walks of life. We recognise the need for more concern, and for more constructive expression of love towards all peoples and nations. The obligation is upon all members to seek to know God's will and to do it; to test our discipleship by the Cross; and to reveal in all walks of life and relationships the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord. As members of the Church we should "spare no effort to make fast with bonds of peace the unity which the Spirit gives . . . let us speak the truth in love; so shall we fully grow up into Christ."

### **3. Summons to Positive and Sacrificial Peace Making**

Christians of all nations are united in their primary loyalty to God as revealed in Jesus Christ. They are united in their conviction that peace is to be earnestly desired and strenuously sought. As to method, the divergence is deep between Christians, but we summon all to continue to think, pray, speak, and work together in the spirit of love, that we may be led into a clearer knowledge of God's will.

#### **Summons to PENITENCE**

We admit with penitence that we have failed to create those conditions which produce the foundation for a just and durable peace. We have tolerated a world of manifest injustice and have acquiesced too easily in the persistence of conflicts between nations. We admit that we have been apathetic and half-hearted in making peace. We admit that in stressing our individual redemption we have often failed to discern God at work in the structures and power systems among which we live. We admit that we have been conformed to the world rather than transforming it.

#### **Summons to ACTION**

We affirm the urgency of positive and sacrificial peace making and call our people to seek those deep resources of the Gospel which will equip us for this ministry.

We affirm that human resources of thought and will cannot alone overcome the evil of war. We are convinced that only the Divine resources of the grace of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit can promise us the victory.

We summon all men to a more positive programme in those objectives which contribute to the welfare of men — feeding the hungry, healing the sick, serving the destitute, and sharing our plenty and bounty with those millions of under-privileged members of God's family.

We call on our Church and its members to participate more effectively in national life—thrusting witnesses for Christ into politics, social life, community organisations, and the civic and cultural affairs of men to work in real partnership with non-Christians. The Church's chief concern must not be its own life but rather with the world. The Church must be challenged to explore, with responsible international institutions, the establishment of a just system of world order and a commonly agreed interpretation of law and justice among nations. It is the emergence of effective international institutions under the rule of law that enheartens and strengthens the work of Christian peace makers. Our faith must be translated into sacrificial action and costly sharing.

#### **Summons to FAITH AND HOPE**

The Good News of God to men is that Jesus Christ is Saviour and Lord. He is present in His world, offering salvation to every man and redemption and reconciliation in every human situation. Acceptance of this fact enables men and societies to become participants in the resources of Him who is the Creator and Sustainer of life. In this relationship a man evidences his faith in God by steadfast good will towards his fellow men.

The Church believes that God is the Sovereign Lord, and that He is always at work in the process of history. All that we know of God in creation and providence encourages us to believe that in this nuclear age He is working to meet the evil which threatens the continued existence of His world and the human family. This faith places the Church under the holy obligation to work with God for the control and overcoming of this evil.

We must do more than assert that war is contrary to the spirit, teaching, and purpose of our Lord. *We must live by the faith that peace is according to His will.* Living by faith in God involves a willingness to stake all that we are and have on the truth of Christ's message of salvation to mankind. We see the working of God in history largely through God-inspired, wholly dedicated men and women. The challenge to us to-day is to join in this same adventure of faith.

Finally, our hope is in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who is not only the Lord of the Church, but the Lord of History and the revelation of the purpose of all things.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

PHILLIP D. RAMSAY, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference commend the Government for its willingness to admit fifty orphans from Hong Kong into our country.
3. That the Methodist Church express its interest in the work of the Council for Volunteer Service Abroad and its willingness to become a participating member.

4. That a grant of £30 be made from the Contingent Fund.
5. That in line with the considerable majority who indicate in the Questionnaire a readiness to contribute a definite proportion of their income for approved overseas aid, the Church solicit the increased support of our people for the N.C.C. Annual Appeal.
6. That Conference commend to our people the appeal of "Christian Action" for financial assistance for the opponents of apartheid in South Africa, and urge financial support.
7. That Conference strongly urge the Government to make determined and unceasing efforts to persuade all nations to refuse to make, test, or use nuclear, biological and chemical weapons of any description. We further ask the Government to press that nations already possessing such weapons destroy them, and also to press that the United Nations Organisation adopt a law applicable to all nations outlawing all such weapons and declaring their possession, testing or use a crime against humanity.
8. That the Government be urged to make it possible for a number of Chinese refugee families in Hong Kong to be admitted to New Zealand.
9. That Conference ask the International Affairs Committee to prepare a statement of possible non-military means of resisting aggression and political tyranny.
10. That the Government seriously consider the proposal of extension of the Antarctic Treaty limits, and give its support to a Southern Hemisphere free of nuclear weapons, bases, and disposal of radio active waste.

**Note:**

- (1) New Zealand is a signatory nation to the Treaty which established a zone from 60 degrees south to the Pole nuclear free.
  - (2) This proposal of a Southern Hemisphere nuclear-free zone was made by Mr A. A. Caldwell, Leader of Opposition, Australian House of Representatives, on 15th May, 1962. It has received widespread support.
  - (3) The proposal does not imply a lack of concern for the people of the Northern Hemisphere. Nor does it remove the threat of nuclear war.
  - (4) In the Antarctic Treaty every existing nuclear power has set an example which we should now take a lead in extending.
11. That the Committee be as printed on page 6 herein.

**QUESTION XXXVII.**

## C—Temperance Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

As requested by the Conference, the Committee has made some study of the effects of drinking upon the specialized skills required in modern industrial life.

Definite information is difficult to obtain, but we have drawn from the "Drew" report and from other authoritative sources.

The "Drew" Report is the publication of the findings of a Committee of three comprising:—Professor G. C. Drew, M.A., W. P.

Colquhoun, M.A. Ph.D., and Hazel A. Long, B.Sc. This Committee was set up in England jointly by the Medical Research Council and the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research to investigate the effect of small doses of alcohol on a skill resembling driving. Tests were undertaken with 35 men and 5 women, having an average age of 31, to ascertain the effect of consuming less alcohol than would normally produce intoxication. Most of the persons taking part were classified as "social drinkers."

The Report comprises 108 pages, and the findings are recorded in numerous graphs, diagrams and tables, analysing every detail of the tests and confirming the adverse effects of increased intake of alcohol.

Our Committee feels that a few typical quotations set out below will indicate the nature of the findings. For more detailed knowledge, the Report should be studied in its entirety.

#### **Quotations from the Drew Report:**

"The main findings regarding the relationship between performance of the task and the observed blood alcohol levels are presented in terms of the average effects on a group of individuals. They show that, in general, performance begins to deteriorate with very low blood alcohol levels and that deterioration increases as the blood alcohol level rises." (Page 3.)

"Evidence has been obtained 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.**" (Page 3.) "Analysis of the error score for positioning the car showed that after alcohol, drivers spend less time towards the left-hand side of the road, and allow swings towards the right, to go uncorrected for longer, while tending to correct swings towards the left rather sooner. A plausible hypothesis would seem to be that the subject is unwittingly simplifying his task as alcohol renders him less efficient . . ." (Page 61). "It is reasonable to assume that after taking an amount of alcohol roughly equivalent to the largest dose given in the present experiment, not only will drivers take greater risks than they would normally, but they will be less efficient in dealing with the hazardous situations which they bring about." (Page 63).

This Committee also notes that Dr Herbert Moore, in his book "Psychology for Business and Industry" (1942) says that "the increase in accident liability because of the use of alcohol, has been recognised for some time."

Dr Moore also draws attention to studies on the effects of alcohol upon reaction time and says that "the significant fact about these results is the increased rapidity of reaction time even under the influence of moderate quantities of alcohol, and the general state of "hurry" that the increase indicates, together with decreased co-ordination and a consequent decreased capacity for making accurate muscular responses. The effects of alcohol on judgment, powers of concentration, capacity for multiple or single attention, and accuracy of observation have been shown in numbers of other studies."

From the above observations and findings, it would seem evident that in our highly mechanised age, the danger of even moderate drinking is far greater than in the pre-mechanised age. The margin for miscalculation or mistake is greatly reduced as speed is increased. The intoxicated person dozing in his pony trap was jolted home in comparative safety; the same person behind the wheel of a power

ful modern motor car is a menace to himself and others.

This principle holds good in many other fields where the pace and power of machines are continually increasing. The greater the speed of the machine, the quicker must be the reaction of the operator; and it is at this point that alcohol can prove deadly.

The conclusion we reach is that in an increasingly mechanised age, the habit of drinking becomes less and less tolerable from the viewpoints of both safety and efficiency.

The Committee believes that there is a continuing need for our Church members to keep themselves informed concerning Temperance matters, and to be ready to give their support to every move to improve the situation, both local and national. Apathy is our greatest enemy. The words of John Bright are still true, "The triumph of evil requires only that good men shall do nothing."

In this connection we draw attention to the Petition for an amended Ballot paper making provision for an expression of opinion on the matter of Trust Control. This Committee has written to all Synod Standing Committees urging the widest possible support for this Petition.

As a General Election will be held next year, we again impress upon our people the need for a solid vote for National Prohibition, if the already powerful influence of the Liquor Trade is to be kept within bounds.

We would, however, remind our people that legislative measures are not the only road to temperance. The Christian Church has the responsibility and privilege of educating her people in the "wholeness" of the Christian life, without which no preventive legislation can be entirely effective.

Also, we need to evidence at all times, a spirit of Christian compassion, towards those who, in this respect, are "weaker brethren."

We are the friends of the Friend of Sinners, and however strongly we may protest against the abuses of the Licensed Trade, our attitude to the victims of that trade must always be one of remedial compassion.

As one means of promoting Temperance Education, the Committee has secured a list of suitable films, and hopes to make this available through the columns of the "Methodist Times."

Mr H. W. Milner, General Superintendent of the N.Z. Alliance, is to retire this year after a most outstanding record of service to the cause of Temperance, and our Committee therefore asks that an appropriate resolution of appreciation be carried by all Synods and by Conference.

D. H. PAYNE, Chairman.

A. O. JONES, Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee receive a grant of £25 from the Contingent Fund for 1963.
3. That, on the occasion of the retirement of Mr H. W. Milner from the General Superintendency of the N.Z. Alliance, Conference places on record its sincere appreciation of his many years of outstanding Service to the cause of Temperance in New Zealand.
4. In view of the unsatisfactory nature of the present ballot paper, Conference draws the attention of our people to the

fact that the only satisfactory vote to limit the extension of liquor consumption is a vote for prohibition.

5. (a). **Liquor Licences:** That Conference protest to the Government against the position whereby the transfer of a licence for a distance of up to 20 miles can result in local residents being denied the right of expressing their mind on whether they wish to have a hotel or not, and the right of expressing their mind on whether or not any such hotel should operate under Trust control (e.g., as in the recent case at Otara).
- (b). That the Government be asked to recognise the principle that citizens should have the same rights of protest against the granting of winesellers' and wholesale licences in particular areas as are open to them in the case of publicans' licences.
6. That greetings be sent to Mr Trevor Young on his appointment as General Superintendent of the N.Z. Alliance.
7. That Conference request the Temperance Committee, in consultation with the Department of Christian Education, to circulate to all Quarterly Meetings practical suggestions for an adequate observance of Temperance Sunday in every department of the local Church.
8. **Inter-Island Ferry:** That Conference protest against the provision of a liquor-bar on the Inter-Island ferry "Aramoana", in view of the fact that the ferry is part of the Railways system, from which liquor is in all other cases banned.
9. That the statement on alcoholism in the 1960 report of the Temperance Committee (minutes pp. 106ff.) be referred back to the present committee for review and reference to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs in terms of Res. No. 3, 1960 minutes.
10. That the Committee for 1963 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, 1962, are summarised herein.

### 1.—TRUST ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS	£
Credit Balances from last year—General Account .....	79,997
Balances from last year held for Special Purposes .....	566,013
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund .....	25,298
Loans from other sources .....	170,259
All other Receipts .....	464,746
Total Receipts .....	1,306,313
Debit Balances .....	68,589
TOTAL .....	1,374,902



## EXPENDITURE

Debit Balances from last year	97,500
Loan Fund Instalments	14,601
Other Loans repaid	41,000
Interest on Loans and Bank Overdraft	15,133
Purchase of Land, Erections or Additions to Buildings	374,687
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc.	180,800
Total Expenditure	723,721
Credit Balances	93,121
Balances held for Special Purposes	558,060
TOTAL	1,374,902

**TOTAL OF FIRE INSURANCES** 4,803,825

## DEBT

Mortgage Debt at end of previous year	461,570
Add New Loans received during year	107,348
TOTAL	568,918
Deduct Loans repaid during year	57,449
Amount of Mortgage Debt at end of year	511,469

The above schedule should be read in conjunction with the report from the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee where details are given of individual property undertakings.

A comparison of some of the main items reveals the following position:

- (a) General trust income ..... a decrease of £15,975
- (b) Amount held for Special purposes ..... an increase of £8,278
- (c) Amount spent on erection of buildings, etc. .... an increase of £81,014

It is pointed out that the total amount of debt entered on Schedules brought forward from last year differed greatly from that submitted this year. At the time of compilation of this report it was not possible to discover what difference of method on the part of Trusts was responsible for this disparity. The matter is being looked into.

H. L. FIEBIG,

General Secretary for Church Property.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That District Property Secretaries be thanked for their services and that appointments for 1963 be as under.
3. That where there is only one auditor of accounts 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. G. Kelly, 6 Nixon Street, 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, 53 Brecon Road, Stratford.

#### HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Mr C. B. Radcliffe, 220 Victoria Street, Palmerston North.

WELLINGTON:

Mr J. B. Lyth, 18 Knights Road, Lower Hutt.

NELSON:

Mr A. C. Barrington, Riverside Community, Upper Moutere, R.D., Motueka.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Mr N. Hillary, Box 552, Christchurch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Mr P. G. Woodnorth, P.O. Box 254, Timaru.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Mr J. A. Ganderton, 141 Forfar Street, Clyde Hill, Dunedin.

**QUESTION XXXVIII.**

## **B—Church Building and Loan Fund Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1962**

#### **Capital Value of Church Property (Minutes Conference 1960 Page 118)**

The Committee was instructed by Conference to consider the matter of including in the Annual Property Schedule a return of the capital value of all property held by the Church in each District.

The Committee has studied this matter, and came to the conclusion that no practical benefit would accrue from providing such figures. From some points of view indeed it would be undesirable to do so. It accordingly reports that it has no recommendation to make.

#### **Standard Obligatory Scheme of Depreciation (Minutes Conference 1960 Page 118)**

The Committee has studied this question, as instructed by Conference, and submits the following statement:

(a) From some points of view the proposal has much to commend it, insofar as there would be some obvious advantages accruing from the possession of funds available for the replacement of buildings as required.

(b) The implementation of such a scheme on a compulsory Connexional basis, while not being impossible, would be very difficult indeed.

To be of any practical value a levy of at least £20,000 per annum would have to be made pro rata on all Trusts. This assessment is on the basis of  $\frac{1}{4}\%$  of the insured value of buildings (approx.). In the order of reference given to the Committee the suggestion was made that the funds be invested in a common pool and a separate account kept of each Circuit's investment, the same to be available to such Circuit at any time. In effect, it would mean the adding of the given sum (say £20,000) to each year's Connexional Budget. It would be for Synods and Conference to say whether this would be acceptable, but under existing conditions it seems every unlikely that Circuits would favourably consider such a stepping up of their compulsory annual Budget contribution.

A compulsory levy of this nature, by adding to the financial commitment of the local Trust, could have adverse effects in many instances, in that while long-term provision was being made for the future, immediate needs might well be neglected, to the detriment of the Church.

While a steady policy of building up a sinking fund as envisaged is laudable in intention, it cannot be overlooked that it is hard to capture the imagination of people in this way, whereas

the need to find a large sum for a new Church, Hall, or Parsonage rarely fails to engender enthusiasm and elicit a ready response, often on a large scale. The need to do something urgent and big has a stimulating effect upon a congregation.

For the above reasons and others that could be listed, the Committee reports that it has no recommendation to make.

### **Services of an Architect Compulsory**

The Committee from time to time in its report to Conference has referred to the important matter of the preparation of adequate plans for new buildings and/or alterations. It has stressed the fact that it is most necessary that the services of a registered architect should be secured for all projects of any magnitude. In correspondence with Trusts, this matter also is constantly referred to. In too many instances Trustees, feeling that they must cut costs where possible, consider that they can dispense with the services of a qualified architect and avail themselves of the services of other persons. Many plans submitted to the Committee are inadequate, both in conception and in execution. The Committee considers that the time has come when it should be written into our law that under certain conditions it shall be mandatory for a Trust to secure the services of a registered architect. In support of its recommendation it makes the following observations:—

(a) The planning of a new building or of extensive alterations and additions that must serve the purposes of a Church for many years, calls for the best that is possible.

(b) Often the policy of seeking to economise by dispensing with professional advice proves to be very costly in the long run.

(c) Adequate overall preparation and effective oversight is necessary if the best results are to be achieved in a given situation.

In the best interests of the Church the Committee accordingly submits to Synods and Conference its recommendation as set out below:

**LOANS** (interest-free), (a) As at 31st May, 1962, there were 148 loans current amounting to £91,006/16/6.

(b) **New Loans**, amounting to £17,700 have been advanced during the year to the following trusts:

#### **Northland District:**

Hikurangi (Parsonage) £1000.

#### **Auckland:**

Marion Avenue (Parsonage) £1000; Northcote Central (Church Hall) £1000; Glenfield (land) £900; Beach Haven (land) £650; Walmsley Road (Church Hall) £1000.

#### **Taranaki-Wanganui:**

Inglewood (Church Hall) £1000.

#### **Hawke's Bay-Manawatu:**

Westshore (Church) £1000; Shannon (Hall) £1000; St Leonards, Hastings (Parsonage) £1000.

#### **Wellington:**

Petone (Church) £1000; Waikanae Beach (Church) £1000.

#### **Nelson:**

Picton (Hall) £500; Lower Moutere (Church) £1000.

#### **North Canterbury:**

Shirley (Hall) £1000; Halswell (Church) £1000; Springston (Parsonage) £1000.

#### **Otago-Southland:**

Waverley (Church) £1000; Alexandra (Hall) £650.

(c) **Loans Promised:** At-date 63 trusts await interest-free loans aggregating £63,000. The amount received in repayment is approximately £15,000 per annum. The reason why there is a time-lag of up to three years in advancing new loans will be readily understood. The situation is modified somewhat by the receipt of additional capital money from the Connexional Budget. This, however, happens only in alternate years and amounts to two-thirds of the sum allocated to the over-all work of Church extension.

#### **SITES FUND**

The following grants have been made from the Church Sites Fund: Point Wells £50; Clarks Beach £100; Northcote Central £100; Waitohi £75; Havelock North (Hawke's Bay) £150; Lincoln Road £100; Rolleston £100.

#### **GRANTS FOR NEW AREAS**

The sum of £2241/19/8 was in hand in May of last year awaiting use by new Causes to which it had been allocated. £126/3/- has been received during the year from various sources for this fund.

Grants have been made as follows:—Massey (Auckland) £500; Tokoroa (South Auckland) £800; Havelock North £375; Waipukurau (interim) £675 (Hawke's Bay-Manawatu).—This leaves the sum of £18/2/8 to be added to what is received this year for this fund.

#### **SALE OF PROPERTIES**

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of property as under. If not acted on by January 31, 1964, the sanction lapses. In some cases final sale prices have not been determined (X).

##### **Auckland District:**

Warkworth (1 Rd.) (X). Stanmore Bay (1 Rd.) £800. Vauxhall (Land and Hall) £2100. Glendowie (Land and Hall) £2600. Papakura (Parsonage) £3850. Waiheke Island (32 Ac.) £80.

##### **South Auckland:**

Hamilton (buildings only, rear shops) £23,500. Beerscourt, Hamilton (1 Rd. 24 Per.) £2800. Hillcrest (Hamilton East) Land Exchange. Cambridge (1.3 Ac.) £900. Matamata (1 Rd.) £840. Thames (27 Per.) £3500.

##### **Taranaki-Wanganui:**

Waitara (Parsonage) £1350. Aramoho (street widening). Dublin Street (Parsonage) £1250.

##### **Hawke's Bay-Manawatu:**

Norsewood (street widening).

##### **Wellington:**

Taita Union (X).

##### **Nelson:**

Hokitika (Strip) £200.

##### **North Canterbury:**

Wainoni (26.9 Per.) £850.

##### **South Canterbury:**

Willowby (Parsonage) £1400.

##### **Otago-Southland:**

Tuatapere (2 Rds.) £150.

#### **LAND PURCHASES**

The following purchases of land have been approved:

##### **Northland District:**

Kaitala (30.3 Per.) £650.

##### **Auckland:**

Manly (1 Rd. 0.1 Per.) £800. Point Wells (32.9 Per.) £350.

**South Auckland:**

Hamilton East (Comries Rd.), 3 Rds. 25 Per. (Gift). Matamata (1 Rd. 7.12 Per.) £840. Paengaroa (Te Puke), (1 Rd. 24.4 Per.) £350. Rotorua (1 Rd.) £15,000.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu:**

Havelock North (1 Rd. 17 Per.) £1900. Waipawa (32.5 Per.) £325.

**Wellington:**

Wairarapa Camp Trust (5 Ac. 2 Rds. 16 Per.) £1000.

**Nelson:**

West Coast Camp Trust (24 Ac. 3 Rds. 15 Per.) £2000. Wakefield (32.7 Per.) £400.

**North Canterbury:**

Wairakei Road (1 Rd. 20 Per.) £1650. Sumner (23 Per.) £600.

**South Canterbury :**

Highfield (1 Rd. 0.5 Per.) £1800. Willowby (1 Rd.) £50.

**BUILDINGS**

Purchases (P); Erections (E); Additions and Alterations (A)

Plans and/or purchases have been approved as under. In some instances approximate costs only can be given at present.

**Northland District:**

Dargaville (P) Dwelling, £2350.

**Auckland:**

Pitt Street (E) Flat, £4500. Pitt Street (A) Church, £16,000. Auckland Mission (E) Hospital, £136,000. Auckland Mission (P.) Dwelling, £2650. Epsom Church (A), £1700. Trinity College, Dwelling (gift). Mt. Albert (P) Dwelling, £1800. Glendowie (P) Dwelling, £7775. Papakura (P) Parsonage, £5800. Manurewa (P) Dwelling, £2500. Manurewa (E) Hall, £5100. Tuakau (P) Parsonage, £5300. Otara (Papatoetoe) (E) Church-Hall, £2000. Walmsley Road Church (A), £1000. Waterview Church (A), £1825. Mission Bay Parsonage (A), £480. Pakuranga (E) Church and Hall, £17,000. Marion Ave. Church (A), £220. Swanson Hall (A), £550. Clarks Beach Hall (A), £200. Kawa Kawa, Deaconess Centre (E), £3600. Glenbrook Hall (A), £600.

**South Auckland:**

Hillcrest (E) Hall, £4500. Matamata (P) Parsonage, £6500. Rotorua Church (A), £3000.

**Taranaki-Wanganui:**

Hawera (E) Parsonage, £5000. H.M. Parsonage, Hawera (A), £100.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu:**

Onekawa (Napier) Dwelling and 2 Rds. 5 Per., £2960. St. Paul's Church (P.N.) (A), £700. St. Paul's (P.N.) Dwelling (gift). Trinity (P.N.) Dwelling (P), £1800. Longburn Hall (A), £250. Halcombe Church (A), £600. Waipawa (E) Parsonage, £4000. Waipukurau (E) Church, £3500. Ashhurst Church (A), £350. Taikorea (E) Church, £6000. Gisborne (P) Dwelling, £1150. Pahiatua (E) Hall, £6000.

**Wellington:**

Wesley Church (Central), (A), £17,000. Eventide Block (E), (X). Te Marua (E) Hall, £500. Levin Church and Classrooms (A), £17,000. Masterton South (E) Church, £6000. Dalefield Church (A), £200. Masterton Dwelling (gift).

**Nelson:**

Nelson Camp Trust (E) Hall, etc. (X). Wakefield Church (A),

£300. Hokitika Parsonage (A) £475. Stoke (E) Church and Hall, £35,000. Paroa (E) Church-Hall, £3000.

#### North Canterbury:

Durham Street Church (A), £500; Aldred (E) Class Rooms, £1100. Papanui (E) Class Rooms, £15,000. Wairakei Road (E) Parsonage £4200. Christchurch Mission (A) Flats, £580. Wainoni (E) Church, £9750. Woolston Parsonage (A), £500. Upper Riccarton Hall (A), £2300. Heathcote Hall (E), £4000. Woodend (E) Parsonage, £4500. Leigh Camp (E) Bunk Houses (gift).

#### South Canterbury:

Willowby (E) Parsonage, £4600. Allenton (E) Class Rooms, £820. Oamaru (E) Hall, £8000. Woodlands Street Church (A) £7000.

In brief, property projects undertaken during the current year are as follows:—

Sites (new)	.. .. .	10
Sites (additional)	.. .. .	4
New Churches	.. .. .	9
New Halls	.. .. .	8
Parsonages (6 replacements)	.. .. .	8
Extensions to buildings	.. .. .	29
General (dwellings, camp buildings, etc.)	.. .. .	15

The cost of the above projects aggregates approximately £236,000—excluding one Hospital and one Eventide Home Block.

More than one-third of our circuits are thus engaged in a new building project this year. Others are meeting the costs of work recently completed, while some are making preparations for a new undertaking.

For the Committee,

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.
2. That Par. 310 (Page 58) and Par. 5 (B) (Page 153) of the Law Book be amended to include the following:  
"Plans for a new building or for alterations costing £3500 or more must be prepared by a registered architect, but in the case of parsonages, plans may be prepared by a member of the Master Builders' Association as approved by the District Property Committee."
3. That the following be referred to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for consideration:

That the constitution of District Property Advisory Committees be altered to provide that they become not only advisers to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, but consultative advisers to Trusts and Circuits within the District.

#### 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. G. Kelly and W. J. Court.

#### AUCKLAND:

Revs. R. F. Clement, E. W. Hames and L. R. M. Gilmore; Messrs A. M. McKerras and K. J. Rosser.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

Revs. V. R. Jamieson and A. O. Jones; Messrs W. B. Young and A. A. Lilley.

**TARANAKI-WANGANUI:**

The Ministers of New Plymouth Circuit, and Messrs L. M. Moss and M. S. Hughson.

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:**

Rev. Dr R. Dudley, Mr A. H. Fisher.

**WELLINGTON:**

Rev. G. R. H. Peterson and Mr T. M. Pacey.

**NELSON:**

The Synod Standing Committee.

**NORTH CANTERBURY:**

Nil.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

Mr H. C. B. Withell, with District Chairman and Property Secretary.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

To be appointed.

**QUESTION XXXVIII.**

## C—Custodian of Deeds

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

1. **Titles:**

For the year ended 30th June, 1962, the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged:—

**Northland District:** Kaitaia (2).

**Auckland:** Auckland Mission (2); Glenfield; Mt Albert; Clarke's Beach; Mangere; Mauku; Makarau.

**South Auckland:** Te Aroha West; Paengaroa; Mount Maungani; Te Kuiti; Cambridge; Taupo.

**Taranaki-Wanganui:** Marton.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu:** Gisborne.

**Nelson:** Hokitika; Paroa; Springlands.

**North Canterbury:** Sumner; Islington, Rolleston.

**Otago-Southland:** Roslyn; Gore; Mandeville.

2. **New Trusts:** New Trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:

**Auckland District:** Massey; Bombay-Tuakau Parsonage; Papakura Circuit Parsonages; Clarke's Beach.

**South Auckland:** Comries Road (Hamilton).

**North Canterbury:** Greendale Circuit Parsonage.

**South Canterbury:** Highfield.

3. **Trustees:** Changes in the personnel of Trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:—

	Trusts	Deletions	Registrations
Northland District	15	33	26
Auckland	35	55	110
South Auckland	26	38	61
Taranaki - Wanganui	9	22	19
Hawke's Bay - Manawatu	11	27	29
Wellington	11	14	27
Nelson	8	7	13
North Canterbury	23	62	74

South Canterbury	.....	.....	4	17	20
Otago - Southland	.....	.....	10	30	14
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H. L. FIEBIG, Custodian of Deeds.

### RESOLUTION

1. 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 PROBET TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL REPORT, 1962**

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for the year ended 30th June, 1962.

The Annual Financial Statement shows that Rental Totals have been maintained and an increase in receipts from Interest.

Renovations of Buildings have received careful supervision. During the coming year, the periodical requirements for painting, etc., will require extra provision under this heading.

The Board's properties are being well maintained, but in view of the age of the Buildings, the Trust will have to prepare for substantial increases for Replacement costs over the next 10 or 20 years. With that in view, it has been considered prudent to increase the annual Building Renewal allocation to £2500 from the coming year.

A special Grant of £1000 was authorised in the coming year to the Trinity College Conference Appeal.

The appropriations for the past year were as follows: £1500 to Trinity College, £1500 to Building Renewal Fund.

The members of the Board for the ensuing year are: Hon. Sir Joseph Stanton, Revs. E. W. Hames and E. C. Leadley, Dr D. O. Williams, Messrs E. A. Astley, J. H. Blackwell, A. L. Caughey, 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.

**2.—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1962.**

When the Salvation Army terminated its lease of the two main buildings on the Trust property, the Trust was able to negotiate a lease with Mr P. J. Ruissen. The main building is leased for a period of 10 years, with provision for increased rental at the end of 5 years. Mr Ruissen has rented the lower "annexe" building on a monthly basis. The lessee has carried out some interior alterations and renovations to the main building, in every case with the consent of the Trustees.

Mr Ruissen is a satisfactory tenant, and the Trustees are well satisfied with the general standard maintained in his conduct of



the establishment, which he has named the "Rembrandt Private Hotel".

The shops fronting Queen Street have been maintained in good order during the year. All are satisfactorily let.

The nett income from rents and interest for the past year was £6,056/17/8, which makes a total of £15,373/12/7 available to the Trust for development.

#### **Development of the Property:**

In accordance with the Trust's Report to the 1961 Conference and the Conference Resolution (p. 116) the Trust has continued its negotiations with the Auckland City Council for the re-zoning of the property. The present proposal is for the area fronting Turner Street to be re-zoned as "Commercial C" and for the remainder to be zoned as "Commercial C 1".

The re-zoning of the major part of the property as "Commercial C 1" allows for Motel centres to be erected as a "conditional use" and is likely to be satisfactory to the Trust. Re-zoning is still under discussion, and development cannot proceed until necessary formalities are completed.

The Trust has decided to make the initial development the erection of a commercial building fronting Turner Street. Road-widening requirements for Turner Street will entail the loss of 20 feet depth along this frontage, and will ultimately require the demolition of one of the shops. The next stage of development will be the erection, in due course, of the first block of Motel buildings on the high land overlooking the commercial building on Turner Street.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

P. DELLOW, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

### **3.—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST BOARD ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.**

Grants amounting to £480 have been made during the year.

Applications for assistance for needy Methodists of good standing for whom no adequate provision is made by any other fund of the church, are received through our Ministers. Such applications are on a Dominion-wide basis and are given sympathetic and confidential consideration.

New Zealand Government stock has matured and has been reinvested in new Government Stock amounting to £5810 at 5% and maturing on 15th May, 1976.

The Board has suffered the loss of a valued member of long-standing through the death of the late Mr Frank Penn.

Mr John C. Wigglesworth (Public Account) has been welcomed as the Board's Auditor.

The Board is as follows: Mr L. W. Peak (Chairman), the Revs. Dr. H. Ranston, A. H. Scrivin, W. Walker, F. Copeland, G. I. Laurenson, E. W. Hames, E. E. Sage (Secretary); Messrs J. S. Caughey, K. M. Griffin, G. K. Wigglesworth, G. S. Capper.

L. W. PEAK, Chairman.

E. E. SAGE, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

**4.—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST  
CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962**

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference our report of the Board's activities for the year ended 30th June, 1962.

**Masterton Children's Home:**

The Masterton Committee has virtually accepted full responsibility for the running of the Home, but, in view of the major policy changes in the field of care of dependent children recommended by the Church's Commission on Children's Homes it was not considered appropriate to proceed at the present time with the formulation of final proposals for the assumption of full control of the Home by the Masterton Committee.

The Board endorses the report which the Palmerston North Committee has presented direct to the Conference, and also the recommendations for the personnel of the Committee for the coming year. It also places on record its appreciation of the services rendered by the Committee and Staff of the Home in the interests of Children under their care.

On the closing of the Willard Home in Masterton a sum of £200 was transferred to the Board for the benefit of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home. Legacies were received totalling £657 including an amount of £350 from the Estate of the late Miss Allan, a previous matron of the Home. Of these amounts £599 was transferred to the Home's current account and £258 has been added to its Capital Account in the books of the Board.

**Rangiatea Maori College Trust:**

This Board is continuing to work in close co-operation with the Rangiatea College Trust Board through its three representatives on the Board of the College.

In accordance with the policy adopted in 1959, one half of the net revenue of this Board goes in support of this important work amongst our Maori girls.

**Financial:**

Three of the Kelburn leases were renewed during the year whilst permission was granted to two tenants of the larger sections to sub-divide. This has resulted in gross rentals being up by £192.

Valuation and arbitration fees have absorbed some £49 of this increased revenue, whilst Land Tax shows an increase of £24 following revaluation of some of the Board's properties.

Net revenue increased by £124 to £2604 which is divided equally between the Masterton Methodist Children's Home and Rangiatea Maori College Trust.

**General:**

During the year advice was received of the intention of the Victoria University of Wellington to acquire land in Clermont Terrace for educational purposes.

As far as can be ascertained no immediate steps will be taken to acquire the land or to proceed with any educational development in the area, but action has been taken under the Town and Country Planning Act to prohibit the carrying out of any major private work or any change of use of the land. This has resulted in the purchasers of the leases of the sub-divided sections being unable to proceed with any building plans, and in two cases the leasehold interests

have been acquired by the Ministry of Works. The Board has made representations to the Minister of Education and to the Mayor of Wellington pointing out the undesirability of any steps which might adversely affect the value of our Kelburn land and thus ultimately restrict our ability to carry out the charitable and educational objects to which we are committed. It is not possible to foresee the ultimate outcome of the proposals but every effort will be taken to avoid any reduction in our income.

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 reappointed Chairman.
3. That Messrs A. Eaton Hurley, G. C. Burton and A. D. Priestley be reappointed as representatives of this Board on the Board of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust.
4. That the Masterton Children's Home Committee as nominated in the Annual Report of that Committee be appointed.

### 5.—THE EMSLY TRUST BOARD

#### RESOLUTION

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

### 6.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1962.

It has been a pleasure to welcome, during the year, Messrs M. H. Burn, H. Clement, E. H. White, C. E. Julian, and Keith M. Okey as new Trustees. They will be an acquisition to the Trust especially in view of the major job, in a few years time, of renewing all the leases and adjusting the rentals.

The business of the Trustees has chiefly been in connection with transfers, sub-divisions, fixing new rentals, renovating properties and attending to Rangiatea Trust Board property matters.

The old Mission House has been painted and the grounds put in good order, and the dwelling on the Mission Hill, now occupied by Rev. A. Pihama, has also been renovated. Inspection revealed that a large section of the floors was infested with New Zealand termite. This was replaced with tanalised timber; the kitchen was modernised and various other improvements were carried out. The cost of this work was £425. Considering the age of this building it is in very fair condition. The intention is to paint the whole of the exterior during the coming year.

The sum payable in Land Tax (£382) absorbs a substantial part of a year's revenue. This arises from increased Government valuations, whereas the Trust is unable to amend rentals to offset the increases until 1965, when all leases come up for renewal.

The usual annual grant has been made to Rangiatea. This year the amount was £700.

Income remains fairly static from year to year. Arrears are negligible.

The trend throughout the year has been for transactions in leasehold sections to harden. New sub-divisions have felt the impact of a restricted market for loans on leasehold properties. It

has not been possible to make any reduction in the balance owing on the loan from the Home Mission Department. Interest payments have been made on due dates.

The Trust has been represented on the Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board by myself as Chairman and Messrs W. P. Griffith and M. S. Hughson.

WM. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **7.—KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE**

Mr C. B. Wake, a sheepfarmer, has been appointed to the Trust to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr H. P. Whitlock. During the year Mr Wake and the Secretary accompanied the lessee on a tour of inspection of the property and were highly satisfied with the evidence of good management.

The last Government valuation showed an Unimproved Value of £8420, Value of Improvements £15,555, Capital Value £23,975. Arrangements are being made for the seven-yearly re-assessment of the annual rent.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, Chairman.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **8.—GIBSON ESTATE TRUST**

##### **REPORT OF THE ROBERT GIBSON ADVISORY TRUSTEES**

The District Public Trustee of Hawera has reported to the advisory trustees that the two farms of the Robert Gibson Estate are in good condition, and are being well farmed by the share-milkers. Despite the drought conditions of last summer the total butterfat production of 72,605lbs was slightly in excess of that of the previous year, and the net profit of £3554 was slightly less than that of the previous season.

The Devise Account now stands at £34,603, there being added during the year: the net profit from the farms, £3554, plus the interest on the money held in the account by the Public Trust, £1220. An amount of £255 was transferred from this account to provide for alterations to the milking shed on the bottom farm for tanker collection.

The Estate Account now stands at £4370, £176 having been added as interest.

With regard to the alteration of the Terms of the Bequest, the Legal Adviser, Mr H. de R. Flesher, submitted the relevant documents to the Crown Solicitor who replied that the Attorney-General and the Court would require additional and up-to-date information concerning certain matters. Therefore the advisory trustees were asked:—

(1) To make further enquiries as to the demand for Home or Orphanage accommodation in the Taranaki District. Enquiries were made of the ministers who replied that they had received no requests for assistance over the past two years. Further the Orphanage at Eltham controlled by the Salvation Army had closed down—and the buildings were now being used to provide accommodation for elderly people.

(2) To provide information to show that the cost of establishing an Orphanage and Training Farm is beyond the capacity of the amount available from the Estate. The trustees in reply pointed out that this matter has already been covered in the statements in the documents.

(3) To provide information concerning the size of the proposed Youth Hall at Manaia and the amenities to be provided. The advisory trustees secured the services of a registered architect and have now submitted a preliminary sketch plan together with an estimate of the cost of erection.

The advisory trustees recommend that Mr J. Harding, and Mr H. J. Donald be added to their number.

The trustees are concerned at the delay in implementing the resolutions of the Conference in respect to securing alterations in the terms of the Bequest, and respectfully suggest that these matters should be given some urgency.

B. M. CRYSTALL,  
Chairman of the District.

### RESOLUTION

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

**QUESTION XI.—What is the Report of the Board of Connexional Insurance?**

## Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

The annual financial statements for the year ending 31st May, 1962, reveal a very satisfactory year's operations.

#### INCOME

Premiums and Commission .....	4,472	
with interest from Mortgages, Debentures and Deposits .....	3,309	
make the total earned income .....		7,781
Deducting administration costs (£1170) and Claims paid (£20) .....		1,190
left amount transferred to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account .....		6,591
Adding to this the amount carried forward from last year .....		105
the total herein is .....		<u>£6,696</u>
After provision for Reserves .....	6,000	
and Grants .....	490	
the balance carried forward is .....	206	
		<u>£6,696</u>

#### Claims:

- (a) **Fire Insurance:** Fire Insurance Claims amounting to £609/7/5 were received and paid in full (11 Church risks £546/3/9 and 9 personal policies £63/3/8). Our proportion for all items was £19/14/-.
- (b) **Employers' Liability Insurance:** Four claims amounting to £188/19/2 were received and paid in full, with no charge upon our Fund.

### **Fire Loss Reserve:**

In view of the steady growth of the Fund, with resultant responsibilities to the insured Trusts, the Board has decided to continue its policy of adding as much as possible each year to its Fire Loss Reserve. This year the sum of £6000 has been added, bringing that reserve up to £36,250.

### **Investment Contingency Reserve:**

Continues at £3170/15/4.

### **Grants:**

In view of the Board's policy of building up its Reserves, it recommends this year only one grant, namely, the sum of £480 to the Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund.

**New Insurance:** New and additional insurance written up during the year amounted to £509,824.

**Information for Trusts:** A comprehensive circular has been sent to all Trusts, drawing attention to various matters and, in particular, collating information in regard to special kinds of insurance available. Subjects listed were:—Public Liability Cover; Glass Cover; House Owner and Householder Insurance for Parsonages and contents respectively; special provision for Television Sets; Transport of adults and/or children to Church gatherings; Employers' Liability Insurance. Trustees are urged to make themselves acquainted with the facts thus presented to them.

**Church Representatives Travelling:** The question of representatives of the Church being insured while travelling on Church business is reported on herein.

(a) **Full-time workers:** All Ministers, Home Missionaries and Deaconesses are included within one policy as for Employers Liability Insurance. The provisions of this insurance apply in the case of an accident that might occur while a given worker was travelling on definite Church business. This includes all forms of recognised public transport, including air travel. Men and women in the employ of the Church in Institutions are also covered.

(b) **Laymen:** No such automatic insurance obtains, however, for lay representatives travelling to Church functions.

The Board has investigated this aspect of the matter and submits the following interim report:

It is possible to arrange insurance which would provide compensation in the event of death or disablement in the case of officially appointed lay representatives to Synods and/or Conference. The cover would apply only in the case of the insured carrying out his duties as a Synod or Conference representative, including direct journeys in connection with the same. Also while participating in activities included in the programme of such Synod or Conference.

The insuring office would have to be advised concerning the number of such representatives. An interim quotation only is given herein of £1 10s per representative. Compensation would range from £3000 (death) to £750 for various forms of disablement, or a weekly amount for a period not exceeding two years. This is an outline only of the kind of provision that is possible.

The above reference is to the Annual Synods and/or Conference only. When the question is considered concerning all other travelling engaged in by laymen of the Church in the course of

official duties, it is readily seen that the ramifications of the matter are very extensive indeed.

The above facts are set out at this stage for general information only, and will be reported on more fully in due course.

For the Board:

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

E. R. CAYGILL, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the following Grant be approved, Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund £480.

3. That the Board for 1963 be as printed on page 5 herein.

**QUESTION XLI.—What are the Resolutions of Conference Respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?**

## Connexional Secretaryship Committee

### REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1962.

At the end of the Connexional year of 1963 the Rev. H. L. Fiebig will have completed 40 years' service, including 18 years as Connexional Secretary. Last year he intimated that he intends to retire from the active work of the Ministry at the end of the above-mentioned term.

The Committee has given full and careful consideration to the question of his successor. The Minister to be appointed needs to be one of adequate and proven experience as a circuit minister. It is necessary that he be a man of known administrative ability, with a sound knowledge of our polity, thus being qualified to give effective leadership in the developing life and work of the Church.

The Committee (with co-opted members of wide experience in the Church) had before it the names of several ministers considered as possible appointees. Finally, it unanimously decided to nominate the Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D., for the position, and accordingly submits his name with the utmost confidence to Synods and Conference, believing that he is admirably equipped to discharge the responsibilities of this important position.

The following departmental appropriations are budgeted for:—  
Supernumerary and Allied Funds, £900; Fire Insurance Fund, £900; Church Building and Loan Fund, £600; Methodist Times, £500; General Purposes Trust Fund, £500; Contingent Fund, £400.

For the Committee:

R. A. MARSH, Chairman.

H. G. BROWN, Deputy-Chairman.

H. de R. FLESHER, Lay Treasurer.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF SYNODS

Six Synods out of ten endorsed the nomination by the Committee of the Rev. W. R. Laws. Three Synods considered that decision should be deferred until report had been made by the Church Council on certain matters. One Synod endorsed the nomination submitted but also raised the matter of the appointee

being a layman, this also being the recommendation of another Synod.

#### **Deferring Decision:**

The Committee points out that at no time has the Church Council been requested by the Conference to consider the matter of the Connexional Secretaryship. It had been instructed to examine the question of another Department. In May of this year it considered a report from its own appointed sub-committee on that matter but the report presented was not acceptable to the Council. Arising from the discussion the Council itself appointed another sub-committee to study the following matters:—The number and duties of Connexional departments; administration of Connexional funds; the function of District Chairmen; Church Extension and the Maori work. This was to be a matter of study within the Council to which a report was to be submitted by its committee in 1963. There was no more explicit reference to the Connexional Secretaryship than to the other departments involved, nor has there been any question of deferring other new appointments. The scope of such enquiry clearly calls for long-term planning if any administrative changes are envisaged.

#### **Appointment of a Layman:**

As early in our history as 1893 the Conference felt that a central office was needed for the Connexion with a suitable person appointed thereto. The Rev. Dr William Morley was appointed as the first Connexional Secretary. Four other ministers have followed him in that position.

It is obvious that in a developing Church in a growing country there is more need than ever for such a central office, regardless of any sectional activities carried through by various departments. The question then is—who is to be appointed in charge of such an office? The Committee reiterates its conviction that the policy adopted from the beginning by the Conference is the sound one and that a minister should be appointed. In support of this statement the following facts are adduced:—

(a) It will be obvious that the man appointed needs to be one of considerable experience. The question is—what sort of experience? The Conference has always said that it needs to be experience gained from within the life and work of the Church and not from outside of it. The Connexional Secretary needs to be a man who has come up from within the working life of the Church. He needs to have that specialised training that the Church gives to its ministers, equipping him with a sound knowledge of its history, doctrine and policy. He should have knowledge, insight and judgment gained from many years of practical experience as preacher, pastor and administrator within the Church. Executive ability he must have also; but that is something additional to the above-mentioned qualifications and not a substitute for them.

A layman would bring to this position his own abilities and background of experience. Necessarily, however, he could not bring to it that insight, experience and status that a minister would have and that are necessary if the full possibilities of the position are to be realised.

(b) Without an intimate knowledge and understanding of the essential nature of this position it is easy to look too much at some of the more obvious externals and to overlook its real significance in the life of the Church. For example, the Connexional Secretary is no more taken up with the minutiae of the



accounting side of an office than a circuit minister is with the details of his circuit accounts. The minister is concerned with them, but he has officials to handle the detail. The Connexional Secretary has a full-time staff of four people to handle detail. One of his tasks is to relate that side of the work to the life of the Church and to interpret it to the Conference. Primarily his concern is with people—with ministers, circuit officials and many others, and in that connection he has a true pastoral function in the Church.

(c) One Synod listed the duties involved and stated that "most, if not all of them, could be carried out by an experienced layman." The Committee points out that the same thing could be said with equal truth of every Connexional office to which a minister is appointed. It would be true of the two Mission Departments and the Department of Christian Education. It would be true of the ten District Chairmen, as well as of the Secretary and the President of Conference. On the test of the listed duties in the Law Book, experienced laymen could fill all those positions. A printed list of duties, however, can never fully interpret the essential function of these tasks in the Church. The Conference in its wisdom knows that to really meet the demands of those positions experienced ministers are required. If that is true of the officers mentioned above, it is certainly true of the Connexional Secretary. The essential contribution to the life of the Church, as well as to his own particular work, is made possible by many years of experience of the inner life of the Church.

The Committee, therefore, is convinced that the person appointed to this position must be a minister who has come up from within the life of the Church; who has had the specialised training given to its ministers, which with other capacities will equip him to adequately meet the demands of this position, not in some particulars only, but in all its varied aspects and relationships

For the Committee:

R. A. MARSH, Chairman.

H. G. BROWN, Deputy Chairman.

H. de R. FLESHER, Lay Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the appropriations be as listed in the Report.
3. That the Rev. William R. Laws, M.A., B.D., be designated for appointment by the Conference of 1963 as Connexional Secretary, to commence appointment 1st February, 1964.
4. That the Committee for 1963 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, 1962.

### A—COUNCIL REPORT

#### College Property

This year has seen the completion of the exterior renovations to the College and also the complete reconstruction of the two main bathrooms. This clears the way for further redecoration of the interior and this work is now proceeding.

Plans for the extension of the College buildings are being investigated, but as there are many facets of the work to be taken into consideration, the Council is proceeding with some caution. It is clear that the greatest urgency is for increased classroom accommodation, and this is highly desirable since we now have four full time tutors on the staff with increased opportunity for group seminars.

#### **Buttle House**

The house donated to the College by the Misses Buttle is proving to be an invaluable asset. Interior renovations were carried out at the beginning of the year and the house is now occupied by thirteen men of the School for Christian Workers. This has proved to be a highly satisfactory arrangement.

#### **General**

We are very appreciative of the continued high standard of service rendered by the College staff, the new appointee, Rev J. A. Ziesler having commended himself this year in every way.

Mr and Mrs Ziesler are at present living in temporary accommodation in Mt. Eden, and it will be necessary to secure permanent accommodation in the near future for the fourth member of the staff.

The Council has gratefully received from the Trinity College Old Boys the sum of £119 to establish an Old Testament Section in the College Library in honour of Dr. Ranston, thereby expressing the deep affection of his former students and acknowledging their debt to his life of devoted scholarship.

#### **Married Candidates**

The question of the acceptance of married candidates has become more acute of late. Conference must bear in mind that there is no provision made for extra financial aid to married candidates as we are at present constituted, and that the acceptance of married men with inadequate financial backing can be an embarrassment both to themselves and to the Church.

One suggestion is that the College should pay to accepted married candidates an amount equivalent to the Hostel Fee that would be paid on their behalf if they were single men. The Council has no objection to this proposal in principle, but considers that Conference itself should decide whether such grants should be made in each case that arises, and that neither the staff nor the Council should be called on to differentiate between students in the matter.

We would also suggest that in view of the difficulty of budgeting for such contingencies, consideration should be given to the advisability of meeting such grants directly from the Contingent Fund.

#### **Retirement of the College Principal**

After 24 years of faithful service to Trinity College, Principal E. W. Hames will superannuate at the forthcoming Conference, when he will have completed 40 years of active ministry.

Mr Hames was appointed Resident Tutor in February, 1939, and commenced duties in the following month.

To Principal H. Ranston he proved himself an able assistant, both in the training of the students, and in the administrative side of the College work. As a consequence of his proved ability when Dr Ranston retired in 1941, Mr Hames was appointed first as Acting Principal and then in 1945 as Principal of Trinity College. During his term of office, he has revealed marked ability and wis-

dom in all his teaching. His subjects have included Systematic Theology, Church History, Christian Ethics, Greek, Hebrew and several others essential to the training of the ministry. For several years he has taught Hebrew at the University of Auckland.

At all times he has kept himself open to the approach of the students, especially those in difficulty or in trouble, and in so doing, has gained their respect and affection.

In addition to the work of teaching, he has maintained a keen interest in the College property. In the erection of the Chapel and the extensive renovations to the buildings, he has taken a leading part.

Under his leadership, the School for Christian workers has become a reality and is now functioning as an integral part of College life and fellowship.

For a considerable period of his term as Pincipal, Mr Hames has also been Chairman of The Auckland District—a position which has made many extra demands on his time and energy, but which he has filled with distinction.

Throughout all the years, the Principal has been most ably supported in his manifold activities by Mrs Hames, to whom the Council is deeply indebted. For several years she gave valuable assistance in guiding the domestic arrangements of the College. Her hospitality and kindness will long be remembered with gratitude.

To both Mr and Mrs Hames we express on behalf of the church our deep appreciation of their devoted service and example, and pray that the years ahead will still bring many opportunities for creative endeavour in the work of God.

#### **Appointment of the new Principal**

Last Conference designated Rev. Dr. D. O. Williams as Principal of Trinity College following the retirement of Mr Hames. We recognise in Dr. Williams a gift of God to the Church. We are mindful of his leadership qualities, which were particularly evident in his presidential year, we honour him for his academic achievements in the field of pastoral psychology, and we assure him of the loyal support and prayers of the Methodist people as he takes up the immense responsibilities entrusted to him by the Church.

#### **Tutor in Theology and Church History**

While the Chairman of the College Council was overseas he took the opportunity of further discussions with the Secretary of the Ministerial Training Committee of the British Conference, and also with Principals of Theological Colleges.

Several possible courses of action are open to the Council, in each of which the British Conference is prepared to be helpful: (1) To secure a top-rank young man for a short term such as six years, with the possibility that the may agree to stay. (2) To accept a nominee of the British (or other) Conference who may be prepared to transfer to the N.Z. Conference. (3) To appoint a New Zealander to the Tutorship, either with overseas training and experience or without it.

It is realised that the course of action finally followed will depend on the availability of suitable appointees. However, on the question of principle, the College Council is prepared to receive the opinions of Synods as to which of these courses is favoured.

Pending an appointment to this Tutorship, the Rev. E. W. Hames is available to serve the College as a visiting lecturer.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

L. P. SCHROEDER, Secretary.

## B—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The College opened on February 22nd in full session with 25 students, of whom 19 were in residence. Early in the second term Miss L. Baker resigned on becoming engaged to be married. The College roll is smaller than usual, since there are only four men in the senior year. This will correct itself in 1963. The life of the institution has been harmonious. The men have preached in city and suburban circuits and made their witness in a variety of ways, giving us confidence that in general they will fulfil a useful ministry in years to come. The Hostel is full.

Mr Ziesler has fitted into the teaching staff admirably. The work is divided as follows: The Principal has taken 1st year Theology (God Man Sin) and 2nd and 3rd years together (Person and Work of Christ). He also takes a combined class in Church History, and a class in Worship, etc., for 2nd and 3rd years. Dr Williams teaches pastoral Theology (including Religious Education, Homilectics and Pastoralia), dividing his classes according to years, and this year he has relieved Mr Ziesler of the N.T.I. Dr Lewis has taken all the Old Testament work, plus the English and Elementary Hebrew. Mr Ziesler has dealt with the N.T. The Greek classes are divided between the Tutors, while the Principal has taught Hebrew at the University of Auckland.

### A Changing Pattern

It is intended that from 1963 onwards each year will be taught separately in all the major subjects, so that every student will begin at the beginning, instead of at some point in a 3-year cycle. The addition of Mr Ziesler to the staff has made it possible to divide the classes in this way, and to shift the emphasis further from lectures to discussion and seminar. It will be possible also to give closer attention to the individual student, which is of great importance in view of the disparity in ability and education among candidates.

Prior to the official opening of college this year we put the Freshmen through an intelligence test, with results that were helpful in planning their work, and which have been justified during the year. I suggest that the Examination Committee consider the practicability of testing all candidates prior to their appearance before the Committee. I also suggest that it is time the Conference Examination for Students was dropped. Educationally it is an anachronism, and better ways have been devised for keeping the Conference informed and satisfied with regard to the work and life of the Institution.

### Emergency Course

The final session was held in May of this year. This course was volunteered by the staff in an effort to do **something** to meet a crisis and we believe it has been worth while on that level. The trainees will always be grateful, I think, and the staff also learned something, though at the cost of very much needed vacation time.

### School for Christian Workers

The School has operated on a useful level during 1962, with 14 students. The men are accommodated at Buttle House, under conditions which test their capacity to live and work together, which test they are meeting admirably. The residents include two Solomon Island students. There are eight candidates for the ministry, including four Maoris.

### Personal

Twenty-four years ago I was appointed to the College staff,

quite unexpectedly, and at short notice. Owing to the illness of Dr Ranston and the outbreak of war, two years later I was called upon to take control, and remained to complete my active ministry in the college. During my term there have been many changes. We have been able to double the teaching staff. We have extended and modernised the curriculum and the teaching methods. We have made it possible for numbers of married students to train for the ministry. We have extended ourselves to the uttermost to enable the Church to expand its trained staff, with the result that some three-quarters of the active ministry of to-day are among my "old boys." These are our successes. In one hope only have we been disappointed. Owing to the pressure of ministerial shortages, the Conference has done little about raising entrance standards. In relation to the level of general education in the community, we have fallen back. Now that we have at last caught up with our staff needs we have an opportunity to become more selective.

I am grateful to the Council and the Conference for unfailing generosity, kindness and confidence. Men like James Tyler, Leonard Rhodes, Frank and Wilfred Winstone have carried me through all sorts of crises, and taught me confidence in myself. Above all I wish to acknowledge what I owe to Mrs Hames. She has been wise counsellor and loyal helper at all times, and without her I should have blundered badly. I alone know how much the College owes to her clear judgment and her assistance at vital points.

Only now do I appreciate how difficult it was for Dr. Ranston to hand over to a comparatively untried novice in 1941. He has given me all the support I asked and allowed me to make my own mistakes. For all this and much more besides I owe him more than can be expressed. I have given the College what it was in me to give, and found great happiness in that service. Dr. Williams has served a long apprenticeship, and has great abilities. After working with him for many years, I thank him for his original contribution to ministerial training, and his loyal support as colleague, and predict a distinguished principalship.

Thanks be to God.

E. W. HAMES.

#### **C.—TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1962.**

It gives me pleasure to present the report on accounts for the College:—

##### **Statement of Receipts/Payments for the Year Ended 30th June, 1962. Income:**

Followed the Budget figure closely, and we wish to express our thanks to the Connexional Budget, Trusts, and Boards for their faithful support.

Owing to the Connexional Budget we did not receive £50 from one Trust and our support from Friends of Trinity has just about faded out, we budgeted for £50 and received £6/1/-:

##### **Expenditure:**

Because expenditure was under the Budget except in one item—University Fees—we were able to absorb initial expenses on Buttle House, £745, and finish the year with a small debit balance of £37/1/2. To this should be added a sum of £119—Dr Ranston Memorial Library Fund held in Trust, making the real debit balance £156.

### **New Chapel and Building Fund:**

Funds in hand for extension work—£18,109/2/3; part year £10,000 on deposit at 4% interest earned from 25th October, 1961, to 30th June, 1962, £272/17/6. As this interest was received after our books closed, it is not shown in the Accounts.

For your information, we now have £15,000 earning 4% and the remainder is earning interest at the Bank.

### **New Organ Fund:**

Funds at the 30th June, 1962, stand at £1713/1/5.

(Note: 720 South British shares £1440 and the remainder dividends and interest).

### **Balance Sheet:**

There are two items on the assets side of our balance sheet which should be noted:—

1. Organ in the Chapel .. .. .	£2,834 16 10
2. Gift of Buttle House .. .. .	£5,175
Mortgage .. .. .	£3,000
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	£2,175

### **Budget:**

Under the new system our Budget is now being submitted to the Connexional Budget Committee a year in advance.

The 1962/63 Budget has been approved by the last Conference and the proposed Budget for 1963/64 has been forwarded to the Budget Committee.

I would like to express my appreciation to Dr J. J. Lewis for his co-operation and capable administration of the House and Service Account and to Dr D. O. Williams for the supervision of the work done by the students in assisting with the maintenance of the College property.

I have worked closely with Rev. E. W. Hames on the administrative side of the College and now his retirement as Principal is close at hand, I would like to pay tribute to him for his organising ability, his foresight and drive, and his great ability to handle and direct all the administrative and business problems in running the College and, also for his understanding friendship in dealing with the problems that arise. I know that the Church as a whole will join with me in thanking him for his great service rendered on this, the administrative and business side.

WILFRED F. WINSTONE,  
Honorary Treasurer.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. Married Students:
  - (a) That when Conference receives a married candidate for training in Trinity College, he be paid a living-out allowance equal to the current hostel fee paid into the College house account for each single student.
  - (b) That when Conference permits a student to marry, a living-out allowance be paid to him equal to the current hostel fee paid into the College house account for each single student.
3. Retiring Principal:

Conference joins with the whole Church in paying tribute and expressing its sincere gratitude to the Rev E. W. Hames, M.A., on the eve of his retirement.

Mr Hames has given outstanding service especially in his leadership of the College, but also in the wider life of the Church. Not only in administration and teaching, but in his insight into the needs of each student, in keeping abreast of current thought, and in the self-effacing employment of his undoubted talents, he has exerted a profound and permanent influence upon the ministry, and therefore, upon the whole Church. This influence has been that of a man whose gifts have first of all been dedicated to God.

His call to the College was to meet an emergency and he has always met the crises and demands of his work, especially those of war and post-war years, with a judgment that commanded the confidence of the Church.

We pray that God will continue to use and bless Mr and Mrs Hames in the future days.

4. Appointment of New Principal:  
That the Conference confirm the appointment of the Rev Dr D. O. Williams, M.A., as Principal of Trinity College, as at 1st February, 1963, for an initial period of six years.
5. Tutor in Systematic Theology:  
That the Council recommend for appointment as Tutor in Theology and Church History, the best man available, irrespective of country of origin.
6. Prize Funds Financial Statement:  
That permission be granted for the amalgamation of the Prize Fund accounts.
7. That Conference endorse the action of the College Council in inviting the Rev E. W. Hames to continue as visiting lecturer for at least two years.
8. That the College Council for 1963 be as printed on page 9 herein.

**QUESTION XLIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Colleges and Hostels?**

## Wesley Training College

### REPORT OF THE BOARD, 1962

It is with gratitude that the Board reports another year of progress in providing a high standard of education in a Christian environment at the College while showing small improvement in the funds at its disposal.

A concerted effort has been made over the years to set aside funds to improve the amenities at Paerata to enable the enlargement of the school roll. After due consideration, it was considered that the next stage in attaining this object was to provide for increased dormitory accommodation and this current year has seen the signing of the contract for the construction of a dormitory block to provide accommodation for fifty pupils. Work has commenced on this project and it is hoped that it will be completed before the end of the calendar year and that it will be occupied as from the commencement of the 1963 school year. The Board was not able to finance the whole of this project from its own resources but has been fortunate in making arrangements for a mortgage from a Trustee Board which has in the past shown its sympathy toward the objects of Wesley College.

Enquiries for enrolment for 1963 are more buoyant than they have been in the past at a similar stage of the year and it is fully hoped that the school roll will show a decided increase for the next school year.

The Board was honoured to be able to act as host for the Conference Garden Party last year and we trust that the large numbers attending this function enjoyed the occasion as much as we did. A wonderful effort was made by the ladies of the Franklin Synod area in catering for the unexpectedly large number attending as the facilities were limited for the demands placed on them. It is hoped that this happy function may be repeated at some future time when the Church Members attending may see further progress in the providing of Christian education for our youth.

The Wesley College Old Boys' Association continues to be a very active force and their lively interest in the College is most appreciated by the Board. This interest has been backed by many tangible contributions in the past and this year the Association has generously donated filter equipment for the school swimming bath.

During the current year, several rooms and buildings have had their function changed and a permanent building was converted for use as a library and social study room with the result that classroom amenities have been further improved.

From the accounts submitted with this report it will be noted that the College deficit for the year ended 31st December, 1961, was reduced to £6503 which was a decided improvement on the previous year. However, the result from the farm was substantially less and with the general economic conditions, may be expected to continue at a lower level than previously. After the direct transfer of the rents from the new sub-division at Waikowhai of £1246, an overall deficit of £655 was shown. A most valuable contribution was made once again by the Maurice Harding Park. With the progress of scoria workings some areas are becoming available for leasing purposes and rental agreements are being negotiated progressively so that continued income may be derived from this endowment.

A further lease was granted to the Crown of part of the Maurice Harding Park area for the use as a special residential school under the control of the Department of Education. This project is of a temporary nature but progress reports indicate good prospects of a permanent school along these lines being founded but this may mean a change of location with a resulting loss of rents to the Board.

The small sub-division of ten sections which was planned in the Waikowhai area has been deferred because of sewerage difficulties but when this area is permanently serviced, the Board intends to proceed with this sub-division.

The Scholarship for Maori boys awarded by the Trustees of the Auckland Savings Bank has been continued for the current year while the Maori Education Foundation has requested two vacancies be held for scholars nominated by the Foundation for the 1963 year. This outside interest in that field of education is welcomed by the Board and by granting bursaries, scholarships and special assistance, in total exceeding £3000, the Board hopes to foster the ideals of higher education in the minds of our Maori people for the ultimate benefit of the race and the country.

J. STUART CAUGHEY, Chairman.  
G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.



## B—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The **Roll** of the School has been approximately 175 in 1962, with 21 in the Intermediate Dept., 27 Maoris, and 5 Islanders. The "top school" (Forms V and VI) is still nearly a third of the total Roll, although more than the usual number of seniors left at the end of 1961, because of the completion of their courses at the school. The erection of the new dormitories will make it possible to accept a larger number of new pupils than usual for 1963.

**Staffing** has been satisfactory, all departments having been fully staffed for most of the year. Excellent work is being done in the class-rooms, on the farm, and in the hostel; and to those in charge we are very grateful.

**Examination successes** (1961) included 17 who passed School Certificate, 6 the University Entrance Examination, and 8 who qualified well in various grades in Music under the Associated Board of the Royal Schools.

It is pleasing to report that four of our students (3 Maori and 1 Islander) went forward in 1962 to the School for Christian Workers in order to prepare for the Methodist Ministry.

In addition to the teaching of the students and looking after their needs on the sports field and in the hostel, staff have been responsible for many other activities in the life of the school. The choir completed a very successful year in 1961, and is continuing strongly this year; the **Divinity classes** continue to meet for special study and preparation; the **brass band** is flourishing; the **Scout Troop** is up to strength; the **gymnastic club** is now well equipped and is doing well; there are two groups concerned with **drama**, one on stagecraft and the construction of scenery, the other with the presentation of plays; **hobbies** provide valuable leisure-time activity. "**Outside**" instruction is given to boys in the Agriculture Course, and to those interested in poultry, gardening, and orchard work.

Inter-School competition is now very strong in the South Auckland district, mostly in sport, but also in speech-making and other activities. Every effort is made to co-operate with our neighbours in musical matters, and it is hoped that the opportunities in this direction will increase each year. On a broader scale, the College has continued to act as host to numerous **church groups**, the students providing musical items and giving assistance as needed. The Choir has taken part in choral services as before, and concerts are being presented in more places than usual this year.

The College has expanded so that the Roll is now double what it was two decades ago. With the erection of the new dormitories we shall have a maximum capacity for 230 boarders. Future plans for extension will mean ultimately a Roll of 280.

We believe that through the College the Church is serving the community well in the caring for and training of adolescent boys under Christian guidance. We believe that, thanks to the interest and devotion of Board and Staffs, much good has been done in the past; and that the Collège is destined to play an increasingly important part in the whole work of the Christian Church.

E. M. MARSHALL,  
Principal.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That appreciation be expressed to the Principal, Teachers and Staff.
3. That the Board for 1963 be as printed on page 9 herein.

#### QUESTION XLIII.

## (2) Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING

30th JUNE, 1962.

The year under review has been a most interesting and successful one. Sound progress has been maintained and the Institution is now well established and is thriving.

#### Boarders:

There were 61 girls boarding at the Hostel as at 30th June. Of these 25 are attending the Spotswood College, a co-educational school; 35 at the N.P. Girls' High School and one at the Devon Intermediate School.

Apart from Maori girls there are seven Island Territory girls, six of whom are on Scholarships and one is a private pupil. This year 12 European girls were taken into residence.

The Board agreed to admit European girls on the provision:

- (1) That adequate accommodation be always available for Maori School Girls and Maori Working Girls.
- (2) That the applications must come from their parents or legal guardians.

The Board would welcome further applications from Methodist parents, particularly those who would wish their daughters to attend the nearby co-educational school at Spotswood.

#### Staffing:

We have been most fortunate. Misses N. Stewart and G. Gaus-tad remain serving loyally while one additional sub-matron, Miss J. Ford, joined the staff recently. The total staff comprises: One Matron, three sub-Matrons, one cook, one laundress, one assistant cook, and one part-time domestic, also one part-time gardener and handyman combined. Although all are kept busy all appear contented and take a pride in their work and in the hostel. The girls have their roster of duties to be performed as time will permit.

#### Equipment and Maintenance:

Because of the increased number of boarders it has been necessary during the year to furnish and equip additional rooms and provide more beds, bedding, crockery, cutlery, etc. The Hostel is now furnished and equipped to accommodate 65 girls. The capital cost in this financial year has amounted to £927.

Wear and tear is beginning to show on various parts of the building, both inside and out. This is not unexpected. It will, however, need progressive attention.

The matter of adequately heating certain parts of the building, particularly the lounge, created a problem and the different schemes examined involved a substantial outlay. Ultimately, an open fire and two Conray Heaters were installed. This is working out fairly well.

#### Grounds and Property:

The surroundings and property generally have been well cared for by our part-time gardener.

Overtures have been made by the Education Board to acquire use of portion of our land for joint recreational purposes.

A new venture is a Shop within the Hostel, and for the comparatively short time it has been operating the results are most successful. The main idea is to overcome the need for the girls to stop over in the city to do items of shopping.

**Resignations:**

It is very much regretted that Mrs Laurensen and Mr R. W. J. Cannell have resigned as members of the Board.

We are also sad to note the death of Frank Penn who was one of the original members of our Board. He took a keen interest in the building and equipping of the Hostel and it gave him great satisfaction to see the Hostel completed and working efficiently.

**Accounts:**

The statement of Income and Expenditure and the Balance Sheet for the year under review are presented separately. The overall position is satisfactory. A profit on actual working, after having written off £1000 by way of depreciation is, a very good result. The overdraft has been substantially reduced. All this reflects credit upon all concerned, and is an indication of the greater economy arising from a fully occupied Hostel. We are indebted to the Wellington C. & E. Board, the Grey Institute Trust and the Kai Iwi Farm Trust for substantial grants.

**Executive:**

Regular monthly meetings have been held, the minutes of which have been forwarded to distant Board Members. It has been a pleasure to welcome Mesdames R. J. Horrill and M. K. Robinson, Rev. K. Russell and A. Pihama and Messrs G. Koea and R. W. J. Cannell to the Executive.

**Thanks:**

We express our appreciation of the splendid loyalty and just pride of the girls of Rangiatea in their Hostel and all persons and matters connected with it.

To the Matron and her staff we must express our admiration and thanks for the quality and sacrificial nature of the service rendered. While it has been by team-work and team-spirit that this splendid result was achieved, all will unite to honour Sister Evelyn Marriott whose sustained leadership and sterling service over 22 years is bringing to Maori Womanhood and to our Church much blessing.

WM. H. GREENSLADE,  
Chairman Rangiatea Maori College Trust.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That clause (e) of the Constitution be amended to enable the Grey Institute Trust to have four representatives on the Board in place of two as now provided.
3. That the Board be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION XLIV—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Supernumerary Fund?**

## Supernumerary Fund Board

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

The audited financial statements for the year ending 30th June reveal the following position:—

<b>Income</b> was received as under—	£	£
Fund contributions .....		9,598
Interest and Commission .....	7,946	
Less paid to Allied Funds .....	2,283	
		5,663
Freehold Property .....		4,355
		£19,616
<b>A net total of</b> .....		
<b>Expenditure:</b>		
Administration costs amounted to .....	1,004	
Annuities totalled .....	10,839	
Provision for reserves was .....	1,100	
		12,943
<b>A total of</b> .....		
Giving an excess of income over expenditure of .....		6,673
		£19,616
<b>Accumulated Fund:</b>		
The amount last year was .....		144,277
To this was added surplus from Revenue Account (£6,673) and donations (£75) .....		6,748
		£151,025
Deductions in respect to refunded subscriptions totalled .....	1,479	
Making the Fund at date .....	149,546	
		£151,025
<b>Investments</b> are as follows:		
(a) Mortgages .....		112,464
(b) Debentures and Government Stock .....		39,567
(c) Freehold property (Epworth Chambers), (after depreciation at £14,250) .....		40,909
(d) Current assets, in the form of bank deposits and various accruals .....		9,096
<b>A total of</b> .....		£202,036
(Of the above the sum of £50,735 is held on behalf of allied funds).		
<b>Interest Earnings:</b> From all investments a return of 6.02% has been earned on the actuarial formula.		
<b>Annuitants and Contributors:</b>		
At date annuitants number .....		97
(Supernumeraries 50, widows of supernumeraries 47).		
Contributors total .....		235

**Allied Funds:** These are as under—

(a) Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund accounts for 235 contributors total .....	£30,653
(b) Deaconess Retiring Fund accounts for 42 contributors total .....	£20,723
(c) Home Missionaries Retiring Fund accounts for 17 contributors total .....	£2,524

### **Annuity Option.**

The Board has given further consideration to the possibility of a Minister surrendering part of his annuity at date of retirement in order to increase that of his wife should she survive him—the application being only to cases where the option of commutation is not exercised.

The Board has received from its Actuary a report on this matter with certain recommendations which it has accepted. The following points are made:—

(a) It is considered that in the exercise of this particular option a Minister should not surrender such an amount that his widow's prospective annuity becomes greater than his own annuity.

(b) In general, the average position in respect to our contributors is that wives are approximately three years younger than Ministers. This would mean that each £1 per annum of the Minister's surrendered annuity would be actuarially equivalent to approximately £2/10/- per annum payable to the widow after the death of the Minister.

(c) The calculation in each specific case would have to be made accurately on the basis of actual ages, and each case determined separately.

(d) On the proposed new scale a Minister who has served 40 years will receive an annuity of £240 per annum. A widow will receive an annuity of £144 per annum. In order to keep the balance as between the Minister's annuity and that of his widow, the maximum that he could surrender would be in the vicinity of £27 per annum. This would mean that under such revision the Minister would receive an annuity of approximately £212/13/4 per annum and his widow would receive an annuity of £212/6/8 per annum (approximately).

It is appropriate that the rearrangement of the Ministers' and the widows' annuities should be made on actuarially equitable basis so that neither profit nor loss to the Fund arises from it.

### **Report of Actuary.**

The quinquennial report of the Board's actuary is presented to Conference with this report. The following facts are noted:—

(a) The average interest yield for the 5-year term was 5.73% compared with 5% for the previous quinquennium.

(b) The actuarial deficiency of £60,000 that was estimated in 1957 when an increase in annuities was made, has been overtaken. The valuation of the Fund has taken account of the increased contributions and subsidies commencing 1st July, 1962. The valuation surplus of £15,210 is due to the high interest earnings which have made possible a higher valuation rate of interest.

(c) **Increased Benefits:** Our Actuary has recommended the following:

1. Furniture grant to a Minister on retirement to be at the rate of £10 for each year of service (previously £5).

2. All annuities to be increased by 20%.

It is estimated that the actuarial deficiency resulting from such increases will be approximately £80,000—less the surplus of £15,210, making a net deficiency of £65,000. Increased revenue from contributions and subsidies will overcome this deficiency in the course of time.

(d) **Participants in Benefits:** It is to be noted that an increase in annuities is to be made to all present annuitants as well as to those who are at present contributors and who will be beneficiaries in the future.

This underlines the basic principle that the Board has always emphasised, namely, the mutuality of the Fund. It exists not for a number of separate individuals as such, but for the Ministers and their wives as a group. Ministers, past, present, and future, are linked together as a fraternity, first as contributors and then as beneficiaries. Larger benefits could have been recommended for future annuitants who are now contributing at a higher rate than previously if no provision were made for present supernumeraries and the widows of supernumeraries. (It is to be noted that the furniture grant is to be doubled). The Conference, however, has always endorsed the policy of maintaining this essential element of mutuality.

**Actuarial Valuations.** On the recommendation of our previous Actuary some years ago, valuations have been carried out every five years instead of every three years, as it was considered that a larger span of years was necessary to obtain a clear picture of the Fund's operations. In view of changing conditions our Actuary has suggested that a triennial valuation might be advantageous, giving more frequent opportunities of considering the possibility of further increases in benefits. The Board has decided to adopt his recommendation and, in the first instance, to have another report in three years' time.

**Board for 1963:** The following members are nominated—Connexional Secretary, District Chairman, Revs. W. T. Blight, J. D. Grocott, H. K. Brown and W. S. Dawson; Messrs G. S. Salter (Lay Treasurer), W. Hadlee, R. H. Smith, W. E. Clothier, D. A. White, and R. G. Pearce.

For the Board,

R. H. SMITH, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

## REPORT ON ACTUARIAL VALUATION AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962.

### 1. Benefits and Contributions

I have pleasure in submitting my report on the actuarial valuation as at 30th June, 1962. In the first instance I set out the current rates of benefits and contributions which I have taken into account in making my calculations.

#### **Future rate of contribution per minister:**

Personal	.. .. .	£24 per annum
Subsidy	.. .. .	£36 per annum
Total	.. .. .	£60 per annum

#### **Retirement annuity for each supernumerary minister:**

£5 per annum for each year of service, sixty per cent of which continues to be payable to the widow after the death of the minister.

### **Annuity to widow of minister dying before retirement:**

£3 per annum for each year of husband's service, including actual and potential service to age 65 years.

### **Furniture Grant:**

A lump sum equal to £5 for each year of service payable on retirement or death. In the case of death the furniture grant is payable to the widow in respect of both actual and potential service to age 65.

## **2. Membership**

As at the valuation date 235 ministers were contributing to the fund, 50 supernumerary ministers were receiving annuities from the fund, and 47 widows of ministers were receiving annuities from the fund.

The information required for the purpose of valuation was extracted from the records of the fund. The data are summarised below in the attached schedules and the figures reconcile quite closely with the amounts appearing in the fund's revenue account.

## **3. Progress of Fund**

The progress of the fund during the five years since the last actuarial valuation is summarised in the following consolidated revenue account.

### **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD FROM 1st JULY, 1957, TO 30th JUNE, 1962.**

Fund as at 1st July		Annuities .. ..	54,956
1957 .. .. .	137,041	Furniture Grants ..	1,820
Subscriptions .. ..	17,814	Commutations .. ..	10,206
Circuit Levies .. ..	25,945	Subscriptions refunded	2,339
Net Interest and Rents	40,990	Working expenses ..	4,589
Commissions .. ..	1,043	Fund as at 30th June,	
Donations .. .. .	623	1962 .. .. .	149,546
	<u>£223,456</u>		<u>£223,456</u>

The average yield on the fund during each of the years in the past quinquennium was as follows:—

Year to 30th June	Yield per cent
1958 .. .. .	6.06
1959 .. .. .	5.75
1960 .. .. .	5.10
1961 .. .. .	5.72
1962 .. .. .	6.02

The average yield for the whole of the five years was 5.73%, which compares with an average of 5% during the previous quinquennium.

## **4. Valuation Basis**

The valuation was performed on the following actuarial bases:

### **Rate of Interest**

A rate of interest of 4½% per annum has been assumed in the calculations and appears to be justified by the current interest earning power of the fund.

The rate of interest assumed for this purpose is of course a long term estimate of the yield on the fund but I consider that the assumption of 4½% is reasonable, having regard to a likely continuing demand for capital in New Zealand, and also to the probability of a more enlightened political view of this subject in the future.

### Mortality during period of service

Ministers' mortality has been assumed to follow the A49/52 table of mortality which was deduced by the Institute of Actuaries and the Faculty of Actuaries from statistics in respect of assured lives.

For supernumeraries and widows, mortality was assumed to follow the A(55) tables which were deduced by the Institute of Actuaries and the Faculty of Actuaries from statistics in respect of annuitants. Suitable allowance has been made for male and female annuitants' mortality respectively.

### Withdrawal

When a minister leaves the fund before retirement, his own contributions are returned to him and an accrual occurs to the fund in respect of the circuit levies previously paid on his behalf. No allowance has been made in the basis of valuation for future withdrawals because the numbers of ministers leaving the fund are quite small and, in any event, it is useful to retain a margin in hand against adverse fluctuations in experience.

### General

Taking everything into account I consider that the basis of valuation is sound though realistic for the purpose in hand. To my mind there is no point in building up a large fund for the benefit of future generations of ministers. Rather is the purpose to protect the interests of actual and potential pensioners of the fund with due regard for equity between all concerned.

## 5. Valuation

The result of the valuation is summarised below:

### VALUATION BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962

	£
Present value of:	
Current Annuities to Supernumeraries .. .. .	36,929
Current Annuities to Widows .. .. .	29,104
Prospective Annuities to Supernumeraries .. .. .	145,637
Prospective Annuities to Widows .. .. .	84,318
Prospective Furniture Grants .. .. .	18,762
	314,750
Present value of future subscriptions and levies at the rate of £60 per member per Annum .. .. .	180,414
Fund at 30th June, 1962 .. .. .	149,546
	329,960
Surplus .. .. .	15,210

As a result of the increases in benefit made in 1957 it was estimated that the fund was then in deficiency to the extent of approximately £60,000. The satisfactory position shown as at 30th June, 1962, is chiefly the result of the increase in the contributions to be made as from 1st July, 1962, of which due account has been taken in the above valuation. The actuarial value of that increase is approximately equal to the amount of the deficiency as at 30th June, 1957.

The surplus of £15,210 which has arisen in addition to the £60,000 deficiency is due to the high interest earnings during the inter-valuation period and also to the increase in the valuation rate of interest.



## 6. Recommendations

In view of the substantial increase which has been made in the rate of contribution it is reasonable that members should expect some increase in benefit. If the benefits were to be increased only in respect of new members joining the fund and paying the increased rate of contribution as from the date of joining, then the increase in the benefits which could be justified would be very substantial.

However, the fund is a mutual arrangement and any increases in benefits should in my view be granted both to present and future beneficiaries.

With this in mind I recommend the following increases in benefit to take effect forthwith:

- (1) **Furniture grants:** To be doubled, i.e., increased to £10 for each year of service.
- (2) **Supernumerary and widows' annuities:** To be increased by 20%, i.e., to £6 and £3/12/- per annum for each year of service respectively.

I calculate that the capital cost of the above increases as at the valuation date totals approximately £80,000, so that the effect of my recommendations will be to place the fund in deficiency to the extent of £65,000 as at the valuation date.

As time goes on, however, the effect of the increased contributions will be to overcome this deficiency and in due course I hope to recommend further increases in the rates of annuity. Eventually, the present members will be replaced by a new generation of members who have contributed to the fund at the new increased rates from the commencement of their service and for whom substantially increased benefits can then be justified.

As any increases in benefit should in my view take due account of the actuarial position of the fund from time to time, however, the board might consider it advantageous to revert to the practice of having actuarial valuations of the fund performed at intervals of say three years, in order that more frequent consideration can be given to the possibility of granting increased benefits.

JOHN ERIKSEN, F.I.A., A.S.A., A.I.S.

27th September, 1962.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the following Financial Statements be received and adopted: Supernumerary Fund, Benevolent Fund, Home Acquirement Fund, Deaconess Retiring Fund, Home Missionaries Retiring Fund.
3. That the Report of the Actuary, Mr John Eriksen, F.I.A., be received and adopted, and the thanks of the Conference be tendered to him.
4. **Increase in Benefits:** That from 1st February, 1963, benefits be as follows:—

(a) **Annuities:** In terms of para. 33 of the Rules and Regulations of the Fund, the annuity paid to each Minister on retirement be at the rate of £6 per annum for each year of service.

In terms of para. 46 of the Rules and Regulations of the Fund the annuity paid to the widow of a Minister be at the rate of £3/12/- per annum for each year of service rendered by her husband.

- (b) **Furniture Grant:** In terms of para. 50 of the Rules and Regulations of the Fund the furniture grant be at the rate of £10 for each year of service.
5. **Annuity Option:** That the Rules and Regulations of the Fund be amended by the addition of the following paragraph:—
- Par. 37 (A):** A Minister who does not exercise the option of commutation may apply to the Board for permission to exercise the option of surrendering part of his own annuity in order to increase that of his wife should she survive him. In no case shall the amount surrendered be such as to make his widow's annuity greater than his own annuity. Each case shall be reported on by the Actuary.
6. That the Board for 1963 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, 1962.**

The Board administers 102 trusts and deposit accounts totalling £128,897. New trusts have been accepted as follows: M. Adamson, Dunedin; Henry Wills, Ashburton; M. E. Sanders, Christchurch; Cambridge Church Trust.

#### **Winstone Memorial Trust Fund:**

In terms of the Deed of Trust grants amounting to £506 were made to Ministers who had not received the minimum stipend from their circuits.

The procedure is to receive applications as at 31st December each year, after a questionnaire has been sent to each circuit superintendent. The Board is prepared to receive applications during the year where it appears that undue hardship may be experienced. District Chairmen should acquaint the Connexional Secretary with cases that call for special attention.

During the year the Board was in a position to advance a loan of £7000 at Post Office interest rates, to the Methodist Transport Trust Board to assist its finances.

#### **Newbold Trust:**

In 1938 the late Rev. T. W. Newbold made provision in his will for a bequest to the Methodist Church of New Zealand. This consisted of two dwellings. The object for which the trust was created was "the benefit of the said Church's Orphanages in New Zealand as the said Church shall seem fit and I hereby express a wish but without however creating in such behalf any trust or legal obligation that the said Church shall inaugurate an Orphanage in Dunedin for children in Dunedin and I declare that the receipt of the Secretary or Treasurer shall be a full discharge to my trustee in respect to this devise."

The Conference of 1939 decided "that amounts available from the Newbold Estate be lodged with the General Purposes Trust Board to earn compound interest until such time as Conference shall determine their destination in harmony with the provisions of the late Rev. T. W. Newbold's will." This was followed by a decision to allow the capital sum to increase to £10,000 and when that time came decision would be made by Conference as to the manner in which the wishes of the testator were to be fulfilled.

During its administration of the trust the Board came to the decision that it would be wise to sell both houses and invest the proceeds. That was done and the Board now holds on behalf of the trust the sum of £10,228/7/8. This amount includes a current mortgage of £1564/15/3. The Board accordingly requests Conference to determine its policy in this connection, submitting the under-mentioned recommendation.

For the Board,

R. H. SMITH, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the following be referred to General Purposes Trust Board with request that 2 members of the South Island Children's Home Board and Supt. of Dunedin Central Mission be included.  
**Newbold Trust:** That Conference be advised that the capital sum of £10,228/7/8 is now available to the appropriate authority in order that the wishes of the testator may be fulfilled in respect to caring for children in or around Dunedin. As Trustee the Board recommends that such work should be carried out in terms of the policy approved by the 1960 Conference in respect to the care of needy children, with particular reference to Counselling Service, Foster-Homes and Family Homes (see Report Commission on Children's Homes).

**QUESTION XLVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist Children's Fund?**

## Methodist Children's Fund

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

For the calendar year 1962, some 380½ allowances, each of £10, have been provided for as compared with 379½ for the year 1961. New Registrations during the present year appear to indicate a possible levelling off in the upward trend which has been so apparent during recent years. From the nature of things, however, this changing trend cannot yet be regarded with certainty and long-term estimating as now required by the Connexional Budgeting System provides grounds for some speculation.

Much depends on the number of married ordinands coming forward each year. Further, our task would be made much easier if ministers would report new additions to their families more promptly than is often the case. For the financial year ended 30th June, 1962, the total outgoings amounted to £3811/17/3. The Second Connexional Budget for the year ended 30th June, 1963, has included a sum of £4000 for this Fund, that slightly higher amount being deemed necessary to provide for possible increased claims.

ROBERT THORNLEY,

T. M. PACEY,

Hon. Treasurers.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.
2. That the treasurers, Rev. R. Thornley and Mr T. M. Pacey be thanked for their services and re-appointed.

## QUESTION XLVII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Contingent Fund?

### REPORT OF CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The following resolution was passed at the 1961 Conference:

“That the Contingent Fund Consultative Committee be asked to investigate the question of payment of travelling expenses to District Synod Standing Committees and make its recommendations to next Conference with a view to bringing about uniformity of practice.”

As a preliminary step this matter was referred to the various Districts with a request that they advise this Committee of the practice followed in their District and an invitation to make recommendations or comments on this question. Replies were received from five Districts.

From these comments it was clear that there was no uniformity of practice amongst the various Districts in regard to the payment of travelling expenses to District Synod Standing Committees; e.g. the South Auckland District pays travelling expenses at 6d per mile (staggering the use of cars as much as possible). This figure which was charged to the Contingent Fund amounted to £117 19s 5d for the year ended June 30th, 1961. Otago-Southland charged £25 14s 4d. South Canterbury also charged a limited amount.

The majority of Districts have treated this expenditure as a District matter and have made no charge on the Connexion through the Contingent Fund. It is recognized that in general the Districts making a charge on the Contingent Fund are the most widely spread Districts who incur the greatest amount of travel, and in particular the South Auckland District.

The Conference has requested this Committee to make recommendations with a view to bringing about **uniformity** of practice. To bring about uniformity it is necessary to apply the same rule to all Districts. Either it is necessary to refuse to allow Districts to charge these travelling expenses to the Contingent Fund, or else all districts should be allowed to do so with some effort to limit the amount of these expenses.

It was felt that the only way in which these expenses could be controlled was in the Districts themselves and that any attempt to allow all such expenses as a charge on the Connexion would mean that there would be a very substantial increase in the amount of travelling expenses charged to the Connexion over which it has no real control.

The Consultative Committee therefore strongly recommends that travelling expenses for District Synod Standing Committees should be met by each individual District in such manner and to such extent as they may decide and that they should not be charged to the Contingent Fund.

In making this recommendation the Committee recognizes that the cost of travel varies considerably in different Districts by virtue of their size and shape; but feels that allowance could be made for this in the District assessment for the Connexional Budget. An allowance could be made in the District assessment for any District which could show that by reason of its nature it must of necessity carry an extra burden in this regard.

A further recommendation was that such Districts might well consider dividing their territory into Sub-Districts with a view to reducing travelling expenses.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

A. H. WINSTONE, Treasurer.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report of the Consultative Committee be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1962, be received and adopted.

3. That the Expenses for District Synod Standing Committees be met by each individual district in such a manner as that District may decide, and that they should not be charged to the Contingent Fund.

4. That the Contingent Fund Consultative Committee shall consist of the Rev E. W. Hames, Dr D. O. Williams, Rev W. Walker, Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, and Messrs J. H. Blackwell, G. S. Gapper, and the Treasurers.

5. 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 reappointed.

6. That the Treasurers be thanked and be reappointed.

**QUESTION XLVIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Removal Expenses Fund?**

## Removal Expenses Fund Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

During the year 57 removals were carried out compared with 47 in 1961 and 68 in 1960, at an average cost of £67 compared with £74 in 1961 and £63 in 1960. This is about the average number of removals over the past few years and due to there not being any abnormally large ones the average cost shows a reduction to £67. The financial accounts show an excess of income over expenditure of £219 compared with £586 for 1961.

The financial position of the Fund is not altogether satisfactory. Cash in hand at June 30, 1962, was only £227 and in the hope that the number of removals in 1962-63 will not be higher than usual, the Committee is budgeting for the usual £4000 levy.

For the Committee,

H. L. FIEBIG,  
W. E. CLOTHIER.

## 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 £4000.

4. That the Treasurers, Rev. H. L. Fiebig and Mr W. E. Clothier, be thanked for their services and be re-appointed.

5. That Mr F. M. Sowden, Honorary Auditor, be thanked for his services and be re-appointed.

6. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on Page 8 herein.

**QUESTION XLIX.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Overseas Missions?**

## Methodist Overseas Missions Department

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

This report deals mainly with the activities of the Department and its officers. A supplementary report will be prepared for Conference after the Board has considered the reports of the Overseas District Synods.

**Staff:** The acceptance of Mr Alan Penny as builder at Nipa under the Order of St Stephen has lifted our New Zealand workers in the Highlands of New Guinea to five, one of whom, the Rev. C. J. Keightley, was appointed Chairman by last Conference. There has been a serious shortage of nursing and ministerial staff, to which several recent appointments have been made from Australia. Thirteen Solomon Islands workers now serve as missionaries of their own Church as pastors, teachers and carpenter in the Papua New Guinea Highlands District.

Once again there have been irksome vacancies in the Solomon Islands, caused by both sudden and anticipated withdrawals. Sisters June Hilder (after notice), Joy Thompson and Audrey Grice (unexpectedly) have had to withdraw from missionary service. Illness and consequent medical unfitness for further tropical residence have robbed the District of the services of the Rev. G. D. and Mrs Brough who had made an encouraging beginning. Sister Audrey Roberts, who resigned prior to her marriage, has now returned overseas with her husband, Mr R. C. Fleury.

To replace Mr Brough, the Board will recommend to Conference that the Rev. Peter Barker be appointed to the Solomon Islands District. At least one further New Zealand minister will be required for appointment at 1963 Conference, when the Rev. Alister McDonald expects to return to circuit work in New Zealand.

Sisters Patricia Hulks and Vivienne Parton, both teachers, have taken up their appointments since last Conference. The Rev. J. F. and Mrs Cropp have commenced their work in Roviana Circuit. Mr W. L. Jenkin is serving under the Order of St Stephen at Goldie College. The acute shortage of nursing sisters continues, but temporary alleviation has been given by the honorary service of Sister Edna White (as companion help) and of Miss Bernice Birch (pharmacist) who is serving following her year of Order of St Stephen service. Sister Thelma Duthie, who had resigned after ten years of valued teaching service, has returned for a short term to serve in Buin Circuit. The Board is grateful for this assistance, but must remind the Church of the urgent need to fill the present vacancies.

The serious illness of Mrs Raturoba, wife of the Rev. Sakeo Raturoba, who transferred from the Fiji District as recently as last Conference, has set a query against their availability for continued service in Choiseul.

**Overseas Visits:** Recently it has been possible for the President of the Conference and the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union to lead a party of New Zealand Methodists, both to the Solomon Islands Diamond Jubilee and to the New Guinea Highlands District. The principal occasions were the presentation of the constitution of the Solomon Islands District (approved by last Conference) and the ordinations of the Revs. Job Rotoava and Samson Pataaku.

Earlier, at the request of the Solomon Islands District, the Board had appointed Mr A. A. Dingwall and the General Secretary to visit that District. During the three weeks for which Mr Dingwall was available, priority was given to business and plantation matters on which a report is being studied by the Synod and the Board. The Board has expressed its appreciation to Mr Dingwall for his valued help. Following Mr Dingwall's return to New Zealand, the General Secretary traversed the rest of the District before proceeding to the Highlands, for a return visit there after seven years. His impressions have been fully reported in the Church papers.

**Inter-District Consultation:** In January last, with the approval of both Mission Boards, representatives of the four Methodist Districts in the Western Pacific (New Guinea, Papua, the Solomon Islands and the Papua New Guinea Highlands) met together at Rabaul. This meeting emphasized the healthy trend in this whole area for our Methodist work to be drawn together. There is a long-term suggestion of a united district, which might become a Conference in fraternal relationship with Australia and New Zealand. Already a joint theological college has been set up to which three Solomon Islands students have proceeded, and where a New Zealander, Mr Ken Skinner, is at work under the Order of St Stephen, on the college buildings. The New Zealand Board has yet to fulfil the hope of a capital grant to this new college. The Synods are also to consider plans for centralizing the teacher training work for the Districts. Plans, enthusiastically taken up by the youth of the Australian Church, have been made for the appointment of a Director of Christian Education based at Rabaul but to serve the four Districts.

**Promotion and Publicity:** Further tape and slide programmes have been prepared, with copies available both from the Department of Christian Education and the Missions Departments. Quarterly press releases go out to all circuit and regional papers. Three missionary education seminars are being held this year. The General Secretary's deputation has been restricted to the South Auckland and North Canterbury Districts. THE OPEN DOOR continues its quarterly series of special themes. During Mr Leadley's presidential year, the Rev. O. M. Olds has served as co-editor of THE LOTU.

**Overseas Study for Solomon Islanders:** Miss Vivian Mamupio, sponsored by CORSO, recently completed her maternity course at Auckland and returned to nursing service with our Church in the Solomons. Apart from secondary school pupils on government scholarships in New Zealand, there are this year two Islanders at the School for Christian Workers: Gordon Siama, supported by the Boys' Brigade Movement, is preparing mainly to serve as B.B. Organizer in the Solomons; Esau Tuza will return to Choiseul with a view to candidature for the ministry.

Believing that such overseas opportunities will be of great significance for the Islands Church and people, the Board is grateful to the President for authorizing the opening of a Diamond Jubilee Scholarship Fund, to which contributions are now being received.

**Financial:** The Board is grateful to the Church for the Connexional Budget which enabled our Department to be paid in full for the first seventeen months at the budgeted rate of £29,500 per annum. We are also grateful to the M.W.M.U. for their continued contributions and to the Lepers' Trust Board for their regular and special grants which this year totalled £14,000. A full financial statement and Treasurer's report will be submitted to the Conference.

**General Secretaryship:** The Book of Laws requires that this year the Board bring before Conference a nomination for election as General Secretary to take office on 1st February, 1964. The present General Secretary having requested that he be released from the Department, the Board is seeking a suitable nomination to bring before Conference. It is regretted that enquiries are not sufficiently far advanced for any name to be reported to the Synods.

C. T. J. LUXTON, Chairman  
S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.  
G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

## SUPPLEMENTARY ANNUAL REPORT

This further report to Conference is condensed from the respective overseas district synod reports, supplemented by the reports of the General Secretary who visited both districts during the year.

### **Papua New Guinea Highlands District:**

Statistics amply illustrate the assertion that here is the present growing strength of our Church overseas. During the year the number of baptised members of the Church grew from 39 to 287—44 in the Mendi Circuit and 243 in the Tari Circuit. An ever growing stream of candidates for baptism and enquirers after the faith, now affecting the Nipa Circuit also, is evidence of a real movement of the Spirit among the Highlands people. With their profession of faith has been demonstrated a willingness to give to the work of God. This year £A326 was contributed. The Synod recommends that a first charge on the giving of the people should be the training and maintenance of their own indigenous pastors and ministers.

Two urgent needs are featured. One is for further overseas staff, especially "coastal" pastors from the older New Guinea, Papua and the Solomon Islands Districts. The acute shortage of ministers and nurses has now been relieved somewhat by new appointments from Australia. By the service of Mr Alan Penny (Order of St Stephen carpenter), our New Zealand quota of workers has this year been one "over strength." But the needs and opportunities are so great that our Church must very shortly face the prospect of enlarging our missionary staff in the Highlands. Indeed, the Synod already requests us to plan to that end.

The other urgent need is for the speedy emergence of leadership and a ministry amongst the Highlands converts themselves. In this direction, there are already some encouraging signs. But careful thought is being given at various levels to the double question of an adequate ministry and the availability of the sacraments for the Highlands converts. Whilst the Chairman of the District, the Rev. C. J. Keightley, was in New Zealand, a special consultation was held under the auspices of the Faith and Order Committee, to whom our thanks are due for the resultant statement. This, in turn, was used as resource material at the inter-district consultation of Methodist representatives in the New Guinea area held last January. The Highlands Synod is now requesting that a commission of Australian and New Zealand Methodists be appointed to advise them on the ministry and sacraments, worship, polity, church architecture and membership.

### **Solomon Islands District:**

The sixtieth anniversary year of the Solomon Islands District has been one of vigour and growth in the face of major difficulties and some setbacks. The central feature of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations was the presentation by the President of the Conference, the Rev. E. C. Leadley, of the constitution approved by last Conference, the final drafting of which will come before this Conference for adoption. Accompanied by the Dominion President of the M.W.M.U., Mrs A. E. Richards, Mr Leadley travelled widely in the Islands circuits. Two further Solomon Islands ministers were ordained by the President during his visit.

The opening (on an Inter-District basis) of the theological college at Rarongo, near Rabaul, marks an epoch in the training of our Islands ministry. Three students from the Solomons (one topping the examination list) are to be joined by two more in 1963.



The appointment of the Rev. R. G. Williams, B.A., B.D., of Victoria, marks the recognition by the home churches of the importance of this new college. Our church stands committed by last Conference to a capital grant of £3000, which so far the Department has not been able to fulfil.

Deep concern is felt by the Synod at the lifting of restrictions on the consumption of beer—a step taken by the British Solomon Islands Government, evidently under external pressure, since there is little evidence of popular demand for a change, and clear opposition by all the Christian Churches. The Synod has launched a comprehensive programme of education in total abstinence.

During the year the dissident movement led by Silas Eto has been formed into the "Christian Fellowship Church." The defections, almost wholly confined to Roviana Circuit, were reflected in the 1961 statistics. This year Methodist members have grown from 6962 to 7205 and the youth roll from 7593 to 8625. The number of adherents, however, has fallen from 5423 to 4457.

Following the Andrews-Dingwall report, the Synod has brought before the Board several recommendations, involving the administration and development of our Islands properties.

Since our main report to Synod was compiled, Miss Janice E. Palmer has been accepted as a missionary nurse and appointed to Buka.

#### **Inter-District Co-operation:**

The New Guinea (formerly New Britain) District was founded in 1875 and is to-day the strongest of the four Methodist Districts in Melanesia. It also has property endowments of some magnitude. Its main area of activity, close to the bustling centre of Rabaul, is in the midst of a populous and progressive people. The Papua District, established in 1891, has developed in relative isolation in the islands off the eastern tip of the Papuan mainland. Money resources are slight, and this district has remained a major budgeting charge on the Australian Church. The Solomon Islands District (1902) has also followed its own pattern of development.

In recent years various factors have served to draw together these different Methodist churches, not least their joint involvement in the Papua New Guinea Highlands District. But teacher training and theological training needs have been found to be common ones. In January last, by agreement of the two overseas missions boards, an inter-district consultation met at Rabaul. Each district was represented by its Chairman or Acting Chairman and by indigenous and missionary representatives. More recently a continuation committee, consisting of Chairmen only, has met at Port Moresby.

Out of these meetings and the resultant discussions at the Boards have arisen two proposals. One is for an immediate constitution of a united synod to handle matters of common concern. The other is the suggestion that we work together for a Methodist Conference of Melanesia, in fraternal relationship with the Conferences of Australia and New Zealand. The 1966 General Conference has been suggested by some as a target date for this constitutional change. Similar constitutions are in prospect for Fiji and Samoa.

C. T. J. LUXTON, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

## New Constitution

(Ref. 1961 Minutes, Page 142. Res. 9; and 1960 Minutes, Page 152ff).

504. (1) There shall be an Overseas Missions Department established under the control and direction of the Conference.

(2) The Department shall be managed by a Board called the Overseas Missions Board (hereinafter called "the Board") which shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(3) The officers of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board who, unless otherwise appointed by Conference shall be the Chairman of the Auckland District, a General Secretary who shall be appointed in pursuance of Part II Section VIII hereof and a Lay Treasurer who shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(4) 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 Christian witness, education, medical and pastoral care and economic and social welfare within such countries.

(c) To co-operate 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) To organise and promote missionary education within New Zealand in collaboration with interested Church Departments and other bodies.

(5) The funds of the Department shall be derived from the following sources:—

(a) Offertories, subscriptions and donations.

(b) Gifts and legacies.

(c) Grants from governments and public bodies.

(d) Grants from connexional funds.

(e) Income from properties and investments.

(f) Other sources as from time to time may be determined by the Conference.

(6) The Board shall comprise; the President of the Conference, the Officers of the Department, resident members, being members resident in the Auckland District, and non-resident members, being resident in other Districts.

(7) The resident members of the Board shall comprise:— (a) The Chairman of the Auckland District (if not an officer of the Department), (b) Six Ministers and six laymen, (c) The General Superintendent of the Home Mission and Church Extension Department, or in his absence the Assistant Superintendent thereof, (d) one representative of the Department of Christian Education, (e) the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if resident in Auckland District), (f) two representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union nominated by the Union Conference.

(8) The non-resident members shall comprise: (a) Four Ministers and four laymen, (b) the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if not resident in the Auckland District), (c) Two representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union,

nominated by the Union Conference, (d) the Chairman of the Solomon Islands District, (e) One representative, ministerial or lay respectively from the Solomon Islands District and the Papua-New Guinea Highlands District Synods, such representative to be nominated by the respective Synod.

(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 its policy determined.

(10) A special meeting of the Board, called by the General Secretary shall be held when recommended by the officers of the Department or when requested by a majority of the non-resident members of the Board.

(11) The Board shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

(12) The President of the Conference shall be chairman of all meetings of the Board and in his absence the chairman of the Board shall preside. If neither is present those members present shall elect a chairman.

(13) In the event of any member notifying the General Secretary of his inability to attend any meeting of the Board the President of the Conference may appoint a substitute from the appropriate category.

(14) The Board shall have power to make and amend rules, regulations and conditions governing (i) the selection and training of all persons, except Ministers, employed by the Department, (ii) the service, medical examinations and furlough of all persons employed by the Department, (iii) the allowances other than the stipends of ministerial missionaries appointed from New Zealand, (iv) the stipends and allowances of ministerial missionaries received from other Conferences for service in our mission Districts, (v) the employment, remuneration and allowances of all other agents employed by the Board.

(15) The non-resident members shall normally attend only the annual and special meetings of the Board. They shall receive all reports submitted to the Board and Minutes of all meetings.

(16) At meetings other than 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 shall be made unless any proposed alteration shall have been first submitted to all members of the Board and unless the same shall have been sanctioned by a majority of Board members.

(17) 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.

(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.

(21) An Overseas Missions Committee shall be appointed by the Conference in each District to co-operate with the Board in furthering the work of the Overseas Missions.

(22) The Overseas Missions Department shall be the legal successor of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand.

#### **PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT**

(23) The membership in the Solomon Islands District shall comprise the ministers and probationers stationed in the District, and such persons as shall satisfy the Minister and Leaders' Meeting of their personal faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, their lives being in harmony with their profession. In accepting membership, they become pledged to seek fellowship with Christ and with His people, and they accept the duties and enter upon the privileges of the Methodist Church.

(24) The Church Meeting of each Society which shall be held quarterly . . . shall consist of all those whose names are on the Members' Roll at the time the meeting is held, but only those who are eighteen years of age, and who have been in continuous membership in the Church for twelve months shall have the right to vote or to be elected to office.

(25) The Church Meeting shall as far as practicable follow the provisions of Part IV Section IX provided that the questions to be asked at such meetings shall be decided by the District Synod.

(26) The Leaders' Meeting shall be held quarterly under the chairmanship of the Superintendent Minister or his deputy.

(27) The Leaders' Meeting shall, as far as practicable, follow the provisions of Part IV Section VIII, provided that the questions to be asked at such meetings and the qualifications for membership thereof shall be decided by the District Synod.

(28) The Quarterly Meeting shall meet under the chairmanship of the Superintendent Minister, or one of his colleagues appointed by him for this purpose.

(29) The Quarterly Meeting shall, as far as practicable, follow the provisions of Part IV Section X provided that questions to be asked at such meetings and the qualifications for membership thereof shall be decided by the District Synod.

(30) The District Synod shall be held annually and shall comprise (a) the Ministerial Committee, and (b) the Representative Session.

(31) The District Ministerial Committee shall comprise all Ministers whose names are on the stationing sheet of the District.

(32) The Representative Session shall comprise:—

(a) All members of the Ministerial committee.

(b) All Probationers.

(c) The Medical Superintendent if a member of the Methodist Church.

(d) The District Accountant if a member of the Methodist Church.

- (e) Not more than two missionary laymen elected by the missionary laymen serving in the district.
- (f) Four missionary sisters. Such sisters shall be elected by the sisters serving in the District.
- (g) One lay representative of each Circuit appointed by the Quarterly Meeting.

(33) The questions to be asked at the ministerial committee and the representative session shall be as decided from time to time by the Conference.

(34) The Synod shall receive reports from each circuit and each District institution, receive financial statements and prepare District statements of income and expenditure and of assets and liabilities and present these, duly audited, to the Board and the Conference.

- (35) (a) The Synod shall prepare estimates of Income and Expenditure for the ensuing year. These shall cover income locally derived and income by way of grants from New Zealand.
- (b) The Synod shall administer all funds locally derived (except Government grants in respect of overseas staff).
- (c) The Synod shall be responsible for the support of all agents locally appointed.
- (d) The Synod shall prepare a sheet of stations and present these for consideration and adoption by the Board and Conference.
- (e) Any circuit or worker affected by the decision of the Synod shall have the right to appeal against such decision to the Board and from the Board to the Conference, whose decision shall be final.
- (f) The Synod may submit to the Conference through the Board the name of a minister as its nominee for the office of District Chairman.

(36) The Chairman of the District, when the Conference or the Board shall so direct, or when he deems it advisable, shall visit any Circuit within the District and take such action as in his judgment may be required in regard to the work carried on in the said Circuit, provided however that the Superintendent of such Circuit or any of his colleagues affected thereby shall have the right of appeal to the Board against any such action, and provided further that in regard to matters of character and disciplinary action in connection therewith, the rights of Ministers and Probationers shall in no way be affected.

(37) No member of the staff shall leave the District without the consent of the Chairman of the District.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT, 1962**

The Income and Expenditure Account shows a deficit of £2,283, the first for 5 years. The Estimates for 1961/62 anticipated a deficit of £2,564. Compared with the previous year, Income increased by £3,000, but on the other hand Expenditure rose by £7500.

Solomon Islands Income increased by £3,800, but new methods of accounting in the District introduced unfamiliar items of income which are off-set by internal charges which are reflected in the Expenditure. However, increases in the Solomon Islands Circuit contributions and Government Grants were welcome features of the District accounts. There was a considerable falling off in the proceeds of sales of produce.

The apparent large increase in Overseas Staff Stipends and allowances requires explanation. In the past this item had been stated in New Zealand currency — the currency in which the payments are made by the Head Office — and the exchange adjustment applied only to the balance of the expenditure. In this year's accounts all Solomon Islands Expenditure is stated in Australian currency and then adjusted.

In the year 1960/61 the combined income from Circuits and the Connexional Budget was £28,935. This is approximately the income from the Budget for 1961/62. The Circuit and Sundry Donations provided valuable help in difficult financial situations during the year. It appears that the Department last year entered a period of indefinite length wherein surpluses will be difficult to attain and a worth-while cash balance a rarity. At present the Department is operating on overdraft accommodation.

I believe it can be confidently asserted, without disloyalty to the Connexional Budget, or the principle embodied in it, that during the current year the income under the system of direct Circuit giving would have equalled the income through the Budget; and it would have been possible, and in accord with custom, for the Department to make an appeal to the Church which by its response would have removed the possibility of retrenchment in the field.

One special appeal that was somewhat enthusiastically received in its first year but lagged rather badly last year is that for the Fraternal Workers' support. In consequence it was not possible to meet the full undertaking to the National Council of Churches by 31st August, 1962. The deficiency has now been made good, and there is a readier response to the publicity given to the appeal.

The Jubilee Scholarship Fund was instituted during the year. The response of the Church has been steady and in no way spectacular.

The Boat Insurance Fund has reached a sum of £29,359. The recent Annual Meeting of the Board decided that the Fund should not exceed £30,000, and the Board's policy concerning any future surplus is to be considered during the year.

The Board's Investments increased during the year by £10,000. As this amount is off-set by new trust moneys received, the relation between Funds and Investments is still not a happy one.

It will be noted that the Rehabilitation Fund has shrunk to £1525. It is hoped that it will disappear, belatedly, from the Accounts during the current year.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the reports be received and adopted.
2. That the Treasurer's Report, Statement of Income and Expenditure, and Balance Sheet be received and adopted.
3. That the Estimates of Income and Ordinary and Special Expenditure for 1962-63 be received and adopted.
4. That Conference be associated with the greetings sent by the Board to the overseas workers and the Churches in the Solomon Islands and the Papua-New Guinea Highlands District.
5. **Retirements:** That Conference be associated with the expression of appreciation extended by the Board to retiring workers: Sisters June Hilder (ten years), Joy Thompson (seven years), Audrey Grice (six years) and the Rev G. D. and Mrs Brough (three years).

6. **Fraternal Workers' Fund:** That the target for the Fraternal Workers' Fund for 1962-63 be £200 to be raised from voluntary contributions, enabling special and emergency grants to fraternal workers overseas.

7. **Sister Lina M. Jones:** That the thanks of the Conference be accorded to Sister Lina Jones for her eight years of service as Manager of Publications following her twenty-five years of service overseas.

8. **Proposals for Inter-District United Synod (and Conference):**

- (a) That Conference receive with approval the report that the Synods of the New Guinea, Papua, Solomon Islands and P.N.G.H. Districts have been entering into close co-operation and that their sense of unity and common task has caused them to plan to submit to a later Conference and to the 1966 General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia a proposal for the creation of a Melanesian Conference.
- (b) That Conference also receive the request of the Inter-District Committee set up by the action of the four Synods that a United Synod for the four Districts be set up to provide for the present and developing needs for co-operation and to prepare for the institution of a Conference for the whole area.
- (c) That Conference approve that a Unitel Synod be set up for consultation and co-operation between the New Guinea, Papua, Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea Highlands Districts.
- (d) That the United Synod comprise the Chairman of the United Synod, the Principal of the Theological College, the Director of the Young People's Department, the Chairman of each co-operating District and three representatives of each District Synod elected by the representative session.
- (e) That, subject to the laws of the Methodist Church of Australasia and the Methodist Church of New Zealand, the United Synod shall be competent to consider and take action on the following:—
  - (i) The ministry.
  - (ii) Theological Training
  - (iii) Matters of Faith and Order.
  - (iv) The Young People's Department.
  - (v) Urban Development.
  - (vi) Social Questions.
  - (vii) Preparation for Conference status and other constitutional matters.
  - (viii) Inter-District transfers of staff.
  - (ix) Church Union.
  - (x) Teacher Training.
  - (xi) Education Policy.
  - (xii) Any other matter referred to the United Synod by any or all of the District Synods.
- (f) That the Synod or the Synod Standing Committee (or equivalent committee) of any District shall have the right to object to any resolution of the United Synod; in the case of any such objection, the resolution shall not apply to the objecting district until the matter has been referred to the Board with which the District is connected and until the Board directs compliance with the resolution in question.
- (g) That the United Synod shall have authority to function as soon as the Chairman thereof has received notification of the members elected by the 1963 sessions of the District Synods.

- (h) That the Synod shall meet biennially, but the Chairman shall call special meetings if requested to do so by the Chairmen of all the Districts.
- (i) That the Synod shall incur expenditure only which is from funds at the disposal of the District Synods or provided in the Budget of the Boards.
- (j) That, as nominated by the Inter-District Committee, the Rev. George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed., shall be the first Chairman of the United Synod. Subsequent nominations to the Conference concerned shall be by agreement between the two Boards after considering any recommendation of the United Synod.
- (k) That during the year the Board take steps to interpret these resolutions to the members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

#### **9. Need for Missionaries:**

- (a) That Conference note the extreme urgency of the need for the appointment of a married teacher at Goldie College, and of the need for filling the second nursing appointment at the Helena Goldie Hospital.
- (b) That during the year the Board give renewed consideration to ways and means of alerting the whole Church, both ministers and people, to the urgent need for more mission workers and to the urgency of training indigenous leaders.
- (c) That Conference note the urgency of the need for a suitable Director of Young People's Department to serve the four Melanesian Methodist Districts, and approve the presentation of the challenge of such pioneer work to suitable young men within our Church.

10. **Constitution of the Department:** That law paragraph 504 be repealed and that the draft new paragraph, approved in principle by Conference 1960 and 1961, and now amended in consultation between the Law Revision Committee and the Overseas Missions Board, be received and adopted.

11. **Solomon Islands Synod Questions:** That the proposed new questions for the ministerial committee and the representative session of the Solomon Islands District Synod, as drafted (these are filed in the Conference Journal) by the Law Revision Committee, pursuant to Conference resolution no. 14 p.142, Minutes 1961, be received and adopted.

#### **12. General Secretaryship:**

- (a) That Conference receive the report that, since approaches to certain ministers deemed eminently suitable by the Board have failed to provide a suitable nomination, the Board is unable to nominate to Conference a minister for designation to succeed the Rev. S. G. Andrews on 1st February, 1964.
- (b) That Conference therefore defer such a designation for twelve months, on the understanding however that should a suitable name emerge during the year, the Board be permitted to bring such name to the Conference of 1963 for appointment in 1964.

#### **13. Scripture Translation:**

- (a) That Conference note with pleasure that a number of our overseas workers are engaged in translation work; that the Rev. A. H. Hall is occupied full time on the translation of the Old Testament in Roviana, and that the Rev. A. A. Bensley was able this year to undertake further New Testament translation into Bilua.



(b) That the appreciation of the Conference be conveyed to the British and Foreign Bible Society for their assistance to our missionary translators, and particularly for their grant of £600 annually for two years towards the support of the Rev. A. H. Hall.

14. That the representatives to C.O.M.I.C.A. be the General Secretary and Mr S. N. Roberts.

**15. District Overseas Missions Conveners:**

Northland Rev. A. W. Burrough.

Auckland Rev. G. R. Trebilco.

South Auckland Rev. O. A. Kitchingman.

Taranaki/Wanganui Revs. K. H. Russell and W. C. Jenkin.

Hawke's Bay/Manawatu Rev. W. K. Abbott.

Wellington Rev. I. M. Raynor.

Nelson Rev. E. F. Hanson.

North Canterbury Rev. T. Shepherd.

South Canterbury Rev. G. W. Cramond.

Otago/Southland Rev. R. E. Patchett.

16. That the Overseas Missions Board clarify the position regarding "Overseas Sisters."

17. That the Board for 1963 be as printed on page 6 herein.

## Methodist Women's Missionary Union of N.Z.

### **FORTY-EIGHTH INTERIM REPORT FOR SYNOD 1962.**

In reviewing the work of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union over the past months, the Dominion Executive find many reasons for thankfulness and praise. The interest and work of the Auxiliary members is truly wonderful and we are grateful for their loyalty. We give thanks and praise to God for His divine guidance in the many problems that have been before us in the changing pattern of the work.

As this report is needed a few months before the close of the M.W.M.U. year the figures given are from the 1960/1 report. At this stage it is not possible to say what will be the outcome of this year's work, but we can safely report that the Missionary interest is being well maintained. Auxiliaries number 224, with a membership of 6339 working through 19 District Councils. The income amounted to £17,578,11s 1d.

The District Executive meet monthly and have carried out their duties faithfully. The work of organising for Parcels for Overseas Sisters, used Clothing for sale by Deaconesses, letters to Gleaners, and itineraries for Sisters etc. continues. 2750 copies of our President's letter are distributed monthly and through the "Open Door" she continues to give information about the workers in New Zealand and Overseas. The President has visited several Districts thus stimulating the interest in Mission Work.

The M.W.M.U. have been privileged in that Mrs Richards has represented the Union at the recent Jubilee Celebrations in the Solomons and has visited the Mission Stations in the New Guinea Highlands.

Kurahuna Maori Girls Hostel is under the care of the Union and continues to cater for the needs of Maori girls. The number at present in residence is eighteen.

Successful deputation work has been carried out by the Sisters and Deaconesses. Many Districts have been visited and the needs of the work brought before the members. This personal touch is of great value.

It has been a busy year. One of the vital matters that has concerned us has been the proposed new Fellowship. There is definitely a desire among the women of our Churches for a fellowship linking all branches of our work. Many hours have been spent in company with the Dominion Executive of the Guild Fellowship and much thought, prayer and planning given to ways and means whereby our women can be drawn closer together in fellowship and Christian Service. A Constitution has been prepared and approved by the two Executives, this is now before the members for consideration and it is hoped will be passed at our coming Conference in October. This Conference will be something special in that it will be somewhat in the nature of a combined one. The Guild Fellowship Conference will be meeting with us and we have invited representation from each of the five Maori Circuits. In this way it is felt we will have a better understanding of each others problems and come to know through discussions together the best methods whereby we may serve the Church and our Lord united in one Christian Fellowship.

As we face the future and the changes that are inevitable may we go forward in God's strength prepared, willing and ready to do all in our power to spread the Gospel to all lands.

AMY RICHARDS, President.

MAY GERRY, Secretary.

#### **FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1961-2**

It is our privilege to present this, the forty-eighth Annual Report of the Union. At the close of our term of office, the Dominion Executive, in reviewing the work find much for which to give thanks to God. The interest and work of the Auxiliary Members is truly wonderful and we are grateful for their loyalty. We give praise to our Heavenly Father for His divine guidance in the many problems that have been before us in the changing pattern of the work.

**Tribute:** To those members of our Union who have been called "Home" we pay this, our tribute, and we tender our sincere sympathy to all who have suffered the loss of loved ones during this past year.

**Executive:** The Executive have met monthly to transact the the business and devotions have been led by the members. They have also travelled to Ashburton several times to meet the Dominion Executive of the Guild Fellowship for discussions in connection with the Draft Constitution. Many hours have been spent tackling the various problems. The manner in which these have been dealt with has been most heartening and the consciousness of the Lord's leading very real. We pray that Guidance and wisdom may be given to those who will be carrying on this work.

**Membership:** It is very hard at the present time to give a correct figure, one of the reasons being the combining of meetings in some areas, also one District reports that several Auxiliaries have not given any membership numbers. It is pleasing to note, however, that there has been an increase in the four main Centres. The District Schedules give the total membership as 6125, including 1325 Gleaners.

**Auxiliaries:** These remain the same as last year, 226.

**District Councils:** Nineteen District Councils with regular interesting meetings and inspirational conventions held in each District.

**President's Letter:** 2750 letters are distributed each month and many groups and individuals send appreciation of this.

**Deputation:** We have been fortunate in having three Overseas Sisters and one Home Sister to do deputation. Sister Joy Thompson visited Thames Valley, South Auckland, Bay of Plenty, and Wairarapa; Sister Pamela Beaumont visited Nelson, West Coast, North Canterbury, Otago, and Southland; Sister Edith James visited Northland, Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, North and South Canterbury; Sister Mary Sealey, Home Sister, did a short itinerary in North Canterbury, Otago and Southland.

**President's Visitation:** The President has visited several Districts and Auxiliaries during the year. We were privileged in that Mrs Richards has represented the Union at the recent Jubilee Celebrations in the Solomons and has visited the Mission Stations in the New Guinea Highlands. Since her return she has had a busy time visiting Districts giving first hand information of the Field.

**New Workers:** We are happy to report that two new workers have left New Zealand to serve overseas. Miss Patricia Jacobson, a homecraft teacher of Tauranga, was dedicated at Tauranga on the 10th December and left in January for Kihili. Sister Vivienne Parton, a teacher of Christchurch, whose dedication took place on the 28th January, is now serving in the Vella Lavella Circuit. Miss Janice Palmer, a nurse of Levin, has been accepted by the Mission Board and will be going out in November.

We express our thanks to all District Council Officers for their co-operation and to the Home and Overseas Mission Board officers for their kindly help and assistance throughout our term.

**Conclusion:** It is with mixed feelings that we close this report, knowing it is the end of our term of office. It has been a very busy three years with many problems to solve and decisions to make nevertheless they have been happy years of fellowship and service together, truly we have felt the guiding hand of our Master and we give Him all the praise and glory.

To the new Executive as they take up the work, we extend our loving greetings and pray that their term of office will prove a time of great joy and inspiration.

Be it according to Thy word:

This moment let it be!

The life we lose for Thee our Lord,

We find again in Thee.

A. E. RICHARDS, President.

E. M. GERRY, Secretary.

#### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference express appreciation to the outgoing President of the M.W.M.U. and members of the Executive.

**QUESTION L.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?**

## Home Mission Department

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

**The Board:** This year has seen several changes in the membership of the Home Mission Board. After many years of helpful association with the Department the Revs E. B. Chambers and R. H. Allen removed to other Districts. New members are the Revs R. D. Rakena, E. C. Leadley (as Chairman of the District), D. H. Burt, Sister Grace Clement, Mr Peta Tawhai, and the Rev E. R. Le Couteur (associated as Convener of the Literature and Colporteur Society).

**Obituary:** The Board noted with sincere sympathy the bereavement suffered by the Lay Treasurer, Mr B. O. Stokes, in the loss of his wife.

We greatly regret having to report the death of Mr Frank Penn who joined the Home Mission Board in 1932. He was Lay Treasurer from 1933-1956 when he sought relief from the official position. He continued on the Board and on its Investment Funds Board until his death in 1962. He was made a Life Member of the Board in 1961.

**Staff:** Members of the Staff who ceased to be appointed in 1962 were Messrs F. E. Trim (retired), Selwyn Neal (resigned), and Messrs G. A. Lee and S. Hargreaves. The Board records sincere appreciation of the loyal services of these Brethren.

**New Members:** New Home Mission Probationers on the staff this year are Messrs W. F. Browne, O. P. Davies, R. W. Ferguson, C. G. Jamieson, D. Prince, E. T. Simpkin, and J. W. White. Several of these are married men who are trying themselves out in the work before considering candidature for the ministry. Mr Simpkin is a senior layman who is offering several years of full time service to the church. All these appointments are under the new clauses of employment of Home Missionaries approved by the Conference of 1960.

**Rev and Mrs T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund:** We are grateful to Mrs G. Treadgold for further gifts to the above Fund making with interest a present capital sum of £797.

**General Superintendent:** At the end of the Connexional year 1963 the Rev G. I. Laurenson will conclude his present term of six years as General Superintendent and will return to circuit work. At the forthcoming Synods and Conference it is necessary to designate a successor to be appointed by Conference of 1963.

**Designation of New General Superintendent:** The Board has given a great deal of careful thought to this question. It called for a difficult decision. After considering several possibilities the Board has returned to the name of the Rev B. M. Chrystall, B.A.

It is recognised that in nominating him for designation, the Board is asking a great deal of Mr Chrystall and especially of Mrs Chrystall. Mr Chrystall served the church in Chaplaincy Duties overseas during the war and on his return gave thirteen consecutive years of distinguished service as Assistant Superintendent of the Department. After fullest consideration of all the factors and with a deep sense of responsibility the Board has come to the conclusion that Mr Chrystall is needed in this appointment. It will not be a commencement of a new work but resumption of a work with which he is fully conversant and for which he is eminently equipped. A recommendation on this matter is appended.

**Assistant Superintendent:** We have welcomed very gladly the appointment of the Rev. R. D. Rakena as Assistant Superintendent of the Department. This has been for him a full and busy year as he has combined a great deal of field work with the task of becoming acquainted with the many aspects of the work covered by his appointment.

**The Connexional Budget:** We have now covered one full year under the Connexional Budget. We are grateful that the Connexion in the first Budget period was able to cover the full figure allocated to the Department. During the year a number of special cases of need have been brought to the attention of the Board and in every case where these have been submitted through the Chairmen of the Districts they have received sympathetic attention. The amount down for Contingencies has been called upon in a number of special grants and in addition many special Legacy Disbursement Fund Grants have been made, as outlined in our Annual accounts. We would point out that in the second Budget Period, we have no provision for contingencies, so that the only prospect of special grants being made from the General Fund will be if provisional Circuit grants provided for in the Estimates are not used for the specific purposes named.

**Church Extension Appeal:** In consultation with District Chairmen and Synod Standing Committees concerned, a schedule of priorities for grants from the special carry over period of the first Budget, and for the Church Extension Section of the Second Connexional Budget has been drawn up and referred to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee. We must reiterate that the purpose of these grants is for the assistance of new Church and Sunday School Buildings in new areas, and new Parsonages for extra appointments to serve new areas, and they are not for well-established old causes facing the problems of new growth and the need for new or larger buildings. Such causes are eligible for loan assistance in the ordinary way, and they benefit from a share in the greater capital provided by the Church Extension Appeal in the Church Building and Loan Fund. Any departure from this essential principle can only be considered if Conference declares some cause to be a special case in which the circumstances warrant some special assistance from the whole Connexion.

**Special Loans Account:** This aspect of our work continues to be a great service to the church. We have a large waiting list of promised loans, and this has been delayed somewhat in the past year as we have had several requests for repayment of some of the monies on Deposit with us at call. Such repayments naturally have priority on our available capital or loan funds. There have been several instances this year where local trusts have been able to benefit from our loan account by obtaining special loans on deposit with us at call, from folk within their own areas. We give the usual security for such loans. One third is invested by us in negotiable securities as emergency in case of requests for repayment and two thirds are advanced on our usual terms to the Trusts concerned. In this way several property deals have been made possible to the advantage of the local church.

We would remind Trustees who receive deposits on loan at call in local situations that they are jointly and severally liable for repayment if they give only a local Trust acknowledgment by way of security. Owing to pressure on available funds, the connexion could not step in at short notice to assist in the event of sudden substantial requests for repayment of such loans.

## Matters Referred by Conference

### (1) **Published Annual Report**, Mins. 1961, P. 148, Res. 8.

The Board decided not to publish the usual printed illustrated report this year. We have decided instead to produce from time to time, possibly for sale, a series of brochures or historical surveys, and outlines of aspects of our Departments' programme.

### (2) **Patea**, Mins. 1961, P. 148, Res. 11.

The General Superintendent met the Hawera Circuit officials and minister at Patea and after a full discussion a series of recommendations on joint working with the Presbyterian Church at Patea was adopted for reference to the Synod Standing Committee. The Board resolved that on condition that the terms of the agreement were adopted by the local Presbytery and confirmed in writing, they be approved.

### (3) **Whangaroa-Bay of Islands Circuit**, Mins. 1961, P. 149, Res. 17.

The members of the commission appointed by Conference met and after receiving full submissions from interested members, made certain recommendations to the Synod Standing Committee and the Circuit concerned, re a temporary working arrangement for two circuits, and the matter to be later reviewed and recommendations brought to Conference through the usual channels.

### (4) **Otago Methodism**, Mins. 1961, P. 149, Res. 16.

This commission as appointed by Conference duly met in the District and a full report was presented over the signature of the President of the Conference to the Secretary of the Conference. More detailed recommendations were given verbally and in writing to the District Synod Standing Committee so that any moves felt to be necessary could be brought before Conference through Circuit Quarterly Meetings and the Synod Standing Committee and District Synod. The report of the Commission will appear in its own right elsewhere in the agenda.

### (5) **Consultation on the Church in Industry**, Mins. 1961, P. 97, Res. 8 a and b.

At the time of the preparation of this report plans are maturing for the holding of this consultation in Christchurch from July 31 to August 2, 1962.

It is anticipated that reports of this consultation will be given by participants to the Synod Standing Committees in their Districts and fuller information should be available to Conference.

**Mission Offices:** The Department is a partner in the Methodist Office (Auckland) Trust Board, which provides the offices for the two Mission Departments. At the time of preparation of the report negotiations are taking place with the Central Mission Trustees, and also alternative possibilities are being examined. It will be inevitable that moving out of our older offices into a new suite, wherever it is, will increase our overhead expenses and will be reflected in our Budget.

**Literature and Colporteur Society:** The Society is grateful to the Manageresses and staff for our two Epworth Bookrooms and the New Plymouth agency for another good year of trading and service. The Society has approved the appointment of a new Manager Mr W. A. Reilly to our Epworth Bookroom, Hamilton. In view of the pending withdrawal of Miss Hicks from our Auckland Epworth Bookroom the Society has designated Mr L. Walsh for appointment as Auckland Manager and senior manager of the Society's Bookrooms. We tender our sincere gratitude to Miss Hicks and Mrs McGregor for their very faithful service.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman of the Board.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent,

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Financial Statements and Estimates Report be received and adopted.

2. In view of the need of strong leadership during the next few critical years when the structure of the Church is under review, Conference designates the Rev. B. M. Chrystall, B.A., for appointment by Conference, 1963, as General Superintendent for an initial term of three years.

3. Payment of H.M. Grants: That paragraph 505 Section 19 on p.115 of the Law Book be altered to read "All grants shall be paid by the General Treasurer direct to the Circuits except in those cases where the Synod Standing Committee, in consultation with the circuits concerned, requests that the grant for particular circuits be paid through the District Accounts."

4. That Conference express its appreciation to all those who have assisted the work of the Department during the year.

5. That the Home Mission Board for 1963 be as printed on page 6 herein.

6. That the District Home Missions Conveners be:

NORTHLAND: Rev. F. J. Climo.

AUCKLAND: Rev. H. W. Kitchingman.

SOUTH AUCKLAND: Rev. G. T. Gilbert.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. A. H. V. Newton.

WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT: Rev. W. C. Jenkin.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. W. K. Abbott.

WELLINGTON: Rev. W. J. Cable.

NELSON: Rev. A. A. Grundy.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Rev. H. C. Matthews.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. T. L. Bennett.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev. R. S. Andrews.

7. That the Upper Hutt Circuit and Broad Bay, Dunedin, be placed on the list of places to receive special assistance from the Connexional Extension Appeal.

**QUESTION LI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Maori Work?**

## Maori Mission

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

In presenting our report on the Maori work we wish to record our thanks to Almighty God for the measure of encouragement and the advances in understanding revealed in the Maori Field to-day.

During the year several staff changes and appointments have taken place and the workers facing new responsibilities are settling well into their tasks.

**Assistant Superintendent:** The Rev R. D. Rakena as Assistant Superintendent of the Department (the first Maori to be placed in a full equality in the Executive side of the church life) has been well received and Mr Rakena has the assurance of the prayerful support of the whole church, Pakeha and Maori.

**Senior Maori Superintendent:** The Rev E. Te Tuhi, O.B.E., relinquished his appointment this year after many years of wonderful service as Senior Maori Superintendent. We are glad that he

has now fully recovered after a serious operation during the year. His place has been taken by the Rev R. Rogers who is also this year chairman of the Maori Section of the N.C.C. We pray that Mr Rogers will be led and used effectively by God in this important position as the Senior man among the Maori Circuit Superintendents.

With the appointment of Mr Rakena to the Department office, this left a vacancy in the field staff. The Rev Te Awha W. Tahere moved from New Plymouth to Waima. The Rev Te Akonga Pihama, a full-time Maori Home Missionary was moved from Ngaruawahia to New Plymouth and Mr Te Orahi Tonga was appointed a full-time Home Missionary to reside at Ngaruawahia. All these appointments have been taken up with zeal and devotion and the men concerned are settling well into their new spheres of service.

**Deaconess Staff (Honour to Sister Nicholls, M.B.E.):** We all rejoice in the well-earned honour given to Sister Nicholls by Her Majesty the Queen in the last New Year Honours.

Both Sister Nicholls and Sister Airini Hobbs have this year gone on to a part-time basis with the Department and will be continuing a fairly full programme in the Waikato Circuit.

Miss Barbara Miller was released for this year to take a special year at Deaconess House in study. Her place at Dargaville has been taken for this year by Sister Norma Yarr, who has been followed at Te Kuiti by Sister Ruth Hilder. Two new members of the staff are Sisters Edna Jenkin and Graewyn Hammond who have both made a very good start at Hamilton.

**Queen's Birthday Hui:** The Hui this year was held at Otiria in the Bay of Islands. Adverse weather conditions and distance for travel, prevented many from attending but in spite of this the numbers were encouraging.

There is no doubt that this gathering of our Maori membership is proving a real means of providing a deeper fellowship and sense of belonging, and is also leading to an increased knowledge of the nature and Mission of the church.

The Hui programme included talks and some discussion on: The church and the Maori Education Foundation, the Task of the local congregation; the Doctrine of the Holy Spirit; Church Union; Interpreting the Maori to the Pakeha and New Ways for New Days.

One highlight of the Hui was the opening and Dedication of the new "Te Atawhai" Maori Centre, located in Kawakawa. We record our deep appreciation of the generous gifts of the M.W.M.U. which enabled this Centre to be erected.

**Grants for Hostels:** We report with gratitude receipt of the following special grants for our Hostels:

J. R. McKenzie Trust—£150 for Te Rahui (W) Hamilton; £100 for Te Rahui (T) Hamilton; £100 for Seamer House (Remuera). Auckland Savings Bank—£100 for Seamer House.

Waikato Savings Bank—£50 for the Hamilton Hostels.

**The Maori Education Foundation:** It is recognised that such factors as differences of Educational attainment, bi-lingualism, relatively poor economic status of parents, parental apathy toward and ignorance of educational standards and requirements, are difficulties mitigating against the educational progress and development of the average Maori child today.

As the Maori Education Foundation is designed to help Maoris overcome these difficulties, we recommend it to all our Methodist people for their practical support.



The Home Mission Board last year made a grant of £100 toward this cause, in the name of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

**Maori Section N.C.C.:** This year our Church was host to the Annual Meeting of the Maori Section N.C.C. The gathering was held at Taiporhenui Pa, Hawera, and we are most grateful to the local people for their splendid organisation.

**Maori Staff Conference:** A very useful Maori Staff Conference was held at Taiporhenui Pa immediately following the annual meeting of the Maori Section, and this provided an excellent opportunity to survey the work and to prepare the ground for the Maori Policy Committee.

**School for Christian Workers:** There are four prospective Maori candidates for the Ministry attending the School this year and it is especially encouraging that three of these are tribally affiliated with Waikato and the King Country. Their progress shall be followed with great interest.

**Maori Policy Committee:** This committee as approved by last Conference in the structure of our Mission, held its first meeting this year at Camp Wesley, Henderson, and proved a great success. With two representatives from each Maori Circuit in addition to the Circuit Superintendents and a group of appointed members from the Board, this Committee

- (1) from the standpoint of the Maori Circuit provides the channel through which Maori viewpoint can be brought before the higher courts of the church, and
- (2) from the standpoint of the Board is the committee of the Board to which all questions dealing with the Maori work can be referred for consideration and report.

The following matters were dealt with and decision reached as under:—

(a) **Definition of "member" and "adherent" for purposes of records and statistics:** A member is defined as being either one who has been baptised by an authorised representative of the Methodist Church and has maintained an active association with the Church or one who has been received by confirmation. An adherent is defined as one who nominally belongs to another denomination or no denomination but who for a variety of reasons supports the congregational life of the Methodist Church. Others who regard themselves as Methodists but make no active response also come within this category.

(b) **Membership Roll, Maori or Pakeha:** Discussion took place as to which roll a Maori person should be entered on when in touch with both sides of the church. The problem particularly arises after confirmation or church membership reception. It was resolved as a matter of policy that Maori members be recorded in the Maori Circuit roll and that their first responsibility be to the Maori Mission. Such names when also associated with the Pakeha side of the church should also be kept on the Pastoral roll of the Pakeha Minister.

There will be justifiable exceptions to this e.g. in the case of a person altogether out of touch with Maori life, or one who personally desires to be in full membership with a Pakeha congregation or one living permanently outside the normal reach of the Maori Mission.

Maori leadership in our work is becoming increasingly necessary. It is therefore recommended that potential and actual Maori leadership be retained and utilised within the Maori Circuits

themselves as additional to and supplementing the work of the Minister and Deaconess.

It is urged that when local and individual variations may arise no final action be taken without full consultation between the Ministers and Maori people concerned.

(c) **Organisation and Structure:** The organisation and structure envisaged, is finding wider acceptance and application among the various Maori Districts.

The functions and responsibilities of the local congregation, the Regional meeting and the Circuit Meetings were outlined and adopted. This structure follows fairly closely the type of organisation being adopted by British Methodism for the smaller rural societies in wider circuits.

(d) **South Island Maori Work:** The committee has resolved that provided sufficient Maori Students complete their Theological training, we would hope to make a full time Maori appointment to a South Island Circuit within about three years. It is understood that such an appointment would be associated with and based on a South Island Circuit as a member of that Circuit's staff with some financial assistance from the Home Mission Fund for costs involved.

It was also resolved that within the present structure and organisation of the Maori Mission work, the South Island be looked on as an extension of the Taranaki-Waimarino Circuit.

It was also decided that the South Island should be entitled to one Maori Representative on the Board's Maori Policy Committee.

In the meantime, visits of Maori Mission staff from the North Island will be continued under the guidance of the Rev R. D. Rakena.

A small committee is also investigating the possibility of holding a Methodist Mission Hui in the South Island at a suitable time in 1963.

(e) **The Ministry:**

(1) Status and functions of the Senior Maori Superintendent:  
The following was approved:—

The appointment is made by Conference on the nomination of the Home Mission Board.

**Functions:**

1. He shall represent the Maori Circuits at public gatherings and important Maori functions where he is requested or considered desirable.

2. He shall have ex officio representation on the Home Mission Board and Home Mission Committee of Conference.

3. He shall Chair: Maori Church meetings of a national character; Any special Maori Church meeting of a national character; The Maori Policy Committee meeting.

4. He shall present the reports of such meetings to the Home Mission Board.

5. He may, if invited by the Circuit Superintendent, Chair Maori Circuit or Quarterly meetings of a special and general nature.

6. As far as possible he shall undertake regular visits of an inspirational and advisory nature to all Maori Circuits.

7. He shall act as advisor to the General Superintendent concerning matters relating specifically to the Maori Circuits.

8. He shall co-operate with District Chairmen in the preparation of Maori candidates for the Ministry and Deaconess order.

9. He shall consult with District Chairmen in arranging induction services for Maori Ministers and Deaconesses.

(2) Maori Candidates and Students. Details were clarified as to candidature of Maori candidates for the ministry or Deaconess order bringing the procedure into full harmony with the normal procedure of our Laws and Regulations.

(3) Course of Study and examination for Maori Workers. This has been outlined and forwarded to the Examination committee.

(f) **Finance:** The committee resolved to lift its target for the second Budget Period to £1250.

It has referred to Maori Circuit Meetings a recommendation that Maori giving be brought within the structure of the Connexional Budget.

Arrangements have been outlined for the handling of certain Maori Mission Expenditure by properly appointed Maori Circuit Finance Committees.

It is anticipated that in this way the Maori leaders will gain a fuller understanding of the pattern of church finance and their responsibilities within that pattern.

#### (g) **Institutions**

(1) **Hostels.** The current policy was reaffirmed. In this it is recognised that when there are vacancies in any Maori Hostel, the Hostel committees may consider applications from youth of other races, on the understanding that if the Hostel became full, and deserving Maori applicants sought entry, the non-Maori should be asked to relinquish the place in the Hostel.

(2) **Maori Centres.** The current policy was reaffirmed. That the Maori Centres continue to serve Maori families residing in and around a town or city as a place where they might gather for a variety of reasons, for instance as a rest-room for mothers with children who are in town shopping. They shall exist also as a base for various activities of the resident Deaconess and any Maori Mission activity in that area. It is recommended that a small local Maori committee be appointed to give general oversight to the respective Centres.

We commend our work to the prayerful support of the whole church.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman of the Board.

R. ROGERS, Senior Maori Superintendent.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. In view of the urgency of the seasonal worker problem in the Motueka District, the Rev. R. Rakena investigate the position in consultation with Circuit Officials and the Maori Welfare Officer at Motueka.

**QUESTION LII.—**What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Central Missions?

## **N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association**

**ANNUAL REPORTS, 1962.**

### **I—M.S.S.A.**

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held at Wallis House, Wellington, on May 7th and 8th. The President of the Conference, Rev. C. E. Leadley, presided.

**The Hon. Minister of Health**, Mr D. N. McKay, addressed the gathering on Tuesday, 8th May. He paid tribute to the work of the Church, spoke on relevant matters, answered numerous questions and subsequently forwarded a letter with further answers to enquiries. The meeting concluded to the mutual advantage of all concerned.

**Publicity.** Resolved to continue the half page advertisement in the Law Journal; to continue to forward articles to the Methodist Times and to build up a library of coloured slides to be available to Circuits.

**Constitution of Central Missions.** The Constitution of Central Missions was still being considered by each of the Boards concerned.

**Commission on Children's Homes.** A communication was received from Rev. Ford, Convener of the Commission. It was resolved that we recommend that the Commission on Children's Homes with the addition of a representative of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. continue for the time being as a Committee of the M.S.S.A. on the care of dependent children. Convener—Rev. Ford.

**Family Camps and Holiday Centres.** It was resolved to keep on endeavouring to formulate an over-all policy for the Dominion at holiday periods. Request the Department of Christian Education to gather information and publish same in the Methodist Times.

**Staff Insurance.** Rev H. L. Fiebig reported on the merits of an Insurance Endowment and National Provident Fund. He stated that as far as the National Provident Fund was concerned, individual workers could come into the Scheme as individuals or a number could operate as a group. Contributions could be increased or decreased at will. Resolved that the Connexional Secretary ascertain the details of the Scheme operating in the Home Mission Office and report on the merits of each.

**Palmerston North Hostel.** The Association commends the establishment of a student hostel in Palmerston North by our own Association or in conjunction with other Churches.

### **THE METHODIST GUILD OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE:**

The Convener circulated a suggested constitution for the Methodist Guild of Service. He and Dr. D. O. Williams had been requested to bring forward suggestions for a constitution by the Faith and Order Committee. The suggestions outlined were fully discussed and the following outline recommended to be put forward to the appropriate Committee.

**Aim:** For the extension of the Kingdom of God through dedicated continuous lay service within the various institutions of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

**Membership:** Generally they should be members in good standing with the Methodist Church of New Zealand. They should be recommended by the Quarterly meeting and should have had some

service within institutions of the Methodist Church or their equivalent. There shall be provision for associate members and full membership.

**Associate Membership:** Trained persons or non-Methodists who desire to retain a relationship with the Guild shall be eligible for associate membership.

**Full Membership:** Shall be open to those:—

1. Who have already proved themselves in existing Methodist Institutions or their equivalent.

2. Associate members who have completed a satisfactory period of 2 years.

**Training:** There shall be a period of probation for associate members and full membership after an agreed period of service.

**The Guild of Service Should be Vested in the Conference:** The controlling body should maintain a classified roll of workers who are full time or on a part time basis. This roll shall be kept and shall be reviewed periodically.

**Conditions of Service:** There should be a service of recognition containing vows of loyalty and some form of emblem.

Facilities should be provided for arranging transfers and exchanges within the life of the Church.

Wages and emoluments shall be the concern of the individual institution.

There should be a subsidised contributory provision for retirement.

Continuity of employment and gratuitous service will depend on suitability and continuing dedication.

Wherever possible, arrangements should be made for accommodation in life's eventide for those who have given long years of service to the Church.

**Connexional Budget.** The Orphanage allocation had been fixed by the Stewardship Committee. Resolved that the Central Mission allocation be: Auckland 29 per cent, Wellington 26.5 per cent, Christchurch 26.5 per cent, Dunedin 18 per cent.

**Hostel for Working Boys in Auckland.** The Convener reported that the majority of the proceeds from the sale of the Te Atatu property, £7500, had been placed on call with the Home Mission Department, and that as soon as possible, such a Hostel be established.

**Court Work.** Sister Ivy Jones and Rev. S. J. Spindler represented us in Auckland; Rev. B. Riseley in Wellington; and our representatives in other Centres.

**Lay-Treasurer and Representation to M.S.S.A.**

1. Recommended to Conference that the Lay Treasurer be appointed as an official representative to M.S.S.A.

2. One representative from each social service area and in such areas representatives to be appointed if possible in rotation by the Synod Standing Committee in each area.

(See Minutes Conference 1959, No. 3, Page 242).

**Hard Core Refugees.** The National Council of Churches have been advised that the Methodist Church is prepared to maintain its share in accepting Hard Core Refugees. It would appear that the authorities are in favour of an individual home on account of language and other difficulties.

**Gifts Deductible for Income Tax Purposes.** It was resolved to request the Government to make all gifts up to a certain figure deductible for income tax purposes. Since that date the first concession of up to £25 has been made in the recent Budget.

**Rating of Church Premises.** The question of rating on certain Church properties where portion was used for Church work and the rest for Deaconess or Minister, was discussed. Resolved to raise this matter with the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs. Their reply stated that the Council is promoting this matter.

**Representatives of City Missions, Children's Homes, and Maori Missions reported on their work.**

**Children's Homes:**

**In Auckland** the new policy on Child Care had been introduced with retention of children with their natural parents and the use of foster homes. It was felt that a base unit was still needed. A deficit of £368 for the year.

**In Masterton** the Home was full and the matter of foster homes and Child Care in general was receiving special attention.

**In Christchurch,** the new policy on Child Care has been introduced with the retention of children with their natural parents and the use of foster homes. It is felt that a base unit is still needed.

The matter of foster homes commended itself but there did not appear a pressing need at present in the Christchurch area for any change in Orphanage policy. There was an excellent staff.

**Maori Work:**

A small centre in Kawakawa was to be opened in June. All Maori Hostels were full.

**Central Missions:**

**In Auckland** the Central Mission contract had been signed and foundations were well on the way. The New Wesley Geriatric Hospital had now received final approval of the subsidy of £90,000. The scheme is estimated to cost £122,000; £10,000 was in hand, and the balance of £22,000 was needed.

**The South Auckland project** (Tamahere) was receiving further consideration from the Department of Health. Negotiations were proceeding and the South Auckland Sub-committee continuing to raise finance.

**In Wellington** the Wesleyhaven Contract was well in hand, but progress was slow. The girls' hostel was now an economic unit. There was a growing appreciation of the work on a District level. Developments were being watched at Foxton, Masterton and New Plymouth.

**In Christchurch** the Rev. Falkingham had profited by his visit to Australia. A new accommodation bureau had been established. Consideration was being given to the provision of flatettes.

**In Dunedin** as a link between the Church and adolescents there was a special 'Teenage' Programme. £3000 had been spent on alterations at Company Bay, £1000 spent on improvements at Kawerau Falls Holiday Camp. There was a shortage of staff at the Homes. The fund for the Central Scheme stood at £63,000.

We commend the Social Service work to the Church and to the public as we seek to maintain and extend the Kingdom of God in our Ministry of Caring.

C. E. LEADLEY, President.

A. EVERIL ORR, Convener and Official Representative  
N.Z.M.S.S.A.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. (a) That the lay Treasurer be appointed as an official representative to the N.Z.M.S.S.A.  
(b) That there be one representative from each Social Service area, and in such areas, representatives be appointed, if possible, in rotation, by the Synod Standing Committees in each area.
3. That the M.S.S.A. be requested to prepare a report on Methodist Chaplaincy work in Public Hospitals, with a view to ensuring a more adequate provision of Chaplains.

## II—Central Missions

### A. AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION.

Sunday Services, Youth Work, Fireside Groups, Guild Meetings, Senior Citizens' Fellowships, Visitation, Evangelistic Missions, Prison and Hospital Work and many other activities have been well maintained.

#### **New Building Scheme.**

A negotiated contract with the Fletcher Construction Company, Limited, was signed on February 2nd, 1962, in the presence of the President of the Conference, the Contractors, Architects and Trustees. The contract price is £678,604 for the Church, Mission Facilities, and Office Block. Existing buildings have been demolished, the underpinning of the adjacent buildings has now been completed and the final excavation work has commenced. Foundation work on the northern boundary on the Civic Square is almost completed.

Wet weather has hindered progress but the Contractors assure us that they can overtake the lag and complete the project within the 22 months allowed.

Demolition of the Hall and Goodwill Store will commence on August 20th, thus making way for the New Mission Church and Centre. Arrangements have been made for the carrying on of the various Mission activities. On the old parsonage site in Wakefield Street, a car park has been established.

The basement, first floor and mezzanine floor of the new Office Block is programmed to be completed, both inside and out, by March, 1963, when the tenants of our existing buildings will move into the new area.

In April, 1963, Probert Chambers will be demolished and the Mission Centre and Church will be completed, along with the remaining storeys of the Office Block. All space in the building has been let. The project has been financed through a firm of Underwriters who have arranged a first mortgage on the Office Block only, supported by a debenture issue of £450,000 which will later be placed on the open market. Debentures in denominations of £50 each will be available for the public through stock-brokers, for 5 year, 10 and 15 year periods at current interest rates. It is confidently hoped that our Methodist people throughout New Zealand will subscribe to this issue, thus securing for themselves an investment at current rates of interest while assisting in the financing of this project. The whole issue will be administered under a Trust Deed by the Trust Department of the New Zealand Insurance Co. Ltd. The issue of debentures has been so arranged that upon the death of the holder at any time his estate can convert the debentures into cash.

The Trustees have had a great deal of frustration in obtaining vacant possession of the site to enable building to commence, but it has been overcome and this great project is becoming a reality. We are fortunate in having an efficient Secretary, a wise Treasurer, and a consecrated Board of Trustees.

### **Homes and Hospitals**

There are 122 elderly people in our care and there is a long waiting list of men, women and elderly couples.

(a) **Astley House**—56 ladies in the house are lovingly cared for by the Matron, Mrs I. W. Palmer, and a devoted staff. The average age of the ladies is 85 years. This is a splendid home for elderly women in life's eventide. The ladies are grateful for their home and make strenuous efforts for all kinds of good causes, including £100 for the recent Corso appeal and £187/7/- for last year's Fair.

(b) **Tyler House, Thomas Ashby Memorial Hospital, Leigh Haven Cottages**—These three units are for 56 men and women. The new, well-equipped hospital has literally been a 'Godsend' to many physically dependant people and provides overall care for our men patients. Sister Margaret Frampton as Matron, continues her gracious ministry.

(c) **Wesley Convalescent Hospital**.—In early June we received final approval of a subsidy of £90,000 for the New Geriatric Hospital at Mt. Eden. The total estimated cost is £122,000. We have in hand £10,000. A further £22,000 will be needed in order to erect the hospital free of debt. The present building will be converted into a Nurses' Home and a completely new one-storey hospital will be established. The new plan necessitated the purchasing of land adjoining the site, but this meant the saving of many thousands of pounds in excavations and planning. It is the Trustees' intention to call tenders and push ahead with building as soon as the Architects have final working drawings completed.

We are grateful to the Auckland Savings Bank, the Sargood Trust, other donors and Sister Arline Preece and the staff for their devoted service to the physically dependant.

(d) **South Auckland Project**—Comments on the line drawings of the scheme have been received from the Health Department and Mr J. A. Davys has been responsible for the fund of £6231. Both Mr Davys and Mr C. Burgess are giving their services gratuitously. When final details over planning have been agreed to, Cabinet has to approve of a subsidy. In order to speed up the project all who are able are now urged to make their contributions or intimate their intention of a gift.

### **Flatettes**

Though it is not possible in the immediate future to proceed with such a scheme, we are exploring the possibility of providing minimum space flatettes in permanent material, which will carry a 50 per cent subsidy. Apart from hospitalisation, the greatest need among elderly people is provision of single accommodation—groups of flatettes, where folk can be together in a small community and help one another. The Mission is always ready to discuss this matter with any who are interested.

### **Campbell's Bay Health Camp and Waiheke Holiday House**

The roads and paths in the property of the Camp have been resealed. It is proposed to convert further portions of the building into four flatettes. Old equipment is being replaced with modern materials. The town water supply assures campers of a regular supply and cuts down fire hazards. No definite date has been fixed for the installation of the sewerage system. The Camp is constantly used and is an increasing plant for the upbuilding of



the citizenship. Hundreds of children are benefiting and folk of all ages go into residence.

Mrs J. R. Hamilton continues to care for two hard core refugees.

The Trustees have retained 10 acres along the foreshore at Pegler's Bay, Waiheke. A number of families enjoy their holiday in the two cottages.

#### **Hostel—Winstone Lodge**

In the Hostel 30 students and business girls of various denominations are provided with a 'Home away from Home.' The residents are qualifying in their profession, which helps to equip them for life. Girls are expected to attend worship in their own Church.

Mrs R. M. Butterworth has returned as Matron and administers remarkably well. We wish Miss J. Farnsworth every blessing as she leaves to be married.

Applications as residents ought to be made as early in the year as possible.

#### **Court and Prison Work**

Sister Ivy Jones, J.P., our Welfare Officer at the Magistrate's Court, is now supported by Rev. S. J. Spindler. We have a complete coverage of the children who come under our care. Mr Spindler is concentrating on his work of helping the boys and young men. He also takes services and visits regularly at Mt. Eden Prison.

#### **Counselling Centre**

Dr D. O. Williams continues counselling work in his study. The Home of the Counselling Centre is being provided in the New Building and detailed planning is now proceeding. A Committee of experts will later be set up to control this important work.

#### **Staff and General**

The Mission Board of Management is grateful for the consecrated services of the Rev. S. J. Spindler, its Board of Trustees, officers, youth workers, consecrated staff in its homes, hospital and the Office, Mrs I. Crawley (Social Worker), Auditors, Solicitors, Economic Advisers, Choir Master, Organists, Women's Committees and all other helpers.

#### **Legacies**

Legacies received during the year were: Mrs E. McN. Wallace £4250, Mr H. T. Johnson £1000, Mrs E. Brain £408 11s 7d, Miss Clarice Stretton £221/3/5, Mrs E. E. Prince £155/0/3, Miss J. E. Robinson £150, Miss Emma Johnson £100, Mr B. J. Walker £21/7/-, Mr Les Mohring £10/10/-.

#### **Immediate Programme Costing Over £1,000,000**

The Mission project opposite the Town Hall, the Wesley Hospital in Mt. Eden, and the proposed Elderly People's Settlement in Hamilton involve us in an expenditure of over £1,000,000. The management of the various institutions, constant care of a congregation, of immigrants, prison and hospital visitations as well as hundreds of interviews all mean that the Mission staff and voluntary workers are fully employed.

We record our grateful thanks to Almighty God and to all who have so generously contributed.

A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.  
F. M. SOUSTER, Circuit Steward.  
G. TOOTILL, Circuit Steward.  
R. T. GARLICK, Hon. Secretary.  
E. A. ASTLEY, Hon. Treasurer.

## **B. CENTRAL CHURCH AND MISSION—DUNEDIN**

The following is the 72nd report of Methodist Central Mission activities in Dunedin and the 9th Annual Report of the Central Methodist Church and Mission.

### **1. Circuit Life**

During the past year the work and witness of the Church has been well maintained.

(a) **St. Philip's Church, Waverley.** In October, 1961, the Vice-President of the Conference, Mr H. De R. Flesher, opened St. Philip's Church, Waverley, which had been financed largely by the Central Methodist Church and Mission Trust, and weekly services are now being held there. This Church was completed with voluntary labour by men from Central and Waverley.

(b) **Centenary of Trinity Church.** In July, 1962, the Centenary of Trinity Church—the mother Church of Otago Methodism, was observed and an Appeal for £4500 was launched towards the exterior and interior renovations of Trinity. This appeal had reached £2850 by the end of the Centenary week-end. It is hoped to have the renovations completed by June, 1964. The Quarterly Meeting has decided that some time in the future all services will be held in Trinity, while the Social Service witness and week night youth activities will be concentrated in the proposed new building in the Octagon.

(c) **Recommendations of the Commission on Methodism in Otago.** Our Quarterly Meeting accepted the recommendations of the Commission regarding (i) Waverley Church being transferred to the St. Kilda Circuit; (ii) The Wakouaiti, Palmerston and Waitati pastorates of the Dunedin West Circuit and Hospital Chaplaincy work in this area coming within the Central Methodist Church and Mission Circuit providing satisfactory financial arrangements can be made.

### **Social Service Department**

**A. Staff.** The Rev. E. Heppelthwaite continues to serve most acceptably within the Circuit as the Associate Minister, while Mr Skene as Administrative Officer has a thorough grasp of the Social Service side of our activities.

### **B. Sunday Afternoon Teenage Club**

Our work among the teenagers has been consolidated and extended this year under the direction of Mr Heppelthwaite. There is a club roll of about 300 and an average attendance of 200. It has been possible to extend activities through the renovation of a number of rooms and the establishment of a coffee bar above the Octagon Theatre. This was carried out by the voluntary work of a number of men of the Church over a period of many months.

### **C. Dunedin Institutions**

**1. Eventide Home and Hospital:** Over the past year extensive alterations have been carried out in the Hospital improving the bathrooms and lounge facilities and meeting new requirements of the Fire Department. The improved facilities have greatly assisted the Nursing Staff. There are at present 59 ladies in the Home and Hospital.

**2. Eventide Farm:** Capital expenditure has again been heavy this year, particularly as a result of the erection of new pig-sties. Our return from the stock has been good, however, and we trust that with less capital development in the coming year to be able to show a good financial return.

3. **Wesley Manor:** Over the past two years our numbers have risen from seven to a full complement of seventeen. The Home has been painted outside, part of the interior has been redecorated and here, too, necessary alterations have been carried out to meet Fire Department regulations.

4. **Wesley Hall:** We are negotiating with the University authorities for the sale of Annesley Flats and the proceeds will be devoted towards extensions to Wesley Hall.

#### D. **Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery**

The Nursery is continuing to provide a much needed service in the city but will benefit from better premises when it is incorporated within the new building.

#### E. **Kawerau Falls Holiday Camp**

Methodists from all over New Zealand have made good use this property in the past year. A further ablution block and kitchen block have been provided at the homestead.

#### **Legacies**

The following Legacies have been received this year:—

Estate R. Cridland £83/13/5, Estate Caroline Willcocks £2785.

During this year a fine property consisting of a large wooden house and almost an acre of land in Anderson's Bay has come to us through the will of the late Mr A. R. Dickison.

We are at present considering the future use of this property. We are grateful, too, for the continued interest and practical help shown by the J. R. McKenzie Trust and the Trustees of the Dunedin Savings Bank by their grants.

#### F. **Octagon Building**

The Building Committee has spent some time this past year on preliminary planning and we hope the Trust will shortly be in a position to bring forward some definite proposals concerning plans and the method of financing the new building.

**Conclusion:** We are grateful to God for His continued mercies and His guidance and give thanks for the interest and concern in Social Service work which the whole of our New Zealand Methodist Church is showing, particularly through its contributions to the Connexional Budget.

D. B. GORDON, E. HEPPELTHWAITE, Ministers.

S. LAWN, G. F. PASCOE, Circuit Stewards.

I. A. SKENE, Social Service Secretary.

#### **C.—CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION**

This year has seen the consolidation of the work established in former years. It has also been a year of planning, the results of which will be seen in the years to come.

#### **Our City Site:**

Those who know the site of our Church, Mission Office and flats will know that it is in a strategic position for the work of a City Mission.

Because the buildings are old and inadequate for the work to-day, the Trustees of the Mission and Church have given serious attention to a building scheme. The urgent need is for a new social hall and social service centre, but before any building is erected, the maximum building development of the site must be planned. The Trustees have agreed that provision must be made for the following:—

Social hall, chapel, bookroom, centre for the aged, cafeteria, foot clinic, counselling centre, administrative offices, and a revenue producing building.

#### **"Friendship House":**

Last year we reported that a house and cottage situated between the office and Church had been bought. All interior partitions have been demolished in the house, and it has been linked by a passage to the office building. On July 22nd, 1962, "Friendship House," as the building has been named, was officially opened by the Chairman of the District, the Rev. H. G. Brown. The Director of Christian Education, the Rev. Wilf. Ford, gave the address, and His Worship, the Mayor, Mr G. Manning, conveyed the greetings of the citizens.

"Friendship House" will provide a social centre for youth activities and our work amongst the aged. But while it provides more space and better facilities than we have had in the past, it is regarded only as a temporary provision to meet urgent needs, pending the erection of a new hall. The erection of the hall will have priority in our rebuilding programme.

#### **Coffee Club for Youth:**

The fact that up to 100 young people have crowded into the Mission Offices on a Sunday night for the Coffee Cub was the determining factor with the Trustees when they decided to establish "Friendship House." The Coffee Cub is an attempt to bridge the gulf that separates the Church from the vast majority of young citizens.

This is an experiment in a new approach to unchurched youth and it is too early yet to look for results. However, it can be claimed that prejudice against the Church is being broken down. And who can gauge the results when young people are personally confronted with the challenge of the Christian Way at Club devotions, and the personal relationships with Christian youth must surely have a formative influence.

#### **Work Amongst the Aged:**

Wesley Lodge, Christchurch, and Wesley House, Picton, continue to serve the aged frail. We record our gratitude to Miss I. E. Macadam, Matron of Wesley Lodge and Hospital for the efficiency and devotion of her service. Mrs E. S. Brookes has had a good year as Matron of Wesley House. Mr A. E. Greig, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, ably administers the affairs of our Picton House.

Plans for a Hospital at Nelson and for a new wing at Wesley Hospital are still awaiting Government approval. The Department of Health has advised that no decision will be made until the results of the Dominion survey on the care of the aged are available.

#### **Wesley Hospital:**

Three hundred and twenty-seven have been cared for in the Hospital during the past 5 years. The need for more beds is acute. Forty-five women and 14 men are awaiting admission.

#### **Darby and Joan Club:**

This Club, with a membership of 100, is ably led by Miss O. G. Searle. In future the Club will meet in "Friendship House," and we anticipate an increasing membership as a result of the better facilities and more comprehensive programme that will be possible.

#### **Proposed Hospital:**

The Mission Trustees are at present negotiating with the Board of Management of the South Island Methodist Orphanage with a

view to the purchase of the property for the purposes of conversion to a hospital for the aged.

The Board has agreed to negotiate for the sale of the property and the Mission Trustees have indicated their willingness to purchase, subject to the approval of Government subsidy for the purchase, and conversion of the building. It should be understood that this proposal is entirely dependent upon the approval of the Department of Health and the payment of Government funds.

#### **Flatettes for the Aged:**

Various sites have been inspected and an option has been secured on an 8-acre block of land. However, the suitability of the Orphanage land for this purpose must now be considered.

#### **Finance:**

We gratefully acknowledge the following bequests and gifts:—  
L. J. Taylor Estate £2000, R. T. Michelle Estate £503, E. C. Cresswell Estate £110, T. Hayward £151, J. R. McKenzie Trust £350. Young Citizens Trust £100, R. E. James £100, Mrs P. E. Mills £100, Mr and Mrs H. Blackwell £200.

Other gifts of goods and cash donations are too numerous to list. Our work is made possible by the large number of Friends of the Mission who generously contribute to the work each year.

#### **Rehua Maori Hostel:**

Forty-five boys are in residence under the capable control of Mr and Mrs T. R. Ellison, Master and Matron. Good reports from all employers testify to the value of the Hostel's influence.

There is an urgent need for new staff quarters, and a plan at present under consideration provides for the conversion of dormitory accommodation to staff bedrooms, lounge, etc. Provision is also made in the plan for a new residents' block. We are at present negotiating with the Department of Maori Affairs in connection with these developments.

#### **Meeting House Kitchen:**

A representative Committee of Canterbury Maori people is working to raise funds for the erection of a kitchen at the rear of the Meeting House.

#### **Order of St Stephen:**

We record our appreciation of the dedicated service of Miss G. M. McClennan who served under the Order in the Mission Office for 12 months.

#### **Thanks:**

We express our thanks to the Conveners of all Committees, the Matrons and staffs of our various institutions, the ladies who administer the Goodwill Store, the office staff, the women of the Mission, and all who render voluntary service in so many ways.

Above all, we give thanks to God for the privilege and opportunity to serve, and we pray for His Grace that we may be worthy representatives of our Lord in our service to the community.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Minister

D. W. EDMONDS, Minister.

H. G. STEWART, Secretary.

A. A. DINGWALL, Treasurer.

## D—WESLEY CHURCH (WELLINGTON CENTRAL) SOCIAL SERVICE TRUST BOARD (Inc.)

Wesleyhaven Methodist Eventide Homes Settlement at Nae Nae Lower Hutt

### 1. Residents and Staff

At present there are 35 residents at "Wesleyhaven" and we have a substantial waiting list. The health of the residents is maintained and they are most appreciative of the care and concern we have for their wellbeing. We are very well served by the staff, Miss M. Brewin, Miss W. Griffiths, Mrs L. N. Jones and Mr T. Galbreth and during the year they have all given excellent service.

**Building Programme:** The new residential block is well advanced and should be ready for occupation early in 1963. This new wing will give us an additional 48 bed-sitting-rooms and this should assist us to meet more adequately the demand for accommodation.

Our charges for accommodation are within the scope of the resources of Social Security beneficiaries and no one is denied residence at "Wesleyhaven" on account of ability to pay. We accept applications regardless of the person's religious persuasion. At present we have 18 Methodists, 8 Anglicans, 3 Church of Christ, 1 Presbyterian, 1 Baptist, 1 Lutheran, 2 Brethren and one with no church connection. The average age of residents is over 80 years.

**Wellington Jewish Care of the Aged Society:** The Society has received a satisfactory tender for their new 24 bedroom wing at "Wesleyhaven" and the total cost will be over £80,000. Completion of this additional accommodation is expected by the end of 1963. This joint venture of Christian and Jew has the commendation of the Government, and the experiment will be watched with interest by all concerned. Accommodation will be made available to the Jew first, then to the Gentile regardless of creed.

When the building programme under construction is completed, we will have 104 senior citizens in our care.

### 2. Hostels

"Epworth House" situated at 10 Claremont Grove, Wellington, is meeting in a worthy manner, the challenge of Youth. Wellington has its peculiar difficulties in providing suitable accommodation for students and young women seeking employment in the City.

"Epworth House" enables us to make some contribution towards meeting the challenge of our youth and their claims upon the Church to aid them in Christian living. We have 21 residents of all denominations. We are receiving excellent service from our Master and Matron, Mr and Mrs F. Dodge, who both give unstintingly their time and talents. We would commend our Hostel to our Methodist people as a home away from home.

### 3. Social Services

The Director attends the many and varied calls for the Social Service Ministry of the Church in this area, and is available in the district to serve, initiate programmes and sponsor the work wherever this Ministry is required.

### 4. Finance

We are dependent upon the continued financial support of our people and appreciate the help given through the Dominion Budget Scheme. We are grateful to those donors who annually support us. By street day appeals, the annual Wesleyhaven Sale of Work, and various efforts, our finances are strengthened.

Legacies and gifts received during the year—Kirkland Estate, £700; Routley Estate, £4000; Craig Estate, £64/17/7; Nathan Estate, £747/8/-; Thornton Estate, £285/10/2; J. R. McKenzie Trust, £300; Izard Trust, £200; Mrs Hampton, £500; Soroptimist Club, £100.

We are grateful to God for the steady if not spectacular development of our work in the Wellington area.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

B. H. RISELEY, Director of Social Services.

T. M. STEPHENS, Secretary.

### 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. That appreciation be expressed to the Superintendent (Rev. A. E. Orr), the staff and officials of the Auckland Central Mission for the very fine accomplishment in planning and commencing the erection of the new building, and their effective service rendered in the Social Service Field.

3. That appreciation and confidence be expressed to the Ministers and staff of Dunedin Central Mission for their continued service in all aspects of the Mission's work.

4. That appreciation be expressed to the Superintendent and staff of Christchurch Central Mission for their continued service in all aspects of the Mission's work.

5. That appreciation be expressed to the Minister and staff of Wesley Social Services, Wellington, for their continued service in all aspects of the Mission's work.

### Boards of Management

**Auckland:** Superintendent of Central Mission (Chairman), General Superintendent of Home Missions, Chairman of District, Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., Rev. 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. Eden and Remuera Churches, Mesdames M. Spurge, I. Sweetapple, E. Mills, and Miss E. Booth; Messrs C. K. Wigglesworth, J. S. Caughey, W. Woodward, L. Moor, A. H. Winstone, R. Simpson, N. Mee, C. W. Firth, R. T. Garlick, A. E. Hayman, E. A. Astley, J. Trenwith, A. N. West, and K. Clark, together with the Circuit Officials and Trustees of the Mission properties.

**Christchurch:** Revs. W. E. Falkingham, D. W. Edmonds, L. T. Norwell, H. L. Fiebig, W. S. Dawson, W. T. Blight, H. G. Brown, H. K. Brown, G. V. Thomas, L. V. Willing.

Messrs N. G. Hillary, A. Southey, A. A. Dingwall, R. E. James, J. E. Colchin, T. J. Chamberlain, R. Thomas, G. S. Salter, W. Couch, R. Anderson, R. Mitchell, W. T. Lill, L. Butler, Miskimmin, B. Bascand.

Drs. T. Enticott, S. C. Peedie, N. Greenslade, T. Hurrell.

Mesdames M. Leask, W. T. Blight, F. G. Colechin, L. Lewis, M. A. Megson, R. Anderson, and W. S. Dawson.

Miss Caukwell, plus all Circuit Officials.

## III—Children's Homes

### AUCKLAND.

We submit with pleasure our 49th Annual Report to our Church and to our many friends. We have cared for an average of 54 children, ages 3 to 17 years, throughout the year (53 in preceding year). Our children have been helped in many ways by many people and God has blessed such help and our work.

#### **Children Returning to Parental Care**

In accordance with our policy that natural parents shall as soon as practicable resume care of children with us from broken homes, we gladly report that 10 children returned this year to parental care in 5 homes, and in 3 cases the parent had again married.

#### **Foster Homes**

We now have 16 children in 12 foster homes at Tauranga, Morrinsville, Hamilton, Papakura, and Auckland suburbs, compared with 6 children in 4 foster homes a year ago. In the majority of the foster homes there are also natural or adopted children of the foster parents and these children have accepted happily their foster brothers and sisters. We record here with gratitude our appreciation for the grand care being given by the foster parents to our foster children.

#### **Visits and Visitors to Wesleydale Home at Radnor Road, Mt. Roskill**

Wesleydale Home is open to individual and group visits. Groups from outer Auckland areas and provincial centres often bring and have their lunch in our grounds or dining-room. Many of our holiday hosts collect and return our children at Wesleydale and in cases where this is not done, our staff endeavour to make personal contacts when possible. We value and enjoy these personal contacts.

#### **Our Staff**

Mr and Mrs Riley, Superintendent and Matron, have completed three years at Wesleydale. In addition to their work there with the children, they are linked continually with the foster children and foster parents; also the natural parents, whether their children are at Wesleydale or in foster homes. We are indebted to Mr and Mrs Riley and the staff with them for the sound understanding and care given to the children, and for the children's good health.

#### **Holiday Hosts**

Although the holiday hosts and hostesses have had personal thanks, we wish here to express again our sincere thanks to more than 60 holiday homes, from Taumarunui, Taupo and Kawerau to Kaitaia, so kindly opened to our children in the various school holidays. Changes of district, the friendships made, and being able to holiday in family units, are all beneficial in so many ways to our children.

#### **Thanks to So Many Interested in our Children and our Work for Them**

Our work is supported in so many ways by friends and supporters, to whom we give our thanks. Financial contributions have come from many sources and very valuable assistance is given by many over a wide area in sewing and knitting of clothing, by gifts of clothing, food and produce, toys, children's books, etc.

Voluntary assistance is also given in sport, social, cultural and religious aspects of the children's lives. Our report gives us another opportunity to express our appreciation of all this kindly Christian help.



### **Kindred and Interested Organisations**

We have appreciated active links and friendships with the Auckland Orphanages United Council, Child Welfare Division of the Education Department, Social Security Department, Children's Homes Boards of other Denominations, the Protestant Home at Whangarei, Heritage, Rotary, Residential Child Care Association, Mt. Roskill Primary, Intermediate and Grammar Schools, and Wesley College.

### **Financial**

Our year's accounts are now being audited. We would just say here that the need for care of dependent children is such that this year's revenue income, although spent prudently, is fully expended. Details will be published in the Conference Minutes.

### **Obituary**

This year two of our Life Members, Messrs J. E. Astley and F. Penn, passed on. We pay tribute and give thanks for their services in former years.

### **Resignations**

During the year we received with regret resignations from Board membership of Mrs R. T. Garlick for family reasons, and Mr C. E. Goode for reasons of age and health. Our thanks to them for many years of assistance to our work, and good wishes for them in the future. Mr R. T. Garlick, our Chairman for almost six years, resigned from this position in February, but we are pleased that although he has now added responsibilities as President of the Auckland Law Society, and we congratulate him on this honour, he is continuing as a member of our Board.

### **The Future**

Conference 1961 approved in principle the changing to a new policy of foster and family home care, replacing present institutional care by the three Methodist Children's Homes. Boards, and Synods and Conference 1962 will consider a further report from the Commission on Children's Homes recommending the early implementation of the policy.

With 16 foster children in 12 foster homes already we have made a modest start on change over to the new policy, but if as seems likely, Conference 1962 approves of implementation, we will make considerable further progress during the coming year.

1962/63 is our Golden Jubilee year in caring for dependent children, and our Board has already given some preliminary consideration to suitably celebrating, honouring and paying tribute in 1963 to what has been done by many for so many children in the past half-century. We look forward to continued loyal support by so many interested friends of the children, and also by new friends, so that we will be able to meet the opportunities to help as many children as possible in our 50th year.

G. C. RIDDELL, Chairman.

R. K. STACEY, Secretary.

### **MASTERTON CHILDREN'S HOME**

We now have 27 children in the Home. This is the lowest number we have had for some years. In addition one girl is in a foster home and one boy was returned to the Home after an experimental period. We are pleased to report the health of all the children as excellent. Staff—Mr and Mrs Lloyd, who had been Manager and Matron for six years, found it necessary for family reasons to resign at the end of 1961. The Committee was deeply

appreciative of the love and care bestowed on the children and expressed their thanks in a tangible way. Mr and Mrs Allan Jolly of Auckland were appointed to succeed them. They have settled in well and although handicapped by a shortage of permanent staff are exercising a fine influence with the children. Miss Lorraine Clark has been appointed Assistant Matron and is giving faithful and devoted service. The recommendations of the Commission on Children's Homes were approved in principle by the Committee, and representatives from this Committee attended the Consultation in Wellington in May. In anticipation of the expected changes that will take place in the care of children Mr Allan Jolly is to attend a Child Welfare Officers' course at Lower Hutt, and Miss Clark will attend an Institutional Staff Conference at Palmerston North.

Maintenance costs at the Home over the past few years have been fairly high but the Committee has followed a policy of repair and replacement where necessary and the building is now in quite good order with an excellent appearance.

The Committee again expresses appreciation to all who have assisted in any way with the work, especially in provision of Holiday homes for the children. Gifts of clothing, produce, financial support and grants from the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board, Police Charity Day and Trust Lands Trust have all been very acceptable.

We also again thank Dr. O. F. Prior for his unflinching attention when needed. To Mr and Mrs Allan Jolly and the staff the Committee is also grateful for their influence and the love and care bestowed on the children. We pray God's continued blessing and guidance during the coming year.

JOHN GRUNDY, Chairman.

W. H. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

### SOUTH ISLAND

The number of children under our care has fluctuated from month to month, due to the Board's policy of placing certain of our children in Foster Homes, and whenever possible returning children to their rightful home and also endeavouring to maintain a case-work and counselling service which aims to keep homes together and so retain children with their families when otherwise they would come into our home. The following figures submitted to the Board give some indication of the overall situation. Number of children in the Home: 47. Number in Foster Homes: 7. Temporary residence given to 8 children and 1 baby cared for day by day pending suitable arrangements by the father. An evicted family of four children cared for over a period of one week, making a total of 67 children who have come under our direct care during that one period. In addition contact is maintained with those who have left the home and are working and those who have been reunited with their families, as well as regular contact with those in Foster Homes. This involves a further 40, so that the Master reports in one particular month that in one form or another we have cared for 107 children and young people. This largely sums up the position as reports come to the Board quarter by quarter.

#### Case Work and Counselling

One of the most valuable spheres of services has been the development of a case-work and counselling service which the Master, Mr J. E. Scott, recognizes as perhaps the most important facet of his task. Mr Scott is well fitted for this type of work and has been greatly used in sorting out the many problems of home and family life as they come to him, and his follow-up work with those who

have left the Home has been an indication of the great need there is for the development of this service in the life of our Social Services. We believe that a great field of opportunity lies open to us along these lines.

#### **Staff**

We are happy to report the continued valuable services of Mr and Mrs J. E. Scott as Master and Matron, and Sister Rona Collins as Assistant Matron, and they have proved once again their value to our work. In addition we are fully staffed in all departments of our Home and are privileged in having such loyal service from our staff. The Board has expressed appreciation to the Gardener, Mr Fraser, for his excellent services to the Board and the Home.

#### **Garden Party**

The Board is happy to make the property available for the Conference Garden Party to be held in November and we are confident that Conference Representatives from other parts of New Zealand will appreciate the high standard of our property and the maintenance of our buildings.

#### **Commission on Children's Homes**

The Board was pleased to send three representatives to the Consultation in Wellington in May and as a consequence has benefited by this first-hand information and knowledge of the proposed new policy for Children's Homes, and is studying the position very carefully in order to determine the best manner in which to implement the policy.

We present our report this year with a sincere expression of gratitude to our staff, to the Circuits who have continued to show an interest in our work and the many firms, organisations and individuals who assist in so many ways to make our work easier and the life of the children happier. We report with appreciation the gift of play amenities made available by Lions International with the support of the South Pole Lions Club attached to the U.S. Naval Support Force, Antarctica. A further gift of a paddling pool has been proffered by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Papanui and Belfast. These and many other gifts, along with the offer of holiday homes for the children, make the task a very pleasant and rewarding one, and gives encouragement to those engaged in the task of child care.

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. A. COCHRANE, Secretary

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Boards of Management be as printed on page 7 herein.

## **Commission on Children's Homes**

### **REPORTS TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1962.**

#### **1. Consultation:**

As approved by last Conference (Minutes p. 172 No. 36) a consultation between representatives of the three Boards and their staffs, invited experts from the University and other child care services and the Commission to consider the practical implication of the policy recommended by the Commission and adopted in principle by the Conference, was held in Wellington on 4th and 5th May, 1962. Those present were:

Rev. E. S. Hoddinott (Chairman), Mr G. C. Burton, Miss L. M. Hodder, Rev. W. F. Ford (Commission members), Rev. W. E. A. Carr (Corresponding Commission member), Messrs R. T. Garlick, R. K. Stacey, S. Riley (Auckland Board), Rev. J. Grundy, Mr W. H. Saunders (Masterton Board), Rev. H. A. Cochrane and H. C. Matthews, Mr J. E. Scott (Christchurch Board), Mr H. de R. Flesher (Legal Adviser), Rev B. H. Riseley (M.S.S.A.), Dr J. H. Robb (Consultant School Social Science), Mr J. Morrison (Consultant Christchurch Diocese), Mr J. G. Luckock (Consultant Child Welfare Division).

The representatives of the three Boards indicated that the Boards each had accepted the new policy in principle.

Special attention was given to the case-work service; the place and different function of foster and family homes in meeting the needs of two groups of children; the importance of training for the staff—whatever methods of care are employed; the reception procedure; the scope for co-operation between the Church and other agencies—both state and voluntary—working with dependent children; the effect of the recommended policy on finances and property; and the practical steps which would be taken in giving effect to the policy.

#### **Case-work Service:**

The consultation agreed that a case-work service was basic to the whole policy and should be the first step taken. This involves the appointment of competent full-time persons who work in a diagnostic and counselling capacity with the child, its own parents and, in cases where the child leaves its home, with the foster parents or family home parents.

#### **Reception Procedures:**

In discussion with those who had experience in working under the proposed methods of care it was seen that a case-work service would lead to a new reception procedure that would make reception centres of little practical use. A competent case-work service would reveal the type of care necessary for each child and would make arrangements for appropriate placement without recourse to a reception centre. Admission to such a centre, even temporarily, could be unnecessarily disturbing to any child. Arrangements usually can be made for relatives, neighbours, or other welfare agencies to care for the time being in emergency cases.

#### **Finance:**

It was agreed that on the approximate estimates which were made at the consultation, financially the new policy was within the reach of the Boards. The transition period when the present institution is emptying, may present some financial difficulties and need some special provision.

#### **Recommended Steps for Implementing the New Policy:**

The consultation agreed on the following steps. It was recognised that the timing of these would vary from Board to Board but that Nos. 1-7 would need to be taken approximately in that order.

##### **(1) Interpreting the new methods of care to Church people and public**

The visible institution draws financial support more easily than less spectacular, even though more effective, methods. It should be stressed that the new policy means the Church will be helping more children and parents and doing it more effectively.

## **(2) Selection and training of case-worker**

If the present master is to be the case-worker he will need to differentiate between his role of case-worker and father to children in the institution. Short course training will be required. He should work in consultation with a trained case-worker.

## **(3) Foster Homes**

The number of these will be limited by the time of the case-worker available for oversight and counselling of foster parents and children.

## **(4) Admissions to present institutions could cease as:—**

- i. Case-work will keep some children in their own homes.
- ii. Foster homes will care for some children.
- iii. Emergency cases, seriously disturbed children and those of very low intelligence could be cared for by other agencies.

## **(5) Provision of Family Homes**

Perhaps two in both Auckland and Christchurch and the possibility of one or two somewhere in the Wellington area.

## **(6) Disposal of present institutions**

It may be possible to use these properties for some other social service work within the Church, Government, or Local Bodies, e.g., Hostels.

## **(7) Consultation**

Between Boards, staff, and consultants in child care should continue from time to time as required. This should be both on a personal local level and also specially convened consultations similar to this one.

## **(8) Administration**

It was decided to recommend to the Annual Meeting of N.Z.M.S.S.A. that the Children's Home Commission continue for the time being as a committee of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. on the Care of Dependent Children.

(9) **N.C.C. Convened Consultation** should be sought. It would consist of those in all denominations caring for dependent children, together with other Social Welfare agencies. Its purpose would be to secure co-operation in such matters as staff training and a better coverage of the Dominion with Church social service agencies caring for dependent children.

## **2. Commission's Further Comments**

- (a) As the Boards each have accepted the policy in principle and as the steps for its implementation have been agreed upon as indicated above, the Commission considers that Conference should now adopt the policy and refer it to the Boards for their action accordingly.
- (b) As case-work is the foundation of the adopted policy and its practice, at least one case-worker competent to carry out the work will be required at each headquarters. Each Board will need to consider whether its present Master or other member of its staff will be able, possibly with some short term special training and help, to carry this responsibility adequately at least during the transition period. Alternatively, the Board will need to secure someone else competent to do the work before it attempts to operate the policy. If a trained and experienced case-worker is available in the locality for consultation and guidance, that would be valuable especially in the early stages.

- (c) The M.S.S.A. will need to adopt a staffing policy for the recruitment and training where necessary, of case-workers sufficient to carry out the work at adequate standard.
- (d) In accordance with the decision of last Conference that the Church's care of dependent children be brought under the M.S.S.A. and in order to ensure that the transition to the newly adopted policy is made with the desirable consistency in standards and practice, the Boards should consult with and obtain the concurrence of the M.S.S.A. in all major changes in their methods of care and in establishing the case-work service. These would include appointment of case-workers, arrangements for training of staff, setting up of family homes and disposal of property. It is of the utmost importance that thorough preparation precede each step in implementing the policy and that changes be made only when staff and other resources adequate for one new method of work involved in the change are available.
- (e) To conserve and keep available for the Church's use, especially during the transition period, the knowledge and experience gained in doing its work, the Commission is willing, if Conference desires, to continue for the time being as a committee of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. on the Care of Dependent Children.
- (f) During the ensuing year the M.S.S.A. in consultation with the present Boards should consider what types of administering authority in each centre of operation is required and report to next Conference. The Commission recognises that, because of the location of the present Board and other circumstances special consideration will have to be given as to how and by whom the policy should be implemented for the Southern part of the North Island at present catered for by the Master-ton home.
- (g) Finally the Commission wishes to record its appreciation of the co-operation shown by the Boards and staffs. Their real concern for the welfare of these dependent children and their desire to find the most effective way of caring for them has greatly assisted the Commission in its work.

L. M. HODDER  
G. C. BURTON  
E. S. HODDINOTT  
B. H. RISELEY  
W. F. FORD (Convener).

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Conference adopt the policy as set out in the Commission's report to last Conference (1961 Minutes, pp. 171-2).
3. That the Boards of the Children's Homes proceed to implement the policy in consultation with the N.Z.M.S.S.A., and with the prior concurrence of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. in major matters such as the appointment of case workers, staff training schemes, establishing of family homes and basic home units, and disposal of property; and

That in order to act on this recommendation, the three Boards consult with their district M.S.S.A. Committee in establishing a special sub-committee on the care of dependent children in their district. (see 1961 Minutes P. 175, resolution 3d).

4. a. That the N.Z.M.S.S.A. report to next Conference on:
    - i. The most suitable type of administering or supervising authority in each centre of operation under the new policy.
    - ii. A staff recruitment and training policy for the case-work service and care of dependent children.
    - iii. The progress made in implementing the policy.
  - b. That the Children's Home Commission continue for the time being as the Committee of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. on the case-work service and the care of dependent children.
5. That a grant of £100 be made from the Contingent Fund to enable the Commission to consult personally with and to assist the Boards during the year.
  6. That Conference expresses its warm appreciation of the leadership given by the Children's Home Commission in guiding the Church into this new policy for child care.

**QUESTION LIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to (a) The Order of Deaconesses? (b) The Training of Deaconesses?**

## Methodist Deaconess Board

ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

**The Board:** Since our last report, the Chairman of the Board, the Rev A. K. Petch, removed from the District. We pay tribute to his strong leadership during the last ten years.

At the first meeting of the Board, the Rev H. C. Matthews was appointed Chairman.

During the year, the Treasurer, Mr H. F. Arnold, found it necessary to resign, and we pay tribute to his excellent services during the past six years. The Board is most fortunate in that Mr F. Bartley has taken up the work as Treasurer.

Meetings of the Board have been held every two months, while Committees have given detailed attention to various aspects of the work

**Deaconess House:** We began the year with seven students, but owing to ill-health Miss Alys Sharp was not able to attend, and her resignation had to be accepted. During the year, Miss Elva Harris entered hospital for treatment, and was not able to sit for the mid-year exam.

Satisfactory work has been done by the students. In addition to the regular curriculum they have taken lessons in Maori at the W.E.A., and in car maintenance from Mr H. F. K. Hayman; a course in home nursing; and have made contacts with various kinds of social work in Christchurch.

During May, the annual Deaconess Convocation met in the House, with twenty Deaconesses present. Many matters affecting the work were discussed with the full Board, and a refresher course of four lectures was arranged in Bible Study, Theology, Pastoral Psychology, and the Problems of Personal Relationships.

The Church is fortunate in the continued valuable service rendered by Mrs Gauntlett as Lady Superintendent.

**House Committee Report:** The Guilds throughout New Zealand have responded generously to our Renewals Fund Appeal, contributing £305 9s 11d, and their donations make possible the gradual refurbishing of the House. The Committee is truly grateful for this valuable assistance.

The furnishing of the Chapel was our first commitment. This room now has a most worshipful atmosphere.

A new study table with formica wood-grained top, which can be folded down when not in use, is the latest acquisition for the dining room.

Our special objective for this year is the purchase of additional chairs for the Chapel, and the replacement of furniture which has become obsolete.

**Lectures:** During the year the Rev W. T. Blight has continued to give general supervision to the studies. The following lecturers have conducted weekly classes: Pastoral Psychology (1½ hours) Rev C. H. Raynor; Church History (1 hour) Rev L. T. Norwell; Theology (1 hour) Rev H. G. Brown; Old and New Testaments (3 hours) Rev W. T. Blight; Homiletics (1 hour) Rev J. D. Grocott. In addition the Rev Grocott gave instruction on Scripture Teaching in Schools.

**Honours:** Congratulations are extended to Sister Margaret Nicholls on the award of the M.B.E., and to Sister Rita Snowden on being made a Fellow of the International Institute of Arts and Letters.

**Deaconesses In The Field:** Since our last report to Conference, Sister Erena Browne resigned in order to marry, and Sister Lorraine Flowers married an Australian Missionary.

There are nineteen Deaconesses at work in New Zealand, with three supply appointments, and two in the Solomon Islands. Their reports reveal a wide variety of work in our Circuits, Missions and Social Services. Our Church would be infinitely the poorer if their witness were to cease. We owe a great debt of gratitude to these devoted women.

**Personal:** We record our sense of loss at the passing of Miss Anne Firth, who during Mrs Gauntlett's recent visit to England supervised the work of the House with such efficiency.

**Worship Centre:** During the year, the scheme for a worship centre as reported to last Conference developed into one for a Chapel within the House. Some extensive repairs which had become imperative merged into a more ambitious scheme; and while they proved expensive, the repairs effected a great improvement to the building, and the chapel has fostered the spiritual life of the residents. The chapel has been enriched by many gifts in addition to the £100 donation from the M.W.M.U. as reported to last Conference. At the annual Convocation, the assembled Deaconesses expressed their delight at this improvement. Acknowledgement is made of the services of Messrs. W. Melville Lawry and A. A. Harrow, to whom we owe a real debt of gratitude in this connection.

**Warden:** We report that there are no candidates for training as Deaconesses this year. This is a serious reflection on our Church, and a matter of deep regret to the Board which has taken special steps lately to bring the claims of Deaconess work before the whole Church. Moreover the Board has secured this year a worthier training of the Deaconess Students.

We have an increasing need of women workers. At present we are not meeting this urgent need. Missions (both Home and Overseas); City Missions, Circuits, Social Services on a wide front are calling for women workers; and in Deaconess House we are equipped to train volunteers. This is one reason why the Board



feels that the policy of appointing a Warden, as approved by the last Conference, should be at once put into effect.

Arrangements have been made with the Christchurch East Circuit for the Warden to be also the Minister of Wesley Church, East Belt. Suitable financial arrangements will be made with the Circuit. The cost of the Warden policy to the Board will be absorbed in the normal Budget.

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

G. V. THOMAS, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Rev. Wesley A. Chambers, M.A., be designated for appointment by 1963 Conference as Warden of Deaconess House.

3. That the Deaconess Board be authorised to enter into arrangements with the Christchurch East Circuit whereby its Warden will serve as part-time Minister of the Wesley (East Belt) Church.

4. That appreciation be expressed to the Lady Superintendent, Staff and Lecturers of Deaconess House, and of the work of all deaconesses.

5. That the Deaconess Board clarify the position regarding Retired Deaconesses and with the Overseas Mission Board re Retired "Overseas" Sisters.

6. That the Board for 1963 be as printed on page 5 herein.

**QUESTION LV.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?**

## A—Methodist Times Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

**Policy:** Prior to the end of the financial year (April 30), the Committee received word from our printers that the matter of printing costs was something to which urgent attention had to be given. In round terms, the Committee was faced with increased expenditure in this connection amounting to approximately £1000 per annum.

The financial statements for the year ending 30th April revealed a deficit of £390/2/10—this in spite of the fact that the grant from the Contingent Fund was lifted from £175 to £500. (This is the first time the paper has received a connexional subsidy of this size.) Without that additional subsidy the working loss for the year would have been over £715. The accumulated deficit is £1090/8/6.

It needs to be stressed that even this larger grant is in fact a very small subsidy for work of this nature, and under present-day conditions is most inadequate. If we are to return to a fortnightly basis of publication much greater financial assistance will be required from the Connexion.

To meet the situation the Committee made the following decisions:—

(a) That until it is able to review the position, the paper be published monthly instead of fortnightly—increasing its size from 24 pages (with cover) to 32 pages (with cover).

(b) That the subscription be maintained at the present rate of 15/- per annum.

The Committee has repeatedly drawn the attention of Synods and Conference to the following facts, and again underlines them:—

(i) **Printing costs:** For many years our paper has been printed under most favourable financial conditions, which no longer exist. The Conference must face the fact that we must adapt ourselves to entirely new conditions in the future.

(ii) **Part-time service:** The Conference is quite aware of the fact that the position of Editor has always been on a part-time basis with very nominal financial recognition. It probably has no realisation of the time involved, and the demands of this important and arduous task. The Committee feels that the Conference and the Church should realise more fully the significance of these facts.

**Editorial:** Mr H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip.Ed., has completed his first year as Editor. Together with his Associate Editor, Mr G. B. Couch, M.A., and regular contributors, he has given himself to the task with undivided zeal and devotion. He is grappling with the task with skill and insight, ever seeking ways and means of bringing to the paper such elements as will stimulate interest and response.

**Circulation:** This shows little variation (5300), cancellations for various reasons being compensated for by the enrolment of new subscribers. These figures must be read in the light of our membership returns of 31,307 Church members.

**Commission:** The Conference of 1961 appointed a Commission to investigate various matters connected with our Church paper. No doubt submissions will be made to Synods and Conference of this year.

For the Committee:

B. C. BASCAND, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Business Manager.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That Conference record its appreciation of the services of the Editor and his assistants.
3. That Conference agree to the raising of the annual subscription for the Methodist Times to £1.
4. That Conference warmly supports the Methodist Times Committee in any steps it takes to increase the emolument paid to the Editor.
5. That the Committee be as printed on page 7 herein.

## Commission on "Methodist Times"

### REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1962.

The Commission appointed by Conference, 1961, consisted of the Rev. L. G. Hanna, Sister Rita Snowden, and Messrs M. A. Berry, E. P. Salmon, and B. R. Burton, all of Auckland; and the Revs. J. D. Grocott, M. Jackson Campbell, W. S. Dawson, and H. L. Flebig, and Messrs B. Bascand and H. W. Beaumont, all of Christchurch. Also the Revs. W. H. Greenslade and J. Grundy.

The fact that Conference voted as it did on the proposal for a re-examination of the purpose and set-up of the Methodist Times, and appointed a Commission for the task, leads us to believe that this is a moment of urgency and critical decision for the future of our Church magazine.

Northern and southern groups met as such on several occasions and exchanged the results of their investigations. Ideas were then pooled and a report finally adopted for presentation to Synods and Conference.

The Commission sought to carry out the instructions of Conference in the Resolution on Page 178, Resolution 3.

(a) Analyse the needs of our people and the fundamental job of a religious paper, taking into account those fringe folk who are potential readers.

(b) Consider the possibility of changes in format and layout, and a greater use of illustrations.

(c) Consider the desirability of a wider circle of contributors and the provision of funds to be put at the disposal of the Editor for soliciting of such contributions.

(d) Consider what financial and staffing arrangements might be necessary to support such alterations.

Considerable discussion gathered around the question of the function of a Connexional paper. It was agreed that "The Times" should be the voice of the Church and Conference on matters of Christian faith and its application to daily life; it should be continually lifting up the issues and events of our times for appraisal in the light of the Gospel; it should be the instrument of education and information for all departments of Methodism; and it should exercise a missionary outreach to fringe members of the Church and even to those outside the Church fellowship.

The Commission studied questions associated with the frequency of publication, the length of articles and type of leading article. Consideration was given to the typography and layout of a Church paper and the relative significance of accepting the characteristic of a newspaper or a magazine.

In all the discussions the Commission came back to the fact that much of the policy of the paper depended on the ability of the Church to meet the financial requirements. If there were the possibility of increasing the number of subscribers to about three times the present total, it would be possible to provide the staff to publish a paper in the manner that the Commission wished could be done. But the problems of financing a paper are such that unless the income were doubled, either by considerable increase of subscription revenue, increased advertising revenue or an annual subsidy of several thousand pounds, the present policy of a part-time Editor must be continued.

The editorial appointment is fundamental and is the key to the whole situation. If the Methodist Times is to fulfil its function, the editing of it is a task that calls for the appointment of a full-time editor whose experience should enable him to select and evaluate material that would be essentially newsworthy and relevant for a religious journal. This would require the services of an experienced journalist with practical understanding of the life and thought of our Church.

The Methodist Times Committee notified the Commission of the serious situation for the Committee that has arisen because

of the steep increase in costs in publishing the "Times" this year. This information indicated that the present "Times" is printed at a very low cost and that such a low figure cannot be continued, and that any proposal concerning new policy must realistically face a considerable increase in costs. The advantage of low printing costs available in a provincial town might offset the disadvantage of the separation of editing and publishing.

Adequate financial arrangements would be necessary to carry through a programme of development. The latest figures show that the present income of the "Times" is as follows:

	£
Subscriptions .. .. .	4,000
Advertising .. .. .	750
Total Income .. .. .	<u>£4,750</u>

If to this figure of £4750 there were added initially a sum of £6000 from the Connexional Budget of the Church, it would be possible to set forward the publication of the "Times" fortnightly on the following interim basis:

Printing costs (say) .. .. .	6,250
Photos, Blocks, etc. .. .. .	250
Distribution costs .. .. .	1,000
Contributors' fees and agents commission	250
Salaries, office and sundries .. .. .	<u>3,000</u>
	£10,750

On the above estimates, to publish a paper on the basis of a full-time editor policy would require a Connexional subsidy of approximately £6000 per annum.

Variations in format and related matters could effect some reduction of printing costs. However, the above budget sets out the position as it would be under this new policy.

If the Church believes that such an annual subsidy can be provided or that other means are available to raise that amount for the improvement of our paper, it would radically alter the whole question of what the Church can do with a Connexional paper.

The above costs are based only on estimates in relation to the position of editor and related staff; but further consideration would be needed if other developments of Church policy were contemplated. In the course of the investigation it appeared that some consideration should be given to the publications of departments of our Church; and it was apparent that the total cost of giving publicity to the activities of the Church could not be estimated until the entire cost of departmental publications was tabled. All these costs are involved in the policy of the appointment of a full-time editor because it is obvious that an adequately trained editor would be concerned with the total publications authorised by Conference, and departments would desire to take advantage of his specialised experience.

After a careful consideration of the possibility of increasing the number of subscribers, it was agreed that the ceiling figure of subscribers would be in the vicinity of 7,000. Until our Church membership increases considerably, or unless the "Times" policy be changed to become a religious journal of public interest, and not a Connexional paper, no great increase on that figure can be forecast.

For the Commission,

J. D. GROCOTT.  
E. P. SALMON.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the matter of the appointment of a full-time Editor of the Methodist Times be deferred.
3. That the Board of Publications and the Commission on the Methodist Times be asked to examine the publication, printing and distribution of all Methodist religious literature and printing. (Cf. Law Book, p. 518—sections 1, 2, 3).
4. That the expenses of the Commission meeting together be a charge on the Contingent Fund.
5. That Mr C. R. Howell be added to the Commission.

### QUESTION IV.

## B—Board of Publications

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

The early part of our financial year was taken up with the publication of Advent, Lenten and Conference News leaflets, and the Prayer Manual. We record with thankfulness that for the first time all of these were printed before the Christmas Holidays, which made for efficiency of distribution to Circuits.

#### Modern War:

This series of studies published on behalf of the International Affairs Committee was well received and extensively studied throughout our Church, and has entirely sold out.

#### Studies in Methodism:

Principal E. W. Hames's 128-page book on the Doctrine, History and Polity of Methodism will be available at Conference. We anticipate a wide sale for this stimulating and well-written book. Points for discussion at the end of each chapter add usefulness to the book for use in study groups.

#### Membership Preparation Handbook:

The Rev. R. H. Allen, B.A., has in hand the writing of a Handbook based on an English pattern, but adapted with additional material to New Zealand conditions. This should be available early in 1963.

#### Advance Ordering by Circuits:

Following the fairly successful experiment last year, we have decided to adopt permanently the policy of asking Circuits to order Advent and Lenten Leaflets, and Conference News in advance, and printing only the number required. This will help to eliminate waste and loss which has been experienced in the past.

#### Prayer Manual

The Prayer Manual for 1963 has been thoroughly revised on a new pattern and we are confident that it will commend itself widely to our people.

#### Future Policy:

We again affirm our conviction that we shall be unable to give fully adequate service to the Church until we have resources available for the appointment of a full-time Director of Publications, who might also be Editor of the 'Methodist Times.' In the meantime, we will continue to do the best that busy people can in a voluntary capacity.

### Grants:

Our Board has again applied through the Connexional Budget for grants totalling £105 (£55 to replace our former Home Mission Grant, and £50 to subsidise the publication of Conference News).

E. P. SALMON, Chairman.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Board of Publications be asked to give serious consideration to the establishing of a Methodist printing plant to do all Connexional printing and such general printing as may be possible.

### QUESTION IV.

## C—The Church's Policy in the Development and Administration of Bookrooms

### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

(Order of Reference: "Future Policy in Development of Bookrooms, Oversight and Development." Minutes of Conference 1961: Page 148, Paragraph 7.)

The Committee affirms that it is a primary function of the Church's Bookrooms to provide Christian literature, official publications, and periodicals, special printed cards, forms and pamphlets used by the whole church, Communion supplies, Church Equipment and any other kindred material.

All these should be readily available from each Methodist Bookroom, and a satisfactory Mail-order service be available for those not within immediate reach of the Bookroom.

(N.B.—Supplies now come from various sources—Bookrooms, Publications Board and Connexional Office.)

We recognise that bookrooms should run at a profit and where service and profit conflict, care should be taken to ensure that the service envisaged is important enough to warrant risk from the business point of view. This should be a normal part of our stewardship as a church, that in Bookroom business we are at least as efficient as secular Bookrooms.

The Methodist Bookrooms have the advantage that they have potential agents and premises in every place where the Methodist Church is established. Good publicity and suitable provision for the sale of books on approval could considerably increase the volume of sales and serve our people, especially those who are unable to visit the Bookrooms.

While we recognise that in various centres there may be an opening for the establishment of new bookrooms it is clear that there are certain pre-conditions for their success varying from place to place.

We are of the opinion that a set of conditions should be clearly agreed upon and that no consent be given to any official agency of the church to open a Bookroom until the central body has satisfied itself that the conditions have been met.

In the view of the committee the above policy can only be brought into operation if there is unified control. This might take the form of a lay-officer being appointed to be General Manager

of Epworth Bookrooms, responsible to the Conference through a special Bookroom committee.

Proprietary interests of the Department of Christian Education in the Lesson material of the Australasian Graded Lessons and Proprietary interests of the Home Mission Department in the Colporteur work and Literature Van Fund could be recognised and safe-guarded.

W. S. DAWSON, Chairman.

H. K. BROWN, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That representatives of the Department of Christian Education, Board of Publications, and the Literature and Colporteur Society meet during the ensuing year to consider the above report and to enquire as to whether central control would be advantageous, and to explore ways of co-ordinating the work of the Bookrooms and report back to Synods and Conference, 1963. Convener: Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore.

**QUESTION LVI.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Chaplaincy Matters?**

## Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

**NAVY:** There is nothing to report in respect to this Arm of the Services.

**ARMY: Regular Force Chaplain:** Soon after last Conference the Methodist Church was asked to provide a chaplain for the Regular Force. Even though Conference had carried a resolution which gave the Central Advisory Committee authority to accept opportunities to increase the number of Methodist postings to Short Service Commissions it was not anticipated that such an opportunity would come so soon. The Committee reports that the Rev H. I. Shaw has been granted a Short Service Commission and is now posted to the Linton Military Camp with the possibility that he may be posted for a tour of duty overseas. Mr Shaw has created a good impression and the Committee is sure he will worthily uphold the prestige of the Methodist Church. If he should be posted overseas we may be asked to provide a replacement for him at Linton.

**Territorial Force Chaplains:** The Rev. R. F. Clement has completed his term of three years as Senior Chaplain to the N.Z. Division. At his request he has been posted to the Retired List. Because of the modification in the military establishment the former practice of posting chaplains to Units for a period of three years has been discontinued. In future all chaplains' names will be held in District 'pools' and from these, postings will be made for duty with Territorial Units. The total establishment of chaplains on the Active List will be 45 plus a Senior Chaplain. The denominational strength will be: Anglican 18; Presbyterian 12; Methodist 6; Other Protestant Denominations 3; Roman Catholic 6. The denominational strength in each Military District will be: Anglican 6; Presbyterian 4; Methodist 2; other Protestant Denominations 1; Roman Catholic 2. The appointment of a Senior Chaplain will increase this number but will not affect the denominational proportions. Normally 5 chaplains, from each District, will

be required annually for Territorial Camps and the allocation will be Anglican 2; Presbyterian 1; Methodist or Other Protestant Denomination 1; Roman Catholic 1.

**T. F. Chaplains' Course:** This is to be held at Waiouru from the 13-20 September inclusive. The Methodist nominations for this Course are the Revs P. S. Barker, M. Dine, F. Glen and J. Hosking.

**AIR FORCE:** The Rev J. Hamlin continues to render outstanding service in the name of the Methodist Church.

In May the Rev P. D. Ramsay was recalled for duty, for two weeks, at Ohakea while the Rev W. Harford was absent on other duties. The Station Commander has written in appreciation of Mr Ramsay's services.

**GENERAL: Chaplains in the Armed Services:** In view of discussions within the Church, the Committee is of the opinion that it may be helpful to clarify the position of chaplains in the Armed Services.

The duties of chaplains are clearly defined—they are responsible for the moral and spiritual welfare of the personnel among whom they serve. Although chaplains in common with all who serve in the Armed Services are required to take the Oath of Allegiance, they exercise no power of military command; it is also laid down in Regulations that chaplains must 'receive the respect due to their rank and calling.' In the Army, in order to differentiate quite clearly between chaplains and other components of the Service, chaplains are members of a 'department'—it is the only 'Department' in the Army; others belong to Regiments and Corps. In the Navy and Air Force the term used is 'Chaplains' Branch.' Not even within their own 'Department' or 'Branch' can chaplains give military commands or exercise military authority. The same would be true for the chaplains in the Navy and in the Air Force. Chaplains are therefore attached to the Armed Services but are not of them. If under these conditions a chaplain becomes merely a cog in the military machine it would be because of a weakness in the individual and not in the conditions of service.

On Active Service in a foreign theatre of war it is essential that distinguishing and identifying dress should be worn for the sake of security as well as for domestic reasons. No military commander would allow civilians access to a battle area nor would they be allowed freedom of movement in a theatre of war. Should a denomination decide to withdraw from participating, in the military defence of the country, or in the nation's military obligations, it should be clearly understood that, on Active Service, there would be no opportunity for its ministers to exercise a ministry in the Armed Services either as chaplains or as civilians.

**Rev R. F. Clement:** The Conference of 1961 designated the Rev R. F. Clement as Senior Chaplain of the Methodist Church to be appointed at the conference of 1962. Mr Clement was commissioned in the Air Force as a chaplain in 1945; his commission was transferred to the Army in 1949; in 1959 he was posted as Senior Chaplain to the N.Z. Division. At his own request he was posted to the Retired List in 1962. Mr Clement's experience qualifies him for the position to which Conference now calls him.

As Senior Chaplain of the Methodist Church he will become a member of the Chaplains' Dominion Advisory Council which handles all questions relating to the moral and spiritual welfare



of the personnel of the Armed Services—Navy, Army and Air Force. The Council meets at Army Headquarters several times each year and is the authoritative administrative committee on all matters relating to chaplains.

V. R. JAMIESON, Senior Chaplain.

**Rev. V. R. Jamieson, Senior Chaplain:** This year the Rev. V. R. Jamieson relinquishes the position of Senior Chaplain after 15 years of service on behalf of the Methodist Church. His has not been an enviable task—to hold a balance between the conflicting opinions which are to be found in the church and to build up and maintain a supply of efficient chaplains during the post-war period when the man-power problem was so acute. During his time as Senior Chaplain, Mr Jamieson has arranged for the commissioning and training of twenty of our ministers and all have had opportunity for some practical experience. Had any crisis developed, requiring chaplains to go on Active Service our church could have provided its quota, commissioned and trained. During the same period the Chaplains' Dominion Advisory Council has been reformed with a Staff Chaplain as its permanent secretary and its authority recognised by the heads of all the Services. In 1947 the Peace-time establishment of the Armed Services had no provision for chaplains serving full-time. To-day they are doing so in each of the Services. Our Church has two ministers serving full-time.

H. I. SHAW, Secretary, Central Advisory Committee.

#### 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. R. F. Clement, M.A., be appointed Senior Chaplain.
4. That Conference place on record its sincere thanks for the valuable services of the Rev. V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D., as Senior Chaplain over a period of fifteen years. Mr Jamieson has been instrumental in bringing about a complete re-organisation of Chaplaincy Work both at an inter-church level and within our own Church. His own meritorious service as an active chaplain brought recognition from the late King George VI and great credit to our Church. As he now gives up leadership in this field of service, we acknowledge our debt of gratitude to him and express our appreciation.
5. That the Central Advisory Committee be: Revs. R. F. Clement, L. Greenslade, H. I. Shaw, P. D. Ramsay, R. J. Hamlin, P. P. Rushton, Messrs T. M. Pacey, H. J. Steptoe, A. J. Johnston, E. C. D. Watson, J. McKinney, H. F. Hart.
6. That Conference agree with the principle that there may be occasions when Chaplains to Armed Forces should be permitted to accept an extended Commission.
7. That permission be given for the Commission of Rev. R. J. Hamlin to be extended for a further three years as from 1964.
8. That the Rev. H. J. Shaw be permitted to accept an extension of his Commission.

**QUESTION LVI. A.—What Ministers are to serve as whole or part-time Chaplains during the ensuing year?**

R. J. Hamlin (R.N.Z.A.F.).  
H. I. Shaw (Army).

## QUESTION LVII.

# C—Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand)

ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

During the year the Society has given assistance to a number of churches seeking information about their history and also provided source material for a number of students. The Council of the Society would be glad to hear from research students and others working on projects which relate to or impinge upon the history of New Zealand-Methodism.

Our thanks are again expressed to the Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., for the huge amount of work undertaken by him in connection with the World Methodist Dictionary, which is in course of preparation in the United States.

We note that our President, the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., retires this year from the Principalship of the Trinity Theological College, and we express to him our best wishes for a long and happy retirement, in which we hope that historical writing will find a place.

### Proceedings:

During the year the following issues of Proceedings will be circulated. N.B. The serial number of the "Trinity, Dunedin" booklet, replaces that previously allotted to "James Buller" which will not now be issued.

Vol. 17, No. 1-3—The Centenary of Trinity Church. Dunedin.

Vol. 19, No. 3—The Rev. J. B. Richardson—a Memoir, by the Rev. C. T. J. Luxton.

Vol. 19, No. 4—The 80 years of the Gore Church, by the Rev. T. Ralph Benny.

**Lecturer for Annual Meeting, 1962:** The Rev H. L. Fiebig, B.A., the Connexional Secretary.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

### RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

**QUESTION LVIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods or Committees?**

## 1 (A) Church Union Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1962.

One meeting of the full committee was held on 9th of May, 1962, with an attendance of 29 members. The Executive committee had its first meeting for the year on 31st of July.

### Replies and Comments on the Draft Declaration of Faith:

Comments on and suggested amendments to the Draft Declaration of Faith have been received from seventeen circuits and seven district ministerial committees. Reports indicate that discussions were stimulating and profitable and that the Declaration, on the whole, was well received. One report was highly critical and expressed the opinion that it would be preferable to have a brief articulated statement in true theological language, to be followed by an exposition in everyday language. The comments and amendments have been forwarded to the Methodist representatives on the Commission appointed by the Supreme Courts of the negotiating churches to prepare the draft. It is hoped that the Declaration in its amended form will be presented to the forthcoming Conference.

## **Comments on the Suggested Revision of the Draft Basis of Union (See Conference Minutes 1961, pages 185-187).**

Six circuits and seven district ministerial Committees forwarded comments on the approach being made by the Joint Standing Committee in revising the sections of the Draft Basis of Union on "The Preamble," "Polity and Organisation," "The Settlement of the Ministry" and "Baptism." With the exception of minor comments the Preamble was approved by all.

Most reports indicated agreement with the opinion of the Wellington ministerial committee that "the revised structure was a simpler and far more satisfactory solution." Several expressed their preference for the appointment of elders for a stated term and sought clarification as to the meaning of ordination in relation to the "Ordination of Elders." One district ministerial committee was not happy with the composition of the Parish Council being entirely of elders and also asked that a way be found to give the accredited local preacher the status of an elder. One circuit would like to delete the word "elder" in the Draft Basis in favour of a term "more in keeping with the world of to-day." Clarification was sought as to whether a Parish could include more than one congregation.

In regard to the section on the Settlement of the Ministry the chief concerns were: (1) the procedures to be adopted for dealing with the problems of long vacancies and to ensure that every minister has continuity of appointment; (2) whether the congregation has the right to raise, with the District Settlement Committee, the question of the continuance or termination of a ministry, and (3) whether it is practicable that ministerial changes in any one year take place at the same time. One circuit recommended that the whole section be deleted and that it be replaced by the existing Methodist system! A revised Statement on Baptism was circulated to all district ministerial committees. The general reaction is that it is a much improved Statement. The committees felt that it was much better to omit reference to Infant Presentation. The one point which was raised seriously in several districts was in regard to the classification of the two groups of churches, i.e. "Those who baptise believers and those who baptise the children of believing parents." Several ministerial committees asked whether this was consistent with the recently declared position of our Church. The matter has been considered by the Faith and Order Committee which declared that the form of the Statement does not exclude the Methodist position in relation to sponsored Baptism.

### **Maori Translation of the Draft Basis of Union and Declaration of Faith.**

The Committee has referred to the Joint Standing Committee the request of the Home and Maori Mission Department that the draft Basis of Union and Declaration of Faith be translated into Maori with explanatory notes.

### **Conversations with Anglicans:**

The third meeting between representatives of the Church of the Province of New Zealand and the four churches negotiating for organic Union, the Churches of Christ, Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, was held at Feilding on the 15th and 16th of February, 1962. Discussions were continued in the context of worship and Bible Study. At the previous consultation, agreement had been reached in the affirmation that the form of the Church springs

from the Gospel and must declare the Gospel. A paper on "The Nature of the Gospel" was prepared by Bishop Johnston of Dunedin. The Rev J. M. Bates presented a report of the Faith and Order Consultation which followed the New Delhi Assembly of the World Council of Churches. A recommendation was made to the National Council of Churches that the statement, unanimously approved by the W.C.C. Assembly on "The Nature of the Unity We Seek," be published in a form that would encourage study.

#### **W.C.C. Section Report on Unity:**

The Committee ordered 2000 copies of the above statement and asked the Board of Publications to undertake the sale and distribution of the same among Methodists. It commends the report to all Methodist people as a basis of group study.

#### **Conference of Union Churches and the Joint Standing Committee:**

A Conference of representatives of the Union Churches and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union was held on 29th of November, 1961. Reports were received from all Union Churches followed by a full discussion on problems affecting the administration of Union Churches, their relationship with the parent churches, property matters and finance, committees of oversight and the revision of the Model Constitution. Recommendations on these matters were made to the Joint Standing Committee for consideration and action. These matters will be included in the report of the Joint Standing Committee to Conference.

#### **Policy re Further Union Churches:**

The Committee recommended to the Joint Standing Committee that the question of establishing further Union Churches be reopened with the Supreme Courts of the Churches. As a result the Joint Standing Committee is contemplating asking the Supreme Courts to authorise the J.S.C. to call a representative Conference of the Executive Officers of the negotiating Churches, together with representatives of the Home Ministry Committee and the Home Mission Department or equivalent committees and appointed members of Church Union Committees, to consider matters relating to future policy re the establishment of further Union Parishes and other methods of co-operation in Church extension.

#### **Statements on Reciprocal Membership:**

Early in the year copies of the Statement on Reciprocal Membership, as approved by the Supreme Courts of the negotiating churches were distributed, by courtesy of the Connexional Office, to all ministers.

#### **Visit of Dr Eugene Carson Blake:**

Arrangements are being made by the Joint Standing Committee for a meeting with Dr Eugene Carson Blake, Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. at Feilding House on the 14th and 15th of November. Members of the Anglican Commission on Church Union and of the Faith and Order Commission of the National Council of Churches have also been invited to attend.

#### **Report of Joint Standing Committee:**

The Joint Standing Committee Report will be made direct to Conference.

C. E. LEADLEY, President.  
A. K. PETCH, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That a grant of £12 from the Contingent Fund be made to the Joint Standing Committee for 1963.

3. That the Rev. A. K. Petch be re-appointed Convener.

4. That the representatives on the Joint Standing Committee be the Revs. B. M. Chrystall, G. H. Goodman, R. Thornley, W. F. Ford, P. A. Stead, A. K. Petch, and Messrs R. H. Ellis and G. G. Slater.

5. That Conference draw the attention of the Methodist Church Union Committee to the urgent concern of the Conference for progress in negotiations with the three other Communion. The Conference appreciates the work of the Church Union Committee, but is also aware of the pressure and tension within new housing areas which the negotiating Churches are serving.

6. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 5 herein.

## QUESTION LVIII

### 1 (B) Church Union Committee

#### REPORT OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHURCH UNION, 1962.

The Committee has met on six occasions during the year: November 30, 1961, February 18, May 17, June 26, August 1, and September 11, 12, 1962.

The death of the Reverend Principal A. L. Haddon, M.A., D.D., has been keenly felt by the Committee which will continue to be grateful for the rich contribution to its work which he made as a representative of the Associated Churches of Christ since their entering negotiations in 1955.

In September, 1961, the Rev. D. L. Woolf advised that he was not able to continue as minute-secretary. The Committee records its appreciation of his service over the last five years. The Rev. M. H. Johnston was appointed in February.

Attention has been given to the following matters:

#### The Declaration of Faith

The Draft Declaration of Faith as submitted to Church Courts with the last Report was given consideration by the Churches during the year. Each Church Union Committee reviewed the results of this consideration and furnished a report indicating the ways in which improvement might be effected. These reports were before the representatives of the Churches at a meeting in Auckland on September 6-7.

The representatives appointed were:

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| The Associated Churches of Christ: | The Rev. I. W. Ogier;<br>The Rev. E. R. Vickery.   |
| The Congregational Union:          | The Rev. L. A. Brame (prevented by illness from attending);<br>The Rev. G. W. Jackson.   |
| The Methodist Church:              | The Rev. Principal E. W. Hames (prevented by illness from attending, his place being taken by the Rev. J. Silvester);<br>The Rev. J. J. Lewis. |
| The Presbyterian Church:           | The Rev. Principal J. A. Allan;<br>The Rev. J. M. Bates.   |

It was evident that the Draft had been cordially received and carefully considered, and that though additions and alterations were desired in certain respects, the general reaction was such that a radical revision was not required. The representatives therefore made a revision which took account of the points made in the reports of the Church Union Committees, and after giving consideration to this revision, agreed on a form which is appended to this Report.

The Committee believes that it is of great importance that church members should understand clearly what the Declaration of Faith is intended to do. Primarily, it enables the four Churches to declare their deepest convictions to each other and to recognise in one another true Christian churches. It also states directly and simply that God sent His Son into the world to deliver men from evil and to give them a new life. It expresses our faith in the language of to-day, keeping steadily in view the human problem as seen in our time. It does not aim to give our version of the details of theological controversies, or to produce a test of orthodoxy.

As was stated in last year's Report, "The intention is that such a declaration be formally adopted by each of the four negotiating Churches before the Basis of Union is submitted for vote." The Committee therefore transmits the Declaration of Faith to the Churches for adoption. As the Committee has considered the Declaration it has come to feel that it is desirable that a short paragraph should be added as a Preface indicating the circumstances which have led to its preparation and the concern it is designed to serve. The following paragraph is therefore submitted to the Churches for approval as a Preface to the Declaration:

"As they approach each other with a view to union, the negotiating Churches wish to declare to each other that they stand firmly in the Christian tradition and can therefore freely accept one another as Christian Churches holding the one apostolic faith. In order to let this be clearly seen the following Declaration is addressed by each to the others."

## **B. The Draft Basis of Union**

The Committee has continued the revision of the Draft Basis of Union in the light of the replies made at June 30th, 1961.

We recall that these negotiations for union began and are continued because of the conviction that it is our Lord's will that His Church should be one. We regard Union, therefore, not as a matter of expediency but of obedience to Christ who is the one Head of the Church. This obedience does not require us to disregard the convictions of those who do not feel obliged to seek visible unity. But at the same time we recognise that we must answer to Christ for the progress made in these negotiations.

The intention of the Committee is to bring the revised Draft Basis forward in two stages. It is expected that the present work of revision will be completed at the end of 1962. It is felt desirable that during 1963 it should be thoroughly examined by a widely representative group, including a good proportion of persons not members of the Church Union Committees. The object of this process is twofold: to subject the revision to the most rigorous examination while it is still under revision; and also to give as wide a group as is reasonably possible, responsible participation in the work. It is intended that then, i.e., at the end of 1963, it should be submitted to Church Courts for consideration and report by June 30th, 1964. It is expected that if no great difficulties emerge the revised Basis of Union would be submitted to Church Courts in November, 1964, as a Basis on which a vote could be taken in 1965.

In its report last year, the Committee included the proposed revision of three sections of the Basis "in order that the Churches

may be fully informed of the problems that have emerged and of the way that the Committee is approaching them." This proved beneficial, and the Committee includes this year the following sections which indicate the nature and extent of the progress that has been made. It should be noted that these sections are not being submitted for approval in any formal way but simply to give information.

## **PREAMBLE**

1. The Churches now proposing to unite do so believing that they are carrying out God's will as expressed in the prayer of Jesus: "That they all may be one that the world may believe." There are two reasons for this belief of the Churches. One springs from the nature of the church and the other from its function.

2. Man's salvation, according to the Bible, is in Christ. To be saved is to be joined to Christ by faith, to be "in Christ," to be a member of His Body. If we are joined to Christ, we are thereby joined to one another. That means that Christ and those who are His form a family or fellowship and are therefore a unity. It is clear that this unity is of the very nature of the Church, and is a basic conception in the minds of the New Testament writers, e.g., I Cor. 1: 10 — 3: 23; John 10: 1-18, 15; 1-11, 17; Eph. 4: 1-14.

3. The function of the Church is to be the reconciled brotherhood of believers who witness to all men that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself. This it does as it makes evident, through what it is and what it says, that God is love. Therefore the Church must give the fullest possible visibility to its essential unity. It must not only be one; it must be seen to be one.

4. It is with this conviction that the negotiating churches propose the following basis of union as a means of giving outward and visible expression to the inward unity which originally brought the four churches to the point of negotiation and without which their mission to society is gravely handicapped.

5. **INTRODUCTION.** The ..... will be the Church constituted by the Union of The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, The 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 I—THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH:**

6. (1) The ..... 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.

7. (2) The ..... 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.

8. (3) The ..... 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.

9. (4) The ..... Church accepts and adopts as an expression of its faith, the Declaration of Faith which was adopted by each of the four uniting Churches before the union and which is annexed to this Basis as Appendix I.

The Westminster Confession of Faith, John Wesley's Forty-four Standard Sermons and Notes on the N.T., and the Savoy Declaration will continue to be held in honour as embodying traditions which are now merged in the ..... Church. The tradition of the Churches of Christ is not to use supplementary doctrinal standards.

10. (5) The ..... Church has the inherent right, 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:

11. (1) Members in full standing of the uniting Churches will be recognised as communicant members of the ..... Church.

12. (2) The ..... Church believes that God cares for all men whose salvation the Church must always seek in His name. It believes, however, that those who have covenanted with Christ, together with their children, stand in a particular relationship to God, being within the family of the Church.

13. (3) In the ..... Church members in full standing, who share in the full privileges and obligations of membership, are those who:

have been baptised in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, whether as believers or as infants, and have openly confessed their faith and been admitted to Holy Communion.

14. (4) The ..... Church recognises that baptised children or children who have been brought to a service of presentation belong within the family of the Church. Together with the believing parents it accepts responsibility for their Christian nurture and instruction.

15. (5) The ..... Church acknowledges the responsibility to exercise discipline of life and teaching for the welfare of its members and the purity of the Church.

### Section III—THE POLITY AND ORGANISATION OF THE CHURCH:

16. A—The Polity of the Church:

1. The ..... Church affirms that the Lord Jesus Christ is the only King and Head of the Church.

17. 2. The ..... Church accepts the congregational, presbyterial, and episcopal elements in historic Church order as means through which the Lordship of Christ in His Church has been, and may be, expressed.

B—The Organisation of the Church:

18. The ..... Church shall function in

1. The parish;

2. The district, comprising a natural grouping of parishes;

3. All districts together, comprising the whole area of New Zealand,

and each of the three shall have an appropriate council.



## **1. THE PARISH:**

19. (a) The parish will be a defined area within which the Church recognises Christian responsibility for its total mission. It may comprise one or more worshipping communities.

20. (b) Within the parish, all the members and adherents who belong to the ..... Church will be the congregation.

21. (c) The congregation shall meet regularly to consider the life and work of the Church and to receive reports from the Parish Council. It shall have power to make recommendations to the Parish Council on all matters.

22. (d) Oversight of the parish shall be exercised by the Parish Council which shall comprise the minister or ministers and elders. The Minister shall be Chairman of the Parish Council.

23. (e) (i) Elders shall be communicant members of the congregation and persons of spiritual maturity with gifts fitting them to assist in the oversight and administration of the parish and in the pastoral care of the people. Such persons shall be approved by the Parish Council and elected by the communicant members of the congregation.

24. (ii) Elders shall be ordained and inducted to the office, being solemnly set apart by prayer at public worship and authorised to perform the functions of the eldership as prescribed by the Church. Elders may be elected for life or for a stated term of not less than five years as the communicant members of the congregation shall decide. On election for another term or to office in another congregation, elders shall be inducted to office at public worship.

25. (f) (i) By active interest and participation in the different aspects of the life of the congregation, the elders will enable the Parish Council to maintain a close and realistic oversight of the life of the parish in relation to the total mission of the Church.

26. (ii) The Parish Council shall receive and consider recommendations from the congregation. The Parish Council shall report to the meetings of the congregation in such a way as to give full information and enlist the responsible participation of the congregation.

27. (iii) The Parish Council shall have power to co-opt members or adherents to assist its work in committees with reference to particular aspects of the life of the parish. Such co-opted members may attend meetings of the Parish Council at the request of the Council but shall not have the right to vote.

28. (iv) In its administration of matters concerning property and finance, the Parish Council shall act through a Property and Finance Committee consisting of representatives of the Parish Council together with members or adherents elected annually by the congregation.

29. (v) The Parish Council shall be responsible to the District Council for the discharge of its duties.

## **2. THE DISTRICT COUNCIL:**

30. (a) 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.

31. (b) 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 ..... Church.

### **3. THE NATIONAL COUNCIL:**

32. (a) 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.

33. (b) The National Council shall meet annually to consider the life of the ..... Church in all its aspects and shall be its supreme court exercising its rule under the Lordship of Christ.

34. (c) 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.

### **C. REPORT OF THE LEGAL COMMITTEE:**

"The Committee has reviewed the Acts of Parliament under which the Church Property of the four negotiating Churches is held and administered. Consideration was given to the system by which property could be held in a united church. A preference was expressed for the Presbyterian system, in which property is vested in a central body of Trustees. The Synod of Otago and Southland which has separate legislation affecting property within its bounds has been considering the implications of Church Union but has not yet expressed an opinion.

The Committee was asked by the Presbyterian General Assembly to report "on those areas in which rationalisation, improvement and united action might profitably be suggested for better utilisation in a united Church."

We see no difficulty in amalgamating the central funds of the four Churches for the benefit of a united Church. The position would be slightly different in the case of superannuation funds in which contributors have a financial interest; but with actuarial assistance any necessary adjustments could be made. Special trusts could still operate within a united Church. If these were limited as to area of operation it would be understood that they would continue to operate in the same area but for the benefit of a united church. Incorporated bodies at present working within the framework of the Churches could be brought into a union by the enabling legislation but in view of the semi-autonomy enjoyed by these bodies some prior consultation would be required."

S. C. READ,

Convener.

### **D. CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CHURCH OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW ZEALAND:**

The Third Meeting of the Commission of the Church of the Province of New Zealand with the representatives of the Churches forming the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union was held at Feilding House, February 15, 16, 1962.

The Rev. J. J. Lewis led two periods of Bible study, "The Declaration of the Gospel," Romans 3: 21-31, and "The Demonstration of the Gospel," Acts 1: 6-12, 2: 1-21, 36-47.

At the previous consultation, agreement had been reached in the affirmation that the form of the Church springs from the Gospel and must declare the Gospel. The Rt. Rev. A. H. Johnston, Bishop of Dunedin, presented a paper on "The Nature of the Gospel" in which he stated that the Gospel arises from the revelation of God

in history. The Gospel is Jesus Christ Himself, witnessed to in the Apostolic preaching, the kerygma, which is both a proclamation and a part of God's redemptive acts in history. Where Christ is, there is the Church which arises from the Gospel and which is in itself part of the good news of God to man. The marks of the Church, each to be considered not in isolation from the others but in relation to the totality of the Church, must also proclaim the Gospel to the world. This is done when the Church maintains reverence for all the works of God in created life, keeps before it and the world the scandal of the Cross and holds to orthodoxy, the true and whole life of the Body of Christ.

In the discussion the following points emerged as a basis for continuing study:

1. Revelation is essentially historical in character. Experience of the present event is related to the historic events in the divine work of redemption.

2. There is a dynamic relationship between faith and polity. The Church is an expression of the good news of God to man.

3. All have failed to show fully and faithfully all the marks of the Church. Unity e.g., is observed in the division of the Churches.

4. Episcopate belongs to the fullness of the Church and is a gift of Christ to His Church. Episcopate thus is one of the marks of the Church which include the Word, Sacraments, and the Creeds.

5. There is only one episcopate, that of Christ. Episcopate is an expression of the Lordship of Christ in the being of the Church.

6. In the context of the Church's mission in and witness to the world to-day, the historic episcopate is assuming new significance. Episcopacy is to be understood not pragmatically, nor as an expedient but in terms of Christ's continuing ministry in the world through His Church.

The Rev. J. M. Bates gave a report on the Faith and Order Consultation which had followed the New Delhi Assembly, referring to the negotiations in North India, and Pakistan, and in Ceylon, and to the discussions on doctrine between the Church of South India and the Lutheran Church. He also reported on the matters of Faith and Order dealt with at the New Delhi Assembly, particularly the Statement on Unity.

Consideration was given to the Draft Declaration of Faith and to the suggested revisions of the Draft Basis of Union as outlined in the Annual Report of the J.S.C.

It was agreed that the meeting recommend to the Executive of the N.C.C. that the New Delhi Statement on Unity and the commentary be made available soon in a form which would encourage study. Ten thousand five hundred copies of this statement were printed and distributed to the five churches. The next meeting is fixed tentatively for the 14th and 15th February, 1963.

#### **E. CEYLON: NORTH INDIA AND PAKISTAN:**

Because of his first hand knowledge and long service in India, the Committee invited the Rev. W. M. Ryburn to attend a meeting and introduce Bishop F. Bayne's book "Ceylon, North Indian, Pakistan," a study in Ecumenical Decision." (S.P.C.K.).

Dr. Ryburn prepared a most helpful paper. In commenting he emphasised the following points:

1. Negotiating churches should not expect to have every difficulty ironed out before entering into Union. If it is admitted that union is the will of God, then Christians in a united Church will grow together in spite of unresolved tensions.

2. The schemes for union prepared in India are not intended to be model schemes which should be slavishly copied. They are schemes prepared from the midst of a particular situation.

3. Negotiating churches should be particularly careful to avoid including compromise formulae that are capable of different interpretations.

#### **F. MEETING WITH THE REV. EUGENE CARSON BLAKE:**

The Committee is looking forward with keen interest to the meeting with the Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake together with members of the Commission of the Church of England and members of the NCC Faith and Order Commission on November 14-15. A programme is planned which gives us opportunity of learning of the factors which gave rise to Dr. Blake's proposals, the developments which have taken place and their relevance to our situation in New Zealand.

#### **G. UNION CHURCHES:**

##### **1. The Model Constitution:**

The Committee has desired for some time to have an adequate opportunity of examining the working of the Model Constitution for Union Churches which was adopted in 1949. In November 1961, the Committee met with the Minister and one representative of each Union Church and a representative of each Committee of Oversight. Careful consideration was given to the matters dealt with in the Model Constitution. This was a very rewarding meeting, giving the Committee a closer knowledge of the actual functioning of Union Churches and also providing Ministers and representatives with the opportunity of sharing information and views. Certain matters were noted for attention and will be dealt with following the special conference on policy regarding the development of Union Churches.

##### **2. The General Policy re Development of Union Churches:**

Later in the year, the Committee took up the consideration of the general policy regarding the development of Union Churches. Advice had been received that in some places, there was a strong desire for the development of new work on the basis of the Model Constitution for Union Churches. As the Committee understands it, the general policy of the negotiating Churches is as expressed in the report of the J.S.C. for 1958, where in the report of the conference at Lower Hutt, in the section E on the Future of Union Parishes, the recommendation was made. (No. 4).

"The formation of further Union Churches on the basis of the Model Constitution should be deferred until the Supreme Courts of the negotiating Churches have approved a revised basis, and the certainty of ultimate union is reasonably established."

In this connection, a communication was received from the Methodist Church Union Committee: "That the matter of establishing further Union Churches be opened with the Supreme Courts of the negotiating Churches."

The Committee has agreed that in these circumstances, the best course is for these matters to be considered at a representative conference of the Executive Officers of the negotiating Churches, together with representatives of the Home Ministry or equivalent

committees and appointed members of the Church Union Committees to consider matters relating to future policy in Union Parishes and other Methods of co-operation in Church extension. It has recommended to the Church Union Committees that authority be sought for the holding of such a conference.

### **3. Participation of the Associated Churches of Christ:**

The Committee was advised of a resolution of the Conference of the Associated Churches of Christ, "That authority be given to the J.S.C. representatives to initiate discussions with a view to full participation of Churches of Christ in Union parishes."

The Committee requested the Churches of Christ Church Union Committee to consider the Model Constitution, "the Hillsborough pattern" and reciprocal membership and to report. The matter is still under consideration.

### **4. REPORTS FROM UNION CHURCHES:**

Reports received from the five Union Churches reveal satisfactory progress. A change of ministry is pending at Taita Union Church following the departure of the Rev. E. R. Lewis for service in Indonesia. Steps are being taken to secure an additional minister for Wainui-o-mata and the Methodist Conference has been approached to make an appointment.

J. E. STEWART,  
Convener.

## **APPENDIX TO J.S.C. REPORT DECLARATION OF FAITH**

The Methodist Church of New Zealand as part of the Holy Catholic or Universal Church worshipping one God-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—joyously affirms anew its belief in the sovereign grace and love of God in Jesus Christ, and sets forth the substance of its faith in the following declaration.

### **1. Christian Truth:**

The truth of God and His ways with men is in Jesus Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life.

Jesus Christ is the eternal centre of the Church which is the sphere in which this truth is chiefly to be sought. The Church is entrusted with the truth of God in Christ made known through the Bible. The Bible is uniquely authoritative because it is the inspired record and interpretation of God's redeeming acts among men and above all of His supreme act of self-giving and self-disclosure in Jesus Christ. It is therefore to be studied carefully under the guidance of the Holy Spirit with the help of all the resources of scholarship. The Church constantly recalls also the story of its own life from which it draws example, encouragement and warning. The action of God in Christ is known as a reality of history in the experience of the Church. The truth attested in the Bible is thus confirmed to each succeeding generation.

### **2. God:**

God is love and makes Himself known as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God.

God the Father is the Creator of all that is. He is sovereign Lord of the universe and controls it in its immensity by His almighty power and wisdom according to His unfathomable purposes. The origin and destiny of nature and of man are with Him.

Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, was sent into the world by His Father when He had prepared the way by calling His ancient people Israel to be His servant through the ministry of

patriarch and prophet as recorded in the Old Testament. Within Israel, when the time was ripe, Jesus of Nazareth was born of a woman, human as we are human, yet the divine Son of God. He exhibited in His person and message God's holy will, fatherly love and saving purpose. In His life, sufferings and death upon the Cross, though Himself sinless, He identified Himself with sinful humanity, displayed the unconquerable love of God, bore the just consequences of our sin and thus defeated its alienating power. God raised Him from the dead in triumph over sin and death to reign with the Father as sovereign over all. He will come again to be our judge and to bring in God's final victory.

The Holy Spirit is God at work with life-giving power, making known His presence and goodness, guiding and energising the Church, making the Bible relevant, shattering men's self-confidence, moving them to acknowledge their sinfulness, leading them to repent and believe in Christ, assuring them that Jesus saves, conveying to them God's gracious acceptance, producing Christ-like character and wholeness of life, inspiring brotherly love and uniting them within the Body of Christ in the service of God and man.

### **3. Man:**

Man owes his being to God who created him for His glory and endowed him with powers of reason and moral judgment, freedom and spiritual insight, power to love and need to be loved. Thus endowed man has a capacity for fellowship with God as a son and with other human beings as a brother, and his true life is to be found only in entering into this fellowship. This life, which is God's intention for all men, is perfectly set before us in Jesus Christ.

Man is on the one hand within nature, having mental and physical properties which are related to those of animals, and on the other hand beyond nature in that his proper destiny is eternal life in Jesus Christ. The word of nature is God's creation, to which man cannot be rightly related unless he is also rightly related to God and his fellow-man.

Man, though created for fellowship with God and with other human beings, and owing total obedience to God's command, has corrupted this original relationship by defying the divine intention for his life in pride and going his own way in his self-sufficiency. This is sin. It is an offence to God, who, being holy, hates and judges sin even while He seeks to reconcile sinners to Himself.

The effects of sin are estrangement from God and man, lawlessness, sensuality, disorder of the person and of society, such that man's life is subject to tension, frustration and conflict. Yet sin does not remove man from the rule and care of his Creator nor does it utterly destroy the relationship of man to God, but perverts and strains it to such a degree that man cannot of himself restore it.

All men have inherited a bias towards sin and are subject to the continuous pressures of a sinful society; yet each is answerable for his own sin and also bears his share of responsibility for the sin of society.

### **4. New Life in Christ:**

Men are unable to reconcile themselves to God, but He reconciles them to Himself through Jesus Christ when they turn to Him in faith.

Those who repent and are joined to Christ by faith share in His victory over sin and death and so enter a new life of obedience. This faith means that laying aside all confidence in their own ability to please God and depending wholly on God's mercy they simply accept the pardon He offers.

The Holy Spirit initiates the new life and develops it within the Christian fellowship, through Word and Sacrament, corporate worship and private devotion. Growth in the new life is often fitful, as the believer stumbles and falls, yet God holds him, and he can be assured of restoration if he confesses his sins and humbly seeks forgiveness. This new life is recognised in the growing capacity to love God and neighbour, to forgive, to suffer for Christ's sake, to bear one another's burdens, to witness to Christ and to look for the final restoration of all things to God's perfect design.

#### **5. The Church:**

The Church is the people or family of God, the fellowship of those who are in Christ, the community created by the Holy Spirit. Its origin is with God who of old called His people together to worship and serve Him and still calls men to turn to him in Jesus Christ. Those who obey find themselves joined together through their common faith in Christ and their obligation to love and to serve. This fellowship is to be found in the actual churches, though imperfectly. Christ, the first of many brethren, is the Head of the Church, which is His Body.

The Church is one in the sense that there is only one Head and therefore one Body; also it is one in the purpose of God in the sense that the true family of God is united in itself by love. It is the mind of Christ that there should be no division in the Church: where it exists His people should do their utmost to heal it.

The Church is holy in the sense that it has been set apart by God, that its life and character are determined by Jesus Christ, and that it has been made a steward of the grace of God.

The Church is catholic in the sense that, because God gave His Son to meet the whole need of every man, it proclaims to all men everywhere the fulness of the Gospel and so includes people of all times and places.

The Church is apostolic in the sense that it is continuous with and dependent on the witness and teaching of the apostles, that it must always remain faithful to this witness and teaching, and that it is sent into the world to preach the Gospel.

#### **6. Worship and Sacraments:**

The life and work of the Church consists of worship, witness and service. The family of God gathers in His house and round His Table to adore Him, to hear His Word and respond to it in praise, thanksgiving and confession of faith, to pray, to repent, to seek forgiveness and reconciliation, and to make an offering of obedience. By this action in His house, and by word and deed outside, the Church witnesses to God in Christ through the Holy Spirit. By giving practical expression to the teaching and example of Christ in works of love the Church seeks to serve God and man.

The Church acknowledges the two Sacraments of the Gospel, which Gospel they proclaim and communicate.

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 in 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.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is the fullest expression of Christian worship. The Church, repeating Christ's words and actions at the Last Supper, remembers Him and shows forth His death. Gathered round the Table where the Risen Christ is present as Host, His followers, partaking in faith, receive Him sacramentally to their nourishment and growth in grace, as He restores the penitent, assures them of His steadfast love, and draws them closely to Himself and to the whole Church. In responding to this gracious action of Christ at His Table the Church gives thanks to God and pledges itself to Him, asking that its imperfect service may be transformed in His perfect obedience and self-offering, and looking in hope to perfect fellowship with Him hereafter.

The Church is called to a life of ordered service in which every member has his part. According to their differing gifts men are called by God to a variety of functions. Within this common ministry Christ has given to His Church the ministry of Word, Sacraments and pastoral care, and ministries of government and administration. By prayer and the laying on of hands the Church ordains to the ministry of Word and Sacraments those whose call it has tested and recognised in dependence on the promised guidance of the Holy Spirit.

#### **7. The Church and the World:**

The Church is set in the world which God created for His glory. It welcomes all the light science can throw on the universe and its working and has the distinctive function of interpreting the world and human history in the light of the Christian revelation. It calls all men to use the gifts of God's creation in accordance with His purposes.

The Church's primary task is to declare and communicate the Gospel in word and action to every man, that all may know the truth and come to fullness of life in Christ.

God created man in relation to Himself, to nature, and to other men. Out of these relations come the institutions of society. In the providence of God the family is the basic social unit and is the first school of Christian manhood. Groupings and associations arising out of man's daily work are also essential to human life and welfare and are realms in which the Church recognises that the Gospel has relevance. Christian men and women therefore have responsibility in all spheres of our common life such as industry, commerce and education. Men and women are called by God in their daily work not merely to earn a livelihood for themselves, but also to serve the community, and by the quality of their workmanship to glorify Him.

The co-ordinating unit of society is the State, which consequently is invested with great power. It is appointed by God for the well-being of the people and to maintain law and good order in the community. It is therefore to be prayed for and supported; but the duty of the Church is also to remind the State that it is under the rule of God.

The world is peopled by many races of differing colour, creed and history, but God has made all nations of one blood to dwell on the earth. He has sent His only Son Jesus Christ to them, that in Him all might have eternal life. Since He died for all, it is irrational and wrong that they should hate and kill one another. The Church's chief duty to God and man in this sphere is a ministry of reconciliation and unassuming service.



### 8. The End:

The purpose of God for men will at last be brought to its completion and human history will end. This passing away of the present order of things will be the perfect consummation of all that God began in the sending of Christ, and this will be Christ's Second Coming. God's purpose is already being realised as men through Jesus Christ put their trust in Him and yield Him their obedience, thus entering the Kingdom which transcends death. All men will be judged by God in Christ in the light of His perfect knowledge, holiness and love. Those who are in Christ will know the fulness of life with God eternally. The destiny of those who reject Christ remains in the hands of the just and merciful Judge. At last God will put an end to all evil, suffering and death, and will reveal the meaning of human pain and struggle. The triumph of God's love in the perfect City of God surpasses all human thought.

THUS WE DECLARE THAT THERE HAS BEEN  
REVEALED IN JESUS CHRIST THE GRACE AND LOVE  
OF GOD, TO WHOM BE GLORY FOR EVER AND EVER.  
AMEN.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted, except for Section "B," which is adopted to "Preamble." The remainder of the Section received only.
2. That the revised Declaration of Faith be given general approval and commended to the church for further study with a view to its adoption by Conference, 1963.
3. That the paragraph in the report prepared as a preface to the Declaration of Faith be approved.
4. That Conference approve the calling in 1963 of a representative conference of the executive officers of the negotiating churches, together with representatives of the Home Mission or equivalent Departments, appointed representatives of the Church Union Committees and one representative of each Union Church to consider matters relating to future policy on Union Parishes and other methods of co-operation in church extension.
5. That Conference request the Church Union Committee to bring to the proposed Conference on Union, Churches and Church Extension the deep concern of the Conference that further Union Churches be established in those areas where the local situation requires it.
6. That Conference draw the attention of the Methodist Church Union Committee to the urgent concern for progress in negotiations with the three other Communions. The Conference appreciates the work of the Church Union Committee, but is also aware of the pressure and tension within new housing areas which the negotiating Churches are serving.
7. That this Conference, having heard explanations of its negotiations by the Church Union Committee, expresses its appreciation of the work of the Committee and affirms its confidence in the Convener and members of the Committee.

### QUESTION LVIII.

## 2—District Financial Committees

NORTHLAND: Chairman of the District, Secretary of the District, Rev H. Whitfield, Messrs G. H. Lendrum, A. G. Kelly, W. J. Court, and R. Howard.

AUCKLAND: Chairman of the District, Secretary of the District, Revs E. W. Hames, G. R. Harris, A. R. Penn, J. E. Langley, C. T. J. Luxton, J. A. Penman, Messrs A. Turner, R. T. Garlick, G. S. Gapper, T. H. Todd, H. L. Clark.

SOUTH AUCKLAND: District Chairman, District Secretary, Financial Secretary, Revs A. K. Petch, V. R. Jamieson, A. O. Jones, Messrs W. B. Young, W. B. L. Williams, W. F. Walters, P. Rushton.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: District Chairman, Financial Secretary, Messrs M. S. Hughson, W. Greenwood, K. F. Andrews, and J. P. Harding.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: District Chairman, Revs Dr R. Dudley, J. M. Blight, Messrs A. H. Fisher, A. G. Smith, A. Downer, C. B. Radcliffe, and K. D. Huse.

WELLINGTON: District Chairman, Rev L. Greenslade, Messrs T. M. Pacey (Convener), G. G. Slater.

NELSON: District Chairman, Messrs S. V. Everett, E. S. Wratt, H. Holland and R. C. A. Marshall.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Revs H. G. Brown, H. K. Brown, and A. P. Dorrian, Messrs D. A. White, B. A. Caygill, W. E. Clothier, and F. H. Baird.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: District Chairman, Messrs E. B. F. Hight, H. C. P. Withell, and P. G. Woodnorth.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: District Chairman, Financial Secretary, Rev D. B. Gordon, Messrs A. J. Ganderton and A. L. Stanton.

#### RESOLUTION

That in future District Financial Committees be appointed by the Synods.

#### QUESTION LVIII.

### 3—STIPEND COMMITTEE

No Report.

#### QUESTION LVIII

## 4—Transport Trust Board, Inc.

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#### Availability of Motor-Cars

The continuing national economic situation has resulted in new motor-cars generally being in even shorter supply than ever, and this has added to the difficulties of ministers and others in maintaining suitable transport for their circuit work. Enquiries have been made during the past year in the hope of being able to enter into some arrangement which would facilitate improved availability of cars for use by the church, but no such arrangement has been possible. The Board will continue its efforts in this connection. In the meantime, the Government has recently announced facilities for No-remittance Import Licences to organisations with overseas funds. It is felt that there may be some Trusts, or other organisations of the church, holding overseas investments made available from bequests and the like, and if such overseas investments were made available to the church, it may be possible to obtain some No-remittance Import Licences. The Board will be very happy to hear from any Trust or Board who can assist in this way.

#### Financial Assistance for the Purchase of Motor-cars

The Board's operations in this connection have continued to expand, and the amount of loan money made available to ministers,

probationers, and home missionaries, is the highest sum yet advanced. The hire purchase restrictions imposed by Government regulations continue to operate, and it has again been necessary to rely on the support of guarantors when making new advances. This has been necessary in lieu of taking normal security by way of bill of sale. The Board has taken legal advice on the whole question during the year. This has confirmed that the Board is still bound by the regulations, and consideration is now being given to other possible means of improving the situation. In the meantime the Board again records its appreciation to the guarantors who are giving such valuable assistance in this way.

During the year 18 new advances have been granted to a total value of £7601. As at the 30th June last there were 39 loans current to a total value of £12,510. All obligations under these loans, with one or two exceptions, are being satisfactorily met.

#### Annual Accounts:

Annual Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1962, show an excess of income over expenditure of £125, thus bringing the Accumulated Fund up to £1044. The Board has continued to receive valuable help from deposits lodged by various Departments and Trusts, as under:—

Department of Christian Education . . . .	£750
Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowment Trust . . . . .	£1000
Wesley Church (Wellington Central Social Services Trust . . . . .)	£1000
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	£2750

Since the year closed, the Board has received from the General Purposes Trust Board a loan of £7000, which money has been specifically made available to give assistance to ministers and probationers in acquiring cars for their work. The loan is for a term of three years in the first instance, and will be subject to the payment of Interest at P.O.S.B. rates. The Transport Board greatly appreciates the assistance which is being given in this way, and as a result of the funds thus being now made available, thereby reducing the call on bank overdraft, it will be possible for the Board to reduce, in the meantime, the rate of interest payable on loans from 5% to 4%. This will take effect as from 1st July, 1962.

#### Travelling Allowances:

The 1961 Conference directed the Board to investigate the Australian system wherein it had been reported that there was some scheme whereby the minister and the circuit share in the cost of the purchase of the car. Enquiries have been made in both N.S.W. and in Victoria, and it has been found that no such system exists, the procedure being very much the same as applies for New Zealand. Enquiries were also made as to the scale of travelling allowances made available to ministers, and others, for their work. Both schemes over there provide for a lump-sum initial payment to cover standing charges, followed by a mileage allowance. It has been found, however, on comparison, that the present Public Service Scale adopted in New Zealand is at least equal to, and to some extent superior to either of the Australian systems investigated, with the exception of cases where the annual mileage is below 3000.

The Board has also followed up the instruction given by the last Conference that Synod Standing Committees investigate mat-

ters relating to the travelling and travelling allowances, and to report to Conference through the Transport Board. At the time of preparing this report, no advice has been received from three districts, and in the cases of those districts which have reported, it is a matter of some surprise that a number of ministers have not responded to requests for information. From the information which has been received, it is apparent that, generally speaking, the approved Conference scale is being generally used and has been described by the great majority as being adequate and, in quite a few cases, generous. Instances where ministers are facing difficulties are, for the most part, due to low annual mileages, or, in a few cases, to the circuits' inability to pay the full Conference scale.

After consideration of the information which has been made available the Board feels that it is necessary to give some additional assistance to the low annual mileage user, but feels that it is necessary to draw attention to some relevant facts—

- (a) There are instances where the mileage run appears to be excessive.
- (b) There are cases where cars larger than are necessary are acquired by ministers for use in their circuit work, this being done for a personal and not circuit reasons.
- (c) There needs to be a recognition on the part of the car users, that personal running needs to be taken into account when apportioning standing charges
- (d) Some ministers are called upon to do considerable mileages for connexional work, for which they do not receive adequate allowance.
- (e) In a number of cases, there is no adequate record kept of circuit and personal mileage.

Some reference has also been made to the special difficulty of country circuits, especially those which are extensive, and have indifferent roads, and that some system should be devised whereby city and other circuits should give assistance to those circuits which are not so well placed. The Board supports the view of the General Superintendent of Home Missions that the Home Mission Fund is the best means of meeting this situation.

The following recommendations are therefore made:—

1. That the church continues to adopt the Public Service Scale, the present scale operating being as under:—

Miles per Annum	Small Car (Under 1000c.c. Cyl. Capacity)	Medium Car (1000-2000c.c. Cyl. Capacity)	Large Car (Over 2000c.c. Cyl. Capacity)
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	5.75	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.

2. That there be set up by each Synod Standing Committee, a Transport Advisory Committee which will be charged with the responsibility of investigating from time to time all matters

relating to circuit transport within the district and which would, through the Synod Standing Committee, make recommendation to the Home Mission Department for necessary financial assistance in difficult cases after fully investigating the circumstances, including the need for a car for circuit work, the annual mileage run, and the size of the car required and other relevant factors.

3. That, subject to the approval of the District Transport Advisory Committees, and to assist those ministers, probationers and home missionaries who operate on low mileages, the minimum annual payment under the adopted scale be as under:—

Small Car £120      Medium Car £135      Large Car £150

**Car Insurance:**

The increasing accident rate throughout the country highlights the need for all car owners to carry a full passenger insurance cover, in addition to the cover on the car. Ministers probably carry more passengers than most car users, and they are urged to ensure that they have full insurance protection.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.  
T. M. PACEY, Hon. Secretary.  
D. TAYLER, Hon. Treasurer.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the Scale of Travelling Allowance be as set out in the Report, and that they be loyally adhered to by Circuits.
3. That Synod Standing Committees set up Transport Advisory Committees for the purposes set out in the Report.
4. That, subject to the approval of the District Transport Advisory Committees, and to assist those ministers, probationers and home missionaries who operate on low mileages, the minimum annual payment under the adopted scale be as under:—
 

Small Car .. .. .	£120
Medium Car .. .. .	£135
Large Car .. .. .	£150
5. That Conference express appreciation of the work of the Committee.
6. That the Transport Board be asked to advise all ministers of the additional insurance cover available, suggested amounts and the approximate cost.
7. That Conference regard it as an obligation on all ministers to take advantage of adequate insurance cover for all contingencies.
8. That the Transport Trust Board investigate the possibility of establishing a compulsory depreciation fund for ministers who operate their own motor-cars.
9. That the Board for 1963 be as printed on page 9 herein.

**QUESTION LVIII**

**5—Connexional Music Council**  
**ANNUAL REPORT, 1962**

In accord with the resolution of the 1961 Conference, (No. 4, p. 61) the Wellington District Synod Standing Committee appointed the Council early in 1962. To the end of June, only two meetings have been held, and the work of the Council to date has been very much of an exploratory and tentative nature.

Lists have been compiled of all the music available in Choir libraries in the Wellington District, and the merits of an inter-

loan system within the Wellington District are still under discussion. If a workable system can be found, this scheme will be extended to other districts.

It is hoped to make available occasionally lists of new anthems which may be suitable for use by Choirs in most of our Churches.

As a preliminary step in determining in what ways the Council can best serve the Connexion, a questionnaire has been sent to all Churches in the Wellington District seeking information about Church Music activities, and soliciting suggestions as to possible ways in which the Council may be able to help them.

J. S. HOSKING, Chairman.

W. R. HILL, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Connexional Music Council receive a grant of £5 from the Contingent Fund.
3. That the Council for 1963 be as follows: Rev. J. A. Daglish, Miss Heather Martin, Messrs A. Dellow, N. Goffin, W. R. Hill (Convener), A. Johnston, J. Knox, J. Reed, and M. Rickard.
4. That the Council consider the formation of district branches of the Council.
5. That the Council be encouraged to add corresponding members.

### QUESTION LVIII.—

## 6—Church Finance and Stewardship Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT 1962

#### Appointment of Executive Officer:

Shortly after last Conference the Committee was fortunate in securing the services of Mr E. C. Flyger as Executive Officer in place of Rev J. A. Penman. Mr Flyger, a Circuit Steward from the Henderson Circuit, came to his new position, which he took up at the beginning of February, with strong convictions as to the importance of Christian Stewardship, and with sound business training experience. In addition to his experience of Stewardship Promotion gained while an official of the Henderson Circuit, Mr Flyger, immediately following his appointment, spent some weeks working with Mr B. Jones, a Victorian Methodist Stewardship Director who was conducting a stewardship campaign in an Auckland Circuit.

Mr Flyger has since directed two successful campaigns himself and completed arrangements to undertake others. He has also visited a number of Circuits and Districts to discuss plans for the future. The Committee looks forward with every confidence to highly successful activity under his guidance.

The Committee is grateful to the Wesley Trust, Wellington Central Circuit, for its co-operation in providing office space for the Executive Officer, and also to the Department of Christian Education for its continuing assistance.

#### Field Directors:

During the year a Questionnaire was sent to Circuits requesting information as to when they would be having Stewardship Campaigns in the future. Thirty-three indicated that they are due to have them in 1963, eighteen in 1964 and nine in 1965. Fifty-nine

Circuits appear to have no definite plans for canvasses. Of course, all the 1962 Canvasses should be coming up for review in 1965, which adds a further twenty-four to the total.

This information indicates that permanent full-time Field Directors are urgently needed to conduct canvasses, thus allowing the Executive Officer more time for planning and training meetings, administrative work, plus a limited number of canvasses. The Committee, under the authority of Resolution 6, page 202 of Minutes of Conference 1961, has taken numbers of steps in an effort to secure the services of such men, and it is hoped that at least one further appointment will be possible before the forthcoming Conference.

#### **Stewardship Promotion:**

The Committee is convinced that Directed canvasses are so much more effective in every way than the self-run type, that it strongly urges Circuits to engage outside Directors to conduct their campaigns. For this reason the Committee will continue to recommend to Circuits the employment of suitable outside Directors until such time as it can make available its own staff.

To date the Victorian Department of Stewardship Promotion has conducted eight canvasses in New Zealand Circuits with outstanding success. The success has not only been financial, but a definite quickening in things of the spirit has been very evident.

The Committee has set the charge to Circuits for the services of its Executive Officer at £85 per week. This amount allows for the salary of the Executive Officer, travelling expenses to and from Circuits to conduct Stewardship campaigns, accommodation, and also expenses involved in conducting planning meetings with Circuits with a view to stewardship campaigns.

#### **First Connexional Budget:**

While there has been an excellent response by most Circuits, the total response has not been adequate to meet the needs of the Connexion. At present the figures for the first twelve months show a 92.7 per cent response, whereas at least 95 per cent was expected, and in a Budget which provided for only the minimum needs, only 100 per cent is really satisfactory.

Fifteen Circuits have not yet completed 12 monthly payments, while 23 others have not paid in full, the shortage amounting to about £4,333. There is money still to come and the final result will be somewhat better than indicated above. The percentages attained by each District are shown below:—

Northland	99.48
Auckland	87.97
South Auckland	99.03
Taranaki-Wanganui	94.41
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	85.02
Wellington	100
Nelson	99.34
North Canterbury	93.67
South Canterbury	89.39
Otago-Southland	88.58

No worthwhile details of the extended five months' period to 30th June are yet available, as the final months' payments are still coming in, but indications are that the results will be at about the same level as those for the first year.

The Committee feels that the failure of some Circuits to respond fully and promptly to the demands of the Budget system has been due to a lack of appreciation within the life of the Circuits of what

was implied by the change-over in methods of finance. In spite of discussions in Synods and Conference for two or three years prior to the commencement of the Budget, some Circuits had not geared their circuit machinery to deal with the new method and were still under the impression that they could send the money along when they had it—if they had it. This is quite contrary to the objects of the Budget system.

One main object is that the Departmental officials and Fund Treasurers may carry out their duties without having continually to keep one eye on their Bank balance, secure in the knowledge that the Budget machinery will regularly replenish their account. This can only be achieved when all Circuits rise to the standard already attained by the majority, of paying fully and promptly within the time specified. **Particularly will this be so in the Second Budget period when there is no "buffer" provided, and the Budget Treasurer will be able to pay out only in proportion to what has already been paid in.**

The other main object of the Budget system is to spread the privileges and obligations of membership of a Connexion evenly over all the Circuits. The Committee is concerned that in some Circuits there is a feeling that the Budget system has added to their financial burdens. This is entirely incorrect. Except in some isolated instances, which will be corrected by Districts for the second Budget, Circuits were asked for what was their reasonable share of the cost of maintaining the life and work of the Wider Church outside their own Circuit. Where this was more than was anticipated it was not an imposition by the Budget system; the same money would have been required under any system of collection. In a community where for years there has been a constant inflationary trend in the economy, the cost of Church government must rise along with everything else. In a community with a rapidly growing population and where new housing areas are continually springing up, there is unprecedented scope for Church expansion and our opportunities are limited only by our financial resources. These two facts are well known to all of us, and we must not lose sight of them when we are asked for more than we gave in the past. It would be a sad day for the Church if we were asked for less. The Committee feels that there is an obligation on all District and Circuit officials to make this view of the matter clear to all their people.

The Committee desires to place on record its grateful thanks to all District Financial Secretaries, whose careful attention to a mass of detail, has contributed in no small measure to the smooth initiation of the Budget system.

#### **Methodist Relief Fund:**

The Church Finance and Stewardship Committee has consulted with the Ecumenical Committee according to Conference Minutes 1961, Resolution 8, page 209, and a paragraph expressing this Committee's views is included in the Report of the Ecumenical Committee.

#### **Contingent Fund:**

The Conference resolution (1961 Minutes, No. 23 on page 203) asking for re-consideration of the name of the Contingent Fund has been referred to the Contingent Fund Advisory Committee, which has reviewed the matter and has no recommendation to make regarding any change in name.

#### **Appreciation — Budget Treasurer:**

The Committee wishes to record its appreciation of the outstanding work being performed by Mr G. G. Slater as Budget Treasurer. His marked ability in handling financial matters and his



close supervision of the Connexional Budget have contributed substantially towards its smooth operation during the first year. The Church is fortunate in having such an experienced and devoted servant in the key position which he occupies.

E. G. HEGGIE, Chairman.

E. C. FLYGER, Executive Officer.

### REPORT OF THE BUDGET TREASURER

This Report is accompanied by a Receipts and Payments Account for the full period, 17 months, of the First Budget. There is also a further Statement showing a summary of the District contributions to the Budget for the same period.

These two statements together give all the details, but a brief summary in simpler form is desirable.

	£	s	d
The full amount budgeted for, including District Expenses .. .. .	190,540	5	0
All Funds except Church Extension have been paid in full—a total of .. .. .	174,088	0	0
(For details see Receipts and Payments Account.)			
Leaving a difference of .. .. .	<u>£16,452</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>
This difference is made up as follows:—			
Cash at Bank of New Zealand .. .. .	639	11	11
Loan to Children's Fund .. .. .	242	0	0
District Allocations outstanding .. .. .	15,570	13	1
	<u>£16,452</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

If this money was all in hand it would belong to:—

Church Extension Fund—			
Trinity College .. .. .	10,000	0	0
Church Bldg. and Loan Fd. .. .. .	4,166	0	0
	<u>14,166</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Miscellaneous Causes Fund .. .. .	679	6	8
Contingencies .. .. .	1,416	0	0
District Expenses .. .. .	190	18	4
	<u>£16,452</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

The amount owing to Church Extension Fund is, of course, the provision which was made for "the first £10,000 deficiency" which, extended to 17 months, becomes £14,166.

The item "District Expenses £190 18s 4d" is not a debt. It represents the amounts of District Expenses which are included in the Allocations outstanding. It is not payable from the Budget until the outstandings are fully paid.

In the Miscellaneous Causes Fund, Conference budgeted to collect £2000, but authorised payments of only £1520, leaving a surplus of £480. With the extension to 17 months this became £679 6s 8d which amount stands to the credit of this Fund.

Our present credit balance is £881 11s 11d (the loan to the Children's Fund being equivalent to cash) and of this Miscellaneous Causes Fund holds £679 6s 8d and Contingencies £202 5s 3d.

In June the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee desired to pay all Funds in full before their balance dates, but most

Districts had not completed their payments to the Budget. There was, however, a considerable sum being held for Contingencies and the Committee felt justified in using this money to complete payments to the Funds, in the expectation that Districts would make good the shortage before very long. To date some Districts are still considerably short of their objectives so that we hold only £202 5s 3d in this Fund, whereas had the Budget been subscribed within the "first £10,000 deficiency" we would hold £1416, no other contingencies having arisen during the period.

One further matter requires explanation. In the Summary of District Results the second-last line reads "Not allotted to Districts £294 11s 8d". The Budget for the first 12 months was all allotted to Districts, but when it was extended the wording of the Conference resolution was that Circuits should make "five further monthly payments at the same rate." Quite naturally, most Circuits continued paying the amount they were paying at the end of the twelve months, overlooking the fact that this was some shillings less than a true monthly payment. Our Committee decided not to attempt to rectify matters, and the resultant deficiency has been shown as "Not allotted to Districts."

G. G. SLATER (Budget Treasurer).

#### PROGRESS REPORT ON THE SECOND BUDGET

At the 26th October, the month of July is .. .. 93% paid

At the 26th October, the month of August is barely .. 92% paid

At the 26th October, the month of September is .. 90% paid

The Funds which must be paid in full account for 20% of the Budget.

When only 90% is paid, this leaves 70% to pay the other 80%, so that a cut of 12½% is necessary.

The Connexional Funds have been paid in full for four months to October.

All other funds (except the Annual grants under Miscellaneous Causes) have been paid, less 12½%, for three months to September.

The amounts that have been short paid by about thirty (30) circuits for July and August are nearly 4% per cent for each month. The fifteen (15) circuits which have not yet paid anything include some which may not pay in full. On the present showing, therefore, there is little chance of July and August exceeding 95%. If this is to be the general pattern, all Funds not guaranteed will finish the year at least 6% to 7% short.

This is not good enough, and it is incumbent on all circuits short paid to make up the deficiency as soon as possible and to endeavour to pay in full in future.

The other requisite is that everyone should pay in the month in which the money is due. There is no reserve or "buffer" in this Budget, and the money **cannot** be paid out until it comes in.

G. G. SLATER, Budget Treasurer.

# CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

## SUMMARY OF DISTRICT RESULTS OF FIRST BUDGET

For 17 months from 1/2/61 to 30/6/62

DISTRICT	Budget Allocation	District Expenses	Total Allocation	Paid	%	Unpaid by Circuits	Unallotted	Over-Allotted	Final Shortage	%
	£	£	£	£		£	£	-	£	
Northland .....	5959 0 0	596	6555 0 0	6244 13 4	95.27	395 6 8		85 0 0	310 6 8	4.73
Auckland .....	35100 8 4	584	35684 8 4	31958 10 0	89.56	1562 3 4	2163 15 0		3725 18 4	10.44
South Auckland .....	20765 18 4	35	20800 18 4	20533 16 8	98.70	342 3 4		75 1 8	267 1 8	1.3
Taranaki/Wanganui	15665 15 0	—	15665 15 0	14779 0 0	94.34	568 0 0	318 15 0		886 15 0	5.66
Hawkes Bay/Manawatu	21846 11 8	170	22016 11 8	18660 0 0	84.75	995 0 0	2361 11 8		3356 11 8	15.25
Wellington .....	20449 0 0	175	20624 0 0	20635 0 0	100				plus 11 0 0	
Nelson.....	11335 0 0	10	11345 0 0	11159 0 0	98.36	186 0 0			186 0 0	1.64
North Canterbury .....	29446 0 0	694	30140 0 0	27964 6 3	92.48	2175 13 9			2175 13 9	7.52
South Canterbury .....	10646 0 0	—	10646 0 0	9237 5 0	86.77	1408 15 0			1408 15 0	13.23
Otago/Southland .....	16626 0 0	142	16768 0 0	13798 0 8	82.29	2969 19 4			2969 19 4	17.71
Not allotted to Districts	294 11 8	—	294 11 8						294 11 8	.15
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>188134 5 0</b>	<b>£2406</b>	<b>190450 5 0</b>	<b>174969 11 11</b>	<b>91.83</b>	<b>10603 1 5</b>	<b>4844 1 8</b>	<b>160 1 8</b>	<b>£15581 13 1</b>	
								Less	11 0 0	
									<b>£15570 13 1</b>	<b>8.17</b>

## REPORT ON CANVASS RESULTS

	Family count	% of increase	Total previous giving per week	Total of new pledges per week	Total 3 years	Cost of Canvass
<b>INITIAL CANVASSES</b>						
LEVIN .. .. .	516	147	£75	£185	£26,239	£983
OAMARU .. .. .	273	300	27	110	16,516	675
TIMARU (Bank St.) ..	285	162	27	78	11,500	
MOTUEKA .. .. .	246	231	22	70	10,544	584
LEESTON .. .. .	238	40	50	70	11,000	459
WHAKATANE .. .. .	180	60	20	32	5,400	400
GREYTOWN CHURCH ..	80	175	8	22	3,519	195
AVERAGE INCREASE: 159%					£84,718	
<b>REVIEW CANVASSES:</b>						
TAURANGA .. .. .	455	38	76	105	£19,009	£979
PAPATOETOE .. .. .	550	100	79	158	23,756	1146
TE PUKE .. .. .	163	235	16	52	6,787	572
ASHBURTON .. .. .	380	100	54	108	16,846	876
HAMILTON EAST .. ..	571	61	78	125	19,523	1212
HOKIANGA .. .. .	120	82	29	51	7,515	487
AVONDALE .. .. .	560	45	53	130	20,328	1029
PORIRUA .. .. .	449	30	82	106	16,226	684
GISBORNE .. .. .	431	12	76	90	4,000	724
THAMES .. .. .	222	36	29	41	6,395	340
AVERAGE INCREASE: 83%					£151,089	

TOTAL OF INITIAL AND REVIEW CANVASSES: £235,807



4. That as from 1st July, 1963, Circuit and Departmental contributions to the Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund and the Deaconesses' Retiring Fund be a direct charge on the Connexional Budget.
5. That Resolution 7 on page 215 of the Minutes of Conference, 1960, relating to the payment of Circuit contributions to the Supernumerary Fund, be rescinded. (This will leave the Supernumerary Fund requirements to be charged to the Connexional Budget in bulk, as in the case of all other Funds.)
6. That the items in the Miscellaneous Causes Fund, which are to be paid outside the Methodist Church, be included in the amounts which are to be paid in full. (See Resolution 10 on page 202, Minutes of Conference, 1961.)
7. That the Third Connexional Budget for the period 1st July, 1963, to 30th June, 1964, amounting to £136,656, be adopted.
8. That the Third Connexional Budget District Assessments be as follows:—

District	2nd Budget	3rd Budget
	£	£
Northland .. .. .	4,752	4,700
Auckland .. .. .	26,100	26,300
South Auckland .. .. .	16,224	16,424
Taranaki-Wanganui .. .. .	10,896	10,800
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .. .. .	14,244	14,562
Wellington .. .. .	15,756	16,156
Nelson .. .. .	8,196	8,350
North Canterbury .. .. .	21,108	21,999
South Canterbury .. .. .	7,536	8,000
Otago-Southland .. .. .	10,944	9,365
Departments .. .. .	900	—
	£136,656	£136,656

9. That the attention of Circuits applying for a Home Mission Grant be drawn to the fact that a responsibility devolves upon them in respect to any future canvass being undertaken. In this connection the services of a qualified professional Director approved by the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee should be engaged in order that the best results may be achieved in order to put their Circuit finances on a worthy basis.
10. That the N.Z.M.S.S.A., who represent Children's Homes on this Committee, be asked to ensure that each Home provides full information for the Budget meeting in October, and that these accounts and budgets should be standardised so as to include income from investments in their estimated income.
11. That the Contingent Fund examine present basis of establishing the requirements of the Fund in the light of the regular payments from the Budget with a view to discovering how much it is necessary to have as a reserve.
12. That the Committee be asked to elaborate in its report to Synod Standing Committees for report to Synods and Conference, 1963, the suggestion that in future the Connexional Budget be allocated in such a manner that the amount per member required to pay the combined total of stipends, travelling expenses and Budget allocation be approximately the same in all Districts.
13. That in view of the fact that urgent applications have been submitted by Districts for sufficient grants for new causes to

absorb the grant proportion of at least three full allocations from Church Extension Funds, Conference be asked to give this objective for grants and loans a sole place in the Church Extension of at least the next three consecutive Budget periods.

14. That as the arrears from the First Budget for Church Extension come to hand they be apportioned on the basis of 12/17ths and 5/17ths to Trinity College and the Church Extension Grants respectively.
15. That funds remaining in the Miscellaneous Causes and Contingent Funds from the First Budget be transferred to the Second Budget as a General Reserve.
16. That in order to meet the growing demand for Church-employed Directors, two lay Field Directors be employed to conduct stewardship campaigns in local churches and circuits.
17. That Messrs H. N. Wansborough and W. B. Wotherspoon be appointed Field Directors.
18. That the remuneration for the Field Directors be £1,350, plus some allowance for superannuation or the equivalent.
19. That when our people desire to support the missionary work of the Church, their first priority in responsibility is to give every possible support to the Connexional Budget and to ensure that their circuits meet in full their respective allocations.
20. That provided they do not divert money which should normally go through their circuit allocation, the right should always be retained for our people to make special gifts to urgent aspects of the work, or to new projects.
21. That the need for Christian stewardship in the matter of providing legacies for Connexional projects be constantly presented to our people.
22. That the following recommendations from Synods be referred to the Standing Committee of the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee for consideration during the year and report to Synods and Conference, 1963.
  - (a) That the Connexional Secretary enquire of the Inland Revenue Department which gifts to the Church come under the legislation of tax rebate on the first £20 given to a charitable organisation.
  - (b) That when a circuit finds it impossible to pay the minimum stipend and meet its obligations to the Connexional Budget, the stipend take first priority, and that the Treasurers of the Connexional Budget be empowered to draw on the Winstone Trust Fund to help meet any deficiency in the payments of the circuit to the Connexional Budget.
  - (c) That the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee give consideration to the desirability of adopting a definition of Christian Stewardship and report to Conference. (One such definition submitted for consideration is as follows: "Christian Stewardship is partnership with Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit, in fulfilling the purposes of God in Creation".)
  - (d) That Circuits be invited through Synod Standing Committees to make a self-denial or some alternative effort for at least one year, preferably during Lent, for the purpose of providing funds for urgent Church extension. This to be in addition to the local Budget.

- (e) That a continuous and imaginative educational campaign is required on Connexional needs and the annual budget. Such a campaign needs planning and expense in order to produce results in awareness and warm response. Visual material in particular such as first-class film strips or tapes illustrated by colour slides should be constantly available for all Church groups. We therefore recommend that urgent action be taken with respect to 26a, p. 203, Minutes of Conference, 1961.
  - (f) That the possibility of South Canterbury District being asked to contribute financially to the work of Chaplaincy at the Dunedin Psychiatric Hospitals be investigated.
23. That the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee give consideration to the following:—
- (a) That all Subsidiary Papers be available before the meeting of the Conference Committee of Detail to enable adequate study of them.
  - (b) That the Church Finance and Stewardship Department accounts for consideration by the Committee:—
    - 1. Be in Round Pounds.
    - 2. Be in Columnar form showing:—
      - i Payments for latest Financial Year taken from Audited Accounts.
      - ii Estimated figures as supplied to this Committee relating to that year.
      - iii Total Surplus or Deficit on these figures.
      - iv Estimated figures as submitted for Current Budget Period.
      - v Estimated figures for next Budget Period for which application is made.
24. That Conference appoint a Commission to consider the following proposals:—
- (1) That a Commission investigate the financial structure of the Connexion and report to Conference, 1963. The order of reference to include: (a) the possible establishment of an Investment Society; (b) the possible creation of an Investment Board with which all Funds for investment would be deposited, including surplus bank balances; (c) the possibility of all Church properties being held by one body.

#### **METHODIST INVESTMENT SOCIETY**

- (2) That Conference be asked to consider the setting up of a Methodist Investment Society along the lines of the City Savings Banks and/or the Public Service Investment Society with a view to:
  - (a) Providing an interest-giving agency to receive from adherents deposits of surplus funds for long or short-term investment at, say, P.O.S.B. rates of interest.
  - (b) Reinvestment of a safe proportion of the deposits in Gilt-edged Securities such as Government or Local Body Debentures at 5%.
  - (c) The retention of a small balance in P.O.S.B. or Trading Bank at current interest rates to meet on demand calls from depositors.
  - (d) The lending of the balance to Circuits to finance extension work at a rate of interest between 3 and 5%.



- (e) The meeting of the Budgetary Finance Committee's expenses from the profits.
- (f) The handing over, after reasonable provision of Reserves, of the balance of profits to the Church Building and Loan Fund.
25. That the following be the members of the Commission: The President of Conference, the Vice-President, Revs. H. L. Fiebig, W. R. Laws, G. I. Laurenson, B. M. Chrystall, G. R. H. Peterson, W. F. Ford, D. B. Gordon; Messrs H. de R. Flesher, C. H. Perkins, R. T. Garlick, A. E. Hurley, T. J. Chamberlain, A. L. Fox, R. C. A. Marshall, O. Taylor, H. C. R. Blackwood, G. F. Whitlock, T. M. Pacey, H. A. Penny, R. Alley. (Convener: T. M. Pacey).
26. That the Contingent Fund make a grant of up to £50 to the Commission.
27. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 5 herein.

**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, W. F. Ford, Messrs S. N. Roberts, T. M. Pacey, G. C. Burton, A. E. Hurley.

**Committee of Exigency:**

Wellington members of the above Committee.

**B. President's Committee of Advice:**

The Ex-President (Rev. E. C. Leadley), President-Elect (Rev. A. R. Penn), Secretary of Conference (Rev. A. R. Penn), Connexional Secretary (Rev. H. L. Fiebig), Vice-President (Mr F. M. Souster), Ex-Vice-President (Mr E. A. Humphries), Legal Adviser (Mr H. de R. Flesher), Revs. G. R. H. Peterson, L. Greenslade, C. O. Hailwood, W. F. Ford; Messrs T. M. Pacey, G. C. Burton, A. E. Hurley, G. F. Whitlock, S. N. Roberts.

**QUESTION LX.—Who are the Members of the Synod Standing Committees?**

**NORTHLAND:**

All circuit ministers, including Northland Maori circuit, the Rev E. Te Tuhi, Deaconesses and all pastors appointed to circuits. Messrs W. J. Court, R. Howard, A. G. Kelly, G. H. Lendrum, C. V. Berridge, L. Hutching, H. Neal, J. W. Cliff, J. Keightley, R. M. Salmon, W. Wotherspoon, and R. Williams.

**AUCKLAND:**

All ministers in active work in the District, plus a lay representative of each Circuit and major Department. Secretary, Rev L. R. M. Gilmore.

**FRANKLIN SUB-COMMITTEE:**

All ministers in active work in the Area, plus a lay representative of each Circuit. Secretary, Rev. A. Jolly.

**SOUTH AUCKLAND:**

The Superintendent ministers of all Circuits (including Maori Circuits) in the District. Messrs W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young, G. E. Simpson, F. J. E. Baillie, B.A., B.Sc., S. V. Leach, I. J. Baker, H. Roberts, P. Rushton, J. Davys, R. E. Williams, W. F. Walters, D. H. Payne, K. Balme, N. A. Millar and Rev. R. Durham (Raglan Union Church). Convener: Secretary of the District.

## TARANAKI:

All ministers in Circuit work, and Messrs Owen Sutton, A. L. Fox, S. C. Graham, W. Oliver, A. T. Hughson, E. H. Down, W. Davis, J. P. Harding, T. H. Robins, G. A. Adamson, P. Mercer, and S. Hallett.

## WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT COMMITTEE:

All ministers in Circuit work, Messrs W. S. Thrush, D. Wansbrough, S. G. Laurenson, N. Dixon, H. Queree, and M. H. Whitlock.

## HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Revs. G. H. Goodman, J. M. Blight, W. S. Gilbert, P. A. Stead, B.A., G. E. Scarr, A. E. Tardiff, G. E. Hawkey, D. G. Stubbs, Ministers of Pahiatua, Feilding and Sanson-Rongotea Circuits, Sister Dorothy Pointon, Mesdames R. Sandford, J. Fabrin, Messrs F. Ansell, J. R. Grigg, M.A., T. M. Henson, I. G. Barber, R. E. Osborne, L. Cotter, W. G. Holloway, A. Ollson, B. F. White, V. C. Rotherham, K. D. Huse (D.E.C.), H. W. Wood (M.F.), R. Harford (L.P.A.), C. B. Radcliffe (District Property Secretary), Rev. H. I. Shaw (Chaplain Linton Military Camp). Convener, Rev. J. M. Blight.

## HAWKE'S BAY SUB-COMMITTEE:

The Ministers of the Napier, Hastings, Gisborne, Wairoa and Waipawa-Waipukurau Circuits with two lay representatives from each of the Napier and Hastings Circuits, and one from each of the other circuits; together with a representative each from the M.W.M.U., Guild Fellowship, Local Preachers' Association, Gisborne-Wairoa Sub-District of the D.Y.C. and Hawke's Bay Sub-District of the D.Y.C. Chairman, Rev. Dr. R. Dudley; Secretary, Rev. C. G. Brown. (To meet at least Quarterly.)

## WELLINGTON:

All ordained ministers, one representative from each Circuit in the District, a representative from each district organisation, all Conference officials within the district.

## NELSON:

The Ministers of Nelson, Waimea, Blenheim and Motueka Circuits, Messrs R. C. A. Marshall, A. F. Thomas, S. V. Everett, J. S. White, C. G. Parker, A. C. Barrington, D. H. Williams, V. H. Smart, H. R. Holland (Financial Secretary), Mesdames L. G. White, M. R. Best, M. V. Humphreys, J. Trathen. Convener, Rev. L. J. Gibson.

## WEST COAST SUB-COMMITTEE:

The Ministers of Westport, Reefton, Greymouth and Hokitika Circuits, Messrs N. Leadley, B. Williams, F. Lindbom, P. Wilkins, D. Tregurtha, Mrs Petherbridge and Rev. T. Steele. Convener, Rev. A. A. Grundy.

## NORTH CANTERBURY:

The ordained Ministers in active work in the District, and Messrs J. Pryor, J. H. Yarr, G. E. Hill, H. Falkingham, N. G. Hillary, C. M. R. Manhire, D. A. White, B. A. Caygill, J. E. Horrell, E. Ridgen, P. A. Le Brun, A. C. Bowis, F. Bartley, N. P. Alcorn, E. J. Legge, W. F. Ashe, H. G. Smith, C. C. Ayers, J. Sinclair, H. Hayman, and Dr. J. Fergusson, Mrs. N. G. Dalley and Miss P. T. Yearbury, the District Presidents of the Women's Guild Fellowship, Women's Missionary Union, Local Preachers' Association, and the Men's Fellowship.

## SOUTH CANTERBURY:

All Ministers and Probationers in the District, Messrs K. Fowke, T. Wakelin, G. T. Lill, O. Neutze, R. Cone, F. Prestidge, E. Walker, M. A. Bull, W. Simmons, M. E. Hayman, L. R. Hill, District Financial Secretary, District Property Secretary.

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Revs. A. J. Johnston, R. S. Andrews, E. B. Chambers, D. B. Gordon, W. Green, A. J. Handyside, E. Heppelthwaite, D. L. Kitchingman, W. J. Morrison, R. E. Patchett, I. C. E. Ramage, W. J. Reddough, J. H. Thompson, Mesdames E. R. Patton, E. R. Smith, Miss C. H. Kane, Messrs J. Angell, E. W. Ashby, C. Chirnside, H. M. Clarke, A. J. Ganderton, L. A. Hayward, S. S. Holden, I. A. Skene, A. L. Stanton, H. C. Vince, Drs. A. W. Hodgson, N. R. Jefferson, L. R. Robinson.

## SOUTHLAND SUB-COMMITTEE:

Ministers and Probationers, Mrs S. S. Craw, Messrs E. A. Humphries, L. H. Allott, Geo. Nicol, W. G. Coventry, E. McCulloch, 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, 1962

The Committee submits its annual report and its recommendations on the various matters referred to it by the Conference.

### 1.—NEW CONSTITUTIONS FOR THE OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The most important work of the Committee this year has been in connection with the final drafting of the constitutions for the Overseas Missions Department and the Department of Christian Education. Each constitution has been approved by this Committee and the Department concerned. These constitutions are being submitted through the Departments.

If adopted by the Conference it will be necessary to repeal part 2 paragraph 503 (Law Book page 101) relating to the Youth Department and the existing part 3 paragraph 504 (Law Book page 106) relating to the Overseas Missions Department.

If the constitutions are approved it will be necessary for the Committee during the coming year to ascertain if any consequential amendments are required to other provisions in the Laws and Regulations of the Church. It will submit any necessary amendments to next Conference.

**Resolution:** That the Report be received and adopted.

### 2.—SYNOD AND CONFERENCE REPRESENTATION (1961 Minutes, page 209.)

The following has been referred to the Committee for its consideration:—

“That the Lay Secretary and Financial Secretary of the Synod Standing Committee be representatives to Synod and Conference.”

#### Conference Representation:

Each District Synod has a Minister as Synod Secretary. As a Minister he is a “ministerial representative” and is available to assist the Chairman at Conference. In view of the new provision as to personnel of Standing Committees it is most unlikely that the Synod Secretary would not be a member of a Synod Standing Committee. In the opinion of this Committee each Synod Standing Committee is adequately represented at Conference by the Chairman and the Synod Secretary and therefore there is no necessity

for a lay Secretary of the Synod Standing Committee to be a representative to Conference.

With regard to the "Financial Secretary of the Synod Standing Committee" the Committee presumes this must refer to the District Financial Secretary who can now be a layman. It is known that some Standing Committees have a lay Treasurer handling funds raised within the District for use in the District. The funds involved would not justify a claim for representation at Conference level.

With the Connexional Budget in operation, District Financial Secretaries with their intimate knowledge of District finance could be of assistance to the Connexional Budget Committee. As this is a Conference Committee of Detail its members must all be members of the appropriate Conference.

In 1959 Conference adopted a report of this Committee in regard to a proposal that Deaconesses and Home Missionaries be representatives to Conference. In this report it was stated that under the Church procedure in compiling the roll of Conference it is impossible to increase the numerical representatives of any groups of lay representatives without disfranchising other lay representatives. To provide for the appointment of up to ten District Financial Secretaries would of necessity disfranchise other lay representatives.

There will be adequate District representatives when financial matters are under discussion. At the Connexional Budget Committee meeting there will be present the chairman of the District and at least one layman from the District. Of course, all circuits will be represented in the Conference sessions when financial matters are under review.

Further it is becoming more and more apparent that serious consideration will have to be given to reduce the size of Conference. Already discussions have taken place on this problem.

Therefore the Committee has no recommendation to make on the representation of Lay Secretaries of Synod Standing Committee and District Financial Secretaries at Conference.

#### **Synod:**

The Synod Standing Committee is one of several committees concerned with District affairs. If the lay Secretary of one such Committee were given a seat in the Representative Session, similar seats would have to be granted to the lay secretaries of such other committees. Synod can always request and permit the Secretary of such Committee to report to the Synod.

Now that a layman can be appointed a District Financial Secretary it does seem proper that he should be ex officio a member of the District Synod. The District Secretary of Church Property, the District Secretary of Overseas Mission, the District Secretary for Home Missions, if laymen are members of Synod. Therefore the Committee recommends that the District Financial Secretary if a layman be a member of the Representative Session of the Synod.

There is no doubt that the Standing Committee will have other adequate representation at Synod.

#### **Resolution:**

Law Book page 61 add to Section 323 the following:—

(9) The District Financial Secretary, if a layman.

**3.—ORDER OF DEACONESSES**  
**(B) Candidates for Deaconess Work**  
**(1961 Minutes, page 175.)**

The Committee has been instructed to draft resolutions giving effect to resolutions passed at the 1961 Conference relating to Candidates for Deaconess work. It now recommends as follows:—

That Section (b) entitled Candidates for Deaconess work including sub-sections 12 to 17 inclusive be hereby repealed and the following substituted therefore:—

**(b) Candidates for Deaconess Work**

(12) A Candidate shall be a baptised member of the Church, of proved ability, and character, and of mature outlook. School Certificate or equivalent shall be regarded as the normal academic qualification. It is desirable that a Candidate should possess a teacher's or nurse's certificate. A Candidate is normally required to offer herself for the general work, but a preference for a particular sphere may be expressed.

(13) At the March Quarterly Meeting, upon the nomination of the Circuit Stewards and the Minister, a Committee shall be set up to interview the prospective Candidate, consider her application and report thereon to the June Quarterly Meeting. This Committee shall ascertain her acquaintance with and belief in the doctrines of the Church, and her approval of its discipline, and shall assure itself of her acceptability and general fitness for the work.

(14) At the June Quarterly Meeting, the Committee shall report on the prospective Candidate, who shall present herself to the Meeting. The prescribed questionnaire having been previously completed and signed by Superintendent Minister shall be presented and read. If in his judgment these preparatory tests have been satisfactorily met, the Superintendent Minister may then nominate the Candidate, and the vote on such nomination shall be taken by ballot.

(15) If the nomination be sustained by the Quarterly Meeting, the Superintendent Minister shall forward the same to the Chairman of the District, who shall present it to a Representative Committee of Synod.

(16) A Candidate approved by the Quarterly Meeting shall present to the Synod through the Superintendent Minister a Medical Certificate on the prescribed form.

(17) On the nomination of the Chairman of the District, the Synod at its opening session shall appoint a Committee of not fewer than ten members, to interview the Candidate, and to satisfy itself as to her general fitness for the work of a Deaconess. The Committee shall report through the Synod to the Deaconess Board.

(17a) Each Candidate shall sit the prescribed examination arranged for by the Board of Examiners.

(17b) If the Deaconess Board is satisfied as to the suitability of the Candidate, it shall nominate her to the Conference through the Examination Committee to Conference.

**Resolution:** That the Report be received and adopted.

**4.—INVITATION TO MINISTERS**  
**(1961 Minutes, Page 73)**

The Committee has drafted the amendments required to give effect to the Resolutions passed last Conference in regard to Invitations to Ministers and recommends as follows:—

That sections 126 to 129 inclusive be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

126. 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.

126A. No question concerning the pastoral tie shall be raised by either the Minister or by the Quarterly Meeting until the Minister has completed three years in his appointment.

126B. A Minister seeking a change of appointment shall notify the Circuit Stewards and the Chairman of the District to that effect at least twenty-eight days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting.

126C. If the Circuit Stewards intend to raise the question of a change of appointment they shall notify the Minister and the Chairman of the District to that effect at least twenty-eight days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting.

126D. If the Circuit Stewards do not take any action as provided in the previous section then any five members of the Quarterly Meeting may give written notice to the Circuit Stewards of their intention to move that consideration be given to a change of appointment. Such notice shall be given at least twenty-one days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting to the Circuit Stewards. Upon the receipt of same the Circuit Stewards shall thereupon notify the Minister and the Chairman of the District.

126E. Seven days previous notice in writing shall be given of any June Quarterly Meeting at which the matter of the change of appointment is to be considered, such notice shall state the business to be discussed at the meeting.

126F. If a Superintendent Minister is involved the Chairman of the District or his nominee shall preside at the Quarterly Meeting where a change of appointment is being discussed.

126G. The voting shall be by secret ballot. In the case of an appointment for a fifth or sixth year a bare majority only is required, thereafter a two-thirds majority is necessary.

127. A Quarterly Meeting having decided to seek a change of appointment may stand adjourned or may arrange for a Special Quarterly Meeting for that purpose to be held not later than the 15th September in each year.

127A. Where a Probationer or a Home Missionary continues in an appointment after reception into Full Connexion his term on his appointment shall be deemed to have commenced as from the date of the original appointment.

127B. The Chairman of the District shall not later than the 31st July in each year forward the names of all Ministers not remaining in circuits in his District to the Secretary of Conference who shall thereupon communicate with all District Chairmen thereon.

128. Circuit Stewards shall forward particulars of all Invitations to Ministers to the District Chairman who shall notify the Secretary of Conference thereof before the 30th September in each year.

129. No circuit shall engage any agent without the sanction of the Conference or during the interval between Conference without the consent of the President of the Conference acting in consultation with the Home Mission Board.

**Resolution:** That the Report be received and adopted.

## 5.—PERSONNEL OF SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEES (1961 Minutes, Page 76)

The Committee has drafted the necessary alterations to give effect to the resolution in regard to the personnel of the Synod Standing Committees and recommends as follows:—

1. That Sections 351 and 352 Law Book page 68 be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

351. Each Synod shall appoint a Standing Committee consisting of not more Ministers than Laymen. The Standing Committee shall submit an annual report to its District Synod.

352A. The Chairman of the District shall be ex officio Chairman of the Committee.

352B. The Vice President of the Conference shall be ex officio an additional member in his District.

352C. Each Committee shall determine its own quorum.

2. That Section 354a is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor.

354a. Where a District is subdivided into one or more areas pursuant to Section 318 the District Synod shall appoint an area sub-committee consisting of an equal number of Ministers and Laymen.

3. That Section 354b is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

354b. The area sub-committee shall within its area carry out the duties of the Synod Standing Committee and shall submit an annual report and any recommendations to the District Synod.

**Resolution:** That the Report be received and adopted.

## 6.—PAYMENT OF STIPENDS AND OTHER CLAIMS UPON THE CIRCUIT FUNDS

(1961 Minutes, Page 197. Resolutions 1 and 7).

The Committee has been directed to consider a recommendation from the Stipend Committee in regard to the payment of stipends. Section 228(b) page 41 places on Circuit Stewards the responsibility of meeting all claims upon the Circuit Funds. This of course includes the payment of Stipends. As it is proposed that any delay in payment should be reported to the District Chairman it is suggested that section 228(b) be divided.

The Committee now recommends that Section 228(b) be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

228(b) Pay all stipends and allowances to Ministers by not later than the 20th day of the month for which they are due. Inability to make such payment shall be reported immediately to the Chairman of the District.

228(bb) Pay the amounts due to Connexional Funds and all other claims upon the Circuit Funds.

**Resolution:** That the Report be received and adopted.

## 7.—NEUTRAL VOTES IN CHURCH COURTS (1961 Minutes, Page 74).

The Committee has been directed to report on the matter of neutral votes in official meetings in determining the majority vote.

It must be remembered that a vote is a formal expression of will or opinion in regard (inter alia) to passing of resolutions. It is signified by ballot, show of hands, voices or as may be previously decided.

In every day practice a voter either votes for or against the proposal under consideration.

Parliament, public and local authorities, companies, various societies and organisations in their constitution standing orders or rules of debate set out the procedure for voting.

A considerable amount of research has failed to show any provision where neutral votes are recognised, except in the cases of some religious bodies.

In the Laws and Regulations of our Church there are certain sections in which references are made to neutral votes.

Section 316 page 59 provides that "at any Official Meeting of the local Church Courts, on a request being preferred to that effect a record shall be made of the number of members voting for and against any resolution and the number of those remaining neutral."

It is noted that there must be a previous request that such a record be made.

Section 81 page 13—"in the case of a recommended candidate, the number voting for, against and neutral" at the meeting of the District Ministerial Committee "shall be reported to the Conference."

Section 86 page 14 provides that at the meeting of the Examination Committee of the Conference, "in the case of each Candidate recommended, the number voting for, against and remaining neutral shall be reported to the Conference."

The former Section 126 relating to Invitations of Ministers provided that "the number of votes for, against and neutral shall be recorded in its Minutes and reported to the Conference." This section has been repealed.

The recording of neutral votes referred to in Section 316 provides evidence for any higher court of the views of individual members of a lower court on any matter.

At times there has been some confusion as to the manner in which neutral votes shall be dealt with in deciding whether a resolution is carried or not.

For example Section 252 provides (inter alia) that a member shall not be received on Probation as a Local Preacher unless nomination is approved by a majority of the members voting thereon at such meeting. A member of the Preachers Meeting might make a request according to section 316. There are say 20 present, 9 vote for the nomination, 3 are against 8 are neutral. Is the resolution carried by 9 to 3 or is it lost by 11 to 9?

The wording of Section 252 does not make the answer clear but the practice and usage of the Church has been to add neutral votes to the number of votes against a resolution.

The Standing Orders of the Conference which apply to all lower courts provide (para. 20) that every member who is within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote unless the Conference shall for special reasons excuse him.

It must be noted that there must be special reasons given before permission not to vote is granted. There is no provision in the Standing Orders for neutral votes.

Therefore at Conference unless it has been previously decided to count neutral votes a member must either vote for or against a resolution. If he does not wish to vote or wishes to be neutral he must ask for leave to retire.



The practice and usage of the Church however is to allow neutral votes in lower courts and in pursuance of such practice and usage neutral votes are added to the number of votes against a resolution when deciding whether a resolution is carried or not.

But such practice and usage is contrary to Standing Orders of Conference.

Thus there is a conflict.

The problems connected with neutral votes have been considered by the British Conference from which our practice is undoubtedly derived.

In the Law Book of the British Conference it has been provided that where a vote requiring a certain specified majority of those present and voting is taken "neutrals" (although they may and in some cases must be recorded for information) shall be ignored.

In England therefore the position has been clarified. If a similar section were adopted in New Zealand there would be no confusion.

However, its adoption would be a change from the practice and usage of the Church in New Zealand. This is really a matter of policy and it is not the duty of this Committee to decide on matters of policy.

Therefore the Committee recommends that the Church Council be asked to consider whether neutral votes shall be ignored or not in determining the majority.

H. DE R. FLESHER, Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Church Council be asked to consider whether neutral votes shall be ignored or not in determining the majority.
3. That the Law Revision Committee be thanked for their services and re-appointed.

**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, 1962

**World Council of Churches:** Our Church was officially represented at the 3rd Assembly of the W.C.C. in New Delhi by the Rev E. C. Leadley and the Rev G. R. H. Peterson. Mr John Hayman was a Y.C.N.C.C. delegate. Significant features of the Assembly were the admission of 23 new churches—four Orthodox Churches from Eastern Europe, two Pentecostal from South America, eleven new indigenous African Churches—and the integration of

the International Missionary Council with the World Council of Churches. Equally significant is the word of judgment and challenge for the churches which came through the key addresses and the findings of the Assembly. In the paragraphs which follow we quote freely from these sources.

**The Churches are under judgment because they have become self-centred.** "Consider how much of our energy is consumed in 'drives' and 'campaigns' to consolidate the traditional patterns of congregational life, in perpetuating a local stability of organised existence so that, more often than not, local communities of Christians have become self-centred and self-contained. Conformity to the world may spell success as the world measures success, in terms of numerical expansion, material possession and social prestige. Conformity to the Lord of the Churches would mean going the way He Himself went—the way of humiliation, suffering, and apparent defeat." "Speaking of baptism, Paul says, 'We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin.' Whether we wish it or not we bear testimony through our lives, and it is terrible if our actions belie our words."

The challenge is that each church should become in fact a true church—"the living outreach of God towards the world. Thus a church without mission is an absurdity. As soon as the church is no longer mission in its entire existence it affords proofs that it has become debased into a temple or into some sort of society for religious self-culture."

**The churches are under judgment because they have allowed mission to become essentially a function of the ministry, and have presented the laity from realising their calling.** At the Assembly laymen challenged ministers in these words: "But do not forget that from the pulpit you can never fully appreciate, understand and speak to our situation. Even less can you from the pulpit really penetrate the world with Christ's word and act of redemption. This penetration of the world belongs far more to our ministry . . . It is to a great extent through our ministry that Christ manifests the cosmic dimension of his victory on the cross. And therefore you need us. You need to listen to us. And take care: you need not only to listen to your lay helpers who sometimes have become 'domesticated and pastorised' laymen: copies of yourself. You need to listen to christians who gain their livelihood in a secular vocation, and are therefore fully immersed in the structures of secular society. . . This is our first plea to you: become our partners and let us be your partners. Do not continue to play only solo instruments, but let us join into Christ's great orchestra so that **together** we may play the symphony of redemption."

**The churches are under judgment because their service is inadequate to the needs of the world.** Service has been conceived in too narrow a pattern. "What we need is not necessarily to abandon any form of christian service but to be ready to serve flexibly, going out anywhere He invites us to serve, as mobile tent-dwellers rather than as rigid keepers of buildings." "When we seek to fulfil the service of the church it is not enough to confine ourselves to professional christian social action or christian service programmes. The service of the church must be taken as a whole, namely the service of all the members of God's

people in daily life, as 'mothers, farmers, trade union leaders, journalists, politicians etc; who know Christ and his costly love for the world and follow in their daily work his way of the cross.' "We must not only express . . . action directed toward the result of social disease or injustice, but we must also develop action directed towards the cause of social disease and injustice." "The church can no longer think of service as something entirely divorced from state activity, and must be continually aware of the meaning and importance of political action, of dangers inherent in it, of the advantages that can accrue if it is properly directed."

**The churches are under judgment because they have allowed theology to become an academic activity** and have failed to promote a fruitful inter-penetration of thought and action. "Doctrines are not born out of doctrines in an unchanging vacuum. Doctrines are evoked, clarified, refined, given force and precision within the challenge of exact circumstances. The facts of history are the excitors of insight; the nature of the moment's need engenders the doctrine to serve and bless it."

**The churches are under judgment because of the disunity:** The Assembly adopted a notable statement concerning the unity we seek. "We believe that the unity which is both God's will and his gift to his Church is being made visible as all in each place who are baptised into Jesus Christ and confess him as Lord and Saviour are brought by the Holy Spirit into one fully committed fellowship, holding the one apostolic faith, preaching the one Gospel, breaking the one bread, joining in common prayer, and having a corporate life reaching out in witness and service to all and who at the same time are united with the whole Christian fellowship in all places and all ages in such wise that ministry and members are accepted by all, and that all can act and speak together as occasion requires for the tasks to which God calls his people."

It is not sufficient simply to wait for unity to come. We must actively seek it. "The disclosure of the goal is inseparable from the faithful walking in the way in which he leads us.

"There is need for an increase in opportunities of growing together as local churches; through common worship, Bible study groups, prayer cells, joint visitation, common witness in our communities. Locally as in the whole ecumenical movement we should be especially ready in Christian love to seek out and to establish fellowship with those traditions and minorities to which we are not now related. Even when we are compelled to remain separate at present in central aspects of the life of our congregations there is considerable freedom for developing areas of common worship, witness and service in homes and communities.

"Ordinary social life already brings men together into various associations—academic, professional, industrial, political, etc. Within these forms of unity there is need for a Christian unity of those who may learn from each other how to bear their witness in those settings. Ecumenical thought in the calling of the laity needs to be shared in groups of this kind and it has its own bearing on church unity, for denominational divisions are often found to be quite irrelevant on this frontier. What is the bearing of that discovery on our inherited divisions?

"Sometimes Christians will find themselves in association of this kind in situations where their witness will involve sharp conflict, and they may reach a point where they have to break

with the association. Wherever such conflicts arise, Christians are called to give their witness to a true expression of unity.

"Since much of this lay witness cuts across denominational lines, it clearly calls for united planning and execution as men and women seek in common discipline under Christ to express his Lordship over all life, drawing their local churches together in the process."

**Can we in our own situation really hear what is being said?** This is a day when many experiences of 'famine of hearing the word of the Lord', even within the churches. If we could be certain what it is that God asks of us we would obey. In this situation it is our experience that an authentic prophetic word is being spoken through the ecumenical movement as nowhere else, and that while this word judges us it also gives us great hope. Sensitive and concerned Christian people cannot afford to remain ignorant of the insights coming through the ecumenical movement. 'He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.'

A popular account of the 3rd Assembly is "Delhi 1961" by Alan A. Brash. The reports of the Assembly are contained in "New Delhi Speaks" published by the W.C.C. The key Delhi addresses (which are freely quoted above) are printed in the January 1962 issue of the "Ecumenical Review." The full New Delhi report should be available in N.Z. this year. The 3rd Assembly was also covered in "Church and Community," the magazine of the N.C.C.

We hope that Methodists will give this material the attention it demands. Where possible they should take the initiative in seeking to gather local interdenominational groups of ministers, and also of laymen, to consider the implications of the statement on the unity we seek, and other important sections of the reports. They should take any opportunities open to them of introducing to secular groups competent speakers sensitive to the ecumenical insights and aware of the implications of the faith in specific areas of 'secular' life. In short, they should use every means of letting the ecumenical judgment and challenge be heard within the Methodist church, in sister churches, and in wider spheres.

**East Asia Christian Conference:** The enlarged continuation committee of the E.A.C.C. met at Bangalore prior to the W.C.C. 3rd Assembly. Our church was represented by the Rev R. D. Rakena. Considerable attention was given to the apparently negative influence of World Confessional bodies on proposed unions of churches and on Christian co-operation in the East Asia area. As a result of this expressed concern spokesmen for the major world bodies involved have said that they would welcome a thorough examination of the charges made. A W.C.C. consultation for this purpose is likely to be held in the E.A.C.C. area early next year.

**Tenth World Methodist Conference:** This Conference was held in Oslo in August 1961, and was attended by a strong party of N.Z. Methodists, led by the Rev B. M. Chrystall (President, 1961).

The purpose of the Conference was to bring together representative Methodist ministers and laymen from all parts of the world, to deepen the spiritual leadership of the church, to seek God's purpose for it and to increase its fellowship. There were in all 1300 delegates of whom 900 came from the U.S.A. and 10 from behind the 'Iron Curtain.' The President of the Conference was the Rev Dr Harold Roberts of England. The New President is Bishop Fred Corson of Philadelphia.

The theme of the Conference was "New Life in the Spirit"—emphasizing the need of the assurance and transforming power of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church.

It would have been an advantage to have more delegates from the younger churches. A few brilliant laymen revealed the influence that can be exerted and the contribution that can be made by the laity when they are theologically well-informed.

**Methodist Relief Fund** (1961 minutes p. 210): This matter was referred back to the committee for consultation with the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee. A detailed statement from this committee is as follows:

"While recognising the desirability of having such a Fund this Committee can look on it only as a long term project. We look forward to the day when all Circuits will gladly accept their full Budget quota and pay it promptly as a matter of course, but a period of intensive education at Circuit Quarterly Meeting level is necessary before this result will be fully achieved.

"For the third Budget period July 1963-June 1964, we have Conference authority to include an item not exceeding 2½% of the Budget to form a Reserve Fund. This would mean an item of say £3500 in the third Budget under this heading and it will be interesting to see how it is received.

"It needs 5 years at 2½% to establish even a moderate Reserve Fund and until this is done, this Committee cannot sponsor the introduction of a Methodist Relief Fund to the Budget. We might do so in seven years time, say at Conference 1969, **but only after a substantial majority in all Synods have approved the principle of it becoming a Budget matter.**

"This does not mean that the matter should be shelved until 1969. The Ecumenical Committee should be asked to define in detail the objectives of the Fund and the manner of its operation, following which Conference approval should be sought to launching it on a voluntary basis, so that Circuits and individuals could be encouraged to contribute to it, on the understanding that it would be built up from Budget funds, **at some later date when Conference considered the time was opportune.**

"This Committee stresses the following points regarding such a scheme:

1. The main support of all charitable appeals must always be the generous contributions of public-spirited individuals. The existence of a Methodist Relief Fund would in no way interfere with the privilege of all Methodists to support such appeals, particularly Corso and the N.C.C. Christmas appeal. A bulk contribution from a Methodist Relief Fund to such a cause would not discharge our obligation in the matter but could only be taken as an indication to all Methodists that the cause was one which was worthy of their generous individual support.
2. In cases of a limited Methodist denominational nature the chief advantage would be the ability to give immediate help, without the formalities of organising an appeal and waiting for the response, with all the attendant delays.
3. The mere existence of such a Fund would encourage applications for relief (as witness the readiness of Circuits to seek Home Mission Grants.) The Constitution of the Fund should so be drawn as to protect it from all but quite genuine disaster appeals."

The Connexional Secretary has commented favourably on the scheme in correspondence with this (Ecumenical) committee, pointing out that its aims should be confined to relief overseas. We therefore consider that the time has come to take practical steps to set up the fund, bearing in mind the following points:

- (a) The Fund should be raised by voluntary contribution, and should not be a charge on the budget unless and until Conference decides otherwise.
- (b) The existence of this fund should not be allowed to affect the participation of our people in the Inter-Church Aid fund of the N.C.C. Our fund should be regarded as subsidiary to this.
- (c) The existence of the fund should not eliminate the place of voluntary giving to an immediately felt need. It is anticipated that in cases of major emergency the fund should make such contribution as it could, and the need be immediately brought to the notice of the whole church.

It is likely that at the beginning the fund will be on a small scale until it proves its value to our people.

**Ministerial Exchange:** (1961 minutes p. 213 res. 12). The committee has given attention to this matter. There is considerable value and advantage which comes to the whole church when its ministers gain overseas experience. It is the opinion of this committee that the church should be willing to release ministers for a period overseas, even where no exchange is effected, and even if this adds to the difficulties of the stationing committee. We do not feel that it is at present appropriate to suggest that our church commit finance to the promotion of exchanges or visits overseas; nor do we consider that any committee or official of our church should become permanently involved in the work of arranging exchanges. This is a matter for individual enterprise on the part of ministers having the resources and interest, and being in circumstances which make an overseas exchange possible. Naturally it will be useful for them to learn from the experience of those who have previously made exchanges.

It has to be emphasized that only a few exchanges are made each year by American ministers and that New Zealand has not many attractions to divert them from England and Europe. Over and above such exchanges as can be made the possibility of one-way visits should be kept in mind. In the case of exchanges with American ministers it is usual for the receiving church in America to make some contribution towards travelling expenses, but exchanges can expect to require personal financial resources before an exchange can comfortably be made.

The procedure for a person who wishes to investigate the possibility of making an exchange would be to obtain the permission of the President, or appropriate committee of Conference, and then make enquiry of the American secretary of the World Methodist Council—Dr Lee F. Tuttle, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, (or the appropriate official of the Methodist Church in another country.) The Chairman of the District should be kept informed throughout. Once an exchange has been arranged the District concerned should take steps to ensure that the visit of an overseas minister is made most profitable both for himself and for the N.Z. church.

**National Council of Churches:** It is gratifying to be able to report that the Christmas Appeal for Inter-Church Aid has for the second successive year exceeded its target by more than £10,000.

The N.C.C. with the concurrence of member churches has decided to increase the number of fraternal workers in Indonesia. A number of doctors and honours graduates is still being sought. The Rev Evan R. Lewis of our church has been appointed a fraternal worker at the Christian University in Salatiga, Mid-Java, in place of Mr Dudley Mander, who with his family will return to New Zealand this year.

An important consultation under the auspices of the East Asia Christian Conference will be held in Christchurch in late November this year. Visiting Asian Christians will lead us in consideration of the mission of our churches both at home and beyond our shores, and of the importance of the laity in the church's outreach. Steps have been taken to ensure a useful Methodist representation at this consultation.

**The Youth Committee of N.C.C.:** As a continuation of the follow-up from the last Ecumenical Youth Conference, young people throughout the country have shown a desire to give assistance to under-privileged peoples, by way of monetary gifts and by offering their services. It is regretted that opportunities to serve are exceedingly limited and the work of the recently formed Council of Overseas Service is followed with close interest because of this. Stimulating reports from young people attending the 3rd Assembly W.C.C., and the fact that the Secretary, Miss Peggy Yearbury, has been appointed a member of the East Asia Christian Conference Youth Committee, has broadened the horizons of the Youth Committee and of many Regional Youth Committees, and an increasing concern is evident for Asia and her peoples. On the local level a great variety of inter-church activities has taken place.

**The Women's Committee of N.C.C.:** There are now 16 officially appointed local Women's Committees throughout New Zealand. Women are becoming more interested in ecumenical affairs, as evidenced by increased attendances at Ecumenical Schools, Fellowship Days, and World Day of Prayer services. For the last-mentioned services 23,200 orders were distributed and from the record offering £1846 was given to support N.C.C. workers in Indonesia, and £763 was given to help the B. and F. Bible Society establish a printing press in Indonesia.

The literature committee is planning a newsletter to be sent to all Branches.

An expected visitor to New Zealand later this year is Dr Madeline Barot of the Department on the Co-operation of Men and Women in Church, Family, and Society. She expects to spend about 10 days in New Zealand.

The Secretary of the W.C.N.C.C. is to attend the E.A.C.C. Consultation on the Christian Home in Changing Society, and the Conference of East Asian Christian Women, both at Baguio City in the Philippines.

**The Maori Section of N.C.C.:** The Methodist Church was host to the Annual Meeting which was held near Hawera. The new Chairman is the Rev R. Rogers. A feature of the meeting was an inter-church rally attended by over 700 people and addressed by the Rev A. A. Brash on the New Delhi Assembly. The Section was grateful to be represented at Delhi by the Rev R. Rakena and the Rev M. Cameron.

The main interest this year has centred round Church Union, and round efforts to spread the spirit of the Section to local areas by setting up district branches. It is planned to invite a delegation

from the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union, and from the Church of England, to the next Annual meeting.

The Section is preparing to conduct joint teaching and evangelistic missions at Auckland and Motueka.

**Miscellaneous:** The Overseas Travel Fund was set up by Conference some years ago with the aim of providing a reserve of finance to support our representatives to the Assemblies of the W.C.C. and the meetings of the World Methodist Conference. With the coming into prominence of the East Asia Christian Conference, and with the number of other important overseas consultations of an ecumenical kind increasing, this committee is asking Conference to widen the range of the occasions on which this fund may be used.

It has before been intimated to Conference that the World Council of Churches finds it necessary to increase its income, the expected figure being an increase of 47%. It now appears that even higher increases are necessary to meet costs, and to increase the non-American contribution to the budget. We therefore recommend that our contribution be increased from £145 to £250.

The ecumenical committee is now contributing to our church paper a column "Ecumenical Lookout." This will enable the committee to keep the connexion informed of developments both within and beyond New Zealand.

The committee early this year sent out nearly 1000 copies of a questionnaire on ecumenical experience to Ministers and representative leaders in our churches. A reasonably good return has been received. The preliminary indication is that our church and people are very strongly influenced by ecumenical ideals. It is evident that there is a very general experience of fellowship between denominations in N.Z., in worship and other regular activities. There is, however, a minority experience of antagonism and unwillingness to co-operate in other communions. Those churches which have genuinely worked together in worthwhile service and in evangelistic activities usually report the happiest experiences. The implication is that we should try to get beyond the more elementary forms of fraternisation, and seek unity with other churches in imaginative Christian service and in mission.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

EVAN R. LEWIS, Convener.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the reports of the 3rd Assembly of the W.C.C. be commended to our people for study and action.
3. That the following grants be authorised:  
£375 to the Budget of the N.C.C.  
£250 to the W.C.C. through the N.C.C.  
£25 to the World Methodist Council.  
£15 to the Ecumenical Committee.
4. (a) That the N.C.C. Christmas Appeal be commended to the circuits over the signature of the President.  
(b) That the N.C.C. be asked to consider improved methods of publicity for the Christmas Appeal, with the particular suggestion of printed envelopes.
5. (a) That the Conference approve the use of the Overseas Travel Fund to support representatives to meetings of the East Asia Christian Conference.



- (b) That the Ecumenical Committee investigate the whole question of Methodists' representation to overseas conferences in relation to travel costs.
6. That the representatives of our church on the following committees be:  
**N.C.C.:** Rev. J. D. Grocott, Rev. R. Thornley, Rev. R. Rakena, Rev. W. S. Dawson.  
**W.C.N.C.C.:** Mrs J. R. Maddren, Mrs A. Pratt, Mrs H. Matthews, Mrs L. Haycock corresponding member.  
**Maori Section N.C.C.:** Rev. G. I. Laurenson, Rev. E. Te Tuhi, Rev. R. Rogers, Rev. H. A. Darvill.  
**Y.C.N.C.C.:** Rev. J. D. Grocott, Messrs C. H. Couch, R. J. Patchett.  
**Standing Committee:** Rev. J. D. Grocott, Mr R. J. Patchett. Mr C. H. Couch as proxy for the Director of Christian Education.  
**Council of Religious Film Society:** Council: Rev. G. I. Laurenson; A. Jolly; Miss M. Astley, Mr S. Eady. Executive: Revs. A. Jolly and G. I. Laurenson.
7. That Rev. A. K. Petch be thanked for his service to our church as a member of the N.C.C.
8. To meet special cases of need or distress overseas, in which the Methodist Church has a particular denominational responsibility, Conference authorises the Connexional Secretary to receive contributions to the **METHODIST RELIEF FUND**, which shall make grants at the discretion of the Ecumenical Committee, with the approval of the President of the Methodist Conference.
9. That the Committee in co-operation with Overseas Mission Department be asked to publish news items concerning Fraternal Workers; and that the names of such workers be published in the Prayer Manual.
10. That thanks be expressed to the Rev. Evan Lewis as retiring Convener of the Ecumenical Committee and that fraternal greetings be conveyed to Mr and Mrs Lewis as they take up their N.C.C. appointment in Indonesia, assuring them of our continued interest and support.
11. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: That Conference approve that the week of Prayer for Christian Unity be observed between Ascension Day and Whitsunday.
12. That the Committee for 1963 be as printed on page 6 herein.

**QUESTION LXIII.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Other Questions?**

## 1—Faith and Order Committee

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### Order for Holy Communion:

At the request of the Connexional Secretary the proofs of this Order, which is being reprinted, were edited. A number of editorial corrections and changes were made, the most important of these being:—

(1) In the Nicene Creed the word "holy" to be inserted before "catholic," the sentence thus reading:—"And I believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church".

(2) In the Prayer for the Whole Estate of Christ's Church:—

(a) Para. 1, lines 4 and 5, the words "to accept our alms and oblations" to be placed in brackets.

(b) Para 4, line 4, the word "especially. . ." be inserted after "adversity".

(3) The order of the rubrics after the General Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness be changed as follows:—

**Rubric:** Then shall the Minister say:

"Hear what comfortable words. . ."

**Rubric:** Here shall the people stand.

"Come unto me. . ."

(4) In the Prayer of Consecration the words "who made there by His one oblation . . . until His coming again" (lines 4-7) be placed in square brackets.

#### **Order for the Baptism of Infants:**

The proofs of this Order were edited and are now in the hands of the Connexional Secretary for printing.

#### **Printing Orders of Service:**

A number of matters under this heading were referred to the Connexional Secretary for consideration with a view to obtaining the best result when the revised Orders of Service are being printed, and eventually the new Book of Offices.

#### **Provision of the Sacraments in the New Guinea Highlands:**

This matter was dealt with in terms of Res. 12, p. 142, 1961 Mins. A sub-committee conferred with the Rev C. J. Keightley, and a report was subsequently submitted to this committee and the Overseas Mission Board. The matter will be fully reported upon by the latter.

#### **Methodist View of Episcopacy:**

The Statement (1961 Mins., p. 214) was referred to March Ministerial Committees for study, and their findings have been given due consideration. It is recommended that the following amendments be made:—

(a) In para. 2 scripture references be inserted after the sentence, "In the New Testament 'episcopos' and 'presbuteros' are equivalents," namely Acts 20: 17, 28, and Titus 1: 5, 7.

(b) In para. 5, line 2, the word "story" be amended to read "record".

(c) In para 6, line 1, "Spirit of God" be amended to read "Holy Spirit".

#### **Insignia for Vice-President:**

Inquiries re the design of the British emblem have been pursued. The British authorities have been most helpful. The designing of an emblem suitable for use in this country is now in the hands of the Secretary of the Conference.

#### **Booklet on Baptism:**

After consultation with the Rev. W. T. Blight and the Board of Publications the booklet was revised by the Rev J. Silvester and is now in process of being printed.

#### **Ordained Ministers Without Pastoral Charge:**

Res. 7, p. 216, Mins. 1961.

This matter has been considered, and the committee submits the following statement:—

Ordination is related to full time service in the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments.

Such a ministry should also be related to the pastorate, or to some appointment where the status of the ministry is desirable for the fulfilment of a service to the church or in the name of the church.

Every minister seeking permission to serve outside the church while maintaining ministerial status, must seek permission of Conference annually for this status to be continued.

A minister who thus has Conference permission to accept such outside appointment, while continuing to hold his full ministerial status, retains all his privileges which include:—

Full membership, of right, in District Synod, District Ministerial Committee and Annual Conference.

This membership involves certain legislative functions such as—

Full right to share in the examination, training, discipline and appointment of Candidates for the Ministry, students, Probationers and Ministers. Also of Deaconesses and Home Missionaries.

Full voice and voting rights in Synod and Conference in the moulding and deciding of Church Policy, legislation for the conditions under which the Ministry of the Word and the Sacraments will be exercised, and the programme of the church year by year.

If a Minister is serving under an outside organisation and Conference has ruled that his service comes within the category that can be approved by the Conference as a true ministry of the Word and Sacraments, then he retains as of right all the privileges that go with such recognition.

However, the onus should be on the minister when making his application, to produce evidence that his work is of such a character and to satisfy the Conference annually that this is being sustained.

In most cases where the Conference is not able to be persuaded that the application does fulfill the requirements of the full ministry of the Word and the Sacraments, the minister should either resign from the ministry (as in para. 123 (1) (2) (3)) or be treated as a minister without Pastoral charge who has "entered into business." (Para 119).

It now becomes necessary, however, to look at one category which might be considered a special case. It is dangerous to legislate for special cases, but the developments of modern Society and the new relationships of Church and State are creating situations where avenues of service other than chaplaincies open to ministers, in which they are not in a true ministry of the Word and Sacraments, and are in no sense in a pastoral situation, but the exercise of their functions is greatly assisted by a recognition that they were appointed because they were ministers. It may be contended that there is a case for such men being permitted to remain on the list of ministers of the church with certain strong and definite limitation in their rights and privileges within the Connexion.

The onus again would be on the man to apply for such recognition and to satisfy the Conference that his case warranted such special recognition.

He would continue to be subject to the discipline of the church—including the usual inquiries as to character and doctrine, but he should relinquish his seat of right in District Synod and Conference, unless appointed as a lay representative of some circuit or Department. His name would appear in the printed minutes of Conference.

His case would be considered under a new question in Synod agenda.

Question (7) (b) Does Synod recommend that any minister be permitted to serve with other organisations during the year

with limited rights in the use of his ministerial status.

And in the Conference Agenda

Question 18 (c) What Ministers or Probationers have permission to serve with other organisations during the year with limited rights in the use of their ministerial status.

The implication and outworking of this would be that while his ordained status remains, most of his rights and privileges granted by "reception into full connexion" would be in suspense. The way would always stand open to his return to full connexion. A new form of paragraph 120 would be required to cover such a case.

#### **Ordination Service:**

Mins. 1961, p. 76, section V.

This matter was considered and a number of recommendations forwarded to the Church Council.

#### **Outstanding Business:**

##### **(a) Status of Home Missionaries and Deaconesses:**

The committee has received a memorandum from the Rev. C. O. Hailwood, but has not yet been able to give attention to this matter.

##### **(b) Guild of Christian Service:**

A draft constitution first prepared by the Revs. Dr D. O. Williams and A. E. Orr, and later amended by the M.S.S.A., is in hand but has yet to be dealt with.

##### **(c) Handbook on Doctrine and Polity:**

This has now been completed.

##### **(d) Order for the Induction of a Deaconess:**

No work has been done on this, but it is the intention of the committee to pursue this as soon as the Order for the Induction of a Minister is completed.

The committee seeks permission to continue with these assignments.

#### **Order for the Service of Confirmation:**

This Order was referred to March Ministerial Committees (Res. 2, p. 216, Mins. 1961), and the findings of these committees given careful consideration.

A fresh draft of this Order is now submitted. The Committee emphasises that in studying it the following points be understood:—

(a) This Order is primarily an Order for the Service of Confirmation, and is to be read as such.

(b) The baptism of believers may be included in this Service by means of the necessary alterations and references to the Order for the Baptism of Believers as indicated in the body of the Order.

This committee is now of the opinion that there is no profit to be gained from further consideration of this Order. Its view is that the Order should now be printed, put to the test in the practice of the Church and reviewed after being given a reasonable trial. The Committee recommends accordingly.

### **THE 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 its 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 baptised. Only those persons who have been baptised may be confirmed. Persons who have not been baptised may be received into membership during a service of Confirmation as provided in this Office.

7. When the Sacrament of Baptism is included in this service the appropriate changes in wording shall be made by the Minister at the points indicated by an asterisk.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### HYMN

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

#### DECLARATION OF PURPOSE OF SERVICE

We are met, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, to confirm 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

**Minister:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, after His Resurrection, gave commandment that His disciples should be baptised into the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. He also, after His Ascension and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, united in His Church the multitude of believers so that they, being one Body in Him, should agree in one hope of their calling, confessing one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all.

**People:** Unto Him that loveth us, and loosed us from our sins by His blood; and made us to be a kingdom, to be priests unto His God and Father; to Him be the glory and the dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

**Minister:** Within the Christian Church—One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic—the Methodist Church holds and cherishes a true place, having been raised up by God to spread Scriptural Holiness throughout the world. We therefore gather here to confess the Lordship of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to acknowledge the Divine Revelation recorded in Holy Scripture as the supreme rule of faith and practice, to rejoice in the inheritance of the Apostolic Faith, to seek for the constant renewal of the Holy Spirit, and to take our part in making disciples of all the nations.

**Minister:** Let us pray.

**Minister:** We give thanks unto Thee, O God, for Thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for His Life and Teaching; for His Cross and Passion; for His Resurrection and Ascension, and for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Thanks be unto Thee, O God.

**Minister:** We praise Thee for the saints and martyrs of every age; for all who have kept the faith; for our fathers in the Gospel, into whose labours we have entered, and for Thy Church on earth in which we have our place and privilege.

**People:** Thanks be unto Thee, O God.

**Minister:** We praise Thee for the forgiveness of sins, through the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, for the ministry of Thy Holy Word and Sacraments, and for every means of Grace whereby our souls are nourished, and our bodies made temples of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Thanks be unto Thee, O God.

**Minister:** May it please Thee, O Lord, to implant in us the mind which was in Christ Jesus, that He, ruling within His Church, may cast out all self-will and self-seeking.

**People:** We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

**Minister:** We humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, that all Thy people calling here upon Thy Holy Name, may ever be conscious of Thy presence, and worship Thee in the beauty of holiness.

**People:** We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

**Minister:** May it please Thee to enrich with the gifts of Thy Spirit all who have been dedicated to Thee in this place, that they may cleave to Thee and to Thy Holy Church.

**People:** We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

**Minister:** O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably upon Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual providence, carry out the work of man's salvation; and let the whole world feel and see that those things which are cast down are being raised up, and those things which are grown old are being made new, and that all things are returning to perfection through Him from whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Minister and People:** Our Father, which art in heaven . . . .

SCRIPTURE LESSONS—Old and New Testament.

COMMON CONFESSION OF FAITH.

**Rubric:** Here, all standing, the Minister and People shall say either the Apostles' Creed,

I believe in God the Father Almighty. . . .

**Rubric:** Or this Scriptural Confession of Faith.

**Minister:** There is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we unto Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and we through Him.

**People:** Our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.

**Minister:** And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only-begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth.

**People:** Therefore it behoved Him in all things to be made like unto His brethren.

**Minister:** Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; and He was buried, and was raised on the third day, according to the Scriptures.

**People:** In whom we have our redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of our sins, according to the riches of His grace.

**Minister:** Ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** The Spirit Himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are children of God.

**Minister:** There is one body, and one Spirit; one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.

**People:** In one Spirit we were all baptised into one Body.

**Minister:** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy begat us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**People:** Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN

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PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

**Rubric:** The candidates shall then stand, their names shall be announced, and they shall be presented to the presiding Minister by some person 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.

We understand it is your desire to fulfil your membership within the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and that you are prepared to accept the responsibilities and duties involved therein.

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 this world, He loves them to the end.

QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

**Rubric:** The Minister shall then ask the following questions of the candidates, who shall make the appropriate responses:

1. Q.: Do you now confess the Christian Faith in which you have been duly instructed?

A. I do so confess.

2. Q.: Do you now declare your personal acceptance of Jesus Christ as your Saviour and Lord?

A.: I do.

3. Q.: Do you now desire to be received into Full Communion in the Holy Catholic Church?

A.: That is my desire.

4. Q.: Since you now present yourselves for reception into Full Communion within the Methodist Church of New Zealand, do you consent to the discipline of the Methodist Church?

A.: I do so consent.

5. Q.: Do you now engage yourselves to take up your cross, and to continue through good report and ill to be Christ's faithful soldier and servant to your lives' end?

A.: I do so pledge myself to Him.

6. 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 yourselves and your possessions?

A.: I will endeavour so to do, God being my helper.

#### QUESTION TO CONGREGATION AND RESPONSE

##### Rubric:

Then shall the Minister say to the Congregation:—

Q.: Dearly Beloved who are of the Household of Faith, through the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, and who are in Christ's Name to receive these persons into Full Communion 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 versicals 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 be 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.

[At this point there may be included the Sacrament of Baptism according to the Order for the Baptism of Believers. Such Baptism shall include:—

DECLARATION—"We are now to baptise . . . ."

COLLECT—"Almighty God, who hast ordained . . . ."

EXHORTATION—"Dearly Beloved . . . ."

SCRIPTURE—Selected passages.

PRAYER—"We beseech Thee . . . ."

##### BAPTISM.

The baptised shall remain kneeling, and they shall be received into Full Communion together with the confirmands by the laying-on of hands and the words, "We receive you by Baptism into Full Communion . . . ." and the prayer, "Defend, O Lord, this thy servant. . . ."

##### Act of Confirmation:

**Rubric:** Here the Confirmands shall kneel, and the presiding Minister and the Chairman of the District (or his deputy) shall lay their hands upon the head of each candidate in turn, the presiding Minister saying:—

N., in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, 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

##### **Rubric:**

Here the Minister shall offer one or more of the following prayers:—

Almighty and everliving God, who, according to the promise of Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, hast ordained Thy Church to be the temple of the Holy Spirit; mercifully hear our prayers for these Thy children, upon whom we have laid our hands. Let Thy fatherly hand, we beseech Thee, be over them; let Thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of Thy Word, that they may serve Thee all their days and be with Thee for ever; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who with Thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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.

O Almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of Thy laws, and in the works of Thy commandments; that, through Thy most mighty protection both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

##### **Rubric:**

The Confirmands shall then rise, and, if desired, a representative of the local congregation shall address them in the following words, and extend to each the right hand of fellowship:—

We, the members of this congregation, joyfully welcome you as partners in the common life of the ..... Methodist Church. We pledge to you our friendship and our prayers, that you may grow in the knowledge and love of God and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and extend to you the right hand of fellowship. God grant that we may all serve Him here on earth in the unity of the Spirit, and come to the perfect fellowship of the saints above.

##### **HYMN**

#### HOLY COMMUNION

The Collect for Purity.

Then from the Prayer for Humble Access.

##### **HYMN**

#### BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, and dominion, and power, both now and ever. Amen.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

Go forth into the world in peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

**ORDER FOR THE BAPTISM OF BELIEVERS:**

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE OF SERVICE

We are met, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, to baptise N, who declares that he seeks this sacrament in penitence and in faith.

COLLECT

"Almighty God, who hast ordained the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. . . ." (as in Order for Baptism of Infants).

LORD'S PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL AFFIRMATION OF FAITH IN THE CHURCH

As in Order for Confirmation.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Dearly Beloved, forasmuch as our Lord Jesus Christ gave commandment to His Church to make disciples of all the nations, baptising them into the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; and forasmuch as this person here present, not having been baptised in infancy, seeks now, in the presence of this congregation, to be admitted into Full Communion in Christ's Church, through the ordinance which He hath appointed for that end; let us, in obedience to His command, hear for our instruction and encouragement in this service the teaching of His holy word.

Matt. 28: 18-20; Acts 2: 38, 39, 42; Acts 22: 12-16; Rom. 6: 3, 4; Coloss. 2: 12; Jn. 3: 1-7.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed.

HYMN

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ADDRESS TO CANDIDATE

As in Order for Confirmation, with adjustments.

QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATE

As in Order for Confirmation, with adjustments.

QUESTION TO CONGREGATION

As in Order for Confirmation.

VERSICLES

As in Order for Confirmation.

PRAYER

We beseech Thee, O Lord, that it may please Thee to receive, and to sanctify with Thy Spirit, this Thy servant now to be baptised according to Thy Word; that he may obtain the fulness of Thy grace, and ever remain in the number of Thy faithful children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BAPTISM

N, I baptise you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

We receive you by Baptism into Full Communion into the Church of Jesus Christ, and trust that you will be Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto your life's end.

Defend, O Lord, this Thy servant. . . . (as in Order for Confirmation).

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PRAYER FOR CANDIDATE**

As in Order for Confirmation.

**RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP**

As in Order for Confirmation.

**HYMN**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Collect for Purity.

From the Prayer of Humble Access.

**HYMN**

**BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

As in Order for Confirmation.

**THE LAYING-ON OF HANDS:**

Although there was general acceptance of the laying-on of hands as adopted in the Orders for Confirmation and Believer's Baptism, some March Ministerial Committees expressed a desire for a clarification of the meaning of this rite within our own Church. The committee agrees that there is a need for such clarification, and therefore asks leave to make a study of the laying-on of hands with a view to the preparation of a definitive statement.

**ORDER FOR THE INDUCTION OF A MINISTER:**

**Rubrics:**

(1) The Superintendent of a Circuit shall preside at an Induction Service when a colleague is being inducted.

(2) When the Minister to be inducted is the Superintendent of the Circuit the Chairman of the District, or his deputy, shall preside. In all other cases the Superintendent shall preside.

**The Call to Worship:**

Christ loved the Church, and gave himself for it; that He might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

The God of our Lord Jesus Christ hath put all things under His feet, and gave him to be Head over all things to the Church, which is His body, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all.

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.

Unto God be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

**Prayer of Invocation:**

Almighty God, who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone, and who hast saved us and called us with an holy calling, according to Thine own purpose and grace: grant us, we beseech Thee, the help of Thy Holy Spirit, and so cleanse our hearts and strengthen our faith, that we may yield ourselves afresh to Thine obedience and glorify Thy holy name: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn:**

71 We come unto our Fathers' God.

77 What Shall I do my God to Love.

Te Deum.

### **Declaration of Purpose of Service:**

Then shall the presiding Minister say:—

We are met together to induct the Rev A.B., who has been appointed by the Conference of the Methodist Church of N.Z. to minister in this circuit.

Let us, therefore, at this time renew our common covenant with our Lord Jesus Christ who is the Head of the Church, and accept afresh the mutual responsibilities which lie between Minister and people.

### **Thanksgiving and Intercession for the Church:**

We give Thee thanks, O God, that Thou hast called us into the fellowship of Thy Church, which is the Body of Christ, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all.

THANKS BE TO THEE, O GOD.

For the presence of Thy Spirit within the Church, awakening desire, bestowing the gift of vision, ruling in love, strengthening Thy people and guiding their feet into the way of peace,

THANKS BE TO THEE, O GOD.

For the ministry of Thy Word and Sacraments; for the continuity through all generations of the life of faith and the experience of Thy redeeming grace; for the communion of saints and for the hope of life everlasting,

THANKS BE TO THEE, O GOD.

Let us pray:—

We humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, that Thy Church may ever serve Thee in joyfulness of spirit, preaching the gospel to those in bondage to sin, proclaiming forgiveness to the penitent and setting forth the truth that makes men free.

WE BESEECH THEE TO HEAR US, GOOD LORD.

That it may please Thee to remove far from Thy Church all unworthy ambition and pride of place, all narrowness of mind and lack of charity,

WE BESEECH THEE TO HEAR US, GOOD LORD.

That Thy Church may bear witness before the world to Thy hatred of injustice, Thy wrath and indignation against oppression, Thy zeal for righteousness and truth,

WE BESEECH THEE TO HEAR US, GOOD LORD.

That within Thy Church universal Thy people may have charity towards all, with all patience and insight to honour all those who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

WE BESEECH THEE TO HEAR US, GOOD LORD.

Let us pray for the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace within the Church of Christ.

### **SILENT PRAYER**

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace, we beseech Thee for Thy Church universal which is set at this time amid the perplexities of a changing order, and is face to face with new perils and new tasks. Endue it with the wisdom from above, which is first pure, then peaceable, without partiality or hypocrisy. What is amiss in it forgive and amend; and especially grant to us, Thy servants, grace to lay to heart the grave hindrances of its broken fellowship. Take away all that may hinder us from godly union and concord; so that, as there is one body and one Spirit, and one Father of us all, we may henceforth be all of one heart, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, through Jesus Christ our Lord, AMEN.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER.**

**Hymns:** 779—Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire. 703—City of God, how broad and far. 706—Glorious things of thee are spoken. 727—Jesus, with Thy Church abide.

**Scripture Lessons:** Old and New Testament, Matt. 28: 18-20; 2 Tim. 4: 1-8; Eph. 4: 1-16; John 10: 1-5; 1 Peter 5: 1-4; 1 Cor. 3: 11-15.

**The Charge:** The occasional sermon to be delivered by a person appointed by the Chairman of the District.

**Hymn:** 386—O Thou, who camest from above. 783—Shall I, for fear of feeble man. 791—Jesus, Thy wandering sheep behold.

**Induction:** The Minister being inducted will now come forward with the two circuit stewards or their deputies, one of whom shall address the presiding Minister:—

We present to you the Rev. A.B. who has been appointed by the Conference as a Minister in (Superintendent of) this circuit.

The presiding Minister shall then say:—

We rejoice that God has called you to the Ministry in His Church; that He has equipped you for this high calling, and given you the power of His Holy Spirit to fulfill your vocation. We believe that God has guided our Church in appointing you to this circuit.

As you assume the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, and take up the pastoral office among this congregation at the direction of the Conference, we would inquire of you in the Name of God and of His Church:

Do you believe in your heart that you are truly called of God to take this Ministry and to the pastoral oversight of the congregation(s) under your care?

I DO.

Having been appointed by the Conference as Superintendent of this circuit, will you exercise oversight of its affairs in all diligence, wisdom and love?

I WILL, GOD BEING MY HELPER.

Will you endeavour to be faithful to your high calling in Christ Jesus; to preach the Word of God with diligence (to administer the Sacraments as required) (X), to care for the flock of Christ, to fulfil the duties of a Methodist Minister?

I WILL, GOD BEING MY HELPER.

Will you strive earnestly to be careful for your own devotional life, to read your Bible and pursue such studies as will assist you in the greater understanding thereof?

I WILL EARNESTLY TRY TO DO SO, BY GOD'S GRACE.

(X) These words to be omitted in the case of a probationer unless he is authorised to administer the Sacraments.

The Minister who is being inducted shall kneel at this point and the congregation being called to prayer, the presiding Minister shall say:—

Almighty God who hath given you the will to do all these things, now grant you also strength and power to perform the same to the end that He may accomplish the good work which He hath begun in you.

I charge you, therefore, before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom; Preach the Word, be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. Watch in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of your ministry.

The Lord bless you and keep you: the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you: the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. AMEN.

The inducted Minister rising, the congregation shall also rise to their feet and the presiding Minister shall address them thus:—

As you re-dedicate yourselves to the service of God, do you pledge loyalty to the Church by faithful and regular attendance at Divine Worship, and by participation in the Sacrament of Holy Communion and other means of grace?

**WE DO, GOD BEING OUR HELPER.**

Do you as members of the Church of Christ, welcome this our brother in Christian love as Minister (and Superintendent) in this Circuit? Do you promise him during the time of his service here, your sincere fellowship, your loyalty and your constant prayers?

**WE DO, GOD BEING OUR HELPER.**

**PRAYER:** Let us pray:—

Almighty God, who hast called Thy servants to make their vows together before Thee: mercifully enable them so to keep the same that they may remain steadfast in faith and be fruitful in every good work, to the glory of Thy Name, through Jesus Christ. AMEN.

The congregation being seated, the presiding Minister shall offer this prayer, after a period of silence:—

**Let us pray for the Methodist Church.**

O Loving and Eternal God, who, in Thy divine purpose hast called into being the People called Methodists, we praise Thy Holy Name for those who have been saved through the ministry and witness of our beloved Church. Make known to us Thy pardon for all weakness, compromise, and lack of vision, which have hindered the work of Thy Spirit in us and through us. AMEN.

**Let us pray for the President of the Conference and all leaders within the Church.**

O Lord, endue with wisdom and power those who take counsel in the affairs of our Church, and carry heavy burdens of spiritual responsibility. Especially do we pray for the President of the Conference, that in health of body, mind, and spirit, and in the love of Thy people he may declare Thy holy will to councils and congregations. AMEN.

**Let us pray for this District, its Chairman, and all the Circuits and Churches within its boundaries.**

O Thou who art ever in the midst of Thy faithful people, we pray for this District and its Chairman, for this Circuit, for the Churches to which we severally belong, and for those who care for our societies. Be pleased, O Lord, to prosper Thy work here, that sinners may be brought to repentance and Thy whole family worship and serve Thee in that unity which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

**And now, as he dedicates himself to his ministry here, let us pray for Brother .....**

Bless, O Lord, we beseech Thee, Thy servant, whom Thou hast called to the Ministry within this Circuit (and to the superintendence of its affairs). Pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon him that he may fulfil his sacred duties with all faithfulness, diligence, and courage. Give to him the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind,

Make his ministry to be the means of awakening the careless, strengthening the faithful, comforting the afflicted, building up Thy Church, and converting sinners unto Thee. Guard him against the snares of temptation, that he may be kept pure in heart, fervent in spirit, and valiant against evil. And grant that at the last he may receive the crown of life which Thou has promised to Thy faithful servants.

Bless abundantly the people of his charge; edify them by his ministry, establish them in all holy living and godliness, join them together in love, lead them into the manifold service of Christ, and keep them by Thy power through faith unto salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The newly inducted Minister may now speak briefly to the congregation, announce the final hymn and at its close give the Blessing.

**Hymn: 784**—What shall we offer our good Lord? 715—For the might of Thine arm we bless Thee. 382—Let Him to whom we now belong. 388—My Saviour! how shall I proclaim.

**Blessing:** The peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. AMEN.

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

J. SILVESTER, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. **Ordained Ministers Without Pastoral Charge:—**  
That the Report be referred back to the Faith and Order Committee for clarification.
3. **Status of Home Misisonaries and Deaconesses:—**  
That Conference appoint a Committee to investigate the question of the Ministry of Women, considering in particular:
  - (a) The nature of the Ministry of Women.
  - (b) The Ordination of Women.
  - (c) Implications for training.

Representatives to come from the Deaconess Board, the Deaconess Order, the Overseas Missions Board, the Home and Maori Missions Board, the Faith and Order Committee, the Board of Studies, the Women's Missionary Union, the Women's Guild Fellowship and the Department of Christian Education, and report to Synods and Conference of 1963.

Committee on the Ministry of Women: The Faith and Order Committee together with the following Auckland members: Sisters Rita Snowden, Grace Clement, Effie Harkness, Misses Mary Astley, K. Leask, Lena Hendra, Mrs S. T. Carter. Corresponding Members: President and Secretary of the M.W.M.U., President and Secretary of the Women's Guild Fellowship. Revs. H. C. Matthews, G. V. Thomas, W. A. Chambers, W. T. Blight. Mesdames A. E. Richards, R. Dudley, D. Noble, Miss Lorna Hodder. Convener: Rev. J. Silvester.

4. That the Order for Confirmation be adopted and printed, and that it be regarded as experimental and provisional and reviewed after five years.
5. That the Order for the Baptism of Believers be adopted and printed.

6. That the Committee be granted leave to prepare a definitive statement on the Laying-on of Hands.
7. **Order for Induction of Ministers:**  
That the matter be referred to the March Ministerial Synods for study and report back to the Faith and Order Committee.
8. That a grant of £10 be made to the Faith and Order Committee from the Contingent Fund.
9. (a) That a Certificate for Confirmation be printed.  
(b) That the form of Baptismal Certificates be reviewed by the Faith and Order Committee.  
(c) With a view to providing a modern set of standards for our people the Faith and Order Committee in conjunction with the Law Revision Committee revise Section 11 of the Law Book "General Rules for the Guidance of Members."
10. That in the Order for Holy Communion the Commandments of the Lord Jesus (with responses M.H. Book 76—passages of Scripture) be inserted after the Beatitudes as were originally passed by Conference (See Minutes 1956, page 205).
11. That the Church Council prepare a statement defining the duties of Chairmen with particular reference to their Spiritual, Pastoral and Administrative duties.
12. That the Committee be as printed on page 6 herein.

#### QUESTION LXIII.

## 2—Radio and Television Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1962

#### Sunday Evening Broadcasts:

Conference 1961 reaffirmed that Sunday evening broadcasts should be directed primarily to those listeners who are not familiar with the worship and terminology of the church and that it be the responsibility of the Methodist Supervisor to co-ordinate such services.

The committee has been concerned with the best way in which this may be put into effect, and we make the following submissions:

1. We consider the best way this aim could be realised is through the common enterprise of the four regional committees in consultation with the supervisor, rather than any dictation from above, and that Conference must make it possible for the conveners of regional committees to meet with the supervisor once a year.
2. We consider that if the evening services are to be directed primarily to those listeners who are unfamiliar with the worship and terminology of the church, we must be prepared to make alterations in conventional programming which may be less acceptable to those who make up the present listening group, i.e., those who are familiar with the worship and terminology of the church. Also a process of education must go on in local areas, away from the idea of adding more churches into the link to using those churches already wired to bring the best that Methodism can produce. We must be willing to go beyond conventional services, be prepared to experiment and make mistakes. It is easier to produce a conventional programme and satisfy a limited listening group than to catch the attention of a wider audience consistently.



So far this year the Supervisor has been able to visit the Auckland committee and he hopes to be able to meet the Christchurch committee later in the year.

#### **X Station Broadcast**

As indicated in the C.R.A.C. Report for 1961, a 20 minute religious broadcast at a strategic Sunday hour has been played over the X stations and the Convener is pursuing the policy with Methodist broadcasts of having them originate from some of the provincial cities. So far Palmerston North, Wanganui and Hamilton have been featured.

#### **Television:**

Our Methodist contribution to Television has so far been of a good standard and we would encourage those who may feel that the medium is not for them, but who could furnish scripts to do so. Recommendation 6 — 1961. The Committee ask leave to continue this work for report next year.

Regional Radio Committees should know that the Broadcasting Corporation hold tapes of Religious Plays, etc., in Wellington and titles are available through local Stations.

#### **C.R.A.C.**

#### **Children's Sunday Services:**

In an endeavour to improve the standard of Children's Sunday Services, the C.R.A.C. has given consideration to this section of religious broadcasting. The adopted report has declared Sunday Children's services give the Church the opportunity:

- a. To create and stimulate interest in religion.
- b. To increase the listener's knowledge and appreciation of the Christian faith and the Christian way of life.
- c. To reach out beyond the limits of Sunday School and Church membership to those at present without benefit of clergy.

The Children's services are directed chiefly at the age group of 10-13 years.

Suggested practical steps are:

- a. L.R.A.C.'s are asked to supply information of special listener-appeal broadcasts, and organise listening groups and other methods of evaluation.
- b. Member Churches and societies are encouraged to submit scripts and ideas for use in the children's sessions.

#### **National Church Services:**

The C.R.A.C. has resolved to continue the quarterly National Linked Church Services for 1963.

#### **Consultation on Sound Broadcasting:**

Under the auspices of the National Council of Churches and planned by the N.C.C. Commission on Television, a Consultation on Sound Broadcasting will be held in Wellington on July 26th. The chief purpose will be to discuss possible changes in control and administration whereby the churches may make more effective use of sound broadcasting. Our representatives will be, Revs. C. O. Hailwood, L. Greenslade and I. W. Reid.

#### **N.C.C. Commission on Television:**

From humble beginnings, with one 10 minute programme a week in one centre, the work of the N.C.C. Commission has grown until now there are eight regularly scheduled features a week (two in each of four centres) and additional programmes as occasion warrants.

The co-operative efforts of the Churches in television have made possible the best use of the resources available and have resulted in a united witness to the truths of the Gospel. Programmes are presented, not in the names of the denominations concerned, but in the name of the National Council of Churches. At the same time, a degree of balance is aimed at, so that all Churches in all centres have some proportionate opportunity of speaking for the Christian faith. It is of interest to note that out of 104 programmes produced in New Zealand, Methodists have appeared in 21.

All forms of religious programme have been included so far as these are possible within the limitations of studio presentation. So far there has been no possibility of live transmission from Churches.

Effective workshop training schools have been held in various centres, and each Church is urged to be alert to the emergence of those able to use the medium effectively. The Church has, in television, an unprecedented opportunity of speaking the Word of Christ to people who, otherwise would be deaf to His voice, in a manner uncluttered by traditional approach. An eager, imaginative and inventive mind will prepare new highways for our God.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Contingent Fund make a grant of £30 to the Radio and Television Committee.
3. (a) That a grant of £400 be made from the Contingent Fund to the Budget of the N.C.C. Commission on Television.  
(b) That an additional amount of £133 be made from the Contingent Fund to the Budget of the N.C.C. Commission on T.V. in view of the extension of their services to the Church.
4. That the Methodist representatives on the N.C.C. Commission on Television be Rev. R. Thornley and Rev. I. Reid.
5. The Methodist representative on the C.R.A.C. be the Rev. I. Reid.
6. That the Supervisor meet once a year with the four regional committees to discuss the Sound and Television Broadcasting and to further the churches' aims in Sunday evening broadcasts.
7. That the C.R.A.C. be requested to ask the Director of Broadcasting to remove the ban on mentioning the Radio Hymn Book over the air.
8. That Conference ask the C.R.A.C. to seek the approval of the Churches in the adoption and use of the New Zealand Radio Hymn Book, and informs them that the Methodist Church approves of the Radio Hymn Book as produced by the Reed Trust as suitable for use as the N.Z. Radio Hymn Book.
9. That the Committee be as printed on page 8 herein.

## QUESTION LXIII.

### 3—Report on Consultation on “The Ministry of the Church in Industrial Areas.”

(Ref. Minutes of Conference 1961, Page 97, Res. 8 a and b.)

As directed by Conference, the Home Mission Department organised the consultation from July 31st to August 2nd, 1962, inclusive. The members of the Consultation were invited on the nomination of the Chairmen of the Districts.

The invited members went into residence at Tyndale House, Cashmere Hills, Christchurch, and during the days and evenings they were joined by several of the Christchurch ministers and lay folk.

The consultation followed the following pattern: Visiting consultants from many aspects of industry were invited to the consultation for specific sessions. They were mostly non-Methodist, and they were asked to be perfectly frank in their comments, and they were assured that their names and those of their firms or Unions would not be identified, if any of their comments or observations were used in later quotation.

The phases of industry represented were:

Manager of a large engineering organisation.

Factory Manager of a food producing concern.

Training director of a large group of apprentices.

A speaker acquainted intimately with the Trade Union movement.

A retired Trade Union workers' representative who is still in close association with the Trades Hall.

A representative of management, with special reference to the problems of young executives.

Prior to calling in any of the consultants, the members surveyed the general field that it was intended to cover. To be sure that thought would be stimulated to cover all branches of industry in New Zealand, the members first listed the various aspects of industry operating in this country. They sought to classify in particular any that had distinctive problems or aspects that would possibly be peculiar to our country.

From this survey we listed the following:—

#### 1. Primary Industries:

##### (a) Agricultural and Pastoral—

**Dairy Factories** with large concentrations in some consolidated centres, **Freezing Works, Tanneries, Fertilizer Works, Meat Products, Canning and Frozen Foods, Fruit Growing and Packing, Wool** (shearing and related industries), **Fishing and Processing.**

##### (b) Timber Industry.

##### (c) Mining.

##### (d) The Limestone Industry with cement and fertilizer groupings.

#### 2. Secondary Industries:

##### (a) The total building industry.

##### (b) Clothing and allied trades.

##### (c) Food processing in all phases.

##### (d) Radio construction and T.V.

### 3. Transport and Related Trades:

Railways; Motor construction and maintenance; Shipping, Coastal and overseas; Waterside work.

### 4. Major Industrial Projects:

Private—Aluminium, Steel, Paper, etc.; Ministry of Works; Department of Electricity, etc.

### 5. Industrial Technicians:

D.S.I.R.; Radio and T.V. Technical, N.Z.B.C.; Hospital research and technicians.

### 6. Wholesale and Retail:

Large warehouse groupings for networks.

These again cover the various groupings of skilled labour, unskilled labour, and management with clerical staffs.

In New Zealand unskilled labour includes a certain section of those who missed opportunities of training in skilled occupations during the depression years. It also includes a section of drifters of different races who have gravitated into that class. It also includes to-day a large group of semi skilled and unskilled Maori folk who are in that type of employment because of their racial preference for group activity.

Some factors characteristic of New Zealand Industry that were noted for purposes of evaluation were:—

(1) The full-employment and labour shortage situation.

(2) Relative independence of New Zealand outlook.

(3) Large numbers of small units of industry and small businesses.

(4) Compulsory Trade unionism.

(5) Government mediation in Industry.

(6) The population graph with a large potential labour force now on the verge of seeking employment.

(7) Government mediation in control of Banking and Capital provision.

A short time was also spent in seeking to define in advance some impressions of the total picture, but these were, of course, greatly modified as the consultation proceeded.

When the visiting consultants arrived singly by appointment, the following procedure was followed:

Each speaker was given a set time to outline his own viewpoint either from a prepared theme, or from leading questions set by a member of the consultation who was appointed Question Master. After this preliminary statement, the Question Master sought to obtain from the speaker his suggestions as to ways in which the church might be able to assist in industry. The subject was then thrown open for questions from any member of the consultation. To close that session the visiting speaker summed up with a final assessment of the discussion.

Each such session covered up to one and a half hours.

When the six visitors had shared in these sessions, the consultation spent a period in private meditation and prayer.

The rest of the time was spent in discussing the whole theme under the following specific headings:—

(1) The relevance of the Faith to the Industrial situation in New Zealand.

(2) The place and function of the Church

(a) The layman and his task

(b) the minister.

—as leader, inspirer and instructor in the faith for the working church in the community,

—or as Full-time Industrial Chaplain,

—or as Part-time or visiting Chaplain.

(3) The Church and its Premises and their use in Industrial Evangelism.

(4) The place of counselling services.

(5) The possibility of holding Schools of Industrial Evangelism or consultations.

(6) The subjects to be considered in such gatherings.

Whether they should be Denominational or interdenominational.

(7) The preparation of youth to face the tensions of the Industrial situation.

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From all this the following conclusions emerged:

#### (1) AS TO THE RELEVANCE OF THE FAITH

It is evident that to a large section both of management and Labour, the Church as such is quite irrelevant, and is subject to a great deal of heavy criticism.

While it has been known for many years that a great gulf has grown between the organised Church and the working man, it was sobering and disturbing to the consultation to find that this also applies to management to a very large degree.

The aims of management and labour are frankly the obtaining of the highest possible material return for the smallest possible output of their capital, which in the case of the working man is his labour.

It is only where there are Christian men in management or labour that this lies as a burden on their hearts, in the light of the Christian Philosophy of life.

When assessing the impact of the faith on industry, it was noted, as was to be expected, that where men who are known to be churchmen in either class fail to maintain standards of integrity or are considered to be pious humbugs, they cause untold damage to the name of the Church. It was conceded on the other hand that men of sincere Christian faith, backed up by integrity and human sensitiveness, are a wholesome influence in industrial relationships.

It is noticeable that where there are Christian men in places of responsibility there is a greater chance of enlightened management, with practical concern for the provision of improved working conditions. Similarly among the employees in the industry, there is a field of helpful ministry to workmates from sincere sensitive Christian men and women.

The Church itself came under heavy criticism for much of its own failure to be true stewards of its resources: Our tendency to have valuable capital tied up in buildings and equipment standing idle for a great part of the week, church buildings locked on week days, many people never approached in the pastoral situation, a tendency to seek exemption from awards, poor employership in many cases by the church, and a tendency to resist the legitimate aims of organised labour. These were a few of the points on which the consultation itself received some searching comments.

In a measure of contrition for this, the consultation, however, turned to a consideration of the basic question and we were led to

reaffirm that we all—church and industry—stand under judgment—we are part of a created universe, and our material objectives are under judgment. Man is to be obedient, responsible and answerable to God. Hence the Church as the Trustees of this message with its word of reconciliation in Christ, has to fulfil a ministry to industry as its conscience. We are convinced that the Faith is relevant at this point, and only as the Church through its members permeates the whole of life will there be true co-operation and responsible stewardship in industry at all levels.

It was recognised that the church could never completely identify itself with any one order of Society or economic structure, and after the best has been done of infiltration of Industry and Society, the church as a church would still have to be in some degree standing outside looking in, in the name of God calling all to a full responsible obedience to Him. We cannot just "go along" with industry.

## (2) AS TO THE PLACE OF THE CHURCH

It is recognised that the church thus has a responsible ministry—and the church has constantly to be recalled to its central task of Mission. In this, the laity have a decisive part to play.

From both management and Trade Union representatives there was reiterated the plea that the church should be urging Christian men and women not only to pay their dues in Trade Unions but to attend union meetings and take their place in the leadership and administration of such unions. Also that more Christian employers and managers should take an active part in Employers' Federations and similar organisations.

We were constantly reminded of the need to rethink the very purpose of the Church. Worship is not an end in itself. Rather within the church men and women gather to give glory to God in worship and to gain the inspiration and spiritual equipment to go out and "be the Church" wherever they serve. The end of Christian worship and service is to bring men and women face to face with Jesus Christ that they may receive His healing power, and relate this healing power to the purposes and tensions of industrial life so that they may come to regard their daily work as an offering to Christ.

We were impressed by the aims and the eight point plan of the Industrial Christian Fellowship working in Christchurch and Wellington, and we commend its work to our lay folk as one pattern of group activity in the work places of the country. They have a wholesome emphasis on Christian values, quality of personal service and work, the value of human personality, integrity in character and behaviour, proper relationships in employment, and enlightened management based on integrity and responsibility.

They declare the Lordship of Christ over every sphere of human life.

There is a great opportunity for lay evangelism through a lay pastorate of compassion, care and witness as a personal service to our Lord within their offering to Him of their daily work.

So for the laymen there is the privilege of joining the congregation in worship and learning the substance of the Faith, and then of joining the laity scattered through the world of industry and commerce—the church at its task in obedience, mission, responsibility and accountability.

Because the objectives and values of the pagan world and of the Christian Faith are so radically at variance with each other, it will

be inevitable that fearless Christian witness will prompt resistance and even persecution and rejection, but the task of the Christian laity is to continue humbly and in sensitive helpfulness, a ministry of reconciliation.

### (3) AS TO THE PLACE OF THE MINISTER

(a) In the total service of the Church, the minister holds a key position. He is the representative focus of the church in a place and sometimes the spokesman on certain issues. On the Godward side he is the servant of God as His prophet. On the Churchward side he in his ministry is to relate and co-ordinate the total ministry of the Church. In fellowship with his people he will learn the specific practical problems being confronted by them. He will learn from them as well as minister to them, sharing with them in a ministry of concern and witness and service to the community. His major task is to lead, teach, inspire and encourage the working church in the community. The church gatherings will be the focus of the ministry of empowerment and refreshment. His pastoral task of care of the unchurched community, and the flabby uncommitted edge of his congregation must be shared by the laity in their full working out of their Christian Stewardship.

(b) As to special industrial Chaplaincies. In occasional situations in New Zealand such as temporary large-scale projects, away from any ordinary pastoral appointments, there may be need for isolated full-time industrial chaplaincies, but our view is that such should if possible be on an ecumenical basis, financed directly by the participating churches. We agree with the British Methodist Church that it is not desirable to accept financial gifts towards the work from within the specific industries, because of the dangers of control, and the suspicions that would be raised in the minds of the employers and the employees. The employed chaplain has many disadvantages and tensions, and while he might create a pastorate in such a situation, he begins in isolation from the pastoral situation.

It is our view that any special opening for a continued ministry to any unit of industry should preferably rise from a pastoral situation.

We found through the consultation that the idea of a chaplain having an office in a factory for interviews does not find favour with management or labour. However, both groups felt the desirability of being able to call in a minister in certain matters of a personal nature. We feel that to fulfil such a ministry would be a great privilege.

It is the duty and the right of a minister to visit the places where his people work. Such visits should be sought by legitimate means, and ministers should become acquainted with the code of ethics expected of visitors in factories. From such simple pastoral visits there could develop trust and understanding, that could lead to more regular visits and meetings with the staff. However, these should never be made without an invitation from both management and Trade council.

Here is a place where laymen can seek openings for their ministers. There is a great problem to be broken down, and that is the stereotype caricature that many working men have of the minister. Some ministers have been to blame for that, but it is the faithful work of countless good men of God that has created another opening, and that is to the heart of a man or woman in trouble.

It is in the realm of relationships and personal problems that a place for the minister is recognised. It must not be just an extension

of the personnel officer's work, taking over the dirty work just in the interests of production and efficiency. It must be a ministry in its own right.

It is for the minister to offer to be on call when needed, and then to wait to be invited.

If it is a minister's intention to seek special entry to any industry on a regular basis, it is desirable that this be on an ecumenical basis or at least after consultation with other churches.

The function of a visiting minister in factories would vary according to circumstances but it would be primarily

- (1) to strengthen laymen in their witness
- (2) to provide counselling service where relevant
- (3) to communicate to all in industry, Christian Faith and the concern of the church.

#### (5) AS TO THE CHURCH PREMISES IN AN INDUSTRIAL SITUATION

We feel that there is scope for some special study of this question in local situations. The readiness of church officials to consider ways of co-operating with groups and societies and clubs, in the use of premises and facilities, should be one means of assisting to bridge the gulf between the church and industry.

This will grow however, from the pastoral situation and the confidence created by minister and laity. We must give more thought to the Stewardship of our buildings.

#### (6) AS TO COUNSELLING SERVICES

It is the duty of the Church to counsel both management and labour on the judgment of Christ on ideals, values, etc. Within this is the duty of counsel in personal problems.

If we are called in for this, it should usually be an "off-premises" ministry that should be offered. In reporting on such interviews we should not give anything but our final findings. We may be called in because we are dealing with something that affects efficiency—but we cannot evade the responsibility of involving the Gospel. Some problems may be those of relationships but these may rise from personal, moral or domestic roots. Broken homes and relationships are not life. Our ministry, shared by laity, is to the whole of life. Our own Salvation is not an end in itself, but part of the total plan of God's Salvation of his creation.

#### (7) AS TO THE PREPARATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE TO FACE THE TENSIONS OF INDUSTRY

Concern was felt at the fact that many youth from within the Church Fellowship crumple when they run into the stresses and tensions in the modern industrial world.

How to prepare our youth to meet this difficult stage, was considered for a considerable time. It was felt that while this is a responsibility of the whole church, it would be helpful if the Department of Christian Education could make this a special matter of research.

Basically, it is a matter of moral values and personal discipline. These rise from a true spirit of obedience and responsibility.

It is normal for young people to test authority and to try their wings. Some such testing is wholesome and desirable. Some is disastrous as it is definite rebellion against basic standards with a definite determination to turn away to a superficial selfish existence.



It tests the quality of the content of our teaching and training while we have them. It was felt to be desirable that young people should be led to a personal commitment to Christ as Lord and Master, according to the understanding of the meaning of such loyalty, before they launch out into the relatively uncharted seas ahead of them.

It is possible to alert young folk to possible situations, and to urge them to relate the faith to such situation.

There is need to present a positive challenge to adventure in conflict, to loyalty to Christ and Home and Church, to worthy behaviour as growing adults.

Mature Christian adults who are respected by youth, might be asked to speak to groups of young people and give them the benefit of their experience.

Accommodation is often a problem for young folk commencing employment away from home—this raises the question of suitable hostels, but above all, of the provision of Christian home life offered by Christian families in their homes.

Many girls face special problems as they start out from home, under the pressure of fashion and conformity. It calls for an alert Christian Church, and for sensitive Christian adults working near such young folk.

We see a special opportunity resting with the skilled journeyman who has the oversight of a young person during his or her apprenticeship or cadetship.

#### (8) AS TO FURTHER CONSULTATIONS

We feel that the next step is to see that in every Synod District and Sub-District Standing Committee steps should be taken to arrange local consultations on the lines of this pilot consultation, with special regard to the types of industry in the local District. We believe that such local consultations could be organised over a week-end calling in as consultants the best equipped personnel from all phases of the industry.

We feel that no further national consultations of this nature should be held until this local series has been thoroughly carried out.

While some Synod or Sub-District Standing Committees may not be able to do this conveniently owing to problems of geography, it is recommended that in such cases the task be delegated to groups of Circuits.

From all this survey a number of general points emerged such as:—

The need of planning new Church Buildings with an eye to the functions they are to serve in any local situation.

The possibility of having consultations dealing with specialised groups of industries.

The extension of the consultation system to study of problems in the rural situation, various professions, etc., as well as comprehensive groups.

The holding of an annual gathering in each District to consider the reports on the work of the church in any District, with special reference to the industries located there.

The church entering into exhibitions, etc., with displays relevant to the Industrial situation—such as support of handicapped people, etc.

The church offering to act in capacity of referee in cases of special terms of employment of handicapped people.

The Question of the Social Creed of the Church.

In closing we must remember that when all this has been said, nothing has been done. To the work!

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the report be referred to Synod Standing Committees for reference in the planning of similar Consultations on a District basis where applicable.

#### QUESTION LVIII.

### 4—Commission on Otago Methodism

(Ref., Minutes of Conference, 1961, P 149, No. 16).

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and be included with the findings in the Conference Journal.
2. That the Commission be thanked for its services and the Home Mission Dept. be requested to give further consideration to the wider implications of the basic factors referred to in the report of the Commission and the statement of the Synod and report to next Synods and Conference.

#### QUESTION LXIII (5)

### The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship

At the Joint Conference of the M.W.M.U. and Women's Guild Fellowship, held in Dunedin, October 8-11, the following resolution was passed:

"That the Constitution as now drafted be adopted and referred to the forthcoming Church Conference for approval in principle and that it be referred to the Law Revision Committee for final drafting and presentation to next synods and Church Conference for adoption."

"That the new Constitution be implemented as soon as possible after the 1963 Church Conference."

E. HANSEN, Sec., Women's Guild Fellowship.

E. M. GERRY, Sec., M.W.M.U.

#### PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

##### I. Name

There shall be a Methodist Women's Fellowship, responsible for encouraging the development of all activities in the life of the Church. It shall operate under the authority of the Fellowship Conference.

##### II. Aims and Objects

- (a) To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
To demonstrate His love in all areas of life.  
To declare its oneness with Christians everywhere.  
To grow in Christian faith and responsibility.
- (b) To promote by worship, study and service, the spiritual and social welfare of its members to enable them to give a

Christian witness in home, Church, Community, National life and International relationships.

- (c) To support the local Church in its programme and to co-operate in the total objectives of the Methodist Church of New Zealand with particular reference to:—

Evangelism.  
Home and Overseas Missions.  
Christian Education.  
Social Service and Public Questions.  
Pastoral Care.  
Stewardship.  
Ecumenical Affairs.

And such other matters as may come within the range of the work of the Church.

### III. Membership

Membership is open to all women who recognise the "Aims and Objects" of the Fellowship. There shall be an Annual membership fee.

### IV. Organisation

#### (a) National.

1. There shall be an Annual Conference of the Fellowship at which the following Officers shall be elected, such officers to be elected for a period of 3 years:—  
President.  
Vice-President or Vice-Presidents (2).  
Secretary.  
Treasurer.  
8 Executive members.  
Plus such other Officers as may be necessary.
2. The Annual Conference of the Fellowship shall be comprised of members of the N.Z. Executive, the President of each District Council, the Secretary and Treasurer of each District Council, and one representative for every 200 members, or part thereof, in each District, elected from the local fellowship in rotation. If the District Officers are unable to attend, substitutes may be appointed.
3. The Annual Conference of the Fellowship shall determine the general policy of the Fellowship in relation to the mission of the whole Church and encourage the development of the work through District and Circuit or Church Fellowships.
4. The Annual Conference of the Fellowship shall:—
  - (a) Elect two representatives to the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, one of whom shall be the President of the Fellowship. Substitute representatives may be appointed if the elected representatives are unable to attend.
  - (b) Elect representatives to such connexional Boards and Committees as may be required.
5. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Officers (and any additional members) elected by the Annual Fellowship Conference.  
The Executive Committee shall implement the decisions of the Annual Conference of the Fellowship and give

guidance in every phase of the work at District and local levels.

(b) **District.**

1. In each Synodal District there shall be a District Council of the Methodist Women's Fellowship. Where it is deemed desirable and by the consent of the Annual Conference, more than one District Council of the Fellowship may be formed.
2. There shall be an annual meeting in July of each District Council at which the following Officers shall be elected to hold office for a period not exceeding 3 consecutive years:—

President. Secretary.

Vice-Presidents (2). Treasurer.

Plus such other officers as may be necessary.

3. The District Council shall be comprised of the members of the District Executive Committee, the President and Secretary of each local Fellowship (or their substitutes), together with 2 representatives for the first 25 members and an additional one for each additional 25 members or part thereof.
4. The Annual Meeting shall:—
  - (a) Determine general District policy and plan for the work of the ensuing year.
  - (b) Elect representatives to District Connexional Committees as may be required.
5. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Officers (and any additional members) elected by the Annual Meeting.  
This Committee shall:—
  - (a) Implement the decisions of the Annual Fellowship Conference and/or of the District Annual Meeting.
  - (b) Plan District meetings, rallies and other activities to develop the "Aims and Objects" of the Fellowship.
6. Each District Council shall appoint representatives to the Annual Conference of the Fellowship in accordance with Clause IV (a) 2.
7. Each District Council shall have the right to make one nomination for the office of N.Z. President, such nomination to be made at the time and in the manner determined by the Conference.
8. In each Synodal District two representatives may be appointed to the Annual District Synod. In Synodal Districts where there is more than one District Council the basis of representation shall be determined by mutual arrangement.

(c) **Local.**

1. In each Circuit there shall be a Methodist Women's Fellowship provided that, in Circuits of more than one Church, one such Fellowship may be formed in each Church. Every such Fellowship is expected to support the "Aims and Objects" as set out in the Constitution. Each Fellowship may be composed of such meetings and groups as may be desirable and effective in the local circumstances.

2. In each Circuit or Church there shall be an Annual Meeting in May of the Methodist Women's Fellowship at which the following Officers shall be elected to hold office for a period not exceeding 3 consecutive years:—
  - President.
  - Vice-President or Vice-Presidents.
  - Secretary.
  - Treasurer.
  - Plus such other Officers as may be necessary.
3. The Annual Meeting shall:—
  - (a) Plan for the work of the ensuing year.
  - (b) Appoint representatives to the Leaders' Meeting and Circuit Quarterly Meeting. Representatives shall be the President or her substitute, together with one representative for every 25 members or part thereof.
4. There shall be an executive committee consisting of the Officers (and any additional members elected by the Annual Meeting. This Committee shall:—
  - (a) Implement the decisions of the Annual Meeting.
  - (b) Plan and co-ordinate the work of the Fellowship or Fellowship groups so that the "Aims and Objects" as set out in the Constitution receive due attention and emphasis.
  - (c) Encourage support for the decisions and activities of the fellowships.
5. Each local Fellowship shall appoint representatives to the District Council in accordance with Clause IV (b) 3.

#### **Officers.**

- (a) Officers at National and District level shall be members of the Methodist Church.
- (b) Officers at local level shall be members of the Methodist Church where practicable.

#### **V. Finance.**

The Methodist Women's Fellowship shall be the legal successor of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union and the New Zealand Methodist Guild Fellowship.

Recognising that major changes are taking place in the financial structure of the whole Church through the introduction of the Connexional Budget, future financial policy shall be determined in the light of these developments.

In the meantime the present commitments and projects of the uniting organisations shall be continued and adjustments made after consultation with the appropriate Boards and the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee.

All funds and assets of the uniting organisations shall be administered by the Fellowship in harmony with the purposes for which they have been raised.

The foregoing provisions shall apply to National, District and local funds and finance.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the constitution be approved in principle and that it be referred to the Law Revision Committee for final drafting and presentation to next Synods and Conference for adoption.

3. That Conference request the Law Revision Committee to examine especially clause 1. "Name" and the relationship of the Fellowship to the Church courts.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

### CHURCH ZONING:

That Conference request the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs to approach the Government at ministerial level to amend the relative clauses of the Town and Country Planning Act to provide for churches as a special case.

In support, the following facts are submitted:—

1. In the past it has always been the practice to designate Churches as "conditional" uses under District Schemes.
2. The Churches combined to object to the Auckland City Council District Scheme. The objection was allowed in part and predominant use given, but only on imposition of unduly hamstringing and costly bulk and location requirements—40 feet from side and rear boundaries and 20 feet from front boundary.
3. That in spite of this decision, new District Schemes continue with monotonous regularity to designate Churches as conditional uses.
4. That recently in the course of objections to such designation in the Mt. Roskill Borough Proposed District Scheme considerable trouble has been taken by that Council, the Regional Planning Authority at Auckland and Counsel on behalf of the Churches, in particular the Methodist and the Anglican Churches, to arrive at a happier solution.
5. That the best result that can be arrived at out of these discussions is still unsatisfactory to the Churches as it means that to have the **right** to build a Church to seat 200 people with ancillary buildings, 3 sections are required and to build a Church seating 300 with ancillary buildings (which is about the Methodist average size) at least 4 sections are required. Decisions reached in these discussions are likely to be reflected in other schemes throughout New Zealand as the Regional Planning Authority is prepared to recommend this course to other Local Authorities.
6. That as this is the best position that can be arrived at under the existing legislation the time has now come for approach to the Government at Ministerial level to provide for Churches as special cases under the Town and Country Planning Act.

### Retirement of Ministers

That the following be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board: That all Ministers retire at 70.

### Extended Debate on Major Issues

That Church Council give consideration to making an extended debate on a major issue a regular feature of Conference, using all or part of the time at present reserved for the Conversation on the Work of God.

### QUESTION LXIV.

- (a) **When Shall the District Synods be held?**

During the week ending August 31, 1963.

- (b) **When and Where Shall the Next Conference be held?**

On Wednesday, October 30th, at Wesley Church, Wellington.

ROBERT THORNLEY, President.

FRANK M. SOUSTER, Vice-President.

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Christchurch, November 8th, 1962.

# PASTORAL LETTER

## FROM THE 1962 CONFERENCE TO THE CHURCH

The Conference sends greetings, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to all within the New Zealand Methodist family, both at Home and Overseas.

Almost four hundred of us met together in historic Durham Street Church, in Christchurch. Much routine business had to be done, and we kept long hours in session, but all was done in an atmosphere of fellowship and worship.

### **The Church at Worship:**

This was the theme of the Presidential address and it emerged again and again into the life of the Conference. The Rev. P. A. Stead conducted our morning devotional sessions, each centred on the Call of Isaiah.

Our worship came to its high point as we gathered around the Lord's Table: as tribute was paid to deceased Ministers (Rev. H. L. Richards, Rev. Piripi Livingstone, Rev. Joe H. Pihama); and as the Rev. E. W. Hames preached to us on Holy Communion, the pledge and token of our Saviour's love.

### **The Ministry:**

Great encouragement came to the Conference as we received 21 men for ministerial training. Four of these are young Maoris; a number are married men, who will go through to probation; but others will proceed to Trinity College. This year's stationing of Ministers has been very difficult owing to a shortage of Ministers available, but the number of candidates gives promise for the future.

With a characteristic Methodist blend of solemn ritual and warm-hearted testimony, ten Ministers were ordained to the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments before a crowded congregation.

### **Winds of Change:**

We have been increasingly aware that the present organization of the church which has served us so well, may need to be modified with changing emphases and changing needs. Conference set up a small but expert committee of the Church Council to review "the structure of the Methodist Church in respect to the Connexional Departments, administration, Connexional Funds, function of Chairmen of the District, and the machinery for Church extension." More will be heard of this.

### **"Now Brethren, Concerning the Collection":**

Conference agreed this year to "peg the budget"—that is, not to ask for a larger sum for the Connexional Budget (which supports Home, Overseas and Maori Missions, Christian Education Dept., Church Extension, and a host of other Connexional needs). We are setting our target (as last year) at the sum of £136,000.

Conference stressed two factors:

- (1) That this is the irreducible minimum on which we can sustain our work in these fields, and thus every circuit must reach its target—indeed we hope that some may be able to "go the second mile" and over-subscribe.
- (2) In a day of steeply rising costs and inflation, the budget cannot remain pegged indefinitely if our work is to be maintained, let alone expanded. Yet we render thanks to God that

this altogether worthier way of financing the Church's needs is evidently becoming established. There can be no going back.

#### **Connexional Appointments:**

The efficiency of the great departments of the church depends upon the quality of the men whom we appoint to lead them. It so happens that four of our departments and institutions are to undergo a change of leadership within two years:

**Trinity College:** The Rev. E. W. Hames has come to the age of retirement. Some three-quarters of the men in the Ministry to-day have been trained under him. Warmly affectionate and appreciative tributes were paid to the retiring Principal at a complimentary luncheon, and during a formal session of Conference. His successor is the Rev. Dr. D. O. Williams, who has been Resident Tutor at Trinity College for 17 years. Conference gave him evidence of wholehearted confidence and support as he takes up his vital task.

**Connexional Office:** The Rev. H. L. Fiebig, who has been Connexional Secretary in charge of Property, Superannuation and legal affairs of the Church for 18 years, is to retire at the end of 1963. Conference unanimously designated the Rev. W. R. Laws, of Morrinsville, to succeed him in Christchurch in 1964.

**Home and Maori Mission Department:** The long and valued service of the Rev. G. I. Laurenson to the Department is to come to an end in 1963 as he takes a Circuit appointment. No one knows the cost to his health nor the full story of the sacrifices made so willingly during his 25 years of arduous service.

It is clear that in the critical years we are entering, no inexperienced minister, however gifted, can be appointed to this strategic post. Conference reluctantly but unanimously agreed to designate the Rev. B. M. Chrystall to succeed Mr Laurenson. In his years as Assistant Superintendent, Mr Chrystall so clearly showed all the qualities needed. His appointment is to be for three years.

**Overseas Missions:** The Rev. S. G. Andrews has asked permission to return to Circuit Work in 1964. A committee is actively seeking a successor as General Secretary of the Overseas Mission Department. Mr Andrews, a true missionary Statesman, has been a great gift to the Church during his 11 years' service.

**Warden for Deaconess Order:** Though the Church is being well served by its Deaconesses in several spheres, for some years there has been concern that our Deaconess Order needs some reorganization. Next year, for instance, there will be no Deaconess trainees. Conference has decided to appoint a Minister as Warden to the Order, and the Rev. Wesley Chambers of Banks Street Church, Timaru, is designated for appointment at next Conference. At first he will be attached to a Church near Deaconess House in Christchurch.

Conference believes that under his direction the selection and training and work of Deaconesses will be greatly helped.

#### **Overseas Missions:**

Conference thrilled to learn of the "break through" in the New Guinea Highlands Mission, where last year the number of baptised members grew to 287. An ever-growing stream of candidates for baptism, and enquiries after the faith—is evidence of a real movement of the Spirit among the Highlands people.

Our hearts were stirred as we commissioned the Rev. Peter Barker for service in the Solomon Islands field. We were sad that



the Rev. and Mrs G. D. Brough have had to withdraw from the Islands on grounds of health, but glad that they are available to serve in New Zealand.

We approved the constitutional amendments, allowing a much greater area for self government in the Solomon Islands district, and we heeded the words of the Rev. George Carter, Chairman of the Solomon Islands district, that "while some might think we are moving too fast, there are others who know the Pacific area who fear that we are moving too slowly."

Conference gave approval for the Solomon Islands District to enter into closer relationship with three other Methodist districts in that area—with a view to the eventual formation of a joint Synod. We note that the Rev. George Carter has been named as the Chairman of the new Synod when it comes into being.

#### **Lively and Constructive Debate:**

Conference does not contain many "Yes men," and from time to time the orderly march of the agenda was broken by vigorous and constructive debates. Nowhere was this more evident than in the field of International Affairs and Public Questions. A full evening was set aside to debating the statement on "Preventing War and Making Peace." Some felt that the Church should repudiate all preparations for defence, and should steadfastly refuse to countenance any association with the Armed Forces. Others, equally holding that "War is contrary to the Spirit and Teaching of Jesus Christ," felt unable under the situation in which we find ourselves, to take this absolute position. However, we were able, at the end of a vigorous debate, to adopt by unanimous vote a report which states our abhorrence of war, which recognises that within the fellowship of the church there is room for honestly held differences of opinion, and which points out the many tasks of constructive and costly peace-making to which our Lord is calling His Church.

The Public Questions Report brought us face to face with the growing problem of gambling, and especially its newest manifestation, the Golden Kiwi lotteries.

Conference reaffirmed our Methodist position, that we will not accept monies which we know come from the proceeds of gambling—even though our widespread social services are constantly in need of financial help. By our refusal, we witness to our belief that gambling is wrong in principle, and evil in its personal and social effects; but we recognise also that we may be called upon to give more money ourselves to the support of our church's social service enterprises.

Conference received from the **Joint Conference of Methodist Women** a draft Constitution for the proposed N.Z. Methodist Women's Fellowship, which will embrace the present separate Women's Movements. We hope that this Constitution will be adopted at the Conference in 1963, and that the one Women's Movement will be fully launched. Already it is clear that the vision of this larger movement has captured the women of our church.

At the **Conversation on the Work of God**, we heard the challenge of ex-Vice-President Eric Humphries and Dr. Elsie Davidge that the Church in a changing age must not stand still, but must allow the Spirit of God to mould and shape her according to His will. Again and again, Conference was aware of new and urgent stirrings in the Church's life.

We commend all our Circuits and all our Methodist people to God and His sufficient Grace. The way of advance and renewal is clear. It is God Himself, revealed and given to us in Jesus Christ and available in the Holy Spirit. We call you to be faithful in worship and in the witness of daily living.

Let us be alert to see God at work in these days of change; let us in His Strength give ourselves to the urgent tasks confronting His Church. With confidence in God and glad consecration, let us renew our vows.

You are "a people claimed by God for His own, to proclaim the triumphs of Him Who has called you out of darkness into His marvellous light." And remember—"The best of all is, God is with us."

ROBERT THORNLEY, President.

FRANK M. SOUSTER, Vice-President.

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# AMENDMENTS TO LAW BOOK

ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE, 1962.

## SECTION VII—APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS— INVITATIONS

Page 20, sections 126 to 129 inclusive are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

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126A. No question concerning the pastoral tie shall be raised by either the Minister or by the Quarterly Meeting until the Minister has completed three years in his appointment.

126B. A Minister seeking a change of appointment shall notify the Circuit Stewards and the Chairman of the District to that effect at least twenty-eight days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting.

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126F. If a Superintendent Minister is involved the Chairman of the District or his nominee shall preside at the Quarterly Meeting where a change of appointment is being discussed.

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127. A Quarterly Meeting having decided to seek a change of appointment may stand adjourned or may arrange for a Special Quarterly Meeting for that purpose to be held not later than the 15th September in each year.

127A. Where a Probationer or a Home Missionary continues in an appointment after reception into Full Connexion his term on his appointment shall be deemed to have commenced as from the date of the original appointment.

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129. No circuit shall engage any agent without the sanction of the Conference or during the interval between Conference without the consent of the President of the Conference acting in consultation with the Home Mission Board.

(1962 Minutes, page 235)

## **SECTION II—CIRCUIT STEWARDS, PAYMENT OF STIPENDS, ETC.**

Page 40, section 228 (b) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

228 (b) Pay all stipends and allowances to Ministers by not later than the 20th day of the month for which they are due. Inability to make such payment shall be reported immediately to the Chairman of the District.

228 (bb) Pay the amounts due to Connexional Funds and all other claims upon the Circuit Funds.

(1962 Minutes, page 236)

## **PART V, SECTION I—DISTRICT SYNODS**

Page 61 add the following:—

Section 323 (q): The District Financial Secretary, if a layman.

(1962 Minutes, page 233)

## **SECTION II—SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEES PERSONNEL OF SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEES**

Page 68, Sections 351 and 352 are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

351. Each Synod shall appoint a Standing Committee suitable to its needs, consisting of Ministers and Laymen provided always that the number of Ministers shall not exceed the number of Laymen. The Standing Committee shall submit an annual report to its District Synod.

352A. The Chairman of the District shall be ex officio Chairman of the Committee.

352B. The Vice-President of the Conference shall be ex officio an additional member in his District.

352C. Each Committee shall determine its own quorum.

Page 68, Sections 354 (a) and (b) (1956 Minutes page 198) are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

354a. Where a District is subdivided into one or more areas pursuant to Section 318 the District Synod shall appoint an area sub-committee consisting of an equal number of Ministers and Laymen.

354b. The area sub-committee shall within its area carry out the duties of the Synod Standing Committee and shall submit an annual report and any recommendations to the District Synod.

(1962 Minutes, page 236)

## **2. DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Page 101, Section 503, including subsections (1) to (42) and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

For new constitution see supplement page 299.

(1962 Minutes, page 81)

## **3. THE OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT**

Page 106, Section 504, including subsection (1) to (42) and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

For new constitution see supplement page 303.

(1962 Minutes, page 151)

#### **4. THE HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT PAYMENT OF HOME MISSION GRANTS**

Page 115, Subsection (19) of Section 505 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(19) All grants shall be paid by the General Treasurer direct to the Circuits except in those cases where the Synod Standing Committee, in consultation with the Circuits concerned, requests that the grant for particular Circuits be paid through District accounts.

(1962 Minutes, page 164)

#### **5. ORDER OF DEACONESSES**

##### **(b) Candidates for Deaconess work**

Page 121, Section (b) including sub-sections (12) to (17) inclusive of section 506 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

##### **(b) Candidates for Deaconess Work**

(12) A Candidate shall be a baptised member of the Church, of proved ability, and character, and of mature outlook. School Certificate or equivalent shall be regarded as the normal academic qualification. It is desirable that a Candidate should possess a teacher's or nurse's certificate. A Candidate is normally required to offer herself for the general work, but a preference for a particular sphere may be expressed.

(13) At the March Quarterly Meeting, upon the nomination of the Circuit Stewards and the Minister, a Committee shall be set up to interview the prospective Candidate, consider her application and report thereon to the June Quarterly Meeting. This Committee shall ascertain her acquaintance with and belief in the doctrines of the Church, and her approval of its discipline, and shall assure itself of her acceptability and general fitness for the work.

(14) At the June Quarterly Meeting, the Committee shall report on the prospective Candidate, who shall present herself to the Meeting. The prescribed questionnaire having been previously completed and signed by Superintendent Minister shall be presented and read. If in his judgment these preparatory tests have been satisfactorily met, the Superintendent Minister may then nominate the Candidate, and the vote on such nomination shall be taken by ballot.

(15) If the nomination be sustained by the Quarterly Meeting, the Superintendent Minister shall forward the same to the Chairman of the District, who shall present it to a Representative Committee of Synod.

(16) A Candidate approved by the Quarterly Meeting shall present to the Synod through the Superintendent Minister a Medical Certificate on the prescribed form.

(17) On the nomination of the Chairman of the District, the Synod at its opening session shall appoint a Committee of not fewer than ten members, to interview the Candidate, and to satisfy itself as to her general fitness for the work of a Deaconess. The Committee shall report through the Synod to the Deaconess Board.

(17a) Each Candidate shall sit the prescribed examination arranged for by the Board of Examiners.

(17b) If the Deaconess Board is satisfied as to the suitability of the Candidate, it shall nominate her to the Conference through the Examination Committee to Conference.

(1962 Minutes, page 234)

## **10. SUPERNUMERARY FUND**

Page 138—add the following sub-section:—

(37a) A Minister who does not exercise the option of commutation may apply to the Board for permission to exercise the option of surrendering part of his own annuity in order to increase that of his wife should she survive him. In no case shall the amount surrendered be such as to make his widow's annuity greater than his own annuity. Each case shall first be reported on by the Actuary.

(1962 Minutes, Page 143)

## **16. THE CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND**

Page 153—add to sub-section 5 (b) of sub-section 517 the following:—

Plans for a new building or for alterations costing £3500 or more must be prepared by a registered architect, but in the case of parsonage plans may be prepared by a member of the Master Builders' Association as approved by the District Property Committee.

(1962 Minutes, Page 115)

## **CONNEXIONAL FUNDS AND TRUSTS**

Page 170.

### **13. RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD CONSTITUTION**

(1945 Minutes, page 129)

For amendments to constitution see 1957 Minutes, page 126, 1959 Minutes, page 133, 1962 Minutes, page 136.

# 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)

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(1962 Minutes, page 234)

## **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 (b) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

228(b) Pay all stipends and allowances to Ministers by not later than the 20th day of the month for which they are due. Inability to make such payment shall be reported immediately to the Chairman of the District.

228(bb) Pay the amounts due to Connexional Funds and all other claims upon the Circuit Funds.

(1962 Minutes, Page 236)

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 237 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).

(1952 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)

#### **Part V, Section I—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)

##### **Constitution**

Page 61 add the following:—

Section 323 (q): The District Financial Secretary, if a layman.

(1962 Minutes, page 233)

### **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)

### **Section II—Synod Standing Committees**

#### **Personnel of Synod Standing Committees**

Page 68, Sections 351 and 352 are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

351. Each Synod shall appoint a Standing Committee suitable to its needs, consisting of Ministers and Laymen, provided always that the number of Ministers shall not exceed the number of Laymen. The Standing Committee shall submit an annual report to its District Synod.

352A. The Chairman of the District shall be ex officio Chairman of the Committee.

352B. The Vice President of the Conference shall be ex officio an additional member in his District.

352C. Each Committee shall determine its own quorum.

Page 68, Sections 354 (a) and (b) (1956 Minutes, page 198) are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

354a. Where a District is subdivided into one or more areas pursuant to Section 318 the District Synod shall appoint an area sub-committee consisting of an equal number of Ministers and Laymen.

354b. The area sub-committee shall within its area carry out the duties of the Synod Standing Committee and shall submit an annual report and any recommendations to the District Synod.

(1962 Minutes, page 236)

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 after (4) Fire Insurance Fund:—

4a. Church Finance and Stewardship Committee, in the event of no Minister being appointed an officer thereof.  
(1961 Minutes, Page 207)

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?"

(1956 Minutes, page 195)

Page 75, Section 379 is hereby amended by repealing (25) to (27) inclusive and substituting the following therefor:—

25 (a) Do we sanction the amalgamation alteration or division of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station or do we originate any proposal having reference thereto?

(b) What new Districts, Circuits, or Home Mission Stations are constituted?

26 (a) Do we sanction and change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?

(b) To what Circuits are additional preachers appointed?

(c) From what Circuits are preachers to be withdrawn?

27. What new Circuits or Home Mission Stations are now constituted?

28. What Circuits are due to provide a parsonage for a married Minister?

(1961 Minutes, Page 208)

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?"

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.)

#### **2. Department of Christian Education**

Page 101, Section 503, including subsections (1) to (42) and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

503. 1. There shall be a Department of Christian Education established under the control and direction of the Conference.

2. The object of the Department shall be to guide and supervise the Christian education programme of the Church.

3. There shall be a Methodist Council of Christian Education representative of all organisations in the Church promoting Christian education. The Council shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall meet annually. It shall formulate the policy of the Church with respect to Christian education for consideration by the Conference and report thereon to the Conference. The Council shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary of Conference, President-elect, Director of Christian Education, Field Directors of Christian Education, and such representatives of Synod and other organisations engaged in Christian education as Conference may from time to time determine. The Director of Christian Education shall be Convener.

4. The Department of Christian Education shall be administered by the Board of Christian Education which shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall consist of—

(a) Chairman of the District in which the Board is located.

(b) Director of Christian Education.

(c) Field Directors.

(d) Four Ministers.

(e) Four members experienced in children's work.

(f) Four members experienced in youth work.

(g) Four members experienced in adult work.

(h) Two representatives of the National C.Y.M.M. Convention.

5. There shall be a Director of Christian Education appointed by the Conference. He shall be the chief executive and administrative officer and adviser to the Department. He shall be responsible to the Board and to Conference.

6. The officers of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, the Director of Christian Education,

and a Lay Treasurer who shall be appointed by the Board from its members.

7. Field Directors, as required for the Department's work, shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board of Christian Education.

8. In each District there shall be one or more District Education Councils which shall be appointed annually by the District Synod. Each Local Education Committee in the area shall have the right to submit nominations. The area in which each District Council shall operate shall be as determined by the District Synod. Each Council shall consist of—

- (a) The Chairman of the District or his nominee.
- (b) Three Ministers.
- (c) Three members experienced in children's work.
- (d) Three members experienced in youth work.
- (e) Three members experienced in adult work.
- (f) One representative from each Local Education Committee in the area.
- (g) District C.Y.M.M. Chairman and Secretary.

9. The Chairman of the District or his nominee shall be Chairman of the District Council. A District Education Secretary shall be appointed by the District Council from one of its members.

10. The District Education Council shall:

- (a) Promote in the District the objectives and programme of the Department of Christian Education.
- (b) Supervise and evaluate all Christian education activities—children's, youth, and adult.
- (c) Act as advisory committee of the Board of Christian Education and of the Director working in the area.
- (d) Guide and assist local Churches in all aspects of their Christian education programme.
- (e) Promote leadership training.
- (f) Arrange other district activities such as rallies, camps, and beach missions.

11. The District Education Council shall be responsible through the District Synod to the Board of Christian Education and shall report annually to the Board through the Synod.

12. There shall be a Local Education Committee in each Church in a Circuit, subject to the right of the Quarterly Meeting to group several smaller Churches under one Council.

13. The Local Education Committee shall be appointed by the Leaders' Meeting. It shall consist of:—

- (a) The Superintendent Minister and the Minister or Probationer of the local Church.
- (b) The Superintendent of the Church School.
- (c) The Leader of each Department of the Church School, such departments being as from time to time determined by the Board.
- (d) Local Christian Youth Movement Methodist Chairman and Secretary.
- (e) One representative of such other groups engaged in Christian education as the Board shall from time to time approve.
- (f) Not more than six additional representatives appointed by the Leaders' Meeting on the basis of two for the first 50 Church members and one for each additional 50 or part thereof.

Provided always that in cases where the Church School is not yet functioning the Sunday School Superintendent, the Leader of each Department of the Sunday School and two representatives appointed by and from the Leaders of the Bible Classes shall be members of the Local Education Committee..

14. The Local Education Committee shall be responsible to the Leaders' Meeting of the Local Church. The Superintendent Minister or one of his colleagues shall be the Chairman of the Committee or it may on the nomination of the Superintendent Minister annually elect from its members as Chairman a layman. One of its members shall be elected Local Education Secretary.

15. The Local Education Committee shall:

- (a) Promote and carry out in the local Church the whole programme of Christian Education according to the policy of the Department.
- (b) Recruit, appoint (subject to Section 16 hereof) and train Church School staff, including leaders of through-the-week activities.
- (c) Ensure that all members of the staff of the Church School and other leaders in the Christian education programme, where practicable, be members of the Methodist Church, but if not, that they accept and follow the Christian faith and are sympathetic with the doctrines and discipline of the Methodist Church.
- (d) Approve of lesson materials to be used in any Department of the Church School.

16. The Superintendent of the Church School or Sunday School and the Leader of each Department shall be appointed annually by the Leaders' Meeting on the nomination of the Local Education Committee.

17. Where it is impracticable to set up a Local Education Committee the Leaders' Meeting shall perform all the duties and exercise the functions of the Local Education Committee.

18. Each Church School, Sunday School, and all their respective Departments shall be conducted in distinct and avowed connection with the Methodist Church of New Zealand in accordance with its laws and regulations.

#### **CHRISTIAN YOUTH MOVEMENT METHODIST**

19. There shall be a Christian Youth Movement Methodist under the authority of the Board of Christian Education. It shall consist normally of persons between the ages of thirteen and thirty who attend any youth group of the Methodist Church. Youth Leaders over 30 years of age may become honorary members, but shall be ineligible for election as Councillors.

20. The objects of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist are:

- (a) To win youth for Jesus Christ as their Leader, Saviour, and Lord.
- (b) To bring youth into membership of the Methodist Church.
- (c) To relate Christianity to the whole life of youth—physical, mental, moral, and spiritual.
- (d) To apply Christianity to all human relationships—personal social, national and international.
- (e) To seek the unity of the world family of Christians.

21. The Officers of the Movement shall be the National President and Vice-President. A Director of the Department shall be Executive Officer and a member of the Council.

22. There shall be a National Council consisting of the President, Vice-President, ex-President, the Executive Officer, and eleven ordinary members of whom at least four shall be young women and four young men.

23. All Council members with the exception of the ex-President and the Executive Officer shall be elected at Convention, the annual meeting of the Movement. Normally the location of the Council shall change every three years.

24. The Council shall be responsible to the Board of Christian Education.

25. In each area in which a District Education Council operates there shall be one or more District Councils of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist each consisting of its chairman, secretary, three representatives of the District Education Council experienced in youth work, and up to ten other members of whom at least four shall be young men and four young women.

26. All District officers and Council members with the exception of the representatives from the District Education Council shall be elected annually by the members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist in that District or area. The election shall be held in such time and in such manner as shall be decided by the District Council.

27. The District Council shall be responsible to the District Education Council and shall act as its Youth Committee.

28. In each Church where practicable there shall be a Local Council of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist. The Quarterly Meeting may group several smaller Churches under one Local Council. Such Local Councils shall be responsible to and shall act as the Youth Committee of the Local Education Committee. It shall be representative of the Youth groups in a Church or Circuit. The Local Council may appoint a delegate to attend the District Council. Each such delegate shall have both a voice and, at the discretion of the District Council, a vote.

29. Each Local Council of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist, with the exception of the Minister and Counsellors, and its officers shall be elected annually by the members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist in the Church or Circuit. The Local Council shall consist of the Superintendent Minister and/or the the Minister of the local Church, two adult counsellors appointed from and by the Local Education Committee, the Chairman and the Secretary and up to ten other members. The Chairman, Secretary, and other elected members shall be members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist.

#### **ORDER OF ST. STEPHEN**

30. There shall be an Order of St. Stephen which shall consist of those members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist who are at least eighteen years of age and who have given a year of service to the Church without remuneration.

31. The conditions governing the acceptance of candidates, fields of service and reception into the Order shall be as determined by the Conference on the recommendation of the Board of Christian Education.

(1962 Minutes, page 81)

#### **3. The Overseas Mission Department**

Page 106, Section 504 including subsections (1) to (42) and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

504. (1) There shall be an Overseas Missions Department established under the control and direction of the Conference.

(2) The Department shall be managed by a Board called the Overseas Missions Board (hereinafter called "the Board") which shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(3) The officers of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board who, unless otherwise appointed by Conference shall be the Chairman of the Auckland District, a General Secretary who shall be appointed in pursuance of Part II Section VIII hereof and a Lay Treasurer who shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(4) 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 Christian witness, education, medical and pastoral care and economic and social welfare within such countries.

(c) To co-operate 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) To organise and promote missionary education within New Zealand in collaboration with interested Church Departments and other bodies.

(5) The funds of the Department shall be derived from the following sources:—

(a) Offertories, subscriptions and donations.

(b) Gifts and legacies.

(c) Grants from governments and public bodies.

(d) Grants from connexional funds.

(e) Income from properties and investments.

(f) Other sources as from time to time may be determined by the Conference.

(6) The Board shall comprise; the President of the Conference, the Officers of the Department, resident members, being members resident in the Auckland District, and non-resident members, being resident in other Districts.

(7) The resident members of the Board shall comprise:— (a) The Chairman of the Auckland District (if not an officer of the Department), (b) Six Ministers and six laymen, (c) The General Superintendent of the Home Mission and Church Extension Department, or in his absence the Assistant Superintendent thereof, (d) one representative of the Department of Christian Education, (e) the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if resident in Auckland District), (f) two representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union nominated by the Union Conference.

(8) The non-resident members shall comprise: (a) Four Ministers and four laymen, (b) the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if not resident in the Auckland District), (c) Two representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union, nominated by the Union Conference, (d) the Chairman of the Solo-

mon Islands District, (e) One representative, ministerial or lay respectively from the Solomon Islands District and the Papua-New Guinea Highlands District Synods, such representative to be nominated by the respective Synod.

(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 its policy determined.

(10) A special meeting of the Board, called by the General Secretary shall be held when recommended by the officers of the Department or when requested by a majority of the non-resident members of the Board.

(11) The Board shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

(12) The President of the Conference shall be chairman of all meetings of the Board and in his absence the chairman of the Board shall preside. If neither is present those members present shall elect a chairman.

(13) In the event of any member notifying the General Secretary of his inability to attend any meeting of the Board the President of the Conference may appoint a substitute from the appropriate category.

(14) The Board shall have power to make and amend rules, regulations and conditions governing (i) the selection and training of all persons, except Ministers, employed by the Department, (ii) the service, medical examinations and furlough of all persons employed by the Department, (iii) the allowances other than the stipends of ministerial missionaries appointed from New Zealand, (iv) the stipends and allowances of ministerial missionaries received from other Conferences for service in our mission Districts, (v) the employment, remuneration and allowances of all other agents employed by the Board.

(15) The non-resident members shall normally attend only the annual and special meetings of the Board. They shall receive all reports submitted to the Board and Minutes of all meetings.

(16) At meetings other than 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 shall be made unless any proposed alteration shall have been first submitted to all members of the Board and unless the same shall have been sanctioned by a majority of Board members.

(17) 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.

(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.

(21) An Overseas Missions Committee shall be appointed by the Conference in each District to co-operate with the Board in furthering the work of the Overseas Missions.

(22) The Overseas Missions Department shall be the legal successor of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand.

#### **PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT**

(23) The membership in the Solomon Islands District shall comprise the ministers and probationers stationed in the District, and such persons as shall satisfy the Minister and Leaders' Meeting of their personal faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, their lives being in harmony with their profession. In accepting membership, they become pledged to seek fellowship with Christ and with His people, and they accept the duties and enter upon the privileges of the Methodist Church.

(24) The Church Meeting of each Society which shall be held quarterly . . . shall consist of all those whose names are on the Members' Roll at the time the meeting is held, but only those who are eighteen years of age, and who have been in continuous membership in the Church for twelve months shall have the right to vote or to be elected to office.

(25) The Church Meeting shall as far as practicable follow the provisions of Part IV Section IX provided that the questions to be asked at such meetings shall be decided by the District Synod.

(26) The Leaders' Meeting shall be held quarterly under the chairmanship of the Superintendent Minister or his deputy.

(27) The Leaders' Meeting shall, as far as practicable, follow the provisions of Part IV Section VIII, provided that the questions to be asked at such meetings and the qualifications for membership thereof shall be decided by the District Synod.

(28) The Quarterly Meeting shall meet under the chairmanship of the Superintendent Minister, or one of his colleagues appointed by him for this purpose.

(29) The Quarterly Meeting shall, as far as practicable, follow the provisions of Part IV Section X provided that questions to be asked at such meetings and the qualifications for membership thereof shall be decided by the District Synod.

(30) The District Synod shall be held annually and shall comprise (a) the Ministerial Committee, and (b) the Representative Session.

(31) The District Ministerial Committee shall comprise all Ministers whose names are on the stationing sheet of the District.

(32) The Representative Session shall comprise:—

(a) All members of the Ministerial committee.

(b) All Probationers.

(c) The Medical Superintendent if a member of the Methodist Church.

(d) The District Accountant if a member of the Methodist Church.

- (e) Not more than two missionary laymen elected by the missionary laymen serving in the district.
  - (f) Four missionary sisters. Such sisters shall be elected by the sisters serving in the District.
  - (g) One lay representative of each Circuit appointed by the Quarterly Meeting.
- (33) The questions to be asked at the ministerial committee and the representative session shall be as decided from time to time by the Conference.
- (34) The Synod shall receive reports from each circuit and each District institution, receive financial statements and prepare District statements of income and expenditure and of assets and liabilities and present these, duly audited, to the Board and the Conference.
- (35) (a) The Synod shall prepare estimates of Income and Expenditure for the ensuing year. These shall cover income locally derived and income by way of grants from New Zealand.
  - (b) The Synod shall administer all funds locally derived (except Government grants in respect of overseas staff).
  - (c) The Synod shall be responsible for the support of all agents locally appointed.
  - (d) The Synod shall prepare a sheet of stations and present these for consideration and adoption by the Board and Conference.
  - (e) Any circuit or worker affected by the decision of the Synod shall have the right to appeal against such decision to the Board and from the Board to the Conference, whose decision shall be final.
  - (f) The Synod may submit to the Conference through the Board the name of a minister as its nominee for the office of District Chairman.
- (36) The Chairman of the District, when the Conference or the Board shall so direct, or when he deems it advisable, shall visit any Circuit within the District and take such action as in his judgment may be required in regard to the work carried on in the said Circuit, provided however that the Superintendent of such Circuit or any of his colleagues affected thereby shall have the right of appeal to the Board against any such action, and provided further that in regard to matters of character and disciplinary action in connection therewith, the rights of Ministers and Probationers shall in no way be affected.
- (37) No member of the staff shall leave the District without the consent of the Chairman of the District.

(1962 Minutes, page 151)

#### **4. The Home Mission Department** **Payment of Home Mission Grants**

Page 115, Subsection (19) of Section 505 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(19) All grants shall be paid by the General Treasurer direct to the Circuits except in those cases where the Synod Standing Committee, in consultation with the Circuits concerned, requests that the grant for particular Circuits be paid through District accounts.

(1962 Minutes, Page 164)



### **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 (b) including sub-sections (12) to (17) inclusive of section 506 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

#### **(b) Candidates for Deaconess Work**

(12) A Candidate shall be a baptised member of the Church, of proved ability, and character, and of mature outlook. School Certificate or equivalent shall be regarded as the normal academic qualification. It is desirable that a Candidate should possess a teacher's or nurse's certificate. A Candidate is normally required to offer herself for the general work, but a preference for a particular sphere may be expressed.

(13) At the March Quarterly Meeting, upon the nomination of the Circuit Stewards and the Minister, a Committee shall be set up to interview the prospective Candidate, consider her application and report thereon to the June Quarterly Meeting. This Committee shall ascertain her acquaintance with and belief in the doctrines of the Church, and her approval of its discipline, and shall assure itself of her acceptability and general fitness for the work.

(14) At the June Quarterly Meeting, the Committee shall report on the prospective Candidate, who shall present herself to the Meeting. The prescribed questionnaire having been previously completed and signed by Superintendent Minister shall be presented and read. If in his judgment these preparatory tests have been satisfactorily met, the Superintendent Minister may then nominate the Candidate, and the vote on such nomination shall be taken by ballot.

(15) If the nomination be sustained by the Quarterly Meeting, the Superintendent Minister shall forward the same to the Chairman of the District, who shall present it to a Representative Committee of Synod.

(16) A Candidate approved by the Quarterly Meeting shall present to the Synod through the Superintendent Minister a Medical Certificate on the prescribed form.

(17) On the nomination of the Chairman of the District, the Synod at its opening session shall appoint a Committee of not fewer than ten members, to interview the Candidate, and to satisfy itself as to her general fitness for the work of a Deaconess. The Committee shall report through the Synod to the Deaconess Board.

(17a) Each Candidate shall sit the prescribed examination arranged for by the Board of Examiners.

(17b) If the Deaconess Board is satisfied as to the suitability of the Candidate, it shall nominate her to the Conference through the Examination Committee to Conference. (1962 Minutes, page 234)

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 commutting 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 138, Sub-section 42 is hereby amended by deleting the words "In case" and substituting therefor the words "In the case of" and inserting the word "who" after the word "Minister".  
(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Add the following:—Sub-section 42A. In the case of a woman Minister who marries and is left without appointment the Board under actuarial advice shall compound her claims upon the Fund by the payment of a lump sum and thereupon her interest in the Fund shall cease and determine.  
(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Page 138—add the following sub-section:—

(37a) A Minister who does not exercise the option of commutation may apply to the Board for permission to exercise the option of surrendering part of his own annuity in order to increase that of his wife should she survive him. In no case shall the amount surrendered be such as to make his widow's annuity greater than his own annuity. Each case shall first be reported on by the Actuary.  
(1962 Minutes, page 143)

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 49 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(49) The following persons shall have no claim upon the Fund:—

(a) The wife of a Minister who marries while he is a Supernumerary.

(b) The husband of a woman Minister (except in his own right as a Minister).  
(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

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).

Page 145 add the following:—

15 (a) (1) A woman Minister who marries and is left without appointment shall not contribute to the Fund during the period for which she is left without pastoral charge.

(2) A woman Minister who marries and is left without appointment shall be entitled to a refund of the amount standing to her credit in the books of the Fund and upon receiving such amount credit in the books of the Fund and upon receiving such amount her connexion with the Fund shall cease and determine.

(3) The husband of a woman Minister shall have no claim on the Fund (except in his own right as a Minister).

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Sub-paragraph 16 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

16. On request a certificate shall be issued to a Minister showing the amount standing to his credit. (1961 Minutes, Page 132)

#### **Deaconess Retiring Fund**

Page 147 add the following:—

18 (a) On request a certificate shall be issued to a Deaconess showing the amount standing to her credit in the Fund.

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

#### **Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund**

Page 149, Sub-section (19) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(19) On request a certificate shall be issued to a Home Missionary showing the amount standing to his credit in the Fund.

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

#### **Church Building and Loan Fund**

Page 152. "Special Loans Fund." (1953 Minutes page 95).

Page 153—add to sub-section 5 (b) of sub-section 517 the following:—

Plans for a new building or for alterations costing £3500 or more must be prepared by a registered architect, but in the case of parsonage plans may be prepared by a member of the Master Builders' Association as approved by the District Property Committee.

(1962 Minutes, page 115)

#### **Women's Guild Fellowship District Guild Fellowship**

Page 156. Section 519 (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 (1) 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.

1. 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**

#### **13. Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board Constitution.**

(1945 Minutes, page 129)

For amendments to constitution see 1957 Minutes, page 126, 1959 Minutes, page 133, 1962 Minutes, page 136.

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)

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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. Wesley	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1941	William A. Burley, M.A.	Frank Penn, N.D.H.(NZ)	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1942	William Walker	G. H. B. Lill	William G. Slade, M.A.
Christchurch	1943	Charles H. Olds, B.A.	Hedley Oldham	William G. Slade, M.A.

PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Auckland†	1944	Robert B. Tinsley	Charlie E. Bellringer	William G. Slade, M.A.
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H. Scrivin	William E. Burley, B.A.	William G. Slade, M.A.
Auckland	1946	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.	James Tyler	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1947	William G. Slade, M.A., 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
Auckland	1961	E. Clarence Leadley	Eric A. Humphries	Athol R. Penn
Christchurch	1962	Robert Thornley, M.A.	Frank M. Souster	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.)<br/>         „ Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Hunt, George P. (Sup.)<br/>         „ 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>1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Harris, Archer O. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Olds, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1911—Enticott, Walter J. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Fowles, Albert H. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Hopper, Artheur (Sup.)<br/>         „ Rowe, William (Sup.)<br/>         „ Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1912—Hinton, George B., (Sup.)<br/>         „ Scrivin, Arthur H. (Sup.)<br/>         „ 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.)<br/>         „ Olds, E. Thomas (Sup.)<br/>         „ Slade, William G., M.A., D.D.<br/>         (Toronto) (Sup.)</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Fordyce, Robert E. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Harkness, Edwin S. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.)</p> | <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.<br/>         (Melb.) (Sup.)<br/>         „ Chambers, Ernest B. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Dennis, John (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.<br/>         (Sup.)<br/>         „ Neal, Wallace S. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Parker, James W. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Skuse, Thomes, E.D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1919—Ford, Herbert (Sup.)<br/>         „ Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1922—Brooks, Leslie A. G. (Sup.)</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)<br/>         „ Hames, Eric W., M.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H. (Sup.)<br/>         „ <b>Bateup, Frank (Sup.)</b><br/>         „ Brown, Hubert G.<br/>         „ Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A.<br/>         „ Kings, Harry S. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Taylor, Cecil R. (Sup.)</p> <p>1925—Peterson, Gordon R. H.</p> <p>1926—Hall, James H. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Harris, G. Raymond<br/>         „ Voyce, A. Harry (Sup.)</p> <p>1927—Larsen, Norman P.<br/>         „ Laurenson, George I.<br/>         „ Penn, Athol R.<br/>         „ Raynor, Ivo M.<br/>         „ Silvester, A. Wharton E., (M.M.)<br/>         „ Utting, Harry V.</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D., B.A.<br/>         „ Hailwood, Charles O.</p> <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E.<br/>         „ Horwood, Leonard C.<br/>         „ Kent, Arthur T.<br/>         „ Parker, Walter</p> <p>1930—Blight, J. Montgomery<br/>         „ Draper, Joseph C. (Sup.)<br/>         „ Leadley, E. Clarence<br/>         „ McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D.<br/>         (Mt. Union, U.S.A.)<br/>         „ Parker, Wesley, E.D., M.A.,<br/>         B.D.</p> <p>1931—Carr, Thomas H.<br/>         „ Carr, W. E. Allon</p> |
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- 1931—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.  
 „ Daghish, J. Ainsley  
 „ Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E.  
 „ Patchett, Ralph E.
- 1934—Goodman, George H.  
 „ Johnston, Andrew J.  
 „ Matthews, Howard C., B.A.
- 1935—Burton, Ormond E., M.A. (Sup.)  
 „ 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.
- 1942—Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.  
 (Melb.) Ph.D., (London)  
 „ Morrison, William J., M.A.  
 „ Rogers, Ranginohora  
 „ 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, M. Jackson  
 „ Clements, Leslie C.  
 „ Divers, W. Lloyd  
 „ Hall, Allen H., M.A.  
 „ Parker, Francis H.  
 „ Riseley, Benjamin H.
- 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.  
 „ Cornwell, Gordon A. R.  
 „ Ford, Wilfred F., B.A.  
 „ Garner, William M., (Sup.)  
 „ Hopkins, George C.  
 „ Keightley, Clifford J.  
 „ Olds, J. Stanley  
 „ Ramage, Ian C., E. M.A.
- 1950—Clark, Colin D., M.A.  
 „ Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A.  
 „ Ramsay, Phillip D.  
 „ Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A.,  
 B.D.  
 „ Woodfield, Frank H.  
 „ Woodfield, Owen T., B.A.

## CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—*Continued*

- 1951—Besant, H. David, B.A.  
 „ Burrough, Amos W.  
 „ Carter, George, 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.  
 „ LeCouteur, E. Raymond  
 „ Craig, Hughan M.  
 „ McKay, Archibald W.  
 „ Newman, Alan  
 „ Oeborne, John H., B.A.  
 „ Stubbs, David G.
- 1954—Billinghurst, 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., B.A.  
 „ Tahere, Te Awa W.  
 „ Trebilco, David L.  
 „ Watson, Alexander C.
- 1955—Abbott, William K  
 „ Bennett, Trevor L.  
 „ Cable, William 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, John R.
- 1959—Barker, Peter S  
 „ Bowen, Lewis A.  
 „ Dine, Mervyn L.  
 „ Gibson, Roger M.  
 „ Goudge, Stanley R., B.A.  
 „ Greening, G. Kingsley  
 „ Griffith, Keith C.  
 „ Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Ms.  
 „ Kitchingman, David L., B.A.  
 „ Morrison, William  
 „ Noble, Dorothea, B.A.  
 „ 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 (Sup.)  
 „ 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.
- 1961—Edwards, Bruce W.  
 „ James, Russell E.  
 „ Langley, John E.  
 „ Marshall, C. Russell  
 „ Sides, Brian W.  
 „ Taylor, A. Kerry  
 „ Wallace, William L., B.A.
- 1962—Currie, John B.  
 „ Hawkey, Graham E.  
 „ Hight, Arnold C.  
 „ Hines, David L.  
 „ Hollman, Derek G.  
 „ Hopkins, George C.

## CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—*Continued*

- 1962—Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B.  
 „ Jones, Barry E.  
 „ Pomeroy, Harold C.  
 „ Robertson, Ian H.  
 „ Rutherford, Maynard G.  
 „ Waive, Frederick G.  
 „ Wakeling, W. J. Douglas  
 „ Woodley, Alan K.
- 1963—Ansell, David H.  
 „ Armstrong, David  
 „ Ball, Niven G.  
 „ Brown, Wallis F., B.A.  
 „ Clark, Ian L.  
 „ Fields, Ronald E.  
 „ Garside, Paul A.  
 „ Keall, Kenneth J.  
 „ Laws, Derek G.  
 „ Rowe, Brian K., B.A.  
 „ Toomer, Kenneth  
 „ Tucker, W. Geoffrey  
 „ White, John W.

### **Maori Minister—**

1941—Kukutai, Ngatete K. (Sup.)

### **Solomon Islands District Ministers—**

(including Tongan and Fijian missionaries)

- 1944—Piani, Timothy  
 „ Taufa, John  
 „ Palavi, Daniel
- 1950—Vula, Aisake
- 1955—Bitibule, John Veo  
 „ Baudromo, Iliesa
- 1957—Pataaku, Samson  
 „ Zio, Joel
- 1960—Raturoba, Sakeo
- 1961—Bongbong, J. Francis  
 „ Boseto, Leslie
- 1962—Mosusu, Moses  
 „ Rotoava, Job

# 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 Dept. | Th.C.—Theological College  |

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1955	.. 1	Abbott, William K., Parsonage Road, Rongotea	.. 81
1944	.. 2	Allen, Robert H., B.A., 112, 13th Ave., Tauranga	.. 46
1963	.. 1	Ansell, David H., 22 Clarke St., Kamo, Northland	.. 7
1956	.. 1	Andrews, Robert S., 81 Johnson St., Milton	.. 137
1943	.. 12	Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.Ed., 16 Atherton Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3	.. O.M.
1963	.. 1	Armstrong, David, P.O. Box 4, Kaeo, Northland	.. 3
1947	.. S	Attwood, A. Francis, High Street, Katikati (1959)	.. 36
1924	.. S	Bailey, John H., Cambridge Rd., Hillcrest, Hamilton (1946)	41
1963	.. 1	Ball, Niven G., Methodist Parsonage, Ohai, Southland	.. 142
1949	.. 2	Baker, Edward, King Edward Street, Eltham	.. 59
1953	.. 4	Baker, Frederick J. K., 33 Clothier St., Putaruru	.. 44
1959	.. 1	Barker, Peter S., Methodist Mission, Kekeku, Inus Free Bag, P.O. Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea	.. [12]
1924	.. S	<b>Bateup, Frank,</b> Campbell Street, Thames (1948)	.. 33
1941	.. 1	Bell, Charles H., B.A., 162 King Street, Rangiora	.. 122
1957	.. 7	Bell, G. Basil W., 56 Foyle Street, Bluff	.. 143
1944	.. 1	Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D., 82 Murray Place, St. Albans, Christchurch, 1	.. 117
1956	.. 6	Bennett, George L., 8 Cambridge St., Gonville, Wanganui	65
1955	.. 5	Bennett, Trevor L., Willowby, No. 4 R.D., Ashburton	.. 130
1949	.. 2	Benny, T. Ralph, 63 Tukapa St., Westown, New Plymouth	56
1913	.. S	Bensley, Arthur A., 29, 13th Ave., Tauranga (1950)	.. 46
1951	.. 6	Besant, H. David, B.A., 36 Kings Road, Panmure, Auckland, E.2	.. 16
1954	.. 3	Billinghurst, Noel D., Kapiti Road, Paraparamu	.. 100
1907	.. S	Blair, Charles, 7 Hackthorne Road, Cashmere Hills, Christchurch, 2 (1947)	.. 110
1923	.. S	Blakemore, Albert, Leigh Haven, Mt. Albert, Auckland S.W.2. (1946)	.. 18
1900	.. S	Blamires, E. Percy, 43a Church Street, Devonport, Auckland, N.1 (1944)	.. 20
1904	.. S	Blamires, Ernest O., 15 Blomfield Spa, Takapuna, Auckland (1946)	.. 21
1896	.. S	Blamires, Henry L., Flat 3, Taharoto Rd., Takapuna, Auckland (1930)	.. 21
1930	.. 4	Blight, J. Montgomery, Ashhurst	.. 79

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1917	.. S	Blight, William T., B.A., B.D., 76 Halton Street, Papanui, Christchurch, 5 (1957)	.. 110
1959	.. 5	Bowen, Lewis A., 29 Rimu St., Helensville, Auckland	.. 30
1955	.. 1	Boyd, Edward P., Cuba Street, Marton	.. 68
1960	.. 4	Brazendale, Graham, Hikurangi, Northland	.. 6
1922	.. S	Brooks, Leslie A. G., 3 Heather Place, Melville, Hamilton (1959)	.. 40
1957	.. 1	Brough, Gordon D., B.A., 39 Washington Ave, Brooklyn, Wellington, S.2	.. 85
1943	.. 3	Brown, Clifford G., 45 Gloucester Street, Greenmeadows, Hawkes Bay	.. 70
1916	.. S	Brown, George E., Cates Rd, R/D Rototuna, Hamilton	.. 40
1941	.. 5	Brown, Harold K., 38 Cranford St., Christchurch, 1	.. 116
1924	.. 4	Brown, Hubert G., 170 Fitzgerald Ave., Christchurch, 1	.. 112
1963	.. 1	Browne, Wallis F., B.A., Stanley St., Eketahuna	.. 97
1910	.. S	Burley, William A., M.A., 54 Albert St., Hamilton	.. 40
1951	.. 2	Burrough, Amos W. Box 12, Ruawai, Northland	.. 9
1949	.. 2	Burt, Douglas H., 28 Marion Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland	.. 14
1935	.. S	Burton, Ormond E., M.A., Lupin Rd., Otaki	.. 99
1944	.. 1	Bycroft, Leslie F., 100 West St., Feilding	.. 80
1955	.. 3	Cable, Wilfred J., 18 West Road Northland, Wellington	.. 86
1947	.. 2	Campbell, M. Jackson, 336 Selwyn St., Addington, Christchurch, 2	.. 115
1931	.. 3	Carr, Thomas H., 12 Wesley St., Pukekohe	.. 27
1931	.. 4	Carr, W. E. Allon, 42 Malfroy St., Rotorua	.. 45
1951	.. 13	Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed., Methodist Mission, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands	.. [6]
1917	.. S	Chambers, Ernest B., 95 Fitzroy St., Dunedin, S.W.1 (1956)	.. 135
1944	.. 3	Chambers, Wesley A., M.A., 98 North St., Timaru	.. 125
1960	.. 1	Christian, Owen L., Park Avenue, Oxford	.. 124
1933	.. 5	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., 33 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui	.. 63
1937	.. 4	Churchill, John, 37 Bank Street, Te Awamutu	.. 50
1950	.. 4	Clark, Colin D., 104 Manawapou Rd., Hawera	.. 60
1963	.. 1	Clarke, Ian L., Okato, Taranaki	.. 62
1942	.. 7	Clement, R. Frederick, M.A., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3	.. 12
1947	.. 8	Clements, Leslie C., 5 Rodrigo Rd., Kilbirnie, Wellington	.. 85
1958	.. 4	Climo, Frederick J., Paparoa	.. 10
1951	.. 4	Clucas, Ivan J., 67 Seaman Street, Waimate	.. 127
1939	.. 4	Cochrane, Herbert A., 15 Verran Place, Bryndwr, Christchurch, 5	.. 117
1915	.. S	Cooke, Percy L., 70 Blockhouse Bay Rd, Avondale, Auckland, S.W.3 (1952)	.. 18
1960	.. 4	Conway, James H., Neville Street, Warkworth, Northland	.. 32
1905	.. S	Copeland, Fred., 40 Abbotleigh Ave., Te Atatu Auckland (1947)	.. 19
1949	.. 15	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., Methodist Mission, Skotolan, P.O. Schano, Territory of New Guinea	.. [11]
1918	.. S	Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sci., South Tee., Picton (1955)	.. 105
1909	.. S	Cottom, Harry, Springston, R.D. Canterbury (1949)	.. 119
1953	.. 5	Craig, Hughan M., Kohukohu, Hokianga	.. 4
1943	.. 6	Cramond, George W., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	.. 131
1957	.. 2	Cropp, James F., Munda, British Solomon Islands	.. [6]
1962	.. 2	Currie, John B., C/o Epuni Methodist Church, Brees St., Lower Hutt	.. 91
1933	.. 1	Daglish, J. Ainsley, 39 Strathavon Street, Miramar, Wellington, E.4	.. 88
1941	.. 19	Darvill, Harold A., 107 Waihi Road, Hawera	.. H.M.
1940	.. 3	Dawson, John B., B.A., 801E Queen St., Hastings	.. 71



Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1943	.. 2	Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A., 54 Chester St.W., Christchurch,	1 110
1932	.. 1	Day, Reginald, 211 Sealey Street, Thames	.. 33
1917	.. S	Dennis, John, 8 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay, Auckland (1954)	.. 21
1929	.. 1	Dickens, Charles E., 274 High Street, Carterton	.. 95
1954	.. 3	Dickie, Arthur W., 153 River Road, Kawerau	.. 55
1959	.. 2	Dine, Mervyn L., Ngauahoe St., Inglewood	.. 69
1947	.. 3	Divers, W. Lloyd, 5 Chapman St., Invercargill	.. 140
1940	.. 7	Dixon, Haddon C., M.A. B.D., P.O. Box 2500, Wellington	.. 91
1944	.. 4	Dorrian, A. Peter, 88 Linwood Ave., Christchurch, 1	.. 112
1930	.. S	Draper, Joseph C., 203 Glenfield Road Birkenhead (1959)	.. 22
1935	.. 1	Duder, Clifford L., 62 Albert St., Pahiatua	.. 76
1931	.. 4	Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., 151 Kennedy Rd., Napier	.. 70
1954	.. 1	Eastwood, Eric R., 22 Hakanoa Street, Huntly	.. 42
1952	.. 4	Edmonds, David W., 237 Salisbury St., Christchurch, 1	111
1961	.. 3	Edwards, Bruce W., Ohura	.. 54
1948	.. 2	Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A., Private Bag 600, National Park	.. 63
1911	.. S	Enticott, Walter J., Kumeu, Auckland (1948)	.. 19
1943	.. 13	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, P.O. Box 1449, Christchurch, 1	.. 111
1924	.. 18	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., P.O. Box 931, Christchurch, 1	.. C.S.
1963	.. 1	Fields, Ronald E., Box 11, Woodend, Canterbury	.. 122
1919	.. S	<b>Ford, Herbert,</b> 24 Denman Street, Sumner, Christchurch, 8 (1948)	.. 110
1948	.. 7	Ford, Wilfred F., B.A., 16 Duncan St., Tawa, Wellington C.E.D.	7
1916	.. S	Fordyce, Robert E., 27a Lorna St., New Plymouth (1956)	56
1957	.. 2	Fowler, Irwin J., 46 Matthias St., Darfield, Canterbury	.. 123
1911	.. S	Fowles, Albert H., 18 Lionel Street, Avonside, Christchurch, 6 (1941)	.. 112
1937	.. 2	Francis, William R., B.A., B.D., 149 Kamo Rd., Whangarei	7
1949	.. S	Garner, William M., Whangaroa, North Auckland (1957)	3
1963	.. 1	Garside, Paul A., Silverdale, Auckland	.. 31
1952	.. 3	George, R. Leslie, Tauranga Road, Waihi	.. 36
1952	.. 4	Gibson, Loyal J., 28 Oxford Street, Richmond, Nelson	.. 102
1959	.. 2	Gibson, Roger M., Middelton St., Johnsonville, Wellington	89
1952	.. 3	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 16 Belvedere St., Te Puke	.. 47
1958	.. 3	Gilbert, Wilfred S., 230 High Street, Dannevirke	.. 74
1940	.. 2	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A., 64 Station Rd., Otahuhu, S.E.7	24
1958	.. 1	Glen, Frank G., 77 Shirley Road, Christchurch, 1	.. 112
1934	.. 7	Goodman, George H., 111 Wood St., Palmerston North	.. 78
1950	.. 4	Gordon, Bruce, M.A., 35 The Octagon, Dunedin	.. 132
1959	.. 1	Goudge, Stanley R., B.A., Tennyson St., Leamington, Cambridge	.. 40
1956	.. 5	Grant Ian D., 4 Titoki St., Stoke, Nelson	.. 101
1945	.. 1	Green Warren, 46 Beresford St., Roslyn, Dunedin, N.W.2	132
1959	.. 4	Greening, G. Kingsley, Queen Street, Waiuku	.. 29
1940	.. 7	Greenslade, Lawrence, 18 Matai Rd., Hataitai, Wellington E.2.	.. 88
1931	.. 7	Greenslade, William W. H., 92 Liardet St., New Plymouth	56
1939	.. 2	Grice, Reginald, 27 Cambrai Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland, S.2	14
1959	.. 1	Griffith, Keith C., 9 Paynter's Ave., New Plymouth	.. 56
1928	.. 8	Grocott, John D., B.A., 15 Nelson St., Riccarton Christchurch, 1	.. 116
1943	.. 5	Grounds, Edmund D., The Manse, 24 Tyne St., Timaru	.. 126a
1960	.. 4	Grundy, Albert A., M.A., 131 Livingstone St., Hokitika	.. 109
1954	.. 1	Grundy, John, M.A., 142 North Street, Timaru	.. 126
1957	.. 3	Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A., Cheshunt College, Cambridge, England	.. 116
1960	.. 4	Gust, Warwick, B.A., Waitoa, Waikato	.. 38
1928	.. 6	Hailwood, Charlie O., 77 Pretoria St., Lower Hutt	.. 91

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1947	.. 2	Hall, Allen H., M.A., C/o Methodist Church, Bombay, South Auckland .. .. .	.. 28
1926	.. S	Hall, James H., 53 Spring Street, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5 (1962) .. .. .	.. 23
1952	.. 2	Hall, John R., 82 Pah St., Motueka .. .. .	.. 103
1923	.. S	Hames, Eric W., M.A., 25 Lucerne Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1962) .. .. .	.. 17
1958	.. 3	Hamlin, R. John, R.N.Z.A.F., Woodbourne .. .. .	.. 105
1952	.. 3	Handyside, Allan J., 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine, Dunedin .. .. .	.. 135a
1935	.. S	Hanna, L. Gordon, 20 Nogat Ave., Papatoetoe, Auckland (1960) .. .. .	.. 25
1960	.. 4	Hanson, E. Francis, B.A., 40a Henley Street, Westport .. .. .	.. 107
1916	.. S	Harkness, Edwin S., 14 Atanga Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1 (1947) .. .. .	.. 16
1938	.. 3	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton .. .. .	.. 96
1910	.. S	Harris, Archer O., 44 Redruth Ave., Spreydon, Christchurch, 2 (1951) .. .. .	.. 110
1926	.. 5	Harris, G. Raymond, 19 Schofield St., Grey Lynn, Auckland .. .. .	.. 12
1900	.. S	Haslam, Jonathan H., 26 Rhodes St., Waimate (1940) .. .. .	.. 127
1962	.. 2	Hawkey, Graham E., Apiti .. .. .	.. 82
1939	.. 6	Hayman, Leslie A.D., B.Agric.Sc., "Friendship House," (20a) Bueckburg, West Germany .. .. .	.. 85
1960	.. S	Henderson, W. John, Abbotsford Rd., Waipawa (1962) .. .. .	.. 83
1954	.. 6	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 3 Delta St., Dunedin, N.W.1 .. .. .	.. 132
1932	.. S	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert St., Ashburton (1960) .. .. .	.. 129
1948	.. 6	Hilder, Basil J., 18 Tennyson St., Opunake .. .. .	.. 62
1962	.. 2	Hight, Arnold C., 10 Freyberg St., Wairoa, Hawkes Bay .. .. .	.. 73
1962	.. 2	Hines, David L., 74 Main South Road, Christchurch, 4 .. .. .	.. 116
1912	.. S	Hinton, George B., 49 Roberta Ave., Beverley Hills, Auckland, E.1 (1949) .. .. .	.. 17
1938	.. 4	Hoddinott, Ernest S., C/- Mt. Crawford P.B., Kilbirnie P.O., Wellington .. .. .	.. 88
1949	.. 2	Hopkins, George C., P.O. Box 21, Rawene, Hokianga .. .. .	.. 5
1911	.. S	Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935) .. .. .	.. 71
1936	.. 4	Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A., 304 Stanmore Rd., Christchurch, 1 .. .. .	.. 112
1962	.. 2	Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B., Main Highway, Pakuranga, Auckland .. .. .	.. 16
1960	.. 4	Hornblow, Maxwell A., Main Road, Greytown .. .. .	.. 94
1960	.. 4	Horrill, C. Seton, Cavendish Street, Ashburton .. .. .	.. 129
1929	.. 3	Horwood, Leonard C., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 .. .. .	.. 18
1949	.. 1	Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Mus., Springston No. 4 R/D., Christchurch .. .. .	.. 119
1900	.. S	Hunt, George P., 215 Great South Rd., Manurewa, Auckland (1940) .. .. .	.. 14
1942	.. 1	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., 4 Heath Street, Mt. Manganui, Tauranga .. .. .	.. 46
1961	.. 3	James, Russell E., 95 Rifle Range Road, Taupo .. .. .	.. 45
1932	.. 4	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D., 30 Church St., Te Aroha .. .. .	.. 37
1919	.. S	Jefferson, Alfred E., 118 Gray Ave., Papatoetoe (1954) .. .. .	.. 25
1932	.. 5	Jenkin, William C., 138 Somme Parade, Aramoho, Wanganui .. .. .	.. 64
1934	.. 4	Johnston, Andrew J., 31 Whitby St., Mornington, Dunedin .. .. .	.. 134
1943	.. 5	Jolly, Albert, 83 Kolmar St., Papatoetoe .. .. .	.. 25
1940	.. 3	Jones, Allan O., 66 Firth St., Hamilton East .. .. .	.. 41
1962	.. 2	Jones, Barry E., Cowal St., Broad Bay, Dunedin .. .. .	.. 136
1963	.. 1	Keall, Kenneth J., 135 Queen Street, Northcote, Auckland .. .. .	.. 22
1899	.. S	Keall, R. Purcell, 14 Green St., Lower Hutt (1940) .. .. .	.. 91

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1949	.. 10	Keightley, Clifford J., Methodist Mission, Nipa, via Mendi, Territory of New Guinea	.. [12]
1916	.. S	Kendon, Charles H., 99 Avondale Road, Greenmeadows, Napier (1954)	.. 70
1929	.. 2	Kent, Arthur T., 34 Edmonton Road, Henderson	.. 19
1924	.. S	Kings, Harry., 98 Salisbury Street, Levin (1956)	.. 98
1959	.. 4	Kitchingman, David L., B.A., 24 Passmore Cres., Maori Hill, Dunedin	.. 134
1957	.. 3	Kitchingman, Henry W., 1 Seabrook Ave., New Lynn, Auckland	.. 18
1956	.. 4	Kitchingman, Owen, B.A., Wesley Tce., Te Kuiti	.. 52
1961	.. 3	Langley, John E., 176 West Tamaki Rd., Glen Innes, Auckland	17
1927	.. 3	Larsen, Norman P., 112 Cambridge St., Levin	.. 98
1927	.. 25	Laurenson, George I., 11 Kakariki Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1	.. H.M.
1963	.. 1	Laws, Derek G., 4 Claude St., Hamilton East	.. 40
1938	.. 5	Laws, William R., M.A., B.D., 226 Thames St., Morrinsville	.. 38
1930	.. 4	Leadley, E. Clarence, 5 Paice Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland	.. 14
1900	.. S	Leadley, Frank E., 7 Fowler Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2. (1940)	.. 18
1953	.. 2	LcCouteur, F. Raymond, 12 Poronui St., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1	.. 16
1958	.. 1	Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A., djl, Andong 44, Salatiga, Djwa-Tengah, Indonesia	.. 85
1942	.. 11	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D., Ph.D., "Leigh House," Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland, C.3	Th.C.
1939	.. 1	Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th., Hohaia Street, Matamata	.. 43
1935	.. 4	Luxton, Clarence T. J., 4 Myers Rd. Manurewa, Auckland	26
1957	.. 2	Mabon, John C. F., 601 Omaha Rd., Hastings	.. 71
1960	.. 1	Major, Lewis H., 22 Dougall Street, Cromwell	.. 145
1961	.. 3	Marshall, C. Russell, 37 Hallswell Rd., Christchurch, 3	.. 115
1948	.. 16	Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip.Ed., Wesley College, Paerata, Auckland	.. W.C.
1934	.. 4	Matthews, Howard C., B.A., 18 Chapel St., Papanui Christchurch, 5	.. 118
1946	.. 11	McDonald, D. I. Alister, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	.. [8]
1930	.. 6	McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson	101
1953	.. 3	McKay, Archibald W., 30 Matai St., Hamilton	.. 40
1960	.. 4	McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., Parsonage, Otautau, Southland	142
1946	.. 4	Moore, Harry, 302 West Coast Rd., Glen Eden, Auckland	19
1931	.. 4	Moore, William E., Ford St., Opatiki	.. 49
1959	.. 1	Morrison, William, Wainuiomata, Wellington	.. 93a
1942	.. 4	Morrison, William J., M.A., 80 Wesley St., Dunedin	.. 135
1960	.. 4	Mullan, David S., Ngatea, Hauraki Plains	.. 34
1918	.. S	Neal, Wallace S., 61 Mathiesons Rd., Linwood, Christchurch, 2 (1953)	.. 112
1953	.. 4	Newman, Allan, 12 Marsden Rd., Greymouth	.. 108
1954	.. 4	Newton, Alan H. V., 179 Regan St., Stratford	.. 57
1956	.. 3	Nicholls, Trevor L., Te Reinga Street, Kaitaia	.. 1
1959	.. 2	Noble, Dorothea M., B.A., 71 Copeland St., Lower Hutt	.. 91
1937	.. 2	Norwell, Leslie T., 46 Radley St., Woolston Christchurch, 2	113
1939	.. 3	Oldfield, Charles B., 45 High Street, Blenheim	.. 104
1910	.. S	Olds, Charles H., B.A., 3 Masters Ave., Hillcrest, Hamilton (1951)	.. 41
1915	.. S	Olds, E. Thomas, 28 Bannerman Rd., Auckland W.2 (1957)	12
1949	.. 8	Olds, J. Stanley, 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	.. 141
1946	.. 5	Olds, Norman W., 19 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay, Auckland	.. 21

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1951	.. 5	Olds, O. McLennan, 2 Westend Rd., Herne Bay, Auckland	.. 15
		W.1 .. .. .	.. 15
1933	.. 31	Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E., Box 5104, Auckland C.1..	.. 13
1953	.. 2	Osborne, John H., B.A., Arney St., Paeroa ..	.. 35
1947	.. 7	Parker, Francis H., 11 Redwood St., Upper Hutt ..	.. 92
1918	.. S	Parker, James W., 143 St. John's Rd., Meadowbank, Auckland, S.E.3 (1950) ..	.. 17
1929	.. 12	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Rd., Epsom, Auckland S.E.3	.. 14
1930	.. 11	Parker, Wesley, E.D., M.A., B.D., 10 New Bond Street, Kingsland, Auckland ..	.. 12
1933	.. 4	Patchett, Ralph E., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh Dunedin ..	.. 136
1931	.. 3	Payne, Herbert W., 77 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland	.. 23
1955	.. 3	Peart, Cuthbert F., C.F., 25 King Street, Whakatane ..	.. 48
1952	.. 2	Penman, John A., B.A., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna, N.2	.. 21
1927	.. 3	Penn, Athol R., 17 Pukehana Ave., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3	.. 16
1938	.. 2	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 54 Liverpool St., Hamilton ..	.. 40
1960	.. 4	Peterson, Frederick D., No. 3 R.D., Wellsford ..	.. 11
1925	.. 4	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 235 Karori Rd., Karori, Wellington ..	.. 86
1962	.. 2	Pomeroy, Harold C., 5 Otara Road, Papatoetoe ..	.. 25
1943	.. S	Prosser, Frederick O., 34 Stoke Street, Sumner, Christchurch, 8 (1948) ..	.. 113
1954	.. 2	Rakana, Ruawai D., 28 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland, S.W.2	[2]
1949	.. 3	Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A., 890 George Street, Dunedin ..	.. 133
1950	.. 6	Ramsay, Phillip D., C.F., 100 Waiwhetu Rd., Lower Hutt	.. 91
1901	.. S	Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College, 43 Maungawhau Road, Epsom, Auckland S.E.3(1941)	.. 17
1951	.. 4	Raynor, Charles H., 23 Aynsley Tce., Opawa, Christchurch, 1	.. 113
1927	.. 1	Raynor, Ivo M., 5 Mirona Grove, Paekakariki, Wellington	.. 89
1957	.. 3	Reddihough, John W., 78 Church Street, Mosgiel ..	.. 135
1960	.. 1	Reid, Andrew G., P.O. Box 196, Dargaville ..	.. 8
1952	.. 3	Reid, Ian W., 298 Adelaide Road, Wellington ..	.. 87
1955	.. 6	Rigg, Frank S., 81 Yule Street, Wellington, E.3 ..	.. 88
1947	.. 4	Riseley, Benjamin H., 75 Taranaki St., Wellington ..	.. 85
1962	.. 2	Robertson, Ian H., Mace St., Reefton ..	.. 105
1942	.. 9	Rogers, Ranginohora, 519 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland S.1	[2]
1960	.. 4	Roke, Charles E., P.O. Box 400 Hamilton ..	.. [3]
1963	.. 1	Rowe, B. Keith, B.A., Riemanschnieder Street, Manaia ..	.. 61
1911	.. S	Rowe, William, 60 The Esplanade, Paremata, Wellington (1949) ..	.. 90
1951	.. 1	Ruck, Idris J., 37 Nelson Street, Petone ..	.. 93
1954	.. 2	Rushton, Percy P., B.A., 31 Huanui St., Porirua, Wellington	.. 90
1957	.. 4	Russell, Kenneth H., 37 Mouatt Street, Waitara ..	.. 57
1962	.. 2	Rutherford, Maynard G., 123 Waimea Rd., Nelson ..	.. 101
1906	.. S	Ryan, Henry, 8 Burns Road, Napier (1943) ..	.. 70
1916	.. S	Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis St., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1955) ..	.. 18
1959	.. 2	Salter, Lawrence E., Graham Ave, Te Atatu, Auckland ..	.. 19
1956	.. 5	Scammell, Bruce, Taitua, St., Taumaranui ..	.. 53
1957	.. 4	Scarr, Geoffrey E., 128 Vogel St., Palmerston North ..	.. 77
1950	.. 7	Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., B.D., 14 St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, Auckland S.E. 2 ..	.. 17
1912	.. S	Scrivin, Arthur H., "Roviana" 16 Empire Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1952) ..	.. 16
1903	.. S	Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G., Box 400, Hamilton (1939) ..	.. 13
1945	.. 2	Shapcott, Leonard, 43 Queen St., Cambridge ..	.. 44
1952	.. 1	Shaw, Harry I., Military Camp, Linton ..	.. 77
1946	.. 1	Shepherd, Trevor, Wairakei Rd., Bryndwr, Christchurch, 5	.. 117

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1944	.. 2	Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 57 Glenfield Rd., Birkenhead, Auckland N.5.	.. 21
1961	.. 3	Sides, Brian W., 3 Buckland Road, Tuakau,	.. 28
1927	.. 2	Silvester, A. Wharton E. (M.M.) 22 Union St., New Brighton, Christchurch, 7	.. 112
1938	.. 5	Silvester, John M.A., 17 Church St., Devonport, Auckland N.1	.. 20
1918	.. 8	Skuse, Thomas, E.D., No. 2 R.D., Kumeu, Auckland (1956)	19
1915	.. 8	Slade, William G., M.A., D.D., 198 Clyde Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, 5 (1957)	.. 110
1952	.. 3	Spindler, Sydney J., 19 Hillside Cres., Mt. Eden, Auckland	13
1951	.. 5	Stead, Peter A., B.A., 524 Church Street, Palmerston North	77
1953	.. 4	Stubbs, David G., Robinson Street, Foxton	.. 84
1955	.. 7	Tauroa, Lane M., B.A., 15 Ward Street, Te Kuiti	.. [4]
1954	.. 2	Tahere, Te Awa W., Waima, Hokianga	.. [1]
1961	.. 3	Taylor, A. Kerry, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay	.. 83
1924	.. 8	Taylor, Cecil R., 23 Garreg Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, 5 (1955)	.. 117
1957	.. 6	Taylor Phillip F., Methodist Mission, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea	.. [9]
1911	.. 8	Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E., Oturei Aratapu, Nth. Wairoa (1954)	H.M.
1941	.. 4	Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 120 Colombo St., Christchurch,	2 114
1946	.. 1	Thompson, George R., E.D. 18 Orari St., Ngairo, Wellington, N.4	.. 89
1951	.. 5	Thompson John H. 12 Barr St., Balclutha	.. 139
1955	.. 2	Thornicroft, Neville, 108 Talbot St., Geraldine	.. 128
1935	.. 7	Thornley Robert, M.A., 38 McFarlane St., Wellington, C.4	85
1908	.. 8	Tinsley, Robert B., Kereone Rd., Morrinsville (1949)	.. 38
1963	.. 1	Toomer, Kenneth, 112 High St., Masterton	.. 96
1951	.. 3	Toothill, Harry W., 50 Clevedon Rd., Papakura, Auckland	26
1954	.. 6	Trebilco, David L., 84 Hackthorne Rd., Cashmere Christchurch, 2	.. 110
1952	.. 4	Trebilco, George R., 42 Melanesia Rd., Kohimarama, Auckland	.. 17
1963	.. 1	Tucker, W. Geoffrey, 6 Weka Street, Taihape	.. 66
1927	.. 4	Utting, Harry V., 53 Fuller Street, Kaipoi	.. 121
1926	.. 8	Voyce, A. Harry, 29 Prospect Terrace, Takapuna, Auckland, N.2	.. 21
1962	.. 2	Waine, Frederick G., 58a Scotland St., Roxburgh	.. 144
1962	.. 2	Wakeling, W. J. Douglas, 12 Gilberthorpe Rd. Islington, Christchurch	.. 119
1956	.. 5	Walker, Bryan A., M.A., 106 Rata St., Lower Hutt	.. 91
1912	.. 8	Walker, William, E.D., 54 St. John's Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1945)	.. 17
1961	.. 3	Wallace, William B.A., 3 Scotia St. Port Chalmers, Dunedin	133
1945	.. 8	Watson, Alexander C., Methodist Mission, Box 36 Honiara, British Solomon Islands	.. [7]
1939	.. 5	Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., Otorohanga	.. 51
1914	.. 8	Werren, Samuel J., 17 Murray Street, Maeroa, Hamilton	.. 40
1963	.. 1	White, John W., 17 Iti Street, Otaki	.. 99
1938	.. 2	Whitfield, Harris, E.D., 12 DeMerle St., Kaikohe	.. 2
1959	.. 3	Widdup, Robert W., Kiwi Road, Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	.. 22
1931	.. 17	Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D., "Richmond House," Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland, C.3.	Th.C.
1943	.. 4	Williams, J. C. Aldwin, 463 Gladstone Rd., Gisborne	.. 72
1942	.. 1	Willing, Leonard V., 29 Briggs Rd., Christchurch, 5	.. 119
1935	.. 7	Wittheford, Arthur R. B.A., 119 Burnett Street, Ashburton	.. 129

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1953	.. S	Woodnutt, Alfred G. 32 Fulford St., New Plymouth	.. 56
1950	.. 1	Woodfield, Frank H., 30 Kelso St., Tokoroa	.. 44
1950	.. 5	Woodfield, Owen T., B. A., Selwyn Street, Leeston	.. 120
1962	.. 2	Woodley, Alan K., 314 Ormond Rd., Gisborne	.. 72
1955	.. 3	Wood, Ronald H., 203 Chelmsford St., Invercargill	.. 140
1941	.. 2	Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., 5 William St., Gore	.. 139
1956	.. 2	Ziesler, John, M.A., B.D., 134 Grafton Road, Trinity College, Auckland, C.3	.. Th.C.

### 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	.. 1	Bitibule, John V., P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1955	.. 3	Buadromo, Ilesia, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1944	.. 3	Palavi, Daniel, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1957	.. 4	Pataaku, Samson, Buin, Territory of New Guinea	
1944	.. 2	Piani, Timothy, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1944	.. 17	Taufa, John, Kieta, Territory of New Guinea	
1950	.. 10	Vula, Aisake, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1961	.. 3	Bongbong, J. Francis, Tearaka, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea	
1961	.. 3	Boseto, Leslie, Rarongo Theological College, Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.	
1962	.. 2	Rotoara, Job, P.O. Gizo, B.S.I.P.	
1962	.. 2	Mosusu, Moses, Buka, P.O. Sohano, T.N.G.	

### HOME MISSIONARIES

Entd.	Names and Addresses	Years
1917	—A. L. Witheford, (Retired) 14 Claude St., Claudelands, Hamilton	29
1919	—J. W. Bayliss, (Retired) Awaroa Road, Henderson, Auckland	.. 25
1922	—C. Robinson, (Retired) 108 McGrath Street, Napier	.. 12
1924	—R. T. Alexander (Retired), Pah Street, Motueka	.. 12
1924	—W. H. Wilson, (Retired) 19 Rangitoto Tee., Takapuna, Auckland N.2	.. 25
1928	—R. Coombridge, (Retired) Kerikeri Central, Northland	.. 13
1930	—J. C. R. Ashworth (Senior Home Missionary) (Retired) 24 Clifton Terrace, Timaru	.. 2
1939	—H. R. Wright, (Retired) 7 Tor St., Westown, New Plymouth	.. 4
1940	—W. J. Bryant, (Retired) James Street, Whakatane	.. 8
1941	—T. Steele, (Retired) Dick Street, Reefton	.. 6
1948	—H. Prowse, (Retired) 34 Harris Street, Marton	.. 5
1952	—F. L. Johnson (Senior Home Missionary) Westgate St., Ngaruawahia	.. 5
1956	—F. E. Trim (Retired), Durham St., Rangiora	.. 3
1961	—A. E. Tardif (Senior H.M.), 77 Grey Street, Woodville	.. 3
1958	—D. I. Robertson (Retired), 50 Puriri Ave., Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	.. 5
1961	—H. D. Kelly, B.A., 82 Auckland Street, Picton	.. 3

### HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS

1962	—Owen P. Davies, Norsewood, Hawkes Bay	.. 2
1962	—Ronald W. Ferguson, Norwood St., Newfield, Invercargill	.. 2
1962	—Colin C. Jamieson, 3 Ward Street, Blenheim	.. 2
1962	—E. T. Simkin, Methodist Parsonage, Russell, Bay of Islands	.. 2
1962	—Lawrence A. Michie, 2 Lincoln Terrace, Greeton, Tauranga	.. 2
1963	—Ian Barker, Te Kopuru, Dargaville	.. 1

## HOME MISSIONARY "SUPPLIES"

Thomas Walker, Pagitt Street, Coromandel  
 Napi Waaka, (non-resident Student of Trinity College) 519a Mt. Albert  
 Road, Auckland, S.I.

### MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES

Ent.	Name and Address	Years
1922	—Te Hira Ratete, Punakitere, Hokianga, Northland ..	36
1930	—Paahi Moke, Kawhia (Retired) .. ..	7
1932	—Tuteao Manihera, Raglan .. ..	16
1934	—Huru Wiperi, 5 Aroha Avenue, Morningside, Auckland, S.W.1 (retired) .. ..	7
1936	—Ngaweke Tuhimata, Tuakau, Waikato (Retired) ..	18
1937	—Roi Moke, Atoea Harbour, via Kawhia .. ..	12
1938	—Wiremu Paki Ihaka, 15 Ropata Ave., Tamaki, Auckland ..	10
1940	—Wiremu Tonga, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton .. ..	6
1942	—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of Islands	22
1945	—Tame Ponui, Kopaki P.O., King Country .. ..	15
1946	—Waiwera Rangawhenua, Maketu Pa, Kawhia, King Country ..	18
1946	—Tumu Te Huia, C/o 60 Churchill Avenue, Maeroa, Frankton Junction .. ..	18
1946	—Waaka Kukutai, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato ..	18
1946	—Henare Kapa, Rangitane, Pouto, R.D. Te Kopuru ..	18
1947	—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki ..	17
1948	—Nguru Winikerei, Marokopa, King Country .. ..	16
1950	—Hotai Mita Hohepa, P.O. Box 167, Kaikohe, Northland ..	16
1950	—Te Iwikau Waaka, R.D. No. 4, Rotorua .. ..	14
1951	—Pukerau Rangitutia, C/o Oliver Bros., Arohena, Te Awamutu ..	13
1952	—Matene Hori De Thierry, Pukekohe .. ..	12
1952	—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, Whatawhata, Waikato .. ..	12
1952	—Hone Wilcox, 81 Premier Avenue, Pt. Chevalier, Auckland ..	12
1952	—Hohepa Hemara, Cartwright's Road, Onerahi, Northland ..	12
1952	—Tutu Keepa, Thomas Street, Ngaruawahia .. ..	12
1954	—Alexander Grahame Kahui, 1 Croal Crescent, Ngaruawahia ..	10
1954	—Te Akonga Pihama, 5 Mission Street, New Plymouth .. ..	2
1955	—Wera Couch, Rapaki, Lyttelton .. ..	9
1957	—Taipua Te Uira, C/o Private Bag, Kawhia .. ..	7
1958	—Himiona Waata, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi .. ..	6
1960	—Matu Makiha, Taheke, Hokianga .. ..	4
1960	—Hoera Whakaari Hakopa, Whatawhata, Waikato .. ..	4
1962	—Herehere Maihi Maaka, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton .. ..	2
1962	—Robert Taka, C/o Post Office, Kaeo, Northland .. ..	2
1962	—Te Orahi Tonga, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia ..	2

### DEACONESSES

1921	—Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main Road, Papanui, Christchurch N.W2
1921	—Sister Margaret Nicholls, M.B.E., P.O. Box 400, Hamilton
1928	—Sister Rita Snowden, F.I.A.L., "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, Rangiata Maori Girls Hostel, South Rd. Spotswood, New Plymouth.
1939	—Sister Dorothy Pointon, 102 Sandspit Rd., Howick, Auckland
1943	—Sister Anne Wilson, 5 Little Regent Street, Hawera.
1945	—Sister Jean Miller, 515 Remuera Road, 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, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti.  
 1955—Sister Doreen Bulford, C/o 37 Bank St., Te Awaamutu  
 1957—Sister Beverley Taylor, 89 Rose Rd., Auckland, W.2.  
 1958—Sister Mary Sealey (Overseas) C/o Mr. Sealey, R/D., Waitoa, Waikato.  
 1960—Sister Gladys Thomas (On exchange to N.S.W. Conference)  
     C/o Methodist Central Mission, Sydney.  
 1960—Sister Pamela Beaumont, P.O. Buin, T.N.G.  
 1960—Sister Joan Wedding, Taheke, P.O. Hokianga.  
 1962—Sister Graewyn Hammond, C/o P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.  
 1962—Sister Edna Jenkin, C/o P.O. Box 9, Otorohanga.  
 1963—Probationer Lynette Bowker, 21 Longfellow Street, Opanake.  
 1963—Probationer Barbara Miller, C/o P.O. Dargaville.  
 1963—Probationer Shirley Simpson, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.  
 1963—Probationer Elva Harris, C/o 8 Airdale Street, Auckland.

### MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Ada Lee, Kihili, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Myra Fraser, Munda, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Norma Graves, Namatani, Box 90, Rabaul, T.N.G.  
 Sister Edith James, Tari, via Goroka, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Mary Addison, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Audrey Highnam, Bilua, Gizo, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Lesley Bowen, Kekesu, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.  
 Sister Patricia Jacobsen, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Kathleen Shaw, Kekesu, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Gladys Larkin, Munda, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Beryl Grice, Choiseui, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Patricia Hulks, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.  
 Sister Vivienne Parton, Bilua, Gizo, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Janice Palmer, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.

### 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, M.B.E., 52 Grange Rd., 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. Ramarama, Auckland South  
 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, 1., 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. Canty.
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

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
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
Elliott, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17th June, 1879*	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C.	Hull, England	1879	1903	4th June, 1944	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, New Zealand	1882	1912	3rd May, 1920	Auckland
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
Handy, Francis J.	Birmingham, England	1900	1928	20th January, 1961	Otauhu

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Harding, Arthur	Ludlow, Shropshire	1861	1887	25th November, 1938	Lower Hutt
Harding, Isaac	Wanstron, England	1815	1836	17th July, 1897	Toowong, Queensland
Harper, George S.	Yorkshire, England	1840	1864	24th September, 1911	Palmerston North
Harris, Francis Thomas	Christchurch	1888	1914	19th April, 1933	Christchurch
Harris, John	Cornwall, England	1874	1905	27th August, 1936	Christchurch
Harris, Walter	Warwickshire, England	1848	1872	9th March, 1926	Christchurch
Harrison, Colin C.	Allendale, England	1867	1893	22nd November, 1943	Wellington
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
Jack, J. Francis	Palmerston South, N.Z.	1893	1922	8th September, 1961	Auckland
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., F.R.E.S.	Motueka, New Zealand	1880	1908	19th October, 1953	Stoke, Nelson
Jory, John D.	Cornwall, England	1846	1874	16th June, 1935	Auckland
Joughin, Thomas A.	Isle of Man	1863	1887	10th January, 1942	Auckland
Kakuere, Hori	Mangere	1863	1911	21st August, 1938	Pukekohe
Keall, William	Holbeach, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1838	1869	31st August, 1906	Palmerston North
Keast, W. H.			1880		Christchurch
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1825	1846	19th May, 1915*	Wellington
Knight, Percy N., B.A.	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

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Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26th July, 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30th March, 1859	Parramatta, N.S.W.
Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1851	1884	13th November, 1927	Christchurch
Lee, William	Yorkshire, England	1848	1864	12th November, 1925	Auckland
Leigh, Samuel	Milton, England	1788	1812	2nd May, 1852	Reading, England
Lewis, John James	Abergavenny, Wales	1844	1870	12th June, 1931	Auckland
Liddell, Ralph J.	Ballarat, Australia	1876	1903	21st July, 1948	Auckland
Liversedge, Arthur	Barnsley, England	1874	1898	31st December, 1948	Christchurch
Lochore, John Alexander	Westland, New Zealand	1869	1895	2nd June, 1931	Dunedin
Long, Joseph	Carlisle, England	1818	1843	24th February, 1892	Auckland
Long, Wesley L.	Onewhero	1902	1938	16th August, 1946	Paeroa
Luke, James Henry	St. Just, Cornwall, England	1860	1881	22nd November, 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A., C.M.G.	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1876	28th January, 1921	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall, M.R.C.S.	Yorkshire, England	1810	1836	27th February, 1887	York, England
McArthur, John D.	Christchurch	1880	1909	3rd March, 1961	Blenheim
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	14th August, 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

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Nelson, John R.	Cumberland, England	1883	1917	22nd February, 1951	Auckland
Newbold, Thomas Walter	Auckland	1862	1886	19th October, 1930	Dunedin
Nixon, John	Scotland	1875	1875	2nd March, 1947	New Plymouth
Odell, Henry J.	New South Wales		1915	16th March, 1961	London
Oliver, William C.	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1842	1867	14th April, 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1886	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	Teuton
Peryman, Samuel H. D.	Tai Tapu, N.Z.	1867	1892	16th August, 1945	Wellington
Peters, Alfred	Truro, Cornwall, England	1850	1877	8th November, 1939	Christchurch
Pewa, Wiremu Warena	Waima	1852	1879	31st July, 1907	Waikato
Pickering, William B.	Staffordshire, England	1881	1920	1st November, 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas, D.D.	Manchester, England	1855	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

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Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, England	1875	1901	20th June, 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7th September, 1927	Auckland
Redstone, Harry B.	Tavistock, Devon, England	1836	1862	20th September, 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5th May, 1912	Te Aroha
Reid, Alexander	Edinburgh, Scotland	1821	1848	25th August, 1891	Auckland
Richards, Henry L.	Moonta, South Australia	1883	1911	14th August, 1961	Christchurch.
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
Spencer, Herbert	Lancashire, England	1881	1923	15th September, 1961	Wanganui
Standage, Charles Henry	Campbell Town, Tasmania	1847	1875	8th June, 1936	Dunedin

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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
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	Hokianga	—	1911	January, 1937	Waikare
Williams, William James	Redruth, Cornwall, England	1847	1870	11th May, 1936	Auckland
Wills, Peter	Staffordshire, England	1853	1879	29th September, 1884	Springston
Wills, William	Cornwell, England	1872	1899	3rd September, 1950	Auckland



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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

**NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION**

Accounts for year ended 30th June, 1962

**General Account**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance Forward 1st July, 1961	37	18	8	Presentation Book Purchases	14	10	10
Interest General Purposes Trust Board	31	10	0	Travelling Expenses	5	18	0
Interest Nat. Bank of N.Z.	6	2	0	Otago Daily Times Co., Printing	19	2	10
Interest N.Z. Govt. Stock	23	15	0	Typing and Postages	24	1	6
Church Budget Committee	60	0	0	Sundry Expenses	4	5	0
Epworth Press London, cheque cancelled	1	3	2	Balance	92	10	8
	<u>£160</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>£160</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
General Account	492	10	8	National Bank Benevolent Fund Account	150	0	0
Benevolent Fund Account	1,150	0	0	Balance General Account	92	10	8
	<u>£1,642</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<b>Investments:</b>			
				Government Stock	500	0	0
				General Purposes Trust Board	900	0	0
	<u>£1,642</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>		<u>£1,642</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>

Audited and found correct.

C. H. VERRY, A.R.A.N.Z., 2/7/1962.

**METHODIST MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

Statement for Year Ending 30th June, 1961.

INCOME				EXPENDITURE				
		£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance P.O.S.B. 30/6/61	.....	36	10	7	Willis & Aiken, Printing	2	12	6
Affiliation Fees	.....	27	2	0	Postage, cyclostyling	7	4	1
P.O.S.B. Interest	.....	1	3	0	Balance, P.O.S.B., 30/6/62	54	19	0
		£64	15	7		£64	15	7

Audited and found correct, 28th June, 1962.

M. O. BONIFACE, Regd. Accountant.

H. W. Wood, Dominion Treasurer.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SPIRITUAL ADVANCE COMMITTEE**  
**Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ending 30th June, 1962.**

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance Brought Forward	134	17	4	Travelling	45	16	10
Grants—Connexional Budget	160	0	0	Tolls and postage	12	12	10
Contingent Fund	25	0	0	Stationery	13	12	7
Home Mission Department	12	10	0	Miscellaneous	5	13	6
Donations	58	8	6				
Bank Interest	4	2	2		77	15	9
Miscellaneous Receipts	2	2	0	Credit Balance	319	4	3
	<u>£397</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>£397</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

**OVERSEAS VISITORS' FUND**

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance Brought Forward	327	5	5	Bishop Kennedy's Visit:			
Bishop Kennedy's Visit:				Travel	82	15	1
Income from Circuits	275	4	2	Out of pocket expenses	25	0	0
Bank Interest	8	14	8	Advertising	23	19	3
				Postage and Exchange	2	9	6
				Presentation Gift	6	0	6
					<u>140</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
	<u>£611</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	Credit Balance	470	19	11
					<u>£611</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

Audited and found correct.  
 N. A. EAGLE, A.R.A.N.Z., 25/7/62.

N.Z. METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1962

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS								
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d			
Cash in Bank at as 30th June, 1961				22	7	7	Advertising in N.Z. Law Journal .. ..	100	0	0		
<b>Levies Received from Members:</b>							Grant towards Travelling Expenses to Annual Conference .. .. .	25	0	0		
Home Missions Department ..	20	0	0					125	0	0		
Auckland Central Mission ..	20	0	0									
Auckland Methodist Orphanage	20	0	0									
Masterton Children's Home ..	20	0	0				Cash at Bank of New South Wales as at 30th June, 1962 .. .. .	59	5	8		
Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust	20	0	0									
Christchurch Central Mission	20	0	0									
South Island Orphanage ..	20	0	0									
Dunedin Central Mission ..	20	0	0									
				160	0	0						
Interest .. .. .				1	18	1						
				£184	5	8				£184	5	8

Audited and found correct.

J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Hon. Auditor.

ROBERT THORNLEY,

T. M. PACEY,  
Hon. Treasurers.

**THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1962**

EXPENDITURE	£	s	d	INCOME	£	s	d
To General Expenses .. .. .	161	15	9	By Interest .. .. .	1,044	6	8
„ Land Tax .. .. .	129	2	6	„ Rents .. .. .	1,851	6	10
			3				6
„ Balance carried down .. .. .	2,604	15	3		2,895	13	6
	£2,895	13	6	By Balance brought down .. .. .	2,604	15	3
To Masterton Children's Home .. .. .	1,302	7	8				
„ Rangiatea Maori Girls' Trust .. .. .	1302	7	7				
	£2,604	15	3		£2,604	15	3

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES			£	s	d	ASSETS			£	s	d
Capital Account .. .. .			70,700	15	1	Wellington Property .. .. .			30,430	0	0
Masterton Home Capital Account .. .. .	24,147	6	9			Masterton Property .. .. .			17,894	1	8
Add Bequests .. .. .	258	8	9			Foxton Property .. .. .			3,660	0	0
			24,405	15	6	N.Z. Govt. Stock .. .. .			20,327	6	2
Newcombe Trust Prize Fund .. .. .	51	5	0			N.Z. Govt. Stock, Newcombe Trust .. .. .			51	5	0
Add Interest .. .. .	3	0	0			Loans on Mortgage .. .. .			18,774	7	0
			54	5	0	Deposit—Transport Trust Board .. .. .			1,000	0	0
						Post Office Savings Bank .. .. .			448	10	0
						National Savings Account .. .. .			1,627	13	11
						Australia and New Zealand Bank, Ltd. .. .. .			902	2	11
						Shares—Wairarapa Building Society .. .. .			200	0	0
						Wellington City Council Debenture .. .. .			300	0	0
Rangiatea Maori College Trust .. .. .			702	7	7	Rent and Interest Accrued .. .. .			247	16	6
			£95,863	3	2				£95,863	3	2

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Board of the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational endowments for the year ended 30th June, 1962 and have received all the information and explanations which I have required. I certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet, is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Board's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Board.

Wellington, N.Z.  
August, 1962.

T. M. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z.  
Auditor.

**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS							
	£	s	d	£	s	d					
Sundry Creditors				685	14	11	Sundry Debtors	400	0	0	
<b>Connexional Fire Insurance Fund:</b>							Bank of New Zealand	964	16	5	
House Mortgage	1,500	0	0				House Property, 17 Merivale Lane	2,621	12	5	
Less reduction	50	0	0	1,450	0	0	Furniture	599	12	0	
<b>Provision and Reserves:</b>							Office Equipment	654	6	11	
Depreciation, Merivale Lane Property	688	5	7								
Salaries and Fluctuation Reserve	471	12	5	1,654	18	0					
Office Equipment Reserve	395	0	0								
Maintenance Reserve	100	0	0								
<b>Capital Account:</b>											
Balance as at 30/6/61	1,408	16	6	1,449	14	10					
Plus income over Expenditure	40	18	4								
				£5,240	7	9			£5,240	7	9

I report that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Connexional Secretaryship Committee for the year ended the 30th June, 1962. 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, 1962.

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.

**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1962**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	
To Salaries .....	3,143	10	10	By Appropriations .....	3,975	0	0
Office Rent .....	150	0	0	Registration Fees .....	58	1	0
Connexional Charges .....	112	10	0	Board Room Rents .....	86	5	0
Telephone and P.O. Box Charges .....	64	11	8	Duplicating .....	5	0	
Stationery and General Expenses .....	111	11	4	Bank Interest .....	16	14	7
Office Equipment Reserve Account .....	75	0	0				
Salaries Reserve Account .....	75	0	0				
<b>House Property, 17 Merivale Lane:</b>							
Rates .....	46	4	0				
Insurance .....	8	10	8				
Repairs and Furnishings .....	163	8	9				
Interest .....	45	0	0				
Maintenance Reserve .....	100	0	0				
	363	3	5				
Surplus .....	40	18	4				
	£4,136	5	7		£4,136	5	7



## RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

(Incorporated under the Religious Charitable and Educational Trust Act)

### Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 30th June, 1962.

INCOME				EXPENDITURE						
	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d
Fees	5,745	3	5	Staff Salaries	2,750	3	1			
Board	258	5	0	Fuel	208	13	6			
Interest	25	7	6	Bread, Meat and Milk	876	5	4			
Rent	60	0	0	Groceries and Vegetables	1,713	3	8			
Grants and Donations	2,197	6	1	Lighting and Heating	258	18	8			
Shop Account Profit	80	4	10	Repairs and Renewals	178	17	2			
Gala Day	—	—	—	Telephone and Tolls	46	8	4			
				Insurances	205	9	0			
				Petty Cash	41	14	6			
				Deaconess Retiring Fund	8	0	0			
				Rates	227	6	7			
				Interest on Overdraft	147	4	0			
				Secretary's Salary	200	0	0			
				Audit Fees	25	4	0			
				Advertising and Printing	49	7	6			
				Books and Stationery	15	9	11			
				Sundry Expenses	125	10	0			
				Water	34	12	6			
				Maori Foundation	20	0	0			
				Depreciation:						
				Furniture and Equipment 10%	525	2	2			
				Buildings 1%	815	8	6			
								8,272	18	5
								£93	8	5
								PROFIT for 1962		
					£8,366	6	10			





**METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION**  
**Revenue Account for Year Ended 31st May, 1962.**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME						
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
House Supplies .. .. .	1,126	7	3	Hostel Receipts .. .. .			3,251	5	0
Lighting and Heating .. .. .	307	19	0	Rents .. .. .			—	—	—
Wages and Salaries .. .. .	1,577	5	7	Grants—Home Missions .. .. .	58	6	8		
Telephone .. .. .	19	18	4	Foreign Missions .. .. .	—	—	—		
Repairs .. .. .	187	10	3	Contingent Fund .. .. .	270	16	8		
Rates .. .. .	193	16	6				—	—	—
Advertising .. .. .	6	0	0	Interest .. .. .				329	3
Printing and Stationery .. .. .	28	8	8	Excess of Expenditure over				41	10
Students' Lectures .. .. .	37	17	9	Income .. .. .				206	0
Travelling and Honorarium .. .. .	132	2	0						5
Library .. .. .	20	0	10						
Depreciation .. .. .	100	0	0						
Insurance .. .. .	81	19	9						
Transfer to Property Reconstruction Fund	—	—	—						
Trainees allowance overpaid .. .. .	8	13	4						
	£3,827	19	3				£3,827	19	3

**Furniture Renewals Account**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Cash Payments .. .. .	367	13	5	Balance 31st May, 1961 .. .. .	193	19	4
Balance .. .. .	136	15	10	Interest .. .. .	5	0	0
				Donations from Guilds .. .. .	305	9	11
	£504	9	3	Balance 31st May, 1962 .. .. .	£504	9	3
					136	15	10

METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION

Balance Sheet as at 31st May, 1962

LIABILITIES				ASSETS							
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d		
Sundry Creditors .. ..				30	0	0	Freehold Property .. ..	5,000	0	0	
Grants in Advance .. ..				—	—	—	Furniture .. ..	754	0	0	
Trainees Allowance .. ..				—	—	—	Aga Cooker, Gas Stove .. ..	138	12	0	
Emergency Fund .. ..				5	5	0	Refrigerator .. ..	90	0	0	
Sister Lenna Button Fund ..				8	0	2	Electric Cylinder .. ..	259	0	0	
Furniture Renewals .. ..				136	15	10	Electric Toaster .. ..	30	4	10	
Property Renewals .. ..	1,721	11	6								
Less Balance from Chapel Fd.	218	5	0								
				1,503	6	6	Less Depreciation .. ..	3,183	6	8	
Maori Library .. ..				49	12	3					
Accumulated Funds .. ..	3,086	13	2				Post Office Savings Bank ..		3,088	10	2
Less Excess of Expenditure over Income .. ..	206	0	5				General Purposes Trust ..		37	9	6
				2,880	12	9	Bank of New Zealand .. ..		409	17	4
							Petty Cash .. ..		20	0	0
							Sundry Debtors—				
							Grant owing by Home Dept. for Trainees Allow.		21	0	0
				£4,613	12	6			£4,613	12	6

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

F. T. BARTLEY, Treasurer.

Audited and Found Correct.

G. M. SOWDEN, Auditor.  
B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.



**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS								
£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d				
Capital Account .. .. .			50,000	0	0	<b>Freehold Properties: Great North Rd.—</b>						
Deposit Account .. .. .				5	0	Land .. .. .	17,580	0	0			
Income Account:						Buildings .. .. .	34,573	9	8			
Balance as at 30th June, 1962			12,067	18	7				52,153	9	8	
Building Renewal Fund .. .. .			19,500	0	0	<b>Building Renewal Fund Investments:</b>						
						<i>Investments—</i>						
						Auckland City Council 5% 1/2/69	3,000	0	0			
						Auckland City Council 5% 1/10/69	2,000	0	0			
						Auckland Hosp. Board 5% 1/11/69	2,000	0	0			
						Auckland Hosp. Board 5% 1/2/66	2,000	0	0			
						Auckland Metro Drainage Board						
						5% 21/6/64 .. .. .	3,000	0	0			
						<i>Mortgage—</i>						
						Gray Industries Ltd 6½% 26/7/64	2,500	0	0			
						N.Z. Govt. Stock 4½% 15/8/62-63	5,000	0	0			
										19,500	0	0
						<b>Mortgage:</b>						
						W. P. Pennell 6% 1/12/63				1,700	0	0
						Post Office Savings Bank .. .. .				24	3	11
						<b>Registered Stock:</b>						
						Auckland Transport Board (£1,000)						
						4% 31/7/63 .. .. .	966	17	6			
						Auckland Harbour Bd. 5% 10/8/70	2,000	0	0			
						Thames Valley Electric Power Bd.						
						(£2,000) 5% 1/6/67 .. .. .	1,978	0	0			
										4,944	17	6
						Bank of N.Z. Current Account ..				3,019	17	0
						Cash in Hand .. .. .				230	10	6
										£81,572	18	7
										£81,572	18	7

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1962, 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, 1962 as shown by the Books.

A. R. MARTIN,  
R. EVANS, Auditors,  
9th August, 1962.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.  
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

**AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE, MT. ROSKILL**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962**

Secretary-Manager: Mr R. K. STACEY.

Treasurer: Mr P. DELLOW

1961					1961					1961			
£		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
5,450	To Wages	5,110	9	4	63			39	3	9			
2,319	" Groceries and Provisions	2,021	5	11	1,416			106	1	1			
866	" Repairs and Renewals	859	0	4									
	" Repairs to Graveley Mower		52	9	34								
946	" Clothing and Drapery	798	5	6	150			150	0	0			
508	" Fuel and Light	401	18	4	816			1,989	0	0			
377	" Farm and Garden	198	2	3	125			125	0	0			
	" Printing, Stationery and Advertising		161	4							2,409	4	10
227	" Medical and Dental		26	13	1,275						1,402	10	0
17	" Stamps and Telephones		91	14									
158	" Travelling & Truck Exp.		457	0									
340	" Petty Cash		155	0	4,894			5,230	19	4			
130	" Insurance		123	1	1,317			1,417	0	0			
124	" Rent—Office		57	0							6,647	19	4
57	" Rates		221	17									
230	" Audit Fee		34	5									
30	" Sundry Expenses		273	18									
96	" School Fees		717	6							5,481	16	8
864	" Depreciation—Furnishings		378	15							250	0	0
386	" Motor Van		31	8							1,005	9	2
39	" Rotary Hoe		24	0							78	19	3
30	" Graveley Mower		10	4							2,438	10	8
	" Mt. Roskill Bldgs.		750	0									
750													
			1,194	7									
			111	11									
	" Capital A/c.—Surplus												
13,944		£13,066	10	7	13,944			£13,066	10	7			



**AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE, MT. ROSKILL**  
**BALANCE SHEET A S AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

	LIABILITIES						ASSETS						
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	
<b>Capital — as at 1st July, 1961</b> —				125,186	7	2							
<b>Add Bequests—</b>													
<b>Estates of:</b>													
Albert, E. V. —	76	6	7										
Brain, E. M. —	100	0	0										
Gray, A. —	100	0	0										
Phillips, A. H. —	100	0	0										
Reeve, M. —	113	16	4										
Walker, B. J. —	21	7	0										
Warburton, E. R. —	500	0	0										
Woods, E. L. —	100	0	0										
F. W. Walters Trust —	50	0	0										
				1,161	9	11							
<b>Add Revenue A/c.—Surplus</b> —				111	11	0							
„ <b>Govt. Stock matured</b> —				103	2	6							
				126,562	10	7							
<b>Less Education Board Bond</b>				331	16	5							
							126,230	14	2				
<b>Endowment Legacies:</b>													
Eliza Gilmore Trust —				1,000	0	0							
M. Caughey Preston —				2,000	0	0							
John Rendell —				200	0	0							
							3,200	0	0				
<b>F. E. Findlay Holiday Fund:</b>													
<b>Capital</b> —				3,413	6	0							
<b>Add Surplus for year</b> —				70	9	11							
							3,483	15	11				
<b>Ground Rent received in advance</b> —							591	13	4				
<b>Sundry Creditors</b> —							303	16	8				
<b>Properties:</b>													
Epsom—Sections at valuation —										10,500	0	0	
Wesley—Sections at valuation —										15,575	0	0	
Mt. Roskill—Land and Improvements —										9,180	8	5	
Home —									71,935	1	6		
Less Depreciation —									750	0	0		
										71,185	1	6	
<b>Shares:</b>													
E. Astley and Sons Ltd., 564 Ordinary shares, 14/- at val.										631	2	6	
<b>New Zealand Govt. Stock:</b> (Including investment of Endowment Legacies).													
New Zealand Government Stock, £6,600 at cost —										6,482	10	0	
<b>Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock—at cost</b> —										3,700	0	0	
<b>Auckland City Council Stock—at cost</b> —										2,000	0	0	
<b>Auckland Hospital Board Stock—at cost</b> —										2,000	0	0	
<b>Auckland Electric Power Board Stock—at cost</b> —										2,000	0	0	
<b>Investments of F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund:</b>													
40 Milford Road —									1,500	0	0		
Auckland City Council Stock—at cost £500 —									500	0	0		
Newmarket Borough Council Debentures £500 at cost —									500	0	0		
Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock £500 at cost —									500	0	0		
Auckland Savings Bank —									483	15	11		
										3,483	15	11	

<b>Furnishings and Plant</b>	—	—	3,472	6	10	
Add Additions	—	—	315	6	4	
			<u>3,787</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>	
Less Depreciation	—	—	378	15	2	3,408 18 0
<b>Motor Vehicles:</b>						
Bedford Van	—	—	157	0	0	
Rotary Hoe	—	—	120	0	0	
Graveley Mower	—	—	51	1	0	
			<u>328</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	
Less depreciation	—	—	65	12	0	262 9 0
<b>Stock on Hand</b>	—	—				100 0 0
<b>Payments in Advance and Sundry Debtors</b>	—	—				518 18 9
<b>Bank of New Zealand:</b>						
Current Account, Town Hall	—	—	2,181	16	0	
Current Account, Mt Roskill	—	—	400	0	0	
Imprest Account, Mt. Roskill	—	—	200	0	0	
			<u>2,781</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0</u>	
						£133,810 0 1
Trounson Bequest—with General Purposes Trust Board	—	—				510 0 0

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£133,810 0 1

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home and Orphanage for the year ended 30th June, 1962, and, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of the Trust's affairs, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown in the books of the Trust.

20th August, 1962.

A. R. W. GREGORY, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Public Accountant.

G. C. RIDDELL, Chairman.

P. DELLOW, Treasurer.

## MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

### Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1962

1961		£	s.	d.	1961		£	s.	d.
					619	By Connexional Budget	1,506	0	0
2,446	To Salaries	2,661	11	5	1,260	" Contributions from Circuits	74	1	6
1,516	" House Stores and Expenses	1,763	4	10	76	" Donations	65	16	4
1,024	" Repairs and Maintenance	962	6	5	1,582	" Maintenance	1,013	0	0
526	" Alterations	—	—	—	1,245	" Social Security Benefits	1,074	0	0
1,057	" Drapery and Clothing	913	8	3	804	" Government Capitation	721	10	0
4	" Advertising	65	19	0	200	" J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	250	0	0
54	" Fares of Children	50	13	2	35	" Masterton Trust Lands Trust—School Requisites Grant	35	0	0
120	" Farm Purchases and Expenses	154	1	6	239	" Income from Estates	409	11	10
72	" General Expenses	171	18	8	804	" Interest	823	8	4
491	" Heating and Lighting	474	3	5	1,240	" Wellington Board—Grant of Half Share of Income	1,302	7	8
41	" Insurance	26	19	11	146	" Farm Sales	104	14	11
200	" Maintenance—Children Boarded Out	23	15	6	120	" Transfer from Police Charity Fund	239	3	6
118	" Motor-car Allowance	215	5	5	8,370		7,618	14	1
24	" Manager's Disbursements	166	0	0	88	" Excess of Expenditure Over Income	952	18	0
33	" Optical and Dental	16	4	6					
98	" Postages and Telephones	53	6	1					
25	" Rates	141	17	4					
119	" Secretary's Expenses	25	0	0					
	" Recreational Expenses and Music Tuition	239	3	6					
172	" Stationery and School Requisites	120	0	9					
5	" Travelling Expenses	33	4	3					
313	" Depreciation	293	8	2					
8,458		£8,571	12	1	8,458		£8,571	12	1



**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1962**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Salaries and Wages .. .. .	5,236	13	9	By Post Office Interest .. .. .		3	15 7
House Supplies .. .. .	1,783	15	8	Bank Interest .. .. .		34	14 7
Drapery, Clothing, etc. .. .. .	619	12	0	Donations and Collections .. .. .	3,492	9	10
Lighting and Heating .. .. .	931	13	2	Combined Orphanage Appeal .. .. .	1,700	0	0
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance .. .. .	393	6	0	Donation Mackenzie Trust .. .. .	300	0	0
Stationery, Stamps and General Expenses .. .. .	589	2	11	Maintenance Fees .. .. .	5,441	19	0
Insurances .. .. .	51	16	6	Miscellaneous Receipts .. .. .		90	13 11
Board and Residence Payments .. .. .	158	10	6	Deficit .. .. .		86	12 2
Travelling Expenses .. .. .	292	17	0				
Rates .. .. .	189	19	1				
Grounds .. .. .	51	9	6				
Miscellaneous Expenses .. .. .	636	9	9				
Depreciation (This includes £25/19/3) on van)	565	19	3				
	<u>£11,501</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>£11,501</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>

**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1962**

LIABILITIES-			ASSETS											
	£	s	d		£	s	d		£	s	d			
Sundry Creditors .. .. .				249	19			Home and Outbuildings .. ..	13,837	2	6			
Sports and Equipment Fund ..				9	10			Less Depreciation .. .. .	300	0	0			
Renovations and Improvements Fund .. .. .	1,915	17	5								13,537	2	6	
Less Expenditure during year	1,510	10	0					Grounds .. .. .				4,363	17	0
				405	7	5		Furnishings .. .. .	1,809	6	8			
Permanent Capital Account ..				10,062	11	9		Plus Purchases .. .. .	277	18	11			
Accumulated Funds .. .. .	10,027	3	1					Less Depreciation .. .. .	2,087	5	7			
Plus Transfer from Investment Board .. .. .	2,635	0	0						200	0	0			
												1,887	5	7
Less Deficit 1962 .. .. .	12,662	3	1					Livestock .. .. .	100	15	11			
	86	12	2					Plus Purchases, less sales ..	15	10	0			
				12,575	10	11		Less Depreciation .. .. .				116	5	11
								Implements and Tools .. .. .	287	6	1			
								Less Depreciation .. .. .	40	0	0			
												247	6	1
								Harewood Road Bungalow ..				250	0	0
								Bedford Van .. .. .	129	16	3			
								Less Depreciation .. .. .	25	19	3			
												103	17	0
								Sundry Debtors .. .. .				351	0	0
								Deposit P.O. Savings Bank ..				130	13	10
								Home Petty Cash .. .. .				20	0	0
								Bank of New Zealand .. .. .				2,295	11	4
												£23,302	19	3
												£23,302	19	3

We have audited the Accounts of the South Island Methodist Orphanage for the period ended 31st March, 1962, and all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet and the attached Revenue Account have been properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Orphanage as shown by the Books. Christchurch, 25th June, 1962.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD AND MOORE,  
Auditors.



**METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1962**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Loans at 31/5/61 .. .. .	86,741	2	4	By Loans Repaid .. .. .	13,434	5	10
New Loans Advanced .. .. .	17,700	0	0	Loans at 31/5/62 .. .. .	91,006	16	6
	£104,441	2	4		£104,441	2	4

**SITES FUND ACCOUNT**

	£	s	d		£	s	d		£	s	d	
To Exchange and Stationery .. .. .							16	0	By Contribution H.M. Dept. .. .. .	400	0	0
Grants—Point Wells .. .. .	50	0	0						Refund Grant .. .. .	50	0	0
Clarks Beach .. .. .	100	0	0						Interest .. .. .	42	14	0
Northcote Central .. .. .	100	0	0						Balance .. .. .	183	2	0
Waitohi .. .. .	75	0	0									
Havelock (HB) .. .. .	150	0	0									
Lincoln Road .. .. .	100	0	0									
Rolleston .. .. .	100	0	0									
	675	0	0							675	16	0
	£675	16	0							£675	16	0

**ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT**

	£	s	d		£	s	d		£	s	d
To Administration Costs .. .. .	600	0	0					By Working Expenses .. .. .	638	14	4
Stationery and General .. .. .	261	6	5					Trust Contributions .. .. .	177	5	0
Balance to Capital Account .. .	301	9	11					Commission .. .. .	209	3	6
	£1,162	16	4					Interest .. .. .	137	13	6
	£1,162	16	4						£1,162	16	4





**NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TIMES**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th APRIL, 1962**

EXPENDITURE			INCOME							
	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d
To Printing and Publishing .. .. .	3,594		3	Subscriptions .. .. .				3,926		7
Addressograph Plates .. .. .	78	16	1	Advertising .. .. .	1,040	14	6			
Process Blocks .. .. .	61	8	2	Less Unexpired Values .. .. .	322	10	0			
Distribution Charges .. .. .	887	5	8					718	4	6
Agents' Commission .. .. .	112	13	3	Contingent Fund Grant .. .. .				500		0
Editors' Honoraria, Expenses & Contributors' Fees .. .. .	185	13	11	Donations .. .. .				25	13	3
Office Expenses .. .. .	150	5	6	Bank Interest .. .. .				9	18	7
Authorised Appropriation .. .. .	500		0	Deficit .. .. .				390	2	10
	£5,570		6					£5,570		6

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1962**

LIABILITIES			ASSETS							
	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d
Advertisements (Unexpired Value) .. .. .	322		10	<b>Sundry Debtors:</b>						
Subscriptions Prepaid .. .. .	88	8	9	Subscriptions in Arrear .. .. .				519	13	6
Agents' Commission Provision .. .. .	14	19	6	Advertisements in arrear .. .. .				167	13	4
Suspense Account .. .. .	1	3	4	Accumulated Deficit as at 30/4/61	700	5	8			
Sundry Creditors .. .. .	533		2	Deficit Transferred from Revenue				390	2	10
Contingent Fund Reserve .. .. .	500		0	Account .. .. .						
Bank of New Zealand Overdraft .. .. .	317	11	9					1,090	8	6
	£1,777		15					£1,777		15

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, 1962.

B. C. BASCAND  
H. F. FIEBIG  
Treasurers.

H. T. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z.  
F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.  
Auditors.  
9th May, 1962.

**METHODIST CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1962**

EXPENDITURE	£	s	d	INCOME	£	s	d
Administration Costs .. .. .	900	0	0	Premiums and Commission .. .. .	4,472	7	8
Stationery and General .. .. .	270	7	4	Mortgage Interest .. .. .	739	7	10
Claims Paid .. .. .	19	14	0	Mortgage Interest Accrued .. .. .	121	19	0
Balance to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account	6,591	6	8	Debenture Interest .. .. .	1,681	8	9
				Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .	671	6	6
				Deposit Interest .. .. .	94	18	3
	£7,781	8	0		£7,781	8	0

**PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT AS AT 31st MAY, 1962**

EXPENDITURE	£	s	d	INCOME	£	s	d
Additional Grant (1961) .. .. .	10	0	0	Balance as at 31/5/61 .. .. .	104	14	6
Grants Recommended .. .. .	480	0	0	Transfer from Revenue Account .. .. .	6,591	6	8
Fire Loss Reserve .. .. .	6,000	0	0				
Balance Forward .. .. .	206	1	2				
	£6,696	1	2		£6,696	1	2

**METHODIST CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS							
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d		
Accumulated Funds .. .. .				33,500	0	0	Mortgage Investments .. .. .	15,088	13	6	
Fire Loss Reserve .. .. .	30,250	0	0				Mortgage Interest Accrued .. .. .	121	19	0	
Plus Provision .. .. .	6,000	0	0				15,210	12	6		
				36,250	0	0	Debenture and Government Stock				
Investment Contingency Reserve				3,170	15	4	Investments .. .. .	57,674	1	3	
Profit and Loss Appropriation A/c.				206	1	2	Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .	671	6	6	
Recommended Grants .. .. .				480	0	0	58,345	7	9		
Sundry Creditors .. .. .				171	10	3	Post Office Savings Bank .. .. .		1,704	4	9
Natural Calamities Account .. .. .				1,562	18	10	Premiums and Government War				
Bank of New Zealand .. .. .				2,200	14	7	Damage Due .. .. .		2,281	15	2
				£77,542	0	2	£77,542	0	2		

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and attached Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund and certify to the correctness of the same. We have had all the securities produced to us except those deposited with the Bank of New Zealand, whose certificate has been accepted by us. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 31st May, 1962.

H. L. FIEBIG  
 E. R. CAYGILL  
 Treasurers.

H. T. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z.  
 F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.  
 Auditors.  
 14th August, 1962.

## KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE

### Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1962.

EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s d		£	s d
Grant to Rangiatea Trust	200	0 0	Rent	575	0 0
General Expenses	3	8 0	Interest on Depreciation Fund Investment	29	6 6
Interest (State Advances Mortgage)	107	8 4	Interest—Bank New South Wales	2	14 3
Depreciation Reserve A/c.	100	0 0			
Excess of Income over Expenditure	196	4 5			
	£607	0 9		£607	0 9

### Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1962

LIABILITIES			ASSETS					
	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d
State Advances Mortgage	2,626	0 6			Farm Property	15,276	8 0	
Less repaid	89	18 2			Less Depreciation Res.	600	0 0	
			2,536	2 4				14,676 8 0
Loan Account	1,050	0 0			Sundry Debtors			125 0 0
Less repaid	75	0 0			Bank N.S.W. Current A/c.			128 10 3
					Dep. Fund Investment A/c.			
Accumulated Fund	11,948	0 4			P.O.S.B.	175	8 10	
Plus Excess Income over Expenditure	196	4 5			Local Body Loans	550	0 0	
			975	0 0				725 8 10
			12,144	4 9				£15,655 7 1
			£15,655	7 1				£15,655 7 1

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 30th June, 1962, and in my opinion the above accounts and balance sheet show the true financial position of the Trust at 30th June, 1962.

D. R. SMART, A.R.A.N.Z., 10/7/62.

## METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF NEW ZEALAND

Balance Sheet as at 31st August, 1962

LIABILITIES						ASSETS							
		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
<b>Union Revenue Accounts:</b>													
Combined Account	—	10,052	4	5							15,673	2	10
Sisters' Salaries Reserve A/c.	—	1,418	7	3							4,000	0	0
Stamps, etc., Fund	—	1,774	0	0									
Legacy A/C.	—	150	0	0							3,189	16	5
Solomon Is. Jubilee Travel Fund	—	25	17	4							4,500	0	0
				13,420	9	0							
<b>Kurahuna:</b>													
Revenue Account	—	2,700	7	10							6,914	12	0
Maintenance, Stall and Legacy Accounts	—	530	7	4							23	6	0
Emergency Fund	—	1,163	11	10							6,891	6	0
Bequest A/c.	—	500	0	0							340	0	0
Capital and Depreciation A/c.	—	1,465	9	9									
Capital Property and Furniture	—	7,231	6	0							7,231	6	0
				13,591	2	9							
<b>Smethurst Estate:</b>													
Revenue A/c.	—	1,023	6	11									
Investment A/c.	—	4,000	0	0									
Capital Property and Furniture	—	4,000	0	0									
				9,023	6	11							
<b>Special Funds:</b>													
Solomon Islands Capital Fund	—	834	19	11									
Solomon Islands Girls' School	—	1,724	6	8									
				2,559	6	7							
				£38,594	5	3							
								£38,594	5	3			

I have examined the accounts of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union of New Zealand and have received all the information and explanations required. Deposits with the General Purposes Trust Board have been accepted by certificate of title from that Board. In my opinion the above accounts show the true and correct position of this organisation as at 31st August, 1962.

8th September, 1962.

HELENA I. HENDRA, Treasurer.

W. T. WALTON, A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I.,  
Auditor.



World Federation of Methodist Women (2 years sub.)	—	8	8	0	
Durham Street Church Trust	—	4	4	0	
'Baring Square' Church Trust	—	2	2	0	
General Expenses	— — —	14	5	9	
					977 8 7
<b>Kurahuna:</b>					
Maintenance Grant	— —	1,127	0	7	
Depreciation Reserve	— —	23	6	0	
Advance 1961/62 Income	— —	500	0	0	
Interest Debentures	— —	10	1	11	
					1,660 8 6
Sister E. James to purchase bed and bedding for her use at Hospital					30 0 0
Legacy A/c. South Auckland Dist. towards Sewing Machines Sol. Is.					50 0 0
Kurahuna Stall A/c. from Master-ton Auxiliary through District					10 0 0
Miss Weston, Tonga, towards replacements after hurricane					2 0 0
Solomon Is. Jubilee Travel Exp.		208	14	2	
Dr Hoult's Research Work		41	8	9	
Leper Work					11 10 10
Smethurst Estate Expenditure					595 15 6
					19,897 18 1
<b>Credit Balances:</b>					
Combined Account	— — —	10,052	4	5	
Kurahuna Revenue A/c.	— —	2,700	7	10	
Sisters' Salaries Reserve A/c.	— —	1,418	7	3	
Kurahuna Emergency A/c.	— —	1,163	11	10	
Stamps, etc., Fund	— — —	1,774	0	0	
Legacy A/c.	— — —	150	0	0	
Smethurst Estate and Residue A/c's	— — —	1,023	6	11	
Sol. Is. Jubilee Travel Fund	— —	25	17	4	
					18,307 15 7
					£38,205 13 8
					£38,205 13 8



**TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD**  
**Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1962**

CURRENT LIABILITIES	£	£	INVESTMENTS	£
Bank of New Zealand	8,623		Secured Advances	12,510
Interest Accrued	93			
<b>Loans at Call:</b>				
Department of Christian Education	750			
Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowment Trust	1,000			
Wesley Church Social Services Trust	1,000			
	11,466			
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Accumulated Funds:</b>				
Balance 30th June, 1961	919			
Add Excess of Income over Expendi- ture	125			
Balance 30th June, 1962	1,044			
	£12,510			£12,510

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.  
D. TAYLER, Treasurer

I certify 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, 1962, and have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required. I certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show a true and fair picture of the Trust at that date.

J. B. STEEL, F.P.A.N.Z., Hon. Auditor.  
WELLINGTON.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th, JUNE, 1962

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Directors' Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances .. .. .	2442 8 4	By Budget .. .. .	5536 15 0
Office Salaries and Superannuation ..	649 6 7	Bookroom Grant .. .. .	1600 0 0
Rent Office Space .. .. .	156 0 0	Duplicating Services .. .. .	73 13 9
Property Expenses .. .. .	91 2 5	Film Hire .. .. .	9 15 8
Connexional Charges .. .. .	109 19 0	Interest .. .. .	11 2 6
Grants, D.Y.C.'s, etc. .. .. .	120 0 0		
Travelling Expenses .. .. .	923 11 0		
Christian Education Handbook .. .. .	401 6 2		
Home Sunday School and Bible Class	261 7 9		
Depreciation .. .. .	500 0 0		
Printing and Stationery .. .. .	471 2 11		
Postages .. .. .	116 11 5		
General Expenses .. .. .	429 14 6		
Order of St Stephen .. .. .	25 18 6		
Leadership Training .. .. .	8 6 11		
Missionary Education .. .. .	4 14 7		
Youth Conference .. .. .	38 12 8		
Excess Income over Expenditure ..	481 4 2		
	<u>£7231 6 11</u>		<u>£7231 6 11</u>

D. M. HAY,  
Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962

LIABILITIES						ASSETS						
£	s	d	£	s	d	P.O.S.B.:	£	s	d	£	s	d
Sundry Creditors .. .. .			373	9	6	Special Appeal Fund .. ..	795	2	8			
Home Mission Board Loan (secured by mortgagage on Wellington property) .. ..			1321	3	9	Car Fund .. .. .	445	15	5			
<b>Special Reserves:</b>						Special Purposes Fund .. ..	679	2	8			
Special Appeal .. .. .	1759	17	9			New Ventures Fund .. .. .	650	2	0			
Car Fund .. .. .	445	15	5			Furniture Fund .. .. .	300	14	5			
Special Purposes .. .. .	1179	2	8							2870	17	2
New Ventures .. .. .	650	2	0			Sundry Debtors .. .. .				71	13	11
Parsonage Furniture .. .. .	300	14	5			Department Alterations .. ..				736	13	2
Missions, Overseas .. .. .	203	7	4			Wellington Property .. .. .				5704	0	9
" Home and Maori .. .. .	216	1	7			Wellington Furniture .. .. .				725	2	3
Youth Conference .. .. .	157	12	5			Equipment .. .. .				774	2	4
						Films .. .. .				74	13	6
			4912	13	7	Loan to H.M. Transport Trust Board (special appeal invest- ment) .. .. .				750	0	0
Accumulated Fund (1/7/61) ..	6032	9	6			Stock (printing and stationery)				135	0	0
Less Transferred to Special Purposes .. .. .	500	0	0			Cash in Hand .. .. .				10	0	0
						National Bank of New Zealand				660	0	4
						National Bank of New Zealand No. 2 account .. .. .				157	17	5
Plus Transfers from Reserves	5532	9	6									
Plus Excess Income over Exp.	48	15	4									
	481	4	2									
			6062	9	0							
			£12,669	15	10					£12,669	15	10

D. M. HAY,  
Treasurer.

**METHODIST CHILDREN'S FUND**

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962**

INCOME	£	s	d	EXPENDITURE	£	s	d
Balance as at 30th June, 1961, Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington .. .. .	66	9	0	<b>Grants to Ministers:</b> For Twelve Months ended 30/6/62 ..	3807	10	0
Payments received from Connexional Budget Treasurer .. .. .	3870	0	0	<b>Sundry Expenses:</b> Exchange .. .. .	4	7	3
Interest, as allowed by Bank of N.S.W. ..	2	9	6	Balance as at 30th June, 1962, Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington .. .. .	127	1	3
	£3938	18	6		£3938	18	6

Audited and found correct.

J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Hon. Auditor.

ROBERT THORNLEY,  
T. M. PACEY,  
Hon. Treasurers.





**THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE**

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1961.

	f	s	d	f	s	d	f	s	d	f	s	d	f	s	d
<b>Sundry Creditors:</b>															
State Advances															
Corp. — Suspensory Loan			200	0	0										
Trade Accounts			4,523	10	5										
<b>Funds:</b>						4,723	10	5							
College Building			3,054	14	0										
Furnishing			3	0	0										
Library —			325	0	0										
						3,382	14	0							
<b>Scholarship Funds:</b>															
Marianne Caughey															
Smith-Preston	2,000	0	0												
George Winstone	1,000	0	0												
Stephen James															
Ambury —	1,000	0	0												
War Mem. Fund (Maori)			384	10	0										
						4,384	10	0							
Income undistr.					166	15	1								
						4,551	5	1							
<b>Capital Account:</b>															
Bal. at 1/1/1961				220,056	0	5									
Bonus Shares															
Auck. Co-op. Producers Ltd.	84	0	0												
College Building Fund Interest	346	15	0												
Grafton Lease Conversions	339	12	0												
Net Rents Waikowhai New Subdivision —	1,245	13	5												
Donations Rec. Chapel Organ Fund — — —															
						2,016	0	5							
Less Excess Exp. over Income —				222,072	0	10									
				655	11	5									
									221,416	9	5				
									£234,073	18	11				
<b>Land, Buildings and Improvements:</b>															
Paerata — — — — —	136,770	12	5												
Maurice Harding Park — — — — —	10,844	0	0												
Grafton — — — — —	19,407	19	6												
Waikowhai — — — — —	18,851	18	5												
Hobson County — — — — —	10	0	0												
													185,884	10	4
<b>Plant and Equipment:</b>															
Farm Machinery — — — — —	630	0	0												
Motor Vehicles — — — — —	1,923	0	0												
Furniture and Equipment — — — — —	12,465	0	0												
													15,018	0	0
<b>Stock on Hand:</b>															
Livestock — — — — —	2,634	17	6												
Produce and Sundries — — — — —	2,233	7	9												
													4,868	5	3
<b>Sundry Debtors</b>									9,870	17	6				
Less Reserve for Bad Debts — — — — —									150	0	0				
													9,720	17	6
<b>Scholarship Investments:</b>															
N.Z. Govt Stock (Maturity Value £3,400)	3,384	10	0												
Frank M. Winstone Ltd. (1000 shares of £1 each fully pd.)	1,000	0	0												
													4,384	10	0
<b>General Investments:</b>															
College Building Fund	13,880	10	0												
Shares Auckland Co-op. Milk Producers Ltd. — — — — —	299	0	0												
Bank of New Zealand — — — — —	18	5	10												
													14,197	15	10

G. C. B. MINOGUE, F.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
General Secretary.

J. S. CAUGHEY,  
Chairman.

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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, 1961, as shown by the books. We have obtained from the Solicitors of 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, 1962.

HUTCHISON, ELLIFFE, CAMERON & CO.,  
Auditors.





**TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**

**Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 30th June, 1962.**

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS				
		£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance 1st July, 1961	.. .. .	575	0	3	Stipends	3,078	13	4
Connexional Budget	.. .. .	4,723	0	0	Divinity Students' Fees	2,582	5	0
Probert Trust	.. .. .	1,500	0	0	Connexional Budget	360	0	0
Emsley Trust	.. .. .	95	0	0	Bursaries	208	0	0
Foreign Mission Dept.	.. .. .	37	10	0	Furnishings	56	0	0
Prince Albert College	.. .. .	200	0	0	Repairs and Maintenance	177	4	0
Pitt St. Church Trust	.. .. .	100	0	0	Library Fund	50	0	0
House and Service	.. .. .	500	0	0	University Fees	376	14	0
Garden Rents	.. .. .	9	0	0	Tutors' Fees	15	10	0
Bank Interest	.. .. .	7	14	1	Insurance	11	13	0
Ranston Memorial Book Fund	.. .. .	119	0	0	Rent House, Tutor	192	0	0
Lecture Fees	.. .. .	15	0	0	Property Purchase Charges	75	15	1
Friends of Trinity	.. .. .	6	1	0	Alterations to Buttle House	668	8	10
Balance 1st July, 1962	.. .. .	37	1	2	Travelling Expenses	20	0	0
					Rent Board Room	3	10	0
					Printing and Stationery	36	8	0
					Petty Expenses	6	8	0
					Bank Charges	5	17	3
		£7,924	6	6		£7,924	6	6

**TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1962.

LIABILITIES	£	s	d	ASSETS	£	s	d	£	s	d
Capital .. .. .	72,772	6	5	Freehold Land .. ..				8,550	0	0
New Chapel and Building Appeal ..	18,109	2	3	College Buildings .. ..				35,000	0	0
Organ Fund .. .. .	1,713	1	5	New Chapel .. .. .				11,470	13	1
				Organ .. .. .				2,834	16	10
				Furnishings and Fittings—						
				College .. .. .	4,221	0	0			
				New Chapel .. ..	1,631	0	0			
								5,852	0	0
				Contents of Library ..				4,000	0	0
				House, 134 Grafton Road. .				2,834	9	6
				Buttle House, 2 Beckham Pl.	5,175	0	0			
				Less Mortgage .. ..	3,000	0	0			
								2,175	0	0
				Shares (Stn. British Ins.) ..				1,440	0	0
				Short Term Deposit .. ..				10,000	0	0
				Auckland Savings Bk. A/c.				305	16	9
				Bank of N.Z. Current A/c.				8,131	13	11
								£92,594	10	1
								£92,594	10	1

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, 1962, and certify that, in my opinion, the Balance Sheet shows the correct position of the affairs of the Council as at that date.

1st, August, 1962.

E. P. SALMON, F.R.A.N.Z.,  
Auditor.



**EPWORTH BOOKROOM (WELLINGTON)**

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

	£	s.	d.		6,530	17	2
To General Expenses	271	5	4	By Gross Profit			
" Printing and Stationery	117	12	0	" Interest	123	0	6
" Postages	287	19	8				
" Salaries	2,285	6	5				
" Depreciation	248	0	0				
" Rent	156	0	0				
" Net Profit	3,287	14	3				
	£6,653	17	8		£6,653	17	8

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, 1962, 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,  
13th September, 1962.

T. M. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z., Auditor.

**METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	
To Interest on Trust Accounts ..				3,121	7	9	By Interest Earned ..
Administration				500	0	0	Commission ..
Stationery & General Expenses				155	3	7	
Excess Income over Expenditure ..				519	3	3	
				£4,295	14	7	£4,295
							14
							7

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
Personal and Church Trusts ..				77,655	13	4	<b>Current Assets:</b>
<b>T. W. Newbold Trust:</b>							Bank of New Zealand
Capital Account as at 30/6/61	9,853	4	2				226
Transfer from Revenue Account	375	3	6				11
				10,228	7	8	Supernumerary Fund Deposit
							3,099
							14
							0
							3,326
							5
							11
<b>Winstone Memorial Fund:</b>							<b>Sundry Debtors and Accruals:</b>
Perm. Capital as at 30/6/61 ..	29,777	6	6				Personal Trusts ..
Plus Trans. from Revenue A/c.	405	19	9				25
				30,183	6	3	9
							3
							7
							4
							8
							4
							2
							2
							1,915
							2
							2
<b>General Purposes Trust Board</b>							<b>Investments:</b>
Capital Account:							Debentures & Government Stock
Balance at 30/6/61 ..	1,585	0	11				78,214
Plus Revenue ..	519	3	3				19
				2,104	4	2	6
							0
							1,000
							0
							77,214
							19
							6
							17,369
							17
							4
							3,779
							17
							8
							7,000
							0
							105,364
							14
							6
							<b>Freehold Property:</b>
							Winstone Trust ..
							20,395
							16
							8
							£131,001
							19
							3

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, 1962.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER, Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD AND MOORE,  
Auditors.  
21/9/62.

**METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED, 30th JUNE, 1962**

	EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s	d	£	s	d
To Retiring Allowances and Withdrawals .. .. .				Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .		19,071 4 5
Subsidies Refunded .. .. .			572 9 0	Contributions:		
Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .			106 10 0	Personal .. .. .	827 4 0	
			20,723 8 2	Circuit .. .. .	162 5 0	
				Home Mission Board .. .. .	173 5 0	
				Foreign Mission Board .. .. .	391 0 0	
				Interest .. .. .		1,553 14 0
						777 8 9
			£21,402 7 2			£21,402 7 2

**REVENUE ACCOUNT**

To Interest to Contributors' Account .. .. .							
Office Expenses:			777 8 9	By Balance as at 30/6/61 .. .. .			560 10 5
Administration Charges .. .. .	75	0		Interest .. .. .			909 11 0
Audit Fee, Stationery & General Expenses .. .. .	14	3					
Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .			89 3 9				
			603 8 11				
			£1,470 1 5				£1,470 1 5

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
Personal Accounts .. .. .			20,723 8 2	Debentures & Government Stock .. .. .			1,800 0 0
Capital Account .. .. .			2,500 0 7	Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .			15 4 1
Revenue Account .. .. .			603 8 11	Deposit — Supernumerary Fund .. .. .			22,011 13 7
			£23,826 17 8				£23,826 17 8

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1962.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER, Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD AND MOORE,  
Auditors.  
14/9/62.

## METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

### Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 31st July, 1962.

	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Stock of Booklets and Paper, 31st August, 1961 .. .. .				327	18	7			
Printing Booklets, etc.—									
"Spiritual Life" Pamphlets .. .. .	79	11	10						
"Advent" Leaflets .. .. .	49	0	0						
Conference Reports .. .. .	78	7	6						
"Lenten" Leaflets .. .. .	112	13	11						
"Prayer Manuals" .. .. .	139	15	0						
Visitation Cards .. .. .	8	4	2						
Statements on Unity .. .. .	16	13	4						
	484	5	9						
Duplicating Paper, etc. .. .. .	510	15	6						
				995	1	3			
				1,322	19	10			
Less Stock Booklets 31st July, 1962 ..				308	16	8			
Cost of Sales .. .. .				1,014	3	2			
Petty Cash, Postages, Stationery .. .. .				41	8	3			
Travelling Allowance .. .. .				10	0	0			
Rent of Storeroom .. .. .				13	0	0			
Loss of Trade-in of Typewriter .. .. .				17	5	6			
				1,095	16	11			
Excess Income over Expend. for Year				195	9	11			
				£1,291	6	10			

### Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1962.

LIABILITIES			ASSETS			
	£	s	d	£	s	d
Storeroom Rental Unpaid .. .. .				869	4	4
Accumulated Funds:				266	8	3
Balance 31st July, 1961 .. .. .	1,407	3	10			
Plus Income for Year .. .. .	195	9	11			
	1,602	13	9			
Balance 31st July, 1962 .. .. .				£1,615	13	9

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
Honorary Treasurer.

Audited and Found Correct. R. H. HAMES, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z.  
Honorary Auditor.  
Auckland, 27/8/62.



**SUPERNUMERARY FUND BENEVOLENT BRANCH**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				<b>INCOME</b>			
Balance as at 30th June, 1962 .. .. .	199	8	2	By Balance as at 30th June, 1961 ..	100	5	11
				„ Donations .. .. .	38	8	0
				„ Interest .. .. .	60	14	3
	£199	8	2		£199	8	2

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				<b>ASSETS</b>			
Capital Account .. .. .	1,400	0	0	Deposit — Supernumerary Fund .. ..	1,599	8	2
Revenue Account .. .. .	199	8	2				
	£1,599	8	2		£1,599	8	2

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, 1962.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
 G. S. SALTER, Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD AND MOORE,  
 Auditors,  
 14/9/62.









<b>.. Synod Standing Committee:</b>			
North Auckland	.. .. .	95 1 6	
South Auckland	.. .. .	108 5 6	
North Canterbury	.. .. .	15 16 1	
South Canterbury	.. .. .	18 3 9	
Otago/Southland	.. .. .	32 13 9	
		<hr/>	270 0 7
<b>.. Church Council:</b>			
Northland	.. .. .	28 8 0	
Auckland	.. .. .	66 8 0	
South Auckland	.. .. .	54 7 6	
Wellington	.. .. .	1 8 3	
Nelson	.. .. .	- - -	
North Canterbury	.. .. .	5 10 0	
South Canterbury	.. .. .	12 3 0	
Otago/Southland	.. .. .	9 3 0	
		<hr/>	177 7 9
<b>.. Supply:</b>			
Reefton	.. .. .	11 18 10	
Papakura	.. .. .	42 0 0	
		<hr/>	53 18 10
<b>.. Connexional Payments:</b>			
President's Personal Allowance	.. .. .	65 0 0	
" Gowns for 2 years	.. .. .	39 18 6	
" Travel & Gen. Exp.	.. .. .	267 0 10	
" Supply	.. .. .	60 7 0	
Printing Synod Reports	.. .. .	158 8 3	
" Communion Booklets	.. .. .	187 14 9	
" Ministerial Appoints.	.. .. .	193 15 0	
" Membership Certificates	.. .. .	102 5 3	
" Declaration Faith	.. .. .		
Church Union	.. .. .	99 12 6	
Printing General	.. .. .	24 16 9	
Church Union Committee Travel	.. .. .	135 16 4	
Church Finance Com. Travel	.. .. .	108 9 9	
Examination Committee Exp.	.. .. .	77 1 0	
University Fees	.. .. .	70 0 0	
Emergency Ministerial Course	.. .. .	316 0 0	
Children's Homes Conference	.. .. .	30 0 0	
Special Payment A. R. Nuttall	.. .. .	500 0 0	
Ex gratia Payment Student Fel- derhof	.. .. .	100 0 0	
General Connexional Payments	.. .. .	105 11 7	
		<hr/>	2,641 17 6

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of The Methodist Conference Contingent Fund together with the District Chairmen's financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 1962, and in my opinion the above Account is properly drawn up to show a true and correct view of the Fund at that date.  
Auckland.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.

<b>„ Grants:</b>			
Connexional Secretary .. ..	400	0	0
Deaconess Institute .. ..	375	0	0
Methodist Times & Editor's Exp. ..	500	0	0
Overseas Travel Fund .. ..	500	0	0
Spiritual Advance Committee .. ..	25	0	0
Public Questions Committee .. ..	25	0	0
World Council of Churches .. ..	213	5	6
World Methodist Council .. ..	25	1	0
Ecumenical Committee .. ..	15	0	0
Temperance Committee .. ..	35	0	0
Radio Committee .. ..	20	0	0
Faith and Order Committee .. ..	10	0	0
Spiritual Healing Committee .. ..	10	0	0
Publications Committee .. ..	50	0	0
International Affairs Committee ..	25	0	0
Commission on T.V. .. ..	400	2	6
Welfare of the Church Com. .. ..	3	0	0
		2,631	9 0
<b>„ Exchange and Bank Charges .. ..</b>		3	12 9
<b>Total Expenditure .. ..</b>		£10,026	16 5
<b>„ Balance Bank of New Zealand ..</b>	1,466	17	9
<b>Less Amounts Due to Districts:</b>			
	Dr.	Cr.	
Northland .. ..	230	17 10	
Auckland .. ..	76	18 5	
S. Auckland .. ..	26	15 9	
Tar./Wang. .. ..	1	12 6	
H. Bay/Mana. .. ..	9	17 3	
Wellington .. ..	82	18 11	
Nelson .. ..	39	14 10	
N. Canterbury .. ..	—	—	
S. Canterbury .. ..	2	7 2	
Otago/South. .. ..	—	—	
	Dr.	156	10 10
<b>Balance .. ..</b>	1,310	6 11	1,310 6 11
		£11,337	3 4

£11,337 3 4





**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Withdrawals .. .. .	757	4	5	By Balance as at 30/6/61 .. .. .	29,258	7	0
Forfeitures .. .. .	65	10	0	Personal Subscriptions .. .. .	870	19	1
Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	30,653	1	6	Fire Insurance Subsidy .. .. .	470	0	0
				Interest to Contributors A/c. .. .. .	876	9	10
	£31,475	15	11		£31,475	15	11

**REVENUE ACCOUNT**

				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Balance as at 30/6/61 .. .. .	83	3	9	By Forfeitures .. .. .	65	10	0
Interest to Contributors .. .. .	876	9	10	Interest on Deposits and Investments .. .. .	1,198	10	10
Administration Charges .. .. .	95	10	0				
Stationery and General Expenses .. .. .	25	14	2				
Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	121	4	2				
	183	3	1				
	£1,264	0	10		£1,264	0	10

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1962**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Personal Accounts .. .. .	30,653	1	6	Debentures and Government Stock .. .. .	7,295	0	0
Revenue Account Surplus .. .. .	183	3	1	Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .	47	14	8
				Deposit A/c.—Supernumerary Fund .. .. .	23,493	9	11
	£30,836	4	7		£30,836	4	7

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, 1962.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD AND MOORE,  
Auditors.  
14/9/62.



# MAORI MISSION

## STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1962

	NORTHLAND	AUCKLAND	SOUTH AUCKLAND	KING COUNTRY	TARANAKI	TOTALS for 1962	TOTALS for 1961	INCREASES	DECREASES
<b>General—</b>									
Number of Churches ..	13	3	..	1	1	18	18	..	..
Other Preaching Places ..	18	26	56	37	19	156	148	8	..
Parsonages ..	1	2	2	2	1	8	8	..	..
Ordained Ministers ..	2	2	1	1	1	7	8	..	1
Home Missionaries (full time)	..	2	2	1	1	6	6	..	..
.. (part time or Honorary)	8	1	8	7	1	25	27	..	2
Deaconesses ..	3	5	5	2	3	18	16	2	..
Local Preachers ..	3	3	6	..	..	12	9	3	..
<b>Membership—</b>									
Members in full status ..	461	565	†360	474	307	2167	1962	205	..
Number received in reception	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Services during the year ..	3	..	6	..	4	13	31	..	18
Methodist Adherents ..	237	522	†4000	373	270	5402	6006	..	604
<b>Youth—</b>									
Regular Sunday Schools	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Weekly ..	3	*14	23	1	1	42	40	2	..
Fortnightly ..	..	*2	20	..	16	38	49	..	11
Monthly ..	14	*1	15	11	..	41	66	..	25
<b>Totals</b> ..	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>155</b>	..	<b>34</b>

Sunday School Scholars ..										
Weekly ..	43	*228	286	60	23	640	564	76	..	80
Fortnightly ..	..	*27	311	..	350	688	768	..	..	..
Monthly ..	374	*4	207	137	..	722	864	..	..	142
<b>Totals</b> ..	<b>417</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>2050</b>	<b>2196</b>	..	..	<b>146</b>
Bible Classes—										
Weekly ..	2	*1	6	1	..	10	12	..	..	2
Fortnightly ..	1	*1	1	1	9	13	11	2	..	..
Monthly ..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	2	..	..
<b>Totals</b> ..	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b>	2	..	..
Bible Class Members—										
Weekly ..	49	*5	76	9	..	139	141	..	..	2
Fortnightly ..	20	*10	9	25	132	196	149	47	..	..
Monthly ..	..	..	12	..	11	23	..	23	..	..
<b>Totals</b> ..	<b>69</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>68</b>	..	..
<b>Pastoral Care—</b>										
Number of Families ..	254	538	†960	430	432	2614	2627	..	..	13
Number of Persons ..	1481	1863	†5400	2355	1802	12901	12329	572	..	..
<b>Regular Womens' Organisations—</b>										
Fellowships and Guilds—										
Weekly ..	..	*2	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..
Fortnightly ..	..	*1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
Monthly ..	9	*4	..	2	3	18	20	..	..	2
<b>Totals</b> ..	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	..	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	..	..	<b>2</b>
Number of Members ..										
Weekly ..	..	*22	..	..	..	22	22	..	..	..
Fortnightly ..	..	*10	..	..	..	10	10	..	..	..
Monthly ..	106	*34	..	13	50	203	162	41	..	..
<b>Totals</b> ..	<b>106</b>	<b>66</b>	..	<b>13</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>41</b>	..	..
Devotional										
Fortnightly ..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
Monthly ..	..	..	3	..	..	3	4	..	..	1
<b>Totals</b> ..	..	..	<b>4</b>	..	..	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	..	..	<b>1</b>
Number of Members ..										
Fortnightly ..	..	..	7	..	..	7	6	1	..	..
Monthly ..	..	..	30	..	..	30	20	10	..	..
<b>Totals</b> ..	..	..	<b>37</b>	..	..	<b>37</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	..	..

NOTE \* Same as last year. † Estimates only.

# SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

## STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1962

	ROVIANA	MAROVO	VELLA LAVELLA	CHOISEUL	BUIN	KIETA	TEOP	BUKA	Totals for 1962	Totals for 1961
<b>Buildings, Etc.</b>										
No. of Churches ..	23	12	31	36	54	21	36	53	246	239
Other Preaching Places	2	-	-	2	1	5	2	4	16	13
<b>Staffing—</b>										
Ministers .. ..	4	1	3	3	2	1	1	2	17	17
Deaconesses (Sisters)	2	-	2	2	5	-	3	2	16	13
Catechists .. ..	2	1	5	7	5	1	3	5	29	32
Pastors .. ..	6	2	3	1	12	13	13	12	62	35
Pastor-Teachers ..	17	9	32	42	32	5	14	12	163	140
Teachers .. ..	23	12	16	23	8	4	10	18	114	121
Local Preachers ..	30	17	139	71	20	9	13	17	316	259
Class Leaders ..	-	24	3	-	-	4	-	23	54	22
<b>Membership—</b>										
Members .. ..	1145	336	643	1784	1185	540	456	1116	7205	6962
Youth Roll .. ..	1219	564	1451	2003	976	589	803	1020	8625	7593
Adherents .. ..	592	215	829	423	1106	191	692	409	4457	5403
Totals .. ..	2956	1115	2923	4210	3267	1320	1951	2545	20287	19958
<b>Young People's Work—</b>										
Sunday Schools ..	15	12	29	33	24	22	15	25	175	178
S.S. Teachers ..										
S.S. Scholars ..	500	372	907	948	350	402	497	971	4947	4563
Bible Class Leaders										
Bible Class Members										
Boy's Brigade Coys.	4	1	1	2	3	-	-	1	12	-
B.B. Officers ..	7	1	3	2	1	-	-	1	15	-
B.B. Boys .. ..	133	57	60	70	55	-	-	25	398	-
G.L.B. Companies	2	1	1	5	2	-	1	1	13	-
G.L.B. Officers ..	1	2	5	9	2	-	1	4	24	-
G.L.B. Girls ..	60	64	27	140	119	-	34	47	491	-
G.L.B. Cadet Coys.	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	3	-
G.L.B. Cadet Officers	2	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	6	-
G.L.B. Cadets ..	25	-	10	-	-	-	22	-	57	-
<b>Educational—</b>										
Schools .. ..	20	12	31	33	27	6	11	17	157	176
Overseas Trained Teachers										
Local trained Tchs. }	30	24	48	70	40	20	25	41	298	312
Untrained Teachers										
School Boys }										
School Girls }	1000	369	1123	1222	895	319	492	765	6212	6110
<b>Medical Work—</b>										
No. of Hospitals ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
No of Aid Posts ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Doctors .. ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
A.M.O.'s .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nursing Sisters ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staff Nurses & Dressers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Medical Assistants ..	18	3	8	3	8	2	2	6	50	32
<b>Overseas Staffing, etc.—</b>										
Ministers .. ..	3	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	6	7
Laymen .. ..										
Laywomen }	5	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	8	6
Church Members ..	20	-	2	4	9	-	5	4	44	38
Youth Roll .. ..	19	-	-	2	3	-	-	4	28	27
Adherents .. ..	6	-	-	-	1	-	-	17	24	27

METHODIST HOME MISSION  
DEPARTMENT



ESTIMATES

*Income and Expenditure for the  
Connexional Year, 1963*

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INCOME

1. PROPERTIES AND INVESTMENTS .....	2,200
2. M.W.M.U.:	
SISTERS' SALARIES .....	3,700
SMETHURST INTEREST .....	130
SPECIAL GIFT .....	400
3. EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST .....	286
4. MAORI CIRCUITS .....	1,000
5. MISCELLANEOUS, Outside the Connexional Budget .....	300
6. BUDGET :	
5/12ths of 2nd Budget 12,944 .....	
7/12ths of 3rd Budget 19,016 .....	31,960
<b>Grand Total of Estimated Income .....</b>	<b>£39,976</b>

# EXPENDITURE

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

### Maori Work

Minister—	
Stipend . . . . .	764
Travelling . . . . .	250
Supernumerary Minister—	
Honorarium . . . . .	52
Travelling . . . . .	125
Home Missionaries (2), part-time—	
Travelling . . . . .	104
General Circuit Expenses . . . . .	50
Deaconess—	
Stipend . . . . .	577
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess Probationer—	
Stipend . . . . .	464
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess Supply—	
Stipend . . . . .	450
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Connexional Charges—	
One Minister half-year . . . . .	18
Parsonage Allowance—	
One Minister . . . . .	12½
Investment Funds Board—	
Rent for Parsonage (Waima) . . . . .	125

£3,366½

### Circuit Grants—

Hikurangi, M.O.M. . . . .	200
Whangaroa, P . . . . .	130
Kaikōhe, M.O.M. & M.H.M.P. . . . .	200
North Hokianga, M.O.M. . . . .	275
Special for Travelling . . . . .	80
Paparua, M.O.M. . . . .	150

£1,035

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

### Maori Work

Senior Maori Superintendent—	
Stipend . . . . .	764
Travelling . . . . .	250
Special Travelling . . . . .	25
Supernumerary Minister (Parsonage in lieu of honorarium)	
Travelling . . . . .	75
Non-Resident Student Supply—	
Stipend . . . . .	619
Travelling . . . . .	100
Deaconess—	
Stipend . . . . .	577
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess Supply—	
Stipend . . . . .	531
Travelling . . . . .	25
Deaconess—	
Stipend . . . . .	496
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Connexional Charges—	
One Minister ½ year . . . . .	18
Parsonage Allowance . . . . .	12½
General Circuit Expenses . . . . .	50
Investment Funds Board—	
Rent for Parsonages:	
Tuakau . . . . .	150
Auckland . . . . .	200

£4,142½

### Circuit Grants—

Auckland West . . . . .	100
Auckland East (for 4th Agent) . . . . .	125
Takapuna (for 2nd Agent) . . . . .	100
Takapuna . . . . .	E.W.B. 25
Auckland Birkenhead (for 3rd Agent) . . . . .	200
Auckland Birkenhead . . . . .	E.W.B. 30
Onehunga (for Supply Arrangement) . . . . .	75
Papatoetoe (for 2nd Agent) . . . . .	100
Auckland South (for 3rd Agent) . . . . .	150
Auckland South . . . . .	E.W.B. 25
Henderson (for 3rd Agent) . . . . .	200
Kaipara . . . . .	100
Kaipara . . . . .	E.W.B. 25
Whangaparaoa (M.P.) . . . . .	R.B. 150
Bombay-Taukau . . . . .	R.B. 250
Mahurangi (M.O.M.) . . . . .	150

£1,805

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

### Maori Work

#### (a) Waikato Circuit:

Minister (Hamilton)—	
Stipend . . . . .	764
Travelling . . . . .	250
Rent . . . . .	175
Parsonage Allowance . . . . .	12½
Home Missionary—	
Stipend . . . . .	662
Travelling . . . . .	75
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Home Missionary (half share with King Country)—	
Stipend . . . . .	331
Travelling . . . . .	38
Prov. for car . . . . .	62½
Rent . . . . .	80
Home Missionary Supply—	
Travelling . . . . .	104
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honorarium . . . . .	104
Travelling . . . . .	75
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Home Missionary (part-time) —	
Honorarium . . . . .	100
For part-time Home Missionaries—	
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend . . . . .	577
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess (Prob.)—	
Stipend . . . . .	464
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess Supply—	
Stipend . . . . .	496
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess —	
Stipend . . . . .	496
Prov. for car . . . . .	125
Deaconess (part-time)—	
Stipend . . . . .	156
Travelling Allowance . . . . .	125
Deaconess (half-time)—	
Stipend . . . . .	288
Travelling . . . . .	75
Hon. S.S. Teacher—	
Travelling . . . . .	36
Investment Funds Board Rent for	

Parsonage—Ngaruawahia	100
Connexional Charges— (One Minister) ½ year	18
General Circuit Expenses— Phones, travelling, etc.	200
	<u>£6,739</u>

Parsonage— Hawera	200
Grey Institute Trust— Rent for N.P. Parsonage	175
Connexional Charges— One Minister ½ year	18
General Circuit Expenses	75
	<u>£3,672½</u>

**(b) King Country Circuit:**

Minister—	764
Stipend	250
Travelling	12½
Parsonage Allowance	12½
Home Missionary (half-time with Waikato)—	
Stipend	331
Travelling	38
Prov. for car	62½
Rent	80
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honorarium	25
Travelling	25
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honorarium	100
Travelling	50
Home Missionary Supply—	
Honorarium	25
Travelling	25
Deaconess—	
Stipend	577
Provision for car	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend	496
Prov. for car	125
Connexional Charges— One Minister ½ year	18
General Circuit Expenses	25
Investment Funds Board: Rent for Parsonages—	
Te Kuiti	200
Kawhia	125
	<u>£3,479</u>

<b>Circuit Grants—</b>	
Ngaruawahia	100
Coromandel	25
Hauraki Plains	125
Hauraki Plains spec. for trav.	25
Kawerau Trav and supply	50
Putaruru M.O.M.	300
Putaruru/Tokoroa M.O.M.	450
Opatiki "	E.W.B. 25
Rotorua for Taupo P	400
Huntly M.O.M.	150
Te Awamutu for Deac. Trav.	25
Te Kuiti (travelling)	200
Ohura M.P.	110
Taumarunui M.O.M.	100
	<u>£2,175</u>

**TARANAKI—WANGANUI DISTRICT**

**Maori Work**

Minister (Missionary in Maori work)—	
Stipend	764
Travelling	250
Parsonage Allowance	12½
Home Missionary—	
Stipend	662
Travelling	100
Prov. for car	125
Deaconess—	
Stipend	577
Prov. for car	125
Deaconess Probationer—	
Stipend	464
Prov. for car	125
Investment Funds Board: Rent for	

<b>Circuits Grants—</b>	
Waitara M.O.M.	100
Waitara	E.W.B. 25
Taihape P	200
Inglewood M.O.M.	150
Marton M.O.M.	40
Raetihi—Supply	50
Manaia P	25
Manaia Special	100
	<u>£690</u>

**HAWKES BAY — MANAWATU DISTRICT**

<b>Circuit Grants—</b>	
Wairoa M.P.	40
Apiti P.	40
Dannevirke (Norsewood)	R.B. 50
Waipawa-Waipukurau P.	400
	<u>£530</u>

**WELLINGTON DISTRICT**

<b>Circuit Grants —</b>	
Porirua 2 M.O.M.	200
Paraparauamu M.O.M.	125
Upper Hutt for Deaconess	175
Upper Hutt	E.W.B. 25
Upper Hutt Special	200
*Wainui-o-mata Union	150
Wainui-o-mata for 2nd Minister	250
Taita Union	80
	<u>£1205</u>

\*(Special grant to be made to Wainui-o-mata for furniture for 2nd Agent Methodist system additional R.B.).

**NELSON DISTRICT**

<b>Circuit Grants—</b>	
Reefton	75
Reefton Special	100
Hokitika M.O.M.	100
	E.W.B. 25
Hokitika Special Travelling	50
Westport M.O.M.	175
Nelson for Trav. Murchison	50
	<u>£575</u>

**NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT**

<b>Circuit Grants—</b>	
Woolston Lyttelton (if appointed)	150
Woolston Special Travelling	50
Riccarton (2nd Agent)	150
Riccarton	E.W.B. 25
Spreydon (2nd Agent)	150
Spreydon	E.W.B. 25
Springston (2nd Agent)	R.B. 125
St. Alban's (4th Agent M.O.M.)	175
	<u>£850</u>

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT**

<b>Circuit Grants—</b>	
Willowby	100



### OTAGO SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

<b>Circuit Grants—</b>	
North Dunedin (Dundas St.) 2nd Agent	200
Dunedin Central Church & Mission	
3rd Agent	225
Cromwell Alexr., M.O.M.	120
Western Southland M.O.M. & I.P.	100
Western Southland	E.W.B 25
St. Kilda (Broad Bay) P.	100
Milton (M.O.M.)	250
Milton Special for Parsonage (already sent)	100
Roxburgh P.	100
	<u>£1,220</u>

### GENERAL EXPENDITURE Maori Work

<b>South Is. Deaconess—</b>	
Honorarium	52
Expenses Allowance	26
Subsidy Auckland Maori Hostel	200
N.C.C. Maori Section	36
Deaconess Car Depreciation	150
Maori Workers' Conference	100
South Island Travelling	100
Students	180
	<u>£844</u>

<b>Miscellaneous Grants—</b>	
Church Sites Fund	400
Methodist Social Services Assn.	20
Colportage Society of Otago Southland	37½
Wesley Circulating Library	25
	<u>£482½</u>

<b>Miscellaneous Expenditure—</b>	
Home Mission Deputation Expenses	300
Deputation Material Visual Supplies	50
Picture Plant Replacement	50
H.M. Retiring Fund Subsidies Est. (½ yr.)	124
Deac. Retiring Fund Subsidies Est. (½ yr.)	289
Workers' Compensation Insurance, Staff	40

"Methodist Times" Advertising	12½
Ministerial Supplies	100
Share of Lotu Printing	135
Interest and Bank Charges	100
	<u>£1,200½</u>

<b>General Superintendent—</b>	
Stipend	764
General Allowance	50
Travelling	250
	<u>£1064</u>

<b>Assistant Superintendent—</b>	
Stipend	764
General Allowance	50
Travelling	250
	<u>£1064</u>

### European Missionary in Maori Work—

See under Taranaki Circuit	
<b>Connexional Charges—</b>	
For two Ministers—	
(Subs. Super Fund) ½ year	36
	<u>£36</u>

<b>Investment Funds Board—</b>	
Rent for two Parsonages	400
	<u>£400</u>

<b>Office Expenses—</b>	
Book-keeping Secretarial Wages, etc.	800
Office Rent and Cleaning	400
Light, Postages and Sundries	200
Telephones and Tolls	100
Printing and Stationery	500
	<u>£2,000</u>

**Grand Total of Est. Expenditure £38,675½**

## SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES FOR CONNEXIONAL YEAR, 1963

### INCOME

Share of allotment from	
<b>Connexional Budget</b>	
5/12ths of 2nd Period of	
£31,067	12,944
7/12ths of 3rd Period of	
£32,600	19,016
	<u>31,960</u>
From Properties & Investments	2,200
From M.W.M.U.	
Sisters' Salaries	3,700
Smethurst Interest	130
Special Gift	400
	<u>4,230</u>
From E. W. Blackwell Trust	286
From Maori Circuits	1,000
From Miscellaneous Outside Budget	300
	<u>£39,976</u>

To reduction of Debit Balance  
**Note:** (Amount provided in 2nd Budget for one Maori worker not replaced, who dropped out at beginning of year was £560. Not provided in 3rd Budget)

£39,976

### EXPENDITURE

Maori Work	22,243½
Circuit Grants	10,185
General	6,247
	<u>£38,675½</u>
To reduction of Debit Balance	1,300½
	<u>£39,976</u>

### NOTE

**E.W.B.:** Means Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust grant of portion of year's H.M. grant sent at beginning of the year — the balance Quarterly.

**R.B.:** Means referred by Conference to the Home Mission Board for special consideration during the year if circumstances make this necessary.

HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT

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Statement of Receipts and Payments  
For the Year-Ended 31st July, 1962

**HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31st JULY, 1962**

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£		£
<b>BALANCE AT 31st JULY, 1961:</b>		<b>DEBIT BALANCE AT 31st JULY 1961:</b>	
Legacies for Disbursement ..	1,277	General Account .. . . .	2,398
Removal Expenses Fund ..	60	<b>LEGACY DISBURSEMENT</b>	
H.M. Training Conference ..	108	<b>GRANTS:</b>	
Picture Department .. . . .	160	Maori Education Foundation ..	100
E.W. Blackwell Trust .. . . .	204	Clark's Beach Trust .. . . .	50
	1,809	Auckland South .. . . .	75
<b>LEGACIES</b> received during the		Dundas Street .. . . .	100
year .. . . .	3,049	Rutaruru-Tokoroa .. . . .	50
		Roxburgh .. . . .	150
<b>INCOME FROM CIRCUITS AND</b>		Ohura .. . . .	100
<b>SUNDRY INCOME:</b>		Marion Avenue .. . . .	50
Maori Circuits .. . . .	804	Huntly .. . . .	50
Sundry .. . . .	499	Taumarunui .. . . .	100
	1,303	Upper Hutt .. . . .	100
			925
<b>CONNEXIONAL BUDGET</b>		<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL</b>	
(Eleven months) .. . . .	26,446	<b>TRUST GRANTS:</b>	
<b>M.W.M.U.</b> .. . . .	4,100	Whangaroa-Bay of Islands ..	20
M.W.M.U. Smethurst Interest ..	130	Auckland East .. . . .	20
	4,230	Birkenhead .. . . .	20
Duplicating and Typing .. . . .	68	Papatoetoe .. . . .	20
H.M. Removal Expense Fund—		Hauraki Plains .. . . .	20
Circuit Levies .. . . .	8	Putaruru .. . . .	20
Edith Winstone Blackwell		Takoroa .. . . .	20
Trust—Share of Income ..	308	Taihape .. . . .	20
Sundry Receipts .. . . .	5	Upper Hutt .. . . .	20
Refunds on Account of		Hokitika .. . . .	25
Previous Year .. . . .	86		205
Picture Department, Sale of		<b>MAORI MISSION:</b>	
Assets .. . . .	5	<b>(a) Maori Mission Account:</b>	
<b>INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD</b> ..	2,270	Stipends .. . . .	14,090
		Travelling .. . . .	2,342
		Maori Ministers' Car A/cs. . .	538
		Deaconess Car A/cs. . . . .	815
		Circuit Expenses .. . . .	469
		Rent Mission Hill .. . . .	150
		<b>(b) European Minister in Maori</b>	
		<b>Work:</b>	
		Stipend .. . . .	735
		Travelling .. . . .	284
			1,019
		Investment Funds Board	
		Rents (7) .. . . .	1,100
		Connaxional Charges .. . . .	486
		<b>(c) Maori Work General:</b>	
		Maori Section N.C.C. . . . .	36
		Students' Fees .. . . .	160
		Workers' Conference .. . . .	100
		South Island Travel .. . . .	100
		Contingencies .. . . .	150
		Sudsidy, Auckland Maori	
		Girls' Hostel .. . . .	200
			21,755
		<b>CIRCUIT GRANTS:</b>	
		<b>Northland District:</b>	
		Whangaroa-Bay of Islands ..	280
		Hikurangi .. . . .	62
		North Hokianga .. . . .	213
			555
<b>Carried forward</b> .. . . .	39,587	<b>Carried Forward</b> .. . . .	25,838

**HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments—continued**

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£		£
Brought forward . . . . .	39,587	Brought forward . . . . .	25,838
		<b>CIRCUIT GRANTS—cont.</b>	
		<b>Auckland District:</b>	
		Kaipara . . . . .	125
		Whangaparoa . . . . .	165
		Birkenhead . . . . .	190
		Onehunga . . . . .	150
		Takapuna . . . . .	75
		Auckland East . . . . .	65
		Henderson . . . . .	60
		Papatoetoe . . . . .	40
		Waiuku . . . . .	75
		Auckland South . . . . .	275
		Auckland West . . . . .	100
		<hr/>	1,320
		<b>South Auckland District:</b>	
		Coromandel . . . . .	22
		Kawhia . . . . .	45
		Taumarunui . . . . .	100
		Ngaruawahia . . . . .	100
		Te Kuiti . . . . .	120
		Hauraki Plains . . . . .	103
		Putaruru-Tokoroa . . . . .	690
		Opotiki . . . . .	80
		Ohura . . . . .	105
		Huntly . . . . .	163
		Kawerau . . . . .	50
		Rotorua . . . . .	412
		Te Awamutu . . . . .	12
		<hr/>	2,002
		<b>Taranaki-Wanganui District:</b>	
		Raetihi-Ohakunt . . . . .	50
		Marton . . . . .	45
		Taihape . . . . .	178
		Waitara . . . . .	100
		Inglewood . . . . .	150
		<hr/>	523
		<b>Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District:</b>	
		Apiti . . . . .	60
		Wairoa . . . . .	70
		<hr/>	130
		<b>Wellington District:</b>	
		Paraparaumu . . . . .	113
		Taita Union Parish . . . . .	25
		Wainuiomata Union . . . . .	150
		Upper Hutt . . . . .	365
		Porirua . . . . .	150
		<hr/>	803
		<b>Nelson District:</b>	
		Westport . . . . .	50
		Reefton . . . . .	62
		Hokitika . . . . .	88
		Murchison . . . . .	50
		<hr/>	250
		<b>North Canterbury District:</b>	
		Riccarton . . . . .	100
		Woolston-Lyttelton . . . . .	150
		Springston . . . . .	195
		Spreydon . . . . .	100
		<hr/>	545
		<b>South Canterbury District:</b>	
		Willowby . . . . .	50
		<hr/>	50
		<b>Otago Southland District:</b>	
		Dunedin West . . . . .	200
		Cromwell-Alexandra . . . . .	107
		St. Kilda . . . . .	50
		Roxburgh . . . . .	45
		Western Southland . . . . .	184
		<hr/>	586
<b>Carried forward . . . . .</b>	<b>39,587</b>	<b>Carried Forward . . . . .</b>	<b>32,047</b>

# HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND

## Statement of Receipts and Payments—continued

RECEIPTS	£	PAYMENTS	£	£
Brought forward . . . . .	39,587	Brought forward . . . . .		32,047
		<b>MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS:</b>		
		Church Sites Fund . . . . .	400	
		Ecumenical Travel . . . . .	38	
		Deaconess Institution . . . . .	100	
		Spiritual Advance Committee . . . . .	12	
		Deaconess Students . . . . .	75	
		Board of Publications . . . . .	27	
		Wesley Circulating Library . . . . .	25	
		Methodist Social Services Association . . . . .	20	
		Corporation Society of Otago-Southland . . . . .	19	
		Ministerial Supply Expenses . . . . .	117	
				833
		<b>RETIRING FUNDS:</b>		
		Home Missionaries . . . . .	135	
		Less Refund . . . . .	103	
			32	
		Deaconess . . . . .	278	
				310
		<b>OFFICE AND GENERAL EXPENSES:</b>		
		Office Salaries . . . . .	662	
		Office Rent . . . . .	186	
		Expenses Postage, Exchange, etc. . . . .	118	
		Light and Power . . . . .	25	
		Telephones and Tolls . . . . .	106	
		Printing and Stationery . . . . .	201	
		Audit Expenses . . . . .	16	
				1,314
		<b>SUNDRY PAYMENTS:</b>		
		Connexional Charges . . . . .	195	
		Deputation Expenses . . . . .	333	
		Share of Latu . . . . .	110	
		Interest on Overdraft . . . . .	69	
		Office Equipment . . . . .	78	
		E.L. and Fire Insurance . . . . .	48	
		Staff Superannuation . . . . .	21	
		Gratuities . . . . .	29	
		Sundry Expenses . . . . .	42	
				925
		<b>GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:</b>		
		Stipend . . . . .	735	
		General Allowance . . . . .	50	
		Travelling . . . . .	229	
				1,014
		<b>ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT:</b>		
		Stipend . . . . .	554	
		General Allowance . . . . .	37	
		Travelling . . . . .	175	
				766
		<b>RENT TO INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD—Two Parsonages . . . . .</b>		400
		<b>PICTURE DEPARTMENT . . . . .</b>		31
		<b>BALANCES 31st July, 1962:</b>		
		Legacies for Disbursement . . . . .	3,402	
		Removal Expenses Fund . . . . .	68	
		H.M. Training Conference . . . . .	108	
		Picture Department . . . . .	134	
		E. W. Blackwell Trust . . . . .	307	
				4,019
<b>DEBIT BALANCE GENERAL ACCOUNT, 31st July, 1962 . . . . .</b>	<b>2,072</b>			
	<b>£41,659</b>			<b>£41,659</b>

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Home and Maori Mission Department for the year ended 31st July, 1962, 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.

(signed) W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Auditor.



	£	£
<b>LEGACIES, PROPORTION FOR DISBURSEMENT</b> .....		3,049
<b>REPAYMENT OF SPECIAL LOANS</b> .....		4,636
"                    in advance .....		186
<b>REPAYMENT OF MORTGAGE</b> .....		50
<b>REPAYMENT, OPONONI</b> .....		92
<b>NEW LOANS AT CALL</b> .....		28,149
<b>NEW CAPITAL:</b>		
Sinking Funds .....	792	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	500	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	25	
Dargaville Maori Centre .....	20	
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	1,996	
		<u>3,333</u>
Kinross Street Property Sales .....		56
Sale of Pakington Property on a/c Glenbrook Trust ..		37
<b>SALE OF TE KUITI MISSION HOUSE ON A/C</b> .....		385
<b>REV. AND MRS. T. G. BROOKE MEMORIAL FUND</b> ..		171
<b>E. D. &amp; M. E. JONES LOAN REPAYMENT</b> .....		10
<b>GEORGE BUTTLE CENTENNIAL GIFT</b> .....		15
<b>THOMAS BUDDLE LIBRARY FUND</b> .....		5
<b>NET INTEREST &amp; RENTS</b> .....		2,270
<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST: NET RENTS</b> ..		1,233
		<u>£54,590</u>

	£	£
<b>REPAYMENT OF LOANS:</b>		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	260	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	160	
Loans at Call .....	8,396	
		<u>8,816</u>
<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST: Expended</b> ..		1,225
<b>INTEREST DISBURSED:</b>		
George Buttle Centennial Gift .....	15	
Thomas Buddle Library Fund .....	5	
		<u>20</u>
<b>MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS:</b>		
Net Payments .....		108
<b>BALANCES, Bank of New Zealand, 31st July, 1962:</b>		
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust .....	212	
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund .....	811	
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	86	
Kinross St. Sales on A/c Avondale Circuit .....	1,656	
On Account of Capital .....	38	
		<u>2,803</u>
On Account of Maintenance .....	197	
		<u>3,000</u>
		<u>£54,590</u>

**THE METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1962**

	LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
	£	£	£		£	£
<b>CREDITORS:</b>				<b>CASH—Bank of New Zealand:</b>		
Loans at Call .....			50,088	Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust .....	212	
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund 31/7/61 .....	640			T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund .....	810	
Added during year .....	171			Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	85	
		811		Kinross St. Sales on a/v Avondale Circuit .....	1,657	
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....		85		On account of Capital .....	38	
		896			2,803	
Sundry .....			50,984	On Account of Maintenance .....	197	
			224		3,000	
<b>SUNDRY FUNDS:</b>				<b>INVESTMENTS:</b>		
George Buttle Centennial Gift Fund .....		300		<b>Memorial Gifts, Auckland Drainage Board Stock:</b>		
Thomas Buttle Memorial Library Fund .....		100		George Buttle Memorial Gift .....	300	
		400		Thomas Buttle Library Fund .....	100	
E. D. & M. E. Jones Trust Account .....			400		400	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust .....			100	<b>GENERAL:</b>		
			212	Mortgage .....	289	
<b>RESERVES:</b>				Government Inscribed Stock .....	9,790	
Working Expenses Maintenance .....			197	Debentures and Stock .....	18,000	
Sinking Funds 31/7/61 .....	7,767			Sundry Shares .....	3,142	
Added during year .....	792			Post Office Savings Bank .....	34	
		8,559			31,255	
Investment Reserve .....		400		<b>SPECIAL LOANS:</b>		
Loan Repayment Reserve .....		2,320		General .....	81,368	
		2,720		Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	2,320	
		2,720		E. D. & M. E. Jones Trust (Wekaweka) .....	70	
		5,440			83,758	
			11,476	Sundry Debtor—Sale of Property .....	1,099	
<b>MAORI CENTRES &amp; HOSTELS:</b>				<b>PROPERTIES—Parsonages, etc. ....</b>		24,705
<b>Mortgages:</b>				<b>MAORI HOSTELS &amp; CENTRES:</b>		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	3,420			Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	25,240	
Less repaid during year .....	260			Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel .....	12,299	
		3,160				
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	1,840					
Less repaid during year .....	160					
		1,680				
			4,840			
<b>Capital Receipts to date:</b>						
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....		14,300				
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....		8,998				



Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	12,299	Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	11,953
Dargaville Maori Centre	2,098	Dargaville Maori Centre	2,057
Hawera Maori Centre	2,372	Hawera Maori Centre	2,395
Kawakawa Maori Centre	3,933	Kawakawa Maori Centre	3,933
Otorohanga Maori Centre	425	Otorohanga Maori Centre	3,207
Te Kuiti Maori Centre	850	Te Kuiti Maori Centre	1,349
Opunake Deaconess Centre	70	Opunake Deaconess Centre	648
Hawera Deaconess Cottage	383	Kawakawa Deaconess Cottage	34
Hokianga Deaconess Cottage	25		<u>63,116</u>
Dargaville Deaconess Cottage	10	Mt. Wesley, Maungawhare	1,866
Taheke Deaconess Cottage	175	Mt. Wesley Parsonage Site	1,473
Kaeo Property Sales	1,410	Kaeo	2,384
Kinross St. Property Sales	1,657	Kaeo Farm Development	120
	<u>49,006</u>	Opononi	786
<b>CAPITAL:</b>		Waima	100
Balances 31/7/61	94,295	Kawhia	100
Add Legacies and Gifts	7,225	Raglan	50
Add Accretion to shares	150		<u>6,880</u>
	7,375		
Less transfers for Disbursement	3,049		
	<u>4,326</u>		
	98,621		
Less written off (Loan)	1,650		
	<u>96,971</u>		
	<u>£214,213</u>		<u>£214,213</u>

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board for the year ended 31st July, 1962.

In my opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet shows the position of the Board's affairs according to the best of my information, and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the Books of the Board at 31st July, 1962.

(signed) W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.,

Auditor.

**EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1962**

EXPENDITURE	£	£	INCOME	£
Repairs . . . . .	77		Rent and Rates . . . . .	1,861
Rates . . . . .	269			<u>1,861</u>
Insurance . . . . .	188		Net Income Brought Down . . . . .	958
Commission . . . . .	93			
	<u>628</u>			
Depreciation Reserve . . . . .	275			
Net Income carried down . . . . .	958			
	<u>1,861</u>			
Transfer to Capital . . . . .		192		
Transfer to Maintenance Reserve . . . . .		150		
Transfer to Home Mission Fund . . . . .		308		
Transfer to Investment Funds Board . . . . .		308		
		<u>£958</u>		<u>£958</u>

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1962**

	LIABILITIES				ASSETS	
	£	£	£		£	£
<b>CAPITAL:</b>						
Balance 31/7/61 .....		12,084		Buildings .....		10,000
Added during year:				<b>INVESTMENTS:</b>		
From Income .....	192			National Savings Investment .....	1,289	
From Interest .....	98			Post Office Savings Bank .....	23	
	290		12,374	Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Stock .....	2,500	
				Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock .....	2,500	
<b>DEPRECIATION RESERVE:</b>				Waitemata County Council Stock .....	1,000	
Balance 31/7/61 .....		3,672				7,312
Added during year:						
From Income .....	275					
From Interest .....	172					
	447		4,119			
<b>MAINTENANCE RESERVE:</b>						
Balance 31/7/61 .....		639				
Added during year:						
From Income .....	150					
From Interest .....	30					
	180		819			
			£17,312			£17,312

## SEAMER HOUSE ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1962

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£	£	£
Balance Bank of New Zealand 31/7/61	54	Salary of Matron	548
Add Petty Cash in hand	15	Wages	518
	<u>69</u>	Provisions	965
Boarding Fees	3,921	Light and Heat	252
Home Mission Fund Grant	200	Cleaning and Laundry	26
J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	100	Repairs and Maintenance	111
Canteen Account	13	Rates and Insurances	235
Donations for Renovations	6	Interest on Loans	150
		Sundry Equipment	60
		Motor Mower	39
		Radiogramme	32
			<u>131</u>
		Less Sales of Equipment	30
			<u>101</u>
		Telephones	41
		Deaconess Retiring Fund	2
		Sundry Expenses	68
		Staff and Boarders' Furnishing Fund	34
		Transfer to Painting Reserve	400
		Transfer to Capital A/c Investment Funds Board	200
		Balance Bank of New Zealand 31/7/62	642
		Add Petty Cash in hand	15
			<u>658</u>
	<u>£4,309</u>		<u>£4,309</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1962**

	LIABILITIES		ASSETS		
		£		£	£
18	Accumulated Fund .....	658	Balance Bank of New Zealand .....	643	
	Painting Reserve A/c .....	400	Petty Cash in hand .....	15	
				658	
			Post Office Savings Bank .....		400
		£1,058			£1,058

**EPWORTH BOOKROOM (AUCKLAND)**  
**TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31st JULY, 1962**

	£		£
Stock . . . . .	6,476	Sales . . . . .	10,834
Purchases . . . . .	6,643	Stock . . . . .	5,941
Gross Profit . . . . .	3,656		
	<u>£16,775</u>		<u>£16,775</u>
Accountancy and Auditing . . . . .	63	Gross Profit . . . . .	3,656
Advertising and Stationery . . . . .	162	Interest . . . . .	68
Commission . . . . .	62		
General Expenses . . . . .	148		
Insurance . . . . .	21		
Interest . . . . .	51		
Light and Power . . . . .	55		
Postages . . . . .	210		
Rent . . . . .	389		
Salaries . . . . .	1,190		
Superannuation . . . . .	51		
Depreciation . . . . .	28		
Profit for year . . . . .	1,294		
	<u>£3,724</u>		<u>£3,724</u>

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1962

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
	£		£
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>	
Sundry Creditors . . . . .	990	Cash in hand . . . . .	15
Bills Payable . . . . .	298	Cash in Bank . . . . .	1,417
Subs. in Advance . . . . .	32	Cash in Auckland Savings Bank . . . . .	96
	1,320		1,528
<b>VAN REPLACEMENT RESERVE</b>	1,500	Stock . . . . .	5,941
<b>CAPITAL at 31/7/61 . . . . .</b>	7,048	Debtors . . . . .	1,535
Add Profit for year . . . . .	1,294	Less Bad Debts Res. . . . .	50
Add Grant re Loan . . . . .	1,650		1,485
	9,992	<b>Total Current Assets . . . . .</b>	8,954
Less Renovations written off	1,673	<b>LOAN—Hamilton . . . . .</b>	1,879
	8,319	<b>SUPERANNUATION IN ADVANCE . . . . .</b>	56
		<b>FURNITURE, etc.:</b>	
		at 31/7/61 . . . . .	232
		Additions . . . . .	46
			278
		Less Depreciation . . . . .	28
			250
	£11,139		£11,139

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Auckland) for the year ended 31st July, 1962, and I report that, in my opinion, the foregoing Trading and Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet represent a true and fair view of the affairs of the Bookroom as at 31st July, 1962.

(signed) W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Auditor.

**EPWORTH BOOKROOM (HAMILTON)**

**TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31st JULY, 1962**

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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1962**

LIABILITIES		ASSETS		
	£	£		
Loans . . . . .		1,300	Cash on Hand . . . . .	20
Epworth Bookroom (Auck.)			Bank of New Zealand . . . . .	316
Loan A/c . . . . .	1,879		Sundry Debtors . . . . .	192
Current A/c . . . . .	211		Stock on Hand . . . . .	2,241
		2,090	Stationery on Hand and Pre- payments . . . . .	41
Sundry Creditors . . . . .		599	<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b> . . . . .	<b>2,810</b>
Accrued Charges . . . . .		30	Furniture and Fittings at 1/8/61 . . . . .	520
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,019</b>	Additions . . . . .	10
Capital Account:				530
Deficiency 1961 . . . . .	443		<b>Less Depreciation</b> . . . . .	<b>53</b>
Less Donation . . . . .	5			477
		438		
Add Loss 1962 . . . . .	294			
<b>NET CAPITAL DEFICIENCY</b> . . . . .		<b>732</b>		
		<b>£3287</b>		<b>£3287</b>

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Hamilton) for the year ended 31st July, 1962, and I report that, in my opinion, the foregoing Trading and Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet represent a true and fair view of the affairs of the Bookroom as at 31st July, 1962.

HAMILTON.  
9th October, 1962.

(signed) K. W. DEY, Public Accountant,  
Auditor.



METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND  
OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

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Balance Sheet and Statement of Income  
and Expenditure  
1962



Lepers' Trust Board Dispensary in North Solomons .....	1,514
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centres B.S.I.P. ....	3,000
Lepers' Trust Board New Station, Bougainville	3,000
Lepers' Relief Vessel Maintenance Account ..	1,475
Lepers' Relief Vessel Maintenance Reserve ..	10,244
Mission to Lepers .....	354
<b>M.W.M.U. Funds:</b>	
Solomon Islands Girls' School Equipment ..	406
Vella Lavella and Roviana Hostels .....	62
Choiseul Dormitory .....	131
Buka Dormitory .....	57
Girls' Dormitory, Kokengola .....	7
Girls' Dormitories, Roreinang and Sege .....	1,919
Teacher Training .....	2,582
Scholarship for Girls .....	1,939
Building and Equipment Fund .....	500
Sale of Blue Lagoon Account .....	12,373
Overseas Scholarship Fund .....	1,353
Solomon Islands Jubilee Scholarship Fund ..	183
New Guinea Teachers' Special Grant .....	176
Solomon Islands Film Hire Account .....	698
New Guinea Highlands—Solomon Is. Contribution	48
Vella Lavella Translation .....	209
M.W.M.U. Translation .....	134
Sundry Solomon Islands Circuit Trust Accounts	100
Boat Reserve Account .....	805
Solomon Islands District Reserve .....	27,000
Solomon Islands History Account Reserve ..	2,556
Capital Investment Fund .....	26
Exchange Account .....	15,587
Accumulated Fund .....	3,133
Bank Overdraft .....	5,481
	311
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	£240,776

Residence—General Secretary .....	1,380
Projectors and Tape Recorder .....	22
Motor Car .....	477
Sundry Debtors .....	589
<b>Stocks:</b>	
Maps .....	16
Stationery, etc. ....	220
Papua New Guinea Highlands District A/c	399

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 £240,776

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that we have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Overseas Missions Department of the Methodist Church 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 Department, as at 31st August, 1962. Island assets and liabilities have not been verified, these having been entered on the basis of signed statements received from the Islands.

AUCKLAND,  
29th November, 1962.

(Sgd.): Macky & Frear,  
Public Accountants and Auditors.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st August, 1962**

**EXPENDITURE**

	£	£
<b>Solomon Islands Expenses:</b>		
Overseas Staff: Stipends and Allowances . . . . .		22,211
Local Staff: Stipends and Allowances . . . . .		11,820
Superannuation, Retiring and Repatriation Funds . . . . .	832	
Local Staff Retiring Funds . . . . .	96	
British V.S.O. and Order of St. Stephen Workers . . . . .	539	
Overseas Travel and Freights . . . . .	6,505	
District and Circuit Travel . . . . .	929	
Ligherage, Freights and Duty . . . . .	470	
Repairs and Maintenance, Building, Plant and Radios . . . . .	1,527	
Education . . . . .	5,644	
Agriculture . . . . .	276	
Engineer's Department (including ships) . . . . .	4,120	
District Store . . . . .	1,039	
Helena Goldie Hospital . . . . .	3,191	
Medical Expenses—Circuits . . . . .	1,082	
Station Lighting . . . . .	821	
Furniture . . . . .	264	
Radio, Stamps and Stationery . . . . .	695	
Insurances . . . . .	684	
Literature . . . . .	186	
General Expenses . . . . .	328	
Land Rents and Leases . . . . .	137	
Inter-district Meeting . . . . .	186	
Samoa Conference . . . . .	22	
All Saints' College . . . . .	81	
Stock Written off . . . . .	96	
Depreciation on Truck . . . . .	208	
	63,989	
LESS reduction to N.Z. Currency . . . . .	12,729	
	51,260	

**INCOME**

	£	£
<b>Solomon Islands District:</b>		
Solomon Islands Contribution—Thanksgiving . . . . .		9,528
Sales of Produce . . . . .		1,473
Government Grants . . . . .	6,998	
Government Grants—Helena Goldie Hospital . . . . .	1,938	
	8,936	
<b>Sundry Income:</b>		
Literature Sales . . . . .	619	
School Fees . . . . .	214	
Interest . . . . .	109	
Insurance Recoveries . . . . .	233	
Translation Account . . . . .	131	
Lighting . . . . .	41	
Meteorological Supervision . . . . .	100	
Banga Lease 1960/61 . . . . .	218	
Banga Lease 1961/62 . . . . .	697	
	2,362	
B.S.I.P. Carpenter's Profits . . . . .	379	
Trade Store Profits . . . . .	616	
Administration Recoveries . . . . .	929	
	24,223	
LESS reduction to N.Z. Currency . . . . .	4,646	
	19,577	
<b>Papua New Guinea Highlands:</b>		
Government Grants . . . . .	267	
Interest on Appeal Fund . . . . .	206	
	473	
<b>New Zealand Contribution:</b>		
Circuit and Sundry Donations . . . . .	1,109	
Native Teachers' Maintenance . . . . .	231	
Adoption of Leper Patients . . . . .	166	
Sundry Income . . . . .	31	
	1,537	

**Papua New Guinea Highlands Expenses:**

Stipends and Allowances . . . . .	2,574	
District Expenditure . . . . .	936	
General Expenditure—New Zealand Share . .	1,361	
		4,871

**New Zealand Working Expenses:****General Administration:**

General Secretary's Stipend and Allowances .	813	
General Secretary's House Expenses . . . . .	150	
General Secretary's Travelling and Car Expenses . . . . .	182	
Connexional Charges . . . . .	266	
Office Salaries . . . . .	730	
Office Rent . . . . .	199	
Printing and Stationery . . . . .	171	
General Office Expenses . . . . .	166	
Audit Fee . . . . .	26	
Telephones . . . . .	110	
Travelling—Annual Meeting . . . . .	69	
		2,882

**Publicity and Deputation:**

Annual Report . . . . .	186	
Subsidy "Open Door" and "Lotu" . . . . .	113	
Deputation Material and Travelling . . . . .	299	
		598

**Miscellaneous:**

"Methodist Times" Grant . . . . .	20	
C.O.M.I.C.A. . . . .	33	
I.M.C. Projects Fund . . . . .	50	
Interest on Overdraft . . . . .	18	
Sundries . . . . .	92	
		213

**Depreciation:**

Projector and Tape Recorder . . . . .	75	
Motor Car . . . . .	125	
		200

£60,024

Medical Income Transferred . . . . .		2,299
Connexional Budget . . . . .		28,959
Methodist Women's Missionary Union . . . . .	3,700	
Methodist Women's Missionary Union Special	400	
		4,100
Interest . . . . .		796
Dr. Balance carried to Accumulated Fund . . . . .		2,283

£60,024

# Summary of General and Youth Returns

FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1962

DISTRICT	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP																			YOUTH										PASTORAL CARE		STIPENDS, ETC.						State of Finances as at 30th June																					
	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP						Sunday School					Bible Classes					No. of Families	No. of People	STIPENDS, ETC.						Circuit		Trust Account Totals																								
									Members as at 30th June last year.	No. Recd. during year		Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	Number Removed from the Roll			No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	Communi-cants	No. of Baptisms	No. on Cradle Roll	Beginners—Primary	Junior			Intermediate	Teachers	Junior Y.M.	" Y.W.	Intermediate Y.M.	Intermediate Y.W.	Senior Y.M.	" Y.W.	Leaders Y.M.	" Y.W.	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling) additional to Annual Stipend	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Ownership of Car	Minister	Cr. Balance	Dr. Balance	Total Credit Balances (excluding balances held for special purposes)	Total Debit Balances														
										New Members under 20 yrs	New Members over 20 yrs.		By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend*																															By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend*											
NORTHLAND .. ..	37	48	20	13	11	5	53	1429	57	42	62	16	80	17	1477	48	-	-	1490	183	338	413	266	260	127	76	110	37	34	33	24	19	10	1991	6791	9210	14	8	2990	8	11	3	11	1786	7	2	310	6	6	2761	19	4	1237	2	4				
AUCKLAND .. ..	70	38	56	44	67	6	140	6208	155	184	348	86	414	114	6281	73	-	40	6084	637	1582	2289	1848	1238	569	305	437	231	295	228	221	102	75	9228	28892	28993	4	10	6499	7	4	3	40	3137	12	7	5763	17	9	8798	8	1	46909	16	6				
SOUTH AUCKLAND ..	55	67	40	30	38	4	1	3966	101	116	354	42	341	74	4080	114	-	26	3797	545	1276	1421	1068	736	361	212	259	170	160	120	96	71	29	5937	18685	22694	4	6	4817	0	0	6	26	4038	0	3	1145	2	8	15104	9	5	9731	0	1				
TARANAKI-WANGANUI ..	40	13	23	16	19	2	-	2331	74	51	82	49	148	33	2308	-	23	9	2046	300	606	680	585	394	191	140	195	78	82	26	26	47	15	3451	10429	11779	8	0	2176	8	1	1	14	3065	14	1	81	6	7	5049	17	2	4745	2	8				
HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU	44	14	27	21	22	3	2	3197	69	101	140	53	154	56	3241	44	-	5	3020	312	758	876	759	434	242	169	242	72	93	82	83	40	33	4538	15338	15134	9	0	258	6	8	3194	18	1	-	20	2741	13	3	5498	16	8	4370	7	0	3041	12	9	
WELLINGTON .. ..	47	17	38	28	36	2	2	3895	106	96	261	49	303	76	3930	35	-	9	3438	458	1257	1332	1110	767	342	226	334	188	192	169	119	77	53	5901	18232	21605	10	0	294	0	0	5178	0	0	2	28	8297	0	0	904	10	0	17071	10	0	12607	0	0	
NELSON .. ..	24	25	19	13	12	4	-	1682	54	43	72	25	93	17	1716	34	-	13	1515	145	377	519	437	305	148	97	111	38	86	32	25	26	17	2725	8561	8102	8	11	62	10	0	1406	17	10	2	10	705	9	4	74	9	1	2665	16	10	844	4	4	
NORTH CANTERBURY ..	60	14	49	30	40	2	3	4698	119	89	526	75	489	71	4797	99	-	22	4452	426	974	1394	1369	904	456	286	309	217	256	211	177	84	64	7131	20208	20998	3	10	70	0	0	3891	2	8	-	29	2196	18	5	455	5	9	15263	12	0	6853	17	2	
SOUTH CANTERBURY ..	23	11	15	9	11	1	-	1560	22	13	69	26	89	10	1539	-	21	4	1356	96	278	360	318	243	120	75	103	63	81	28	27	24	15	1767	5621	5946	3	3	20	0	0	1454	17	8	-	9	1506	17	3	281	2	10	2414	0	4	1167	0	9	
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND ..	51	20	29	23	24	1	-	2708	42	64	166	56	163	57	2704	-	4	2	2379	224	801	912	623	434	257	137	177	88	112	105	80	41	29	4129	11566	17422	4	0	3792	17	11	-	27	731	1	3	1527	7	11	5153	7	0	3449	19	0				
TOTALS FOR 1962 ..	451	267	316	227	280	30	9	711	31674	799	799	2080	477	2274	528	32073	447	48	130	29577	3326	8247	10196	8383	5715	2813	1723	2277	1182	1391	1034	878	531	340	46798	144323	161886	11	0	1014	16	8	35401	18	6	17	214	28206	13	7	16042	5	9	78653	7	2	90586	15	7
TOTALS FOR 1961 ..	451	270	304	224	271	26	10	702	31307	629	827	2270	485	2407	467	31674	430	63	161	28556	3036	8186	10696	8670	6109	2921	1904	2347	1061	1123	912	807	514	341	45745	140500	159427	18	10	1156	18	4	32425	8	9	17	198	30690	9	4	15906	11	11	69301	10	8	89674	12	0
INCREASES ..			12	3	9	4	9	367	170				61	399	17		1021				290	61							121	268	122	71	17			2458	12	2				2976	9	9	-	16	2483	15	9	135	13	10	9351	16	6	912	3	7	
DECREASES ..		3								28	180	8	123					15	31				500	287	394	108	181	70				1																											

\*This Column includes those transferred overseas and those transferred to other Churches in N.Z

GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1962.

NORTHLAND 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 Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend						No. of Baptisms	No. of Families	No. of People
Mangonui .. .. .	4	1	2	1	1	-	-	4	118	10	1	7	4	8	12	124	6	-	-	124	178	581	
Whangaroa-Bay of Islands	6	12	1	3	2	3	-	4	188	17	20	6	4	14	25	213	-	-	184	322	1268		
North Hokianga .. .	3	4	2	1	1	-	-	4	58	1	1	-	2	6	1	51	-	7	40	110	350		
Hokianga .. .. .	3	4	-	1	1	-	-	4	87	1	8	1	-	3	1	93	6	-	145	140	484		
Hikurangi .. .. .	1	6	1	1	1	-	-	4	50	6	5	1	-	5	-	57	7	-	62	102	300		
Whangarei .. .. .	4	5	4	2	1	1	-	13	332	1	1	18	4	11	4	333	1	-	310	358	1075		
Dargaville .. .. .	3	7	5	1	1	1	-	12	261	18	2	19	1	14	3	282	21	-	292	280	900		
Ruawai .. .. .	3	1	-	1	1	-	-	5	95	3	1	3	-	10	2	90	-	5	89	151	573		
Paparoa .. .. .	3	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	99	-	-	3	3	4	2	93	-	6	94	120	480		
Port Albert .. .. .	7	4	4	1	1	-	-	5	141	-	3	4	-	5	2	141	-	-	150	230	780		
<b>TOTALS</b> .. .. .	<b>37</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>53</b>		<b>1429</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1477</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1490</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>6791</b>	

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central .. .	5	-	5	6	12	-	-	12	552	16	33	42	13	56	10	564	12	-	-	578	58	783	1970	
Auckland Central Mission	1	1	1	3	3	-	-	3	204	3	15	3	5	8	7	205	1	-	8	185	20	200	785	
Auckland South .. .	5	1	4	3	4	-	-	12	514	9	14	34	6	52	14	499	-	15	2	556	62	757	2383	
Auckland West .. .	2	-	3	1	1	-	-	8	98	-	10	8	3	9	8	96	-	2	-	120	19	280	760	
Auckland East .. .	5	-	3	3	6	-	-	9	551	9	11	39	11	49	10	540	-	11	-	480	24	682	1705	
Orakei .. .. .	4	-	2	3	6	-	-	4	482	15	22	32	3	37	7	504	22	-	-	427	25	596	1628	
Avondale .. .. .	4	2	4	2	6	-	-	11	441	8	5	39	8	18	2	465	24	-	-	430	23	557	1680	
Henderson .. .. .	4	6	7	3	6	1	-	10	371	3	12	30	2	26	7	381	10	-	-	450	80	925	3372	
Devonport .. .. .	3	-	2	1	2	-	-	3	141	1	3	1	3	11	5	127	-	14	-	120	8	200	600	
Takapuna .. .. .	5	-	3	2	4	1	-	20	583	28	23	37	3	22	3	643	60	-	-	500	38	890	2504	
Birkenhead .. .. .	4	3	3	3	3	1	-	7	411	4	11	30	6	23	9	418	7	-	-	425	60	800	2840	
Onehunga .. .. .	4	-	6	2	1	1	-	6	235	8	3	3	10	12	5	222	-	13	-	280	14	400	1500	
Otahuhu .. .. .	1	-	2	1	2	-	-	3	172	6	2	8	1	8	-	179	7	-	-	170	32	180	420	
Papatoetoe .. .. .	3	1	2	2	3	-	-	7	364	13	6	7	2	9	1	378	14	-	-	330	38	545	2180	
Papakura .. .. .	3	1	2	2	2	-	-	3	300	9	5	16	1	15	7	307	7	-	20	244	66	496	1671	
Pukekohe .. .. .	5	2	4	1	2	-	-	6	265	14	4	5	2	18	8	260	-	5	3	270	21	150	500	
Bombay-Tuakau .. .	3	4	-	2	1	-	-	5	107	-	-	7	-	11	5	98	9	-	-	100	12	180	600	
Waiuku .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	-	-	2	136	4	1	4	1	9	-	135	-	1	7	144	9	180	624	
Kaipara .. .. .	3	4	2	1	1	-	-	4	78	-	-	-	1	5	1	71	-	7	-	72	9	162	380	
Whangaparaoa .. .	3	1	-	1	-	1	-	2	76	2	3	3	3	7	5	69	-	7	-	90	3	105	320	
Mahurangi .. .. .	2	9	-	1	1	-	-	3	127	3	1	-	2	9	-	120	-	7	-	113	16	160	470	
<b>TOTALS</b> .. .. .	<b>70</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1140</b>		<b>6208</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>6281</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6084</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>9228</b>	<b>28892</b>	
Auckland Maori .. .	3	26	-	2	2	3	5	3								565						538	1863	
														Adhs		522								

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Thames .. .. .	3	1	2	1	2	-	-	-	134	2	1	8	2	4	2	137	3	-	-	186	11	232	602
Hauraki Plains .. .	3	5	1	1	1	-	-	2	58	-	6	9	2	8	-	63	5	-	-	76	17	97	350
Paeroa .. .. .	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	59	7	13	8	-	12	1	74	15	-	-	60	11	48	296
Waihi .. .. .	1	4	1	1	2	-	-	1	100	-	-	4	-	7	-	97	-	3	-	66	6	140	480
Te Aroha .. .. .	3	1	2	1	1	-	-	1	204	-	2	1	2	5	2	198	-	6	-	200	18	199	545
Morrinsville .. .	3	5	3	2	3	-	-	5	293	2	2	15	2	21	6	283	-	10	-	250	39	515	1640
Cambridge .. .. .	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	6	173	5	6	8	2	8	7	175	2	-	-	165	16	156	486
Hamilton .. .. .	5	1	3	2	4	-	-	8	569	30	15	42	7	46	6	597	28	-	15	600	59	778	2212
Hamilton East .. .	4	3	5	2	6	-	-	12	393	13	12	35	6	36	15	396	3	-	-	400	20	560	1750
Huntly .. .. .	1	4	1	1	1	-	-	3	87	2	7	9	1	9	1	94	7	-	-	90	23	228	695
Matamata .. .. .	3	3	2	1	1	-	-	3	210	16	18	13	-	7	1	249	39	-	-	226	21	244	743
Putaruru-Tokoroa ..	1	4	2	2	2	-	-	2	136	2	1	6	-	12	6	127	-	9	-	130	58	361	1227
Rotorua .. .. .	4	1	1	2	2	-	-	6	264	-	2	41	4	18	2	283	19	-	-	231	47	344	1016
Tauranga .. .. .	3	3	1	2	3	1	-	10	417	5	3	40	4	88	7	366	-	51	-	380	19	474	1472
Te Puke .. .. .	1	2	-	1	1	-	-	3	69	-	-	69	-	-	-	69	69	-	-	58	21	150	450
Whakatane .. .. .	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	3	86	2	9	15	-	4	2	106	20	-	-	14	165	504	
Opotiki .. .. .	2	3	2	1	1	-	-	2	63	-	4	4	1	-	-	70	7	-	2	107	21	109	397
Te Awamutu .. .	2	4	3	1	1	-	-	6	258	10	4	14	3	17	1	265	7	-	-	260	32	330	987
Otorohanga .. .	1	6	1	1	1	-	-	2	102	4	2	4	2	6	-	104	2	-	-	45	18	98	380
Te Kuiti .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	74	-	2	7	-	13	10	60	-	14	1	55	19	205	380
Taumarunui .. .	1	5	1	1	1	-	-	-	68	-	3	-	-	7	-	64	-	4	1	52	22	178	698
Ohura .. .. .	3	4	1	1	1	-	-	1	45	-	-	1	1	-	-	45	-	-	2	60	7	100	300
Kawerau .. .. .	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	30	-	-	-	-	4	2	24	-	6	-	20	13	86	268
Raglan Union .. .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66	1	2	1	2	7	-	61	-	5	-	11	-	450	
Ngaruawahia .. .	3	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	49	-	2	-	1	2	-	48	-	1	4	65	2	98	310
Coromandel .. .. .	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	23	-	-	-	-	-	3	20	-	3	-	15	-	22	47
Kawhai .. .. .	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTALS</b> .. .. .	<b>55</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>181</b>		<b>4080</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>116</b>												

GENERAL RETURNS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962

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	No. of Baptisms	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 Families	No. of People
Nelson .. .. .	2	1	3	3	3	-	-	15	475	15	14	31	5	27	1	502	27	-	2	494	30	756	2263
Waimea .. .. .	5	1	3	1	1	-	-	4	172	9	6	4	7	8	1	175	3	-	4	190	12	246	764
Motueka .. .. .	2	2	3	1	1	1	-	7	125	-	3	4	-	5	5	122	-	3	-	100	18	227	682
Murchison .. .. .	1	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	27	1	3	-	-	1	-	30	3	-	-	30	10	82	322
Blenheim .. .. .	7	10	5	4	3	2	-	12	470	13	8	24	10	24	7	474	4	-	-	420	36	692	2373
Reefton .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	1	-	1	71	-	-	2	2	5	-	66	-	5	-	40	6	109	352
Westport .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	2	88	4	5	2	-	7	-	92	4	-	-	87	11	208	628
Greymouth .. .. .	2	4	1	1	1	-	-	1	196	10	2	2	1	14	1	194	-	2	7	91	10	301	849
Hokitika .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	58	2	2	3	-	2	2	61	3	-	-	63	12	104	328
TOTALS .. .. .	24	25	19	13	12	4	-	42	1682	54	43	72	25	93	17	1716	44	10	13	1515	145	2725	8561

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street .. .. .	3	-	3	2	7	-	-	15	694	29	12	57	12	52	9	719	25	-	-	650	36	724	1743
Central Mission and Cambridge Tee. Church .. .. .	2	1	2	3	2	-	-	4	166	1	4	6	2	6	3	116	-	-	-	126	2	234	608
Christchurch East .. .. .	8	3	8	5	7	-	-	15	811	21	19	62	10	44	12	847	36	-	-	821	86	1689	4339
Woolston-Lyttelton .. .. .	6	3	6	3	4	-	-	5	354	7	2	19	7	23	6	346	-	8	-	335	19	660	2032
Sydenham .. .. .	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	5	196	14	-	3	3	6	5	199	3	-	-	200	17	231	558
Spreydon .. .. .	2	1	4	2	2	-	-	6	-	-	-	262	2	12	1	247	247	-	-	300	13	425	1110
Riccarton .. .. .	4	-	3	1	3	-	-	3	304	10	4	11	2	92	3	232	-	72	-	295	41	500	1500
St. Albans .. .. .	3	2	6	3	4	-	-	116	716	7	26	38	21	46	22	698	-	18	14	580	61	983	3020
Papanui .. .. .	2	-	1	2	1	-	-	2	244	2	4	12	4	10	4	244	-	-	-	250	24	384	1250
Springston .. .. .	7	-	4	2	3	-	-	7	106	6	4	8	1	8	1	164	8	-	-	150	30	289	967
Leeston .. .. .	4	-	1	1	2	-	-	3	233	1	1	9	4	5	2	233	-	-	-	164	11	152	544
Kaiapoi .. .. .	4	-	2	1	1	-	-	3	176	4	4	7	2	10	1	178	2	-	8	115	24	234	600
Rangiora .. .. .	7	1	3	2	1	2	-	4	342	7	4	16	5	11	2	351	9	-	-	260	43	440	1250
Greendale .. .. .	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	90	3	5	6	-	6	-	98	8	-	-	96	15	99	383
Oxford .. .. .	4	1	3	1	1	-	-	6	121	7	-	10	-	13	-	125	4	-	-	110	4	87	304
Addington .. .. .									145					145						145			
TOTALS .. .. .	60	14	49	30	40	2	-	397	4698	119	89	526	75	489	71	4797	342	243	22	4452	426	7131	20208

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru (Banks St.) .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	177	-	-	7	2	21	4	157	-	20	4	150	21	219	586
Timaru (Woodlands St.) .. .. .	4	1	3	1	1	1	-	6	279	11	-	17	5	21	2	279	-	-	-	250	12	337	1090
Marchweil Union Parish .. .. .	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	2	65	2	3	8	1	3	1	72	6	-	-	66	8	120	470
Waimate .. .. .	2	-	2	1	2	-	-	2	207	4	2	1	3	8	-	203	-	4	-	205	9	195	615
Geraldine-Temuka .. .. .	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	130	2	-	8	3	8	2	127	-	3	-	125	3	125	328
Ashburton .. .. .	4	4	3	2	3	-	-	18	426	-	-	18	6	20	-	418	-	8	-	300	25	441	1396
Willowby .. .. .	6	2	3	1	1	-	-	6	106	-	4	2	2	4	1	105	-	1	-	104	12	109	342
Oamaru .. .. .	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	169	3	4	10	4	4	-	178	9	-	-	156	6	221	884
TOTALS .. .. .	23	11	15	9	11	1	-	35	1560	22	13	71	26	89	10	1539	15	36	4	1356	96	1767	5621

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church and Mission (Dunedin) .. .. .	3	1	1	2	2	-	-	3	227	1	15	17	6	14	16	224	-	3	-	200	16	305	643
Dunedin (Dundas St.) .. .. .	6	-	4	2	2	-	-	4	237	-	5	19	5	15	-	241	4	-	-	175	15	356	1150
Dunedin West .. .. .	5	1	2	2	2	-	-	4	183	1	5	10	3	13	-	183	-	-	-	125	12	291	602
Dunedin South .. .. .	5	1	4	3	3	-	-	7	350	13	-	9	15	18	8	334	-	19	-	350	30	552	1610
Corstophine Union Parish .. .. .	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	25	4	2	4	-	3	-	32	7	-	-	30	-	45	120
Dunedin (St. Kilda) .. .. .	3	-	1	1	2	-	-	3	208	4	3	20	8	13	4	210	2	-	-	167	13	244	702
Dunedin (Mornington) .. .. .	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	141	-	-	4	4	9	-	132	-	9	-	130	2	200	600
Milton .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	35	-	2	4	1	3	-	37	2	-	-	37	4	50	130
Balclutha .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	4	140	4	1	3	1	5	1	141	1	-	2	88	8	174	544
Gore .. .. .	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	104	4	4	4	-	13	7	96	-	8	-	80	1	125	450
Edendale .. .. .	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	39	-	-	-	2	1	5	31	-	8	-	27	3	30	70
Invercargill Central .. .. .	2	2	4	2	2	-	-	4	328	-	4	10	9	12	5	316	-	12	-	350	16	475	1250
Invercargill (St. Peters) .. .. .	3	-	2	2	1	1	-	8	307	6	16	28	1	19	-	337	30	-	-	260	59	550	1600
Western Southland .. .. .	7	5	3	2	2	-	-	5	189	4	5	21	1	10	11	197	8	-	-	200	19	320	1025
Bluff .. .. .	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	69	-	-	-	40	7	172	320
Roxburgh .. .. .	3	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	45	1	1	3	-	3	-	47	2	-	-	45	6	70	201
Cromwell-Alexandria .. .. .	3	4	2	1	1	-	-	3	62	-	1	9	-	11	-	61	-	1	-	60	12	142	484
Lawrence H.M. Station .. .. .	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	1	-	1	-	19	-	-	-	15	1	28	65
TOTALS .. .. .	51	20	29	23	24	1	-	51	2708	42	64	166	56	163	57	2704	56	60	2	2379	224	4129	11566



GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962

NORTHLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	STIPENDS, Etc.					STATE OF FINANCES at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Ministers specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling additional to Annual Stipend)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Car Ownership Circuit M. Minister	Circuit		Trust Account Totals		
					Credit	Debit	Total Credit Balances excluding balances held for special purposes	Total Debit Balances	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Mangonui .. .. .	733 6 8		194 4 7	C	838 11 8		50 7 0		
Whangaroa-Bay of Islands	725 0 0		280 6 10	M	95 4 9		215 4 9		
	587 0 0		317 12 0	M					
	604 0 0		209 11 5	M					
North Hokianga .. .. .	733 6 8		250 0 0	C		170 15 3	105 5 3		
Hokianga .. .. .	736 13 4		160 6 3	C	5 9		2 16 6	779 15 11	
Hikurangi .. .. .	644 8 0		150 10 10	M		9 11 2	27 18 4		
Whangarei .. .. .	725 0 0		128 2 4	M	4 0 6		1546 13 9	38 6 0	
	587 0 0		105 11 8	M					
Dargaville .. .. .	733 6 8		256 0 0	M	759 19 7		65 18 7		
	201 13 4		80 0 0	M					
Ruawai .. .. .	733 6 8		290 0 0	M		87 3 4	142 3 2	419 0 5	
Paparoa .. .. .	733 6 8		168 3 0	M		42 16 9	156 4 8		
Port Albert .. .. .	733 6 8		300 0 0	M	88 4 11		449 7 10		
TOTALS.. .. .	9210 14 8		2990 8 11		1786 7 2	310 6 6	2761 19 4	1237 2 4	

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central .. .. .	753 6 8	50 0 0	160 0 0	M	331 5 1		2133 16 8	
	733 6 8		100 0 0	M				
	733 6 8		100 0 0	M				
Auckland Central Mission	800 0 0		All exp.	M		3 12 0		
	750 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Auckland South .. .. .	733 6 8		75 0 0	C		1134 1 6	367 4 0	5114 9 5
	733 6 8		85 0 0	M				
	733 6 8		85 0 0	M				
Auckland West .. .. .	725 13 2		100 15 0	M	4 9 11			5824 1 0
Auckland East .. .. .	735 0 0		140 0 0	M		118 13 10	1129 14 9	
	735 0 0		130 0 0	M				
	735 0 0		120 0 0	M				
	626 0 0		130 0 0	M				
Orakei .. .. .	733 6 8	5 0 0	150 0 0	M	1371 17 4		582 8 3	12969 8 9
	733 6 8	5 0 0	145 0 0	M				
	646 0 0	5 0 0	135 0 0	M				
Avondale .. .. .	733 6 8		140 0 0	M	204 1 7			418 17 9
	733 6 8		140 0 0	M				
			195 0 0	M				
Henderson .. .. .	733 6 8		180 0 0	M		2720 18 9	424 5 2	
	733 6 8		150 0 0	M				
	646 0 0		150 0 0	M				
Devonport .. .. .	733 6 8		90 0 0	M		25 19 9	175 1 10	155 8 9
Takapuna .. .. .	733 6 8	25 0 0	180 0 0	M		75 0 0	213 18 7	761 15 9
	733 6 8	15 0 0	150 0 0	M				
Birkenhead .. .. .	733 6 8		211 16 8	M		550 19 2	1838 17 6	2745 19 4
	733 6 8		233 10 4	M				
	251 13 4		49 5 3	M				
Onehunga .. .. .	733 6 8		120 0 0	M	15 0		225 17 7	3456 1 5
	594 1 8		120 0 0	M				
Otahuhu .. .. .	733 6 8		200 0 0	C	25 0 0		322 6 1	
Papatoetoe .. .. .	745 0 0	25 0 0	225 0 0	M	13 4		45 2 8	
	646 0 0		180 0 0	M				
Papakura .. .. .	745 0 0		185 0 0	M	742 12 8		708 0 0	12099 19 2
	745 0 0		160 16 8	M				
Pukekohe .. .. .	755 0 0		314 12 7	M	289 13 6		213 11 11	875 0 0
Bombay-Tuakau .. .. .	635 10 0	15 0 0	335 1 10	M		212 15 1	103 15 0	
			83 10 0	M				
Waihku .. .. .	700 0 0		220 0 0	C	163 4 2		274 3 9	171 2 2
Kaipara .. .. .	733 6 8		240 0 0	M	4 0 0			1436 0 0
Whangaparaoa .. .. .	604 0 0		150 0 0	M		240 19 8	13 15 8	881 12 0
Mahurangi .. .. .	733 6 8		235 0 0	M		680 18 0	26 8 8	
TOTALS .. .. .	28993 4 10	145 0 0	6499 7 4		3137 12 7	5763 17 9	8798 8 1	46909 16 6

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Thames .. .. .	733 6 8		100 0 0	M	52 12 6		193 11 6	197 14 10
Hauraki Plains .. .. .	590 14 6		299 0 0	M		94 7 1	85 4 11	998 2 9
Paeroa .. .. .	673 16 4		34 0 0	M	210 0 6			51 8 0
Waihi .. .. .	673 6 8		180 0 0	M		39 15 0	6 8 3	
Te Aroha .. .. .	770 0 0		240 0 0	C	1121 14 9		392 8 9	
Morrinsville .. .. .	758 6 8		180 0 0	M	1078 1 9		44 8 9	334 18 0
	635 10 0		191 0 0	C				
Cambridge .. .. .	733 6 8		120 0 0	M	207 19 5		177 14 8	
Hamilton .. .. .	733 6 8	15 0 0	233 0 0	M	155 12 0		8402 18 2	689 12 0
	630 10 4		74 0 0	C				
Hamilton East .. .. .	759 6 8			C	256 0 0		1330 4 9	
	733 6 8			M				
Huntly .. .. .	733 6 8					4 15 8	34 19 8	
Matamata .. .. .	755 0 0		260 0 0	M	566 5 3		56 15 8	1865 11 11
Putaruru-Tokoroa .. .. .	603 0 0		220 0 0	M		323 17 4		3890 14 9
	562 0 0		128 0 0					
Rotorua .. .. .	771 10 0	26 0 0	222 0 0	M	85 14 9		1415 12 7	
	632 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Tauranga .. .. .	733 6 8	25 0 0	147 0 0	M		156 1 1	1701 11 8	
	628 0 0		123 0 0	M				
	484 0 0		12 0 0	M				
Te Puke .. .. .	733 6 8		130 0 0	M		(H.M. Part of Year)	52 15 0	161 19 8
Whakatane .. .. .	793 0 0		90 0 0	M			13 18 5	142 1 2
Opotiki .. .. .	733 6 8		132 0 0	M	22 8 4			95 14 2
Te Awamutu .. .. .	754 3 4		250 0 0	M	105 7 7			358 8 8
	235 0 0		76 0 0	C				
Otorohanga .. .. .	733 6 8		143 0 0	M	32 0 7		264 1 5	1465 0 0
Te Kuiti .. .. .	733 6 8		150 0 0	M		410 18 6		133 7 6
Taumarunui .. .. .	733 6 8		181 0 0	M		48 14 7		18 19 7
Ohura .. .. .	634 0 0			C	42 0 0		36 14 5	85 11 3
Kawerau .. .. .		84 0 0		M	47 8 8		27 16 3	
Raglan Union .. .. .	751 0 0		270 0 0	M				
Ngaruawahia .. .. .	676 0 0		178 0 0	M	32 16 7		167 4 6	
Coromandel .. .. .	104 0 0				21 17 7		8 9 10	
Kawhia .. .. .								
TOTALS.. .. .	22695 4 6	165 0 0	4817 0 0		4038 0 3	1145 2 8	15104 9 4	9371 0 1

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth .. .. .	808 6 8		125 0 0	M			2190 1 3	159 13 11
	733 6 8		75 0 0	M				
	733 6 8		154 0 0	M				
Waitara .. .. .	744 4 10		242 15 6	M		67 9 11	58 0 9	948 7 8
Stratford .. .. .	745 0 0		180 0 0	M	405 9 11		193 14 0	
Eltham-Kaponga .. .. .	726 13 4		215 3 5	M	1517 16 4		232 9 5	
Hawera .. .. .	749 13 2		156 0 0	M	37 17 4		1086 15 11	
Manaia .. .. .	688 16 0		168 0 0	M		13 16 8	20 4 2	
Opunake .. .. .	733 6 8		120 9 6	C	184 13 0		340 15 4	383 9 1
	674 16 4		202 16 2	M				
Wanganui Central .. .. .	807 0 0		108 0 0	M	322 9 1			1 18 10
Wanganui North .. .. .	733 6 8		100 0 0	M	14 9 9		235 19 0	
Wanganui West .. .. .	753 0 0		100 0 0	M	83 5 10		191 2 9	
Taihape .. .. .	682 3 8		38 5 0	M	14 18 10		109 8 9	
Raetihi-Ohakune .. .. .					332 16 3		104 9 1	
Marton .. .. .	733 6 8		20 0 0	Cycle	7 15 11		286 16 9	
Inglewood .. .. .	733 6 8		170 18 6	M	144 11 10			3251 13 2
TOTALS.. .. .	11779 8 0		2176 8 1		3065 14 1	81 6 7	5049 17 2	4745 2 8

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

Napier .. .. .	775 0 0	25 0 0	156 0 0	M	169 17 1		160 11 6	307 8 7
	750 0 0	25 0 0	156 0 0	M				
Hastings .. .. .	733 6 8	35 16 8	206 5 0	M	615 0 0			1351 9 5
	733 6 8	20 0 0	144 0 0	M				
Gisborne .. .. .	745 0 0		110 4 10	M		451 3 10		314 12 11
	267 10 0		5 7 3	M				
Wairoa .. .. .	646 0 0		57 15 4	M	23 9 9		6 13 2	

GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1962.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	STIPENDS, Etc.				STATE OF FINANCES at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Ministers specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling additional to Annual Stipend)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Car Ownership Circuit M. Minister	Circuit		Trust Account Totals	
					Credit Balance	Debit Balance	Total Credit Balances excluding balances held for special purposes	Total Debit Balances
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wellington Central ..	875 0 0	10 0 0	252 0 0	M	2426 10 0		8466 0 0	3232 10 0
	745 0 0	10 0 0	250 0 0	M				
	745 0 0	10 0 0	100 0 0	M				
Wellington West ..	810 0 0		100 0 0	M	70 10 0		917 10 0	
	770 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Wellington South ..	745 0 0		190 0 0	M	786 0 0			
Wellington East ..	775 0 0		116 0 0	M	311 0 0		1067 10 0	284 0 0
	745 0 0		102 0 0	M				
	745 0 0		102 0 0	M				
Wellington North ..	745 0 0		120 0 0	M	92 0 0		614 0 0	
	745 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Porirua .. .. .	640 0 0		198 0 0	M	1491 0 0		468 0 0	672 0 0
	733 0 0		225 0 0	M				
Lower Hutt .. ..	745 0 0	80 0 0	195 0 0	M	280 0 0			
	745 0 0	40 0 0	175 0 0	M				
	745 0 0	40 0 0	160 0 0	M				
	646 0 0	33 0 0	25 0 0	M				
Upper Hutt .. ..	733 0 0		317 0 0	M		96 0 0		4699 10 0
	470 0 0		41 0 0	C				
Petone .. .. .	543 10 0	12 10 0	235 0 0	M	52 10 0		303 10 0	
Greytown-Featherston	648 0 0		240 0 0	C		9 10 0	4056 0 0	
Carterton .. ..	745 0 0		231 0 0	M	491 10 0		209 10 0	
Masterton .. ..	770 0 0		230 0 0	M	50 0 0		546 0 0	2811 0 0
	635 0 0		96 0 0	M				
Eketahuna .. ..	618 0 0	36 0 0	300 0 0	M	20 10 0		102 0 0	
Levin .. .. .	729 0 0		303 0 0	M	2220 0 0		160 0 0	
Otaki .. .. .	737 0 0	10 0 0	269 0 0	M		71 0 0		908 0 0
Paraparaumu .. ..	733 0 0		150 0 0	M		728 0 0	161 10 0	
Taita Union .. ..	745 0 0	12 10 0	36 0 0	M	5 10 0			
Wainuiomata Union ..	800 0 0		180 0 0	M				
TOTALS.. .. .	21605 10 0	294 0 0	5178 0 0		8297 0 0	904 10 0	17071 10 0	12607 0 0

NELSON DISTRICT

Nelson .. .. .	733 6 8	26 0 0	200 0 0	M		20 19 10	657 11 8	453 12 10
	733 6 8	24 0 0	175 0 0	M				
	521 13 4		29 6 5	M				
Waimea .. .. .	733 0 0		225 0 0	M	56 18 11		681 6 3	365 13 9
Motueka .. .. .	733 6 8		182 0 0	M		53 9 3	22 9 4	24 17 9
Murchison .. ..			127 6 8	M	209 4 4		81 15 7	
			Supervisor					
Blenheim .. .. .	758 6 8		94 15 8	C	124 9 9		914 18 6	
	627 18 11		118 13 10	C				
	594 1 8		109 9 9	M				
Reefton .. .. .	621 0 0	12 10 0	50 0 0	M	147 15 7		30 14 7	
			(motor-cycle)					
Westport .. .. .	635 10 0		70 18 10	M	5 10 6		38 10 4	
Greymouth .. ..	734 3 4		210 0 0	M	161 7 9		219 18 3	
Hokitika .. .. .	676 15 0		14 6 8	M	2 6		18 12 4	
TOTALS .. .. .	8102 8 11	62 10 0	1406 17 10		705 9 4	74 9 1	2665 16 10	844 4 4

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street .. ..	800 0 0	25 0 0	172 0 0	M	73 3 8		810 9 3	165 17 9
	733 6 8		224 0 0	M				
Central Mission and Cambridge Tce. Church	783 6 8		Conf. rates.	M	6 2		2354 11 4	
Christchurch East ..	733 6 8		111 12 8	M				
	758 6 8		75 0 0	M	40 11 4		4734 14 8	5478 8 4
	733 6 8		75 0 0	M				
	733 6 8		75 0 0	M				
	733 6 8		75 0 0	M				
Woolston-Lyttelton ..	733 6 8		84 10 0	M	28 17 6		891 6 10	
	733 6 8		87 15 0	M				
	733 6 8		134 0 0	M				
Sydenham .. .. .	733 6 8		172 0 0	M	96 15 5			817 3 0
Spreydon .. .. .	733 6 8		100 0 0	M	581 0 0		1068 19 3	
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Rangiora .. .. .	733 6 8		203 0 0	M		236 18 7	577 2 3	
	590 0 6		207 0 0	M				
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Oxford .. .. .	733 6 8		240 0 0	M	11 2		420 17 11	
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Timaru (Woodlands St.)	733 6 8		102 17 8	M	602 16 2		443 14 8	
Marchwiell Union Parish	783 0 0		150 0 0	M	274 0 6		One A/c.	
Waimate .. .. .	733 6 8		120 0 0	M				260 9 6
Geraldine-Temuka ..	738 3 3		225 0 0	M	54 10 11		27 8 9	
Ashburton .. .. .	748 6 8	10 0 0	133 0 0	M	233 9 11		1300 12 1	608 4 9
	635 10 0	10 0 0	234 0 0	M				
Willowby .. .. .	733 6 8		270 0 0	M		174 15 2	453 13 0	
Oamaru .. .. .	733 6 8		100 0 0	M		106 7 8	188 11 10	149 5 7
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	635 10 0		130 0 0	M	23 3 2		191 11 0	1251 3 8
Dunedin West .. ..	733 6 8		130 0 0	M				
	733 6 8		261 10 0	M			112 6 6	
Dunedin South .. ..	733 6 8		137 10 0	M		218 8 9	76 4 1	
	733 6 8		125 0 0	M				
	589 12 0		150 0 0	M				
Corstorphine Union Parish	733 6 8		100 0 0	M				
Dunedin (St. Kilda) ..	733 6 8		83 8 2	M		316 19 0	28 8 5	663 4 10
	543 18 4		154 2 0	M				
Dunedin (Mornington)	733 6 8		70 0 0	M	107 4 6		122 14 2	
Milton .. .. .	733 6 8		100 2 4	M	47 19 0		66 10 2	
Balclutha .. .. .	733 6 8		157 15 3	M	55 9 5		150 16 3	
Gore .. .. .	733 6 8		100 0 0	M	27 1 1		10 3 8	1017 13 4
Edendale .. .. .			70 16 1	M		7 5 5	10 6 11	
Invercargill Central ..	733 6 8		150 0 0	M	241 18 4		1 3 7	
	733 6 8		60 0 0	M				
Invercargill (St. Peters)	733 6 8		100 0 0	M	83 17 5		234 4 7	
	251 2 0		10 0 0	M	(M/Scooter)			
Western Southland ..	733 6 8		337 18 3	M		738 0 0	623 13 10	90 0 6
	676 15 0		240 10 0	M				
Bluff .. .. .	733 6 8		80 0 0	M	138 6 2		4 18 3	
Roxburgh .. .. .	692 0 0		126 0 0	M		80 0 0	111 4 5	
Cromwell-Alexandra ..	733 6 8		235 5 10	M		47 12 8		427 16 8
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