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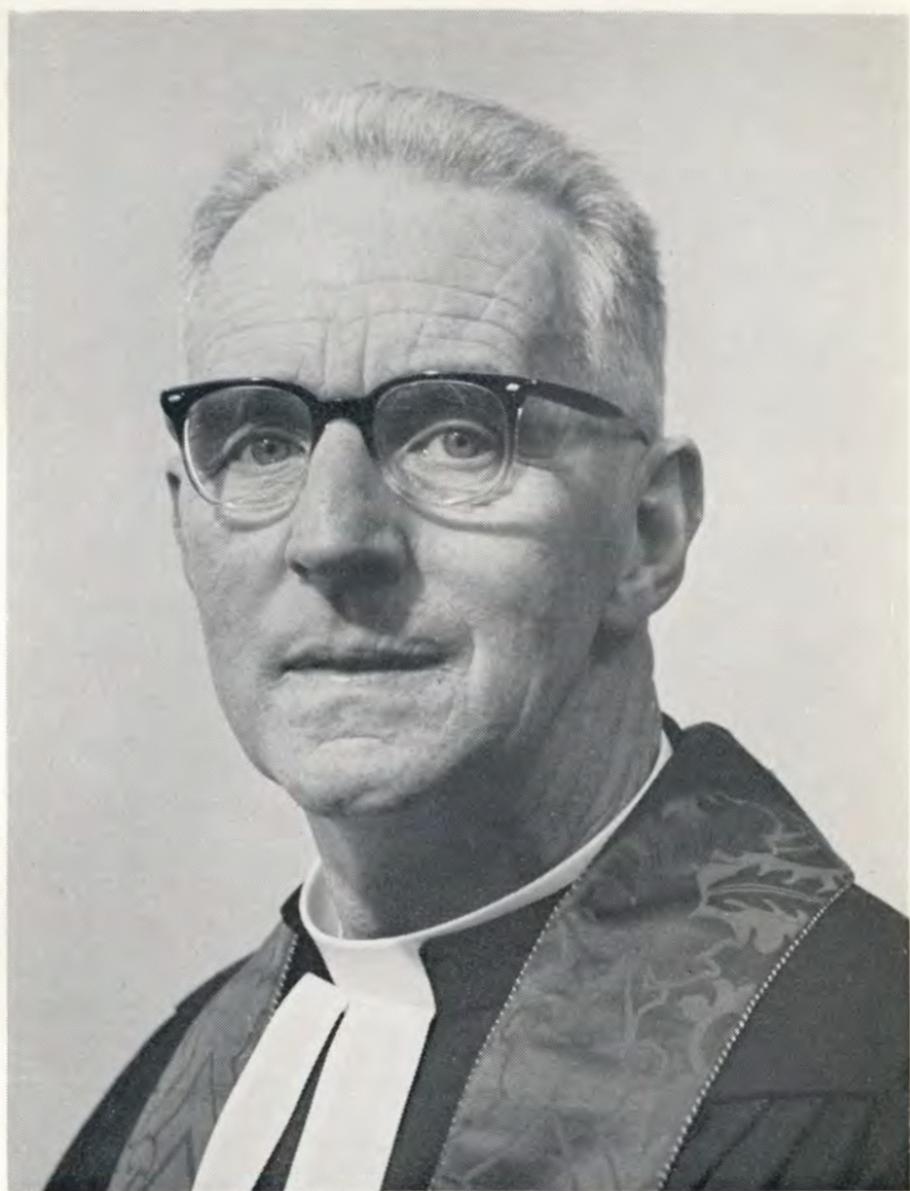
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“The Missions in Australia, Van Diemen’s Land, the Friendly Islands and Feejee” were constituted by the British Conference of 1854 “a distinct Connexion, to be denominated ‘The Australasian Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion,’ with an Annual Conference,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

THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

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.

THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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

THE FIRST CONFERENCE

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

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The Sessions of the Conference were opened on Wednesday, 4th November, 1964, in the Founders Memorial Theatre, Hamilton, by the retiring President, Rev. Athol R. Penn, after which the Rev. George H. Goodman was inducted to the Presidency.

Mr R. C. A. Marshall, Vice-President, was welcomed to that office.

The Secretary, Rev. Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D., was welcomed to that office and took up his duties.

LECTIONARY 1965-66

(FOR THE OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

		MORNING	EVENING
APRIL 1965			
Palm Sunday	11	Isaiah 59 : 12-20 Matthew 21 : 1-17	Isaiah 52 : 13, 53 : 12 John 12 : 20-36
Easter Day	18	Psalms 16 (No. 20) John 20 : 1-10	Isaiah 60 : 15-22 Luke 24 : 13-35
1st after Easter	25	1 Kings, 17 : 8-24 John 20 : 19-31	Exodus 13 : 3-16 John 14 : 1-14
MAY			
2nd after Easter (Bible Sun. N.Z.)	2	Psalms 19 (No. 23) 2 Tim. 3 : 14, 4 : 8	Exodus 15 : 20-27 Romans 15 : 4-13
3rd after Easter (Home & Family Day)	9	Deut. 6 : 4-7; 20-25 Ephes. 5 : 22- 6 : 4	Deut. 8 : 11-20 Ephes. 2 : 1-10
4th after Easter	16	Genesis 37 : 12-28 Acts 8 : 1-13	2 Kings, 5 : 1-14 Luke 17 : 11-19
5th after Easter (Aldersgate and Rogation)	23	Isaiah 51 : 1-11 Mark 12 : 28-37; 41-44	Isaiah 52 : 1-2, 7-12 Romans 5 : 1-11
6th after Easter (After Ascension)	30	2 Kings 2 : 1-14 Acts 1 : 1-14	Exodus 3 : 1-12 Ephes. 2 : 1-10
JUNE			
Whit Sunday or Pentecost	6	Joel 2 : 21-32 Acts 2 : 1-13	Judges 2 : 1-5 John 16 : 7-24
Trinity Sunday	13	Exodus 6 : 2-9 John 14 : 1-24	Isaiah 58 . 1 John 4 : 7-21
1st after Trinity	20	Genesis 45 : 1-13 Luke 10 : 25-37	Genesis 4 : 1-15 James 1 : 12-27
2nd after Trinity	27	Daniel 5 : 1-12 Luke 14 : 12-24	Nehemiah 5 : 1-13 2 Cor. 5 : 11-19
JULY			
3rd after Trinity	4	Exodus 14 : 1-14 Matthew 16 : 1-12	Deut. 4 : 1-10 Phil. 3 : 1-16
4th after Trinity	11	Psalms 23 (No. 25) Luke 15 : 1-10	Numbers 21 : 4-9 1 Cor. 1 : 18-31
5th after Trinity (Youth Day)	18	1 Sam. 3 : 1-10 Luke 18 : 18-30	1 Sam. 17 : 33-51 Mark 10 : 35-45
6th after Trinity	25	2 Sam. 15 : 1-12 Luke 15 : 11-32	Isaiah 12 . Phil. 2 : 1-18
AUGUST			
7th after Trinity	1	Exodus 4 : 1-17 Matthew 25 : 14-30	1 Chron. 16 : 23-36 1 Thess. 5 : 12-28
8th after Trinity (L.P. Sunday)	8	Genesis 43 : 16-34 Luke 7 : 36-50	Hosea 14 . Romans 8 : 1-11
9th after Trinity	15	1 Sam. 4 : 1-11 Mark 12 : 1-12	Isaiah 64 . 2 Cor. 1 : 1-14
10th after Trinity	22	Joshua 2 : 1-21 Luke 16 : 1-13	Daniel 3 : 19-30 Romans 1 : 1-17
11th after Trinity	29	Judges 12 : 1-6 Matthew 25 : 1-13	Hosea 2 : 14-23 Romans 8 : 12-30

SEPTEMBER	MORNING	EVENING
12th after Trinity 5	Ezekiel 39 : 21-29 1 John 5 : 1-12	2 Sam 9 : 1-11 Luke 19 : 1-10
13th after Trinity 12	1 Kings 8 : 46-53 Hebrews 10 : 19-39	Genesis 41 : 25-45 John 4 : 43-54
14th after Trinity 19	Job 14. 1 Cor. 15 : 12-28	Isaiah 40 : 18-31 Luke 8 : 26-39
15th after Trinity 26 (Temperance Sunday)	Proverbs 20: 1-12 Ephes. 6 : 10-20	Isaiah 1 : 10-20 Romans 12.
OCTOBER		
16th after Trinity 3 (World Com- munion Day)	Genesis 1 : 1-19 Rev. 21 : 1-8	Judges 6 : 1-8 John 3: 1-21
17th after Trinity 10	Isaiah 1 : 1-9 1 Cor. 16 : 1-9	Psalms 146 (No. 62) Luke 7 : 11-17
18th after Trinity 17	Nums. 23 : 17-30 James 3 : 1-12	Nums. 24 : 15-25 John 5 : 1-15
19th after Trinity 24 (Industrial Sunday)*	Nehem. 2 : 1-11, 17-18 Ephes. 6 : 5-20	Psalms 15 (No. 19) James 2 : 12-26
N.B.:*The Social Creed should be read on this Day (See Minutes 1952 , page 73).		
20th after Trinity 31	Isaiah 25 : 1-9 (No. 68) Hebrews 11 : 32-12 : 2	Isaiah 51 : 1-11 Matth. 5 : 1-12 (No. 77)
NOVEMBER		
21st after Trinity 7	1 Kings 8 : 22-30 1 Cor. 3 : 10-23	1 Kings 17 : 8-24 Mark 7 : 24-37
22nd after Trinity 14 (Remembrance Day)	Psalms 46 (No. 33) Romans 8 : 18-39	Wisdom 3 : 1-9 (No. 74) Rev. 7 : 9-17
(Next before Advent) 21	Joel 2 : 1-14 2 Thess. 1 : 3-12	Isaiah 40 : 1-11 John 1 : 15-34
1st in Advent 28	Jeremiah 23 : 1-8 Luke 7 : 18-35	Isaiah 32 : 1-8 Rev. 1 : 1-8
DECEMBER		
2nd in Advent 5	Psalms 119 : 97-112 John 5 : 30-47	2 Kings 22 : 8-20 2 Cor. 3 : 1-11
3rd in Advent 12	Daniel 7 : 9-14 Matth. 25 : 31-46	Jeremiah 24 1 Peter 4 : 12-19
4th in Advent 19	Isaiah 42 : 1-9 Matth. 3 : 1-12	Isaiah 52 : 1-10 Matth. 18 : 1-14
Sunday after Christmas 26	Isaiah 62 1 John 1	Psalms 8 (No. 18) John 1 : 1-14
JANUARY, 1966		
2nd after Christmas 2	Psalms 72 (No. 40) Matth. 2 : 1-12	Isaiah 60 : 1-7 Rev. 21 : 22-22 : 2
1st after Epiphany 9	Exodus 13 : 17-22 Luke 2 : 25-40	Job 28 (No. 66) 1 Cor. 1 : 18-25
2nd after Epiphany 16	Genesis 22 : 1-19 Luke 1 : 67-80 (No. 5)	1 Sam. 2 : 1-11 Luke 1 : 46-56 (No. 7)
3rd after Epiphany 23	Ezra 7 : 11-28 Matth. 8 : 5-17	Jonah 3. Acts 10 : 24-45
4th after Epiphany 30	Deut. 6 : 1-15 Matth. 8 : 18-34	1 Sam. 3. Luke 2 : 40-52

FEBRUARY		MORNING	EVENING
Septuagesima	6	Nehemiah 9 : 9-25 Matth. 20 : 1-16	Job 42 : 7-17 Mark 9 : 14-29
Sexagesima (Covenant Sunday)	13	Jer. 31 : 31-34 Hebrews 8 : 1-13	Genesis 32 : 22-32 1 John 5 : 1-12
Quinquagesima	20	Job 42 : 1-6 Luke 18 : 31-43	Judges 7 : 1-14 Matth. 4 : 12-22
1st in Lent	27	Ruth 1 : 15-22 Matth. 11 : 20-30	Proverbs 10 : 1-12 1 Cor. 12 : 31-13 : 13

MARCH

2nd in Lent	6	Psalms 95 (No. 1) Hebrews 4.	2 Kings 5 : 20-27 Matth. 4 : 1-11
3rd in Lent	13	Ruth 2 : 8-23 Ephes. 5 : 1-14	Daniel 3 : 8-18 Matth. 15 : 21-28
4th in Lent	20	1 Kings 19 : 1-18 John 6 : 1-14	Nehemiah 4 : 1-6; 21-23 Luke 11 : 14-26
5th in Lent (Passion Sunday)	27	1 Kings 1 : 41-53 Matth. 26 : 36-46	2 Kings 6 : 8-23 Hebrews 9 : 11-22

ALTERNATIVE AND ADDITIONAL PASSAGES FOR SPECIAL DAYS

Holy Week.

Monday:	Job 19 : 1-9, 21-29	Mark 14 : 1-16
Tuesday:	Zechariah 13 : 1-9	Mark 14 : 32-52
Wednesday:	1 Samuel 4 : 1-11	Mark 14 : 53-72
Thursday:	Levit. 16 : 3-10, 20-22	John 13 : 1-20
Good Friday:	Isaiah 52 : 13-53 : 12 Psalm 22 : 1-8; 15-18; 22-24 John 19 : 16b-37 Luke 23 : 26-49 Mark 15 : 16-41	

Easter Even. Hosea 6 : 1-6 Mark 15 : 42-47

Ascension Day. 2 Kings 2 : 1-15
Daniel 7 : 9-10; 13-14
Exodus 24 : 1-18
Luke 24 : 36-53
Acts 1 : 1-14
Revelation 19 : 6-16

Church Anniversary. Gen. 28 : 10-22; 1 Kings 8 : 22-30; 1 Chron. 29 : 1-2, 10-20; Jer. 7 : 1-15; Col. 1 : 1-20; Matth. 16 : 13-28; Ephes. 3 : 8-21; 1 Peter 1 : 22-2 : 10.

Home and Overseas Missions. Isaiah 42 : 1-9; Isaiah 55 : 1-13; Jer. 10 : 1-16; Hosea 14; Jonah 3; Matthew 16 : 13-28; John 3 : 1-21; Romans 9 : 30-10 : 15; Ephes. 3 : 1-11.

Harvest Thanksgiving. Gen. 8 : 15-9 : 3; Deut. 26 : 1-10; 16-19; Ruth 2 : 1-17; Matth. 13 : 24-33; 36-43; Mark 4 : 1-20; Luke 12 : 13-34; John 4 : 31-38; Galatians 6 : 6-10.

Spring or Flower Service.	Psalm 65. Psalm 126. Genesis 1; Matthew 13 : 1-9; Matthew 13 : 24-30.
Lay Preachers' Sunday.	Exodus 20 : 1-17; Isaiah 55; Psalm 111; Luke 10 : 1-20; John 1 : 35-51; Romans 10 : 1-15.
A Dedication Service.	Numbers 7 : 1-11; 1 Chronicles 28; Romans 12; Matthew 10 : 1-23.
Watchnight or End of Year.	Psalm 90; Exodus 12 : 31-36; Eccles. 3 : 1-15; Matthew 24 : 32-51; Luke 12 : 13-21.
New Year.	Psalm 91; Psalm 103; Matthew 6 : 19-34; 1 Thess. 5; Ephes. 5 : 1-21.
Christmas Day.	Isaiah 7 : 10-14; Isaiah 9 : 2, 6, 7; Matthew 1 : 18-25; John 1 : 1-14; Luke 2 : 1-20; 1 John 3 : 1-9.

QUESTION 1.—Who are the Members of this Conference?

The List of Members of the Conference is according to the Agenda of Conference, pages 7-14 with such alterations as were reported through the Committees of Districts and duly recorded in the Journal of Conference.

QUESTION 2.—Who are now admitted as Ministers in Full Connexion with the Conference?

David H. Ansell	Derek G. Laws
David Armstrong	Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A.
John B. Currie	Ian H. Robertson
Ronald E. Fields	B. Keith Rowe, (Honours) B.A.
Paul A. Garside	Maynard G. Rutherford
Graham E. Hawkey	Kenneth L. Toomer
David L. Hines, B.A.	Frederick E. Waive
Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B.	W. J. Douglas Wakeling
Barry E. Jones	Alan K. Woodley

QUESTION 3.—What Preachers remain on Probation?

Niven G. Ball	John W. White
W. Geoffrey Tucker	

Who have travelled two years.

Wallis F. Browne, B.A.	Barry W. Neal
(See Q.5)	Brian L. Olsen
Maxwell L. Bruce, B.Com.	John H. Roberts
Ian L. Clark (See Q.5)	Charles D. Shave
Ludwig Felderhof	Stuart G. Slinn
Hendrik Gerritsen	Neil E. Smith.
Ronald G. Major	Nelson W. Stockbridge

Who have travelled one year.

Michael Maguire

QUESTION 4.—(a) What Preachers are now received on Probation?

William A. Chessum	C. Brice Herbert
Edwin B. Clarke	Bruce E. Mackie
Ronald C. Collingwood	Napi Waaka
John G. Hayhurst	Norman J. West

(b) Who have gained the Diploma of the School of Christian Workers?

W. Chapman	K. R. Knox
A. I. Corlett	Miss P. Skinner
R. Hey	J. Wilkinson

QUESTION 5.—What Students are to continue to have Theological Training?

Roy M. Alexander	Alastair D. Pain
Robert A. Allan	Te Taotahi John Pihama
A. Roy Bowden	Donald F. Prince
Daniel P. Harris	Keith J. Taylor
Richard J. Hendry	Robert Te Whare
John I. Manihera	Stanley J. West

Who are continued for a third year.

Wallis F. Browne, B.A. (see Quest. 3).	Colin G. Jamieson
Ian L. Clark (see Quest. 3).	William R. G. Loader
Bruce L. Hosking, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z.	Laurie A. Michie
	David C. Pratt
	Enid J. Slaney, M.A.

Also Faatoese Auvaa (Samoa Conference Student).

Who are continued for a second year.

QUESTION 6.—What candidates are now received for Theological Training?

Moke A. G. Couch	John D. Meredith
Darrell R. Curtis	Ian C. Norwell
J. Cedric Hay	Donald J. Phillipps, B.A.
Roger J. E. Hey	Roger G. Sanson
Alan J. Leadley	Morehu Te Whare
Graeme M. McIver	Brian H. Turner
Brian J. Malcouronne	

Also Wallace C. Chapman (Fiji Conference Student)

QUESTION 7.—Who are now admitted as Solomon Islands Ministers?

None.

QUESTION 8.—Who remain as Solomon Islands Ministers on Probation?

Moses Mosusu, who has travelled three years.
Solomon Alu, who has travelled one year.
Leslie Boseto, who has travelled one year, and who resumes probation after College training.
George Maelagi, who has travelled one year.
Tim Tarakabu, who has travelled one year. (See also Q.21.)

QUESTION 9.—Who are now received as Solomon Islands Preachers on Probation?

Matthew Beaso.	Misake Tarurava.
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QUESTION 10 (a).—Who are now received as Solomon Islands Students for the Ministry?

Elisha Itoro, from the President's List of Reserve.	
Aaron Lipa	Peter Sasabule
Burley Mesepitu	Ronald Tioko
Judas Redi	Goldie Veqo

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

Jechoniah Kaskas	Luke Pitu
Who are continued for a third year.	
John Pratt	Nathan Sipuda
Esau Tuza	
Who are continued for a second year.	

QUESTION 11.(A) What Deaconesses are dedicated at this Conference?

Constance Fell
Shirley Ungemuth

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

None.

(c) What Students are to continue Deaconess Training?

Marion J. Alexander

(d) What candidates are received for Deaconess Training?

Jocelyn Gilling	Janet Slater Wallis
Lorna Isabel Pritchard	

QUESTION 12.—What Home Missionary Probationers are there, and have they passed their examinations in their respective years?

Third Year

Ronald W. Ferguson

QUESTION 13.—What Ministers or Probationers have died since last Conference?

Leslie A. G. Brooks.

Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.

James H. Hall.

George P. Hunt.

Te Riri M. Kawiti—Maori Home Missionary.

Tutu Keepa—Maori Home Missionary.

Frank E. Leadley.

Tame Ponui—Maori Home Missionary.

LESLIE A. G. BROOKS

Leslie Albert George Brooks was a brother beloved. Born in Christchurch in 1894, Mr Brooks received his education in that city, following which he was engaged in pharmaceutical studies and practice for six years. He commenced preaching at the age of 17, and two years later passed the Local Preachers' Examination.

Answering the call to Home Mission work in 1915, he served one year at Greenmeadows (Napier) and three years at Wakefield. In 1919 he was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry, and after three years in Dunholme College was received on Probation and served in the following Circuits: Dunedin (Trinity), Hamilton (Frankton), Taumarunui, Motueka, Temuka, Christchurch (Woolston), Te Aroha, Palmerston North (Trinity), Auckland East (Mission Bay) and Te Awamutu.

Throughout his 38 years in the ministry, Mr Brooks took his full share of Connexional work. From the time of his ordination until his retirement in 1959 he was a member of the Board of Examiners, serving as an Examiner and a Correspondence Tutor. For six years he was Secretary of the Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District, and acted as Assistant Secretary and Journal Secretary in other Districts.

Throughout his ministry, Mr Brooks proved himself a thoughtful preacher, an able organiser and administrator and a faithful pastor. His service and influence among the youth of the Church was outstanding.

At the conclusion of his term at Taumarunui, Mr Brooks married Miss Marie Donnelly, who predeceased him by nine years. In 1956 he married Miss Zena Peace of Hamilton. Throughout his ministry, the parsonage was a centre of gracious hospitality.

On retirement, Mr and Mrs Brooks established their home in Hamilton where Mr Brooks undertook the development of the new cause at Melville. He also agreed to serve as Methodist Chaplain at the Waikato Hospital. With characteristic zeal he entered on these onerous responsibilities, not sparing himself by day or night. He seriously overtaxed his strength and suffered a stroke in September, 1962. He died on 25th February, 1964, having spent himself utterly in the service of the Master he loved.

To his wife, who throughout his prolonged illness nursed him with such faithfulness and devotion, and to his daughter, we extend the deep sympathy of the whole Church.

RAYMOND DUDLEY, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.

Raymond Dudley was born in Suva, Fiji, of Indian parents in 1904. After receiving his secondary education in Australia, he came to New Zealand in 1920 with Miss Hannah Dudley, his adopted mother, who was the pioneer missionary to the Indians in Fiji. While working in an Auckland office, he studied at the University and completed his B.A. degree.

In 1927 he offered as a candidate for the ministry, and became the first non-European to be accepted into the Methodist Church of New Zealand. In 1928 he was appointed to Waiwhetu and Taita. In 1929 he entered Trinity College and while there gained an M.A. degree, becoming a Fellow of the Royal Economic Society.

In 1932 he was appointed by Conference to Taihape, but before taking up this appointment, was transferred to Trinity Church, Wanganui, owing to the sudden death of the minister of that Church. Ordained in 1934, he remained at Wanganui for seven years.

In 1939 he married Miss Winifred M. Green and was inducted as Superintendent of the Durham Street Circuit, where he served for some thirteen years. In 1952 he became Superintendent of the Dunedin Central Mission. In 1960 ill health compelled him to relinquish the Dunedin appointment, and he moved to Napier.

He served on many Connexional Boards and Committees—for many years Convener of the Conference Public Questions Committee; for years one of the four Methodist representatives on the National Council of Churches; in 1948 a representative at the first Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Amsterdam, and in the same year, a delegate to the Quadrennial Conference of the Methodist Church of the U.S.A. and to the British Methodist Conference at Bristol. He held office in the Christchurch, Dunedin and Napier branches of the National Council of Churches.

In 1948 the Dickinson Methodist College, U.S.A., awarded him *causa honoris*, for his work in racial reconciliation, the degree of Doctor of Divinity. In 1955 he was awarded the Coronation Medal, and became President of Conference in 1956.

Raymond Dudley was a man of large and varied affairs. His remarkable ability and integrity of character enabled him to gather large congregations and to carry through effective enterprises for the good of the Kingdom of God. He was gifted with an analytical mind, and possessed the gift of breaking through barriers—of being human, direct and approachable, and these enriched all his relationships. He strenuously opposed anything which he felt imperilled the liberties and destinies of civilisation.

While still in the active service of his Lord and Master, he passed to higher service on December 10th, 1963.

To Mrs Dudley and members of his family, we extend Christian love and sympathy.

JAMES H. HALL

The sudden death of James Hall during the 1963 Conference was a great shock.

Born at Awarua Plains, near Invercargill, of a staunch Methodist family, in 1901, Mr Hall came through Sunday School and Bible Class and later local preaching, to candidature at the Conference of 1923. He spent three years at "Dunholme" Theological College, and commenced his probation at Hauraki Plains. After serving at Russell, Bay of Islands, he was ordained in 1930. His subsequent appointments were Matamata, Hikurangi, Marton, Te Kuiti, Woodend-Sefton, Pukekohe, Otorohanga and Fitzroy, New Plymouth,

In 1933 he married Miss Elfrida Somerville of Onehunga, and they had two children. In 1963 he became a Supernumerary, retiring earlier than he had hoped because of ill-health.

For some 25 years Mr Hall was Secretary of the Conference Equalisation Fund, a task which he carried with great efficiency. In all his ministry, he was meticulous in his care of detail, and he always sought to emphasise the Connexional nature of our Church and its members.

Mr Hall was very human and had a deep sense of the pastoral task. In every Circuit he is remembered with gratitude and affection. His was a faithful ministry. He was a keen gardener, and became an authority on daffodils, winning many awards. He was also a staunch member of the Loyal Orange Lodge, becoming at one stage Grand Master for New Zealand.

The whole Church shares the sorrow of Mrs Hall and the members of the family. A good servant of Christ has reported home to Headquarters.

GEORGE P. HUNT

George Percival Hunt had a long Methodist ancestry and was descended from pioneer families whose association with New Zealand dates back to 1840.

He was a grandson of Mr Charles Hunt, a Local Preacher who came to Wellington in 1840, and his grandmother was a Luxford, whose mother had been converted under the preaching of John Wesley.

George P. Hunt was called to higher service on 29th January, 1964, in the 89th year of his age. Born at Rongotea, he was granted status as a Home Missionary in his 19th year and pioneered the Primitive Methodist cause at Waihi in 1895.

Admitted as minister on probation in 1900, he was ordained in 1904 and married a lady from Aberdeenshire who shared to the full a life of gallant, self-effacing and devoted service.

For 13 years, Mr Hunt held important charges in the Primitive Methodist Church. When, in 1913, Methodist Union was consummated, he was appointed to Invercargill (St Peters) and continued to serve the United Church in a number of important Circuits until he superannuated in 1940. He was a passionate evangelist, a devoted pastor, a capable administrator and a loyal friend.

His zeal and devotion did not cease with superannuation. Until he neared his 80th year, he continued to serve as pastor, preacher and hospital chaplain.

He was a brother beloved. We thank God for every remembrance of him, and extend profound sympathy to his nieces, the Misses Annie and Sadie Hunt, who gave him such devoted and loving care during his failing years.

FRANK E. LEADLEY

For 100 years "Leadley" has been an honoured name in the Methodist Church of England, New Zealand and the Solomon Islands.

Frank E. Leadley finished the course on July 25th, 1964. He was the eldest son of the Rev Francis Leadley, who had often challenged his sons to consider the claims of the ministry. The final decision came at revival meetings in Southern Ireland, where he was employed as accountant to the fishing fleet.

He studied under Dr. Peake at Hartley College, where he graduated with honour. He began his full work in the ministry in 1900,

but after 11 years, a severe breakdown in health necessitated his transfer to Australia. After nine years on a fruit farm, without pastoral charge, his health improved and he was able to transfer to the New Zealand ministry where, until his superannuation in 1940, he rendered conspicuous service. In the five Circuits in which he laboured (Greendale, Hamilton, Onehunga, Hataitai and Gisborne) he left a rich heritage—as has his beloved wife.

Frank Leadley was an administrator of exceptional ability. For fourteen consecutive years he served on the Conference platform. Synod Secretary, Secretary of the Spiritual Advance Committee, Secretary of Trinity College Council, Secretary of the Orphanage Board—these were among the offices he filled with credit.

More important still, he was an evangelist. What he considered possibly the greatest experience of his ministry came through the opportunity of broadcasting from Station 2YA. In the three years of broadcasting he knew of at least 70 cases of conversion through the wireless message. There was also evidence of many Christians challenged to fuller service.

After the experience of several years of ill-health, with their accompanying economic problems, Frank E. Leadley has “passed over” and all the trumpets have sounded for him on the other side.

He is survived by his wife and family of three sons and two daughters. A fourth son died in childhood. It was his joy to see one of his sons come to the office of President of the Conference.

TUTU KEEPA

Son of an honoured ordained Maori Minister, Tutu Keepa was educated at St. Stephens and later at Wesley College. Possessing a bass voice of great volume and exceptional sweetness, Tutu travelled for some years with Rev. A. J. Seamer's Waiata Choir, being among the party that performed in Buckingham Palace before the late King George V and Queen Mary.

Mr Keepa was recommended for an Honorary Home Missionary by Mr Seamer, who had had ample opportunity for observing his Christian character and conduct. Unfortunately, soon after this Mr Keepa was confined to Waikato Hospital where he spent a long time under treatment and was unable to continue active preaching. He still, however, maintained an interest in choir work and helped in the training of young Maori folk in that field.

Mr Keepa was of a retiring and quiet nature but a man of high principles, and had a strong influence among his people and the pakeha folk of his community. To his widow and family we extend our sympathy and trust that at least one of the sons in the family will follow his present desire to come forward as a preacher of the Gospel.

TAME PONUI

Born 70 years ago in Kawhia, Tame Ponui was a member of the Ngatihikaire Tribe of that district. As a young man he served overseas towards the conclusion of the First World War in the Maori Pioneer Battalion. For some years he was a member of the famous Waiata Maori Choir under the leadership of the late Rev. A. J. Seamer. His strong, resonant bass voice was a great asset to the choir.

He was a Lay Preacher from early manhood, and in 1945 was taken on the staff as a single Home Missionary, assisting in the Waikato District. For the last 13 years of his life he served in the King Country, living in Kopaki and travelling throughout the central and southern King Country where he became very well known and

highly respected and loved by all who knew him. For the last two years he has been semi-retired.

His death in the Taumarunui Hospital on 17th June, 1964, has removed a valued member of the Maori Mission staff.

Tame did not marry, and he is survived by an elderly brother and sister to whom the sympathy of the whole Mission and the wider Church is extended.

QUESTION 14.—What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries?

Henry L. Blamires	Ngatete K. Kukutai, M.B.E.
Arthur Hopper	Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E.
R. Purcell Keall	Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc.
Jonathan H. Haslam	Ernest E. Sage
Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D.	Cecil R. Taylor
E. Percy Blamires	John H. Bailey
Henry Ryan	George E. Brown
William Walker	Ernest B. Chambers
Fred Copeland	Harry S. Kings
Charles Blair	Thomas Skuse
Edwin S. Harkness	Samuel J. Werren
Albert Blakemore	Robert E. Fordyce
Walter J. Enticott	E. Thomas Olds
George B. Hinton	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.
William Rowe	William M. Garner
Robert B. Tinsley	William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.
Arthur A. Bensley	A. Harry Voyce
James W. Parker	A. Francis Attwood
William A. Burley, M.A.	Ormond E. Burton, M.A.
Archer O. Harris	Joseph C. Draper
Charles H. Olds, B.A.	D. J. Donald Hickman
Percy I. Cooke	L. Gordon Hanna
Arthur H. Scrivin	W. John Henderson.
Wallace S. Neal	Eric W. Hames, M.A.
John Dennis	Hubert G. Brown
Alfred E. Jefferson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Charles H. Kendon	Harry V. Utting

QUESTION 15 —(a) What Ministers now become Supernumeraries?

John Bitibule (Solomon Islands District)
Walter Parker
Ralph E. Patchett

QUESTION 16.—What Supernumeraries Return to Regular Work?

None.

(b) What Deaconesses are now placed on the retired list?

Sister Airini Hobbs

QUESTION 17.—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?

None

QUESTION 18.—(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).
Ernest S. Hoddinott (with permission to serve with the Justice Department as Senior Chaplain).
Wilf G. Eisner, B.A. (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).
Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (with permission to serve with C.O.R.S.O.).
Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. (with permission to serve under the N.C.C. as a Fraternal worker in Indonesia).
Ian W. Reid (with permission to serve with the Justice Department).

Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. (with permission to serve as Principal of the Ratu Sukuna Memorial School, Suva, Fiji).

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

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| Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. | Wilf G. Eisner, B.A. |
| W. Lloyd Divers (in 1966) | Ernest S. Hoddinott |
| Leslie C. Clements | Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A. |
| Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. | Ian W. Reid |
| Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Sc. (Agric) | Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A. |
| Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed. | Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. |
| Leslie T. Norwell (in 1966) | |

QUESTION 19.—What Ministers are "left without Pastoral Charge"?

Dorothea M. Noble, B.A.

QUESTION 20.—Is any Minister or Probationer Designated for Overseas Missions?

Paul A. Garside David L. Kitchingman, B.A.
Matthew Beaso, of Solomon Islands District, who is designated for the Papua New Guinea Highlands District.

QUESTION 21.—What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or receive from any other Conference?

Te Tekieru Teem
Te Takarebu Tarakabu
Ordained ministers of the Gilbert Islands Church (L.M.S. Mission) to be received into full status of the Solomon Islands Methodist District.
Te Tim Tarakabu
Received from the Gilbert Islands Church, a probationer having travelled one year.
Sister Gladys M. Thomas on return from exchange with N.S.W. Conference.

QUESTION 22.—Are there any objections to any Minister, Probationer, or Home Missionary?

No.

QUESTION 23.—What Persons who were in Full Connexion now cease to be recognised as Ministers of the Conference?

Charles H. Raynor, who has voluntarily resigned.

QUESTION 24.—What are the arrangements for the Annual Examinations of Probationers, Students, Candidates for the Ministry, Home Missionaries, Deaconesses, and Local Preachers?

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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., B.D.

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. J. S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus.

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. W. S. Dawson, 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—Rev. P. A. Stead, B.A.

Social Ethics—Rev. W. H. Greenslade.

Comparative Religion—Rev. J. B. Dawson, B.A.

Maori 1 and 2—Rev. Ranginohoora Rogers.

Pre-Collegiate Course—

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

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

Theology (Clarke's Outline)—Rev V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D.

Correspondence Tutors in Theology

1st Section Rev J. Grundy, M.A.

2nd Section Rev. E. R. Le Couteur.

Third Section Rev W. J. Morrison, M.A.

Correspondence Tutor in Greek

Rev. Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A., Ph.D.

(B) Examiners for Candidates.

Bible Knowledge I	Rev A. T. Kent
Bible Knowledge II	Rev. C. B. Oldfield.
Theology	Rev L. F. Bycroft

(C) 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

(D) 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 Lay 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 Deaconess Candidates

Theology	Rev H. D. Besant, B.A., B.D.
Old Testament	Rev. G. V. Thomas, B.A.
New Testament	Rev J. H. Woolford, M.A.
English	Rev D. G. Sherson, B.A.

**(G) Tutors and Examiners for Maori Lay Preachers
and Home Missionaries**

Theology	Rev. R. D. Rakena (Tutor); Rev. H. A. Darvill (Examiner).
Bible Knowledge	Rev. W. Tahere (Tutor); Rev. R. Rogers (Examiner).
Homiletics	Rev. R. Rogers (Tutor); Rev. W. Tahere (Examiner).
The Church	Rev. H. A. Darvill (Tutor); Rev. R. D. Rakena (Examiner).

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 Otago B.D. Stage I, Papers A and B, but including only the first of the two set passages and no unseen translation.

2nd year, as B.D. Stage I, Papers A and B, 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 1965 (from Otago B.D. Course Stage I).

1st year: Luke 8-10; Acts 5-6; Philippians 2.

2nd year: Luke 7-10; Acts 5-6, and 8; Philippians 2-3.

3rd year: Luke 6-10; Acts 5-6, and 8; Philippians 1-4.

Note: All Chapters are inclusive.

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 1965. Second Section: "The Person and Work of Christ."

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 1965—Second 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: “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: “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 Kona 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" (Chapts. 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 O.M. Field take in this section, "Methodism" and "Comparative Religion".

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 ordination 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. Each Probationer shall forward to his Chairman not later than the 15th August in each year a Book List embodying his reading based on the specified list for his year. The Chairman or a Minister of the District appointed by him shall conduct before a sub-committee of the District Ministerial Committee an oral examination thereon, excepting that in the Ordination year the examination shall be in Theology only. The name of the Examiner shall be announced at the March meeting of the District Ministerial Committee. See also "Course of Study for Probationers" Regulations 5, 6, and 8 for Probationers pursuing the Thesis Course.
10. 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.
11. That in terms of the Law Book, paragraph 510 (8 k), page 130, first year Probationers pursuing University studies be paid a grant from the Contingent Fund of up to £10 per unit with a maximum of £20.

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: The Last Week of Jesus' Life on Earth.

2nd year: Romans, Chapters 1-12.

3rd year: James to Jude.

4th year: The Rise of the Kingdom of Israel from Samuel to Solomon.

1965—Second year cycle.

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 1964-65 be:

Theology—Rev. A. C. Watson.

Bible Knowledge—Rev. I. Vula.

Homiletics and Worship—Rev. J. F. Cropp.

Methodism—Rev. B. Sides.

Book List—Rev. J. F. Cropp.

Oral Examiner and Secretary—Rev. A. C. Watson.

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 Pseude-
pigrapha.

(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 Johan-
nine 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. Method-
ist 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, Wor-
ship, Special Services, Church Organization and Law Book.

4.

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.

5.

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:

Matthew chapters 5-7.

Luke chapters 14-16

John chapters 14-17

Romans chapters 5, 8, 12, 14

Galatians chapter 5

Ephesians chapters 2 and 4

Hebrews chapter 11

I John chapters 3 and 4.

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

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

V.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES

(Three Hour Papers)

FIRST YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 1-6.
2. Theology.—"What a Christian believes and Why?" Hunter. (Whole book).
3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament." Adam Welch.
4. Homiletics.—"Manual for Preachers." W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D. "The Craft of Sermon Construction." Sangster.

SECOND YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 7-12.
2. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. Pp. 1-181.
3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ." J. S. Stewart.

4. Church History.—“The Story of the Church.” Church of Scotland Series.
5. Homiletics.—“Heralds of God.” J. S. Stewart. “The Craft of Sermon Illustration.” Sangster.

THIRD YEAR

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

FOURTH YEAR

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

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

VI—COURSE OF STUDIES—DEACONESES

(a) ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

Old Testament, New Testament and Theology, as prescribed in the Course of Studies for Lay Preachers, with the addition of English for Candidates who have not passed a Fifth Form examination in English. (Textbook: “Everyday English” (Part 2) by Smyth.)

(b) STUDENTS

Old Testament—

1st Year: The O.T. A record of progressive Divine revelation, unfolded through the chosen people Israel. Origin and development of the O.T. writings. The Pre-Historic period. (Genesis 1-11.) Moses, the Exodus, the Settlement in the Promised Land. The three kings of United Israel. The Prophets of Northern Israel.

2nd Year: The Prophets of Southern Israel. The Exile and Restoration. The “Writings”. The Four Centuries before Christ.

New Testament—

1st Year: Language, Text, Canon and Contents of the N.T. Introduction to the four Gospels, with special emphasis on Mark’s Gospel, its contents and teaching.

2nd Year: The Early Church and St. Paul. The writings of the other apostolic men. The unity of the N.T.

Theology—

1st Year: Introduction to Theology and its relation to kindred studies. Revelation. The Bible. Inspiration. Faith. Reason. God. Man. Sin. Salvation. The Work of Christ.

2nd Year: The Person of Christ. The Holy Spirit. The Trinity. The Church, Ministry and Sacraments. The Last Things.

Church History—

1st Year: A survey of the development of the Christian Church with special reference to the first five centuries, the Middle Ages, the Reformation to the Evangelical Revival.

2nd Year: The rise and spread of Methodism. Methodism in New Zealand, and its overseas missions. Christianity from 1815. The Ecumenical Movement.

Homiletics (1 Year)—

"The Craft of Sermon Construction" (Sangster).

Christian Ethics—

1st Year: The Basis of Christian Ethics. "The Problem of Right Conduct" (Green). Chapters 1-9.

2nd Year: "The Problem of Right Conduct", Chapters 10-11, together with Conference declarations on Public Questions and Social Issues.

Pastoral Practice—

1st Year: Organizing Systematic Visitation—Characteristics of areas—Making Pastoral Calls—Ministering to the Sick, Bereaved, etc.

2nd Year: Pastoral Counselling.

Christian Education—

(This course is in process of reorganisation.)

The Devotional Life (1 Year)—

1. Deaconess work in the early Church, and its re-emergence in modern times.
2. A detailed study of the Means of Grace.

Maori (2 Years)—

As for W.E.A. Course.

Post-Examination Studies—

1. Lectures are given on such subjects as Social Security Regulations, Methodist Organisation, Social Services, Car Maintenance, Home Nursing, etc.
2. Field work as determined by the Board of Studies.

VII.—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, Organisation and Mission: "Teaching the Faith," E. W. Hames. "The Furtherance of the Gospel," R. W. Moore.

Note:

1. That the examination time for each subject is two hours.
2. In addition to the Written Examinations, a Lay Preacher must conduct not less than 10 Services and a Trial Service.

3. In every Synodal district, the Synod Standing Committee shall appoint one or more committees, consisting in each case of two Ministers and two lay preachers. The duties of such committees shall be to orally examine any candidates for accreditation, hear their trial services, assess and decide on the fitness of such candidates to be accredited. The decision of the committees shall be reported for final decision to Preachers' and Quarterly Meetings and for information to the Dominion Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association.
4. Text books and Study Courses are available from the Department of Christian Education, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington, C3.

VIII.—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 1965—

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

IX.—COURSE OF STUDIES FOR MAORI LAY PREACHERS AND HOME MISSIONARIES

(Res. 12 Mins. of Conference 1963, Page 38).

The objectives of the proposed Course are:

- i. To raise the general standard of Maori workers;
- ii. To help promising workers qualify in the normal way;
- iii. To provide a criterion for the granting of Home Missionary status.

First Year.

A Preliminary Course of Study.

Theology:	Te Katikihama (Catechism) Maori Service Book I Believe in Norman Snaith. (with selected chapters and supplementary material).
Bible Knowledge:	How your Bible Grew Up Roy L. Smith St Mark Paul S. Minear
Homiletics:	Worship and Preaching T. M. Morrow (Chap. 1, 4, 5 and 10)
The Church:	A People Prepared John Banks

B Preparatory Lay Preacher's Course of Study.

Theology:	An Approach to Christian Doctrine (Pages 1-114)	G. P. Lewis
Bible Knowledge:	An Introduction to the N.T. (Pages 1-153)	G. P. Lewis
	An Introduction to the O.T.	H. Cleaver
Homiletics:	Worship and Preaching (Chap. 2, 3, 6-9)	T. M. Morrow
The Church:	Teaching the Faith (Pages 85-141)	E. W. Hames

Additional Reading: "A Manual for Preachers."

"In the Beginning."

"Visitation Evangelism."

"Some Distortions of the Christian Faith."

Second Year, Course of Study for Lay Preachers (As set in the Mins. of Conf.)

Third Year, Course of Study for Home Missionaries

As set in the Mins. of Conference or, a Preparatory Course if considered desirable, comprising selected chapters only of text books set.

DATES OF EXAMINATIONS

Examinations for 1965 shall commence on the following dates:

Probationers—Tuesday, May 18th, and Tuesday, September 14th.

Tutorials for Probationers—Greek: February 1st. Theology: June 1st.

Candidates for the Ministry—Tuesday, July 20th.

Home Missionary Probationers—Tuesday, September 14th.

Bible Knowledge for H.M. Probationers—Tuesday, March 2nd.

Candidates for the Deaconess Order—Tuesday, July 20th.

Lay Preachers—First week in June and December.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1965 be the Rev. J. Grundy, M.A.

2. That congratulations be extended to the following Ministers and Probationers who have gained University Degrees during the year and that these be printed in the Minutes:

J. H. Osborne, B.A., who graduated M.A. (Auckland).

B. W. Edwards, who graduated B.A. (Auckland).

D. L. Hines, who graduated B.A. (Canterbury).

M. L. Bruce, who graduated B.Com. (Auckland).

3. That Regulation 9 of the Course of Study for Probationers concerning Book Lists be printed in the Minutes of Conference in the wording of the Law Book, paragraph 436, page 85, substituting "Ordination year" for "third year", and that this be referred to the Law Revision Committee.

4. That Regulation 7 of the Course of Study for Probationers and the Law Book, paragraph 407, page 81, be amended to read ". . . but such exemption shall not be granted in his Ordination year", and that this be referred to the Law Revision Committee.

5. That the Law Revision Committee harmonize the Law Book, paragraph 71, page 11, concerning Candidates for the Ministry with the 1963 Minutes of Conference, page 37, resolutions 5 and 6; and page 132, resolution 2.

6. That the Post-Ordination Thesis of the Rev. R. H. Wood, submitted in 1963, be classified as fair.

7. That the Rev. R. G. Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol.M., Secretary of the Board of Examiners, be thanked for his services and re-appointed.

8. That the Rev. L. P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D., Assistant Secretary of the Board of Examiners, be thanked for his services and re-appointed.

9. That the Rev. R. D. Rakena be appointed an Assistant Secretary of the Board of Examiners, with responsibility for the Course of Study for and Examinations of Maori Lay Preachers and Home Missionaries.

10. That the Triennial Visitation of Trinity College be held during 1965, the personnel being the Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D., and Mr W. E. Donnelly, M.A.

11. That the end of year examinations of Deaconess students be conducted by the Warden and part-time Lecturers, the results to be reported to the Examination Committee.

QUESTION 25—(a) Do we sanction the amalgamation, alteration, division of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station, or do we originate any proposal having reference thereto?

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

1. That the alteration of boundary affecting the Kawhia H.M. Station, Otorohanga and Te Awamutu Circuits, be referred back to the Synod Standing Committee.

2. That Methodist support of an Anglican Ministry at Kawhia be approved. That the position be reviewed in 12 months time in consultation with the H.M. Department.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

1. That the Marton Circuit be included in the Hawke's Bay-Manawatu district.

2. That the boundary between the Taranaki-Wanganui district and the Hawke's Bay-Manawatu district be the Turakina river up to the latitude of Ohingaiti with all the places south of the river and the latitude of, and including Ohingaiti remaining in the Marton Circuit area, it being understood that Mangaweka remain in the Taihape Circuit.

3. That the Synod Standing Committees concerned and the H.M. Department consult with Marton Circuit and adjacent Circuits with a view to re-defining the Circuit boundaries.

NORTH CANTERBURY

1. That St Phillip's (Hills Road) be included in the Christchurch East Circuit.

2. That the boundary between St Albans and Christchurch East Circuits now be as previously agreed upon between the St Albans and Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church Circuits.

QUESTION 25.—(b) What new Districts, Circuits or Home Mission Stations are now Constituted?

SOLOMON ISLANDS

That the islands of Simbo be separated from the Roviana Circuit to become the Simbo Circuit.

QUESTION 26.—(a) Do we sanction any change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?

NORTHLAND

1. That the proposal that the staffing of the Kaikohe-Bay of Islands Circuit be one ordained minister and two probationers be referred to the Synod Standing Committee, the Circuit, and H.M. Department for consultation.

2. That the staffing of the Whangarei Circuit be two Ordained Ministers.

AUCKLAND

Avondale: That the staffing of the Avondale Circuit be two Ordained Ministers and one Probationer.

Papakura: That the staffing of the Papakura Circuit be two Ordained Ministers and one Probationer.

Pukekohe: That the staffing of the Pukekohe Circuit be two Ordained Ministers.

Onehunga: That the staffing of the Onehunga Circuit be two Ordained Ministers.

Auckland East: That the staffing of the Auckland East Circuit be four Ordained Ministers.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Waikato Maori Circuit: That the staffing of the Waikato Maori Circuit be a minister and a probationer.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

That Raetihi-Ohakune Circuit be removed from the Stationing sheet and cease to be recognized as a Circuit.

WELLINGTON

Wellington East: That the staffing for Wellington East Circuit be two Ordained Ministers.

Lower Hutt: That the staffing for Lower Hutt Circuit be four Ordained Ministers.

NORTH CANTERBURY

Papanui: That the staffing of the Papanui Circuit be One Ordained Minister.

Durham Street: That the staffing of Durham Street be three Ordained Ministers.

Riccarton: That the staffing of the Riccarton Circuit be two Ordained Ministers.

Springston: That the staffing be two Ordained Ministers with a suitable grant.

QUESTION 26.—(b) To what Circuits are additional Preachers to be appointed?

AUCKLAND

Avondale, Papakura, Pukekohe.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Waikato Maori Circuit.

NORTH CANTERBURY

Durham Street Circuit.

QUESTION 26.—(c) From what Circuits are preachers to be withdrawn?

WELLINGTON

Wellington East (3rd).

NORTH CANTERBURY

Papanui (2nd).

QUESTION 27.—What new Stations are now constituted?

See under Question 25 (a).

QUESTION 28.—What Circuits are due to provide a Parsonage for an Ordained Minister?

Auckland East, which fulfils its obligations.

Taihape is due and is providing a house.

Riccarton (2nd) is due and is providing rented accommodation.

and is seeking a suitable parsonage with a view to purchase.

Western Southland is due and fulfilling its obligations.

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

LIST OF STATIONS OF THE Methodist Church of New Zealand

President—REV GEORGE H. GOODMAN.

Vice-President—MR R. C. A. MARSHALL.

Secretary—REV. HOWARD E. HARKNESS, M.A., B.D.

STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1965

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 144 and [1] to [20] 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**—Cuthbert F. Peart.
2. **Kaikohe—Bay of Islands**—Harris Whitfield, Brian L. Olsen.
3. **Whangaroa**—C. Seton Horrill.
4. **North Hokianga**—Maxwell L. Bruce., B.Com.
5. **Hokianga**—Alan K. Woodley.
6. **Hikurangi**—D. I. Alister McDonald.
7. **Whangarei**—William R. Francis, B.A., David L. Hines, B.A.
8. **Dargaville**—Andrew G. Reid, Neil E. Smith.
9. **Ruawai**—Amos W. Burrough.
10. **Paparoa**—One wanted.
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

The Home Mission Department—Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (Gen. Sup.), Ruawai D. Rakena (Asst. Sup.), Harold A. Darvill (Maori Missionary—residing at Hawera), Ranginohoora Rogers, Senior Maori Supt.

The Overseas Mission Department—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Gen. Sec.). (Who shall serve as chairman of the Solomon Islands District).

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, Vice-Principal; John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D. (Tutor in N.T. Language, Literature, and Teaching) Resident Tutor; John Silvester, M.A. (Tutor in Systematic Theology); Eric W. Hames, M.A. (Sup.), Supply.

Auckland Hospital Chaplain—Benjamin H. Riseley.

12. **Auckland Central**—R. Frederick Clement, M.A., One wanted (Kingsland), G. Raymond Harris (St. Jude's, Richmond Road), David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D., John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D., Trinity College, E. Thomas Olds (Sup.), Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed. (resting), Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.), A Deaconess.
13. **Auckland Central Mission**—A. Everil Orr, M.B.E., J. Stanley Olds, Two Deaconesses.
14. **Auckland South**—E. Clarence Leadley, Reginald Grice (Roskill), One Wanted, Douglas H. Burt. Children's Home: Chaplain, Reginald Grice.
15. **Auckland West**—O. McLennan Olds.
16. **Auckland East**—Athol R. Penn, E. Raymond Le Couteur, David S. Mullan, B.A., Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B., Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (Home Mission Department), John Silvester, M.A. (Trinity College), Benjamin H. Riseley, (Hospital Chaplain), Edwin S. Harkness (Sup.), Arthur H. Scrivin (Sup.).
17. **Orakei**—Lawrence Greenslade (Chaplain to Winstone Lodge and Joint Chaplain to Seamer House), Edmund D. Grounds, Bruce W. Edwards, B.A., William Walker, E.D. (Sup.), James W. Parker (Sup.), George B. Hinton (Sup.), Eric W. Hames, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.), Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.).
18. **Avondale**—Leonard C. Horwood (Chaplain to Astley House and Tyler House), Henry W. Kitchingman (Avondale-New Lynn, One Wanted, Rua D. Rakena (Home Mission Department), Walter Parker (Sup.), Ernest E. Sage (Sup.), Albert Blakemore (Sup.), Percy I. Cooke (Sup.), Henry L. Blamires (Sup.), Fred Copeland (Sup.).
19. **Henderson**—Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D., Harry Moore (Glen Eden), Lawrence E. Salter (Te Atatu), Thomas Skuse (Sup.), Walter J. Enticott (Sup.), Ernest B. Chambers (Sup.).
20. **Devonport**—David L. Trebilco, E. Percy Blamires (Sup.).
21. **Takapuna**—John A. Penman, B.A., Bryan A. Walker, M.A. (who shall supervise Whangaparaoa Circuit), Ludwig Felderhof, John Dennis (Sup.), A. Harry Voyce (Sup.), Joseph C. Draper (Sup.).
22. **Birkenhead**—Donald G. Sherson, B.A., Robert W. Widdup (Beach Haven), Basil J. Hilder (Northcote).
23. **Onehunga**—Herbert W. Payne (Joint Chaplain to "Kurahuna"), David Armstrong.
24. **Otahuhu**—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.
25. **Papatoetoe**—Albert Jolly, One wanted, A Deaconess wanted, L. Gordon Hanna (Sup.).
26. **Papakura**—Clarence T. J. Luxton, Harry W. Toothill, One Wanted.
27. **Pukekohe**—Ian D. Grant, Thomas H. Carr. Wesley Training College, Paerata; Chaplain, Ian D. Grant.

28. **Bombay-Tuakau**—Peter S. Barker, One Wanted.
 29. **Waikuku**—Lewis A. Bowen.
 30. **Kaipara**—William E. Moore.
 31. **Whangaparaoa**—Ronald C. Collingwood.
 32. **Mahurangi**—John Churchill.
 [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.
 ATHOL R. PENN, Deputy Chairman.
 A. TURNER, Financial Secretary.

III—WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

33. **Thames**—Reginald Day (who shall supervise the Coromandel Home Mission Station).
 34. **Hauraki Plains**—Charles D. Shave.
 35. **Paeroa**—John H. Osborne, M.A.
 36. **Waihi**—Frederick J. Climo, J. Francis Attwood (Sup.).
 37. **Te Aroha**—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D.
 38. **Morrinsville**—Francis H. Parker, G. Basil W. Bell, Robert B. Tinsley (Sup.).
 39. **Cambridge**—Leonard Shapcott.
 40. **Hamilton**—Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A., Archibald W. McKay, Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A., Ph.D., Samuel J. Werren (Sup.).
 40a. **Raglan Union Parish**—Presbyterian Appointment (J. H. Oliver).
 41. **Hamilton East**—Allan O. Jones, Derek G. Laws, One Wanted, 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, William M. Garner (Sup.).
 45. **Rotorua**—William H. Greenslade, Ian H. Robertson, Colin B. Herbert.
 46. **Tauranga**—Robert H. Allen, B.A., Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B. B.Com., James H. Conway, Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).
 47. **Te Puke**—Geoffrey T. Gilbert.
 48. **Whakatane**—David H. Ansell (who shall supervise the Kawerau Circuit).
 49. **Opotiki**—One Wanted.
 50. **Te Awamutu**—William J. Morrison, M.A., One Wanted, Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A. (resting).
 51. **Otorohanga**—Hughan M. Craig.
 52. **Te Kuiti**—Owen Kitchingman, B.A., a Home Missionary.
 53. **Taumarunui**—Bruce Scammell (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit).
 54. **Ohura**—Stuart G. Slinn.
 55. **Kawerau**—One Wanted.
 [3] **Waikato**—Charles E. Roke, Napi Waaka, 10 Home Missionaries, 4 Deaconesses.
 [4] **King Country**—George I. Laurenson, C.B.E., Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. (Resting, Fraternal Worker with N.C.C. in Indonesia), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

NGARUAWAHIA—A Home Missionary.

KAWHIA—A Home Missionary.

COROMANDEL—A Home Missionary.

V. ROY JAMIESON, M.B.E., E.D. Chairman of the District

S. V. LEACH, Financial Secretary.

IV—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

56. **New Plymouth**—Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D. (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel), Keith C. Griffith, T. Ralph Benny, Robert E. Fordyce, S.B.St.J. (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**—Alan Newman, A Home Missionary (Patea).

61. **Manaia**—B. Keith Rowe, B.A.

62. **Opunake**—A. Peter Dorrian, Gordon A. R. Cornwell.

63. **Wanganui Central**—Charlie O. Hailwood.

64. **Wanganui North**—Albert A. Grundy, M.A. (who shall supervise the Taihape Circuit).

65. **Wanganui East**—George L. Bennett.

66. **Taihape**—W. Geoffrey Tucker.

67. **Inglewood**—Arthur T. Kent.

[5] **Taranaki-Waimarimo**—Harold A. Darvill (Hawera), Acting Circuit Superintendent, One Wanted (New Plymouth), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

CHARLIE O. HAILWOOD, Chairman of the District.

J. P. HARDING, Financial Secretary.

V—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

68. **Napier**—Clifford G. Brown, Russell E. James, One Wanted, Henry Ryan (Sup.).

69. **Hastings**—John B. Dawson, B.A., John C. F. Mabon, Arthur Hopper (Sup.).

70. **Gisborne**—J. C. Aldwyn Williams, Norman J. West.

71. **Wairoa**—Arnold C. Hight.

72. **Dannevirke-Norsewood**—Wilfred S. Gilbert, One Wanted.

73. **Woodville**—William C. Jenkin.

74. **Pahiatua**—Clifford L. Duder.

75. **Palmerston North (St Paul's)**—Peter A. Stead, B.A., William L. Wallace, B.A., Harry I. Shaw, C.F., Mervyn L. Dine, C.F.

76. **Palmerston North (Trinity)**—George H. Goodman (President of Conference), Graham E. Hawkey (President's Supply).

77. **Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe**—J. Montgomery Blight.

78. **Felding**—Leslie F. Bycroft, A Deaconess.

79. **Marton**—Edward P. Boyd.

80. **Sanson-Rongotea**—William K. Abbott.

81. **Apiti**—R. Leslie George.

82. **Waipawa-Waipukurau**—Stanley R. Goudge, B.A., W. J. Henderson (Sup.).

83. **Foxton-Shannon**—Maynard G. Rutherford.

GEO. H. GOODMAN, President of Conference, Chairman of the District.

PETER A. STEAD, B.A., and JOHN B. DAWSON, B.A.,
Deputy Chairmen.

K. D. HUSE, A.R.A.N.Z., Financial Secretary.

VI—WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Department of Christian Education—Director, Wilfred F. Ford, B.A. Associate Directors—See Question 30.

84. **Wellington Central**—Robert Thornley, M.A., Gordon D. Brough, B.A., A Deaconess, Leslie C. Clements (with Justice Department as Adviser in Marriage Guidance), Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Ag.Sc. (Resting), Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A., Fraternal Worker under N.C.C. in Indonesia), Ernest S. Hoddnott (Senior Chaplain to Justice Department), Wilf G. Eisner, B.A. (Chaplain with Justice Department), Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Resting), Edward H. Moody (a minister of the British Conference, serving as N.Z. Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society).
85. **Wellington West**—Gordon R. H. Peterson, Wilfred J. Cable.
86. **Wellington South**—Colin D. Clark, M.A., One Wanted.
87. **Wellington East**—Gordon V. Thomas, B.A., J. Ainsley Daghish.
88. **Wellington North**—George R. Thompson, E.D., Roger M. Gibson.
89. **Porirua**—Percy P. Rushton, B.A., B.D., Ivo M. Raynor, Ronald G. Major, Wilfred F. Ford, B.A. (Director of Christian Education), William Rowe (Sup.).
90. **Lower Hutt**—Leonard V. Willing, Ernest Heppelthwaite, Warwick Gust, B.A., Trevor L. Nicholls, Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (Resting), Dorothea M. Noble, B.A. (without pastoral charge), R. Purcell Keall (Sup.).
- 90a. **Taita Union Parish**—Pres. Appointment (A. R. Reid, B.A.).
91. **Upper Hutt**—Trevor L. Bennett, One Wanted. Ian W. Reid (Chaplain with Justice Department).
92. **Petone**—Idris J. Ruck.
- 92a. **Wainuiomata Union Parish**—Pres. Appointment, (R. W. Fowler, B.A.), William Morrison (2nd).
93. **Greytown-Featherston**—Frank S. Rigg.
94. **Carterton**—Charles E. Dickens.
95. **Masterton**—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D. Secretary of Conference (who shall supervise Eketahuna Circuit), Kenneth Toomer. Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
96. **Eketahuna**—Michael Maguire.
97. **Levin**—Norman P. Larsen, Harry S. Kings (Sup.).
98. **Otaki**—John W. White, Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.).
99. **Paraparaumu**—Noel D. Billingham.

ROBERT THORNLEY, M.A. Chairman of the District.
GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Deputy-Chairman.
T. M. PACEY, Financial Secretary.

VII—NELSON DISTRICT

100. **Nelson**—W. E. Allon Carr, E. Francis, I. Hanson, B.A., Bruce E. Mackie.
101. **Waimea**—Loyal J. Gibson (who shall supervise the Murchison Circuit), One Wanted.
102. **Motueka**—John R. Hall.
103. **Murchison**—Barry W. Neal.
104. **Blenheim**—Charles B. Oldfield, A. Kerry Taylor, One Wanted, John R. Hamlin, C.F., Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).

105. **Reefton**—Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A.
 106. **Westport**—W. J. Douglas Wakeling.
 107. **Greymouth**—Sydney J. Spindler, One Wanted.
 108. **Hokitika**—Ronald E. Fields.
 CHARLES B. OLDFIELD, Chairman of the District.
 H. HOLLAND, Financial Secretary.

VIII—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

- CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
 METHODIST DEACONESS ORDER—Warden—Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.
109. **Christchurch** (Durham Street)—W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A., John E. Langley, One Wanted. William R. Laws, M.A., B.D. (Connexional Secretary), Archer O. Harris (Sup.), William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. (Sup.), William G. Slade, M.A., D.D. (Sup.), Charles Blair (Sup.), Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A. (Sup.), Ralph E. Patchett (Sup.).
110. **Christchurch Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church**—Wilfred E. Falkingham, David W. Edmonds, A Deaconess.
111. **Christchurch East**—Harold K. Brown, Wesley A. Chambers, M.A. (Warden of Deaconess Order), Frank G. Glen, A. Wharton, E. Silvester (Medal of Merit, U.S.A.), John K. Watson, M.C., B.A., Wallace S. Neal (Sup.).
112. **Christchurch (Woolston-Lyttelton)**—Leslie T. Norwell, M. Alexander McDowell, D.D., G. Kingsley Greening (Opawa).
113. **Christchurch (Sydenham)**—George R. Trebilco, Harry V. Utting (Sup.).
114. **Christchurch (Spreydon)**—M. Jackson Campbell, C. Russell Marshall, Hubert G. Brown (Sup.).
115. **Christchurch (Riccarton)**—John D. Grocott, B.A., Edwin B. Clarke.
116. **Christchurch (St Albans)**—R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol.M., Philip D. Ramsay, Owen T. Woodfield, B.A., Trevor Shepherd, Cecil R. Taylor (Sup.).
117. **Christchurch (Papanui)**—Howard C. Matthews, B.A., South Island Orphanage: Chaplain, Howard C. Matthews, B.A.
118. **Springston**—John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus., John B. Currie.
119. **Leeston**—George W. Cramond.
120. **Kaipoi**—J. Herbert Thompson.
121. **Rangiora**—Charles H. Bell, H. Ian K. Hopper, B.A.
122. **Greendale**—Irwin J. Fowler.
123. **Oxford**—Owen L. Christian.
 HOWARD C. MATTHEWS, B.A., Chairman of the District.
 H. T. FRANCIS, Financial Secretary.

IX—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

124. **Timaru (Banks Street)**—Norman W. Olds.
125. **Timaru (Woodlands Street)**—John Grundy, M.A., One Wanted (Kensington).
- 125a. **Marchwiell Union Parish**—Presbyterian Appointment (P. Mackley).
126. **Waimate**—Ivan J. Clucas, Jonathan H. Haslam (Sup.).
127. **Geraldine-Temuka**—Neville Thornicroft.
128. **Ashburton**—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A., Graham Brazendale, D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.).

129. **Willowby**—Geoffrey E. Scarr.
 130. **Oamaru**—Herbert A. Cochrane.
 ARTHUR R. WITHEFORD, B.A., Chairman of the District.
 NORMAN W. OLDS, Deputy Chairman.
 A. MARSHALL, Financial Secretary.

X—OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

131. **Central Church and Mission (Dunedin)**—D. Bruce Gordon, M.A., John H. Roberts, Warren Green, A Deaconess.
 132. **North Dunedin**—Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc., B.D.
 133. **Dunedin West**—Andrew J. Johnston, David L. Kitchingman.
 134. **Dunedin South**—H. David Besant, B.A., B.D., John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S., One Wanted.
 134a. **Corstorphine Union Parish**—Alan J. Handyside.
 135. **Dunedin (St Kilda)**—Barry E. Jones, Nelson W. Stockbridge.
 136. **Milton—Lawrence**—Robert S. Andrews.
 137. **Balclutha**—Maxwell A. Hornblow.
 138. **Gore**—J. Henry Woolford, M.A. (who shall supervise the Western Southland Circuit).
 139. **Invercargill Central**—W. Lloyd Divers (who shall supervise the Bluff Circuit), Ronald H. Wood.
 140. **Invercargill (St Peter's)**—David G. Stubbs, John G. Hayhurst.
 141. **Western Southland**—William A. Chessum, Niven G. Ball.
 142. **Bluff**—Hendrik Gerritsen.
 143. **Roxburgh**—Frederick E. Waine.
 144. **Cromwell—Alexandra**—Lewis H. Major.
 ANDREW J. JOHNSTON, Chairman of the District.
 F. W. E. PITCHER, Financial Secretary.

XI—SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

- [6] **Roviana**—James F. Cropp (Banga, Alexander C. Watson (Honiara), Leslie Boseto (Gizo), John V. Bitibule (Sup.), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).
Goldie College—James F. Cropp, One Missionary Teacher.
Helena Goldie Hospital—One Doctor, One Missionary Sister (Nurse).
District Headquarters—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed., (Chairman of the District), Allen H. Hall, M.A. (translation work in New Zealand), One Lay Missionary Accountant, One Lay Missionary Engineer, One Administrative Assistant, One Plantation Manager, One Travelling Teacher Wanted.
 [7] **Marovo**—Aisake N. Vula, One Missionary Teacher.
 [8] **Simbo**—Eliesa Buadromo.
 [9] **Vella Lavella**—Daniel Palavi (Bilua), One Wanted (Maravari), Timothy Piani, Paul A. Garside, One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).
 [10] **Choiseul**—One Wanted (Sasamungga), Job Rotoava (Sasamungga), Serupepeli Beraki (Panggoe), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Deaconess) Wanted.
 [11] **Central**—Te Tekieru Teem (Wagina), Te Takarebu Tarakabu, Te Tim Tarakabu.

- [12] **Buin**—Phillip F. Taylor (Tonu), One Wanted (Kihili), Samson Pataaku (Nagavisi), One Missionary Teacher, One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Deaconess).
District Girls' School—Two Missionary Sisters (Teachers), One Missionary Sister (Matron).
- [13] **Kieta**—John Taufa (Roreinang).
- [14] **Teop**—Francis Bongbong (Kekesu), Misake Tarurava (Tearakaka), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).
Teacher Training Institution—One Missionary Sister (Teacher), (seconded to Methodist Teachers' College, Namatanai).
- [15] **Buka**—Brian W. Sides (Skotolan), Moses Mosusu, George Maelagi, 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

- [16] **Mendi**—John D. Rees, B.Sc., Dip. For., A. Graham Smith, L.Th., Principal, St Paul's College, One District Sister, One Teacher, One District Agriculturalist.
- [17] **Tari**—C. John Hutton, B.Sc., One Teacher, Two Nursing Sisters, One Manager, Tari Hansende Station.
- [18] **Nipa**—Clifford J. Keightley, One Minister Wanted, One District Secretary, One Teacher, One Nursing Sister.
- [19] **Lai**—Sione Fuisati, L.Th.
- [20] **Magarima**—Matthew Beaso.

N.B.—John B. Rees, A. Graham Smith, C. John Hutton and Sione Fuisati, are ministers of the New South Wales Conference.

CLIFFORD J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman of the District.

OVERSEAS MEDICAL AND LAY MISSIONARIES

Ronald W. Pattinson, M.B., Ch.B. (Melb.), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Terence R. Kehely (Engineer), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

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

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

Rodney C. Fleury (Plantation Manager), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

David W. Eason (Builder), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Bryan C. Jenkin (Builder), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Bruce S. Coaldrake (Builder), Munda, British Solomon Islands.

Keith H. Knox (Builder), Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.

Kenneth G. Skinner (Builder), Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.

William D. Griffiths, Hansende Station Manager, Tari, Territory of New Guinea.

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

Kelepi Nabainivalu (Fijian Plantation Supervisor), Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.

Wiliame Mataitoga (Teacher), Simbo, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.

QUESTION 30—How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

NORTHLAND DISTRICT—

Port Albert (2nd) (Wellsford)—One wanted.
Paparoa—F. L. Johnson.

Maori Mission:

Mangamuka—Supply.
Whirinaki—Supply.
Punakitere—Te Hira Ratete.
Kaihohe—Hotai Mita Hohepa.
Taheke—Supply.
Waima—Matu Makiha (full-time).
Waiomio—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti.
Kawakawa—Supply.
Pokere—Para Piripi Livingstone.
Totara North—Robert Taka.
Whananaki—Himiona Waata.
Hikurangi—Hohepa Hemara.
Dargaville—Wiremu Paki Ihaka.
Rangitane—Henare Kapa.
Batley—Supply.
Pakiri—Supply.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

Auckland Central (2nd) Supply—Rev E. M. Marshall, B.A.,
Dip.Ed.
Birkenhead—R. Coombridge and D. I. Robertson (retired).
Takapuna—W. H. Wilson (retired).
Avondale (3rd)—Supply—Rev. Walter Parker.
Papatoetoe (2nd) Supply—Wallis F. Browne, B.A. Non-resident
student.
Papakura (3rd)—One Wanted.
Bombay-Tuakau (2nd) (Bombay)—One wanted.

Maori Mission:

Rewiti—Supply.
Point Chevalier—Hone Wilcox.
Auckland Suburban—Non-resident Student Supply—Morehu
Te Whare
Auckland South—Non resident Student Supply—Moke A. G.
Couch
Te Kohanga—Waaka Kukutai.
Tuakau—Ngaweke Tuhimata (retired).

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT—

Opotiki—A. E. Tardif.
Kawerau—Supply One Wanted.
Whakatane—W. J. Bryant (retired).
Coromandel—Supply (Clarence R. Russ).
Ngaruawahia—Ronald W. Ferguson.
Hamilton East (3rd)—David R. Alley, A. L. Witheford (retired).
Kawhia—One wanted.
Te Awamutu (2nd) (Pirongia)—One wanted.

Maori Mission:

Hamilton—Wiremu Tonga and Herehere Maihi Maaka (full-
time).
Rangiriri—Matene Hori de Thierry.

Huntly—Supply.
 Ngaruawahia—Te Orahi Tonga (full-time).
 Ngaruawahia Rural—One wanted.
 Frankton Junction—Supply.
 Whatawhata—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama and Hoera Whakaari Hakopa.
 Aramiro—Supply.
 Raglan—Tuteao Manihera.
 Aotea Harbour—Roi Moke.
 Makomako—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—Supply.
 Hydro and Forestry Area—Supply.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—

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

Maori Mission:

New Plymouth—Te Akonga Pihama (full-time, (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel).
 Urenui—One wanted.
 Rahotu—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka.
 Nukumarua—Supply.
 Whenuakura—Supply.
 Pairoa Pa—Supply.
 Kai Iwi—Supply.
 Wanganui—Supply.
 Wanganui River—Supply.
 Rangitikei—Supply.
 Raetihi—Supply.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT—

Palmerston North (Trinity)—Mr I. A. Baber, Director, Manawatu Social Service Centre.
 Napier (3rd)—One Wanted. C. Robinson (retired).
 Dannevirke-Norsewood (2nd) (Norsewood)—One wanted.
 Marton—H. Prowse (retired).

WELLINGTON DISTRICT—

Department of Christian Education—Associate Directors—Miss H. M. Astley—Children's Work. Clifford H. Couch—Youth Work.
 Wellington South (2nd) (Island Bay)—One wanted.
 Upper Hutt (2nd)—Deaconess Appointment Sister Janet Evans.

NELSON DISTRICT—

Blenheim (3rd)—H. D. Kelly, B.A. (Picton).
Motueka—R. T. Alexander (retired).
Reefton—T. Steele (retired).
Greymouth (2nd) (Runanga)—One wanted.
Waimea (2nd)—One wanted.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—

Rangiora—F. E. Trim (retired).

Maori Mission:

Rapaki—Wera Couch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—

Timaru (Woodlands Street) (2nd)—One wanted.

QUESTION 31(a)—How are the Deaconesses employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

1. HOME WORK

(a) In Circuits

Sister Beverley Taylor, Auckland Central.
Sister Shirley Ungemuth, Feilding.

(b) In Institutions and City Missions

Sister Gladys Thomas, Auckland Central Mission—One wanted.
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 Janet Evans, Upper Hutt.

2. MAORI WORK

(a) Maori Mission

Sister Eleanor Dobby, South Island.
Sister M. W. Nicholls, M.B.E., Waikato (part-time).
Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Hamilton and Central Waikato.
Sister Anne Wilson, Auckland.
Sister Grace Clement, Auckland.
Sister Betty Yearbury, Te Kuiti.
Sister Joan Wedding, Hokianga.
Sister Edna Jenkin, Otorohanga.
Sister Lynne Bowker, Opunake.
Sister Barbara Miller, Dargaville.
Sister Shirley Simpson, Hamilton 2nd.
Sister Elva Harris, Auckland.
Sister Connie Fell, Auckland.

(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.
Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Matron, Te Rahui T., Hamilton.

3 OVERSEAS WORK

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

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Sister Doreen Bulford.

5. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT

Sister Rita Snowden, Auckland.
Sister Dorothy Pointon (with permission to serve with the B. and F. Bible Society).

6. IN TRAINING

Marian J. Alexander (2nd year).
Jocelyn Gilling (1st year).
Lorna Pritchard (1st year).
Janet S. Wallis (1st year).

7. SUPPLY APPOINTMENTS

Mrs G. George (Sister Atawhal), Bay of Islands.
Mrs Eunice Bell, Hamilton.
Miss Hilary Pope (Order of St Stephen).

8. RETIRED DEACONESSES

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	Sister Ruth Hilder
Mrs M. Tauroa	Sister Airini Hobbs

QUESTION 31(b)—How are the Overseas Missionary Sisters and other women workers stationed for the ensuing year?

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 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.
Sister Muriel McCormack, Munda, B.S.I.P.
Sister Esther Watson, Teop, T.N.G.
Miss Catherine Scott, Nipa, T.N.G.
Miss Shona Couch, Munda, B.S.I.P.
Sister Lynette Sadler, B.A., Munda, B.S.I.P.
Sister Beverley Withers (All Saints' College, Sydney).

N.B.: B.S.I.P.—British Solomon Islands Protectorate;
T.N.G.—Territory of New Guinea.

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 B. H. Riseley.

Middlemore—Revs. A. Jolly, L. R. M. Gilmore, B.A., and D. Armstrong.

Oakley Hospital—Rev. L. C. Horwood.

Kingseat Psychiatric Hospital—Rev I. D. Grant.

Ravensthorp Psychiatric Hospital—Rev. P. S. Barker.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT —

Waikato Hospital—Rev. P. M. Guthardt.

Queen Elizabeth (Rotorua)—Rev W. H. Greenslade.

Tokanui Psychiatric—Rev. W. J. Morrison.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—

New Plymouth—Rev. Keith C. Griffith.

Wanganui—Rev. G. L. Bennett.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT—

Napier—Rev. C. G. Brown.

Hastings—Rev. J. B. Dawson.

Palmerston North—Rev. W. K. Abbott.

Lake Alice—Rev. E. P. Boyd.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT—

Wellington Public Hospital—Rev C. D. Clark, M.A.

Lower Hutt Public Hospital—Rev. W. Gust, B.A.

Silverstream—Rev. W. Gust, B.A.

NELSON DISTRICT—

Nelson Public Hospital—Rev. W. E. A. Carr.

Ngawhatu Psychiatric—Rev. E. F. I. Hanson, B.A.

Seaview Psychiatric (Hokitika)—Rev. R. E. Fields.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—

Christchurch Hospital—Rev. H. G. Brown.

Princess Margaret Hospital—Rev. H. V. Utting.

Burwood Hospital—Rev. A. W. E. Silvester.

Sunnyside Hospital—Rev. M. J. Campbell.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—

Dunedin Public, and Private Hospitals—Rev. J. H. Roberts.

Dunedin Psychiatric Hospitals—Rev. W. Green.

QUESTION 32—(a) Authority to Administer the Sacraments.

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

Solomon Alu
Niven G. Ball
Matthew Beaso
Leslie Boseto
Maxwell L. Bruce
William A. Chessum
Edwin B. Clarke
Ronald C. Collingwood
Colin B. Herbert

Ludwig Felderhof
Hendrik Gerritsen
John G. Hayhurst
Bruce E. Mackie
George Maelagi
Michael Maguire
Ronald G. Major
Moses Mosusu
Barry W. Neal

Brian L. Olsen
John H. Roberts
Charles D. Shave
Stuart G. Slinn
Neil E. Smith
Nelson W. Stockbridge

Tim Tarakabu
W. Geoffrey Tucker
Misake Tarurava
Napi Waaka
Norman J. West
John W. White

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

All Senior Home Missionaries

Sister Pamela Beaumont
G. B. Couch
Wera Couch
Pastor H. D. Kelly
Sister Lucy H. Money
Clarence Russ
Matu Makiha

Hohepe Hemara
Tawai Te Riri Kawiti
Henare Kapa
Te A Konga Pihama
Herehere Maihi Maaka
Te Orahi Tonga

QUESTION 32.—(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.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D.

Taranaki-Wanganui—Charlie O. Hallwood.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—George H. Goodman (President of Conference).

Wellington—Robert Thornley, M.A.

Nelson—Charles B. Oldfield.

North Canterbury—Howard C. Matthews, B.A.

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—D. I. Alister McDonald.

Auckland—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty—Robert H. Allen, B.A.

Taranaki-Wanganui—T. Ralph Benny.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—Wilfred S. Gilbert.

Wellington—Wilfred J. Cable.

Nelson—John R. Hall.

North Canterbury—Harold K. Brown.

South Canterbury—Neville Thornicroft.

Otago-Southland—Alan J. Handyside.

Solomon Islands—James F. Cropp.

QUESTION 33—(1) Who are Elected as President, Vice-president, and Secretary of the Conference, 1965?

President—Rev. Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.

Vice-President—Mr Russel T. Garlick.

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

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

QUESTION 34.—What is the Report of the General Statistical Secretary?

Report of the Statistical Secretary, 1964

General:

The Returns with one exception arrived in good time this year and I was thus enabled to supply the Church Finance Committee with the figures they need for the Church Budget of 1965-1966.

It is hoped that when the new Statistical forms become an accomplished fact the possibility of different interpretations to the questions will be an impossibility. Such a practice makes it impossible to arrive at a correct result. Never during my term of Statistical Secretary have the Trust figures on the Property Returns been the same as those given on the General Returns.—Such a position becomes farcical and is a waste of time and energy.

Buildings:

A net increase of 1 Church Building brings the total to 450. Actually 6 new Churches have been completed during the year ending 30th June—we are still below the number of 452 as returned in 1919.

Other Preaching Places at 238 represents a decrease of 20 for the year, this being the largest number recorded for the last decade. This means that Methodism is witnessing in 19 less places than was the case last year.

In 1916 we had 443 Churches and 493 Other Preaching Places.

To-day we have 450 Churches and 238 Other Preaching Places. This represents a gain of 7 Churches and a loss of 255 Other Preaching Places, being a Net Loss of 248 or approximately 26.4%. This should give us cause for thought. Are we "giving up" too easily? Explanations, no doubt of these withdrawals have been made to the appropriate Synods.

Schoolrooms, with another increase of 10 for the year, brings the total to 338. The last 15 years have seen just over 100 new additional Schoolrooms erected representing an increase of 42.6% for the period.

Five additional Parsonages are returned this year. With replacements the figure of 13 is returned by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee as being approved by that Committee.

Staffing:

Ministers and Probationers have increased by 2. The figure now stands at 287. A corresponding decrease of 2 Home Missionaries bring that total to 18.

Deaconesses in the European work now number 10, an increase of 3 for the year under review.

Lay Preachers this year show an increase of 14, the total number now being 287, so that the loss reported last year of 14 has been made up by this year's increase.

Membership

The Net increase of 107 in the Membership of our Church is the lowest since 1955 and is almost a third of last year's increase.

Our total membership now stands at 32,496 as at the 30th June.

The number of New Members at 1361, being made up of 691 under 20 and 670 over 20 years of age is the smallest since the present system of recording was inaugurated in 1956.

Losses in Transfers amount to 83 this year. The average for the past 19 years being 123, which gives a total of 2,341 lost in this way. More care still needs to be exercised as far as Transfers are concerned.

While the term "ceased to attend" is admittedly very unsatisfactory as at present used it is significant that this year the number is the second highest in the last 19 years, namely 628. During this period 9,133 members have been lost to the Church or an average each year of 480.

The total loss in these two categories this year comes to 711 while the average for the 19 years for which we have figures amounts to 603 so we are well above the average this year.

It is hoped that next year a more realistic approach will be made when the new Statistical forms are in use.

543 members have died during the year.

All but one District report "Members on Trial," the total being 114 for this year.

A rise in the number of Communicants of 253 brings this total to 30,769 as at 30th of June.

Youth Returns:

Baptisms stand at 3249, an increase of 86 for the year.

The Cradle Roll at 7778 shows a decrease of 555 as at 30th June.

Sunday School figures are disquieting, every department shows a decrease. Primary 145; Junior 696; Intermediate 478; a total of 1319 less Sunday School Scholars than last year. There are also 50 less Teachers for the same period under review.

When we come to the position of the Bible Classes we find 717 less Junior Members, the total now being 3163; the Intermediates with a decrease of 36, the total being 2594. The only increase is in the Senior Bible Class figure of 165, the total being 2078, while Leaders have decreased by 6 to 848.

This position will no doubt receive the attention of the Department of Christian Education.

Pastoral Care:

The number of families returned this year comes to 48,393, an increase of 775 for the year.

Persons with whom the Church is in contact now number 144,674 which is an increase of 942 for the year.

Stipends, Etc.

Stipends paid for the year ending 30th June amount to £171,466 14s 11d, an increase of £3255 5s 6d.

Travelling Expenses again have increased this year by £2,175 5s 5d. This brings the total for the first time in excess of £40,000, the figure being £40,174 17s 6d.

Seventeen cars are this year owned by Circuits, an increase of 2 and those owned by Ministers remain the same at 216.

Finances:

Again there is a decrease in the Circuit Credit Balances this year of £1613 18s 10d, the Total being £21,518 15s 10d; while the Circuit Debit Balances have increased by £4,506 13s to a total of £23,951 5s 9d.

Trust Credits according to the figures submitted in the General Returns show increases of £24,517 5s 8d Credits and £33,174 16s Debits, the totals being £137,683 18s 8d Credits and £104,509 2s 7d Debits.

It is sincerely hoped that when the new Forms are in operation there will be only ONE interpretation as to what figure to enter in the Circuit Schedule.

Conclusion:

My thanks are extended to District Statistical Secretaries and Circuit Superintendents for their co-operation this year.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

MAORI MISSION RETURNS

In accordance with Resolution 5, Page 159 of the 1963 Minutes of Conference no statistical returns are available this year.

SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT REPORT

Buildings:

The number of Churches at 249 as against 260 reported last year shows a decrease of 11 while last year there was an apparent increase of 14.

With an increase of 8 Other Preaching Places totalling 24 it would appear that there has been a little confusion as to what constitutes a Church or Other Preaching Place.

Staffing:

The number of Minister at 22 shows an increase of 3 for the year.

Deaconesses remain at 2, while Catechists at 30 is an increase of 1 for the year.

Seventy-eight Pastors as at the 30th June is an increase of 12 on last year.

Pastor-Teachers with a decrease of 6 stand at 153.

Forty more Local Preachers bring the total to 398.

No mention is made in this year's returns of "Class Leaders".

Membership:

Members returned at 7610 represent an increase of 162 for the year.

The Youth Roll with an increase of 111 stands at 8365, while the number of Adherents at 6561 reveals an increase of 1450 for the year.

Altogether our contacts have risen by 1723 for the year, the total now being 22,536.

Young People's Work

Twenty less Sunday Schools are reported at 164 while 43 more teachers and 319 more Sunday School Scholars; the figures being 164 Sunday Schools, 303 Teachers and 5143 Sunday School Scholars.

Bible Classes at 83 reveal an increase of 14 for the year with 9 more Bible Class Leaders but with 172 fewer Bible Class Members.

Boys' Brigade Companies stand at 22 with 45 Officers and 698 Boys.

There are 11 Girls' Life Brigade Companies with 21 Officers and 432 Girls while 5 Girls' Life Brigade Companies have 6 Officers and 93 Girls.

Educational:

Twelve fewer Schools with the total at 145 are staffed by 11 Overseas-trained Teachers, 94 Local-trained Teachers and 189 Un-trained Teachers.

Schoolboys number 3327 and Girls number 2628. There is an increase of 98 Boys and 272 fewer Girls are attending this year.

Medical Work:

Eight Hospitals and 17 Aid Posts are in operation this year.

We again have the services of a qualified Doctor this year and this is most encouraging. He is assisted in his work by 1 A.M.O., 7 Nursing Sisters, 4 Staff Nurses and Dressers, and 59 Medical Assistants.

Overseas Staffing:

There are 11 Overseas Ministers, 8 Overseas Laymen and 18 Overseas Laywomen returned this year under this heading.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

POPULATION CENSUS 1961

Volume 3 containing the "Religious Professions" for the 1961 Census was released this year and I am now in a position of being able to make a comparison between the Census Declared Methodists and those known to the Church.

What I had hoped to was to make a comparison between the two Census figures of 1956 and 1961. But this is impossible because the Maori Mission figures for 1956 were incomplete. The nearest approach is to take the nearest available figure of 2689 families in 1957 with an average of 4 persons to a family thus making the figure 10,756 persons.

While in the General Census figures it is possible to arrive at separate figures for European and Maori this is not possible in detail in the question of Religious affiliations. Dominion Totals are all that is possible.

Further 1956 was the first year that the question of "Pastoral Care" recording "Families" and "Persons" was supplied by the Circuits. And it would be safe to say therefore that the Pastoral Rolls to-day present a more correct picture of the situation than in the first year of operation.

We then have the following position of 1956 and 1961 Returns:

Year	Census-declared		Pastoral Roll		No Contact
	Methodists	European	Maori	Totals	
1956	161,823	116,828	10,756	127,584	34,239
1961	173,838	140,500	12,329	152,829	21,009

With the figure of 21,009 persons with whom no contact was made as in 1961 this represents approximately 12% of the Census Declared Methodists have no connection with the Church at all.

On a District basis the situation in 1961 is as follows:—

District	Census Methodists	Pastoral Care European	Maori	Totals	No Contact
Northland - - - -	7,846	6,764	1,481	8,245	—
Auckland - - - -	37,635	28,702	1,761	30,463	7,172
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	28,803	18,886	7,307	26,193	2,610
Taranaki-Wanganui - -	15,140	10,192	1,780	11,972	3,168
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	14,384	13,525	—	13,525	859
Wellington - - - -	19,595	17,495	—	17,495	2,100
North Island - - - -	123,403	95,564	12,329	107,893	15,909
		Less Northland's	Excess of	- - -	399
	123,403	95,564	12,329	107,893	15,510
Nelson - - - -	8,246	7,830	—	7,830	416
North Canterbury - -	22,317	20,427	—	20,427	1890
South Canterbury - -	5,682	5,170	—	5,170	512
Otago-Southland - -	13,923	11,509	—	11,509	2,414
South Island - - - -	50,168	44,936	—	44,936	5,232

Totals					
North Island - - -	123,403	95,564	12,329	107,893	15,510
South Island - - -	50,168	44,936	—	44,936	5,232
	173,571	140,500	12,329	152,829	20,742
Adjacent Islands (not within Counties) - -	145				145
Persons on Shipboard -	122				122
GRAND TOTALS	173,838	140,500	12,329	152,829	21,009

It will be noticed that there are no Maori Methodists as such reported South of Taranaki-Wanganui and Waikato-Bay of Plenty Districts, so that the overall figure of 21,009 could be somewhat reduced if this were known. Some may, of course, be incorporated in European Rolls.

It has often been stated that there are few Maoris in the South Island but the 1961 Census reveals the following information re Maori Population. I take the figures as according to our Synodal Districts:

Nelson	1,996
North Canterbury	2,609
South Canterbury	636
Otago-Southland	1,890
Total	7,131

Taking the average of 7.2% Methodists this means there should be in the vicinity of 510 Maori Methodists in the South Island.

If the Maori Mission figures can be obtained with some accuracy when the next Census is taken in 1966 then a more correct picture of our situation can be obtained.

It should be possible now with the material to hand to assess the approximate position in most of our Circuits as at the 1961 Census.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the reports be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev Wm. C. Jenkin be thanked for his services as General Statistical Secretary, and that he be re-appointed.

QUESTION 35—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the welfare of the Church?

A—Welfare of the Church Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964.

Lectionary:

This has remained in the capable hands of Rev G. R. H. Peterson who has prepared the Lectionary for 1965-6.

Synod and Conference Business: (1963 Minutes, p. 64, Resolutions 4 and 5)

The Committee appreciates the response on this matter from four of the Synod Standing Committees and some individuals. There appears to be a growing concern to make Synods and Conference better servants of the Church. Such a general alertness opens up opportunities for experimentation which, while not necessarily to advantage in every case, should make for steady over-all improvement. This process appears to be already afoot—and not least in the plea for concise reports! In view of these tendencies and the

anticipation of several modifications at this year's Conference, the Committee is making only a few detailed recommendations which arise out of consideration of the response to last year's report, and are directed towards increased efficiency and better participation.

The Committee reaffirms the need of an aid to orientation at the Conference, along with a means of giving some progress report on the business and programme. This need seems to be well met at the Presbyterian Assembly by a daily issue of duplicated summaries which explain the main events and procedures, and report on the most important decisions made. Such summaries while still "hot off the Press" make a very useful take-home digest for representatives. The Committee recommends that Conference adapt such a scheme to our own requirements.

Strict adherence to the Standing Orders of Conference is a matter for constant reminder. One loop-hole however has appeared in the present standing orders. No time limit is imposed on any explanation in response to a question being made with the consent of the President by any member moving the adoption of any report. But experience has shown that such explanations can stretch to an unnecessary length. In many institutions the time given to the answering of questions is more limited than for any other speech. The Committee recommends that, unless Conference shall otherwise determine by a vote of the majority of those present, such explanations be limited to one minute.

There has been widespread agreement with the suggestion made last year that simple formulas of introduction for the President and Vice-President be used at the opening service of Conference. The Committee also believes that the service would be improved if a liturgical order was prepared, shorter than the order for the induction of a minister but along similar lines.

Another point raised last year was the desirability of increasing the number of the Committees of Detail. The increasing size of Conference and volume of business are taxing the present Committees of Detail. Recently the Public Questions Committee in particular has been overloaded by the amount of work it must handle. If another one or two Committees of Detail were formed and the business allocated accordingly, this pressure could be considerably relieved, and slightly smaller numbers would probably make for better work. It is difficult, however, to determine precisely the desirable number of Committees of Detail, for the amount of work before any one Committee may vary considerably from year to year. At present, for instance, the question of the Connexional publications is demanding more than usual attention. The Welfare of the Church Committee therefore recommends the introduction of a flexible system which will allow for variation year by year in the number and nature of the Committees of Detail.

While such changes should be useful, the Committee has been impressed with the widespread interest in an even more thorough-going review of present procedures. For instance, from reports received, it is evident that the timing of the Stationing Committee, the function of the Synods and Synod Standing Committees, and the size of Conference are issues by no means buried. The Committee has not been able in the time available this year to do justice to such major questions and related issues, but feels that they are of sufficient importance to deserve further consideration. The Committee is prepared, if given leave, to study these matters next year, in consultation if necessary, with the Church Council's Sub-Committee on Connexional Structure and Organization. In the meantime, a time and action study will be made of this year's Conference.

Committees and Other Meetings: (1962 Minutes, p. 59, Res. 10)

This study is in progress, but as a result of the postponing and enlarging of the questionnaire to representative circuits, the Committee will not be able to give its findings until next year's report.

A. J. JOHNSTON, 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, it being strongly urged that "The Methodist Times" and Circuit Magazines or Preaching Plans give it publicity.
3. That the Secretary of Conference and his staff investigate the possibility of initiating a daily summary of Conference.
4. That the Standing Orders of Conference p. 161, Section 521, Sub-section (10) be altered so as to limit to one minute any explanation in response to a question.
5. That the Order of Service for the induction of President and Vice-President used at the 1964 Conference, together with other relevant material, be submitted to the Faith and Order Committee for scrutiny and for possible amendment.
6. That the Law Book p. 73, Section 371, be amended to allow for some flexibility year by year in the number and nature of the Committees of Detail.
7. That the Welfare of the Church Committee be given leave to continue its study of Synod and Conference procedures with special regard to the time of the Stationing Committee, the function of the Synods and Synod Standing Committees, and the size of the Conference, and report to Conference 1965.
8. (a) That the reports and Financial statements under Questions 39 (Properties), 46 (Children's Fund), 48 (Removal Expenses Fund), and 58 (2) (Transport Trust Board) be presented to Synods and Conference biennially. (b) That if special circumstances arise a Board or Committee may present or the President of the Church may request a report in any year. (c) That Audited Financial Statements from the above Boards and/or Committees be submitted to the Conference Committee of Detail each year and in the year that the reports are not presented to Conference, the Committee of Detail shall report only as to whether the audit is satisfactory. (d) That reports and Financial Statements under Question 39 be presented at the 1965 Conference and thereafter biennially; and that reports and Financial Statements under Questions 46, 48, and 58 (2) be presented at 1966 Conference and thereafter biennially.
9. That the Methodist Church Law Book Section 277 (b) be amended to include the words "Circuit Treasurer" to enable Circuit Treasurers or Circuit Financial Secretaries to have a seat on the Quarterly Meeting in their own right.
10. That the following be referred to Quarterly Meetings and Synods by the Welfare of the Church Committee by means of a memorandum setting out the issues involved. The same Committee to collate the reports for presentation to Conference.
 - (a) In view of the general dissatisfaction with the present practice of invitations to ministers, whereby circuits are divided between those who can successfully invite ministers of their choice and those who apparently cannot, and the ministry is divided between those who receive invitations and those who do not, and the resulting

unhelpful distinctions which arise from this situation in the life of the church and the ministry; consideration be given to the abolition of invitations.

(b) That once a minister or circuit has decided on a change of appointment, all representations about a new appointment by either party, either oral or in writing, shall be made with the Chairman of the District only, who shall be expected to take relevant factors into account in the Stationing Committee.

11. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 35

B—Spiritual Advance Committee

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1964

The committee has met bi-monthly in Palmerston North.

All the normal aspects of the committee's work have been attended to. These include:—

(a) **Advent and Lenten Leaflets:** We are grateful to Mr G. E. Hill, writer of the 1963 Advent Leaflet, and Mr G. A. Leary, writer of the 1964 Lenten Leaflet. The 1964 Advent Leaflet is being prepared by Rev. Dr Phyllis M. Guthardt, and the 1965 Lenten Leaflet by Rev. Evan R. Lewis.

(b) **Circuit Missions:** Help has been given to a number of Circuits planning missions. A completely new set of notes for the guidance of Circuits planning missions has been prepared, and copies are always available from the convener.

(c) **Prayer Cells:** There are 115 Prayer Cells registered with the committee. Rev. Loyal J. Gibson is writing articles that are being sent out quarterly to these groups to help in the understanding of prayer.

(d) **Overseas Visitors:** The visit of Professor C. A. Coulson, F.R.S., was an outstanding success, and appreciation has been expressed from the Universities and Institutes of Chemistry, as well as from all the Church groups who were able to meet and hear him.

LAY VISITATION (Minutes of Conference, 1963, p. 67, res. 8):

1. A committee representing the Spiritual Advance Committee, the Finance and Stewardship Committee and the Department of Christian Education, met for the purpose of surveying the various types of visitation that are being carried out at present in the Church, with a view to co-ordinating them to the best advantage and effectiveness.

2. It was agreed that a regular programme of total Circuit visitation is basic to all the other means of making and maintaining relationships with our people.

3. The responsibility for inaugurating and guiding the total visitation programme should be vested in a committee appointed by and responsible to the Leaders' Meeting or the Quarterly Meeting. This committee should include members of the Leaders' Meeting and other effective people dedicated to this field of caring.

4. In addition to total Circuit visitation, there is a place and need for specialised visitation in the fields of:—

- (a) General pastoral care of newcomers, sick, and aged.
- (b) Stewardship visitation.
- (c) Teacher or leader home relations.
- (d) Visitation evangelism and counselling work.

It is recognised that not all who share in total Circuit visitation are fitted for or free to engage in these special fields and no one should be coerced into doing it. Careful selection and adequate training are essential.

5. The Lay Pastors' Notes in the Methodist Christian Leadership Course are recommended as training material for all visitors. Regular reporting-back sessions should be held so that visitors can share experiences and help each other in their work.

6. In some larger Circuits, total Circuit visitation may well be the responsibility of laymen, rather than the minister. This is not to say that lay visitation should replace the minister's visiting, but that his visiting can then be channelled by his laymen into those situations where it can be most effective. On the other hand, in small Circuits where it is possible for the minister to maintain regular contact with all families, there is still a place for lay visiting. Pastoral care, including visiting, is the responsibility of the whole Church.

ANNUAL RETREAT

The committee has been considering three related matters: (a) the deepening of the devotional life, (b) retreats, (c) the best use of visitors from overseas.

These concerns have been gathered up into the following proposal. The scheme as outlined is not perfect or complete, but it is believed that this could be the beginning of something of real significance for the Church, and the committee asks leave to be able to move in this direction.

1. A lecturer, ministerial or lay, to be asked to prepare three lectures on the spiritual life of the Christian in the present age.

2. These lectures to be presented in a retreat to be held annually in different Methodist Churches in New Zealand.

3. The retreat to be held from a Friday evening until a Sunday evening, as near to Pentecost as possible, to highlight the essential element as being a study of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and individual Christian.

4. The Spiritual Advance Committee to form a fund, partly from the resources of the Overseas Visitors' Fund (where the lecturer invited is from overseas) and from its own funds or other sources.

5. This fund to be used for:

(a) The preparation of the lectures and arrangements for the retreat.

(b) Travelling expenses of the lecturer.

(c) The possible publication of the lectures through the Methodist Board of Publications.

PROGRAMME FOR THE CHURCH, 1965:

The committee has been informed of discussions held between the President-elect and Departmental Leaders of the Church, with regard to a proposed programme for the Church during 1965. The committee is happy to co-operate with other committees and boards of the Church in the preparation and execution of such a programme.

ONGOING WORK:

Other matters that the committee is continuing to work on are as follows: The work of the Department of Evangelism and Social Service of the United Church of Canada (see 1963 Minutes of Conference, p. 67, resolution 9), the problem of non-active Members of

the Church, Methodist Counselling material, revision of the Layman's Handbook, the slow growth of Church Membership, and future policy with regard to overseas visitors.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.

D. G. STUBBS, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statement be received and adopted.
2. That Methodist people be encouraged to form Prayer Cells, in consultation with the Minister and Leaders' Meeting.
3. That Circuits be encouraged to hold 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.
4. That Conference express deep appreciation to Professor C. A. Coulson, F.R.S., for the enrichment and stimulation he brought to the whole Church during his recent visit.
5. That the statement on Lay Visitation be referred to Circuit Quarterly Meetings or Leaders' Meetings for study and implementation.
6. That the Spiritual Advance Committee consult with the Department of Christian Education in regard to Annual Adult Retreats in order to avoid confusion with the Adult Conferences planned by that Department.
7. That a grant of £100 be made to the committee from the Connexional Budget.
8. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 35.

C—Lay Preachers' Association

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

The Dominion Executive, based at Auckland, held meetings every month through the year. A year of increased activity is reported.

Examinations: This year examinations were conducted for the first time in the new subject "The Church". The results of the examinations held in June, 1963, and December 1963 were as follows:

	Passed	Failed	Total
Theology	22	7	29
Old Testament	25	22	47
New Testament	34	9	43
Homiletics	34	2	36
The Church	2	2	4
TOTAL SUBJECTS	117	42	159

The Association is still concerned about the low standard of work from some students offering for examination. It is hoped this will be improved with the new training under the guidance of the Department of Christian Education. We are happy to report that the Department of Christian Education is helping immensely the work of the Association and we have worked in close harmony for the improvement of educational facilities and programmes.

Accreditations:

Certificate: 302, Malcolm Brazendale (replacement certificate); 303, Mervyn John Greathead (replacement certificate); 304, Andrew Hamilton (replacement certificate); 305, Bruce Greenaway; 306, Mrs. Lily Taylor; 307, Ian Blair; 308, Ronald Desmond Dixon; 309, Ronald Percy Clark; 310, Mary Lynette Sadler; 311, John Ludlow Yarr; 312, Noeline Elizabeth Alcorn (nee Queree); 313, Noel Dalley; 314, Shirley Vera Ungemuth; 315, Andrew R. Hornblow; 316, Magnus Hughson; 317, John De Jong; 318, B. J. Malcouronne; 319, J. W. Clark-320, David Raymond Alley; 321, William David Griffiths; 322, Miss Graewyn Helen Hammond; 323, Alan Leadley; 324, Desmond Stobbs; 325, Desmond Murray Roberts; 326, George Walker; 327, Morehu Te Whare.

Long Service Diplomas:

No.	Name	Years
340	Howard Long	33
341	A. Merlin Hoskin	25
342	Henry Arthur Penny	30
343	J. Spencer White	50
344	R. S. McDonald	45
345	Albert Henry Harman	26
346	Walter Clifford Chirnside	26
347	Alan James Ganderton	26
348	Francis Steven Grocott	37
349	William F. Ashe	35
350	Herbert Bateup (2nd Diploma)	51

Post Accreditation Study.

Nation-wide Schools were organised by most branches on two Saturdays during the year. Waikato-Bay of Plenty organised a residential school at Trinity College and Otago-Southland joined the Presbyterians for study. A weekend retreat organised in Hastings received wide publicity when Roman Catholic priests and laymen attended the discussions.

Approaches have been made to the Board of Studies regarding the Post Accreditation Study Course approved in 1963 by Conference. The Rev. W. Morrison is at present preparing a syllabus for consideration.

During the year the Association established contacts with the Church in Australia and the U.S.A. The American Church has offered outstanding post accreditation correspondence courses to our members from their Department of Ministerial Education, Nashville.

The Preacher: This newsletter has appeared every quarter and has been effective in disseminating news to every member in New Zealand. Judging by comments the enlargement of this work has helped in the revitalisation of the Association.

Change of Name: The Association name was changed from that of "Local" to "Lay" Preachers by the 1963 Conference.

Lay Preacher and Candidate for the Ministry Studies: The 1963 Conference approved the changes to the law so that Candidates for the Ministry need no longer be accredited Lay Preachers.

The Dominion Executive has spent much of this year on improving the qualifications of its members. With more ordained ministers, the centralisation of church work and the higher education standard of congregations generally, it is felt that there will be a future need for lay preachers with higher qualifications.

F. G. DAVIDGE, President.

IAN S. CLEWS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the time allowed for passing the Lay Preachers examinations be not more than six years.
3. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked to undertake the revision of the Order of Service for the recognition of Lay Preachers in consultation with the Lay Preachers Dominion Executive.

QUESTION 35.

D—Methodist Men's Fellowship

REPORT OF THE DOMINION EXECUTIVE 1964.

The Dominion Executive has met monthly during its second year in office in Christchurch.

National.

The Annual Meeting was held during Conference at Wellington, when a spirited discussion took place on the Policy as outlined in the Report and Recommendations presented.

The Dominion Executive has concentrated its efforts during this year in collecting resource material and formulating ideas which have been passed on to known Fellowships. This should give a greater variety in programmes and create a new interest among the men of the Church in Fellowship activities. The Executive has also endeavoured to create interest in the formation of new Fellowships where these do not exist at present, in accordance with the Policy as outlined and accepted at the last Conference, resulting in a marked increase of interest with many new branches being formed.

Realising the need for trained leadership, a School for planning of Fellowship Meetings was held in Christchurch. It is intended to hold similar gatherings in other Districts during the year.

The Executive notes with a great deal of encouragement the growing interest of Fellowships in Service Projects of one kind or another and commends this development to the whole Movement.

District Activities.

AUCKLAND: The Annual Retreat held at Campbell's Bay was a time of inspiration and blessing, the theme for study being "Quit Yourselves Like Men".

NORTH CANTERBURY: Three Rallies were held during the year, Rev W. S. Dawson addressed those gathered, his subject being "A Man's Task in Today's World"; Rev. Alan Walker gave a challenging address entitled "The Sleeping Giant," with the aim of stirring the men from the apathy that exists in the Church; Prof. Coulson gave an inspiring address on "Science and Religion" at a "Father and Son" tea. All three meetings were well attended peaking at 350 for Prof. Coulson.

Policy.

ANNUAL MEETING: The experience of the past few years convinces us that there is not adequate time for a satisfactory Annual Meeting during the Church Conference. Representatives, for various reasons, cannot always convey the mind of the Local Fellowships at the Annual Meeting.

— We believe that the meeting together of Representatives from

All Districts is of vital importance to the Movement, as a whole. We therefore consider that a Convention should be held Annually at which an exchange of ideas would take place. This would facilitate the work of the Dominion Executive.

The Annual General Meeting should be held during the Convention.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVES: Believing that the success of Men's Fellowships is largely dependent on strong District Executives to promote broad based local activity, we urge the formation of District Men's Fellowship Executives in each Synodal District. There must be local activity amongst the men supported by a wider District

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE 1963, RESOLUTION No. 4, Page 72: The Dominion Executive has studied this matter during the year and feels that the principle of responsibility of the Leader's Meeting for the Men's work of the Church is still valid. It also recognises that in many instances this is being satisfactorily cared for by Men's Fellowship groups. We therefore propose that where there is no Men's Fellowship in existence, the Leader's Meeting assume this responsibility, through a Men's sub-committee.

S. D. McHARG, President.

L. E. ARMSTRONG, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Dominion Executive be authorised to convene in 1965, if possible, an experimental national Convention of Methodist men to explore the future of men's activities and how this affects the Men's Fellowship.

3. That where there is no Men's Fellowship District Executive, Conference ask the Synod Standing Committee to accept responsibility for Men's work in the District.

4. That where there is no Men's Fellowship the Leaders' Meeting or Quarterly Meeting be requested to initiate Men's activities.

5. That the Law Book be amended by the deleting of the word "Dominion" and substituting the word "National" in all matters relating to the Men's Fellowship Movement.

QUESTION 35—

E—Methodist Women's Fellowship

INTERIM REPORT

The Methodist Women's Fellowship came into being officially on 1st February, 1964 and this report covers only the period from February to June, 1964.

In these few months, the National Executive, while recognising that there are organisational problems, has been encouraged by the spirit of co-operation and the willingness on the part of local and district Fellowships to put into practice the aims and objects of the Fellowship.

Membership: There are 19 District Councils. It will not be possible to give membership figures until annual returns are furnished.

National Executive: Meetings have been held twice a month. Contact has been maintained (a) with Districts by means of Bulletins incorporating information and programme ideas and inviting

comments and questions and (b) with Fellowships, Gleaners and Missionary Workers by the President's letters. Letters of greeting have also been sent to all Sisters at home and overseas.

Quarterly reports have been received from most Districts and these have shown enthusiasm and initiative in accepting and working out the wider commitment to study, worship and service.

The President has attended District gatherings in Hawke's Bay, Wairarapa, Manawatu, Auckland and Waitemata and in August she is to visit North and South Canterbury, Otago and Southland. While in Auckland she also visited Kurahuna, Smethurst House and Seamer House.

We acknowledge with gratitude the devoted work of the members of the Kurahuna Committee, the Smethurst House Management Committee and the Overseas Gift Organiser.

The Auckland District Vice-president deputised for the President at the dedication of Miss Rosemary Bettany at Henderson in May.

Convention: The first annual Convention of the Fellowship is to be held in Christchurch from October 6th-8th.

Finance: The only section of our women's giving that is administered on a national basis is the raising of funds for missions, formerly undertaken by the M.W.M.U.

The Combined Women's Conference of last year set the Objectives for the year ending 31st August, 1964 at £3,700 to each of the two Mission Boards, with a Special Objective for an unspecified amount to assist with capital expenditure required for Seamer House, Maori Girls' Hostel, Remuera. In addition to these objectives, the maintenance of Kurahuna Maori Girls' School Hostel (approximately £2000 per annum) is the responsibility of our new Organisation, together with the providing of extra funds for our missionary sisters at home and abroad for special requirements in their work.

During the first five months of the period covered by Combined Conference's Resolutions, the M.W.M.U. raised towards these objectives £6,126 19s 11d. In the following period of five months ended 30th June, 1964, the Methodist Women's Fellowship raised £3,887 11s 5d for the same purpose. In the two months still remaining to complete the year, it is expected that the total of these figures will be increased very considerably as local Fellowships disburse their funds in preparation for their Annual Meetings in July.

The Executive has accepted its task with a deep sense of privilege and responsibility and is very mindful of, and encouraged by the prayers and loyalty of the members of the Fellowship.

FLORENCE BABER, President.

LORRAINE HENSON, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That congratulations be extended to the inaugural Dominion Executive of the Women's Fellowship on the leadership given and the success thus far achieved and for the time, thought, imagination and devotion in the arrangement of programmes at local, district and national levels.
3. That Conference note with satisfaction that the Methodist Women's Fellowship, in collaboration with the Home Mission Department, Overseas Mission Department, and Finance and

Stewardship Committee, is reviewing the method of support by the women of the Church for the Missionary Funds of the Church.

Question 35

F—Church Council

REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1964

The Church Council met at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 12th. and 13th. 1964. The President, the Rev. A. R. Penn, was in the Chair.

I—CONNEXIONAL STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATION (1963 Minutes p. 73-74.)

A sub-committee of the Council, as set up by last Conference, presented an outline scheme for the re-grouping of the administrative activities of the Connexion around three centres of administration. Memoranda from various Boards and Connexional Committees, outlining their reactions to the proposals, made it clear that much more investigation and discussion is required before any definite proposals can be placed before the Connexion. The Council therefore recommends as follows:

Resolutions: 1. That the Committee continue its investigations along the lines suggested, and report to Church Council next year.

2. That the Committee be: Revs. G. H. Goodman, H. C. Matthews, A. R. Witheford, and G. R. H. Peterson (Convener); Messrs D. A. White, G. E. Hill, S. N. Roberts, E. A. Crothall and R. T. Garlick. Consultative members: The General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department, the General Secretary of the Overseas Mission Department, the Connexional Secretary, the Director of Christian Education and the Rev. S. G. Andrews.

3. That the Committee's attention be drawn to Mins. Conf. 1963 p. 154, res. 14.

II—LEADERS' MEETING, etc. (1963 Minutes p. 74, also p. 227, res. 5 (a) and (6).)

The Rev. V. R. Jamieson, as Convener of a Committee which has considered the matters during the year reported on a suggested definition of a Leader, and also outlined suggested amendments to the present Law as to the constitution of the Leaders' Meeting and Quarterly Meeting, and proposed agendas for both Leaders' Meetings and Quarterly Meetings. The Church Council considers it advisable that the proposed agendas should be considered by appropriate Standing Committees and Boards before being recommended for adoption, along with the proposed amended constitutions. It was therefore suggested that the Committee continue its work and report to Church Council next year.

Resolutions: 1. **Definition of Leader:** That the following be substituted for para. 261 of the Law Book p. 46.

"A Leader is a Church member who has been duly appointed to exercise a preaching, pastoral, educational or administrative responsibility within a Society. He is chosen primarily for his maturity of spiritual experience, his faithfulness in attendance upon all the ordinances of grace, and his loyalty to the Methodist Church."

2. That the Committee of the Church Council on Leaders' and Quarterly Meetings refer proposed agendas for Leaders' and Quarterly Meetings to the appropriate Standing Committees and Boards for consideration and report to the Church Council.

3. That the Committee be located in the Waikato-Bay of Plenty

District, and consist of: The District Chairman (Convener), Revs. L. Shapcott, A. K. Petch, A. W. McKay, A. O. Jones, W. J. Morrison, F. H. Parker; Messrs. L. Davis, F. J. E. Baillie, D. H. Payne, V. Leach, J. R. Horn, A. Smith, V. R. Jamieson. Corresponding members: Revs: W. R. Laws, W. E. A. Carr and R. H. Allen.

4. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to investigate the possibility of replacing the terms "Society" and "Other preaching place" in Methodist polity.

III—CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT (1963 Minutes p. 75.)

There was no report from the small Committee set up by last Conference.

Resolution: That this matter be referred to the Committee on Connexional Structure and Organisation for inclusion in its order of reference.

IV—DESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT (1963 Minutes p. 77 res. 2 (c).)

Resolution: That the matter be referred to the Legal Adviser for consideration and report to Conference.

V—STATIONING IN NEW HOUSING AREAS (1963 Minutes p. 154 res. 10.)

Various expressions of opinion revealed that this is a complex matter which requires further elucidation.

Resolution: That a memorandum be prepared by the General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department, after consultation with Synod Standing Committees, and presented to the Church Council.

VI—DISTRICT FINANCIAL SECRETARIES AND CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP (1963 Minutes p. 220, res. 15.)

Resolutions: 1. That para 359 of the Law Book p. 70 be amended: (9) Either District Financial Secretaries or District Secretaries for Church Property.

2. That the method of securing additional Lay Representatives to Conference be referred to the Church Council for clarification.

VII—FUTURE STAFFING NEEDS OF THE CHURCH (1963 Minutes p. 154, res. 15.)

The General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department presented a memorandum as requested by Conference.

Resolutions: 1. That the staffing position of the Connexion be reviewed annually by the Church Council, a memorandum to be prepared and presented by the General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Dept., after consultation with the Principal of the College and the Connexional Secretary.

2. Believing that developments during recent years in the training of ministers must give them a greater competence than was previously possible, we ask that the Examination Committee be asked to have especial care in testing the Call of Candidates for the ministry against the highest standards of call, capacity, and devotion; but that all candidates who meet these standards be accepted.

3. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked, in the light of the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, to examine the possibility of Methodist Ministers serving with other communions and in specialized ministries in chaplaincies and other fields.

VIII—EXTENDED LEAVE FOR MINISTERS (1963 Minutes p. 76.)

The Vice-President presented a progress report, covering the two matters referred to a Committee by last Conference. The two

matters, while to some extent related, require separate consideration. Long-service leave for Ministers is already operating in the Australian General Conference and State Conferences and is proving practicable there. The implications of such a scheme for New Zealand conditions, have not been fully explored, and need further consideration.

Extended Leave for ministers to study overseas is also being considered by the Committee which has, however, no firm suggestions to offer at this stage.

Resolution: That the Committee set up by the 1963 Conference continue its work and report to the Church Council. The Committee to be: Revs. R. Thornley, G. R. H. Peterson and P. P. Rushton. Messrs. G. C. Burton (Convener), S. N. Roberts, E. G. Heggie and the Convener of the Welfare of the Church Committee.

IX—PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL DUTIES (1963 Minutes p. 77, res. 2 (b).)

The discussion centred round two related matters—adequate supply arrangements each year for the President, and areas to be officially visited by the President and Vice-President during their time of office.

Resolutions: 1. That the President of Conference, President elect, Connexional Secretary and Secretary of Conference (Convener) act as a Committee each year to ensure that adequate supply arrangements are made for the President-elect during his year of office.

2. That the Connexional Secretary compile a list of Circuits and Churches visited by the President each year, and supply a copy to the President-elect immediately on his election.

3. That during the year prior to their taking office, the President-elect confer with the Vice-President-elect, and convene a suitable Committee with a view to planning the President's and Vice-President's itineraries during their year of office.

4. That the question of travelling expenses of the Vice-president be clarified by the Church Council with a view to ensuring that all travelling expenses of the Vice-president in his official capacity be paid.

X—CHURCH EXTENSION FUND IN THE FOURTH BUDGET (1963 Minutes p. 154, res. 12.)

The resolution of last Conference asked that consideration be given to the proportioning of the Church Extension Fund in the Fourth Budget so as to allow for an increase in the amount available for grants. This would mean a reduction in the amount to be made available for loans through the Church Building and Loan Fund.

Resolutions: 1. That the present proportionate allocation of the Church Extension Fund of the Fourth Budget (1964-65) be continued; but that the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be asked to make available an increased maximum amount on loans to approved new causes.

2. That priorities regarding the allocation of Church Extension funds as from 1966 onwards be placed on the agenda of the Church Council in 1965; and that memoranda be presented by all Departments and Funds wishing to be considered. The Secretary of Conference to receive and report on all such requests.

XI—CONDITIONS RE APPLICATIONS FOR CHAPLAINCIES AND OTHER SPECIAL POSTS:

The President expressed the need for some guidance to be

available for Presidents in reaching decisions between Conferences when applications are made by Ministers for permission to apply for special appointments.

Resolution: That the Connexional Secretary, the Director of Christian Education and the Secretary of Conference (Convener) confer on the issues involved in such applications and report to the Church Council.

XII—READING OF STATIONING SHEET (1963 Minutes p. 76, res. 2 (a).)

While realising that the suggestion has certain merits in that it provides time for Ministers and Circuits concerned to consider suggested amendments to the Stationing Sheet, the Church Council was agreed that the practical application of the suggestions during the later sessions of Conference could lead to serious difficulties of timing in relation to the Conference programme.

The Council has, therefore NO RECOMMENDATION to make.

Resolution: That the Report be adopted.

XIII—INVITATION TO REV. ALAN WALKER

Resolution: That Conference reaffirms to the National Council of Churches its support for a Mission to the Nation as soon as practicable.

XIV—PRESIDENT'S SUPPLY FOR 1965

The President-elect has expressed a desire to give as much time as possible to the Connexion during his term of office.

Resolution: 1. That a full-time Supply be appointed by Conference for the President during 1965.

2. That the President, President-elect, Connexional Secretary and Secretary of Conference act to ensure that adequate supply arrangements are made.

XV—GENERAL STATISTICAL FORMS

In view of the resolution of Conference (1963 Minutes p. 85, res. 4) that the statistical forms be reprinted to bring the age-groupings for Christian Education figures into agreement, it was felt that other matters regarding statistics should also be reviewed before the forms are reprinted.

Resolution: That Synod Standing Committees together with any Departments and Boards concerned be invited to submit suggestions as to relevant information to be sought in annual general statistical returns.

XVI—NEXT MEETING OF CHURCH COUNCIL

At Wallis House, on Tuesday, 11th May, 1965, at 10 a.m.

A. R. PENN, President of Conference.

H. E. HARKNESS, Secretary.

Additional Resolutions:

DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

That the question of the possible appointment of a Director of Evangelism be referred through the Church Council to the Committee on Church Structure and Organisation.

MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS:

(a) That the Church Council review the length of tenure of ministerial appointments considering the following matters:

- (1) A minimum number of years of service before a minister is eligible for appointment to a connexional or specialist position.

- (2) A maximum term for which permission is given to a minister to serve with outside organisations.
- (3) A maximum term for which a minister is appointed to a city mission or institution or a connexional position without a term in a circuit.
- (4) The special circumstances under which the foregoing regulations be over-ruled.

(b) That the Connexional Secretary, the Director of Christian Education and the Secretary of Conference, after seeking submissions from the people principally involved, confer on the issues raised and report to the Church Council.

APPOINTMENT OF PROBATIONERS

That the Board of Studies consider the length of time of the first appointment of Probationers to Circuits and report to the Church Council.

INVITATION TO MINISTERS

That Conference refer section 126 D of the Law Book governing invitations to Ministers, to the Church Council for further consideration and clarification.

QUESTION 35

G—Spiritual Healing Committee

REPORT TO SYNOD AND CONFERENCE 1964

The work of the Committee for several months has entailed the preparation and editing of a statement to be presented to and studied by the churches, and published through the Board of Publications. The Committee submits this Statement as its work for the year.

W. S. DAWSON, Chairman.

J. PEARCE, Secretary.

SPIRITUAL HEALING

A STATEMENT PREPARED AS A STUDY BY THE METHODIST COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL HEALING

INTRODUCTION.

In recent years there has been throughout the church a quickening interest in Spiritual Healing. While rejoicing in the advances of medical science, Christians have been aware that there are elements involved in sickness and health which are not completely explained nor dealt with by orthodox medicine.

Conference in 1954 set up the Spiritual Healing Committee "to investigate the matter of Spiritual Healing" and conceived the Committee's task as "a long-term project."

Over the years the Committee has tried to bring together the insights of the Gospel, the experience of those active in the field, and the best Christian thought, in order to encourage the Church's endeavour, and to warn against false emphases.

This study is not intended to blaze new trails, nor in any sense to be final. Rather it seeks to raise the matter for discussion, and to bring to the Church a balanced consensus of Christian thinking in this promising but sometimes confused field.

Despair and Hope

Tensions, fears, sickness, suffering and tragedy—all of us face them at sometime or other. It is part of our human situation.

Few people escape some occasion of serious illness, and many have repeated periods of distress and pain, and consequently feel that life is against them.

Yet at no time in history has more been done to alleviate sickness. This century is significant in that more money is spent on conquering disease, more brilliant scholarship is given to research, and a larger army of devoted and able men and women is dedicated to that end than was ever dreamed about previously.

The Lord and His Church

Within this climate of concern the church is recovering her proper relationship to these arts of healing, and with a deep sense of commitment, is seeking to emphasise afresh the place of Christian Faith in preserving health and aiding recovery from disease.

By His ministry of healing Jesus revealed His concern for the people who suffered. He Himself suffered pain, rejection, sorrow and death. In His compassion He forgave, healed and blessed those who came to Him in need. He calls His disciples to share this ministry and promises them His presence and power. Indeed He is still healing in various ways in our time.

Healing is of God

In Spiritual Healing we co-operate with God. In this co-operation it is important to realise that though prayer has a significant part to play, spiritual factors are not the only ones involved. However, new medical insights reveal "there is a vast area within which spiritual factors like prayer, forgiveness, spiritual insight and love are healing forces. . . ." "Guilt, exaggerated fear, hate, resentment, jealousy and inferiority can touch off illness, and maintain for long periods illnesses caused first by physical factors".*

In his book "Wounded Spirits"* the Rev Dr L. D. Weatherhead, Minister Emeritus of the City Temple London writes "All healing is of God. . . . No man has ever healed another man. . . . all he has done is to co-operate with God. . . . If all healing is of God then it is more relevant and more religious to have surgery than prayer, if for example, a patient is suffering from an inflamed appendix, just as it is more relevant and more religious to throw water on a dangerous fire and summon the fire brigade, than to kneel down and pray to God to put it out".

Wrong Ideas

Wrong emphases in Spiritual Healing lead to certain dangers of which we should be aware.

1. PERSONAL

- (a) The danger of putting the onus on the patient. "To encourage a sick person to believe that providing he has faith, God must inevitably heal him, is definitely unChristian and untrue". In the same way it is wrong to blame the praying individual or the group if healing does not take place.
- (b) The danger of trying to manipulate God as a means to healing.
- (c) The danger of regarding physical health as the supreme good to be sought. It cannot be isolated from wholeness—salvation. For some a right acceptance of suffering and even death may mean a more truly integrated personality than could be produced by physical health alone.

2. PUBLIC SERVICES

- (a) Large healing services can result in distress and disappointment to those who have been encouraged to expect healing but who do not receive any lasting benefit! The words of Paul Tillich, world famous theologian, are a corrective to the Church "Faith-healing as practised by many groups is one of the worst abuses of religion today." (quoted in the British Weekly of Sept. 3rd, 1959).
- (b) While we acknowledge the power of spiritual factors as healing forces within many areas of illness, there are no grounds for claiming that God will heal all forms of physical and mental deformities (e.g. missing limbs and congenital imbecility).
- (c) It is too easy for some Spiritual Healing claims to be dangerously like magic "Jesus Christ had more in common with a modern surgeon than a modern 'faith-healer' for He knew what was wrong and altered His technique accordingly, and did not suppose that religion offered healing in every possible case". "Do let us guard against claims for religion which Jesus would never have made".
- (d) The danger of public meetings and healing services is that often the sick are encouraged to seek healing as an end in itself, and exhorted to regard health merely as an absence of the symptoms of disease. This may help some people to an understanding of their condition, but does not provide an atmosphere in which the healing of the whole person can be achieved in calmness, tranquillity and the acceptance of God's Will.
- (e) "In public healing services there is a very real danger of mass-hysteria, strong enough to banish symptoms for a time and lead the patient to believe that he is permanently healed by God—or worse, by the healer—only to be faced in a day or two with a return of the old symptoms, or more dangerously, new ones. Dr William Temple, a former Archbishop of Canterbury reminded his hearers that 'this is exactly the kind of excitement from which our Lord withdrew'. From this hysteria may arise two grave dangers,
 - (1) "The postponement of surgical help until it is too late, and
 - (2) if in psycho-somatic disease a symptom only may be cured, even permanently, and the unconscious still unhealed will set up a symptom much harder to cure".

Resources Available to the Sick

Today God has chosen to heal predominantly through the ministries of the medical and allied professions. There is no conflict between a trusting belief in God's Will and power to heal and the acceptance of the benefits of modern medicine.

The Spiritual Healing Committee believes that every service of worship in itself has therapeutic value and gives the right atmosphere for the service of the Laying on of Hands, especially in conjunction with Holy Communion.

While there is value in a service for a sick person and his near relatives and friends where both patient and others have been adequately instructed beforehand, the patient must understand that the service is not to plead with a reluctant God to intervene in his situation, but that all who love him wish to co-operate with a loving

God so that His Will may be accomplished. This may or may not include physical healing, but leads to an acceptance by both relatives and patient which is as important to his true well-being as recovery.

The Way Ahead

Immediate,

In many local churches the question is being asked—

“What can we do now?”

From the study, and from previous reports of the Spiritual Healing Committee can be gleaned the following:—

1. (a) “The Committee considers that the time has come when our people should be encouraged to regard services of Laying-on of hands, and services of intercession for the sick as normal ministries of the Church” (Minutes of Conference 1958.) “The laying on of hands is to be regarded as a ministry of the whole church, exercised through her ministers or authorised laymen, and not as the act of any specific individual.”
- (b) “The patient and the immediate members of his family should normally be prepared for the service by the Minister, and this should be done wherever possible in co-operation with his Doctor.”
- (c) “It should be made clear to the patient that the aim of the Service is to bring the sick person into as complete a harmony with God as is possible, and the results are in God’s hands.”
- (d) “Whenever circumstances permit, the Service should be held in Church.”
- (e) “Where ministers undertake the Service of Laying on of Hands, the British Methodist Order be used.”
- (f) “The Laying on of Hands does not require the possession of any unusual psychic power.” (Minutes of Conference, 1959.)
2. Every service of worship in itself has therapeutic value” (Study). The note of wholeness, of forgiveness, of hope and of reconciliation ought never to be absent from any service of worship. However, worshippers will always remember that in worship it is God’s Glory and God’s Will which we seek first: no attempt will be made to impose our will upon Him.
3. The Church’s life is greatly enriched by the gathering of faithful people in fellowship groups, prayer cells, house churches, and the like. In such groups specific intercession for the sick and for those involved in difficult personal relationships will have a natural place. The Spiritual Healing Committee does not advocate the formation of special groups devoted solely to healing, in isolation from the prophetic and sacramental life of the Church lest this detract from the wholeness of the Gospel and the fullness of the fellowship of the church. Prayer and compassionate concern should be part and parcel of the life of the congregation.

Long Term

What God will do in various kinds of illness is not for man to decide. What He does do we must slowly learn. “There are territories shouting for exploration, energies we have never tapped, laws, including the laws of prayer—that we do not understand”.

“We must move ahead in this difficult field with diligence and

devotion, in the spirit of reverent science and intelligent faith".

In conclusion the Spiritual Healing Committee commends as worthy of study by the whole church the following report by Dr Weatherhead. These suggestions may not be immediately practicable under New Zealand conditions, but they indicate a way in which the church could move.

"I hope the time will come when every church or group of churches will have its healing ministry, such as we had, and still have at the City Temple, whose Psychological Clinic now has the help of four ministers and twelve medically qualified psychologists, and where no one who is not a minister or a doctor comes into contact with a patient, but where there is first the quiet interview between a qualified minister with a patient. The minister quickly learns what the patient needs, and if it is within his competence to help he readily does so. Behind him, so to speak, he has the prayer circles and fellowship groups which again and again have proved their worth in getting a sick person well. But the minister may suspect that a thorough medical overhaul is indicated. He has both men and women physicians ready to help him there, and with the patient's permission they report back to him. A discussion may then show that technical psychiatric treatment still is needed. Finally, should this be indicated, there is a loving community—which ought to be another name for the church—into which the wounded spirit can be received until his integration is effected. Then he can become a part of that community and help others to find integration, serenity and comfort. Thus the energies of religion, medicine and psychology can all be focussed on the patient's need. Even then, ALL cannot be healed, for this may not yet be within any human competence. In that case the patient is given the maximum help to live with his disability. He is saved from the shock of false hopes and from false deductions about God and himself, and about his faith or lack of it, when cure is not reached. All the terrible dangers of healing missions are avoided, and not one of its apparent advantages is missed.

"And the Church can live up to the old adage 'To cure sometimes, to alleviate often, and to comfort always'."

N.B.: All quotations unless otherwise attributed are from "Wounded Spirits", by kind permission of the author, the Rev. Dr Leslie D. Weatherhead, C.B.E., M.A. (Manc.), Ph.D. (Lond.), Hon. D.D. (Edin.), published by Messrs Hodder and Stoughton, priced 5s 9d N.Z.

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QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. How far is faith necessary before God can heal?
2. Is death to be thought of (as in Genesis) as a curse, or as a wise provision of God's providence?
3. Should the church have more to say regarding the possibility of the acceptance of suffering and its place in God's plan for the individual?

4. How do we cope with the tension between acceptance of suffering and the desire for healing?
5. Dr Weatherhead gives a warning: "I am quite sure that there are some cases which Christ Himself could not have cured, making new limbs to grow again instantaneously for instance, or giving sight to a man whose eyes have been removed." Discuss this.
6. Discuss the dangers mentioned in connection with public healing services,
 - (a) In relation to the help done to some people.
 - (b) The disillusionment if the expected healing does not take place.
7. "Every service of worship has therapeutic value. . . ." Is this true?
8. What are the dangers to be avoided by prayer groups?
9. How does the whole question of suffering tie in with your ideas of a loving omnipotent God?

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 Conference expresses its thanks and appreciation to the Spiritual Healing Committee for the excellent report submitted to Synods and Conference.
4. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 36—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Christian Education?

Department of Christian Education

A. — METHODIST COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT 1964

The Council met at Wallis House, 13th-14th May following the Church Council. In addition to Conference officials, these were represented: Overseas Missions, Home Missions, Christian Education Departments, Trinity College, Methodist Women's Fellowship, Methodist Men's Fellowship, Lay Preachers' Association, Spiritual Advance and Finance and Stewardship Committees, Methodist Social Services Association, C.Y.M.M. and all Synods.

Avenues of Full Time Unpaid Service for Adults (1963 Minutes, Page 79).

Inquiry from likely employing agencies indicated that several avenues could be provided for adults willing to give voluntary full time service. Among these were: general assistance and visitation or survey teams in circuits; secretarial and accounting in Department and M.S.S.A. offices and Overseas Missions; tradesmen and handymen on Church institution properties and Overseas Missions; teachers as circuit or D.E.C. Christian Education workers and Overseas Missions; nurses etc. in M.S.S.A.; matrons and domestic staff in hostels, homes, etc.

The Council decided:

- (a) That these avenues should be advertised widely through our Church publications.
- (b) That the Department of Christian Education should be the clearing agency for putting inquirers in touch with the possible employing body.

D.E.C. or Circuit Christian Education Staff (1963 Minutes, Page 78)

The Board presented a report which outlined a procedure which could be followed for the appointing, training and supervising these paid specialist workers. The report envisaged the appointment being approved by the Synod Standing Committee and the costs carried by the employing District or Circuit.

The Council gave general approval to the report and asked that it be referred to the Home Mission Board in the light of para. 128 of the Law.

Recognition of Conference Employed Laymen

The Council agreed that our Church Law should make provision for more adequate recognition and status of laymen employed by the Connexion. This would affect such appointments as the Department lay directors and Finance and Stewardship Executive Officer and directors.

Changing Role of Department Staff

The Council was asked by the Board to re-consider the function of the Field Directors. The following report was adopted.

1. That we proceed further with the development of the specialist director policy by dropping the policy of national staff being area directors.
2. That the directors develop their role as age-group specialists but retain the "general practitioner" role as regards adult work and general principles and policy of Christian Education.
3. That the objective be that each D.E.C. area be visited annually by a director. As a general rule all D.E.C. areas would be visited by each director at least every three years.
4. That in district visiting priority be given to age-group work on a district basis, e.g. gatherings of S.S. Superintendents, youth club leaders, adult group leaders. The visits to include guidance to local churches and circuits where necessary.
5. That the three main claims on directors' time be:
 - (a) Being the resource person and executive for age-group committee.
 - (b) Creative work, e.g., preparing courses, handouts and publications.
 - (c) District assignments as in 3 above.

In the light of this policy it would be most desirable that Miss Astley have her headquarters in Wellington.

Drama Advisory Committee

The Committee reported that it had looked at its order of reference as set out in 1962 Minutes pp 55-56 and sorted out these functions:

1. Guiding churches in the wider use of drama.
2. Fostering schools of religious drama in selected areas.
3. Putting local churches in touch with sources of scripts.
4. Offering churches general advice on production and recommending persons in their area who could advise and assist.
5. Encouraging inter-Church co-operation in the use of religious drama.
6. Assisting our Methodist Radio and TV Committee.

A questionnaire intended to give a picture of the present use of drama in our churches had disappointing results. The Committee plans to work along these lines:

- (a) Regular articles in the Methodist Times bringing the possibilities of religious drama before people.
- (b) Co-operating with D.E.C.s so as to include training in religious drama in leadership training programmes.

The Council agreed:

1. That the Committee should have the financial assistance and use of the facilities of the Department of Christian Education.
2. That the Committee should function in each district through the D.E.C.
3. That it would be desirable for the Music Council to have the same relationship to this Council as the Drama Advisory Committee.

Presenting Avenues of Church Vocations

The Council considered that the various agencies seeking the enlistment of workers should present their claims in such a way that avoided artificial distinction between secular and sacred callings.

The various employing agencies of the Connexion represented on the Council agreed to co-operate in producing a booklet giving details of all vocations in our Church.

Elementary Bible Study Course

The Council felt the need for a set of Bible studies which would give clear instruction—especially for new Christians—provide for some individual Bible study, and include set assignments. The course would give help in how to interpret the Bible, and may be accompanied by charts and tapes. Two ministers have been asked to prepare it.

Lay Training

How can the School for Christian Workers be used for more lay training? It was decided to encourage circuits to select and sponsor potential lay leaders for attendance at the School for Christian Workers.

This question led to an agreement that the time had come for a review of our Church's needs in lay training and for careful planning as to how these needs could best be met.

The Principal, Dr D. O. Williams and the Rev. W. F. Ford were asked to convene a meeting of ministers and laymen involved and report to the next meeting.

Now that candidates for Lay Preaching are encouraged to prepare for their exams by attending a Methodist Christian Leadership Course training group, it takes longer to qualify. The Council felt that the more thorough preparation was still desirable and welcomed the report from the Lay Preachers' Association that they would be recommending to Conference that the course be extended to four years.

Group Life in the Church (1963 Minutes, Page 85, No. 5)

Brief reports from March Synods indicated that only in some districts had the deeper issues in the Conference resolutions been dealt with and group life really experienced. Material to foster this

had been prepared by the Department of Christian Education and the Spiritual Advance Committee.

Next Meeting: Wallis House, Thursday, 13th May, 1965.

A. R. PENN, President.

W. F. FORD, Director of Christian Education.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to provide for the recognition in Conference records of lay connexional appointments in addition to the "supply" ministry.
3. That the title for Miss H. M. Astley and Mr C. H. Couch be Associate Director—Children's Work, and Associate Director—Youth Work, respectively.

B. — BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

Much of the Board's planning is done in sub-committees in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch. We are grateful for this valuable assistance and also for that given by District Education Councils.

1. Children's Work

Departmental Grouping. Although the needs of children vary greatly at different stages of development, many churches still have a pattern of Sunday School work which denies this fact. For many years the Department's policy has been to grade Sunday Schools into departments, where children of a similar age can be catered for and helped in their Christian growth. Tradition dies hard and some churches seem reluctant to change a programme which, although it may have been suitable fifty years ago, does not meet the needs of children in 1964.

The failure, for example, to recognise that intermediates (11-12 years) have special needs which call for a separate intermediate department is partly responsible for the very serious loss of children at that stage. The treatment of intermediates as juniors denies the findings of educational research that children of 11-13 years have mental powers and capabilities hitherto undeveloped. The recommended grading (each with its own A. and N.Z. Joint Board lesson material) is Nursery 0-3 years; Kindergarten 4-5 years; Primary 6-7 years; Junior 8-10 years; Intermediate 11-12 years.

One of the changes in approach to field work by the directors is designed to help leaders in local churches see how best they can serve children today and help them to grow in the Christian faith.

Nursery Home Roll. Concern that little is being done by the Church to help parents of babies and toddlers with the responsibilities to their children has caused the Children's Committee to examine the work of the Cradle Roll. Influenced by what is happening in Great Britain and the United States, a new pattern has been prepared to guide churches with their ministry to the youngest.

The Nursery Home Roll is the Home Section of the Church School or Sunday School, catering in the main, for those too small to attend the Sunday morning session. In order that adequate pastoral care may be exercised over the families concerned, Nursery Home Visitors, chosen for their capabilities and experience in this field, take responsibility for this age group. Good materials in the form of letters to parents and based mainly on the baptismal service are recommended for use in these contacts with the home.

Suggestions as to how the church programme can cater for families in the formative years are also made. Guidance material for this important group in the life of the Church has been published in Christian Education Handbook and may be obtained from the Department.

2. Youth Work

Since the Youth Work Consultation at Wallis House in January, 1961, the Youth Committee has been reviewing youth programme. In 1962 a statement of objectives in youth programme was adopted by the Board. A survey of the contribution of uniformed organisations in the light of these objectives has since been made. At the same time the concept of youth programme has broadened. It is seen now as the sum total of opportunities and experiences that youth have within the Church, both planned and unplanned, Sunday and weekday. The last official statement made, covering through-the-week activities and the place of uniformed organisations appeared in the 1951 Minutes of Conference. A statement on the place of Brigades appeared in the 1959 Minutes of Conference.

A new general statement is now required, helping the Church to see youth programme and the place of contributing organisations and activities in better perspective. The Board submits the following statement:

"Youth Programme: The Board has defined objectives in youth programme in these terms:

To lead young people to—

1. A growing awareness of Almighty God as Father.
2. Definite and voluntary personal acceptance of Christ as Saviour and Lord, and an increasing commitment to His way of life.
3. Christian attitudes and standards at home, at church, at school or work, in the community and in boy/girl relationships.
4. Participation in the total life of the Church through worship, fellowship and witness, and the stewardship of time, talents and money.
5. The acceptance of a share in the responsibility of presenting Christ to all people.
6. A growing desire to see Christ's way applied to all social and political issues.

Through-the-week activities have been reviewed in the light of these objectives. Such activities enlist young people; train them to take responsibility and serve in Church and community; and help develop the whole person—spiritual, physical, mental and social.

A survey shows that the **uniformed movements**, namely Boys' Brigade, Girls' Life Brigade, Boy Scouts and Girl Guides are particularly well organised to make that kind of contribution to the youth programme of the local church. In addition to offering a balanced programme, these movements, more especially the Brigades, engender the Church loyalty required by their rules. The Board feels that constitutionally the Brigades stand in closer affiliation with the Church, but it now recognises that the contribution of Scout and Guide groups which are closely affiliated with the local church and whose leadership is in the hands of the church may also be of considerable value. The effectiveness of the relationship between uniformed groups and the

Church depends largely on the understanding between the officers and the local church courts.

At best any one organisation can provide only part of the programme needs for the particular sex and age group. Then, again, while some young people are attracted by uniforms and the more formal type of programme, others are repelled. Older youth especially seeks a more relaxed and informal type of programme. In many places, locality, numbers and facilities rule out any form of highly organised club activity.

Thus in all churches or circuits there is a need for some form of **wider youth programme**, in addition to Bible Class and worship, that complements or replaces the contribution of the uniformed groups. This wider programme is the responsibility of the Local C.Y.M.M. Council, acting under the general oversight of the L.E.C. or Leaders' Meeting. Local activities in turn are complemented by district activities organised by the District C.Y.M.M. Council."

A comprehensive **C.Y.M.M. Manual**, prepared by the National C.Y.M.M. Council, will be of great assistance to Local C.Y.M.M. Councils in developing an adequate total youth programme. This manual will be published this year. The Rev. W. R. Francis has been appointed the National Boy Scout Chaplain for our Church.

Order of St. Stephen. It is significant that fields of service under the Order have now been extended beyond the Methodist Church with the appointment of Diane McCutcheon to the office of the N.C.C. and Colin Law to work for the Western Samoan Government as a broadcasting technician under the auspices of V.S.A. (Volunteer Service Abroad). It is hoped that the latter development will be the forerunner of many V.S.A. appointments under various Church volunteer service schemes. The following have also been accepted for service by the Board during the year: Margaret Lavelle (nurse, Solomon Islands), Averil Ringer (circuit assistant, Shirley), Keith Woodley (teacher, Solomon Islands), Bernice Pugh (Christian education organiser, Papatoetoe), Maewyn Cosslett (nurse, Dunedin Central Mission), Gerald Paterson (circuit assistant, Napier), David Dick (electrician, Solomon Islands).

C.Y.M.M. This year has brought further evidence at local, district and national level of the value of the C.Y.M.M. The appointment of suitable adult counsellors to guide and assist these youth groups is essential to their success. The Board, to whom the National C.Y.M.M. Council reports, is greatly encouraged by the work being done by the Council and the quality of leadership it is developing. Of special interest this year has been the selection of four young Methodists (Hugh Garlick, Rua Winiata, the Rev. Keith Rowe, and Anne Usherwood) as members of the contingent of 20 New Zealanders to attend the Asian Christian Youth Assembly in the Philippines; the raising of £500 by the C.Y.M.M. in support of the Assembly; and a revision of the C.Y.M.M. Standards.

3. Adult Work

Pastoral Care of New Members. A series of approximately 12 pastoral letters is being published. The themes covered are: How God reaches us — through prayer, Bible study, public worship; living the Christian life — at home, work; stewardship; doubts; how to face and help others to face trouble, etc.

It is hoped that Leaders' Meetings will appoint a leader to keep in touch with new members. Each letter would be the subject of a pastoral visit.

Summer Conference for Adults. Summer Schools or Conferences

for young people are accepted as a normal part of our programme. This year at Rangiatea Hostel, New Plymouth, a conference for adults is being held. The theme is "What does it mean to be a Christian adult in today's world?"

Family Camps. Three camps are being held this year: two at Rotorua on different dates and the other at Marsden Bay, Whangarei.

4. Leadership Training

Early this year District Education Secretaries and Training Organisers met for two days in Wellington. This was most useful in bridging the gap between Department policy and programme, and action in the districts. Since the consultation there has been a significant increase in leadership training activity—especially in the Preparatory Course which more churches now ask of inexperienced teachers before they begin their work.

Basic courses consisting of four training sessions are now available for workers with youth and adults. There is therefore a comprehensive and progressive training scheme now operating as follows:

Introductory: Preparatory Reading and Observation Course.

Elementary: Basic Course.

Intermediate: Methodist Christian Leadership Course. 10-day Residential Schools (May).

Advanced: School for Christian Workers (under Trinity Theological College).

5. Ecumenical and Missions Education

This year we have begun to offer children's, youth and adult groups carefully selected projects. This is to encourage people—in addition to fully supporting the Connexional Budget—to take a personal and practical part in missionary and ecumenical activities.

The three projects offered are: Books for Solomons—reference volumes for schools; "Project Protein"—meat and milk extracts to supplement the diet of students at the Christian University, Salatiga, Indonesia; Tari Hansenide Centre, New Guinea Highlands—recreational equipment. Full details have been circulated by "Project News"—a supplement to Christian Education Handbook. The Methodist Women's and Men's Fellowships also have distributed copies.

Thanks are due to Mr Maurice Clarke for organising this scheme.

6. Research Project

Departments of Christian Education of the N.C.C. member Churches are co-operating in a social survey. The aim is to discover the religious ideas and attitudes of the 20-30 age group. It is hoped that the information, which is to be published, will help the Churches as they work in that age group and also in their evaluating the effect of Sunday School and Bible Class training.

We have been greatly assisted by the leadership of Dr J. H. Robb of the School of Social Science, Victoria University.

7. A. and N.Z. Joint Board of Graded Lessons

Both the Presbyterian and Methodist leadership has changed. The Rev. Dr David Merritt, M.A., M.Ed., Dr.Rel.Ed., is the Director appointed by the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Roland Giese, B.A., B.D., S.T.M., is likely to replace the Rev. Rex Mathias who has been appointed to the Methodist Church, Canberra. Both these new men are exceptionally competent and well qualified for this work.

Dr Merritt met our Board during the year. The policy being followed may be summarised: "Lesson materials must serve the needs of local churches and be capable of being used by the teachers and leaders. They must reflect what the Church most deeply believes about its faith and its mission. They must be true to the best educational insights and the Church's objectives in Christian education. This means bringing together theological and educational insights without compromising either."

Plans are already in hand for a complete review of the curriculum and lesson materials. In the meantime these are some of the changes to be made: more teacher training material to be included in the handbooks; adult study material in "Together" to be simplified and made more usable; the claims of the ministry and the deaconess order to be included in relevant publications; Bible Class syllabi to include more group activities.

8. Statistics

1961 Census. The "Religious Professions" analysis of the 1961 Census should challenge all engaged in Christian education. Up to the 15 year age group only 62% of those whom the census describes as Methodists are enrolled in our children's and youth work. In the 0-4 group the percentage is worse—only 55%, and the position deteriorates still further with intermediate and senior youth.

Note also the further disturbing fact that our children's and youth rolls are static or declining when New Zealand's primary and post-primary school population continues to soar.

The Board reminds local churches that the most effective recruiting agencies are: trained teachers and leaders; an up-to-date programme using suitable methods; proper grading into departments—especially in children's work; attractive, well-designed, furnished and equipped rooms; a through-the-week programme which meets the needs of children and youth; a personal concern for each person who is or should be attending; effective contact with the homes of nursery age children (see para. 1 of this report); an adequate programme for adults, and especially parents, who have the most influence on the religious nurture of children.

Statistical Return. (1963 Conference Minutes, Page 85, No. 4) As several committees have advised the Secretary of Conference that their sections of the general and statistical returns should be revised, the new return will not be ready until 1965.

9. The Mission of the Local Church

The President-Elect, General Superintendent of Home Mission, General Secretary of Overseas Missions and the Director of Christian Education have met to co-ordinate their 1965 itineraries. Regional conferences are planned in which ministers and laymen (men and women) look at the missionary structure and effectiveness of their congregations and plan for advance.

The Department's directors will share in the staffing of these conferences.

10. Staff

Miss Astley has returned to her leadership of our children's work with the insights, skills and personal contacts from her study and observation overseas.

Mr Couch will be in North America from May, 1965 to January, 1966. The Board has arranged courses and experiences which should help our work, e.g., Understanding Youth, Youth Programme, Youth Evangelism, Camping, Lay Training, Group Life.

The Rev. W. F. Ford during the year has had the opportunity of giving leadership at a national level, e.g. helping to guide government in setting up the N.Z. Youth Forum, being a member of the Marriage Guidance Council National Advisory Committee.

The Department is most fortunate in its other staff: Department Office—Misses Beverley Cooper and Linley Flyger; Bookroom—Mr Glyn Jones, Misses Aileen Mansell and Kathleen Dryden, and Mrs Joyce Lewis.

11. N.Z. Council for Christian Education

The Rev. J. D. Grocott's long and able service to the cause of religion in public education was recognised by his election to the Presidency of the Council.

The most significant developments in the Council's work are: revising the Syllabus, handbooks and activity books; the decision to employ more district supervisors; the introduction of an accrediting procedure and a code for voluntary teachers; the provision of material for worship and to supplement the social studies syllabus (in post-primary schools); an optional course in a Teachers' College on "Christianity and Education".

The Board has approved on behalf of our Church several amendments to the Rules of the N.Z.C.C.E.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

W. F. FORD, Director.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. Because the Church in its teaching programme must take into account the special needs and capabilities of children at their different stages of growth, Local Education Committees (or Leaders' Meetings where there is no L.E.C.) be asked wherever possible to organise their children's work in the departments recommended by the Board.
3. That all Local Education Committees (or Leaders' Meetings) in consultation with their Local C.Y.M.M. Council review their total youth programme in the light of the statement on youth programme.
4. That Conference thank the Rev. Rex Mathias, M.A., Dip.Rel.Ed., for his long and outstanding service to our Church through his leadership of the A. and N.Z. Joint Board of Graded Lessons.
5. **N.Z.C.C.E.**
 - (a) That the representatives on the N.Z.C.C.E. be the Director of Christian Education, the Rev. J. D. Grocott, Messrs R. W. Sage and H. J. Farr.
 - (b) That a grant of £400 be made to the N.Z.C.C.E. from the Connexional Budget.
6. That the Board of Christian Education be requested to report on the present system of religious instruction in Primary Schools, and in particular in answer to the following questions:
 - (a) Is the present system of voluntary teaching in primary schools regarded as a temporary expedient, or are the Churches, in fact, becoming more and more committed to it as the best way of giving religious instruction to primary school children?

- (b) Are the Churches honest in suggesting that they can possibly discharge the responsibility of providing adequate religious teaching in the primary schools of this country?
 - (c) Is it right to suggest, as a recent N.Z.C.C.E. pamphlet appears to, that the voluntary system provides the moral and spiritual education of children at school in a way in which professional curricular teaching would not do?
 - (d) Is it one of the regular and basic duties of a Methodist minister to act as a teacher or organiser in the present system? If so, how is this justified in terms of our calling and ordination? How is it justified in terms of the Church's calling and mission?
7. That the Board be requested to add a section in the objectives of the Youth Programme to emphasize the ministry of the Holy Spirit.
 8. That the Department give guidance to local churches in relating their roll numbers to census figures in area and in assessing future trends and planning for them.
 9. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 5 herein.

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QUESTION 37.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to Public Questions?

A—Public Questions Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

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

1. PUBLICATION OF ACCUSED PERSON'S NAMES PRIOR TO TRIAL: 1962 mins., P.95, res. 8.) This matter and the relevant memorandum from Mr A. E. Pontifex, of Reefton, was given further consideration during the year. The Committee had before it two legal opinions, one being a very exhaustive examination of the subject. It is the opinion of the Committee that the issues involved in the remit, and the arguments both for and against, appear to balance out evenly. The Committee recommends that no further action be taken, and has not, therefore, referred the matter to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs.

2. AID TO DISCHARGED PRISONERS: (1962 mins., P.95, res. 6.) The Conference of 1962 asked the Public Questions' Committee, "to investigate and report on the way in which the Church and Christian people can best help ex-prisoners."

The Committee has had discussions with the Chief Probation Officer of the Justice Department, and others familiar with the problem. The following statement is presented for local Church groups to consider so that definite action will result.

Introduction: At the outset it should be realised that this service calls for patience, perseverance and ability to accept disappointments. Often we are dealing with maladjusted people far removed from our moral and cultural standards and in need of long-term reorientation. With the right sort of help, many can be helped to live better lives. While there is tremendous satisfaction in seeing a man make good after a preliminary disaster, workers in this field have found that no man should be considered hopeless—even after fifty convictions men have responded and made a new start.

Goodwill alone is not enough. Common sense and willingness to learn about the problems involved and the aims and difficulties of those concerned with penal policy and administration are necessary. When we go out of our way to help a prisoner or ex-prisoner we may eventually have an influence on him, and every care should be taken to avoid the influence being hurtful rather than helpful.

Conference commends this service, and advises anyone who feels called to undertake it, to seek the guidance of the New Zealand Prisoner's Aid and Rehabilitation Society.

The N.Z. Prisoner's Aid and Rehabilitation Society: During recent years, aid to prisoners and ex-prisoners has changed in scope and intensity. Independent prisoners' aid societies which barely existed in several centres have become revitalised and are now working as member societies of the N.Z.P.A.R.S., in most of the centres where prisons are located.

Full time field officers of the Society in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington and Christchurch, and honorary Field Officers in other centres are able to work closely with Prison Chaplains and Welfare Officers; and after the man's release, with Probation Officers.

Recently a National Organising Secretary was appointed. The activities of the Society include:

1. Training of Members: The Society holds residential training weekends two or three times a year, and has the material studied, in printed form for the help of those unable to attend.

2. Material Assistance: If necessary the Society provides a man on his release, with food, clothing and bedding, helps him find accommodation and employment, and offers counselling and other specialised help.

3. Prison Visiting: Teams of men visit prisons and each visitor is able to see two or three men privately. A friendly relationship is usually established and the authorities have noted that men visited often give less trouble than those not visited. Visits by laymen are of great value to the inmates because:

- (a) They bring reassurance that the community has not just locked them away and forgotten them.
- (b) They help to weaken, and possibly break down the barrier which many prisoners have erected between themselves and the community—and thus establish some hope of reconciliation.
- (c) They provide help to release tensions created in the prisoner through being confined in an artificial society.
- (d) The visitor can often help prisoners in a way the prison authorities cannot do. Many needs come to light as he talks to the prisoner, including collection of outstanding pay from his last job, personal effects from his last lodging, left luggage or laundry.

4. Personal Help on Discharge: The visitor will try to keep in touch with the prisoner or refer him to another member or associate of the Society. In the case of younger men in particular, a member would meet his charge on arrival in the town, perhaps introduce him to his new employer, keep in touch with him and provide an understanding audience when the youth wanted to let off steam. The important point is that on his release the man feels that he has a real friend, one who has shown a real interest in him, and **who did it for nothing**. Many discharged prisoners meet situations with which they cannot cope, and at such times the friendly counsel of someone to whom they can turn easily can be most valuable. Such counsel and friendship may not be sought or may even be spurned, but it should continued to be offered.

5. Women's Teams: When the wage-earner is imprisoned hardship often overtakes the family. Women's teams give moral and practical assistance to wives at this difficult time. The family is visited as soon as the man is sentenced, and at least fortnightly thereafter. Frequently the wife needs money to pay for food, clothing, fuel, rent and other commitments. She is helped to secure benefits available from the Social Security Department and other welfare organisations. Christmas and birthday presents are provided for the wife and her children, and help is given in a variety of ways including fellowship and counsel. The visitor tries to ascertain the relationship between the prisoner and his wife and to prepare the way for a new start without bitterness or recrimination. Some women do not wish to visit but serve in other ways such as making up sheets, etc., from material bought in bulk by the Society.

6. General: Sometimes a man is willing to help in this work but does not wish to involve his family. In this case he could

become a prison visitor only, visiting chiefly, men sent to his town to serve their sentence. He could become an advisor about employment, meeting men occasionally at his place of work. He could help with some of the administrative work of the Society and give it his financial support. The latter field of service is open to all people not qualified to do more active work in the Society.

Many centres without a branch of the P.A.R.S. have a local Probation Officer of the Justice Department, and it would be wise in that case to discuss the matter with him. Because a Probation Officer represents authority, he is often regarded with suspicion—even antagonism—by those he wishes to help. A layman with a genuine love for his fellows can often get through this barrier. The qualities we must bring to this work are:

*A willingness to accept these people as they are.

*A genuine desire to befriend them without any feeling of superiority.

*A desire to understand and help without any tags.

If our aim is to make them into people like us, or to get them to attend Church, we disqualify ourselves from being able to help.

7. The Future: In the past assistance has been chiefly confined to material aid to discharged men and the maintenance of their families while they were in prison.

Now, the Society and the Justice Department look forward to the establishment of an aftercare service which will help men to become fully rehabilitated. This cannot be done by a small team of specialists but by the help of men of goodwill throughout the country. As about 3,500 prisoners are discharged each year, a corresponding number of homes which they can visit occasionally is sought, preferably where the children have left home.

If each Church congregation could provide one home where people offer a genuine, caring and realistic approach to an ex-inmate a considerable impact could be made on the problem of offences occurring after discharge. Such people should receive the moral support of their local congregation.

It should be emphasised that men whose habits are distasteful would not be recommended to families, but to people who understand and are trained to deal with the problems involved.

Public Education: Here is a field in which an enlightened Christian public opinion can be of the utmost value. Public attitudes in penal matters are influenced by prejudices, fears and hidden motives which may be natural, but are nonetheless untenable from a Christian point of view. In a democracy this has a considerable bearing on the ability of the authorities to carry out true rehabilitation. It is suggested that local congregations, preferably acting in unison with other Churches in their area, invite prison chaplains and other qualified persons to address them on these matters in order to enable them to think and speak with knowledge as well as Christian conviction.

Conclusion: It is to this work that the Methodist Church of New Zealand calls some of its people—to visit those in prison and help them to return to the society against which they have offended; to succour their families; and to do all in their power to prevent further conflict with the law. The manner of helping would lie in joining the N.Z. Prisoners' Aid and Rehabilitation Society, and thus supporting the disciplined Christian work of men and women drawn from all denominations.

3. GAMBLING; (1962 mins, P.96, res. 11.)

1. **Introduction:** The gambling contract has been defined as "an agreement between two parties whereby the transfer of something of value from one to the other is made dependent on an uncertain event in such a way that one party will gain and the other lose". The most significant forms of gambling in New Zealand are betting on horse races and taking tickets in lotteries. The Methodist Church has traditionally considered gambling to be morally wrong, and has ruled that the profits from gambling may not be accepted by the Church for any purpose. This ruling was reaffirmed by the 1962 and 1963 Conferences. However, we recognise that this position is not one that is adopted by all Christian churches.

2. **Gambling and the State:** Organised gambling is usually subject to State control and has from time to time been the subject of State enquiries. A New Zealand Royal Commission on Gaming and Racing was set up in 1946, and in its report (1948) the Commission concluded that because of public opinion it would be better to regulate gambling than to attempt to suppress it. The report also reminded the Government that gambling could produce serious social consequences.

This Commission recommended that a system of off-course betting be established and this recommendation was put into practice, after a referendum was taken in April, 1951, when the Totalisator Agency Board commenced operations. Widespread illegal betting with bookmakers was bringing the law into disrepute prior to this. The curtailment of the activities of the bookmakers which has occurred since the establishment of the T.A.B. has to that extent been advantageous. However, we are concerned at the way the T.A.B. has become part of the "New Zealand way of life".

The 1946 Royal Commission received no evidence that gambling through the medium of raffles or art unions had produced social evils and made no significant recommendations. It did, however, note that tickets in a well known overseas lottery were freely sold here. Partly in an endeavour to reduce this expenditure on overseas lotteries the Art Union was replaced in December, 1961 by the Golden Kiwi Lottery. This received much more support than its predecessor and sales of tickets in overseas lotteries decreased, indicating some transfer of patronage from the overseas lotteries to the Golden Kiwi. The net result has been an appreciable increase in the total sale of lottery tickets in New Zealand. More recently the rate of sale of Golden Kiwi tickets has decreased, and it is not yet known whether there has been a corresponding increase in the sale of tickets in overseas lotteries.

The recently announced new Golden Kiwi lottery with £1 tickets and a 1st prize of £60,000, will undoubtedly cause a further increase in the total sales of lottery tickets, and encourage more people to become heavily involved in gambling. We regret this tendency to establish bigger lotteries, and a protest has been made by the Public Question's Committee to the Government.

3. **Extent of Gambling in New Zealand:** The totalisator turnover for the year ending 31/7/63 was £52,035,000. Approximately 82.4% of this amount was distributed to the bettors and 9.3% was retained by the State as taxation. The remaining 8.3% (£4,326,000) can be considered as the actual cost in terms of national resources used. Analysing official figures for the Golden Kiwi ticket sales and tax received from overseas lottery tickets sales, we find that the

economic cost is about £1,000,000. Adding these two together (raffles though numerous are of little economic significance) in total we get an economic cost of about £5½ million, or 0.4 per cent of the total private income before tax of £1,334 million in 1962-63. This gives gambling its proper economic perspective, but does not of course measure its importance from an ethical point of view.

4. Gambling and the Community Today: Our concern with the tendency to increase State sponsored gambling facilities is far more than a negative one. It arises from a positive desire for good government and the health of society.

While appreciating the desirability of retaining in New Zealand, money otherwise spent on overseas lotteries, the advantage of using the gambling habit to benefit Government funds, and the considerable good resulting from the distribution of profits to charitable and social organisations, we believe that alongside this there are subtle perils which increase with bigger lotteries.

We believe that State sponsorship casts over gambling an aura of respectability which could have serious consequences. Gambling undermines the will to work which is the most essential basis of economic welfare. There is a strong temptation especially with big lotteries for people to waste money which should be spent on meeting the needs of the family. There is a danger that many legitimate calls on people's generosity will suffer. Also, people may increasingly seek, "something for nothing."

We believe it 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.

5. Gambling and the Individual Christian: The question whether it is morally right for a Christian to gamble can be approached from three points of view—its effect on income and expenditure; the motives for gambling, and the alternative uses of money.

(a) **The Amount Involved:** We cannot countenance gambling with large sums so that the risks of loss are great enough to involve heavy debt, or insufficient care for the needs of one's family. Equally, where the prizes to be won are large enough to bring a significant monetary advantage to the winner, the dominant motive can easily be greed. To lose large sums can be disastrous; to win large sums can be demoralising; to keep trying can mean allowing one's whole life to be dominated by a most undesirable type of acquisitiveness.

Not all gambling is on a large enough scale for these considerations to be fully relevant. Most gambling is in the form of occasional tickets in lotteries and raffles, with only a few shillings at stake at a time with no one likely to suffer significant loss, and often a "good cause" standing to benefit. Many Christian people see no harm in occasional small scale gambling. How then can one decide for oneself whether it is right to participate? As a positive guide to Christians in these matters we recommend an honest examination of motives and of the alternative ways of using money.

(b) **Motives for Gambling:** In small scale gambling motives are usually mixed. To some it is a form of mild entertainment, or escape from an otherwise dull existence. Often, too, a "good

cause" is used as the motive for buying a ticket. The ticket is bought as a donation, the buyer not caring whether a prize is won. But the prize if won, is not refused. If it is intended to give a donation this can be done without buying a raffle ticket. It remains true, therefore, that an element of selfishness is present in most cases. The best giving is that which costs the giver something, and the New Testament enjoins us to give without expecting any return.

(c) Alternative Uses of Money: While the community in general may see little harm in mild forms of gambling, and while in many cases an absolute condemnation on ethical grounds is not appropriate, for a Christian there is a much higher and more positive standard of values. A Christian is called so to love his fellow men, so to empty himself of self-centredness and greed, that the use of even a small amount of money for gambling will have no attraction; the winning of prizes will give no satisfaction, and there will be many more urgent and worthwhile uses for his money than he can possibly meet. This is a high standard to adopt and we may all fall far short. Hence there should be no selfrighteousness in our attitude.

6. Conclusion:

1. There are good reasons to support the traditional Methodist view that gambling should be avoided by Christians and we recommend this standard to our members.
2. The Methodist Church should continue to witness to this view by not accepting grants arising from any form of gambling.
3. While excessive gambling is clearly to be condemned we recognise that there are Churches and Christians who believe that moderate gambling is permissible.
4. It is in the national interest that no further facilities for gambling be provided.
5. In helping people as they face this problem, the Church should not rely on an arbitrary impersonal rule. The Church should call its members honestly to examine their motives when tempted to gamble even on a small scale; and to adopt a way of life in which responsible stewardship rather than acquisitiveness is their guiding principle.

4. ANNUAL REPORT INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS, 1963: During the year matters considered by the Council include the following:

(a) Bulletin on Public Affairs: A representative committee composed of those with a knowledge of advertising and editorial work deliberated on this matter for several months and then presented the Council with a written report on its findings. After consideration of this report, the Council decided that the most suitable method of communicating items of business which were newsworthy would be by means of press releases and other methods of public information, issued under the guidance of a committee experienced in journalism and public relations. This Committee has now been formed from nominees of the Churches.

(b) Golden Kiwi Lottery: The national assemblies of affiliated churches were asked to consider their official attitude to the Golden Kiwi Lottery and its use of radio time for advertising. After careful study of the written replies it was agreed that at this stage, the course of action lies with individual churches rather than the Council seeking to make an official pronouncement. The Council

also sought the opinion of churches on the general issue of the use of Golden Kiwi profits for Christian and charitable works. Following the receipt of a number of replies, the Council wrote to the Prime Minister stating that it shared a common concern that some church bodies who have a conscientious objection to accepting the proceeds of gambling for the maintenance of their welfare work are being penalised when they are offered the proceeds of gambling, and particularly the Golden Kiwi Lottery, for this purpose. The Government was requested to seek ways and means of rectifying this state of affairs, and assurance has been received that this matter is at present under consideration.

(c) **Aid to Underdeveloped Countries:** An approach was made to the Prime Minister seeking a greater Government contribution to the funds of the Freedom from Hunger Campaign. Concern was expressed at the inadequacy of the present contribution when it is compared with the standard of living in this country. In his reply the Prime Minister outlined the extent of New Zealand's contribution to international relief agencies and programmes of aid, and these facts were circularised to churches Public Question's Committees and church papers for their information.

(d) **Alcoholism:** The Methodist Public Questions Committee submitted its Conference's report on alcoholism with the suggestion that it could be used as the basis for a fuller statement on this question by the churches as united in the decision of the Council. The statement was sent to church bodies for comment, and a committee representative of constituent denominations was set up to consider replies and report back to the Council. The same committee was also asked to consider the question of the need for altering the present form of the ballot paper on the licensing issue, and both these matters will be under further discussion in the coming year.

(e) **Public Appeals for Funds:** The Council considered a suggestion that there would be considerable advantage in a system whereby all societies appealing to the public for funds, were requested to register under an appropriate act and submit an audited set of accounts. The Council agreed that the present practice had its dangers, but considered that in the extensive undertaking of screening there was the risk of stifling the good and well intended act as well as the bad, and consequently it did not feel that action was advisable at this time.

(f) **Pattern of Urban Development:** It was suggested to the Council that the pattern of urban development was becoming wasteful and dangerous because of its tendency to stratify the community into age groups. The cause of this trend could often be traced to the difficulty of obtaining financial assistance for the purchase of the older type of home, and the Council was asked to make representations to the Government suggesting that State Advances Corporation loans should be made available for the purchase of existing homes in developed areas. At the Council's request the State Advances Corporation is at present making investigations as to the extent of this development, and the financial assistance being given to those wishing to purchase homes in established residential areas.

R. THORNLEY, Chairman.

I. J. RUCK, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That a grant of £25 be made from the Contingent Fund.
3. That the representatives on the I.C.C.P.A. be the District Chairman, the Convener of the Public Questions Committee, and Mr G. C. Burton, B.A.
4. That the Department of Christian Education, in consultation with the Public Questions Committee, prepare the material on gambling in the report in suitable Study form.
5. This Conference expresses its concern over, and disapproval of, the Government's policy of fostering the promotion and organisation of large scale gambling facilities which involves the people in serious moral consequences and is inimical to National well-being.
6. That Conference urge our people to counter the increased emphasis on gambling in our country, not only by refusal to support lotteries and other organised gambling but by greater efforts to present a positive Christian faith and its expression in a better social order.
7. That Conference ask the Public Questions Committee to study the use of land in New Zealand with particular reference to urban development.
8. Conference notes with approval the proposed reduction in the School Cadets Corps but reaffirms the 1958 Conference decision favouring the abolition of the system of military training in New Zealand schools and Colleges.
9. That Conference commend the Health Department on production of a study booklet on the dangers of cigarette smoking for use in schools and that our Department of Christian Education make our people aware of its availability to study groups. See Dept. of Health Pamphlet 127—Notes for Teachers.
10. That we commend the Inter Church Council for its request to the Government to make available funds for Church bodies, social service, and charitable works, from sources other than the Golden Kiwi Lottery.
11. That the Public Questions Committee consider the question of suppression of names for persons convicted of drunken driving.
12. That the Public Questions Committee be asked to investigate publicity and literature issued overseas to prospective immigrants into New Zealand and the regulations governing immigration into New Zealand.
13. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 37.

B—International Affairs Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

1. Recognition of the Communist Government of China, and its Admission to the United Nations Organisation. (1963 Mins, Res. 10.):

The following reply was received from the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Keith Holyoake: "At present both the Government of the Republic of China, and the Chinese Communist regime refuse adamantly to accept the 'two-China' idea, and there is no prospect that this situation will change. The Chinese Communists, in particular, have made it quite plain that they will not accept a seat in the United Nations so long as the Nationalist representative continues to be seated in the United Nations. Similarly, the con-

tinued recognition of the Government of the Republic of China would not be accepted by the Chinese Communists. I therefore see no ground for hope that your proposals would be acceptable. They would simply be rejected by Peking.

"Even apart from the question of practicability, however, I must state that this Government finds repugnant a suggestion that it recognise the Peking regime and support its admission to the United Nations when its major actions over the past year, notably the brutal attack on India and the spurning of the test ban treaty as a 'dirty fraud', fly so directly in the face of the interests of world peace."

Commenting on the French Government's decision to recognise the People's Republic of China, Mr Holyoake said: "Since the establishment of the Communist Government in 1949 successive New Zealand Governments have felt that the behaviour of the Peking regime gave no indication that it was willing to accept the normal standards of international behaviour. It has been condemned in the United Nations as an aggressor in Korea. It has over the years maintained, and still today maintains pressure on its neighbours, including its aggressive attacks on India in 1959 and 1962. Its subversive activity is a continuing threat to the independence of all the countries of the Far East."

"Moreover successive New Zealand Governments have been unwilling to accept the claim of the Peking Government to establish by force if necessary, their rule over Taiwan. We have not been willing to sacrifice the people of Taiwan in the absence of the expression of any wish on their part to come within the domination of the Communist regime."

"This attitude is not the expression of an inflexible position. Were there any indication that the Peking Government was prepared to conduct itself properly, to modify its claims to Taiwan and to demonstrate its willingness to work for international peace, or if there were some other significant change in the situation, we should be willing to review the question." (Extract from External Affairs Review, January, 1964.)

Recognition of the People's Republic of China:

The recognition of a government does not imply tacit approval of that government's policies. The continued refusal of New Zealand Governments since 1949 to recognise Communist China has had no apparent effect whatsoever on that nation's policies, and it is likely that the New Zealand Government's inflexible stand will continue to inflame enmity and hatred, rather than promote reconciliation. The eventual recognition of Communist China must be inevitable.

Admission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations:

That nearly one quarter of the world's population should have no representation in the international forum of the United Nations makes a mockery of the name of that body, and is a continuing threat to world peace. We believe that efforts should be made to encourage Communist China to commit herself to the aims, purposes, and principles of the United Nations, and to associate freely with other nations in the discussion of international problems.

2. Study of Current Events:

The Committee considered the difficulties involved in the study of the current international trends, the fast-moving nature of the events, the political complexity of the situations, and the absence of

reliable sources of information apart from news releases. Short courses in current events are run by the Adult Education Departments of the Universities, or the University Extension Departments as some have been named. Church groups willing to provide a required number of students may apply for a series of lectures, and discussion courses under tutors are run by correspondence for people in remote country areas. Enquiries should be made to the closest of the following:

Auckland: Mr S. R. Morrison, Director of University Extension, P.O. Box 2175, Auckland.

Hamilton: Dr. R. L. Bedggood, Director of University Extension, 65 Victoria Street, Hamilton.

Palmerston North: Mr D. Garrett, Area Tutor of Adult Education, Caccia Birch House, Te Awe Awe Street, Palmerston North.

Wellington: Mr J. C. Dakin, Department of Adult Education, 192 Tinakori Road, Wellington.

Christchurch: Mr D. W. Rutherford, Department of Extension Studies, P.O. Box 1471, Christchurch.

Dunedin: Mr D. O. W. Hall, Department of University Extension, 835 George Street, Dunedin.

3. Stewardship Education in Aid for Underdeveloped Countries. (1963 Minutes, Res. 7.)

The Finance and Stewardship Committee and the Field Directors, while expressing sympathy with the intention of the Resolution, had found their experience to be that, "where people are educated to give more sacrificially they support other causes far more generously as well as increasing their giving to their Church." Instances were given of Circuits increasing considerably amounts given to the Freedom From Hunger Campaign, and N.C.C. Inter-church Aid (Christmas Appeal) after Stewardship Campaigns.

4. Massive International Aid an Urgent Necessity:

Our people need to be warned of the mis-leading statements made from time to time, which tend to discourage aid to underdeveloped countries through gifts of money and food. The Rev. H. C. Dixon, National Secretary for the N.Z. Freedom From Hunger Campaign indicated that approved projects costing more than £250,000 cannot now be met, because the money is not in hand. The Organisation For Economic Co-operation and Development (O.E.C.D.) published in 1962 a booklet on "Food Aid—Its Role in Economic Development," and study by the Food and Agricultural Organisation has revealed ways in which food surpluses may be safely distributed (F.A.O., "Development Through Food)—a Strategy for Surplus Disposal." 1961.)

The continued education of peasant producers is the first step in raising living standards. The second step is large-scale capital investment for major works and projects in industry and agriculture, assistance with technical knowledge and skills, together with stable government, trained administrators, economic order, transport, communication, and other basic services.

We commend the Freedom From Hunger Campaign, the N.C.C. Annual Appeal, and Volunteer Service Abroad, as avenues by which Methodists may make individual or corporate contributions to the needs of people in underdeveloped countries, and thereby encourage the Government to substantially increase aid to overseas projects to abolish hunger, disease, and illiteracy.

We encourage Methodists to advocate publicly a massive effort to aid underdeveloped countries by the Government of New Zealand,

and to approach members of Parliament, and to work through political parties towards this end.

It is a fallacy to assert that increased economic aid cannot be given by a country whose national economy is described as buoyant. The basis of economic order ought to rest on service to the rights and to the needs of men, who should not be made subservient to the impersonal forces of any system.

5. Bringing Last Year's Report Material Before the People. (1963 Mins. Res. 5.)

After consultation with the Rev. W. F. Ford, the Committee decided to present the material in the form of short studies. One on "The United Nations and Ourselves," is being printed in the September issue of the Christian Education Handbook, and another on "The World Food Supply" is available from the Convener and the Auckland and Wellington Epworth Bookrooms, at 6d per copy.

6. Keeping the Church Informed of Material the Committee is Considering. (1963 Mins. Res. 8):

The Committee included a list of items on its agenda, together with Res. 3., which commended Quarterly Meeting consideration of increased support to overseas aid, in the Christian Education Handbook issued to ministers in April. This material ought to have been before most Quarterly Meetings in April.

7. Refugee Resettlement.

When it became known that sponsorships were urgently needed to make full use of the quota of refugees permitted to enter New Zealand during 1964, the Committee sent out an appeal to Leaders Meetings through the June issue of the Christian Education Handbook. Sponsorship could be undertaken by Leaders Meetings or by groups of Churches in an area. Enquiries should be made through the N.C.C.

8. Statement on Possible Non-military Means of Resisting Aggression and Political Tyranny. (Mins. 1962, Res. 9, 1963, Page 93.)

The Committee has commenced study on material available—limited mainly to the pioneering work of individuals and voluntary research groups. Although experts in various fields emphasise the need for basic research, assistance for this is not forthcoming. The field of study is wide; the problems are complex; the opposition by power groups is unyielding; and the apathy of Christians and non-Christians is disheartening.

Consideration of the work and ideas of pioneers in this field offers alternatives to warfare which make profound sense in the nuclear age. Consultation with the Faith and Order Committee may be necessary before an introduction to this subject can be produced for the Church to discuss and the Committee asks leave to continue its study.

9. Setting Aside 1% of National Income for Overseas Aid Projects. (1963 Minutes, Res. 4).

The Committee received no reaction from the Government on this matter, and decided that a deputation from the Committee should wait on the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition to present the Church's mind. The Presbyterian International Relations Committee is to be associated with the deputation, and it is hoped that the United Nations Association and the N.Z. Universities Students' Association can also be represented.

10. Aid for Victims of South African Apartheid Policy.

The Defence and Aid Fund of "Christian Action" has now provided £260,000 for legal defence of the opponents of apartheid and

aid for their families. The need for support continues, and the Committee sent material for publication in the "Methodist Times," the "Auckland Methodist," and the "Otago Methodist," detailing the plight of some victims, and the help the Fund has been. During the year donations totalling £21 10s were received, and forwarded to "Christian Action," Defence And Aid Fund, 2 Amen Court, London, E.C.4.

11. Volunteer Service Abroad. (Background, Page 99, 1963 Mins.)

At the first full year's working it was reported that 16 volunteers were abroad, considerably less than the 50 envisaged £4675 was received from the Rotary V.S.A. Good Neighbour Team Fund, £3,000 came from the Government for running expenses and travelling, and £1,072 came from subscriptions and donations. There were 566 individual, and 25 corporate members.

Personnel required include people who are qualified, in nearly every branch of engineering, architects, economists and accountants, medical officers, nurses, and agriculturalists, teachers and instructors. Handymen, who may not be specialists in a particular field, but who have a good all-round knowledge of farming, building or engineering methods are also required.

Financing Volunteers. Volunteers live as nearly as practicable on the levels of the communities in which they work. Sometimes a host Government provides housing only, and V.S.A. pays a field allowance in lieu of salary.

Partnership with Methodist Order of St. Stephen. A candidate for the Order, Mr Colin Law of Mirimar, had qualifications in radio engineering which could not be made use of in the Church here or overseas, and which were needed by the Government of Western Samoa. After consultation he was found to be acceptable as a Volunteer, and left for Apia in June. He receives no salary as a candidate for the Order. There may be other young people who can offer their services through the Order of St. Stephen for volunteer service in fields in which they are qualified.

Churches and Fellowships may join V.S.A. (£5 per year for Corporate Membership, and £1 per Member for individual adults.) This is a practical means for helping people in developing countries, and for fostering international friendship.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

ERNEST HEPPLETHWAITE, Convener.

Appendix. Addresses of Overseas Aid organisations are:
National Headquarters, Freedom From Hunger Campaign, P.O. Box 2500, Wellington.

National Council of Churches, P.O. Box 297, Christchurch.
Volunteer Service Abroad, P.O. Box 3564, Wellington.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of £30 be made from the Contingent Fund.
3. That Conference appeal to the Government of New Zealand to recognise the People's Republic of China, and to press for its admission to the United Nations.
4. That the International Affairs Committee be authorised during 1965 to initiate a national Methodist Appeal for the South African Defence and Aid Fund.
5. That the Committee be given leave to continue its study of non-military means of resisting aggression and political tyranny.

6. That Conference express appreciation of the Government's action in allowing the entrance of 200 refugee immigrants to New Zealand and trust that the Government will continue to make such entry possible.
7. That Methodists be encouraged to participate in local civic planning for observation of United Nations International Co-operation Year, and that the following question be asked in Leaders' meetings:
"What arrangements have been made to mark the observance of UNICY."
8. That Conference support every endeavour of the Government to avoid involvement of New Zealand troops in South Viet Nam and supports every effort of the Government in pressing for a peaceful solution through International negotiation and co-operation.
9. That Conference affirms the general guiding principles for the reduction of International tension as stated in the New Delhi report, p. 269.
 - (a) Any attempt to change an unsatisfactory situation by force must be opposed.
 - (b) That churches have a clear duty to issue a solemn warning that any nation which deliberately embarks on a course of action bound to raise tension must be condemned.
 - (c) Settlements should involve equitable concessions from both sides.
 - (d) There should be a readiness to accept provisional settlements when final solutions cannot now be achieved.
 - (e) That the world must learn to live patiently with problems for which at the moment no satisfactory solutions are possible.
10. That we ask the Public Questions Committee to seek the support of the N.C.C. and the Inter-Church Council for Public Affairs in an approach to the Government to set aside 1% of the National Income for Overseas Aid Projects.
11. That Conference protest against nuclear bomb testing anywhere in the world and endorse Government action in protesting to the Government of France concerning nuclear tests by that country in the Pacific, and that it urge upon Government renewed protest in the light of the test ban treaty being observed by other nuclear powers.
12. That Conference ask the N.C.C. to consider forming a National Committee for aid of victims of South African Apartheid policy.
13. That Conference notes with pleasure that Mr G. C. Burton has been appointed the Convenor of the Council of Churches on International Affairs now centered in Wellington.
14. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 37.

C—Temperance Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

The Committee has met on six occasions during the year, with very good attendance.

There have been changes in the personnel.

Statement on Alcoholism

This statement, prepared a few years ago for the Committee by the Rev. I. C. E. Ramage, was sent to the Inter-Church Council

on Public Affairs for their consideration and with a view to it being included in any public statement on the Temperance issue, made by the Council.

The Inter-Church Council has circulated the statement to the constituent churches seeking their views, and this matter is still under consideration.

Alteration of the Ballot Paper on Licensing

The Temperance Committee spent considerable time and energy during the year seeking to have the Ballot Paper altered from three issues to two with a second part allowing for a vote for or against Dominion Trust Control. The Committee sought the co-operation of sister communions, the main political parties, the Constitutional Society and the Ombudsman.

Sympathetic responses were received from the Ombudsman and the Social Credit Party. The Government replied extensively, explaining why at present it was not contemplating a change.

This matter is currently receiving the attention of other organisations such as the Inter-Church Council.

The 1963 Licensing Poll

The result of the Licensing Poll revealed the prevailing mood that the majority of New Zealanders favour liquor in some form.

Prohibition lost ground slightly with a decline of 18,812 votes or 2.08%.

The Dominion result was:

Continuance	791,715 (66.80%), Gain of 0.74%
State Purchase	157,607 (13.30%), Gain of 1.34%
Prohibition	235,914 (19.90%), Loss of 2.08%

While the over-all result is disappointing, nevertheless several encouraging things appear. The vote for Continuance was almost static, being an increase of less than one per cent.

Another significant feature was the comparatively low vote for Continuance in the Maori electorates; all being well below the Dominion average.

The Continuance vote was:

Western Maori	4,972 (48.45%)
Eastern Maori	6,887 (58.12%)
Northern Maori	5,094 (53.53%)
Southern Maori	4,069 (55.04%)

In two electorates the Continuance vote declined from the previous poll.

In Auckland, a vigorous campaign was undertaken by Temperance interests in the four No-License Districts. It had been expected that Restoration would be carried in at least one District, but all four Districts increased the percentage for No-License.

While the majority desire the retention of liquor, nevertheless it is becoming apparent that a growing number desire more adequate control.

Retention of Licensing Poll

Since the last election, there has been agitation in some quarters to have the Licensing Poll abolished on the grounds that over many years, a growing number have supported the use of liquor in our society.

It has been further urged that the heavy expense of conducting the poll, is no longer warranted.

It cannot be urged too strongly, that in view of the serious moral and social issues involved in the consumption of liquor, the public must continue to be allowed to record their views on this issue.

The Chief Electoral Officer has stated that the estimated cost of conducting the poll is little more than £10,000.

Visit of Mr and Mrs James Scully

We were favoured during the year with the visit of Mr James Scully, a noted American Temperance Worker and an authority on Alcoholism.

Besides being an Associate Secretary in the International Temperance Association, Mr Scully lectures in over 100 American High Schools and Colleges each year.

He came to New Zealand at the invitation of the New Zealand Alliance. With Mrs Scully, he toured the Dominion conducting public meetings and speaking to large numbers of teen-agers in High Schools.

We are grateful to the N.Z. Alliance for their initiative in bringing these overseas visitors to our shores.

One-Day Conference on Alliance Objectives

The New Zealand Alliance is examining its own objectives. A conference of representatives from the constituent churches and societies was held in Wellington last June, when the chairman and convener of the Temperance Committee together with the two Methodist representatives on the N.Z. Alliance, represented our Church.

The conference was a representative meeting of all the Temperance interests and was well worth while. It is proposed to give greater emphasis to the positive activities of the N.Z. Alliance, along the lines of education, research and legislation. It is hoped that this approach will attract wider support and gather together more effectively the increasing number who wish to see a marked improvement in the circumstances surrounding the manufacture and consumption of alcoholic beverages. The conference has a number of recommendations for the Annual Meeting of the N.Z. Alliance.

Temperance Literature from Overseas

During the year, the Temperance Committee received much valuable temperance literature from the Methodist Church in the United States and Great Britain as well as from the Queensland Temperance League in Australia. All this was carefully examined and selected material sent to the Department of Christian Education for possible use within our Church education programme.

The Study Booklet, "Methodist Temperance Policy Since 1950"

This study by the Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore has been well received by our Church. After producing two printings of 500 copies each, a third printing of 500 copies has been found necessary. Copies are still available for church groups, at sixpence each.

Conference Resolutions, 1963 Minutes, Page 109

Resolution 7 calls on the Committee to consider ways in which pastoral help can be given to non-abstaining members—and report to Conference.

The Church believes that total abstinence is the desirable ultimate objective so far as alcoholic drinking is concerned. Nevertheless the Committee points out that total abstinence is not a prerequisite of Church membership. It recognises that there

are non-abstaining members but feels that they should not be singled out for special pastoral help on that account.

It is the opinion of the Committee that the usual pastoral care and oversight should be given to all members, whether or not they are abstainers.

In any case, it is not always possible to know whether members are non-abstainers.

If there are non-abstaining members for whom alcoholic drinking has become a problem, these people deserve the assistance of special pastoral care. The need for this will become apparent by observation, by direct request, or by the concern of relatives and friends. They can be confronted with the need for a fully committed life, they can be directed to medical advice, or they can be introduced to Alcoholics Anonymous or the National Society on Alcoholism, which two organisations are now represented in most of the main centres.

Regarding non-abstaining members for whom alcoholic drinking has not become a problem, we feel that the Church is entitled to keep its total-abstinence view-point charitably before them. We do well to remind ourselves that at the centre of our faith is a cross.

Care should be taken that there does not develop between abstainers and non-abstainers, a sense of separation resulting from a "holier-than-thou" attitude on the part of the abstainers and a sense of not fully belonging to the fellowship, on the part of those who do not feel constrained to become total-abstainers.

In this matter of pastoral care, we commend the publication, "Alcoholism. A Guide to the Clergy", now being published in New Zealand by the National Society on Alcoholism and available through the Department of Christian Education.

Change of Location

The Conference Temperance Committee has now functioned in Hamilton for almost ten years. It is felt that the time is opportune for a change of location, to be made at the Conference of 1965.

D. H. PAYNE(Chairman.
L. SHAPCOTT, Convenor.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of £35 be made from the Contingent Fund.
3. That in view of the important moral and social issues involved in the consumption of liquor, Conference urge the Government to retain the triennial poll on Licensing.
4. That in place of Temperance Sunday, the Church institute a Christian Citizenship Sunday, in which Temperance takes its place with other social concerns as material for teaching, preaching and discussion.
5. That Conference ask the Department of Christian Education to arrange suitable observance of Christian Citizenship Sunday.
6. That the following be referred to the Temperance Committee. That the corresponding members be nominated on a District basis as in other Conference committees.
7. That the Committee consider the matter of its name.
8. Conference is aware of the attitude of many people concerning the Licensing Laws in their bearing on hours of trading and the

tourist industry, but re-affirms its stand that no changes should be made without a Referendum following public discussion.

9. That the Committee investigate and report on blood testing of suspected drunken drivers.

10. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 38.—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, 1964, are summarised herein.

1.—TRUST ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS	£	s	d
Credit Balance from last year—General Account	108,327	5	5
Balance from last year held for Special Purposes	689,792	6	11
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund	41,205	18	4
Loans from other sources	120,398	19	6
All other Receipts	740,094	7	9
Total Receipts	1,699,818	17	11
Debit Balances	75,059	16	9
Total	1,774,878	14	8

EXPENDITURE

Debit Balance from last year	92,249	19	9
Loan Fund Instalments	19,301	14	0
Other Loans Repaid	76,959	13	10
Interest on Loans and Bank Overdraft	26,114	4	6
Purchase of Land, Erections or Additions to			
Buildings	704,596	3	9
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc.	212,820	15	8
Total Expenditure	1,132,042	11	6
Credit Balances	139,470	0	11
Balances held for Special Purposes	503,306	2	3
TOTAL	1,774,878	14	8

2. TOTAL OF FIRE INSURANCES 5,468,985 9 3

3. DEBT

Mortgage Debt at end of previous year	617,132	19	11
Add New Loans received during year	165,797	8	0
TOTAL	782,930	7	11
Deduct Loans repaid during year	101,073	14	7
Amount of Mortgage Debt at end of year	681,856	13	4

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 main items reveals the following position:

(a) General trust income: An increase of £285,772.

(b) Amount held for special purposes: A decrease of £187,557.

(c) Amount spent on new projects of various kinds: An increase of £71,468.

W. R. LAWS,

General Secretary for Church Property.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the District Property Secretaries be thanked for their services and that appointments for 1965 be as under:

NORTHLAND:

Mr A. G. Kelly, 6 Nixon Street, Whangarei.

AUCKLAND:

Mr F. M. Souster, 408 Richardson Road, Auckland.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Mr C. R. Shoosmith, Thames Road, Paeroa.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Mr A. L. Fox, P.O. Box 678, New Plymouth.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Mr C. B. Radcliffe, 220 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

NELSON:

Mr A. C. Barrington, Riverside Community, R.D.2, Upper Moutere.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Mr N. Hillary, P.O. Box 552, Christchurch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Mr P. G. Woodnorth, P.O. Box 254, Timaru.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Mr A. J. Ganderton, 141 Forfar Street, Clyde Hill, Dunedin.

QUESTION 38.

B—Church Building and Loan Fund Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

SALE OF PROPERTIES

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of properties as under. If not acted on by January 31st, 1966, the sanction lapses. In some cases final sale price has not been determined (X).

Northland District:

Onerahi, Whangarei, 2 roods 1.9 perches (X). Waikiekie, Paparua, 2 roods 16 perches (gift returned). Kaikohe Parsonage (£3800).

Auckland District:

Warkworth, 1/5th acre.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:

Tahuna, Morrinsville, ¼ acre (£350). Hamilton East, Parsonage (£2600). Te Kuiti Parsonage (£800).

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:

Onekawa, Napier, 1 rood 26.5 perches (£3600). Pahiatua Parsonage (£2400).

Wellington District:

Aro Street Church and land (£2650). Solway, Masterton—Church only (£100). Raumati South, 32.32 perches (£900). Paraparaumu Parsonage and land (13 acres) (X).

North Canterbury District:

Lytelton Parsonage (£3000). Woolston, 1 rood 2.9 perches (£1600). High Street, Christchurch Church, hall and land (£9000). Broadfield—Church only (£100). Woodend Parsonage (£1380).

South Canterbury District:

Mayfield—Church only (X). Willowby, 1 rood 36 perches (gifted).

Otago-Southland District:

Dunedin Central Mission Dwelling (£1825). Dunedin Central Mission Parsonage (£3650). Palmerston, 1/8 acre (£100). Milton Parsonage (£1800). Aparima—Church only (£300). Wild Bush (£60).

PURCHASES

The following purchases of land have been approved:—

Auckland District:

Pitt Street Parsonage (purchase of lease) (£7000). Great Barrier, 2 roods 31.7 perches (£300). Campbell's Bay (Central Mission), 1 rood 6.6 perches (£2000). Glenfield (£1500). Kaukapakapa (gift).

Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:

Melville, 33.8 perches (£722).

Wellington District:

Paraparaumu, ¼ acre (£2100). Raumati Beach, 32 perches (£950).

North Canterbury District:

Wainoni (additional), 1 rood 26.4 perches (£750).

BUILDINGS**Purchases (P); Erections (E); Additions and Alterations (A).**

Plans and/or purchases have been approved as under. (In some instances approximate cost only can be given at date.)

Northland District:

Rawene Church (A). Whangarei Hall (E) (£8800).

Auckland District:

Prince Albert College (E) Offices (£85,000). Auckland Central Mission—Tyler House (A) (£800); Caughey House (A) (£2,300); Wesley Hospital (E) (£138,000). Rothesay Bay (A) Church (£1800). Birkenhead Church (A) (£600). Waitoki Shops (P) (£800). Otara Church Hall (A) (£2000). Premier Buildings, Papakura (A) (£1500). Silverdale Church Hall (E) (£2500). Point Wells Church (E).

Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:

Central Mission, Tamahere (E) (£120,000). South Auckland Camp Trust (E) (£580). Hamilton East Parsonage (E) (£7500). Claudelands Church (A) (£1300). Melville Parsonage (E) (£6500). Greerton Parsonage (E) (£5000). Otumoetai Church and Hall (E) (£2500) (Stage 1). Te Kuiti Parsonage (E) (£5000).

Taranaki-Wanganui District:

Waitara Hall (E) (£1900). Marton Parsonage (A) (£1840).

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:

Mangapapa Church Hall (A) (£1900). Dannevirke Church (A) (£600). Makotuku Church (E) (£2500). Pahiatua Parsonage (P and A) (£3200). Palmerston North (St Paul's) House (P) £3500. Bunnythorpe Church (E) (£4100). Rongotea Church (A) (£100).

Wellington District:

Island Bay Church and S.S. (A) (£3300). Lyall Bay Church (E) (£16,000). Porirua East Parsonage (E) (£6500). Paekakariki Parsonage (E) (£6500). Stokes Valley Church (E) (£9000). Stokes Valley Parsonage (E). Carterton Church Hall (A) (£250).

Nelson District:

Rapaura Church and Hall (A). Picton Church (A) (£211). West Coast D.Y.C. Buildings (additional) (E) (£364).

North Canterbury District:

Hills Road, Christchurch, Church (A) (£1100). Lincoln Road Parsonage (E) (£4500). Wesley, Fitzgerald Avenue Parsonage (A) (£250). Wairakei Road Hall (E) (£2000). Heathcote Church (A.).

South Canterbury District:

S.C. Camp Trust Dormitory (A) (£3748). Timaru Dwelling (A) (£100).

Otago-Southland District:

Roslyn Parsonage (E) (£5000). Palmerston Parsonage (P) (£3500). Newfield Parsonage (E) (£5000). North Invercargill Church (E) (£10,000).

Summary:

In brief, property projects approved during the year number as follows:—

Sites (new)	4
Sites (additional)	3
Sites (replacements)	1
New Churches	6
New Halls	4
Parsonages (including 4 replacements)	13
Extensions	20
General (shops, dwellings, camps, etc.)	6

The cost of the above projects aggregates approximately £489,443, unmistakable evidence of vitality in our New Zealand Church.

LOANS

Loans (interest-free)—**Current** (a) As at 31st May, 1964, there were (198) Loans current amounting to £120,629 6s 10d.

New Loans (b) amounting to £31,348 5s 0d have been advanced to 33 Trusts as under:—

Auckland District:

Pakuranga £1000 and £500; Glendowie £1000; Waterview £1000; Henderson £1000; Te Atatu £1000; Swanson (additional) £250; Massey £1000; Tuakau £1000.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:

Melville £1000; Rotorua £1000; Otumoetai £1000.

Taranaki-Wanganui District:

Gonville £300; Trinity, Wanganui £1000.

Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:

Dannevirke £1000; Pahiatua £1000; St Paul's, Palmerston North £1000; Taikorea £1000; Waipawa £1000; Waipukurau £1000; Foxton £1000.

Wellington District:

Ngaio £1000; Porirua East £1000; Tawa £1000.

Nelson District:

Nelson South £1000; Stoke £1000.

North Canterbury District:

South Brighton £1000; Wainoni £1000; Woodend £1000.

South Canterbury District:

Woodlands Street, Timaru £1000; Willowby £1000; Oamaru £1000.

Otago-Southland District:

Mosgiel £1000; Cromwell £300.

(C) Loans Promised.

At date 30 loans have been promised to Trusts totalling £29,250. The Committee is making loans available as quickly as funds permit

and feels gratified that the period of waiting is being reduced to about 18 months at most. The Committee is desirous of increasing the maximum of its interest-free loans (especially to new causes) as soon as possible and seeks the continued support of Methodists of means through gifts and legacies.

Sites Funds:

The following Trusts have received a grant for the purchase of a new site:—

Waitoki £ 100; Porirua East £ 150 (2); Redwoodtown (Blenheim) £ 150.

Grants for New Areas (Church Extension):

The amount carried forward from last year was £3 2s 8d. The sum of £ 7986 6s 11d was received from the Connexional Budget, bringing the account up to £ 7989 9s 7d. Grants totalling £ 6700 have been made as under, leaving a balance of £ 1289 9s 7d to be disbursed.

Auckland District:

Marion Avenue £ 500; Pakuranga £ 1000; Te Atatu £ 500.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:

Tokoroa £ 500; Otumoetai £ 500.

Wellington District:

Wainui-o-Mata £ 185; Paraparaumu £ 500; Taita (Pomare) £ 315.

North Canterbury District:

Wainoni £ 700; Aldred Memorial £ 1000; Islington £ 500.

Otago-Southland District:

Waverley £ 1000.

Booklet of Plans of Parsonages:

The Committee cannot see the need for a special publication of this nature, as some material was incorporated in "The Church in the Midst" and plans of Parsonages already erected are made available as requested. (Minutes 1963 p. 115 (3).)

Annual Trust Contributions:

The Committee has reviewed the matter as requested by Conference and recommends that the policy be discontinued. (Minutes 1963 p. 115 (4).)

Need For Committee's Approval:

The Committee would again draw attention to the Conference regulation requiring full consultation by Trusts and the approval of this Committee before embarking upon building schemes. We regret that we have to report to Conference that during the past year some buildings have been erected and others altered without the approval of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

Experience shows that where schemes receive little or no outside scrutiny or are proceeded with in undue haste the danger is great of serious mistakes being made that result in financial and spiritual harm to our Churches.

For the Committee,

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the practice of seeking an annual contribution from Trusts be discontinued after year ended June 30th, 1965.

3. That the Committee be asked to consult with the Department of Christian Education with regard to specifications for Christian Education Buildings.

4. That all Connexional Boards be asked to investigate their investment policies with a view to obviating losses through inflationary trends.

DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES

5. 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, W. J. Court and R. Howard.

AUCKLAND:

Revs E. C. Leadley, R. F. Clement, E. W. Hames and L. R. Gilmore; Messrs A. M. McKerras and K. J. Rosser.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Revs. R. H. Allen and A. O. Jones; Messrs W. B. Young and A. A. Lilley.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Revs G. L. Bennett and one to be appointed. Messrs W. S. Thrush and J. P. Harding.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:

Rev. J. B. Dawson, 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:

Revs. N. W. Olds, J. Grundy, and Messrs A. J. Marett and R. E. Littler.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Synod Standing Committee.

QUESTION 38.

C—Custodian of Deeds

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

1. Titles.

For the year ended 30th June, the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged:—

Northland: Omapere (Church—hall site); Te Kopuru (Church Hall); Paihia (Church); Wellsford (Parsonage).

Auckland: Pitt Street (Parsonage); Auckland Central Mission (Hospital); Takapuna (Parsonage); Papakura (Shops); Silverdale (Church).

Waikato-Bay of Plenty: Hamilton (Church); Frankton Junction (Church); Rotorua (Church).

Taranaki-Wanganui: Aramoho (Church and Parsonage).

North Canterbury: Wainoni (Church—additional land).

Otago-Southland: Dunedin Central Mission (Company Bay Home); Mornington (Dwelling); Bluff (Church and Parsonage); Greenhills (Church).

2. New Trusts.

New trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:

Northland: Omapere.

North Canterbury: Lincoln Road Parsonage (2); Edgeware Road-Aldred Memorial Parsonage.

Otago-Southland: Palmerston.

3. Trustees.

Changes in the personnel of Trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:—

	Trusts	Deletions	Registrations
Northland	8	22	41
Auckland	25	74	50
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	17	43	60
Taranaki-Wanganui	11	23	12
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	8	13	14
Wellington	17	50	25
Nelson	5	14	8
North Canterbury	23	42	79
South Canterbury	8	15	8
Otago-Southland	16	32	44
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	148	328	341
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W. R. LAWS, Custodian of Deeds.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 38.

D-Commission on Proposals relating to Church Properties and the Investment of Church Funds

REPORT, 1964.

This Commission was set up by the 1962 Conference. Its order of reference is contained in Resolutions 24 to 26 on pages 229-230 of Minutes of that Conference. Its time for reporting was extended by the 1963 Conference. To the end that funds be more readily available for Church extension and development, the Commission was directed to examine and make recommendations on the following proposals.

- (a) That all church properties be held by one corporate body instead of by the many individual trusts as at present.
- (b) That there be set up an Investment Trust Board with which Trusts, Circuits, Committees, Departments and members could deposit funds by way of investment.
- (c) That there be established within the Connexion an Investment or Savings Society (similar to that operating in the Public Service) through which members and others by regular deposits could lend money to the Church.

The Commission as a whole met and devoted a day in examining and discussing the proposals which were based on submissions from the Wellington and South Auckland Synods. Written views of certain members have been considered and memoranda prepared by the Legal Advisor, the Connexional Secretary and the General Superintendent of Home Missions, have been circulated. Wellington and other members of the Commission who were avail-

able, have since met and agreed on the conclusions contained in this report a draft of which has been circulated to all members and has their general support.

HOLDING OF CHURCH PROPERTY:

The purpose of the proposal that all Methodist Church properties be vested in a "Corporation Sole" was not only to facilitate property transactions as opposed to what some regard as the present out-dated provisions of the Model Deed, but also to consolidate the property resources of the Connexion to the end that such resources could be utilised in raising finance from lending institutions to meet the urgent needs of the Church for development purposes. The practice of other communions was considered and the commission was sympathetic to the objectives of the proposal. It was, however, greatly influenced by the views of the three legal members, all of whom have had wide experience in Methodist law, tradition and practice. It was pointed out that our present system has stood the test of time, that it tends to impose upon trustees a greater degree of desirable responsibility and, most important of all, any change in the present system would involve amending legislation by Parliament, which would be undesirable at this juncture, particularly having regard to the prospect of Church Union. Accordingly, the Commission has no recommendation to make.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A CHURCH INVESTMENT TRUST:

This proposal emanated from an impression formed in some quarters from the published financial statements of many of our church departments, committees and trusts that there is a substantial volume of funds held in Banks, Post Office Savings Bank, Government Stock and other trustee investments which could, if the right facilities were available, be just as profitably invested within the Church and so provide resources to meet the present urgent development needs. Likewise it was felt that there were also many circuits, local trusts and individual members who had funds which could be similarly invested within the Church without risk or disadvantage to the depositors, but with considerable advantage to the Church. As was stated in the interim report to the 1963 Conference, facilities such as those envisaged already existed within the Home Missions Dept. and the General Purposes Trust Board, but it appeared that such facilities did not attract the general support they warranted. It was considered by some members of the Commission that a properly drawn and controlled scheme backed by the whole Connexion and forcefully launched and publicised, would result in widespread support to the great benefit of the Church generally. It is understood that, under the Model Deed, trusts are authorised to use and invest funds in this way.

The Commission accordingly recommends to Conference that the proposal for setting up such a Connexional Trust Board be approved in principle and that such proposal be based on the following conditions:—

- (a) The proposed Trust to be controlled by an experienced Board of Trustees appointed by Conference, the general administration to be handled by an appropriate connexional office with a fully qualified staff.
- (b) The proposed Trust Fund to be authorised to receive deposits at call or for fixed terms from Church departments, committees, funds, trusts, circuits, members and adherents. (In the case of individuals deposits to be repayable on death even though placed for a fixed term.)

- (c) Deposits to be interest bearing at ruling rates or at such lower rates as may be nominated by the individual depositors.
- (d) Of the amounts deposited, a proportion (to be fixed) to be invested in readily marketable securities to meet repayments at call, the balance to be made available for lending to the Church for financing properly approved schemes of development and extension.
- (e) Interest to be charged to the borrowing organisation to be at rates which will cover interest payable to depositors and expenses of administration.
- (f) In the launching of the scheme and the initial and continuing publicity, the assistance of the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee and its officers to be sought.
- (g) Until the scheme is promulgated other similar activity, except purely local efforts not to be proceeded with.
- (h) If the principle is approved, Conference to set up a committee in the Waikato-Bay of Plenty District, where there has been interest and experience in a like scheme, to draw up details of operations for submission to 1965 Synods and Conference.

CONNEXIONAL SAVINGS SOCIETY:

This proposal has been strongly advocated by a member who has had a wide experience in a scheme operating within the Public Service. It envisages the setting up of a similar scheme whereby individual members and adherents of the Church would make savings by paying in regular sums into the suggested fund, such deposits to be at call, and to bear interest at current rates. It is further envisaged that there would be thereby created a fund for financing Church projects by way of loan.

After due consideration the Commission reports that it has no recommendation to make for the following reasons:—

- (1) It would involve the appointment of an agent at each local cause to promote and receive the suggested regular deposits, and experience shows that this would be difficult.
- (2) It would involve the setting up of a central and quite extensive accounting organisation which the Commission felt would not be justified by the likely support of the proposal.
- (3) The proposed Investment Trust as recommended in this report should adequately meet the needs of the Church and its members.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.
T. M. PACEY, Convenor.

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. That the Report be received only.
- 2. That the Commission be reappointed and be asked to confer with the Home Mission Board, Overseas Missions Board, General Purposes Trust Board and other Connexional Funds involved, with a view to clarifying the working relationships with these existing funds.

QUESTION 39.—What is the condition of the various Mission, Educational and General Connexional Properties and Investments?

1—The Probert Trust Board

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for the year ended 30th June, 1964.

The Annual Financial Statement shows that increases have been maintained in Rentals, also in Interest on Investments.

Maintenance and upkeep on the Houses and the 3 blocks of shops have received careful supervision throughout the year. The Board's properties are being maintained in good order and condition, under the supervision of the Board's architect.

The annual allocation for the Building Renewal Reserve of £2500 has been provided, bringing the total for that fund to £24,500. The Board has one property which is long overdue for renewal, but action has been delayed till the pattern of property development in the area is clearer, following the completion of the motorway.

The appropriations for the year were as follows: £1500 to Trinity College, £2500 to Building Renewal Fund, £1000 to Trinity College as authorised last year (special Grant), £1000 to Trinity College as a temporary loan re new classrooms.

The members of the Board are: Dr D. O. Williams, Rev E. W. Hames, Rev E. C. Leadley, 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

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

2—Prince Albert College Trust

ANNUAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES

for the year ended June 30th, 1964.

This year has seen a big step forward in the development of our property and the utilisation of the Trust assets and funds.

Details of the Trust administration are as follows:

1. Hotel Property: The main hotel building and the former "Stadium" building are under a 10-year lease, expiring in 1972, to Mr P. J. Ruissen. A new lease has been negotiated with Mr Ruissen for the Annexe building, formerly leased on a monthly basis. In view of the financial liabilities of the Trust for loan capital for the new building, this lease has, in addition to providing an increased financial return, secured tenancy of the Annexe for a minimum of four years.

The property is operated as the "Rembrandt Private Hotel" and is providing accommodation to a standard acceptable to the trustees.

2. Shops: The 17 shops facing Queen Street have been fully occupied during the year. All but four of these shops are under lease expiring in 1968. Every encouragement has been given to tenants to enter into this longer term lease in order to secure the trust income.

Maintenance on the shops this year cost almost £800 and indeed was held to this budgeted level only by deferring some items of maintenance work to next year. These shops are now well over 50

years old and the heavy maintenance expenditure is simply the product of an ageing asset. The buildings are however being maintained in good condition and provided we are prepared to accept the high cost of maintenance, will remain a reasonably profitable asset.

With the encouragement of Queen Street development above the Town Hall the trustees recognise their responsibility to develop their Queen Street frontage in the not too distant future. The nature and timing of development has not yet been decided.

3. Nett Income: After deducting all expenses and grants, the nett income of the Trust in respect of the hotel and shop properties in the preliminary accounts is £6,180. This is a fall of £350 on the results reported for 1962/63 and is due to the elimination of interest-income from the development funds formerly invested on the short term money market but now utilised in construction costs of our new building.

4. Grants: The Trust has again contributed £200 to Trinity College for general purposes.

5. Funds: All trust cash resources have been utilised in the construction of the new £85,000 I.B.M. building on our property. A mortgage of £60,000 was also raised for this purpose from an Insurance Company on acceptable terms. This mortgage provided for repayment of £30,000 over a period of 5 years, while the balance will be repaid at the end of ten years from Endowment Insurance policies taken out by the Trust. A full financial budget is now in operation and has proved to be of immense assistance in the forward planning of the Trust's activities.

Until required for payment of construction progress payment, all cash funds were deposited at maximum Interest rates available on the short term money market.

6. Development of Property: I.B.M. Building: After entering into a pre-letting agreement with the I.B.M. World Trade Corporation, computer and business machine manufacturers, for approximately two-thirds of the lettable floor space available, the Trust decided to erect on its Turner Street frontage a three-floor, prestige office building providing approximately 9,000 sq. feet of lettable office space, storage rooms and street-level ground floor parking for 20 cars.

The total cost of this building will be almost £90,000 of which £72,000 has been spent to date. Something of a construction record has been achieved with this project, in that instructions were given to the architects to prepare working drawing on August 14th, 1963. tenders were called in early October and construction commenced with the turning of the first earth by our chairman, Rev. R. F. Clement, in early November. The first tenants moved in on the 26th of May, 1964.

The Trust expresses its thanks to its consultants, Livingstone and Jones Lang Wootton, to the architects Lewis Walker and Co. (represented by Mr. Kelvin Grant, a Methodist layman) and to the contractors Wilkins and Davies, for their services in the project.

At the date of writing this report, all but 520 sq. feet of space has been let in the building, and the remaining area will be taken up very soon. All the car park spaces both in the building and in an outside park constructed with the building have been let.

The building is a high-class asset of which we can be proud and with its facilities provides a good financial return. The tenants are growing companies and businesses and with this in mind, full pro-

vision has been made both in construction and financing to extend the building.

Car Park: It has been decided to utilise land in front of the hotel annexe for a paved car park to accommodate approximately 40 cars. A contract has accordingly been let and already approximately half the spaces are pre-let.

(Chairman's Note: The Trust is greatly indebted to its indefatigable Secretary, Mr R. A. Barfoote, A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.A.I., who has spent innumerable hours in discussions and negotiations to serve the Trust this year, particularly in the planning and erection of the I.B.M. building.)

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

R. A. BARFOOTE, Hon. Secretary.

RECOMMENDATION:

RESOLUTION

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

3—The James and Martha Trounson Benevolent Fund Trust Board

CONFERENCE REPORT FOR 1964

Grants amounting to £553 7s have been made during the year. Applications for assistance for needy Methodists of good standing for whom inadequate provision is made by any other fund of the Church or elsewhere, are given sympathetic and confidential consideration. The Board depends upon our Ministers to make such applications and application forms are available on request from any circuit or Home Mission Station in the Dominion.

The Rev B. M. Chrystall has been welcomed as a member of the Board and the Rev G. I. Laurenson has been retained for consultation when necessary.

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, M.A., B. M. Chrystall, B.A., E. E. Sage (Secretary), Messrs J. S. Caughey, K. M. Griffin, G. S. Gapper and C. K. Wigglesworth.

L. W. PEAKE, Chairman.

E. E. SAGE, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

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

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

Annual Report for year ended 30th June, 1964

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference our report on the Board's activities for the year ended 30th June, 1964.

Masterton Children's Home:

The affairs of the Home have been administered almost entirely by the local Home Committee, but, until the general policy regarding the care of dependent children is implemented, no further steps in connection with the transfer of complete autonomy to the Committee are considered desirable. However, sympathetic consideration to such a move will be given as soon as the Committee recommends that the time is ripe for such transfer.

In the meantime, the Board endorses the report which the Home Committee has presented direct to the Conference, and also the recommendations contained therein for the personnel of the Committee for the coming year. It also records its sincere thanks to all members of the Masterton Committee for their efforts on behalf of the children under their care.

Rangiatea Maori College Trust:

The work of the College Trust Board continues to fulfil a most useful function in the cultural development of a section of our Maori people. Contact with the work of the Trust Board is maintained through three members of this board being appointed to the Trust Board and we are grateful to Messrs G. C. Burton, T. M. Pacey and A. D. Priestley for their services.

Financial:

Both interest and rents have shown small increases for the year with the result that the net income of the Board has increased by £151 to £3045. In accordance with the policy adopted five years ago this sum is divided equally between the Masterton Home and the Rangiatea College Trust, each receiving £1522.

General:

Following his removal to Wellington, Mr W. Churchill has resigned from the Masterton Committee, and the Committee has recommended that Dr O. F. Prior be appointed to succeed him as one of its representatives on the Wellington Board. We are pleased that Mr Churchill is able to continue as a member of the Board, and feel that the personnel should be still further increased. Mr C. H. Hain has consented to accept nomination.

On behalf of the Board,

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman,
J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. Robert Thornley be re-appointed Chairman.
3. That Messrs G. C. Burton, T. M. Pacey and A. D. Priestley be reappointed as representatives of this Board on the Board of Rangiatea Maori College Trust.
4. That Dr O. F. Prior and Mr C. H. Hain be appointed as members of the Board.
5. That the persons nominated in the Annual Report of the Masterton Children's Home be appointed as the Committee for the current year.

5.—THE EMSLY TRUST BOARD.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

6.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST.

RESOLUTIONS

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

7—Kai Iwi Mission Estate

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

Because of increased rentals reported last year the grant to Rangiatea Trust has been raised to £300 per annum, and a Reserve Account has been opened, the monies deposited therein, to be in-

vested with the Home Mission Investment Funds Board, until required for establishing Maori Institutions in the district.

The Trust sincerely regrets the passing of its senior trustee, Mr Lewis Bassett, who had been associated with the Mission farm for over 40 years.

The Trustees wish to record their appreciation of the helpful services rendered by Rev B. M. Chrystall during his five years as Chairman, and pray for God's blessing on his work as General Superintendent of Home and Maori Missions.

C. O. HAILWOOD, Chairman.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

8—Robert Gibson Trust

It will be remembered that the Conference of 1932 recorded its appreciative acceptance of a bequest by the late Robert Gibson, of Manaia, under the terms of which the sum of £5,000 and a dairy farm were left to the Church for the purpose of establishing an orphanage and training farm for boys in Taranaki.

Between the years 1932 and 1957 conditions altered so as to make an orphanage unnecessary, and the Conference of 1957 decided to approach the Supreme Court seeking an order for variation of the terms of the will, so that the income from the estate could be used for purposes other than those specified by the testator, the control of same to be taken over by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Conference.

After considerable difficulty full agreement on all matters within the Trust has been reached between the Public Trustee as its present administrator, the Connexional Office and the Board of Advisory Trustees.

It is anticipated that the order for the variation in the terms of the will, will be before the Court during October, and that, as members of the Conference read this, the income within the estate will have been freed for the use in the several ways set out in the 1957 and 1958 Minutes of Conference.

In the interim the value of the net assets within the estate have risen to be £81,498 as at June 30th, 1964, £48,908 of the total being liquid.

Out of this latter sum and if the Court so direct and the Conference so approve the following immediate action is proposed.

1. To establish a permanent reserve of £15,000.

2. To erect a Robert Gibson Memorial Hall at Manaia to cost up to £15,000.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

M. S. HUGHSON, Acting Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the resolution of Conference 1957 providing for a reserve fund of £5,000 and the resolution of Conference 1959 increasing same to £10,000 be now varied so that such reserve shall be fixed at the sum of £15,000.
3. That to cover increased costs and to provide a building suited to the requirements of the area the sum of up to £15,000 be allowed

for the erection and furnishing of the Robert Gibson Memorial Hall at Manaia. (Note: Figure previously approved £10,000.)

4. (a) That pending the order of the Court aforesaid the following shall act as Advisory Trustees:

The Chairman of the Taranaki-Wanganui District. The Superintendent of the Manaia Circuit, Messrs S. W. Bailey, H. J. R. Donald, J. P. Harding, M. S. Hughson, L. M. Moss, A. M. Moss, O. T. Parry, R. J. Thomas. Connexional Secretary (ex-officio member).

- (b) And that on the order of the Court having been made the above named shall act as the Board of Trustees.

QUESTION 40—What is the Report of the Board on Connexional Insurance?

Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The annual financial statements for the year ending 31st May, 1964, are presented to Conference with this report.

INCOME	£
Premiums and Commission amounted to	3,610
With interest from Mortgages, Debentures and Deposits amounting to	3,958
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The total earned income was	7,568
Deducting administration costs	£1,300
The amount left to be transferred to Profit and Loss Appropriation Account was	
6,268	
Adding to this amount carried forward from last year	44
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The total herein was	6,312
After provision for Grants (1963) £4 (1964) £3,550	3,554
and Fire Loss Reserve £250 and Transfer to Accumulated Funds £2,500	2,750
The Balance carried forward was	8
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	£6,312

CLAIMS

(a) Fire Insurance: 23 Claims amounting to £891 11s 2d were received and paid in full, our Fund having to accept £204 0s 8d of these particular losses.

(b) Employers' Liability Insurance: 2 Claims amounting to £85 3s 6d were sustained and paid in full with no charge upon our Fund.

FIRE LOSS RESERVE

This year the sum of £250 was added to this Reserve which now stands at £40,000. £2,500 was transferred to Accumulated Funds. Last year £3,500 was transferred to Fire Loss Reserve.

INVESTMENT CONTINGENCY RESERVE

This now stands at £3,206 17s 10d.

GRANTS

Grants totalling £3,550 are recommended to Conference for approval as compared with £3,500 for the preceding year.

NEW INSURANCE

New and additional insurance written up during the year amounted to £677,592, compared with £398,935 for the previous year.

RE-INSURANCE CONTRACT

Arrangements for the revision and the renewal of the Re-insurance Contract were completed during the year. The new contract dates from May 16, 1964 and is for a term of 10 years.

CONNEXIONAL PUBLIC LIABILITY SCHEME

This was approved in principle by 1963 Conference and we submit a complete scheme for approval after consultation with our re-insuring agents.

A. A. DINGWALL Chairman.
E. R. CAYGILL, Lay Treasurer.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

ADDITIONAL REPORT

CONNEXIONAL PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME

Synods and Conference 1963 approved in principle the above scheme and after consultation with our re-insuring Agents we now submit a proposition for approval.

At the present time 76 separate Trusts have arranged some form of indemnity, with 13 new insurances having been completed during the year ending 31st May, 1964.

Public Liability Insurance covers the legal liability of the Church against claims for accidents involving Personal Injury and damage to property, caused by the negligence of the Church and its Servants and through any defects in the land or buildings owned by the Church. It should be noted that only accidents caused by our negligence are indemnified under this form of insurance and that unless negligence can be established, no legal claim can arise against us. We are therefore only insuring our legal liability and not any moral obligation to meet claims for all types of accidents which could occur in or about our properties.

The type of insurance envisaged will be on the widest form of indemnity available and will include cover against claims for accidents arising through fire, explosion and food poisoning risks.

It is intended that the scope of protection will apply in or about all Church, Sunday School, and Parsonage properties, as well as at other Preaching Places. Provision has been made to include liability as abovementioned for accidents occurring at Sunday School picnics and outings organised by the Church, as well as other normal activities associated with the Church which are not specifically insured or to be insured under separate policies.

Accidents involving the use of motor vehicles are not covered under this form of insurance, as such risks are specifically covered under policies designed to insure vehicles, which have automatic extensions covering liability to Passengers, etc.

The premiums at present being paid by the individual Trusts for Public Liability Insurances are based on minimum premium charges.

A substantial reduction in cost will be available under the Connexional Scheme which will also provide much wider coverage than that in existence under most of the existing contracts.

The Board has given a great deal of consideration to the amount of indemnity that should be available in the event of any serious accident involving a Trust and in view of the fact that one accident could involve a claim by many injured Persons, or several other Property Owners, the Board is of the opinion that an indemnity up to £100,000 for any one accident should be completed for the protection of all concerned.

It is now generally recognised that claims for personal injuries are being made for very large amounts and an award to an injured Party of over £20,000 is not uncommon these days. In the event of an accident involving several Persons in serious injury a substantial amount could be involved and the relative difference in cost of premiums between £50,000 and £100,000 is so comparatively small that we feel that the protection up to £100,000 is fully warranted.

The annual premium chargeable to Trusts for this £100,000 Public Liability insurance would be as follows:—

For each Church	£1 18 3
For each other Preaching Place	15 4
For each Sunday School (including Picnics)	£2 1 6
For each Parsonage	15 4

As a matter of interest, the annual saving in premium if an indemnity of £50,000 was completed would be 6s 3d for each Church, 2s 6d for each Preaching Place, 6s 10d for each Sunday School and 2s 6d for each Parsonage.

On the old basis of each Trust arranging its own Public Liability Insurance the minimum premiums of £11 1s for £100,000 indemnity, and £8 16s for £50,000 indemnity would apply to the policies if they were to cover the same form of protection now proposed under the Connexional scheme.

It will, therefore, be apparent that the overall proposition provides a greatly reduced premium outlay per trust, whilst, on the other hand, the benefits have been substantially widened to take care of possible causes for claims against us.

A full investigation was made by the Board to see if premiums could be apportioned on a Circuit Membership basis but this conflicted with the method of premium computation adopted by our re-insuring agents and was found to be unsuitable and too complicated.

Social Services and Allied Institutions

Hostels.— Of our Hostels—at present 13 in number— 3 have taken out Public Liability Insurance with the Connexional Office. Deaconess House has a cover of £100,000.

A separate Dominion wide cover is at present being investigated and will be submitted to the M.S.S.A. in due course.

Camps, Retreats, etc.

During the year a Connexional Public Liability Insurance Policy for £50,000 was effected on behalf of the Department of Christian Education which insures their legal liability for accidents occurring at Camps, Retreats and gatherings—Circuit, District and otherwise.

Eventide Homes, Hospitals, etc.

At the present time there are individual Public Liability policies in existence for varying amounts of indemnity for Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin Social Service organisations through the Connexional Office and it could well be that an overall policy could bring better protection on the lowest premium cost basis.

This matter is also being investigated and a report will be submitted to M.S.S.A. in due course.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

E. R. CAYGILL, Lay Treasurer.

W. R. LAWS, Managing Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS:

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

2. That the following grants be approved: Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund £550; Church Extension Fund £1000; Sites Fund £500; Trinity Theological College £500; Tamahere Eventide Home £500; Church Building and Loan Fund £500.

3. That the scheme of Connexional Public Liability Insurance be approved.

4. That a Connexional Public Liability cover be arranged, all Trusts to be required to contribute.

5. That the amount of indemnity for any one accident be up to a maximum of £100,000.

6. That the premiums for individual Trusts be decided according to the number of the buildings under the jurisdiction of each Trust and the uses to which they are put.

7. That the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board be instructed to pay to the appropriate Committee the sum of £4000 in each of the years 1965-66 and 1966-67 towards the financing of the proposed new Connexional paper.

8. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 41.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?

Connexional Secretaryship Committee

The Committee met on several occasions during the year and made suitable arrangements to mark the retirement of Rev H. L. Fiebig from the Connexional Secretaryship and the appointment of Rev W. R. Laws.

The interior of the Secretary's residence at 17 Merivale Lane was renovated.

The Departmental Appropriations have been reviewed and a suitable recommendation is submitted.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the following departmental appropriations be approved: Supernumerary and allied funds, £1100; Fire Insurance Fund, £1200; Church Building and Loan Fund, £800; Methodist Times, £600; General Purposes Fund, £600; Contingent Fund, £400.

3. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 42.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

Trinity Methodist Theological College

REPORT, 1964.

A—COUNCIL REPORT

Property. The completion of the new classroom block, complete with covered walk, has been an occasion of great satisfaction to staff

and Council alike. The provision of four new rooms, one for each tutor, enables the staff to make much more use of seminar groups, with all the opportunities offered by this method for individual tuition.

The outward appearance of the classrooms leaves little to be desired, while the grading and sealing of part of the grounds adjacent to the rooms and the chapel has resulted in a vast improvement to the property. The Council is deeply indebted to Mr F. M. Souster and to the Principal, Dr D. O. Williams, for their untiring interest and their oversight of the work during construction.

Other items of work on College property this year have included the provision of a garage under Richmond House, the replacement of some very old furniture in the Principal's office, and the renovation of the dish-washing bay in the College kitchen, which has necessitated the installation of a commercial dish-washing machine and a waste-master.

House Staff. In September, 1963, Miss Grove retired from the position of cook-housekeeper of the College after many years of faithful service. Her place has been taken by Mrs Rink, who has fitted into the routine of College life very well, and is making a good contribution thereto.

College Staff. Rev J. Silvester, who was appointed at last Conference as Tutor in Theology, proceeded overseas at the beginning of this year. While in Britain he has had close contact with Handsworth College among others, and has spent a more extensive period at New College, Edinburgh under Torrance and McIntyre. He will attend the W.C.C. Faith and Order Commission in Denmark in August, and will visit Princeton Seminary on his way home through the States.

Meantime Mrs Silvester and the family have been domiciled in the Master's House at the Mt Roskill Children's Home.

Rev E. W. Hames will conclude his lectures in theology at the end of this year, but, to our great satisfaction, will continue as visiting lecturer in Church History to the College.

Buttle House has, this year, been used as a women's hostel under the immediate care of one of the married schoolers, who, with his wife and family, provide a family nucleus for the House. In addition to the women students attending lectures at the College who are resident there, accommodation is also being provided for five women university students.

Foundation for Halls of Residence. Pursuant to the resolutions of the 1963 Conference, arrangements have gone ahead regarding the drawing up of a satisfactory lease, an architect has been appointed, and work has commenced on plans for the development of the property. Mr K. Dellow has been appointed to represent the Methodist Church on the Advisory Committee of the Foundation.

As decided unanimously by the Trinity College Old Boys' Association at last Conference, a Certificate of Life Membership of the Association was recently presented to Dr H. Ranston by the President of the Church in conjunction with the President and Secretary of the Association. Dr Ranston, in spite of his years, still takes a very active interest in the life and work of the College and takes an occasional lecture, to the delight of all concerned.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

L. P. SCHROEDER, Secretary.

B—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, 1964

College opened on February 28th with thirty students attending lectures. Twenty students are resident in the College and Miss E. Slaney in Buttle House which has been used this year as a Women's Hostel. One married man is a Student Pastor. Four married candidates, two married students and Miss Slaney have received the living out allowance. Mr Faatoese Auva'a, who is being trained for the Samoan Ministry, lives out.

At the end of the first term Mr Graeme Taylor tendered his resignation which has been accepted by the President.

The School for Christian Workers numbers seven this year. Of these three single men reside in the College and two live out. A married scholar with his wife and two children has provided a family nucleus at Buttle House which has provided accommodation for the only woman scholar.

In addition Buttle House has taken five University students.

Of the scholars three are candidates for our ministry and one is a candidate for the Fijian ministry.

The full curriculum of studies has been taught during the year. Systematic Theology, Old Testament, New Testament, Pastoral Theology and Greek have been taught in classes of the year. Three periods a week are allotted to New Testament and to the rest two periods a week. Church History (1 period) has been taught in combined class and Worship (1 period) to second and third year men together. The Preliminary class in Hebrew has been continued for first year students and a more advanced class added for second and third year students. Each student preaches a criticism service and all attend the weekly criticism class. Preliminary Maori is taught in the College, two students attend Adult Education for more advanced study and three are taking Maori I at University. The first year students with the Scholars have taken a class in Sermon Construction and all non-university students have attended a class in English. The Occasional Lectures this year have been on the theme of "The Mission of the Church" and we are grateful to the visiting lecturers—Rev. B. M. Chrystall and Rev. Rua Rakana (6), Rev. S. G. Andrews (6), Mr C. G. Burton (2), Rev. W. F. Ford (2), Miss Mary Astley (2), Dr H. Ranston (1).

Thirteen men are taking units at Auckland University and Miss Slaney is enrolled with Otago University for the B.D. course.

With the emphasis on the single year class the teaching staff is heavily committed. Rev. E. W. Hames (11 periods) lectures in Systematic Theology, Church History, Worship and Methodism; the Principal (12 periods) in Pastoral Theology, Greek and Sermon Criticism; Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis (14 periods) in Old Testament, Greek, Hebrew and English; Rev. J. A. Ziesler (13 periods) in New Testament and Greek. Miss Enid Slaney, M.A., takes an English Class, Rev. Ranginohora Rogers a class in Maori and Rev. L. C. Horwood a class in Sermon Construction. A class in voice production will be started as soon as a suitable tutor is available.

Rev. John Silvester, at present in England, will take up his work in the College in February, 1965, and will take over the Systematic Theology classes. Mr Hames will continue with Church History to enable Mr Silvester to teach in the single class system from the outset. Mr Silvester's reports indicate that he is making full use of the many excellent opportunities made possible by his year of study overseas.

The completion of the new classroom block for the opening of the College year was a great satisfaction to staff and students. The rooms are ventilated and heated through air ducts and are well insulated from outside noise. Each room will seat fifteen students

around three tables arranged in seminar style, and this arrangement itself seems sufficient to turn formal lectures into lively discussions. The wall dividing the old classrooms will be demolished and replaced with folding doors. The enlarged space will be used for combined classes, for film projection and for minor social occasions. We have been able, through the gift of an anonymous donor, to secure a good 16mm projector and plan to have film evenings in which the religious use of the film medium may be explored.

Three students at present in their third year have applied for permission to carry out special academic and practical programmes in a fourth year of training.

The devotional life of the College is centred on the Chapel which continues to stand at the physical apex of the college buildings. The fortnightly meetings held in three groups are exploring the spiritual values of group process and are finding them a means of Grace. During the year the students held an evangelistic mission at Richardson Road Church and over a week-end in July the Rev. M. Jackson-Campbell led a retreat on the Ignatian pattern which was an inspiration and an illumination to all.

The students under the leadership of Mr Ron Collingwood (Senior Student) and Mr Bruce Mackie (Vice Senior Student) have co-operated to maintain a heavy programme of study and devotion and they have given many hours of hard physical labour to various jobs around the College.

I have had the loyal and efficient support of my colleagues on the staff. Their work merits the gratitude of the whole Church and is lifting the academic standards of the College to a level quite impossible in the days of small staff and combined classes. This raising of standards makes it highly desirable that we should have endowments in the College to make possible scholarships for overseas study and for this and for further help for married candidates we are hoping that God will raise up Methodist benefactors.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Principal.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of the College Council and of the Principal be received and adopted.
2. That the College Council investigate the possibility of freeing the lecturing staff from routine clerical and administrative work.
3. That the Council in consultation with the Church Union Committee be asked, as a matter of urgency, to investigate the possibility of uniting theological training for all the negotiating Churches.
4. That in view of the necessity for the adequate training of probationers and students for the work of the **Circuit Ministry** the Board of Studies report to the Church Council on the length of probation and the significance of continued training during the probationary service.
5. In order that the School for Christian Workers may more effectively fulfil its purpose, i.e., the training of laymen who will return to Christian service exercised in the local Circuit, Conference asks that further information, advertising the aims and nature of the School, be circulated in the most effective manner possible.
6. That the Special Committee on Students and Candidates for the Ministry (or if the Committee is discharged the Board of Studies) be requested to consider lengthening the college year to enable students to receive additional training in circuit administration and practical experience in pastoral duties.
7. That Conference express appreciation of the continued devoted service rendered to the Church by the Principal and Staff of Trinity College.

**C—TREASURER'S REPORT TRINITY METHODIST
THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964.**

It gives me pleasure to report on the College accounts.

Income and Expenditure:

We finished the year with a credit balance of £71 3s 10d.

When Conference decided to appoint a fourth tutor we had to find a house for his family and arrange to pay his salary and expenses overseas, none of which had been allowed for in our budget. On the income side you will note an item "Overseas Studies Fund" received for Rev J. Silvester—£1682. This is made up as follows:

	£
Grant from Connexional Budget	500
Grant from Hamilton Trust	100
Grant from National Council of Churches	50
Mr Silvester's own money	32
Grant from Probert Trust	1000
	£1682

The gift of £1000 from the Probert Trust was for our Building Fund but with the approval of the Council and the Probert Trust, it was used to finance Rev. Silvester's expenses. You will note that we still have £450 in hand to meet further expenses and any balance remaining will be paid to our Building Fund.

On another major item, furnishing for Rev. J. Silvester, we spent £300 in our budget which would have been spent on existing staff houses, plus an additional £269.

Building Fund:

The Probert Trust came to our assistance to tide us over with a loan of £1000. This will be repaid by a legacy of £600 which has been left to the College and a grant from the Connexional Fire Insurance office of £500.

At the 30th June money in hand in Building Fund was £873 2s. There are still accounts to be met, also work to be done laying out the College grounds. Also, we have to repair the windows in the Tutors' houses, particularly Dr Williams'.

Organ Fund:

We have available income of £418. Please also note that the 720 South British shares are valued in our books at £2 a share—£1440.

Balance Sheet:

This shows the increasing value of the College properties through the new additions of classrooms £15,703, furnishing £813 and improvement to grounds £430.

May we express our thanks to the Connexional Budget, the Boards and Trusts for their regular support of the College finances.

Also to the students we would express our thanks for the work they do in connection with the College maintenance.

I would like to express my thanks to the Principal and the Tutorial staff for all the work they do in the day-to-day administration of the College.

WILFRID F. WINSTONE,
Hon. Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

That the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

D—Special Committee on Students and Candidates for the Ministry

1. **The Length and Nature of the College Course (Minutes 1963, p. 132, No. 3):**

The Committee consisting of the Board of Studies together with appointed corresponding members has given further consideration to the recommendations of the North Canterbury Synod (Agenda of Conference 1962, p.142). The members of the committee are in agreement as to the desirability of the four year College course for approved students and of devoting the fourth year to specialised study and/or guided practical work. For various reasons, among them disparity in intellectual capacity, the inability of some students to benefit by a further year of study, the added financial strain upon married students, and especially the value of maintaining the traditional relationship between Superintendent and Probationer by which the period of Probation continues as part of the essential training for the ministry, it is not considered desirable that a four year course be implemented for all students. Authority to grant a fourth year to selected students already exists, some students having in the past been granted the additional year. The committee feels that, since the demand for stationing is less acute, applications for a fourth year of College training can now be received. These applications should be considered on their merits.

The committee suggests further that attention be directed to the possibility that the College year commence earlier, the month of February to be used by the students for the gaining of such practical experience as can be arranged.

2. **The Length and Nature of Probation:**

The committee agrees that the total length of training prior to ordination should continue to be six years or five years for those who enter College with a degree or as married Home Missionaries. A four year College course would mean the consequent reduction of the length of Probation by one year.

It is undesirable for students or probationers to delay in the completion of degree courses. For those in the full flight of a university course it is better, where possible, to carry the course through to completion without interruption.

The difficulty of pursuing a degree course parallel to the College or probationary courses is recognised and the committee recommends that candidates who desire to take University studies be encouraged to complete as many units as possible before entering Trinity College.

3. **Candidates' Examination (Minutes 1963, p.133, No. 8):**

It was agreed that there is no need at this stage to reinstate a section B in the Candidates' examination and that this portion of last year's recommendation should be deleted.

4. **Report on Candidates' Preaching:**

The committee agreed to recommend to Conference that the Quarterly Meeting be required to appoint a committee to hear a candidate for the ministry preach and to report through Synod, answering in addition the following questions:

1. Name of candidate?.....
2. What experience has candidate had as a preacher?.....

3. What training classes has he attended?.....
4. What is his acceptability within the Circuit as a preacher?.....
5. Estimate of his capacity and potential as a preacher of the Gospel?.....

Signed, Superintendent of Circuit;
Member of Committee.

5. Acceptance of Married Candidates:

The Committee has re-examined the question of the acceptance of married candidates. It presents again two of the recommendations on this issue contained in the 1963 Report. It draws the attention of the Conference to the fact that the present financial provision for married men with families, though generous, is still inadequate. If Conference desires to accept for theological training a married man with a family, it may be necessary for additional financial assistance to be made available.

6. Course of Studies for Maori Lay Preachers and Home Missionaries.

(Res. 12 Mins. of Conference 1963, Page 38).

The objectives of the proposed Course are:

- i. To raise the general standard of Maori workers;
- ii. To help promising workers qualify in the normal way;
- iii. To provide a criterion for the granting of Home Missionary status.

First Year.

A Preliminary Course of Study.

Theology:	Te Katikihama (Catechism) Maori Service Book I Believe in Norman Snaith. (with selected chapters and supplementary material).
Bible Knowledge:	How your Bible Grew Up Roy L. Smith St Mark Paul S. Minear
Homiletics:	Worship and Preaching T. M. Morrow (Chap. 1, 4, 5 and 10)
The Church:	A People Prepared John Banks

B Preparatory Lay Preacher's Course of Study.

Theology:	An Approach to Christian Doctrine (Pages 1-114)	G. P. Lewis
Bible Knowledge:	An Introduction to the N.T. (Pages 1-153)	G. P. Lewis
	An Introduction to the O.T.	H. Cleaver
Homiletics:	Worship and Preaching (Chap. 2, 3, 6-9)	T. M. Morrow
The Church:	Teaching the Faith (Pages 85-141)	E. W. Hames

Additional Reading: "A Manual for Preachers."

"In the Beginning."

"Visitation Evangelism."

"Some Distortions of the Christian Faith."

Second Year, Course of Study for Lay Preachers (As set in the Mins. of Conf.)

Third Year. Course of Study for Home Missionaries

As set in the Mins. of Conference or, a Preparatory Course if considered desirable, comprising selected chapters only of text books set.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Chairman;
JOHN J. LEWIS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference affirms the desirability of establishing bursaries to enable selected students to pursue University courses before commencing Theological training.
3. That each candidate for the ministry be required to sit a special Candidates' examination in biblical and theological subjects.
4. That a report be furnished for each Candidate, this report to be in two sections, viz.:
 - (a) Is the Candidate an accredited Lay Preacher of the Church? If not—
 - (b) the Circuit Superintendent be requested to provide the answer to the following questions:
 - i. What experience has the Candidate had as a preacher?
 - ii. What training classes has he attended?
 - iii. What is his acceptability within the Circuit as a preacher?
 - iv. Estimate of his capacity and potential as a preacher of the Gospel?
5. That married men offering as candidates be required to present detailed information concerning their financial position, through their District Chairmen.
6. That all married candidates be interviewed by a special committee appointed by the Examination Committee regarding their financial position.
7. **Regulations and Procedure for Maori Lay Preachers and Home Missionaries:**
 - (1) That candidates be approved by the Regional and Circuit Meetings and their names forwarded by the Superintendent Minister.
 - (2) That the examinations be conducted on the basis of correspondence assignments and written examinations, with a minimum of 20/40 and 30/60 being the required pass assessment respectively.
 - (3) That candidates have the option of using either Maori or English in both assignment work and the written examinations.
 - (4) Under 'B' in the First year, candidates be required to conduct a Trial Service in the presence of the Superintendent Minister who shall assess and forward a report on the Service.
 - (5) That the written examinations be held during the first week of June and December.

- (6) That suitable correspondence tutors and examiners be appointed, together with someone who shall act as co-ordinator having due liaison with the Assistant Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
8. That the Revs H. A. Darvill, R. Rogers, W. Tahere, and R. Rakena be appointed as tutors for the course.

QUESTION 43.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Colleges and Hostels?

(1) Wesley Training College

A—REPORT OF THE BOARD 1964

It is with gratitude that the Board reports a further satisfactory year in fulfilment of its Trust during which a most pleasing improvement in the overall operating result was obtained.

After applying the net rents obtained from the new sub-division at Waikowhai direct to Capital Account the surplus Income over Expenditure for the year ended 31st December, 1963, was £3397 18s 1d. Improved receipts from Town Milk Supply and the sale of Wool reflected in an increase in the profit derived from the Paerata Farm, whilst the larger roll of the College resulted in a substantial reduction in the loss suffered in this department. Greater rents earned from the Maurice Harding Park, coupled with substantial and unexpectedly greater scoria output over the last quarter, resulted in this department making a large contribution to the overall surplus. As mentioned in previous Reports the buoyancy of the Board's income is at present directly related to the proceeds from its scoria royalties and this feature is a recognised weakness in the Board's finances as little or no control can be exercised over the production of scoria by the licensees who are in turn subject to the fluctuations of the local trade demands. With the completion of Harding Hall and the upgrading of the College Library the special funds created for these purposes were deemed to be expended, and were transferred to the general funds of the Board. With other capital receipts during the year this resulted in the Capital Account of the Board being increased by £9535.

Once again the Trustees of the Auckland Savings Bank awarded a Scholarship for Maori boys at the College and an anonymous donor has created a Kingswood Scholarship Fund to be applied at the discretion of the Board for the benefit of any scholastically outstanding pupil. It is most gratifying to the Board to receive in this tangible way encouragement of their efforts to provide better education by a church based school. The growing recognition of Wesley College is further indicated by its being included in the schools awarded a set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica for reference purposes.

During the current calendar year a small property in Grafton Road was disposed of to the Pitt Street Methodist Church Trustees and the proceeds from this sale, together with other funds held by the Board, were used to reduce the mortgage raised in connection with the Harding Hall to £10,000 and to extinguish the special overdraft facility granted for the Waikowhai new sub-division. These reductions of liabilities will result in enhanced income in the years to come through the saving of interest and the availability of ground rents for general purposes. The Department of Education have applied for an extension of their lease of the former Preparatory School premises at Mt. Wellington which, in addition

to providing welcome income, enables the Board to indirectly further the cause of education of youth of this Dominion.

We would like to take this opportunity of recording our tribute to the late Hon. Sir Joseph Stanton who was first appointed to the Board in 1913 serving continuously for the 51 years until his demise. During this period he acted as Chairman of the Board from 1931 to 1948 and the Board owes much to his leadership and sound judgment during various periods of trial. It was decided to perpetuate his name by the creation of a fourth House at the College to be known as Stanton House.

A further loss to the Board was suffered when Rev. G. I. Laurenson was forced to resign from membership after continuously acting since 1937. It is to be hoped that Rev. Laurenson may be able to take office with the Board again some time in the future.

We advise that Mr K. J. Dellow has consented to resume his membership of the Board and awaiting confirmation of his election has attended Meetings as required.

The Board has accepted the resignation of the Principal of the College, Rev. E. M. Marshall, to be effective from 31st January, 1965, and has advertised extensively seeking a suitable replacement. Mr Marshall was appointed Principal of the College in 1944 and will have completed 21 years of service in this capacity on his retirement. During this time the College has been built up in both roll and amenities and much of the credit for this must go to the Principal. With his going a decided gap in the life of the school will be created as it would appear that the school life must now be directed by another to that directing the church life.

The Board will report directly to Conference on the arrangements considered desirable for the appointment of a Chaplain to the College.

J. S. CAUGHEY, Chairman.

G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.

B—REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL 1964

Roll: There has been another record number on the Roll, 202, including 32 Maoris and 11 Islanders. There are 23 in the Intermediate Department, and 13 in Form VI.

Staff: Certain changes have taken place, but in general all staffs have been complete during the year. We are grateful to all Heads for the faithful and efficient work done by all Departments.

Examinations: In 1963, there were 13 who passed the School Certificate Examination; 4 gained University Entrance; 4 gained Endorsed School Certificate; and 1 his Higher S.C.

Programme of Activities: Courses are available as before, but it has been possible in 1964, thanks to better staffing, to reduce the size of classes. There is considerable unevenness in ability amongst students, and the Courses are designed to give maximum opportunity to all boys to achieve worthwhile results. **Music** is now in the hands of Mr G. L. Buxton, A.T.C.L., and excellent work continues to be done. **Divinity classes** are being held by the Principal and others on the staff. **Choral Services** are this year being conducted at Huntly, Pitt St., Hamilton, Central Mission, Pukekohe, Waiuku. A **Concert** is being presented at Orewa. The College has acted as Host to many groups, among them being the Methodist Women's Fellowship, the Auckland Men's Fellowship, Pukekohe Honouring Age Committee, Old Boy's Association, sundry gatherings under the South Auckland Secondary Schools' Association, Easter Campers, Student Christian Movement, Boys' Brigade, etc. The College is

an active participant in all **Inter-School Sports**. Hockey has been reintroduced; and internal House Competitions make it possible for all boys to take part regularly in most sports. The **Tennis Courts** are now under construction.

General: As I retire from the position of Principal, I am thankful to God for the opportunity that has been ours to serve here. I am grateful to the Board of Governors, and in particular to the successive Chairmen, for their unfailing helpfulness and consideration; to the many on the staffs who have been true colleagues; to the parents and boys who have granted us the privilege of friendliness. When Conference in 1948 ordained me into the Christian Ministry, I regarded it as an honour and a privilege for myself; and an expression of the Church's desire that we should place particular emphasis on the spiritual life of the College. Mrs Marshall, my family, and I thank the Church for its confidence over the years. It is our prayer that the College will go forward unflinching, and that it will increasingly fulfil the wishes of those who have given so much to it, that it seek to do everything "to the glory of God in the service of youth."

E. M. MARSHALL, Principal.

RESOLUTIONS

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

TRIBUTE TO REV. E. M. MARSHALL

2. That Conference record with gratitude its indebtedness to the Rev. E. M. Marshall who, on the 31st January, 1965, resigns his office as Principal of Wesley College, Paerata, and brings to an end 23 years of faithful and devoted service.

Mr Marshall joined the staff as First Assistant in 1941 and in 1942 became Headmaster. In 1944 when he was appointed Principal, he faced the task of re-establishing the College which had been closed for a year. Under his leadership and guidance, the College now holds a worthy place in education, a roll of 200, and splendid buildings.

Being an able preacher, and one who has taken his full place in the Church, Mr Marshall has always been keenly interested in the spiritual welfare of the boys and guided the worship of the School. In 1948 Mr Marshall was ordained and received into full connexion with the Conference.

During his distinguished service to the College he has been supported by Mrs Marshall and his family, and Conference records its thanks and appreciation to them for their interest in the welfare of the college community.

Conference thanks the Rev. E. M. and Mrs Marshall for their dedicated service and prays for the blessing of God upon them and their future.

3. That Conference give fuller publicity to Wesley College and that Methodists generally be encouraged when seeking private education for boys to consider the claims of their own school.

4. That Conference express its appreciation of the work of the Staff of Wesley College.

5. That Conference grant approval to the Wesley College Board to advertise for a Teacher-Chaplain for the College from within the Methodist Church.

6. That Conference advise the Wesley College Board, on receiving applications, to seek the advice and approval of the President before making a final nomination to Conference.

QUESTION 43

(2) Rangiatea Maori College Trust

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1964.

It is my pleasure to report that Rangiatea has enjoyed a successful and prosperous year.

There are 5 Staff Members and 68 Girls in residence at the Hostel.

Roll:

The roll consists of 48 Maori girls; 2 Solomon Islands girls; 5 from Gilbert and Ellice Islands; 2 Niue and 5 Rarotongan girls, and 6 Europeans.

Staff:

The Hostel Staff comprises:—The Matron-in-Charge and 3 Sub-Matrons; namely Misses D. E. Gaustad, J. Boniface and M. Jones, all of whom have special qualifications; one full-time cook and four part time employees; one part time office assistant and one part time groundsman.

A considerable amount of help, especially in the listing and marking of girls' clothing at the commencement of a new year is given by several very good friends of the Hostel.

Academic:

The girls have acquitted themselves well at their different schools. Five Boarders—4 of whom are Maori, gained School Certificate in the 1963 exams. While two—one European and one West Samoan gained their U.E.

End of Year Service:

This was held in the new Whiteley Memorial Church, before a large congregation, who had the pleasure of hearing an inspiring address from Miss A. R. Allum, Principal of the New Plymouth Girls' High School. The Revs. H. A. Darvill and A. Pihama conducted the service at the conclusion of which the girls and a number of guests adjourned to the Whiteley Youth Centre where numerous prizes for accomplishments throughout the year were presented by Mrs Walden, Maori Welfare Officer for the district.

Vocations:

Every endeavour is made to find congenial employment for girls when they leave the Hostel. For example, of those who left in 1963, the following employment was arranged:—

1 Nursing; 1 Nurse Aid; 3 Office work; 1 P. and T. Dept.; 1 Library Trainee; 1 Commercial College, preparatory to Teachers Training.

Sports Activities:

Many of the girls are prominent in their respective school teams. Hostel sports competitions continue to be played at the Spotswood College grounds pending the use of our own playing fields which will soon be available.

Other Activities:

The Rev Pihama continues to train our Poi party. The leader is a sixth former, Aileen Rupapere, who in turn trains a very good Junior team as well as the American Field Scholarship girls. Inter-Hostel competitions reached a very high standard.

Choir:

Some of our girls belong to the Whiteley Church Junior Choir which so splendidly leads the singing at Sunday morning worship.

Property Matters:

The formation of playing fields has been hampered by unfavourable weather but is now nearing completion and apart from being an attractive adjunct to the property will doubtless be very popular with the girls and overcome the present necessity of using facilities which are located some distance from Hostel property.

The 13 acres of land on the Omata Road frontage have been leased to the High School Board at a rental of £500 per annum for the first term of 21 years. As the object of the Board is to increase the playing fields it is natural to assume that heavy machinery will soon be busy pushing the hills into the hollows and improving the contour generally.

All the exterior woodwork of the Hostel buildings has been repainted under the close supervision of Mr C. Baldwin, a retired master painter, who generously gave his services to the Board gratis.

Sundry renovations and improvements have been carried out internally. The windows in the upstairs part of the building have given constant trouble because of the inability of the timber to hold screws fastening the hinges. Many windows have been blown out.

The various items of mechanical and electrical equipment have received regular supervision to keep them in good working order. There have been several additions to the plant and equipment to cope with the increased number of boarders.

Our groundsman has given good service in keeping the surroundings in good shape and in maintaining a sizeable kitchen garden. His duties will increase appreciably when the new playing fields come into use. There will then be an increased acreage of grass to control. In this connection arrangements have been made with the High School Board for the hire of a Tractor and gang mower to be operated by our groundsman.

Extensions to Hostel:

The question of extending the Hostel buildings has received consideration by a sub-committee of the Executive. They have submitted a preliminary report and are continuing their inquiries with the object of placing a proposition before the Board for consideration.

Salaries of Sub-Matrons:

The Executive wish to discuss this matter with the Board, for while realising the limitations of the Board's resources they feel that the salaries at present paid are inadequate in view of the special qualifications of Staff. One is a trained nurse; another is a teacher; and the third has had experience in the National Children's Home.

Island Camp:

A most unique and successful Island Camp was held at Rangiatea Hostel for a period of two weeks during the term holidays. The organisation was carried out by our Matron and Staff on behalf of the Island Education Department. Forty-three campers attended four of whom were from Tanganyika and two from the school for the blind. The Hon. Minister for Maori Affairs, Mr Hanan, and the Secretary for Island Territories, Mr McEwen together with several Government officials visited the camp and were most enthusiastic about it. Several Colombo Plan students who were in the district at the time were guests for the afternoon. The Hon Mr Hanan in

his address to the gathering complimented Sister Evelyn Marriott upon the unique achievement of assembling the greatest number of girls of coloured races ever to come together in the Dominion. Altogether eleven Nationalities were represented. Rangiatea was proud and delighted to have been associated with this happy gathering.

Finances:

The Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Balance Sheet are presented separately. The Accounts have been drawn up somewhat differently from last year. For instance the Fees account has been prepared so as to show the state of the fees as at the close of the financial year which differs from the end of the school year. It so happens that some fees are paid for the full school year and consequently at the end of the financial year are partly paid in advance. On the other hand, there are some fees partly outstanding as at 30th June. Consequently an examination of the Balance Sheet will reveal, under heading of Liabilities and Assets respectively, the amounts referred to. Also, the profit on the Hostel canteen has this year been applied to "funds held for special purposes" and not taken into the Income and Expenditure account as formerly. It is pleasing to note that the year has ended with a credit balance at the Bank.

This, however, will shortly change again to a debit balance because of the payment due for the formation of the playing fields. Although a loss is shown in the Income and Expenditure account attention is drawn to the items depreciation written off, and repairs and renewals, both of which are substantial.

As was expected, because of the increased number of boarders, most items of expenditure have shown an increase over last year. The bank account has been carefully watched as indicated by the smaller amount of interest paid on overdraft compared with last year.

The substantial grants made by the Kai Iwi Farm Trust (£300); The Grey Institute Trust (£750); and the Board of the Wellington C. and E. Endowments (£1446) are acknowledged and much appreciated.

Thanks:

Once again it is my pleasurable duty to record appreciation of the loyalty and devotion of all connected with the running of Rangiatea. To Sister Evelyn Marriott I offer my hearty congratulations upon the completion of yet another successful year, her 24th in association with Rangiatea and 25th in the service of our Maori people; and likewise to her capable and dedicated Sub-matrons.

To the members of the Executive, and to the Secretary, I wish to express my sincere thanks for their close attention to the affairs of Rangiatea and for the splendid assistance given me throughout the past year and my entire term as Chairman of this Board.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference request the Deaconess Board and the Stipend Committee to examine the stipends of Deaconesses with a view to making them adequate for our present conditions.
3. That we record our high appreciation of the wise and efficient leadership and administration of the Rev W. H. Greenslade who relinquishes the Chair after eight years of service to this Hostel and this Board.

4. That we congratulate Sister Evelyn Marriott on attaining the 25th year of Service as a Deaconess in Maori work, and express our grateful appreciation and thanks for her splendid service to Rangiatea and to our Maori people over a period of near to 25 years.
5. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 44.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Supernumerary Fund?

Supernumerary Fund Board

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The audited financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 1964, presented to Conference with this report indicate the following position:—

	£	£
Income was received as under—		
Fund contributions		14,646
Interest and Commission	9,436	
Less paid to Allied Funds	2,546	
		6,890
Freehold Property		3,627
		£ 25,163
A Net Total of		
Expenditure was:		
Administration costs		1,168
Annuities and Furniture Grants		13,106
Provisions made		1,100
		£ 15,374
A Total of		
Giving an Excess of Income over Expenditure of		9,789
Accumulated Fund:		
The amount last year was		159,448
To this was added surplus from Revenue Accounts		9,789
		£ 169,237
Less Subscriptions Refunded (£ 216) and Annuities Compounded and Commuted (£ 6,951)		7,166
		£ 162,071
Investments are as follows:		£
(a) Mortgages		127,075
(b) Debentures and Government Stock		39,749
		£ 166,824
Less Fluctuation Reserve		4,472
		£ 162,352
(c) Freehold Property (Epworth Chambers) after pro- vision for depreciation of £ 15,250		39,909
(d) Current Assets in the form of bank deposits and accruals		22,298
		£ 224,559
A Total of		
(Of this figure £ 59,482 is held on behalf of Allied Funds.)		

Interest Earnings:

From invested capital a return of 5.9% has been earned on the actuarial formula.

Annuitants and Contributors:

At date, Annuitants number 90 (95), Supernumeraries 47 (46), Widows of supernumeraries 43 (49), Contributors total 255 (242).

ADDITIONAL FUNDS ADMINISTERED (ALLIED FUNDS) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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|---|----------|
| (a) Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund: Accounts for 255 contributors | £ 32,749 |
| (b) Deaconess Retiring Fund: Accounts for 43 contributors | £ 22,159 |
| (c) Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund: Accounts for 5 contributors. All these are in the nature of personal deposit accounts | £1,024 |

LAY WORKERS RETIRING FUND (See Minutes of Conference 1963—Report of N.Z.M.S.S.A., page 161.)

The Board has given careful consideration to this matter during the year and intends to submit a scheme to Synods and Conference 1965 for consideration and approval.

RETIREMENT OF LAY TREASURER

After 30 years of faithful and efficient service, Mr G. S. Salter retires from the Board at the end of the present connexional year. The Board desires to place on record its sincere appreciation of his long term of office.

For the Board,

R. H. SMITH, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

W. R. LAWS, Managing Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following financial Statements be received and adopted: Supernumerary Fund; Benevolent Fund; Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund; Deaconess Retiring Fund; Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund.
3. That Mr G. S. Salter be thanked for his services as Lay Treasurer.
4. That Mr W. E. Clothier be appointed Lay Treasurer.
5. That in view of the inadequate provision made for retirement in the ministry, and especially of the effects of inflation on pensions, the Supernumerary Fund Board consider the following and report to Synods and Conference:
 - (a) proposals whereby the retirement allowance may be greatly increased at the earliest possible date,
 - (b) seek the co-operation of other churches in approaching the Government for permission to invest a proportion of Supernumerary Fund capital in industrial equities with a view to a progressive appreciation of the value of invested funds to compensate for losses due to inflation.
6. That the whole question of providing a more adequate Retiring Fund and a Retiring Allowance for Deaconesses be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board for consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1965.
7. That the Supernumerary Fund Board investigate the possibility of reducing the retiring age of ministers in full connexion and report to Synods and Conference.

8. That the Supernumerary Fund Board consider the ways and means of making increasing provision for the acquirement of a house by a minister on his retirement.

9. That with the objective of liberalising its payments to supernumeraries and/or their widows, the Supernumerary Fund Board be requested to study the method adopted by the Australian General Conference in the handling of its Supernumerary Fund. That after study the Board submit its findings to the Church Council who shall bring down a report to next Conference.

10. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 45.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist General Purposes Trust Fund?

Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc.)

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964.

The audited financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 1964, are presented to Conference with this report.

The Board administers 118 Trusts and Deposit Accounts, totalling £134,186. These consist of:

- (a) 71 accounts operating on behalf of Church Trusts;
- (b) 37 accounts the proceeds of which are for the benefit of various Churches and organizations;
- (c) 10 Trusts operating on behalf of the Connexion generally.

For the Board,

R. H. SMITH, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

W. R. LAWS, Managing Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

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

QUESTION 46.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist Children's Fund?

Children's Fund

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

The upward trend which has been apparent for several years past in the number of claimants on the Children's Fund is continuing and for the present calendar year of 1963 there has been a further significant increase. A total of 426½ allowances have had to be provided for, each of £10. This involves a total distribution for the present year of an amount of £4267 10s. As half of this amount has had to be provided by the Third Connexional Budget in which the total provision for the Children's Fund was only for £4000, and as the amount being made available by the Fourth Budget will only amount to £4300, half of which only being available for this year's needs, the Fund is under some small financial strain at the time of writing this report and the annual financial statement will show that a small private loan has been necessary to tide over in the meantime.

For these reasons and because of the number of ordinands which will be coming forward at next Conference and many of whom already have families, it has been necessary to advise the

Church Finance and Stewardship Committee of an increased requirement for the Fifth Connexional Budget.

ROBERT THORNLEY,
T. M. PACEY,
Hon Treasurers.

RESOLUTION

That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 47.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Contingent Fund?

Methodist Conference Contingent Fund

ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964.

The total expenditure by the Contingent Fund for the year was £7,200 which was very closely in line with the estimated expenditure, and resulted in a reasonable carry forward of £1,645.

Actual expenditure was closely in line with previous years and calls for no particular comment.

ALAN H. WINSTONE, Lay Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That this Conference approves the principle that a minimum credit balance of £1,000 be maintained in the Contingent Fund.

3. That the Rev. L. P. Schroeder be thanked for his services as clerical Treasurer for the past five years and that the Rev. L. Green-slade be appointed for the ensuing year.

4. That the Consultative Committee be Revs. E. W. Hames, Dr. D. O. Williams and W. Walker, the Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, 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 re-appointed.

6. That Mr Alan H. Winstone be thanked for his services and re-appointed as Lay Treasurer.

QUESTION 48.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Removal Expenses Fund?

Removal Expenses Fund Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964.

During the year 65 removals were carried out compared with 40 in 1963 and 57 in 1962. The average per removal was £91 compared with £97 last year and £67 in 1962. The increase in the average cost has been due to increased costs together with the largest number of inter-island moves ever undertaken—26.

The financial position of the fund is such that it has been necessary to borrow £1,000 from the General Purposes Trust Board; the Excess of Expenditure over Income has turned the Capital of the Fund of £1,105 last year to a Deficit of £887. In order that the Fund may be self supporting this next financial year and be able to repay its loan indebtedness, a very substantial increase in Budget allocation will be necessary. It should be noted that the 1963 Conference approved of the allocation being reduced from £4,000 to

£3,500. The Committee is very concerned about this position of the Fund. From administering the Fund over the past years it is convinced that the previous allocation of £4,000 is inadequate. There has been an increase of 14 in the number of Ministers since 1961 with a resulting increase in the number of removals each year. Costs have risen each year and with an expected rise in rail freights and fares a further increase can be assumed.

It is necessary for the Fund to have a surplus in its Capital Account as Conference makes its decisions regarding stationing after the Budget has been prepared and in addition, there are usually several unexpected removals to be provided for in addition to the stationing sheet.

The Committee will make representations to the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee in respect of the 1964/65 allocation for the Fund (£3,500.) Unless it can be increased by £2,000 now, further borrowing will be necessary resulting in extra interest charges. Six thousand pounds is the minimum allocation that the Fund requires from the 1965/66 Budget—£8,000 if some adjustment cannot be made in the 1964/65 Budget.

W. R. LAWS,

W. E. CLOTHIER, Treasurers.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the maximum for removals be—Inter Island £125
Within the Island ... £75
3. That the Treasurers, Rev W. R. Laws and Mr W. E. Clothier be thanked for their services and re-appointed.
4. That Mr F. M. Sowden, Hon. Auditor, be thanked for his services and be re-appointed.
5. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 49.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Overseas Missions?

Methodist Overseas Missions Department

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964.

Following the meetings of the overseas district synods, a summary of their reports will be prepared for the supplementary agenda of Conference. The present report deals with staff, and with the work of the Board within New Zealand.

Staff: The appointment of the Rev. B. W. Sides has been warmly welcomed in his new district. As well as a growing Solomon Islands ministry, the Church there needs to maintain seven or eight New Zealand ministers' appointments, two of which require supplying this year. The arrival of further Gilbert Islands immigrants to the Solomons, many of them commended to our care by the London Missionary Society, challenges us to find yet further staff. As authorised by last Conference, the Board is seeking a second minister for the Papua New Guinea Highlands District, where such dramatic growth is taking place. The lack of adequate response so far to these new and continuing needs for ministers overseas is a disquieting feature of our church life.

Since the last annual report was written, several new laymen and women have left for missionary service overseas. Misses

Lynette Sadler and Rosemary Bettany have been dedicated as teaching sisters, and Miss Beverley Withers as a nursing sister. Dr Ronald W. Pattinson, of Victoria, has taken up his post as medical missionary at Munda. Mr Terence R. Kehely succeeds Mr John S. Gatman as Solomon Islands District Engineer. Mr Kenneth G. Skinner, whose homecoming was forecast last year, has now returned to serve the New Guinea District as a builder. Miss Shona Couch has gone to Munda as administrative assistant to the Chairman of the District. Messrs Noel Jackson (carpenter, Nipa) and Keith Woodley (teacher, Siwai) are serving under the Order of St Stephen. Two Fijian laymen, Messrs Wiliame Mataitoga (teacher) and Kelepi Nabainivalu (plantation worker) have also commenced service in the Solomons. Educational advances and new opportunities, backed in some measure by Government finance, call for several more teachers, both men and women. Building projects in the Solomon Islands call for two more single carpenters.

Resignations have been received from Sister Audrey Highnam (who has married), Sister Lesley Bowen (home claims), and Mr John Gatman (for family reasons). The thanks of the Church are due to these workers for their years of service.

General Secretaryship: The present General Secretary completes this year thirteen years of service, withdrawing at his own request. The Board nominates to Conference for appointment the Rev. George C. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed. designated last year. Mr Carter has given notice of his impending withdrawal, for family reasons, from the Solomon Islands District. He has served there two years, first as lay missionary and then fourteen as ministerial missionary, the last six of them as Chairman of the District. Mr Carter has also been the first Chairman of the United Methodist Synod of Melanesia. Mr Carter is available to continue overseas for some months of 1965 and the proposal is that after furlough he take up his full duties as General Secretary at the beginning of 1966. Mr W. E. Donnelly is available to act as Executive Officer of the Department for 1965.

Fiji And Samoa Methodist Conferences: The President of our Conference conveyed in person the greetings of last Conference to the new Fiji and Samoa Conferences as they assembled in July.

Overseas Consultations: These continue on various levels. The Board is supporting with £300 per annum the continuing work of the South Pacific Christian Education Curriculum, which now has two workers serving full time. In May, Sister Muriel McCormack and Miss Dora Rande represented the Solomon Islands Church at a Girls' Life Brigade Pacific Fellowship. In August a 'Translators' Institute will be held by the British and Foreign Bible Society at Lae. Among the Solomon Islands representatives there will be the Rev. A. H. Hall (completing this year his translation of the Roviana Old Testament) and Sister Lucy Money (Bambatana language) and Sister Pamela Beaumont (Siwai).

Missionaries' Deferred Stipend Fund: In accordance with permission granted last Conference, the Board has sought to establish as close as possible a parallel between the stipends and allowances of our overseas missionaries and the Australian workers in the adjacent Melanesian districts. The Board first consulted with the overseas workers and the Australian Board. All reports indicated that present basic stipend and most allowances were adequate, but that there were acute needs when it came to repatriation of mis-

sionaries. Therefore, though some other allowances have also been increased, the main step taken by the Board was not an increase in basic stipend rate but the establishment of a Deferred Stipend Fund, into which sums varying from £12 to £60 in accordance with length of service are placed to the credit of the individual workers. These, plus interest accrued, are payable on the permanent repatriation of the missionary. Arrangements have been made with the General Purposes Trust Board to hold and invest these accounts. A very similar arrangement has now been instituted for Australian missionaries.

Overseas Missions Extension Fund: As directed by last Conference, the Board consulted with the Finance and Stewardship Committee regarding the proposal to make provision for new capital and extension projects overseas. These relate mainly to the establishment of the new Melanesian Methodist Conference, its Theological College and young people's department, to further extension in the Highlands, and to extension and property development work in the Solomon Islands. A target of £30,000 is suggested, a special fund to be opened forthwith to receive contributions. At a later date, the fund may benefit from the annual church extension appeal in this country. Full recommendations appear below, carrying the endorsement of the Finance and Stewardship Committee and the Overseas Missions Board.

Retired Missionary Sisters: A special committee has been considering this and related matters. A new recommendation is now awaited from the overseas district synods.

Finance: The Treasurers' full report will be made to Conference.

The loss of the vessel *Mandalay* in January proved the wisdom of the longstanding policy of an internal marine insurance fund covering most of our vessels. The Board decided to make available for the replacement of the *Mandalay* £8750, the proportion of the fund relating to the book value of the vessel. This, however, will hardly be adequate to meet the replacement costs. Various contributions have come in from concerned people. With the approval of the President a statement on the subject was published to the Church.

C. T. J. LUXTON, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTARY ANNUAL REPORT: 1964

This report is based on the reports and recommendations of the overseas district synods.

Papua New Guinea Highlands District

Yet again the District reports a year of distinct progress in the work of God among the people of the New Guinea Highlands valleys. The Chairman writes, "Although sometimes we have truly felt overwhelmed by the magnitude of the task in hand, we rejoice now that from amidst the tears and sweat there has come great blessing to us all and to the Church."

Both the Tari and Nipa Circuits have recorded spiritual growth and greatly increased numbers seeking pre-baptismal instruction. New converts are eager to witness and preach to others what they have found to be true. Decisions to follow Christ have been made, not only by individuals, but also by families and larger groups. The progress in the Mendi and Lai circuits is only a little less spectacular.

The Synod recommends the separation of part of the Tari Circuit to form the Magarima Circuit. Throughout the District, 15,000 people are now attending Sunday worship. One hundred and twenty-two local pastors and evangelists, many of them illiterate, however, are being employed. One thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine Highlands members of the Church are enrolled and 1,799 others have been received as catechumens.

Along with the spiritual progress, an increasing response is also being won to the medical services of the Church. Seventy-two patients are under treatment at Tari Leprosarium, where Mission to Lepers grants this year enable a new centre to be erected. At Tari also, the infant and maternal welfare work has already increased. Social and political development in the Territory of New Guinea proceeds apace. "Pressures from outside the Territory are sweeping in upon us," writes the Chairman, "and must be faced realistically". The Highlands people shared this year in the first popular elections to the new House of Assembly, a Tari Methodist, Mr Handabe Tiabe, being one of those elected. The rapid emergence of educated and dedicated leaders among these people, so recently brought in touch with Christian civilisation, is a goal that merits the earnest endeavours of all churches and missions who work among them.

Our greatest contribution towards consolidation and further development will be further workers. The Chairman points out that whereas ten years ago the work was just beginning, there were then nine Australian and New Zealand workers. To-day, faced with pastoring and training a multitude of new believers, they have but fourteen workers from Australia and New Zealand. It causes concern to the Board that, although last Conference sanctioned the appointment of a further New Zealand minister, none has been forthcoming. We welcome the appointment of Miss Marjory Conn, a highly trained and experienced teacher from New South Wales. She will be supported from the M.W.M.U. funds voted in 1963 by the combined women's conference. But at a time of great challenge and opportunity, where are the New Zealand candidates for Highlands service?

Solomon Islands District

"A few years ago some doubted if we were really getting anywhere with our young people," runs the annual report of the Chairman, "But that is no longer true." "With four young women in training for the deaconess order, and others preparing to be candidates in this year; with the first Solomon Islanders received into the Order of St Stephen . . . and others offering; with six more fine young men accepted for the ministry, it is clear that the youth of our Church are alert to the call of the Master." The Rev A. N. Vula has returned from his Religious Education course at Brisbane eager to serve the youth of the Solomon Islands.

The work among women and girls, and the work of the women and girls themselves continues to grow. They recently donated £100 to the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The first steps have been taken to train local girls as domestic science teachers. An Australian Volunteers Abroad worker, Miss Robin Bowden, is working in the district to encourage and strengthen the women's fellowships.

Along with the Gilbert Islands migrants reported last year have come three leaders whom the Synod wishes to receive into the ministry of our Church; two ordained ministers and a probationer. These are a great help, but otherwise the welfare of the 1,000 Protestant immigrants is imposing extra strain on our workers and resources.

Both in Bougainville and the British Solomon Islands, the Governments are pushing forward with educational plans and policies. A British Solomon Islands white paper on medical services has been received and studied during the year. Both in education and medicine, we are being kept on tiptoe. The arrival of the new doctor and the acceptance for service of several local workers is enabling us to cope with the medical developments. The return of several young Methodist Solomon Islanders, whom the Government has had trained as teachers in this country, will also help considerably next year with our educational plans. But the District sets as a minimum need, three further New Zealand teachers, men or women. So far they are not in sight.

Both the needs of the new education programme and the Lepers' Trust Board funds for hospital and nursing training buildings call for further New Zealand building staff. Since our report for synods was compiled the appointment of Mr B. C. Jenkin has been welcomed and further relief seems likely in the near future.

United Synod of Melanesia

The new United Synod plans to meet biennially, so that this year only an Executive meeting was held. The progress of the new enterprise continues, however, and the Synod is proceeding with its plan to unite in 1966 as a new Conference the four Districts of New Guinea, Papua, the Solomon Islands and the Papua New Guinea Highlands. When this has been achieved, the new Synod announces its intention to unite also with the Papua Ekalesia, the indigenous Church that has grown out of the labours of the London Missionary Society. As this Church draws some support to-day from the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, it is clear that the far-reaching proposals impinge on the Church Union negotiations in this country. At a time when new Christian groups are moving into New Guinea with unhappily divisive results, this major union move, which promises to unite almost a quarter of a million of Melanesian Christians, is greatly to be welcomed.

In the meantime the United Synod is continuing with its plans for several joint enterprises. The Rarongo Theological College was opened in August, and the Australian Board has appointed the Rev H. W. Taylor, B.A., B.D. (formerly of the Papua District) to assist the Principal, the Rev Dr R. G. Williams. During the year seventeen students, eight of them Solomon Islanders, have been training together in the new college.

The Synod proposes also to re-locate the combined teachers' training college, now at Namatanai, to Gaulim in New Britain and to apply for an Administration building loan. They will be looking to the Australian and New Zealand Churches for help with repayments. This project as well as the theological college are in mind for grants from the new proposed Overseas Missions Extension Fund.

A combined youth centre was partially established last summer by a work camp of Australian young Methodists. The Australian Church has now appointed the Rev John E. Mavor, a Director of the Queensland Young People's Department, as the first Director of the Young People's Department of the Church in Melanesia.

Finally, the constitutional proposals for the new Conference are being prepared. The United Synod executive asks both the Australian Church and ours for some general direction as to the nature of the Constitution, ensuring both the continuity of the new Church with the Methodist missionary movement that has given it birth

and also sufficient flexibility to make easy the transition to a wider union of churches in the New Guinea area.

C. T. J. LUXTON, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1964.

The debit balance of the Solomon Islands District Account, £69,952 at 31st August, 1963, received the attention of the Board during the year. Unrecorded transfers of labour costs and materials and loss of assets were judged to be largely responsible for the growth of the District's liability to the Board. Balances of accounts which were considered to have been expended and certain Reserves were written off, and the balance was reduced to the figure which the District agreed was owing to the Head Office at the time of the adjustment. In the process the Rehabilitation Fund disappeared, at last, from the Accounts.

As a result of a change in the financial year of the Solomon Islands District, General Expenditure and Income to 29th February, 1964, and Expenditure on Personal Accounts to 31st March, 1964, only, were accounted for by the District and included in the Board's Accounts to 31st August, 1964. Net expenditure by the Head Office on account of the District for the intervening periods to 31st August has been transferred to a Solomon Islands Expenditure Suspense Account. Similar action will be required each year in future.

The Subsidy to the Solomon Islands District to meet the deficiency in the District Accounts increased from £3,433 in 1963 to £10,710. This is approximately the amount shown in the Estimates for 1963-64.

The Boat Insurance Fund has sustained its first loss and an advance payment has been made on account of the new boat being built to replace Mandalay. The replacement cost will probably absorb Mandalay's share in the Insurance Fund and all the Boat Replacement Fund in addition.

The Methodist Women's Fellowship continues the grant formerly made by the M.W.M.U. We are greatly indebted to the Fellowship and to the Lepers' Trust Board whose grants for general medical expenditure and for special purposes this year totalled £12,500.

Expenditure in the Papua New Guinea Highlands District increased slightly. Future increases will be much greater as the mission enterprise expands and as we meet our growing staff obligations.

We have again received 95 per cent of the Department's Budget allocation. It will be noted that one-third of our income is derived from other sources.

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 adopted.
3. That the estimates of income and ordinary and special expenditure for 1964-65 be adopted, subject to the proviso that expenditure by the Solomon Islands District from the Building and Equipment Fund, as estimated, shall not exceed £A10,000 without further reference by the District to the Board.
4. **Subsidy to Solomon Islands District Budget:** That hereafter this subsidy be fixed annually in advance.

5. That Conference be associated with greetings sent by the Board to the overseas churches and workers in the overseas districts, and to the Rev. Saimon Gaius, Chairman-Designate of the United Synod of Melanesia.

6. **Retirements:** That Conference confirm the expression of appreciation accorded by the Board to Mr and Mrs J. S. Gatman (6 years) and Sister Lesley Bowen (7 years) who have withdrawn from the overseas work.

7. **Retiring Lay Missionaries:** That the Overseas Mission Department look further into the matter of assisting returning laymen from the Overseas Mission fields of our Church with a view to speedier rehabilitation.

8. That the Law Revision Committee be requested to prepare a legal amendment to safeguard the rights of ministers to return to an appointment within the New Zealand Conference after service with an overseas church or Conference, previously approved by the Conference.

9. **Missionary Service:** That Conference note the growing number and varied nature of the opportunities for overseas service, as ministers, medical workers, tradesmen, business manager, plantation supervisor and especially as teachers, and commend these continually to the people of our Church.

10. **Papua New Guinea Highlands District:** That the Board investigate the possibility of seeking lay circuit assistants in urgent pastoral situations where ministers are not available.

11. **Rev. A. A. Bensley.** That Conference express its appreciation of the work of the Rev. A. A. Bensley in his translation of sections of the New Testament into the Bilua tongue and its joy at the completion of the task and the printing of the work in such an attractive form.

12. **Photographic Record:** That Conference ask the Overseas Missions Department to seek means of employing a photographer for a short term in order to publicise the work of our missionaries and churches overseas.

13. **Missionary Sisters:**

- (a) That a new question 31 (b) be included in the business of Conference: "How are the overseas missionary sisters stationed for the ensuing year?"
- (b) That the list of retired missionary sisters be omitted from the minutes of Conference.

14. **Overseas Missions Extension Fund:**

- (a) That Conference sanction the opening of a special fund to receive contributions for new capital and extension purposes overseas.
- (b) That the name of the fund be "Overseas Missions Extension Fund."
- (c) That the fund be available for capital expenditure for the following purposes:—
 - (i) New Zealand share of capital of the proposed Melanesian Methodist Conference;
 - (ii) Rarongo Theological College;
 - (iii) Extension work in the Papua New Guinea Highlands District;
 - (iv) Grants and/or loans for new permanent buildings in the overseas districts;
 - (v) Property development overseas;

(vi) Such other capital purposes as may from time to time be approved.

(d) That a target of £30,000 be approved.

(e) That in due course, if necessary, the fund take its turn as recipient of a Church extension appeal.

(f) That our first financial objective and responsibility as individuals and office bearers is to see that the Connexional Budget is subscribed in full. This fund is not an alternative to that, but is designed to cater for people who, in addition, are able to help with these essential developments in our mission fields.

(g) That publicity for this appeal be organised in collaboration with the Finance and Stewardship Committee.

15. **Rev. E. C. Leadley:** That Conference receive with pleasure the offer of the Rev. E. C. Leadley to return to the Solomon Islands District, following Conference 1965.

16. **Chairmanship, Solomon Islands District, 1966:** That in view of the urgent request of the Solomon Islands Synod to have the position clarified, Conference note the intention of the Board to nominate the Rev. E. C. Leadley, if medically fit, for appointment by Conference 1965 as Chairman of the Solomon Islands District.

17. **Assistant Chairman, Solomon Islands District:** That the post of Assistant Chairman be added to the list of appointments on the station sheet of the Solomon Islands District.

18. **Solomon Islands Synod Membership:** That to law para. 504 (31) on p. 275 of the 1963 Minutes be added the words "(h) The District Engineer, if a member of the Church."

19. **Proposed Methodist Conference of Melanesia:** That Conference confirm the approval accorded by 1962 Conference (minutes 1962 p. 156 resolution 8 (a) to the proposals for Methodist Union in Melanesia and the constitution in 1966 of an independent Conference in the area, and request the Board, in collaboration with the Law Revision Committee, to consult with the appropriate Boards and Committees in Australia and Melanesia, with a view to presenting to Conference 1965 and the Australian General Conference 1966 the necessary legislation enabling the constitution of the new Conference.

20. **Church Union Proposals for Melanesia:** That Conference notes the intention of Melanesian Methodists that a wider Church Union should follow shortly after the constitution of the independent Methodist Conference and expresses pleasure at the progress of Melanesian Church Union negotiations to date. In receiving a copy of the draft statement of faith and structure, Conference refers this to the Church Union Committee and the Faith and Order Committee, who shall correspond direct with the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union in Melanesia.

21. **Retiring Funds and National Provident Fund:** That, in collaboration with the Supernumerary Fund Board, the Overseas Missions Board review the amounts contributed by the Board and the lay missionaries and missionary sisters to their respective retiring funds and frame recommendations to Conference 1965. Further that the new requirements of the National Provident Fund in relation to teachers and nurses be kept in mind during the review.

22. That the whole question of commissioning new workers be reviewed during the year and appropriate action taken.

23. **Rev. S. G. Andrews:** That Conference place on record its

appreciation of the work of the Rev. S. G. Andrews as General Secretary for Overseas Missions. Mr Andrews came to the office of General Secretary of the Overseas Missions Department after fourteen years of able missionary work, mainly in educational posts, under the Australian Mission Board in Fiji, from 1938 to 1951. For the last 13 months of that period, he was Acting-Chairman of the Fiji District. He brought to the office of General Secretary not only his wide experience of missionary work but outstanding ability and statesmanship.

In the course of his service, at a time of crisis, he went for a year to the Solomon Islands and carried the dual role of Chairman of the District and General Secretary. On deputation work within New Zealand, his work was of a high order, and his visits to Circuits were greatly appreciated. Of necessity his work kept him away from home a great deal and we record with gratitude the contribution made by Mrs Andrews as she carried the burden of the home during his absence.

Early in his period of service as General Secretary the New Zealand Church commenced its participation in the new mission in the Papua New Guinea Highlands.

As Editor of the "Open Door," Mr Andrews maintained a missionary magazine of high literary merit and educational value. We give thanks to God for his outstanding service.

24. General Secretaryship. That the Rev. George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed., be appointed General Secretary, to take office on 1st February, 1965, it being understood that during 1965 he will continue in the Solomon Islands District and be relieved of administrative duties at Head Office.

25. Executive Officer: That Mr William E. Donnelly be appointed Executive Officer of the Department for the connexional year 1965, and that for that period he be a member of the Board.

26. C.O.M.I.C.A. That the representatives be Messrs W. E. Donnelly and S. N. Roberts.

27. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 6 herein.

DISTRICT OVERSEAS MISSION CONVENERS

NORTHLAND: Rev. D. I. A. McDonald.

AUCKLAND: Rev.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Rev. O. A. Kitchingham.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. G. A. R. Cornwell.

WANGANUI SUB-COUNCIL: Rev. G. L. Bennett.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. W. K. Abbott.

WELLINGTON: Rev. I. M. Raynor.

NELSON: Rev. W. J. Douglas Wakeling.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Rev. T. Shepherd.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. G. Brazendale.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

QUESTION 50.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?

Home Mission Department

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

During the year the members of the Board were sorry to bid farewell to the former General Superintendent, the Rev. George I. Laurenson, who for 34 years had been associated with the life of the

Department, but are glad that he continues to serve the Maori Mission as Superintendent of the Maniapoto Circuit. They congratulate him on the honour conferred on him in the New Year in that Her Majesty the Queen made him a Commander of the British Empire.

The Rev. B. M. Chrystall was inducted as General Superintendent in February and is gradually becoming acquainted with the position, and the needs of the church by visitation of the districts and in meeting the Synod Standing Committees. He is grateful for the help that he has received from the officials of the Church, and especially for that of his capable Assistant Superintendent, the Rev. R. D. Rakena.

New Offices: At the end of 1963 the Department moved into its new offices in the Central Mission Building. It has, in partnership with the Overseas Missions Department, purchased the floor space at a cost of £16,000 and paid for the cost of partitioning and fittings £3,527, and our Department's share is £9,625. It will not pay rent, but will pay interest charges on the capital involved plus rates.

Investment Fund Board: The Special Loans Account of the Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Fund continues to serve the Church by advancing loans on varying terms at 3½% interest to projects within the Church. At the 30th June there were 110 loans current and the balance outstanding at the date was £90,898. To enable it to meet the demand for loans it has borrowed as 'loans at Call' or 'loans for fixed terms' £54,935 representing 86 loans made by individuals or trusts.

In harmony with the resolution of last Conference by which the need of the Church for loan money was to be brought to the attention of the members publicity has been given to the needs of the Investment Funds Board for more loan money to meet its growing 'waiting list of approved loans' by means of letters to Quarterly and Leaders' Meetings, and articles or paragraphs in church bulletins and papers. The Department will be most happy to receive deposits from £50 or upwards as 'loans at call' or as 'loans for a fixed term of years' on which it will pay up to a maximum of 3½% interest.

Home Missionaries and Ministers: There are at present 7 Home Missionaries in appointments. During the year Messrs. E. T. Simpkin and I. Barker resigned, and Messrs. Colin G. Jamieson and Laurie A. Michie were accepted as students for the ministry. Mr Thomas Walker who supplied Coromandel for 10 years retired and his place has been taken by Mr C. Russ of Christchurch.

The Department prepared for the Church Council meeting in May a memorandum on the number of ministers required over the next 6 years. This survey showed the manner in which the Connexion has rapidly overtaken vacancies and replaced Home Missionaries with trained men from the College. In 1951 there were 159 ministers and 29 Home Missionaries in appointments, a total of 188. In 1963 there were 227 ministers and 7 Home Missionaries, a total of 234, an increase in circuit appointments of 46. The membership has increased more or less in step. In 1951, the membership was 26,418, an average of 140.5 for each minister, while in 1963 the membership was 32,489, an average of 139 per minister. To house the ministry there has been an increase of 34 parsonages in the same period, from 196 in 1951 to 230 parsonages in 1963.

Future Staffing: The above survey showed that within four to five years we will overtake our present vacancies, and from now on the Connexion must prepare to take additional ministers by

encouraging circuits to secure additional accommodation for probationers, and additional parsonages for ministers. The Church Council will be reporting to the Conference on its recommendation concerning the number of candidates it should receive each year to replace those who retire, those who resign, and to allow for growth in new areas. The Connexion cannot afford to lose many of its present appointments otherwise the Conference will soon find itself embarrassed by not having openings for some of its trained ministers.

Statistical Survey: With the recent publication by the Government Department of Statistics of the analysis of the 1961 Census on the religious professions of the population the Connexion is provided with an opportunity for an appraisal of its work in every Circuit and District. The Home Mission Department proposes to provide the statistical information, and to co-operate with the Department of Christian Education and the Spiritual Advance Committee in drawing up agendas for the consideration of every Synod Standing Committee, and all local church courts and which may encourage action in strengthening the work of the church in each community.

The Mission of the Local Church: As a result of a consultation between the President-Elect, the Rev. George Goodman, the General Superintendent, the Director of Christian Education, and the General Secretary of the Overseas Missions Department, it is being recommended that in 1965 there be held in every District Regional One Day Conferences of ministers and laymen which will consider the theme "The Mission of the Local Church". The officers of the Home Mission Department will participate in the leadership of such conferences. Material and programmes will be prepared by the Departments concerned.

Publicity and Information: The Department congratulates the Finance and Stewardship Committee on the production of the Film Strip and Taped Commentary entitled "Partners in Mission" and hopes that it will be widely used throughout the circuits. Further it hopes that Home Mission and Church Extension Sundays will be observed throughout the Connexion, preferably in April or May and regrets that this year because of the change of officers it neglected to provide up to date information. However, full information will be available next year. In addition it hopes to have ready by the beginning of 1965 suitable programmes for the use of groups studying missionary activity.

Church Extension and Grants: The Department has produced a list of priorities of places for the Church Extension Grants and the Church Building and Loan Fund has paid out the Grants as money has been made available from the Connexional Budget. As the amount from the present budget is but one third of £20,000, the number of projects which will receive assistance has been reduced. Therefore Grants can only be made to Trustees who are about to build or who are committed to build in the near future. Because of this the lists of priorities are being revised every year, and the Synod Standing Committees are advised. Circuits undertaking development work in new areas are asked to keep the Department advised of their plans so that approved Grants can be made when required. Broad Bay, Upper Hutt, and Devonport are old established causes but because of their circumstances have been listed for assistance as 'special cases'. But such cases should be kept to a minimum lest the money available for new causes be diverted and thus defeat the original purpose of the Church Extension amount on the Budget. The Department also asks that in compiling the Connexional Budget for 1965/66 the Conference

should resist any tendency to reduce the Budget by reducing the amount available for Church Extension.

Literature and Colporteur Society: Epworth Bookroom, Auckland, has now moved into its new premises on the ground floor of the Central Mission Building, and the shop is attractively set out and well managed by Mr. L. Walsh. But the Society is aware that care is required to increase the turnover of the business in order to meet the increased rental, from £386 per annum in the previous premises, to £1740 15s 0d per annum in the present shop. At the 30th June the Manager reported that sales were increasing and that there was every prospect of the Bookroom showing a slight profit for the financial year. The Society expresses its appreciation for the seven years' service given to the Auckland Bookroom by Mrs. J. McNair who recently resigned.

Epworth Bookroom, Hamilton, is having difficulties in getting established, and is still operating at a loss. The Society is reluctant to withdraw from such an important city believing that there is a place for a Methodist Bookroom to serve that city and the district. Close and careful examination has been made of the position and steps are being taken to increase stock and sales in the hope of recovering losses and establishing the Bookroom on a firm foundation.

We commend the Bookrooms to our people and hope they may receive the benefit of their patronage.

MATTERS REMITTED BY THE CONFERENCE TO THE BOARD:

Co-operation Between the Churches (1963 Minutes Page 195, Resolution No. 7.)

As requested by the Conference the Church Union Committee and the Home Mission Department have examined the resolution, and have come to the conclusion that the substance and intention of the main clauses are met by the resolutions of the last Conference, and set out on Page 201 of the 1963 Minutes, Resolutions 2-6.

However the Home Mission Department believes that a survey of the churches and circuits in every District by the Synod Standing Committees with a view to greater co-operation between the denominations would be profitable and therefore has a recommendation to make concerning the substance of 7 (a) (1963 Minutes Page 195).

Yet because Methodism is a Connexion it believes that local churches and/or circuits should not be encouraged to initiate co-operation designed to lead to the formation of Union Parishes or Parishes on the Hillsborough pattern without prior consultation with, and the approval of, the District, and Connexional Courts. Such local action could embarrass the Connexion, for example, in guarding the security of the ministry, for unlike most of the other churches Methodism accepts the principle of giving every effective minister an appointment.

District and Circuit Boundaries: (1963 Minutes of Conference p.38, "Taranaki-Wanganui.")

The General Superintendent convened a meeting on June 23rd of the Chairman and representatives of the Districts concerned, and the meeting recommended that Marton be included in the Manawatu area, but that the Wanganui and Taihape Circuits remain in the Taranaki-Wanganui District. A full report will be made to the Conference Home Mission Committee after the recommendations have been considered by the Synods directly concerned.

Conclusion: The rapid overtaking of ministerial shortages, the

new buildings in new areas, the replacement and renovation of older buildings, the support received in the circuits from connexional sources, the successful operation of the Connexional Budget all make an impressive testimony to the effectiveness of our Methodist connexional system to meet the demands of a growing country.

We thank God for the opportunity of sharing in this work of Mission.

A R. PENN, Chairman of the Board.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, General Superintendent

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report, Financial Statements and Estimates for 1965 be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. Ruawai D. Rakena, having been designated at last Conference be re-appointed for a further term of three years as Assistant Superintendent.
3. That Conference congratulate the Rev. G. I. Laurensen on the honour conferred on him by Her Majesty the Queen in being made a Commander of the British Empire.
4. That the Synod Standing Committees, District Education Councils, Circuit and/or Leaders' Meetings, Local Education Committees, using material supplied by the Home Mission Department, the Department of Christian Education and the Spiritual Advance Committee be urged to examine the statistical data disclosed by the 1961 Census in relation to population trends with a view to strengthening the membership of the Church and reviewing the efficiency of the methods used in winning nominal Methodists.
5. That in co-operation with the President and the Department of Christian Education and the Synod Standing Committees there be held in 1965 in all Districts, Regional one day Conferences of Ministers and Laymen representative of every circuit on "The Mission of the Local Church".
6. That Synod Standing Committees survey the relationship of every Methodist Church with other churches in every circuit within its boundaries and report during 1965 to the Home Mission Department on any possible or desirable action for co-operation between the Churches.
7. That the Treasurers for 1965 be Mr B. O. Stokes and the Rev. R. D. Rakena.
8. That Conference express thanks to the J. R. McKenzie Trust for gifts of £250 each to Seamer House, Te Rahui T. and W. hostels.
9. That Conference commend the Auckland West, Opotiki, Dannevirke, Waitara, and Hauraki Plains Circuits for so consolidating their positions as to make it unnecessary to apply for a grant.
10. That Conference express thanks to the Methodist Women's Fellowship for its £2,500 Special grant to Seamer House Hostel and £4,230 contribution to the Department's funds.
11. That the two Mission Boards be asked to review the function of Local Mission Secretaries in their relationship to the Local Education Council. We suggest that such secretaries become Public Relations Officers and members of the L.E.C. with special responsibility to keep the congregation informed of significant reports from the Conference Committees and Departments.
12. That the Waikato-Bay of Plenty Synod Standing Committee be

- directed by Conference to confer with the officials of the Rotorua Circuit concerning possible developments at Turangi and to take the appropriate action.
13. That the Home Mission Board and the Church Union Committee consult together to give advice to local Churches on matters of co-operation.
 14. That Conference call on all Circuits and Synod Standing Committees to seek the advice of the Home Mission Department at every stage of any discussion with other Churches relating to the joint use of Church buildings, union schemes, or other schemes which relate to Church Extension, staffing or the use of Connexional funds.
 15. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 6 herein.

DISTRICT HOME MISSIONS CONVENERS

NORTHLAND: Rev A. W. Burrough.
 AUCKLAND: Rev H. W. Kitchingman.
 WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Rev G. T. Gilbert.
 TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev A. H. V. Newton.
 WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT: Rev A. A. Grundy.
 HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: Rev W. K. Abbott.
 WELLINGTON: Rev G. R. Thompson.
 NELSON: Rev. R. E. Fields.
 NORTH CANTERBURY: Rev C. H. Bell.
 SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev G. Brazendale.
 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev R. S. Andrews.

QUESTION 51.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Maori Work?

Maori Mission

MAORI MISSION REPORT 1964

Introduction. These are vital and challenging days in the life of our Maori Mission. There are new issues in our situation for which we have no ready blue-prints. This much, however, is certain, namely that we will require nothing short of the "whole" church acting in total obedience to God in Jesus Christ, and relying utterly upon the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit, to adequately resolve them.

This year we introduce the Maori Mission report with a brief statement of our present position. In so doing the Connexion will have ready opportunity to review it and in particular be better informed to share in the overall task of Maori Mission.

1. Our Aim in Maori Mission. Our primary aim has remained unaffected by the changes of the 20th Century. It is to lead our people, young and old, to a point of decision and total commitment to God in Jesus Christ. Toward this end we endeavour to provide, maintain and extend a ministry of witness, service and proclamation.

2. Our Policy and Practice. Present policy and practice is derived from a long association with, and concern for, the Maori people in all the exigencies of the life to which they have had to conform as a result of the coming of the Pakeha. It attempts to give full recognition to the numerous and often complex factors inherent in the Maori situation as a whole.

i. A Maori Structure and Pattern of Church Life: To many Maori folk the Gospel is still a "pot plant." As yet "the pot"

remains unbroken and the plant is unable to take root within Maoridom. In cognizance of this and other factors—racial, cultural, social and historical—a Maori structure and pattern is sustained.

Encouraging developments have taken place in this regard over the past few years so that there is now visible a definite framework within which our Maori Mission can operate to even greater effect.

Briefly the structure comprises:

(a) Small local groups: consisting of the congregation that meets for worship; the women's fellowships and the youth groups.

(b) Regional committees: in which representatives from the various settlements meet to review and give direction to all aspects of the work within respective Regions.

(c) The Circuit Meeting: which brings representatives together from each Region for the purpose of reviewing and developing the total life of the Circuit.

(d) The Annual Hui: the focal point of the life and work of the Maori Mission as a whole. Here the membership enjoy fellowship, receive inspiration and education, and expresses its view on church affairs in general and the Maori Mission in particular.

One significant outcome of the forming of this structure has been the subsequent emergence of a "group solidarity."

ii. An Integration of Mutual Enrichment: The changes and pressures of our day are forcing Maori and Pakeha into inevitable contact with one another. The movement of Maoris into the towns and cities has accelerated a process which would have undoubtedly proved less demanding, and in many instances less painful, if it had been permitted a more leisurely pace. To ease the adjustment that urbanization requires of many Maoris, young and old, a policy of establishing Maori Hostels and Centres has been maintained, and the fostering of Maori fellowships and group life is encouraged.

The most pressing issue with which we as a Connexion must grapple concerns the nature of the relationship between Maori and Pakeha, and in particular the relationship between Maori and Pakeha within Methodism. In grappling with this concern, however, we should avoid at least two current assumptions which are more widespread among many Pakeha folk than is desirable.

In the first instance, it should be noted that the existing contiguity of the races in the daily round of work-a-day contacts, the schools and the playing fields, does not necessarily lead to understanding. In these relationships there is little, if any, contiguity in real fellowship—the level at which we as a church must be most concerned.

In the second instance, it should also be noted that the term integration applied in this context does not imply "assimilation". Assimilation results in the ultimate loss of all identity and while many Pakehas may consciously believe this to be the direction that our relationship should take, Maoris on the whole do not.

Our policy envisages ultimate integration of Maori and Pakeha, an integration whereby the community and nation is enriched by the peculiar "gifts" each race has retained and developed to the mutual benefit of both. We have still to learn from and to know one another; to understand and respect our differences; to widen the circle of those who find ready and welcome access into our homes and family life; and above all to establish the church in its group life, so that it more truly represents the Body of Christ.

(To these ends a study of the N.C.C. publications "Race Relations in New Zealand" by Richard Thompson, and "Maori-Pakeha:

Studies in Christian Responsibility" is commended to the membership.)

3. Partners in Mission: Two peoples but one church and one goal. We are partners in Mission. There is much in our present situation which tends rather to corroborate than contradict our existing policy and practice — the response to full-time service; the desire for intensive study and training; the growing concern and interest in the basic truths of the Gospel; the increasing consciousness of being "dependent"; the interest and wider support of the programmes of the church at home and overseas — all signify in our day a growing response to present activities and to the movement of God's Spirit among His people.

For the Maori Mission we believe that these are but the "first-fruits" of a new age and the promise of a greater harvest in the not so distant future.

Obituaries. The year has seen the passing of three of our Elders who have over the years rendered loyal and faithful service to their God and people as Honorary Home Missionaries. They are:

Te Riri M. Kawiti, O.B.E. (1927-1942).

Tame Ponui (1945-1964).

Tutu Keepa (1952-1964).

We mourn their passing, but are grateful to God for their dedicated lives and the leading role they were each able to fulfill in the life of the Maori Mission.

Staff. Ministers, Home Missionaries and Deaconesses, continue to give a worthy ministry and lead to the people in their respective circuits. There are many difficulties and the work is demanding. Nevertheless, a sense of real achievement is being realised among members of the staff, and is in evidence throughout the work as a whole.

Sister Airini Hobbs. The resignation of Sister Airini Hobbs was regretfully received during the year. Coming into the work in 1929, Sister Hobbs has grown to become a part of the very life of the Maori Mission itself, and of the people whom she has tirelessly served over many years.

Maori Students and Candidates: Perhaps the most encouraging feature in the life of the Mission today, is the prospect of at long last being able to engage a full, trained staff in the field. One of the five present students in training is due for appointment at the forthcoming Conference, and the remaining four in 1965 or 1966. At the same time, two further Maori candidates are to present themselves this year. With the increase in the Maori population, however, this promising increase in the number of Maori Ministers does not actually represent an increase proportionate to population, or membership trends.

Maori Policy Committee. The committee met for an all-day meeting in April at Camp Wesley, Henderson. Many aspects of the work were reviewed and significant decisions made. The structure and organisation for the Maori field was re-affirmed. It was felt, however, that it should not be applied too rigidly but that some flexibility be preserved. The present location of staff was also considered and it was seen that in the light of the overall movement of the people, it was necessary to be prepared for a more strategic placing of present and future staff members. The committee re-affirmed our present relationship to the Ratana movement and resolved that the Superintendents of the Taranaki, King Country and Waikato Circuits, make periodic visits to Ratana Pa. On the

question of Maori/Pakeha co-operation, it was realised that this was an issue requiring a lot more thought on the part of the Connexion and at all levels. Consultation and liaison between members of the staff and Circuit Ministers is vital. The committee believed that closer attention and observance of statements contained in the Maori Mission report (Minutes of Conference 1962, Pages 166-7) would help offset some of the confusion which is in evidence at present.

Queen's Birthday Week-end Hui: The theme for the Annual Hui, held again at Turangawaewae Pa, Ngaruawahia, was "The Gospel in Our Day." Representatives from each of the five Maori Circuits welcomed the opportunity to discuss the Gospel and its implications for our modern world. The Hui was fully appreciative of the presence of the President, the Rev A. R. Penn, the Vice-President, Mr C. Burton, and the General Secretary of the Overseas Missions Department, the Rev S. G. Andrews.

Hostels: With the exception of Hamilton, our hostels have maintained their peak capacity, with a full staff operating in each case. The movement of families into the city and suburbs, and a change of policy concerning Maori apprentices has made it difficult for the Hamilton hostels to retain their full strength. The hostel situation as a whole, however, has been very encouraging. Plans are now in hand for extending Seamer House, improving staff facilities, and allowing six addition girls to be accommodated. We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts:

From Waikato Savings Bank: £50 for the two Hamilton Hostels; and from Auckland Savings Bank: £200 for Seamer House.

N.C.C. Maori Section: We continue giving our full support as one of the three members of the N.C.C. Maori Section. Methodism was well represented at this year's Annual Meeting, held at Ohope. The Rev H. A. Darvill continues a lengthy and effective term as Secretary of the Section, and the Rev B. M. Chrystall is the current Vice-Chairman. Two worthwhile publications by the Section have been released: "Your Baptism" and "New Ways for New Days." These are being circulated among our people.

South Island Visits:

This year, visits in the main have been confined to the northern end of the South Island—Picton, Waikawa, Wairau, and in particular Motueka. The Senior Maori Minister, however, also visited Christchurch during the course of the year. Useful contacts have been made and maintained by these visits, but it is recognised that there are numerous Maori folk scattered throughout the South Island who remain untouched by the churches. These should continue to exercise the concern of all circuits.

Conference Resolutions, 1963 (Resolution No. 7 of the Minutes of Conference, 1963. Page 159).

Due consideration was given this resolution and we report that for the reasons following, the Home Mission Board is unable to support the suggestion:

1. The Maori Mission as yet has not sufficient qualified workers to enable it to meet its own needs.
2. The church would be unwise to appoint and finance from the Maori Mission fund, Maori workers to circuits wherever there are growing numbers of Maori people.
3. The principle has already been accepted that all Methodists, whether Pakeha or Maori, shall be regarded as coming within the pastoral care of the nearest Minister.

4. When the number of qualified Maori Ministers increases it will be competent for any circuit to invite a Maori Minister to be a member of the Ministerial staff and accept responsibility for his maintenance, if necessary with a suitable grant.

Resolution No. 10 of the Minutes of Conference, 1963. (Page 160):

We report that as the Home Mission Board has to seek an increase from £125 per car to £150 on the 1965-66 Budget, it does not think that the time is opportune to increase the demand on the Connexional Budget to enable the total cost of maintaining and running Deaconess cars to be met by the Home Mission funds. It believes that the present system is still necessary to increase the sense of local responsibility.

Resolution No. 6 of the Minutes of Conference, 1963 (Page 159):

This proposal is most welcome and we ask that it apply as well to the Northland, Auckland and Taranaki-Waimarino Circuits.

Resolution No. 2 of the Minutes of Conference, 1963 (Page 158):

Historic Trusts: These matters are still under review and the Board is not yet able to furnish a report.

ATHOL R. PENN, Chairman of the Board.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

B. CRYSTALL, General Superintendent.

RUAWAI D. RAKENA, Assistant Superintendent.

R. ROGERS, Senior Maori Superintendent.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference convey to Sister Airini Hobbs appreciation of her long service to the Church through the Maori Mission.
3. That the H.M. Department investigate the possibility of freeing Napi Waaka to visit the Motueka District or some other suitable alternative for work among seasonal workers in particular under the direction of the Ministers' Association and Citizens' Committee.
4. That Conference ask the Home Missions Board to consider the use of the word "Mission" in the title of the Maori Mission, and the use of the word "Missionary" with its agents.

QUESTION 52.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Central Missions?

N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association

I—M.S.S.A.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The Annual Meeting was held at Wallis House on May 11-12, 1964. The President of the Conference, the Rev Athol R. Penn, presided.

TREASURER:

Mr T. M. Pacey has resigned, and has been replaced by Mr T. M. Stephens.

VISIT OF THE HON MINISTER OF HEALTH:

The Hon D. N. McKay spoke appreciatively of the work being done by the Association. He stressed the need for rehabilitation treatment among geriatrics. He stated that Public Hospitals will always have to supply the majority of hospital beds, and the Government must always be careful to see that there is no over-building in

particular areas. The whole geriatric field was comparatively new in New Zealand. The Minister promised to look into the matter of rates on Church Hospitals.

CITY MISSIONS, CHILDREN'S HOMES AND MAORI WORK:

See separate reports.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE CARE OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Technical Aspects:

1. There is a problem regarding the facilities for reception of new children. It is generally agreed that as we are not likely to require the present Institutions, it would be better for the Boards to reckon on discontinuing them for they are still homes in the old institutional sense.

2. As a proper case work service is established, the need for temporary care should diminish. Where there is need, it can best be provided in foster homes of a special kind. This has great advantages as it avoids:

- (a) Anything that savours of an institution, and
- (b) The cost of a Receiving Home.

As the case worker becomes skilled in her work, her very skill will enable the problems to be met in many cases without the children leaving their own homes. The Committee hopes that good co-operation will take place within other services besides our own. In summing up, the following should be noted:

1. The Committee appreciates the work that is being done by the different Boards.
2. It would like to have closer consultation with the Boards in the steps that are being taken in the implementation of this new policy.
3. The Committee is sure the policy adopted by the Conference is the right one.
4. There is the particular need to consider children who have been in Institutions.

REPORT REGARDING BURSARIES

The Vice-President, Mr G. C. Burton, reported that the only definite bursaries for people wishing to train at the school of Social Sciences came from the Education Department. These bursaries are of £80 plus £80 board in certain cases, plus the cost of fees for a school of Social Sciences that is £30 per annum. We need as a Church to provide our own monetary help to prospective students. This has been done by other Churches, viz: The Roman Catholics, Church of England, Presbyterian Church and the Salvation Army.

Miss George reported that an Education Department bursary can be available to a student approved by a Church.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY (See minutes Conf. 1963—Page 173—2b)

A comprehensive duplicated report was presented by the Rev A. E. Orr, covering the existing arrangements for Chaplaincy work in all centres. Whilst there are being served approximately 38 hospitals with over 200 beds (23 of them over 300 and, in the Psychiatric section 7 of them over 1000), there are no full-time Chaplaincies in the Methodist Church. Both the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches support full-time Chaplaincies. Expenses for the Methodist Chaplaincies are met from District or Circuit funds and in a few cases in respect of Psychiatric Hospitals, small grants for travelling

are made by the Health Department. A full discussion covered both the Shared Hospital Chaplaincies and the question of a full-time Chaplaincy for Auckland (See Recommendation 4.)

IMMIGRATION FROM PACIFIC ISLANDS:

There was a general discussion on some of the problems regarding Immigration from the Pacific Islands, particularly Samoa.

ATHOL R. PENN, President;

A. EVERIL ORR, Convener and Official Representative,
N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. **Care of Dependent Children:** (a) "That each of the three Boards be asked to provide a detailed report of the present position of their work in implementing the new policy on Children's Homes adopted by the Conference in 1962-63 to the Commission so that they may obtain its advice.

(b) "That the Commission report on its consultations to the next meeting of the New Zealand M.S.S.A."

3. (a) That Conference recommends that Chaplaincy work in hospitals would be most effectively fulfilled on a N.C.C. basis and therefore, seeks to negotiate with the N.C.C. on this question.

(b) That Conference directs the M.S.S.A. to inform the P.S.S.A. General Assembly Committee that we are sympathetic to the proposal for shared hospital chaplaincies, but that before final approval can be given, we shall need to know the amount required and obtain approval from our Budget Committee.

(c) Recognising that to secure a full-time Chaplain in Auckland would require Connexional assistance Conference directs that the Auckland District finds half the cost and that the other half be found through the Home Mission Department.

4. **Immigration from Pacific Islands:** That the local committee of the M.S.S.A. in Wellington and Auckland fully investigate the immigration of Islanders to this country, their settlement and housing and the work that the Church can do to assist them in these issues.

5. **Appointment of Social Service Agent in the Circuit:** That each Circuit be asked to take steps to appoint a Social Service Agent to act in liaison with the M.S.S.A.

6. **Christian Guild of Service:** That the statement in the Minutes of Conference 1963, page 161, be referred to the Law Revision Committee to prepare a constitution.

7. **Appointment of an Official M.S.S.A. Representative:** That the Rev A. E. Orr be thanked for his service, and re-appointed.

8. **Publicity:** That the M.S.S.A. requests the Connexional Office to circulate a list of all our departments and Social Service agencies to all solicitors and Trust Companies.

9. **Immigration Officer:** That the Director of Social Services, Wellington, be re-appointed as Immigration Officer.

10. (a) That Conference approve the action of the Wellington area M.S.S.A. Committee in sanctioning the establishment of the Manawatu Methodist Social Service Centre.

(b) That the Manawatu Social Service Centre be represented through the Wellington area M.S.S.A.

II—Central Missions

A—AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The mainspring of all Mission activity is to win men and women for Jesus Christ. Though badly restricted throughout the year, the Mission staff and voluntary workers have maintained a worthy witness.

New Building: The first floor of the office block was ready for occupation at the end of November, 1963, when we moved in temporarily to the Board Room and Counselling Centre, and the tenants, plus the National Bank, were able to occupy shops and offices. This enabled "Probert Chambers" to be demolished, and the furthering of the Church and Mission facilities.

The Inland Revenue Department moved in at the end of January, and the building was officially opened by the Prime Minister, the Right Hon. Keith Holyoake, C.H., on February 7th. There was present a large representative gathering of Church leaders of all denominations, City Councillors, business and professional interests, and a Reception was held in the Concert Chamber.

With the financial help of the Home Mission Department we have preserved valuable basement space formerly sited under the "Probert Chambers."

The Hall will be ready for occupation in August, where Evening Services will be conducted, and the Social Service Offices about the end of September. The Church is to be officially opened on Saturday, November 14th.

A new organ, utilising pipes from the old organ, is being built by Messrs G. Croft and Sons and is a gift to the Mission. A stained glass window will be erected after the opening of the Church.

The facilities include a Hall to seat 250, parlour, creche, two kitchens, chiropody centre, and other adjuncts. All space in the office block is fully let, and the Trustees are fulfilling the conditions of the Trust Deed, thus keeping faith with the Loan Stock Debenture Holders through the N.Z. Insurance Trust Department. The financial position will need careful watching for some years, and the Trustees will need to re-finance in 15 years' time. We are being well served by Messrs Fletcher Construction Co., Contractors, and Messrs Stephenson and Turner, Architects.

Wesley Geriatric Hospital: The Contractors, Messrs McKerras Bros., have kept on time with the Contract, but it has been necessary to erect further staff quarters. The staff quarters include a flat each for the Matron, Sub-Matron and Night Nurse, and there are 13 single rooms for professional and domestic staff. Remaining staff would be living out.

The Hospital will have 40 beds and the Trustees have decided to make it a closed Hospital, that is, two Doctors will be appointed as part time Medical Staff, and they will have the final say in regard to admittance and discharge of patients for medical care. This will ensure medical attention at the Hospital every day by our own Doctors.

The position of Matron is at present being advertised, and she

will be appointed on salary and conditions similar to those obtaining in other Hospitals.

The Geriatric Hospital field is a comparatively new one in New Zealand, and a big field is opening up. The Trustees are anxious that we should commence and continue on a high standard.

On account of the provision of further staff quarters involving extra cost of excavating rock (£3,000), together with the proposed cost of furnishings, the Trustees still need approximately £14,000 to complete the Hospital free of debt.

We are grateful to the Auckland Savings Bank for a grant of £2,000 this year, and to all other subscribers.

Sister Arline Preece, who has been Matron since the inception of Wesley Hospital, will shortly be retiring.

Astley House, Tyler House and Hospital, and Leigh Haven Cottages: The Christian content of these Homes is of a high order. There are 12 people in the Settlement over 95 years of age, and generally, more staff has to be employed to care for increasing age.

The Ashby Memorial Hospital has been a Godsend to the work.

The purchase of "Caughey House" and its conversion for our nursing staff has meant that we are able to take 8 more ladies in the former Nurses' Home.

At present the Architects are exploring the possibility of more single rooms for men, the placing of a small Chapel, and any other possible accommodation.

The sacrificial service of Mrs I. W. Palmer and Sister Margaret Frampton is worthy of special mention.

There is a debt of £5,000 on the Nurses' Home.

Tamahere Eventide Settlement, South Auckland: Working drawings have been approved by the Health Department, and approval has also been given for the calling of tenders. The total estimated cost is £109,000. The Committee in South Auckland is busy collecting funds. It is hoped to lay the Foundation Stone for this new Home during the Conference in November. Mr J. A. Davys and Mr C. Burgess as Hon. Canvasser and Hon. Secretary have served well.

Campbell's Bay Camp: A full-time Caretaker has been appointed, and the Camp is used for the benefit of children, old people, as well as many Church groups and other community projects. We record our grateful thanks to the Auckland Savings Bank and the J. R. McKenzie Trust for financial help.

Waiheke Holiday Houses: Portion of the steep country at Waiheke has been sold, but 14 acres have been retained at the water's edge. Working bees have assisted in putting the property in order, and it is hoped that other groups in the Church will feel a challenge to develop this site. During holiday periods families use the two cottages.

Winstone Lodge Hostel: Miss M. Dalziel as Matron has commenced well, and is ably assisted by Mrs D. F. McConkey. Thirty girls of many denominations are well catered for. We urge that girls from outlying Circuits should put their applications in as early as possible.

Counselling Centre: The Counselling Centre, the space for which is now occupied by the Central Mission Office, will be available about the end of September. Dr D. O. Williams has been conducting Training Classes for Counsellors from all denominations.

Meetings have been held with representatives of other Churches on the administration of the Centre, which is known as "The Inter-Church Counselling Centre." The question of "Lifeline" is being similarly explored. For the Official Opening Mr J. H. Blackwell has been asked to turn the key.

Court, Prison and Case Work: Sister Ivy Jones, J.P., M.B.E., serves us well as Welfare Officer, and is well supported by the Rev. J. S. Spindler, who is also our representative in Mt. Eden Prison. Case work of a confidential nature has also demanded many hours.

General: We are looking forward to extending our teenage programme in the new set-up.

Immigrants from Europe, England and the Islands are increasing.

The Board of Management is grateful to its Board of Trustees, Officers, Youth Workers, consecrated staff in its Homes, Hospitals, Office, Auditors, Solicitors, Economic Advisers, Choirmaster.

Staffing: The Mission congregation appreciates the consecrated service of its full-time staff. Without the appointment of a well-trained and experienced Deaconess, the Mission will be severely handicapped. Additional office staff will be necessary.

Legacies: Legacies received during the year were:

Est. Agnes H. Rogers	.....	.....	.....	173	19	8
Est. John Taylor	.....	.....	.....	7	11	7
Est. J. A. Clinch	.....	.....	.....	81	19	6
Est. Jessie Arthur	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
Est. T. E. Price	.....	.....	.....	700	0	0
Est. G. Wm. Taylor	.....	.....	.....	742	9	6
Est. M. A. Jack	.....	.....	.....	30	8	2
Est. W. O. Thompson	.....	.....	.....	217	2	9
Est. Miss E. McN. Wallace	.....	.....	.....	81	15	1

The Future: When the Church and Mission facilities are officially opened in November, the Mission will make a greater spiritual and social impact upon the city. The site once described as "a little out of town" is now in the Civic Square, and will be a constant challenge to the Mission workers. We have in mind the erection of a Hostel for working boys, further developments on our site at Mt. Albert for elderly people, and flats for single elderly folk adjoining the Hospital site at Mt. Eden.

Thanks: Our one final word is one of grateful thanks to Almighty God and to all who have contributed in so many ways.

A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.

G. TOOTILL, Circuit Steward.

F. M. SOUSTER, Circuit Steward.

R. T. GARLICK, Hon. Secretary.

E. A. ASTLEY, Hon. Treasurer.

B.—WESLEY CHURCH (WELLINGTON CENTRAL) SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST BOARD (INC.)

REPORT TO SYNOD AND CONFERENCE, 1964

We have pleasure in presenting the Fourteenth Annual Report of the work of Wesley Social Services Department.

Wesleyhaven Eventide Homes

The opening of the Strand Home on September 29th, 1963, by the Governor General and attended by the Prime Minister and

leading members of Parliament and Civic bodies, marked the long awaited development of Wesleyhaven Eventide Homes. This splendid addition, which was made possible by a generous Government Subsidy and the generosity of our many donors, has provided another forty-eight Home Beds plus amenities block for senior citizens. It is now fully operative and occupied and we have a substantial waiting list of applicants.

Deckston Wing

The Deckston Wing has been delayed for various reasons and is not yet completed, but should be opened by the end of July or early August. This additional accommodation will provide 24 single bed sitting rooms and 2 double bed sitting rooms plus amenities block, together with staff accommodation for three people. This home promises to be a very worthy addition to our eventide homes and when fully operational will bring our community to over 100 senior citizens plus staff.

Staff

Miss M. Rawlings continues as Matron and is ably supported by all members of the staff both resident and casual day workers, to whom we extend our grateful thanks. Miss W. Griffiths continues as sub matron.

Mr T. Galbreath, property supervisor, now lives adjacent to Wesleyhaven and is able to give constant oversight to all property matters.

Epworth House

The Hostel for young women is fully occupied with its complement of 12 Methodist, 7 Anglican and 2 Presbyterian residents. We are ably served by our Master and Matron Mr and Mrs F. H. Dodge who apply themselves to the care and comfort of the residents. A happy atmosphere pervades Epworth House.

Panama Home

This project was abandoned at the beginning of the year. A joint committee of Wesley Social Services Trust Board and Master-ton Circuit decided on the evidence available of need and financial support, that Panama Home could not be made a self supporting eventide home. The offer of the Wairarapa Hospital Board to transfer the property and assets to the Methodist Church of New Zealand was therefore declined.

Social Services General Work

The Department of Social Services at Wesley Church still operates on a restricted basis. Hospital Chaplaincy, Counseling, Court Work, Visitation of prisoners, immigration, housing, care of Island people, and general social work is undertaken by the Director. The policy in relation to the Social services Dept. and Wellington Central Circuit is at present under review. There is greater need for definition of responsibility in relation to the work in the District. Consultations are being held on the District level to widen the scope of the work and to enlist the interest and support of our Methodist people.

Appreciation

We desire to express our gratitude to all donors and supporters for all monies received and voluntary labour given. To all who give of their time and talents on Committees and fund raising projects a special word of thanks is recorded. In this special ministry to the needy we are aware that we can do nothing of any lasting value without Divine aid. We labour in Christ's Name and for His Church.

R. THORNLEY, Chairman.

T. M. STEPHENS, Secretary.

B. H. RISELEY, Director.

C—CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

With a deep sense of thanksgiving to Almighty God, we submit our fourteenth Annual Report. We gratefully acknowledge His guidance and the empowerment of His Spirit in the many forms of service that have been rendered.

The Mission always endeavours to help people in need but this year there has been uncovered greater human needs and problems than in any previous year of the Mission's History.

Life-line Establishment: The establishment of LIFE-LINE has been the reason for this.

LIFE-LINE was officially inaugurated by the Minister of Finance, the Hon. H. R. Lake, on the 30th June.

Prior to the official opening, however, LIFE-LINE had been functioning experimentally for a period of three months.

LIFE-LINE with its slogan "Help is as close as the Telephone" offers help in the following ways to people in need.

1. There is a recorded message and prayer on four Telephone Lines 24 hours of the day. (Ph.. 42-299).

2. There is a phone manned by a Telephone Counsellor from 9 a.m. to midnight seven days a week.

3. Appointments are made for personal counselling whenever needed.

4. A Trouble Team is always available to go out at a moment's notice to all urgent cases.

5. A Caring Division "shepherds" those who have made personal contact with LIFE-LINE.

Seventy Ministers and laymen, some from other denominations, are serving in various capacities in the LIFE-LINE movement.

We are grateful to Rev. Dr. D. O. Williams who gave a series of five lectures in May.

Over a period of three months, 25,000 calls have been received for the message and prayer.

People are seeking personal help for all kinds of needs. Some of the more common classification of need are:— potential suicide, marriage breakdown, alcoholism, sexual maladjustments, unmarried mothers to be, deserted wives, accommodation, and spiritual problems.

LIFE-LINE in its unequivocal concept of a total Gospel for a total man is offering a unique service which could easily represent a break-through in Mission by the Church.

Rehua Hostel: Last year we reported that we had requested the Government to erect a 33-bed wing at Rehua Hostel. We are happy to report that Cabinet has now approved this in principle.

The Mission Trustees have agreed to give to the Government the area of land on which the wing will be erected, and the Government in turn will erect this building free of cost to the Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Moody were appointed Master and Matron in December, 1963, and they are giving outstanding Christian leadership to 45 Trade Trainees who live at Rehua.

Wesley House, Picton: We are pleased to be able to report that the Government has approved a subsidy of £14,400 for the erection of 16 single rooms at Wesley House. However, the overall bed state will only be increased by 6 as major alterations and improvements to the existing Home will reduce the number that can be accommodated in the old portion of the building.

Mr A. E. Greig continues to render valuable service as Honorary Treasurer.

Papanui Eventide Home: The Health Department has approved in principle the erection of a 36-bed Home for the Aged on the site of the South Island Children's Home. The Board of the Children's Home has agreed to sell to the Mission Trustees an area of land facing Harewood Road for this purpose.

Wesley Lodge and Hospital: Never has the staffing position been better at this Home and Hospital. We record our thanks to the Matron who brings a spirit of Christian dedication to her task.

It is a constant cause of concern that many who need the service we can give cannot be admitted. Whenever a vacancy occurs there are many people in urgent need on the waiting list and it is a difficult task to select the most urgent one. The hospital interior has been redecorated at a cost of £500. We were honoured by the visit of Lady Fergusson in June. She personally met all guests and patients.

Teenage Programme: The main feature of our work amongst non-Church Youth is the Coffee Club which meets every Sunday evening.

We look forward to the day when Friendship House will be extended so that our long-planned "Teenage Cabaret" may be established as a week night activity.

Darby and Joan Club: This Club continues to serve the needs of Senior Citizens. Miss O. G. Searle has done an excellent work as leader of the Club for many years, but if our work amongst the Aged is to be extended, further help in the management and leadership of the Club must be sought.

Durham Street and Central Mission Negotiations: Both Quarterly Meetings have appointed officials to serve on a Committee to examine the joint task of the two causes in the centre of the City.

The Committee is exploring ways and means of closer liaison between the two Churches, and we believe that the future development of the work of Methodism in the inner City will profit by these discussions.

Goodwill Store: The Goodwill Store is located on part of the property purchased by the City Council for a future Town Hall site.

The Mission Trustees have considered various alternatives for a future location for this Department but as yet no final decision has been made.

This year more clothing has been received than in any previous year and on the other hand there has been a greater demand for clothes and more people have been assisted.

This work is undertaken in a voluntary capacity by the following:—

Mesdames Falkingham, Mein, Smith, Beaumont, Bell, Anderson, Stewart, Bentrose, Joblin and Baird; Misses Searle and Nicol.

We express our grateful thanks for their service.

Finance: We thank all who have contributed to the work of the Mission. Many Trusts, Business firms, Voluntary Organisations, Circuits and individuals have helped us to translate the Gospel into deeds of love and mercy.

The Annual Audited Statements of the Mission in the files of Synod and Conference may be inspected by representatives.

Thanks: We thank the Executive Officers of the Mission, voluntary workers, full time staff members and all officials and members who in effect, form a Christian team to fulfill the call of Christ our Lord, to serve, to love and to care for those in need.

W. E. FALKINGHAM.

D. W. EDMONDS.

H. G. STEWART.

A. A. DINGWALL.

D—CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH AND MISSION DUNEDIN

1. Circuit Life: Although the work of the Central Methodist Church and Mission in Dunedin is widespread, it is firmly based on the worshipping congregation. We are glad that there has been an increasing tendency over recent years for staff members of our institutions to associate themselves more actively with the work and witness of the Church while on the other hand members in our Circuit, and indeed throughout the District are taking a much greater interest in our Social Service work.

We have been disappointed with the slow progress that is being made in plans for the renovation of Trinity Church, but we trust that the time will not be too far distant when a renovated Trinity Church becomes the home for both our morning and evening congregation.

During January the hospital chaplain, the Rev Warren Green, Mrs Green and family moved into a house in Palmerston that had been acquired for use as a parsonage. We are glad that our Church in the country area again has a resident minister. In July a new parsonage was completed for the Superintendent and his family.

2. Staff: We record with sorrow the death of Rev. Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S., a former Superintendent of the Mission.

Dr Dudley never spared himself but gave full measure of his considerable gifts and graces during his eight years of ministry. We are grateful to God for the contribution he made to the life and work of the Mission and especially in his work to bring about the amalgamation of Trinity Church and the Central Mission. Mrs Dudley is assured of our loving sympathy.

We look back with gratitude on the sterling work of the Rev E. Heppelthwaite as associate minister for six years. Mr and Mrs Heppelthwaite both gave of their best at Dunedin Central. Their place has been taken by the Rev and Mrs J. H. Roberts who have adapted themselves well to their first Circuit. Mr Roberts is associate minister and also chaplain to the Dunedin Public Hospitals.

The Rev Warren Green continues as resident minister at Palmerston with the pastoral care of the country area of the Circuit and chaplain to the Seacliff group of Psychiatric Hospitals.

After three years of most energetic service as Administrative Officer, Mr I. A. Skene left us towards the end of 1963. His place was taken by Mr F. W. Wilson, who has speedily come to grips with his work.

3. Institutions:

(a) EVENTIDE HOME AND HOSPITAL, COMPANY BAY

We have been glad to welcome this year as Matron at Company Bay, Sister Joan Brooking who comes to us with high qualifications and a sense of call to this work. At present we are caring for sixty-five elderly ladies, many of whom are very frail and are

hospital patients. A sprinkler system is being installed for fire protection and further alterations and improvements are planned. These include extensions of the hospital lounge, alterations to the bathrooms both at the Home and Hospital and improvements to a number of the rooms in the Home.

(b) WESLEY MANOR

This institution continues to be a very happy home for approximately eighteen elderly men under the care of the Matron, Miss Ruth Farnsworth and a most competent and compassionate staff.

(c) EVENTIDE FARM:

The farm which was not an economic unit was sold last year and the money placed in the Octagon Building Fund.

(d) WESLEY HALL STUDENTS' HOSTEL:

Our architects are working on plans for extensions to improve the accommodation. We hope eventually to be able to increase this to 60. The Dickson estate which was recently left to us has been sub-divided and when sold the proceeds will go towards these extensions.

(e) KAWARAU FALLS:

Major improvements during the past year have been the installation of a new septic tank at the house and a drip-feed furnace for providing hot water at the top ablution block. We have appointed a resident caretaker.

(f) ANGLICAN METHODIST OLD PEOPLE'S HOME,
TIMARU:

After many years of planning and quite a few frustrations the work in Timaru has been almost completed. It is planned to open the Home in September of this year.

(g) DUNEDIN CITIZENS' DAY NURSERY:

This nursery which is under the care and supervision of the Central Methodist Church and Mission, performs a most useful service to the citizens of Dunedin. Although the premises situated as they are in the hall of Trinity Church are far from ideal, we are most grateful for the faithful and efficient service which is carried out daily by the matron and staff. We look forward to premises in the new building.

4. Finance:

We are grateful to the many well-wishers who have helped us financially during the past year and to the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board and the Dunedin Savings Bank for their continued support to the Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery. We acknowledge the following legacies received:—

Estate G. B. Smith	£1,641	5	0	additional
Estate E. R. Cridland	£90	10	5	annual
Estate H. J. Armstrong	£87	5	4	additional
Estate S. Saltzman	£500	0	0	
Estate G. Geeson	£2,830	0	0	

5. New Building Octagon Site:

Messrs. Mason and Wales of Dunedin were appointed as architects in July, 1963. The Church Building and Loan Fund has given general approval to the present plan. An economic survey is being prepared prior to the commencement of working drawings. We hope that it will be possible to commence the building during 1965. The Building Fund stands at present at £100,000. The estimated cost of the new building is £262,000.

6. Thanks:

The work of the Central Mission could not possibly be carried on without faithful service not only of full-time staff, but also of many voluntary workers who give of their time and their talents in serving the Church in this way. We are grateful to God for the privilege of working with them.

D. B. GORDON, Superintendent.

G. F. PASCOE,

H. C. VINCE, Circuit Stewards.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of the Auckland, Christchurch and Dunedin Central Missions and Wesley (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust, be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express its appreciation of the services of the Rev. A. E. Orr to the Church and community.

3. That Conference record its appreciation of the work of Rev. B. H. Riseley in connection with the Wesley Church Social Services.

4. That Rev. W. E. Falkingham be thanked for his services and especially for his work in the inauguration of the Life-line movement.

5. That Conference congratulate the Superintendent, Staff and Trustees of the Dunedin Central Mission in their proposed building scheme.

BOARDS OF MANAGEMENT FOR 1965

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, Rev. Wesley Parker and the Ministers of the Takapuna, Mount 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, LL.B., 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:

The Chairman of the District, Revs. H. G. Brown, H. K. Brown, W. T. Blight, W. A. Chambers, J. D. Grocott, W. S. Dawson, R. G. Bell, T. Shepherd, P. D. Ramsay, Dr. M. A. McDowell, Messrs N. G. Hillary, A. Southey, A. Clark, W. A. Hadlee, F. T. Bartley, R. Thomas, T. J. Chamberlain, G. D. McSkimmon, L. J. Butler, R. Anderson, W. Couch, G. S. Salter, B. C. Bascand, W. T. Lill, G. M. Couch, Drs. S. C. Peddy, and T. Enticott, Mesdames M. Leask, W. T. Blight, W. S. Dawson, R. Anderson, W. Couch, R. G. Bell, G. N. Couch, J. Yarr, Miss P. Caukwell, together with the mission officials and Ministers.

QUESTION 52—

III—Children's Homes

A—AUCKLAND

Annual Report for Year ended 30th June, 1964.

It is our privilege and pleasure to submit this 51st annual report of the work for the children under the care of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home Board. We continue to acknowledge the guiding of our Heavenly Father and His continued goodness through

the many folk who continue to take an interest in the children.

During the year we have cared for 39 children and at the end of June, 1964, there were 8 children actually in residence at Wesleydale. There are two others at Kurahuna Maori Girls Hostel, and one boy at Wesley College. One boy and one girl are at the special schools at Otekake and Richmond and they return to Wesleydale in their school holidays. In addition, 20 children are living in 12 foster homes in Auckland suburbs, Tauranga, Morrinsville, Hamilton, Greenhithe, and Matakana; a total of 33 under our control. Four children returned to their parents and one was adopted out during the year. One girl is in a nurses home training. It should be realised that the majority of children under our care are from broken homes.

A full time qualified Social Worker was appointed by the Board and she took up duty at Auckland in January, 1964. Her duties have covered contact with all foster parents and giving advice in many cases where needed, together with interviewing folk who desired children to come under our care. Miss George has also made visits to Methodist people who through their ministers have offered as foster parents.

The present trend of care for children seems to be not so much for long term care but on a short term basis while the mother is recovering from excessive work in caring for her children and in some cases a mental breakdown. Most other denominations are finding that this type of child care is necessary and increasing. Owing to the small staff at Wesleydale it has not been possible to do this short term care but the Board has approved in principle of these short term children being cared for and advertisements have been placed for additional suitable staff.

The policy of placing children in suitable Methodist foster homes is continuing and many of our children are still happily settled with their foster parents and are receiving loving care in their upbringing.

The annual accounts are under action and we expect that they will be in a satisfactory condition, mainly due to grants from the Connexional Budget, Government capitation fees, family benefit receipts and grants from the Auckland Savings Bank, the McKenzie Trust Inc., and the Ladies Committee.

We appreciate the continued practical interest of many folk who have continued to support the children's work with monetary donations and with gifts of clothing. We acknowledge with thanks the gifts of sewing materials and new clothing which are required not only for the children at Wesleydale but also for children in foster homes. We receive help from the general public via the Auckland Community Chest through the Auckland United Orphanages Council.

During the long Christmas vacation many kind church folk offered their homes for holidays for the children and all our children were looked after in this way.

The Ladies Committee continued to take an interest in the Home and although they have not had a great deal to do, the furnishings at Wesleydale have been kept up to date and replacements provided where necessary.

Wesleydale Home opened in 1956, is a very fine building and it has been the policy of the Board during the year to keep it in good condition by regular maintenance so that the appearance of the buildings is always good. The grounds are in good condition. We acknowledge with gratitude the interest and help of those who have supervised the grounds and buildings.

The Board has under action what use should be made of the Wesleydale buildings and property now that so few children are actually in residence.

In 1963 the Children's Home completed 50 years of work for the children but we were not in a position to arrange any special celebrations. However, this year 1964 through the activities of the Ladies' Committee special 51 years' celebrations are under action for the first week in August, 1964. There will be a Reunion Buffet Tea and evening in the Pitt Street Methodist Bi-Centenary Hall on the Saturday night; a Thanksgiving Service at the Pitt Street Methodist Church on the Sunday morning, and an informal afternoon tea at Wesleydale on the Sunday afternoon. Already a number of very early members of both the girls' and boys' homes have advised us of their intentions to be present.

We look forward with confidence to the continued support of Christian folk in caring for the children through the foster homes and in special hostels and schools and through our family homes. Funds will still be needed for this work and to maintain smaller base family homes for the children not placed in foster homes. Especially will this be so as our short term work develops.

G. C. RIDDELL, Chairman.

B—MASTERTON CHILDREN'S HOME

Annual Report, 1964

In presenting this Annual Report, we do so with an increasing sense of our responsibility for the welfare of the children committed to our care. We record our thankfulness to God for this opportunity of service.

Our present family of 28 is made up of 14 girls and 14 boys. Amongst these are four boys from the Tokelau Islands; and although far from their families, they have settled into their new environment most satisfactorily. A few of the children are here only temporarily, mostly until their parents have found satisfactory accommodation.

We regret the resignation from the Management Committee of Mr and Mrs A. Kay, Mrs E. Roberts and Mr W. Churchill. They have all given valuable service, and appreciative reference to their work has been recorded.

Care of Dependent Children: While continuing to support the appointment of a case worker for this area, the Committee has become cautious about any rapid implementation of some aspects of the new policy on the care of dependent children. In particular, it is felt that in any service provided by the Church, we should seek to avoid separating from one another children of one family. Foster home placement is at a disadvantage in this respect, and while a case worker may find other forms of assistance which may help to keep a family together, the Committee feels that there is a definite need which is at present being well filled by "Homeleigh." Although the provision of family homes is contemplated, it appears that no such steps should be taken in this area without a further close examination of the result of such enterprises in other areas, particularly in view of the fact that we are already operating a comparatively small unit.

The Committee would again like to thank all who have assisted in any way, especially those who have opened their homes and given the children such a good holiday at Christmas and other times. It is a wonderful experience for these children to be taken into a private home and cared for by Christian people.

To all who have contributed gifts of produce and clothing, and for the financial support from the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board, the Police Charity Day and others, we would express our grateful thanks.

We would record appreciative thanks to our Manager and Matron, Mr and Mrs Jolly, for their untiring labours in the interests of the children. We are sure that because of their devotion and care, this is indeed a real Home to many of the children. Our thanks, also, to the other members of the Staff who help in the care of our large family.

We express our thanks to God for what has been achieved in the past and seek His guidance during the coming year.

A. D. GRIGGS, Acting-Chairman.

W. H. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

C—THE SOUTH ISLAND CHILDREN'S HOME

Annual Report, 1964

The work of the Home continues to meet a growing need in the community and we report one of the most important years in the life of the Home. At the present time there are 47 children in the home and 12 in foster homes and the demand for admissions is with us constantly taxing to the full the present capacity for accommodation. The Board's policy of receiving children on a part-time basis continues to meet a very great and growing need, while the Master's Counselling Service has proved beneficial in the solving of many family problems, and 8 families have been reunited and an additional 18 families representing 41 children were assisted to the extent that the families were kept together, when otherwise these children might have been admitted to the home. Altogether 138 children have been received either into the home or into Foster Homes. It is a fine record of service of which the Church can be justly proud.

Staff: We have a fine staff record of service, the average length of service being six years. The establishment of family units has given an increased sense of service, and staff members have responded well to the new policy. There have been no changes in family mothers since the establishment of family units. This is most important as a basis of security among our children. We are grateful to all staff members for loyal and devoted service and especially to our Master and Matron, Mr and Mrs E. E. Scott and the Assistant Matron, Sister Rona Collins.

Property: The buildings are in good order and all maintenance is attended to by the Board as necessity arises.

Policy and Administration: It is the declared policy of the Board to continue to function within our present buildings, and two family units are resident in each wing, and the middle block is used as an administration centre and receiving home. In the not distant future the Board will need to consider the setting up of a separate family home. Negotiations have been proceeding between the Board and the Christchurch Central Mission and it has been agreed to sell 1.6 acres for the purpose of the erection of an Eventide

Home. Negotiations between the Board and the Central Mission are continuing.

Vice-Regal Visit: Lady Fergusson visited the home on May 28th and met all members of the staff, inspected the buildings and met the family units. It was a most pleasant occasion for staff and children. The visit received publicity on both Radio and Television, and Lady Fergusson commented upon the homely atmosphere she encountered.

Jubilee: The Golden Jubilee of the Home was celebrated on 11th and 12th April. We were privileged to have both the President and the Vice President of the Conference with us for the celebrations. Over 300 former residents of the Home were together for the functions, some of these being original members. There were many generous testimonies to the high value of the home across fifty years.

N.Z. Association of Social Workers: A branch of the New Zealand Association of Social Workers has recently been formed, and members of the staff are eligible for membership. It is felt that the association will give added strength to those engaged in Child Care work.

We conclude this report in a spirit of confidence and optimism. The Church is engaged in a valuable piece of service and a great and growing field lies ahead.

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

H. A. COCHRANE, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Rev. H. A. Cochrane, who has served as Secretary to the South Island Board for five years be thanked for his services.

3. That the following be referred to the M.S.S.A.:

(a) That implementation of the new policy on the care of dependent children be deferred insofar as it may concern the provision of family homes in the Wellington District or the closing of the Masterton Home, until the operation of the new policy in other districts has been reviewed.

(b) The conflict between "the declared policy" of the South Island Childrens' Home and the Conference policy on the care of dependent children.

QUESTION 53.—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, 1964.

A. REPORT OF BOARD:

The Board has watched with a great deal of interest the commencement of the 'Warden Policy' with the appointment of Rev W. A. Chambers, M.A., as Warden of the Deaconess Order from the beginning of this year. Already we see signs that this was a wise decision of the Conference. While the Warden is chiefly concerned with the training of the two students in residence, he has already visited the Youth Conference and four Easter Camps with a view to presenting the claims of the Order to young women. He has also made useful contacts with Deaconesses in the field, and has been

well received. The Board is confident that the continuation of the appointment of the Warden will greatly benefit both the Deaconesses and the Church.

House Committee: We would again express our very real appreciation to the Women's Guilds, now part of the Women's Fellowship, for their generous assistance with refurbishing the House. Through their help both vestibules have been re-carpeted and the entrance hall relined, giving a very pleasing entrance to the House. This year we aim to replace a very worn-out piano, and, as soon as funds permit, will commence refurbishing the students' rooms.

Because the Budget makes payments for running expenses and maintenance of the building alone, we look to the newly formed Women's Fellowships for support, as there is still much to be done to bring the House to the best standard of accommodation which we would desire for students.

B. REPORT OF WARDEN

This report covers the five-month period which has elapsed since the appointment of the Warden. During this time efforts have been made to gain as much information as possible about the Deaconess Order both within this country and also overseas. All approaches to persons and institutions in a position to supply information have been very cordially received, and the information gained has made it possible to see the New Zealand Order in a wider perspective.

THE DEACONESS ORDER

Membership: At present the field strength of the Order is 23 persons of whom one is a Probationer due for dedication this year. While smaller numbers of Deaconesses serve with the Overseas Mission Department, in New Zealand Circuits and in Methodist institutions, over half of the total strength of the Order is working on the Maori Mission field.

Type of Work: The type of work being done by the Deaconesses is primarily of a pastoral character. From a survey made during the year, each Deaconess in the Maori Mission work has had upon her visiting list an average of 239 families. Apart from visitation, the survey reveals that the major function of the Deaconesses in both Maori and European Circuits, is of an educational character. In the Maori field it is predominantly at the Sunday School level. In European Circuits it is mainly at adult level. Next in importance is the area of group leadership which again in both Maori and European Circuits exceeds by far the opportunities of preaching. Only one Deaconess in both Maori and European Circuits has regular preaching appointments. From the point of view of the training of Deaconesses, it is apparent that pastoral care, religious education and group methods must be adequately provided for in the curriculum.

At the present time nurses and other professionally trained women find little opportunity to use their skills for the Church through the Deaconess Order. Overseas information suggests that this need not be so.

Convocation: Opportunity was taken during the May holidays to attend the Deaconess Convocation. This was both enriching and informative and a very real opportunity to come to know the members of the Order.

Personal: During the year Sister Airini Hobbs has retired after serving the Church through the Deaconess Order for 35 years; Sister Anne Wilson has celebrated her 21st anniversary in the Order; Sister Gladys Thomas has been elected President of the New South Wales

Deaconess Association; and Sister Doreen Bulford tendered her resignation after nine years' service.

DEACONESS HOUSE

Students in Training: During the year there has been one Deaconess Student in training, and the Board has accepted one private student who has been taking the full course of lectures and will be offering as a candidate for the Order.

This year the number of subjects studied has been increased. These now are Old Testament, New Testament, Theology, Pastoral Studies, Church History, Christian Ethics, Homiletics, the Devotional Life, and Maori. The skilled assistance of both the Revs W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., and R. G. Bell, M.A., B.D., M.Theol., has been greatly appreciated by both the students and the Warden.

Post examination studies are being planned again this year, and the possibility of students obtaining field experience during the long vacation is being investigated.

Hostel: Mrs Gauntlet, as Lady Superintendent, continues to give excellent leadership in the Hostel. There have been thirty Training College students in residence. Daily devotions have been taken by the Lady Superintendent, the Deaconess students and on occasion by the Warden. During Lent early morning Communion services were held in the Chapel. These were well attended by the residents.

Publicity for the Order: The opportunity to commend the work of the Order to the young women of the Church has been much appreciated by the Warden. The Deaconess page in "Mission Message" is now available for the Warden's use, and the Lady Superintendent has been able to disseminate knowledge of the Order amongst women's groups which have visited the House. Much remains to be done in this field.

Appreciation: In conclusion I would express appreciation of the work done by the Lady Superintendent of Deaconess House; to the Deaconess Board for help and encouragement; to the officials and members of Wesley Church who have always trusted me in the allocation of my time in a position of dual responsibility.

WESLEY A. CHAMBERS, Warden.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That Conference record its appreciation of the excellent service given by the Warden, Mrs Gauntlett (Lady Superintendent) and her staff.
3. That the Constitution for the Deaconess Order be referred back to the Deaconess Board for further consideration in the light of the report of the Commission on the Ministry of Women.
4. That the Law Book p. 123 sub-section 38 be amended to read: A Deaconess who retires having served for at least 30 years or having reached the age of 55 years while in the service of the Order may on the recommendation of the Board have her name placed on the retired list in the Minutes of Conference.
5. That there be a tribute to Deaconesses on retirement and that the tribute be included in the Journal.
6. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 55.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?

A—Methodist Times Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

Circulation:

At May 1, 1964, the number of subscribers was 4865 compared with 5047 at May 1, 1963.

Finance:

The accumulated deficit at April 30, 1963, was £484 12s 1d. The excess of income over expenditure for the year was £40 11s 7d. This means that, by continuing to publish monthly, we are slowly improving our financial position. It will be necessary to continue publishing monthly the subscription rate to be 15s per annum.

Editorial:

Mr H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip. Ed., has completed three years of efficient and willing service. He is ably supported by the Assistant-Editor, Mr G. B. Couch, M.A., and by regular contributors to our columns like Sister Rita F. Snowden, F.I.A.L., Rev. John Grundy, M.A., "Erica," Brother Giles, "Joab," and the authors of "Thinking Aloud" and "Ecumenical Lookout." To them and to all our circuit agents who seek to maintain and increase interest in our church paper we return grateful thanks.

Re-appointment of Editor:

The Committee desires the re-appointment of Mr H. W. Beaumont for a term of three years as from May 1, 1964. A suitable recommendation is appended.

Retirement of Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D.:

Rev. W. T. Blight has asked permission to retire from the Methodist Times Committee. As Editor for 14 years and Committee member for 18 years he has served the Church graciously and well and his presence will be much missed.

BRIAN C. BASCAND, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Business Manager.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Mr H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip.Ed., be reappointed Editor for a term of 3 years from May 1, 1964, with right of termination by either party at 6 months' notice.
3. That Conference again records its appreciation of the outstanding services of Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., as Editor and Member of the "Methodist Times" Committee over a period of 18 years.
4. That Conference request the Methodist Times Committee to commend the new Connexional paper through its policy and columns.
5. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 55

B—Board of Publications

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The regular publications of the Board (Advent and Lenten Leaflets, Prayer Manuals, etc.) have been maintained, with increased sales in each case. The Lenten Leaflet "Through Trial to Triumph" was particularly well received, and a printing of 19,000 was com-

pletely sold out. For the first time, the Lenten Leaflet sold well in Presbyterian and Anglican Churches, and in several areas was made the basis of combined Lenten services.

In other respects, the Board's trading has been restricted, as its stock was packed away in cartons for several months until our new quarters in Central Mission Buildings were ready.

The Conference Statement on Spiritual Healing will be published shortly, and there has been some delay in the publication of the statement on "The Christian View of Marriage and Parenthood." Our reading committee felt strongly that the material would need to be published in more popular language and with questions for discussion added. A sub-committee has been appointed to deal with this matter.

For the immediate future, we plan to concentrate much more on publishing, leaving despatch of orders to Bookroom personnel. We shall, however, deal direct with Circuits for regular publications such as Advent and Lenten Leaflets, which will be pre-ordered and sent direct from the printers.

Other aspects of policy must wait for the decision of Conference on such matters as the future of the Methodist Times or its successor.

E. P. SALMON, Chairman.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 55—

C—Committee on Proposed New Connexional Paper

REPORT FOR SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1964

One hundred and fifteen circuits have signified that they can distribute a total of 32,155 copies of a fortnightly Connexional paper such as was proposed and given general approval at Conference, 1963.

This was the response to the questionnaire on this point distributed early this year.

Background:

Following the deliberations of the Methodist Times Commission (first appointed by Conference 1961) Conference 1963 adopted a Report and Recommendations regarding a new Connexional Paper submitted by that Commission, and appointed a Committee to "implement this scheme at the earliest possible date". (Minutes of Conference 1963, Page 184). The Committee consisted of The Rev. L. G. Hanna, Sister Rita Snowden, Messrs M. A. Berry, B. Burton, E. P. Salmon and C. R. Howell (together with the following corresponding members, Revs. J. D. Grocott, H. L. Fiebig, M. Jackson Campbell, W. S. Dawson, W. H. Greenslade, J. Grundy and Messrs B. Bascand and H. W. Beaumont). With the approval of the President of Conference the Rev. B. Walker and Messrs R. T. Garlick and H. Maud were added to the Committee.

Referendum:

To ascertain the reaction of Quarterly Meetings to the task of distributing a fortnightly paper to all under the pastoral care of the Church, material was distributed to Synod Standing

Committees and to Quarterly Meeting Members. The detailed results of the voting are set out in an appended statement. In total, 94 Circuits have committed themselves to a complete coverage of all families, involving the distribution of 27,535 copies per issue. A further 21 circuits have agreed to distribute the paper but because of "local difficulties" cannot promise a complete coverage. These circuits will distribute 4620 copies per issue—making a total initial distribution of 32,155 copies.

Finance:

The estimate which was submitted to Conference 1963 (Minutes, Page 184) has been amended slightly and has been submitted, as instructed by Conference to the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee, together with a request that an appropriate amount be included in the 1965-66 Budget (Minutes Page 184), Secs. 2 (d) and (e). If publication begins in February-March, 1966 (as we recommend) we anticipate that the paper will start its first full year of publication (1966-67) having in hand a reasonable sum for "working capital". Such an amount is, of course, necessary to meet current payments (prior to receipt of the first Budget payments for the year) and any other contingencies.

The Statement of Estimated Income and Expenditure presented to Conference 1963 indicated that the gross cost of the publication would total approximately £13,600 per year. Against this certain receipts (advertising, etc.) were estimated at £4,600, leaving a net cost of £9,000. The Committee is concerned to reduce this figure as much as possible and to that end hopes to organise substantial donations towards the cost of the paper.

Apart from appealing for donations from time to time through the columns of the paper the Committee proposes to launch a scheme to enrol the maximum number of "Partners in Print", each of whom would agree to contribute not less than £1 a year to help finance this missionary venture. The basis of this group would presumably be the present subscribers to the Methodist Times, and the Committee will aim at enlisting four or five thousand such "Partners". These persons would receive the paper posted directly to them by the printers (thus saving a certain amount of work for local churches).

Name:

The Committee has not yet made a final decision regarding a name for the paper.

Editor:

The Committee prefers not to nominate an Editor until Conference has given final approval to the Scheme. It will then seek Conference direction on the question of advertising for the post, and also in the matter of the method of appointment.

Goal:

The Committee reaffirms its conviction that, under God, the proposed paper will prove to be a vital and effective part of the missionary outreach of the Church. To the extent that its message and inspiration spreads beyond the limits of those already closely associated with the Church, to that extent its effectiveness will show itself in a better understanding of the Church's endeavours and a quickened response to its claims.

L. GORDON HANNA, Chairman.

C. R. HOWELL, Convenor.

CIRCUIT RESPONSE TO DISTRIBUTION PROPOSALS

DISTRICT:	FULL COVERAGE			PART COVERAGE			INDEFINITE		NOT PREPARED TO DISTRIBUTE	
	No. of Circuits	Percentage of Circuits	No. of Copies	No. of Circuits	Percentage of Circuits	No. of Copies	No. of Circuits	Percentage of Circuits	No. of Circuits	Percentage of Circuits
Northland	8	73%	1495	Nil			1	9%	2	18%
Auckland	13	62%	6265	3	14%	600	1	5%	4	19%
Waikato-Bay of Plenty .	15	62%	4515	7	29%	680			2	9%
Taranaki-Wanganui	10	71%	2025	1	7%	350	1	7%	2	15%
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu .	11	73%	2605	Nil			1	7%	3	20%
Wellington	10	62%	2990	3	19%	1400			3	19%
Nelson	4	45%	675	4	45%	1060			1	10%
North Canterbury	7	47%	2685	Nil			1	6%	7	47%
South Canterbury	5	62%	1205	1	13%	150	1	12%	1	13%
Otago-Southland	11	73%	3075	2	13%	380			2	14%
TOTAL	94	64%	27535	21	14%	4620	6	4%	27	18%

TOTAL DISTRIBUTION: 32,155 COPIES PER ISSUE — DISTRIBUTED BY 115 CIRCUITS.

COMMITTEE ON NEW CONNEXIONAL PAPER SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

The Committee has given careful thought to the recommendations of Synods. It notes the widespread approval given to the scheme and re-affirms its earlier decision to ask Conference to approve the commencement of publication in March, 1966, and to set aside the necessary finance to make this possible.

The **Northland** recommendation that the paper be published monthly instead of fortnightly is a matter to which much consideration had previously been given. While this would reduce the annual cost it would certainly not halve it (advertising revenue would be, at least, halved but, on the other hand, most overheads—salaries, etc.—would be reduced little). More important, the Committee does not feel that the task which the paper has been planned to do could be adequately dealt with by a monthly. The nature of the paper would, of necessity, be very different. It would be impossible to be so lively or so topical. Correspondence columns in a monthly become largely ineffective because of the time lag between issues. And much less material could be presented to readers.

The **Hawke's Bay-Manawatu** suggestion that publication be delayed until efforts can be made to establish a united paper for the five denominations now discussing union does not commend itself to the Committee. The delay could be very great, whereas the fact that such a paper has been started by the Methodist Church would in no way prevent its later expansion to all or any of the other denominations. The committee envisages that the paper will make a useful contribution to inter-denominational understanding and the possible development of this type of "combined" enterprise.

Wellington Synod has proposed that consideration be given to another method of financing by making a direct charge to circuits. This question of the financing of the paper has involved the Committee in a great deal of thought but it does not favour the making of a direct charge to circuits—in fact, from the outset the proposals have included assurances that no direct charge would be made. Such a charge would change the whole concept of this scheme—which is conceived as essentially a connexional venture. (And it is clearly dangerous to accept the principle that a circuit can contract out of connexional projects.) Circulation would be much less stable with consequent problems in selling advertising. There also appear to be impossible problems to be faced in any attempt to build up a mass circulation of a church paper based on paid subscriptions (be it individual or group subscriptions).

The Committee has accepted the recommendation of the **South Canterbury** Synod that the proposal to mail copies directly to "partners-in-print" be dropped. This would reduce outgoings by a substantial sum (based on approximately five shillings per member) and would mean that the appeal to become a "partner-in-print" would be based simply on sharing in the scheme, without the incentive of thereby obtaining any corresponding advantage.

L. GORDON HANNA, Chairman.

C. R. HOWELL, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. (a) That subject to the necessary finance being available, publication of the proposed fortnightly paper commence in February-March, 1966.

- (b) That the Committee be authorised to proceed with its plans for the establishment of a group of regular donors to be known as "Partners in Print".
 - (c) That the Committee be authorised to discuss with the Boards and Departments of the Church arrangements for taking over such publications as can be arranged to the mutual satisfaction of both parties.
 - (d) That the present Committee be re-appointed.
 - (e) That a grant of £100 be made to the Committee from the Contingent Fund.
3. That the Committee be empowered to advertise the position of Editor of the new Connexional paper and refer the name of the proposed appointee to the President for approval before making the final appointment.

QUESTION 56.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Chaplaincy Matters?

Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The Committee has met on three occasions during the year, coinciding its meetings with those of the Chaplains Dominion Advisory Council for which the Senior Chaplain visits Wellington.

The Methodist establishment of Chaplains is unchanged from last year, with the Rev G. T. Gilbert having been promoted to Chaplain Class III. Chaplain D. S. Mullan served with 1/Inf. Bde. Gp., Chaplain J. S. Hosking with the 3rd Field Artillery, and Chaplain F. G. Glen served with 1/Cant. Regt., and has now been appointed to 2/Bn. R.N.Z.I.R. At a special service attended by officers and men of the 1/Canterbury Regiment, the historic Communion Flag of the Regiment was laid-up at the Shirley Methodist Church on 21st June, 1964. At the same occasion, a new Communion Ensign was dedicated for use by Chaplains of the newly-formed Second Battalion Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment.

Army Re-organisation: A change in N.Z. Army organisation to provide Logistic Support as well as fighting troops, has brought changes in Chaplaincy appointments which have not been completed at the date of this report. The re-organisation may reduce chaplaincy strength, and may affect the establishment of Methodist chaplains. For this reason, the Methodist Church has not yet been invited to make the appointment of an "additional chaplain" which was approved by last Conference.

Regular Force Chaplains: The Methodist Church is represented in the services by the Rev R. John Hamlin and the Rev Harry I. Shaw.

The Rev R. John Hamlin is serving a three-year extension of his initial three-year appointment as Chaplain in R.N.Z.A.F., his present term of service being due to expire on January 15, 1967. Reports indicate that he is giving good service. He is still located at Woodbourne Station.

An extensive programme of services and classes occupies his time. Sunday morning worship is attended by 66 Boy Entrants and up to 20 other personnel make a full Chapel. Evening worship is attended by about fifty. A monthly Family Service is well attended. A Sunday School is attended by more than eighty children. Three fellowship groups meet during the week. Chaplain Hamlin also

conducts Padre's Hours and is busy with Counselling and Welfare work. He writes, "I find the work here demanding, varied and very satisfying. It has its moments of difficulty which are to be expected, but on the whole the task goes very well with many reasons for thanksgiving and joy as men and women are nurtured in the faith."

The Rev Harry I. Shaw left New Zealand soon after last Conference to serve a tour of duty with FARELF in South-east Asia. Movement of troops has provided variety in his work, and Chaplain Shaw has maintained his service with the unit on jungle patrol as well as in the Base Camp. We have been assured that he is giving efficient service.

General: At June 30 the finances of the Committee showed a credit balance of £161 0s 11d. Expenses for the year amounted to £24 7s.

R. F. CLEMENT, Senior Chaplain.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Messrs A. J. Johnston and E. C. D. Watson be thanked for their services and re-appointed as Treasurers.
3. That the appointment of the Rev. Mervyn L. Dine, C.F., to Regular Force Chaplaincy in the New Zealand Army with effect from 1st February, 1965, be approved.
4. That the Central Methodist Advisory Committee be: The Revs R. F. Clement (Senior Chaplain), G. R. Thompson, R. J. Hamlin, P. P. Rushton (Secretary), Messrs T. M. Pacey, H. J. Steptoe, A. J. Johnston, E. C. D. Watson, J. McKinney and H. F. Hart.
5. That Circuits and Men's Fellowships be reminded that our Service Chaplains need assistance in providing books and other comforts for New Zealand servicemen, noting that if sent overseas, such goods will be carried freight free by the New Zealand Army.

QUESTION 56 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).
M. L. Dine (Army).

QUESTION 57.

C—Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand)

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

Progress

"We have a complete file (of Proceedings) back to Volume 1, and regard it as an important historical source." Thus writes the Librarian of the Royal Commonwealth Society, London, in an unsolicited recognition of the importance of the Society's publications. Issues of Proceedings are sent regularly to important Libraries in New Zealand, Australia, U.S.A. and England, and to the Society's 350 members in New Zealand.

1964 has been remarkable for the number of gifts and subsidies we have received from interested friends and organizations to help with our publication programme. Grateful acknowledgment is made to the following: Mesdames A. C. A. Sexton and C. Marshall; Messrs D. B. H. Gadd, H. M. Denton and E. A. Astley, the Methodist Connexional Office, the Alfred and Isabel and Marian Reed Trust

and the Edith Winstone Blackwell Foundation. In addition, members of the Pollard family have agreed to meet part of the cost of publishing a brochure on the life of the Rev. James Wallis.

Proceedings

Issues of Proceedings published during 1964 are as follows:

Vol. 20, Nos. 1 and 2 — "William Morley, 1842-1926" by Bernard Gadd, B.A.

Vol. 20, No. 3 — "Gold Diggings and the Gospel" (The Rev. G. S. Harper's Westland Journal, 1865-66) — edited by Jonathan H. Haslam.

Vol. 20, No. 4 — "The Hamilton Methodist Centenary."

We have a plentiful supply of manuscripts in preparation, and these will be published as funds permit.

Annual Lecture

This year's Lecturer is Mr C. G. Hunt, of Hamilton, who will speak on "Early Developments of Waikato Methodism."

E. W. HAMES, President.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express its warm appreciation of the work of the Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore as Secretary of the Wesley Historical Society over many years.

QUESTION 58.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods or Committees?

1 (A) Church Union Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964

The full Committee met on the 14th May at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, with 24 members present. The Executive Committee has met three times. The Joint Standing Committee has held 6 meetings, including one with members of the Church of England Commission. As it is not possible for the Joint Standing Committee to complete its work until September, the Annual Report will be made direct to Conference.

Conference Resolutions on Acts of Unity and Co-operation (Conf. Mins. 1963, P. 201, Res. 2-6)

The attention of Synod Standing Committees was drawn to the above resolutions through a circular letter distributed in early April. Synod Standing Committees were requested to take the initiative in contacting the district courts of the other negotiating churches with a view to holding a combined meeting to consider the mission of the church in their respective areas and to make provision for regular consultation on church extension and other co-operative activities. Thus far only one district has reported on such a joint meeting. In another district steps have been taken to initiate discussions with the neighbouring Presbytery.

Decision of the Anglican General Synod. A letter from the Primate, Archbishop N. A. Lesser, to the President of Conference towards the end of April, conveyed the relevant resolutions passed unanimously by the General Synod. These resolutions are:

1. That this Synod now seeks to enter into negotiation with the said Standing Committee in the hope that a basis of union may be found.

2. That this Synod accepts as a starting point the Lambeth Statement re-affirmed in 1958 and set out as follows:

"We believe that the visible unity of the Church will be found to involve the whole-hearted acceptance of:

The Holy Scriptures, as the record of God's revelation of himself to man and as being the rule and ultimate standard of faith, and the Creed commonly called the Nicene, as the sufficient statement of the Christian faith, and either it or the Apostles' Creed as the Baptismal confession of belief; The divinely instituted sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Communion as expressing for all the corporate life of the whole fellowship in and with Christ; A ministry acknowledged by every part of the Church as possessing not only the inward call of the Spirit, but also the commission of Christ and the authority of the whole body.

3. That the Commission be re-appointed with power to enter into negotiations with the said Standing Committee."

The President of Conference represented the Methodist Church at the General Synod as an official observer. The President agreed to forward a message to Archbishop Lesser expressing the pleasure of the Committee at the decision of the General Synod.

Meeting of Joint Standing Committee and Anglican Commission.

Negotiations for Church Union between the representatives of the Church of the Province of New Zealand (Anglican) and representatives of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational Churches and the Associated Churches of Christ began at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on the 14th-15th May. With deep joy and thankfulness the meeting received the communication of the Anglican General Synod indicating willingness to enter into negotiations with a view to organic union with the other four churches. The first session was attended by His Excellency, the Governor-General, Sir Bernard Fergusson, who gave a stimulating personal report of discussions in Great Britain between the Church of Scotland and the Church of England.

Dr. J. J. Lewis presented a survey of present negotiations for Union between the Church of England and the Methodist Church. In this scheme, the intention to initiate the movement towards union with an act of reconciliation was felt to be of significance. A paper prepared by Dr. I. W. Fraser which set forth an analysis of the contemporary situation, made it clear that the context of union discussions is mission. Reunion is God's urgent call to His Church that it might be enabled to meet the demands of the age. Discussion then took place on the future of present negotiations between the four Churches in view of the now larger dimension of union discussion. There emerged clearly the common desire for union and the intention to seek to find expression for it at the local level. There was expressed further the conviction that in this venture all the Churches will move forward together. Discussion on these matters will continue at the next meeting in September when it is hoped that specific recommendations will be made to the supreme courts of the four churches. One of the suggestions which commended itself was that at an early date the five Churches should commit themselves to each other through some form of covenant. This would be followed by joint action in selected spheres while negotiations continued.

Revision of the Draft Declaration of Faith and Draft Basis of Union. The Committee regrets to report that it has not been possible to send down to district and local courts this year a final revision of the Draft Basis of Union. Controversial sections are still being

discussed. Problems of special concern to others of the negotiating churches have also contributed to the delay. It is hoped that revision will be completed in time for the Joint Standing Committee's Report to Conference and to the Supreme Courts of the other Churches. Recommendations concerning the future use of the revised Basis of Union and the Declaration of Faith will also be made in that report.

Union Negotiations in Melanesia. Reports were received during the year from the Rev. G. G. Carter, Chairman of the Solomon Islands District, telling of Church Union negotiations held at Port Moresby in February this year, between the United Methodist Synod of Melanesia, Papua Ekalesia (L.M.S.), and Kwato Extension Association. The Committee wrote to Mr Carter conveying good wishes for the negotiations and assuring him of the committee's prayerful support.

Negotiations Towards a United Youth Movement. The Committee has given consideration to matters referred to it by the Executive Officer of the National C.Y.M. (M) Council, arising from a pilot consultation between representatives of the Youth Movements of the four negotiating churches and their parent departments of Christian Education. At the request of the National C.Y.M. (M) Council, the Committee endorsed the following as the basic principle in moving towards a united Youth Movement. "That discussion and experimentation toward a united youth movement be carried forward by direct consultation between the national executives of the four Youth Movements of the negotiating churches." The action of the National C.Y.M. (M) was warmly commended and an appropriate recommendation has been prepared.

Conference Resolution 7. P. 195. (Conf. Mins 1963).

The above lengthy resolution was considered and it was decided to recommend to Conference in terms of a revised form of sub-section (7) (a) 'That Conference request Synod Standing Committees to survey the situation in every circuit within its boundaries and to report to the Home Mission Department on any possible or desirable lines of action for co-operation with other churches.' The Home Mission Department has notified Synod Standing Committees of this recommendation. Before any such discussions for specific co-operation take place Synod Standing Committees have been asked to communicate with the Home Mission Department and with the Church Union Committee.

Committee Nominations and Representation on J.S.C. In view of the entry of the Church of England into negotiations it was felt desirable to review the personnel of the Committee and especially the Methodist representation on the Joint Standing Committee. Any changes are incorporated in the recommendations.

A. R. PENN, President of the Conference.
A. K. PETCH, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Methodist representatives on the Joint Standing Committee for 1965 be: Revs. G. H. Goodman, Dr. J. J. Lewis, W. F. Ford, R. G. Bell, W. J. Morrison, P. A. Stead, A. K. Petch, and Mr R. H. Ellis.
3. That a grant of £24 from the Contingent Fund be made to the Joint Standing Committee for 1965.
4. That Conference express its appreciation of the able and devoted service over many years of the Rev. A. K. Petch and re-appoint him Convener for 1965.

5. That in moving toward Church Union, as a step towards the establishment of a United Youth Movement, Conference endorses the principle of seeking all possible spheres of united action, and co-operation among the Youth Movements of the Negotiating Churches as set forth in the report.

6. That Conference request the Church Union Committee to examine and consider Res. 7, Sect. 6, p. 195, 1963 Minutes.

7. Joint use of Anglican Church at Cannon's Creek, Porirua East. That Conference approve the scheme, on the understanding that a similar scheme be worked out when the Methodist Church builds in the next area to be developed, with the Presbyterian and Anglican Churches providing capital by way of interest free loans on a basis to be determined.

8. That Conference authorise the use of Church Extension Grants already provided for Porirua East up to £2,000 as interest free loans for the Anglican Church in Cannon's Creek, such capital to be advanced on the understanding that if the scheme proves unworkable, the capital be refunded.

9. That the H.M. Board and the Church Union Committee be called upon to assist in working out the details of the Agreement with the Anglican Church on the joint use of the Church at Cannon's Creek.

10. That Conference call upon all Circuits and Synod Standing Committees to seek the advice of the H.M. Department, at every stage of any discussions with other churches relating to the joint use of Church buildings, union schemes, or other schemes which relate to Church Extension, staffing, or the use of Connexional Funds.

11. That Conference approve the agreement between the Anglican and Union Churches in Glendale, Wainuiomata, and that the detailed agreement be recorded in the Journal of Conference.

12. That the North Canterbury Synod Standing Committee consult with the officials of the Riccarton Circuit concerning possible co-operative action with the Anglican Parochial District of Avonhead.

13. That the Home Mission Board and the Church Union Committee consult together to give advice to local Churches on matters of co-operation.

14. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 58.

1 (B) Report of The Joint Standing Committee on Church Union

The Committee has met eight times during the year: Nov. 27-28, 1963, Feb. 26, April 30, June 25, August 5, September 3, and twice with the Commission appointed by the General Synod of the Anglican Church on May 14-15 and September 1-2, 1964.

Attention has been given to various matters as follows.

A. THE DRAFT BASIS OF UNION

In reporting last year, the Committee stated that further study was needed of paragraphs numbered 24, 40, 57 and 58 of the Revised Draft Basis. A special meeting was held in November, more widely representative than the membership of the J.S.C. Para. 24 was ap-

proved. Revisions proposed of para. 40 concerning the celebration of the Lord's Supper by others than regular ministers, and of paragraphs on baptism were referred to Church Union Committees and considered at subsequent meetings. As discussion proceeded, it became quite clear that further thinking at fundamental levels on the nature of the Ministry and on Baptism would be required before agreement could be reached on the clauses in the Basis of Union.

In addition, it was found necessary to give considerable attention to para. 9 relating to the status of the Declaration of Faith. As a result of conversations within its own Church, the Presbyterian Committee suggested a revision of para. 9. After discussions, the following form was referred to and accepted by Church Union Committees:

The . . . Church acknowledges its responsibility for constant thinking about its faith, openness to new insights from the Holy Spirit and proclaiming its faith in terms relevant to our day. It therefore accepts and adopts the Declaration of Faith as a contemporary expression of the one holy catholic apostolic faith to be used, subject to Scripture, as the supreme standard for the instruction of its people and the guiding and ordering of its own life.

The present position regarding the Basis of Union is therefore that matters related to the Ministry and Baptism have raised questions which still demand careful and patient study.

B. THE DECLARATION OF FAITH

The Committee reported last year that certain amendments had been approved by the representatives appointed to draft the Declaration. These gave an amended version which we designated Mark III. It was also reported that the Presbyterian Committee expected to bring forward further suggestions. Some of these were approved in February, the resultant version being designated Mark IV.

The Presbyterian Committee has completed the work of formulating suggested amendments to Mark IV and these have been referred to other Church Union Committees and to the Drafting Committee with a view to a Revision of Mark IV which would be available to the proposed Joint Commission on Church Union.

C. CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CHURCH OF THE PROVINCE OF N.Z.

1. Following the meeting at Auckland in April, 1964, of General Synod of the Church of the Province of N.Z., which until this year has met triennially, the Archbishop advised the Committee of the resolution passed. The resolution is the culmination of a process of investigation and consultation which has gone on since the invitation was extended in 1954 by the Congregational Union, the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. In 1955 General Synod appointed a Commission to advise what action should be undertaken. In 1958, on the recommendation of the Commission, General Synod appointed representatives for the purpose of entering into exploratory conversations. The first of these Conversations took place in February, 1960, and was reported to the next General Synod at Nelson in 1961. In 1962 the Commission recommended to Diocesan Synods that the invitation be accepted. In 1963 the Synods approved the recommendation. The Commission reported on the subsequent Conversations to the General Synod at Auckland in April, 1964, and the following motion was passed:

(a) That the report of the Commission set up to enter into exploratory conversations with the Joint Standing Committee of the negotiating Churches, viz: The Presbyterian Church of New Zea-

land, the Methodist Church of New Zealand, the Congregational Union, and the Associated Churches of Christ be received and printed in the proceedings of Synod.

(b) That this Synod now seeks to enter into negotiation with the said Standing Committee in the hope that a basis of union may be found.

(c) That this Synod accepts as a starting point the Lambeth Statement re-affirmed in 1958 and set out as follows:

"We believe that the visible unity of the Church will be found to involve the whole-hearted acceptance of:

The Holy Scriptures, as the record of God's revelation of Himself to man and as being the rule and ultimate standard of faith; and the Creed commonly called the Nicene, as the sufficient statement of the Christian faith, and either it or the Apostles' Creed as the Baptismal confession of belief; the divinely instituted sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Communion as expressing for all the corporate life of the whole fellowship in and with Christ; a ministry acknowledged by every part of the Church as possessing not only the inward call of the Spirit, but also the Commission of Christ and the authority of the whole body.

(d) That the Commission be re-appointed with power to enter into negotiations with the said Standing Committee.

In communicating the resolution, Archbishop Lesser said that "this motion was enthusiastically passed."

The Committee has advised the Archbishop that it received this communication with profound thankfulness and deep joy. It cordially welcomes the Anglican participation in the negotiations.

II. The Committee arranged two meetings with the Anglican Commission for the purpose mentioned in last year's report, i.e. that there should be consideration of this new situation by representatives of the five Churches meeting together. Also, it invited observers from the Commission to attend its meetings and records its appreciation of the stimulus and new insights they contributed.

At the first meeting, at Wallis House May 14-15, 1964, His Excellency, Sir Bernard Fergusson gave a personal report on the conversations between the Church of England and the Church of Scotland together with the Episcopal Church in Scotland and the Presbyterian Church of England. The Rev. Dr. J. J. Lewis gave a survey of the negotiations between the Church of England and the Methodist Church. The Rev. Dr. I. W. Fraser presented a paper on "Church Union and the Mission of the Church in N.Z." showing union in the perspective of the contemporary situation as God's call to His Church that it may be enabled to meet the demands of the age. Discussion of the resolution of the General Synod indicated certain lines of approach to be followed at the second meeting. Discussion continued on September 1-2 at Wallis House and resulted in the following agreements.

1. It was agreed that the new situation with the five Churches negotiating would be best served by the re-constitution of the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union as "The Joint Commission on Church Union" with the following order of reference:

"To seek God's will for His Church in New Zealand by studying the issues involved in union, by preparing the basis required for such a union, and by advising the Churches on any steps to be taken to this end."

It was agreed that the Joint Commission should consist of members appointed by the negotiating Churches as under:

The Associated Churches of Christ in N.Z.	5 members
The Church of the Province of N.Z.	..... 8
The Congregational Union of N.Z.	..... 5
The Methodist Church of N.Z.	..... 8
The Presbyterian Church of N.Z.	..... 8

2. The specific question should the attempt first be made to achieve a union of the four negotiating Churches, was frankly faced. One factor became immediately apparent; there was a common concern that action should be taken with a sense of urgency. The meeting agreed that to proceed to a union of the four churches would not contribute to the achievement of the wider union but would in fact produce additional difficulties. Encouraged by the vigour of the Anglican Commission's approach to the negotiations, it was unanimously decided that the widely felt concern that union be not long delayed would be best served by moving forward together as five Churches.
3. Care was also taken to see how the achievements of recent years, including the Revised Draft Basis and the Declaration of Faith, could best serve the new situation. Our work together on the J.S.C. has enabled us already to see the areas in which agreement might easily be reached and those in which agreement is likely to be more difficult. Because of the insights gained and confidence engendered, we feel that we are ready to proceed immediately to the issues that experience has taught us require our greatest efforts. These are areas which have engaged our sustained attention in the last year as the points that remain to be solved in our present negotiations. They are also areas which the Lambeth Statement is right in indicating as of special significance. It thus seems fitting that the two documents we have prepared and the Lambeth Statement should form the initial material for study.
4. Attention was also given to the way the newly constituted Joint Commission might do its work. It was agreed as follows:
 - (a) That the areas that most need attention be dealt with by three study committees on—
 1. The Faith of the Church;
 2. The Ministry;
 3. The Sacraments.and that these three regularly communicate their results to one another and to the Joint Commission for mutual information and comment.
 - (b) That the Joint Commission have an executive consisting of the Chairman, the Secretary and the Conveners of the five negotiating Churches which shall act as a steering committee.
 - (c) That the executive have as its first task the setting up of the three study committees.
 - (d) That the executive also have particular care to see that all possible means of working together among the Churches be taken and that it have general responsibility to see that the purposes of the Joint Commission are forwarded.
 - (e) That the officers of the Joint Standing Committee continue to act until the first meeting of the Joint Commission.
5. At the first meeting, the possibility emerged of an act of Commitment which would at once make evident our mutual

and serious intentions as well as provide a basis of confidence which would encourage and facilitate various forms of joint action. Our past experience has been that joint action is often inhibited because of the lack of certainty whether union may eventuate. The Committee wishes it clearly understood that what is proposed is not intended, nor should it be taken, to be a decision to unite. But neither is it proposing an act of commitment which is a mere expression of a pious hope. It proposes a serious action by the responsible courts of the Churches by which we commit ourselves in common obedience to Christ to the use of our best endeavours to achieve that unity which is according to His will.

Also, it has in view that this act of commitment should not be entered into until after say eighteen months, by which time it is confident there will be a context of growing joint action which will provide an evident setting of reality for such a step.

In order that the Churches may be clearly informed on what is proposed, the wording suggested is reported:

Draft Act of Commitment

In our faith in Jesus Christ as our one Lord and Saviour, and in our concern to serve His mission to the world, we now commit ourselves in a common obedience to Him and offer to Him our utmost endeavours that by the Holy Spirit we may be brought into one Church according to His will, to the glory of God the Father.

We affirm that in this Church, as essential to its life, there will be found the Word of God in the Holy Scriptures as the supreme rule of faith and life, the historic faith as expressed in the Apostles and Nicene Creeds, the faithful preaching of the Gospel, the Divinely instituted sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, a ministry acknowledged by the whole Church, and a life ordered by the Holy Spirit in godly discipline, humble service and loving fellowship.

With the obedience we offer, we acknowledge our obligation to receive new insights and now to do together many of the things which in the past we have done separately.

6. At the second joint meeting, we were made aware that many prospects for joint action are already opening up in different areas, e.g.:

- (a) The resolutions passed last year encouraging consultation on Church extension are leading to joint planning in both new and established areas.
- (b) Special reference ought to be made to a development of particular significance which has taken place in the Wainuiomata Union Parish. It is a fully worked-out plan for extensive working together of the Union parish and of the Anglican Church in the Glendale area.

Instead of erecting other new buildings, the Anglicans are considering putting the equivalent sum into the development of the Union parish Church-Hall, which is vested with the Presbyterian Church Property Trustees. The Anglicans will have an 8 a.m. Communion, the Union Church an 11 a.m. service, but in the evening there shall be freedom to develop a pattern of worship suitable to the combined congregation. As far as possible there will be co-operation in youth and pastoral work. To secure authority for this, and also for future proposals in other areas, a special meeting of the Wellington Diocesan Synod has been called. Such a

meeting is unprecedented in the history of the Diocese, and indicates the desire of the Anglican Church to make possible new means of co-operation.

- (c) There is opportunity for deepening the existing fellowship by sharing in worship, as e.g., by inviting representatives from other Churches to be present at baptisms, confirmations and ordinations and inductions.
- (d) The J.S.C. had earlier received advice of consultations that had been held between representatives of the Christian Education Departments of the four negotiating Churches on steps that might be taken to prepare for union so that there might be an effective united youth movement in the shortest time after union. The Committee commended the Departments for their initiative and the responsible way they had approached the matter, and recommended that the Anglican Provincial Youth Committee be invited to participate.

D. URGENCY OF THIS WORK

In considering the nature of its responsibilities and the good hopes it has for successful progress, the Committee agreed that it ought to ask the Churches that, in the way which would seem appropriate to each, the importance and urgency of this work should be made clear and impressed upon those appointed to serve on the Joint Commission on Church Union and on the Church Union Committees. It is recognised that ministers and laymen have very difficult decisions to make in arranging their responsibilities in order of importance and priority. The Committee is concerned that those appointed to serve in this field should be assured that their Church regards their responsibility as very considerable in the present urgent situation with its great possibilities.

E. UNION CHURCHES

There have been several changes in ministerial appointments in Union Churches since the last report. The Rev. J. H. Oliver (Pres.) is now minister of the Raglan Union Church, and the Rev. A. R. Reid (Pres.) of St John's Union Church, Taita. The Rev. E. D. Grounds (Methodist), of Marchweil Union Church, Timaru, has indicated that after six years' service he will be taking up another appointment next year.

F. FINANCE

The increased work which is foreseen will require more expenditure on typing, duplicating and postage. The Committee recommends that the existing allocation be doubled making it the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches, £40 each; the Methodist Church, £24; the Associated Churches of Christ and the Congregational Union £8 each.

J. E. STEWART, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Conference express its deep pleasure at the acceptance by General Synod of the Church of the Province of New Zealand of the original invitation extended by the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches to share in the negotiations for Church Union.
3. That negotiations now proceed with a view to a union of the five Churches.
4. That the Joint Standing Committee be reconstituted as the Joint Commission on Church Union with representatives of the

Associated Churches of Christ, Anglican, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

5. That the Draft Basis of Union, the Declaration of Faith and the Lambeth Statement be the initial material for the work of the Joint Commission on Church Union.
6. That Conference, in view of the importance and urgency of the negotiations, recognise the need for its representatives on the J.C.C.U. and the members of the Church Union Committee to give high priority to these matters in the planning of their work and that this be communicated to Quarterly Meetings.

QUESTION 58.

2—Transport Trust Board, Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964.

Availability of Motor-cars: There has not been quite the same difficulty in obtaining new vehicles this year, and there are no cases to our knowledge where ministers are urgently requiring transport. Negotiations are currently in hand to see if a suitable supply arrangement can be negotiated with one of the major manufacturers and their dealers, but it is too early for comment as yet.

Financial Assistance to Ministers: Advances have continued at a high level and a comparison of the situation over the last three years shows:

	YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE					
	1962		1963		1964	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
		£		£		£
Advances at commencement	35	9,003	39	12,510	39	11,265
New advances	18	7,601	16	5,327	24	10,432
Advances at end	39	12,510	39	11,265	48	15,501
Average of new advances		422		333		435

Most of the advances made have been against new cars this last year. Security taken by the Board has been entirely in the form of guarantees obtained by the ministers concerned. We are truly grateful to these layman who have assisted our ministers in this way.

Annual Accounts: The excess of Income over Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1964, was £119 8s 8d. Interest rates charged to ministers have been maintained at 4 per cent per annum, notwithstanding an increase in the rate charged us by our Bankers. This 4 per cent rate has been possible because of deposits at Call being received from other Church Departments at appropriate rates of interest. This depositing of funds is greatly appreciated by the Trustees. The funds employed at the 30th June, 1964, were:

Bank Overdraft	£4,970
Loans at Call—	
General Purposes Trust Board	£7,000
Wesley Church (Wellington Central)	
Social Services Trust	1,000
Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowment Board	500
Department of Christian Education	750
	9,250
Accumulated Funds	1,281
	£15,501

TOTAL

Travelling Allowances: As no circumstances have arisen to affect the present scale of travelling allowances the Board has no alteration to recommend. In general, loans to ministers have only been made when a minimum travelling allowance at least is being paid by the Circuit. There have been very few exceptional cases. For convenience, the current scale is stated below:

Miles per Annum	Small Car (Under 1000 c.c. Cyl. Capacity)	Medium Car (1000-2000 c.c. Cyl. Capacity)	Large Car (Over 2000 c.c. Cyl. Capacity)
	d	d	d
0-1000	8.50	10.00	11.25
1001-2000	7.50	8.75	9.75
2001-3000	7.00	8.25	9.25
3001-4000	6.50	8.00	8.75
4001-5000	6.25	7.50	8.25
5001-6000	5.75	7.00	7.75
6001-7000	5.75	6.75	7.50
7001-8000	5.50	6.75	7.25
8000 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.

The minimum payments as adopted by the 1962 Conference and subject to the conditions then specified are:—

Small Car	£120 p.a.
Medium Car	£135 p.a.
Large Car	£150 p.a.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

D. TAYLER, Treasurer and Acting Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the scale of travelling allowances with the stated minimums as set out in this report be re-affirmed and that Circuits should loyally adhere to them.
3. (a) That Conference places on record the outstanding services of Mr T. M. Pacey and Mr D. Tayler.
(b) That they be corresponding members of the new Board.
4. That the Board for 1965 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 58.

3—Connexional Music Council

REPORT 1964

The Council has continued to meet but experienced some difficulties. Many Churches are now without choirs, and the others show little interest in the Council's aims (as to which there remains some uncertainty). We cannot therefore report progress with the assignment given by last Conference (1963 Minutes P. 212 No. 3).

The Council considers that it should cease to exist as a separate Connexional Committee reporting direct to Synods and Conference. The Secretary of Conference has informed the Council of the pro-

posals from the Methodist Council of Christian Education that the Music Council should come under the purview of that body as does the Drama Committee.

These proposals are fully supported by this Council.

W. ROY HILL, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Connexional Music Council be replaced by a Music Committee of the Methodist Council of Christian Education.

QUESTION 58.

4—Finance and Stewardship Committee

ANNUAL REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1964

The Committee is pleased to report that the programme of Stewardship has continued most successfully over the past twelve months. Since Conference appointed Directors to this work they have directed 31 Stewardship Missions, with six conducted by the Victoria Department of Stewardship Promotion.

The demand for the services of the Directors has steadily increased during the year, reflecting a growing confidence in their endeavours, and the Committee, with the consent of the President of Conference, recently engaged another Field Director, Mr L. Parlane, making a staff of the Executive Officer and three Field Directors. It must be emphasised, however, that even with this increased staff, it is still necessary for Circuits, when considering a stewardship mission, to consult the Executive Officer at least twelve months ahead, or even longer. The 1965 schedule has been fully booked since March 1964, and already six circuits are tentatively pencilled in for 1966.

Financial Results: The following statistics show what has been achieved financially since the Directors were appointed:

(see next page)

Of these 37 Missions, 32 have been Reviews and the following facts are convincing evidence of the Committee's contention that directed stewardship campaigns are more effective than 'self-run' efforts.

Average increase in pledged giving in 14 F. and S. Committee directed Missions following on 'self-run' campaigns—111%.

Average increase in pledged giving in 18 F. and S. Committee directed stewardship campaigns following professionally directed campaigns—75%.

Lay Visitation: Recognising that the Stewardship campaign is only the initial stage of any stewardship mission and that we are all concerned to encourage people into the full life of the local Church, it is the policy of the Committee to establish a Lay Visitation programme following on each campaign. Where this continuing work has been faithfully carried out the results have been most gratifying and rewarding to all concerned.

Visitation Evangelism and Stewardship Visitation. (Res.8, Mins. of Conf. 1963, page 67): In accordance with this resolution representatives of the Spiritual Advance Committee, the Department of Christian Education and the Finance and Stewardship Committee met to discuss the relationship of visitation evangelism and stewardship lay visitation. The report and recommendations of this meeting are included in the Report of the Spiritual Advance Committee.

Period	Initial Canvasses			Review Canvasses			Total		
	No.	Total prev. giving per wk. £	New pledged giving per wk. £	No.	Prev. pledged giving per wk. £	New pledged giving per wk. £	No.	New pledged giving per wk. £	156 week amount £
Apl. '62 to Nov. '63	5	86	152	20	900	1540	25	1692	263,952
Dec. '63 to June '64				12	622	1039	12	1039	162,084
Totals:	5	86	152	32	1522	2579	37	2731	426,036

Support of Voluntary Agencies: By Res. 7, Mins. of Conf. 1963, page 105, the Committee was asked to include in its stewardship education programme, "the need for Christian people to make a place in their total stewardship for the support of voluntary agencies." Correspondence about this resolution has passed between the Committee and the International Affairs Committee and we can report that the Committee's Directors at all times encourage people to give generously to other causes, after fulfilling their commitment to their own Church. It is significant that following on the challenge of a stewardship mission people **do** give more generously to these other worthy causes.

Film Strip and Tape: During the year a film strip and a tape were produced by the Committee depicting the work of every Department of the Church and indicating how the Connexional income is spent and the necessity of achieving a 100% Budget. This film and tape were distributed to all Circuits for this one year to replace the three Bulletins usually issued each year by the Home and Overseas Missions Departments and the Department of Christian Education. One combined Bulletin is, however, being issued in addition by the Committee. The value of the new medium has not yet been assessed but the Committee hopes that full use will be made of the film and that later on an evaluation can be made by means of a questionnaire. The Connexion and the Committee are indebted to the Rev. Gordon Brough for his preparation of the script and fine spoken commentary.

Recognition of Field Directors: The Committee wholeheartedly supports the Department of Christian Education's recommendation that "Conference ask the Law Revision Committee to provide for the recognition in Conference records of lay appointments, apart from the 'supply ministry'." The Committee consider this an important step forward in the changing structure of the Church and of definite value in encouraging lay men and women as full-time Church workers.

General: Other resolutions of the 1963 Conference (Mins. pages 219-220) have been dealt with as follows:

- Res. 13 Re standards of giving. The Executive Officer has drawn the attention of District Financial Secretaries to this resolution.
- Res. 15 Referred to Church Council 1964.
- Res. 16a The Budget Treasurer to consult with the Bank of New Zealand and report to the Committee when information is available.
- Res. 16b The Committee has studied this recommendation and feels that this would be best looked at from the local level as a starting point.
- Res. 16c The Committee is already working along these lines as evidenced by the pamphlet on tithing, entitled "Don't Miss the Point," and a smaller booklet using baby expressions to illustrate how people feel about tithing. Owing to a very heavy programme the Executive Officer has been unable to give more time to this side of stewardship.
- Res. 16d This is covered by Res. 11 in Mins. of Conference 1963, page 221. A sub-committee prepared a questionnaire asking for information on debt servicing in circuits and this was sent to all District Financial Secretaries.

Appreciation: The Committee records its appreciation of the devoted service being rendered by its Executive Officer and Field Directors, in work which taxes physical, mental and spiritual re-

sources. It has been heartening to hear of the ways in which Circuits and Churches have benefited from their leadership.

The Committee's thanks are also extended to their wives for whole-hearted support and forbearance in the face of frequent absences from home.

Finally we again record our thanks to the Budget Treasurer, Mr G. G. Slater, for his masterly handling of financial details.

E. G. HEGGIE, Chairman

E. C. FLYGER, Executive Officer

BUDGET TREASURER'S REPORT.

Connexional Budget: The close of the 1963-64 Budget at 30th June, 1964, shows a slightly better picture than last year. At that date 115 circuits had paid in full as against 111 last year. Only 30 of these had made every payment in the month it was due, but at least 60 more were near enough to that goal to be classified as regular payers.

The percentage of the Budget paid at 30th June 1964 was 95.68% as against 95.22% shown last year. This is only a very slight increase, but it must be remembered that last year the accounts were held open to include July payments. The total at the end of June last year would have been under 94%

In actual cash the amount paid at 30th June this year is £3516 4s 6d more than at the same date last year, on a Budget total which was increased by only £492. This sounds encouraging, but it cannot disguise the fact, which eight Synods must ponder on, that this still leaves £5984 unpaid at 30th June. A very small amount, £242, has come in since. It is expected that before this Report is read at Synods much more will have come in, but at the date when the Secretary of Conference requires our report, the figures are as follows. Two Synods are fully paid. The others, at 12th July, are owing amounts as shown:—

Northland	738	13	0
Auckland	1,131	0	0
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	799	0	0
Taranaki-Wanganui	279	2	0
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	520	0	0
Nelson	163	0	0
North Canterbury	1,301	2	6
Otago-Southland	810	1	4
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	£5,741	18	10

Payments from the Budget to the various Funds were as follows:

All guaranteed Funds fully paid	26,975
All others (except F. and S. Com.) 95% paid at 30th June	102,652
Amount for Contingencies paid to Trinity College (Res. 4b, on p.131 of 1963 Mins.)	500
District Expenses	1,757
Finance and Stewardship Committee	310
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	£132,194

This Committee left £668 of its share in the Budget Account meantime to ensure that a 95% payment could be made.

This total payout of £132,194 is only £326 1s 2d short of the total subscribed to this year's Budget by the 30th June.

Conference 1963 authorised the carrying forward from the previous Budget of £1,449 4s 3d plus any further payments received. These amounted during the year to £60 11s 0d, making a total carry forward of £1,509 15s 3d. This, with the surplus mentioned above of £326 1s 2d gives a balance at the Bank of New Zealand at 30th June 1964 of £1,835 16s 5d.

Some interesting developments at District level must be recorded. South Canterbury District, being reasonably certain that this year it would have a 100% response, decided when allocating the 1964-65 Budget to take some action about the arrears of the 1962-63 Budget. With the consent of circuits the amount of the arrears was added to the District amount for 1964-65 before allocation to circuits. Thus a sum owing by one circuit will be gradually paid by eight circuits over the coming year.

In Otago-Southland District, the Synod Standing Committee, finding one circuit struggling hopelessly with its large allocation, reduced the amount by £300 on condition that the circuit made a desperate effort to meet the remainder. It is too early yet to say how well the circuit will meet the challenge, but the Synod Standing Committee, having made itself liable for the £300, has added it on to the 1964-65 District total before allocation, again with the consent of circuits. Thus the whole District will share in meeting the amount over the coming year. There is a report also of one small circuit in this District helping another small circuit to pay its quota.

It would appear that the southern end of the Connexion is beginning to show us the way.

Future Budgets: Roaming the country as he must in the course of his duties, our Executive Officer occasionally comes in contact with people who wish to see the Budget pegged at its present level, and even some who would like to see it reduced. While it is not this Committee's function to decide the size of the Budget, we believe it is our duty to issue a warning of the harm that can be done by such a negative attitude. Under existing circumstances the plain fact is, that to peg the Budget is not to stand still, but to go backwards, and it is futile to talk of it. Everyone can rest assured that the Committee of Detail which settles the size of the Budget is a responsible body, which will not increase the amount more than is absolutely necessary. Nevertheless, so far as this Committee can judge, the next Budget will almost certainly have to be increased to meet the demands of a growing Church.

G. G. SLATER, Budget Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the report of the Budget Treasurer be received and adopted.
3. That the Capital Debt and Servicing costs in Districts in relation to the allocation of the Connexional Budget to Districts, be referred to the Standing Committee; the Committee to secure further information on the subject and study any possible way in which it might be used and to secure a more uniform method of receiving this information annually.
4. That the **1965/66 Connexional Budget** for the period from 1st July, 1965, to 30th June, 1966, be adopted:

1965/66 CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

	£
Supernumerary Fund	9,198
Home Missionaries Retiring Fund	297
Deaconess Retiring Fund	1,199
Removal Expenses Fund	6,500
Children's Fund	4,750
Contingent Fund	7,500
Connexional Secretary	400
Methodist Times	500
Overseas Missions Department	35,534
Home Mission Department	37,437
Department of Christian Education	7,280
Trinity College	6,017
Church Extension	20,000
Children's Home—Auckland	200
Masterton	1,500
South Island	1,250
Social Services	2,900
Deaconess Board	1,220
Finance and Stewardship Committee	589
Miscellaneous Causes:	
National Council of Churches	560
Television	466
World Council of Churches	145
New Zealand Council of Christian Education	400
N.C.C. Prison Chaplaincy Fund	30
Armed Forces Chaplaincy Fund	75
New Zealand Alliance	200
National Society on Alcoholism	25
Religious Film Society	50
University Chaplaincy—Auckland	50
Wellington	120
Christchurch	120
Dunedin	150
Lay Preachers' Association	60
Spiritual Advance Committee	100
Board of Publications	105
Overseas Travel Fund	525
Contingencies	664
	£148,116

5. That the 1965/66 Connexional Budget District Allocations be as under:

	£
Northland	4,188
Auckland	29,808
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	18,756
Taranaki-Wanganui	11,532
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	15,984
Wellington	17,604
Nelson	8,448
North Canterbury	24,492
South Canterbury	8,448
Otago-Southland	8,856
	£148,116

6. That in respect of the fully guaranteed funds of the Connexional Budget, any surplus accruing in any given year be returned to the Budget Treasurer for distribution to other funds which have not received their full allocation.

7. That those Departments or Funds dependent for the whole or part of their income from the Connexional Budget be consulted as to how surpluses or arrears arising from their use of Budget funds should be treated.

8. That further consideration of Res. 9 p. 216 Minutes of Conference 1960, relating to the provision of funds to complete renovations and building at Trinity College, and that the suggestion "that for two years the Church Extension provisions in the Budget be shared equally between the Church Building and Loan Fund, Trinity College, and Church Extension" be referred to Church Council 1965 for consideration and report.

9. That other than Methodist Church organisations seeking support from the Connexional Budget be requested to give two years notice of their intention to ask for an increased grant and that such requests be made to the Secretary of Conference not later than 31st March each year. The Secretary of Conference to inform those organisations of this decision.

10. That the question of outstanding amounts for each Budget be a matter for consultation between the District Synod Standing Committees and the Finance and Stewardship Committee.

11. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to clarify the Conference Status of the Executive Officer and the Budget Treasurer.

12. That £400 be paid to the New Zealand Council of Christian Education from the Finance and Stewardship Committee Reserve Account—the balance of £539 to be paid at the discretion of the Standing Committee during the year.

13. That the Balance of £1835 16s 5d in the 1963-64 Budget, plus any further payments to that Account be transferred to the 1964-65 Budget as a reserve.

14. That the Conference place on record its sincere appreciation of the leadership and faithful service of Mr E. G. Heggie. Since the inception of the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee, Mr Heggie has guided its work either as Convener or Chairman. Mr Heggie's exceptional ability and skill in public administration, his intimate knowledge of our Church and his devotion to Christ have made an invaluable contribution to the whole Church through this Committee. The remarkably successful implementation of the Connexional Budget and Stewardship promotion is in large measure due to his leadership.

15. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 58

5—Stipend Committee

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the minimum stipend for an ordained minister, which was fixed by Conference 1963 at £790 from 1st July, 1964

	£815	„	1st July, 1965
	£850	„	1st July, 1966
be now amended to:	£850	as from	1st February, 1965
	£900	„ „	1st February, 1966

with proportionate increases in other stipend minima.

2. That the Stipends Committee be authorised to proceed with a comprehensive investigation of the remuneration of ministers, including consideration of the establishment of a Central Stipends Fund, working in conjunction with the Departments and Funds of the Church concerned, to report, through the General Purposes Committee to Conference, 1965.

3. That the personnel of the Standing Committee on Stipends for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 59.—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 and Revs. C. O. Hailwood, E. S. Hodinott, W. F. Ford, Messrs S. N. Roberts, T. M. Pacey, G. G. Slater and C. H. Hain. Convener: Secretary of Conference.

Committee of Exigency:

Wellington members of the above committee.

B. President's Committee of Advice:

Ex-President, President-elect, Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Revs W. F. Ford, C. L. Duder, J. B. Dawson and P. A. Stead, Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, Legal Adviser, and Messrs A. Downer, C. B. Radcliffe, M. W. Hancock, A. H. Fisher, and I. G. Baber. Convener: The Secretary of Conference.

QUESTION 60.—Who are the Members of the Synod Standing Committees?

NORTHLAND:

All ministers, pastors and Deaconesses in active work in the District. Messrs C. H. Burton, W. Grounds, D. R. Ambler, L. Hayes, B. Cole, G. W. Barke, R. M. Salmon, A. G. Kelly, C. V. Berridge, H. Lendrum, A. L. Hutching, L. M. Hames, L. W. Bennett (Northland Maori rep.: to be appointed); W. J. Court, Secretary; R. A. Howard, Financial Secretary.

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:

All ministers in active work in the area, plus a lay representative of each Circuit. Secretary: Rev A. Jolly.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Every Ordained Minister and Senior Home Missionary in the District and Messrs H. Watson, N. A. Millar, C. Beaumont, W. F. Walters, G. Simpson, F. J. E. Baillie, L. Cotter, W. B. Young, H. Roberts, J. A. Davys, J. Melville, E. H. Fuller, K. Balme, S. C. Jones, A. Howell, L. A. Davis, I. J. Baker, S. G. Yeoman, R. E. Williams, B. R. Davey, a lay representative of Te Puke, Ohura, Hauraki Plains, Waikato Maori, King Country Maori Circuits, and of the District Councils of the Women's Fellowship (1), and of the D.E.C.'s (1), and of the Deaconesses in the District, and Mr S. V. Leach and Mr C. R. Shoosmith. Convener: Secretary of the District.

TARANAKI:

All ministers in active circuit work and Messrs P. Mercer, W. F. Liley, F. S. Hallett, O. Sutton, L. C. Jago, D. R. Andrews, J. P. Harding, W. Oliver, T. H. Robins, T. F. Davis, E. H. Donald, A. L. Fox, G. Wickham, Mrs E. T. Rogers.

WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT:

All ministers in active circuit work and Messrs J. P. Whitlock, M. H. Whitlock, D. P. Wansbrough and N. F. Dixon.

MANAWATU:

Revs. G. H. Goodman (Chairman), J. M. Blight, P. A. Stead, W. L. Wallace, W. K. Abbott, L. F. Bycroft, G. E. Hawkey, W. C. Jenkin, C. L. Duder, W. S. Gilbert, R. L. George, M. G. Rutherford, M. L. Dine, Sister Shirley Ungemuth, Mesdames S. R. Shailer, R. W. Barnes, D. A. Tarrant, T. M. Henson, I. G. Baber, Tait, Messrs I. G. Baber, H. Staddon, McG. Donald, J. O. Jones, R. G. Omunsden, A. Olsson, C. B. Radcliffe, B. F. White, T. M. Henson, W. T. Pratt, R. L. Irvine, H. W. Wood, R. Harford, K. D. Huse. Convener: Secretary of the District.

HAWKE'S BAY SUB-DISTRICT:

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 Methodist Women's Fellowship, Lay Preachers' Association, Hawke's Bay D.E.C., Gisborne D.E.C. Convener: Rev J. B. Dawson.

WELLINGTON:

All ordained Ministers, one lay representative from each circuit in the district and an additional lay representative for each additional Minister, a representative from each district organisation, and all Conference Officials.

NELSON:

The Ministers of Nelson, Blenheim, Waimea, Motueka and Murchison Circuits, Messrs A. C. Barrington, R. C. A. Marshall, G. B. Trathen, H. R. Holland, V. Smart, C. G. Parker, A. H. Jellyman, Dr. E. Bassett, Messrs J. K. Woodley, E. M. Brown, Mesdames L. G. White, J. Trathen, M. V. Humphreys, M. R. Best. Convener: Rev. J. R. Hall.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

The ordained Ministers in active work in the District; Messrs J. Pryor, J. H. Yarr, G. E. Hill, H. Falkingham, C. M. R. Manhire, D. A. White, H. W. Beaumont, L. S. Blackmore, E. Ridgen, P. A. le Brun, A. C. Bowis, N. P. Alcorn, F. Bartley, E. J. Legg, W. F. Ashe, H. F. K. Hayman, H. G. Smith, C. C. Ayres, J. Pitman, Dr J. Fergusson, Mrs N. G. Dalley, Mrs G. Armitage, Miss Jean Hay, Dr Ian Blair; the District Financial Secretary; the Presidents of the Lay Preachers' Association, The Women's Fellowship and the Men's Fellowship.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

All ministers and probationers in active work in the District, and the Minister of Marchwiell Union Parish, Miss R. M. Hodson, Messrs K. Fowke, R. Barnett, S. F. McIntosh, O. H. Neutze, K. L. Lee, E. D. Walker, C. G. Wills, F. Prestidge, G. G. C. Thomas; one representative from the Women's Fellowship; District Financial Secretary Mr A. Marshall; District Property Secretary Mr P. G. Woodnorth. Secretary-Convener: Rev N. Thornicroft.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Revs A. J. Johnston, R. S. Andrews, H. D. Besant, D. B. Gordon, A. J. Handyside, M. A. Hornblow, D. L. Kitchingam, J. W. Reddihough and the Superintendents of North Dunedin and St Kilda Circuits; Mrs A. J. Johnston, Miss M. Guthrie, Messrs J. Angell, E. W. Ashby, C. Chirnside, H. G. Clark, S. S. Holden, A. J. Ganderton,

F. W. Pitcher, R. S. Russell, W. Thompson, F. W. Wilson, H. C. Vince, Drs W. A. Hodgson and L. R. Robinson.

SOUTHLAND SUB-COMMITTEE:

The Ministers and Probationers of Southland, Mrs A. C. Craw, Messrs G. Nicol, W. G. Coventry, E. A. Humphries, E. McCulloch, R. V. McLean, and one each from St Peter's Circuit, the District Women's Fellowship and the District Education Council.

QUESTION 61.—1 (a) What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Laws and Regulations of the Church?

Law Revision Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1964

The Committee submits its annual report and its recommendations on the various matters referred to it by the Conference.

1. Moneys held in special accounts (1963 Minutes page 110 Resolution 5.)

The Committee was requested to "act to clarify the regulations in regard to moneys held in special accounts (such as appeal accounts) so as to ensure their inclusion in Circuit or Trust returns."

The only regulations in this matter are contained in the resolution passed at each Conference (see 1963 Minutes page 110) resolution pointing out the moneys raised for special purposes should not be used even temporarily for other purposes.

Further Section 154 (Law book page 26) sub-section (bb) provides that it is the duty of the Circuit Superintendent to see that all moneys belong to, or held in trust for Church Organisations, if over £10, are kept in a banking account and operated with not less than two signatures and that an audited financial statement be submitted to the annual meeting thereof.

The Committee would like further information as to what is required of it. It however suggests when the constitution for the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee is being prepared, provision could be made for the recording of such accounts.

2. Use of Methodist Property (1963 Minutes page 241 Resolution 5 (e)).

The proposal to include paragraphs 17, 18 and 19 will be given effect to when the new Law Book is published.

3. Revision of Law Book—

The stock of Law Books is now very low. The Committee asks for permission to proceed with the preparation and publication of a Revised Law Book.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Law Revision Committee revise the Synod Agenda with a view to removing redundant questions.

3. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to give full consideration to the appointment, and removal or retirement of Trustees.

4. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to investigate the possibility of amending the law to permit students, living away from home, and whose membership has been retained in accordance with the Conference decision in their home circuits to have full membership rights and privileges in the Circuit in which they normally attend worship during their period of study.

5. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 61—(b), Who is appointed the President's Legal Adviser?

Mr H. de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B.

QUESTION 62—What is the Report of the Ecumenical Committee?

Ecumenical Committee

REPORT FOR 1964

FAITH AND ORDER CONFERENCE: MASSEY, 1964

The third New Zealand Faith and Order Conference of the National Council of Churches was held at Massey University College from 4th-11th February, 1964. Our Church was represented by 24 ministers and lay people.

This was one of the most important ecumenical conferences held in our country. One report says "something took place that was evidence of the Spirit of God at work," and there was an "indelible impression that we belonged together under one Lord, and shared a common task—to interpret Him to the world". There was a remarkable degree of agreement on the main issues. The official report, "**MASSEY 1964**", and the prepared studies issued separately are commended to all our people.

Certain points in the Conference Message to the Churches call for special attention. Earlier Conferences discussed issues that divide the Churches. This one dealt with what all the Churches have in common—"the task of proclaiming the Gospel to the world". 'It must be expressed in ways intelligible and challenging to modern men'. And the Message goes on to say:

We agreed that our Gospel for today is the same Gospel the Church has always tried to proclaim. It is the Good News that in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God Who is the Creator and Ruler of the universe, has made known His love and purpose for men and conquered sin and death. By trusting and obeying Christ, men are delivered from the destructive power of evil and find true life.

We agreed that the Bible is the authoritative record of the saving acts of God in history, that through it the authentic word of God to men is to be heard, and that it has power, through the Holy Spirit, to transform human life. This being so, we must continually test the gospel we proclaim by reference to the Bible, which is rightly interpreted by the Holy Spirit, and within the worshipping and serving community of believers.

We agreed that the gospel is rooted in certain historical events. Honesty therefore requires us to admit that the record of these events is subject to historical examination, and we must respect the findings of such examination. Further, the gospel is concerned with the process of history, and Christians must proclaim that God is working out His purpose in history, and themselves be involved in the continuing life of the world.

We agreed that the Church must take the gospel to people who already have a religion because we believe that it is Good News for all men everywhere, and that it alone fully meets men's needs for wholeness of life. We believe that the fullness of the light that lightens every man is in Jesus Christ, and that therefore in humility, honesty, and love, we must share our knowledge of Him with all men.

We agreed that Christians should not fear the discoveries of science as a threat to the gospel, for no discovery concerning the nature of the universe can conflict with true faith in God its

Creator. Christians ought to be willing to learn from scientists. . . . Theologians and scientists both seek understanding of truth and should engage in frank discussion to their mutual advantage.

We agreed that only by honest obedience to the gospel and by acting together in love, can members of the Church effectively witness to the Gospel in this or any age.

FAITH AND ORDER COMMISSION:

This Commission meets in Denmark in August, 1964. The Rev. John Silvester, who is in England for research and study, will be the New Zealand delegate. The N.C.C. Executive will meet the extra travelling costs involved. Mr Silvester's attendance will be of value to him as Tutor of Systematic Theology in Trinity College, as well as of value to the Church generally.

THE REV. ALAN BRASH:

After serving as General Secretary of the N.C.C. for 13 years the Rev. Alan Brash was honoured at an excellent function in Christchurch in April, 1964. He is now interchurch aid secretary to the East Asia Christian Conference, with headquarters in Singapore. Greetings were conveyed from people in all walks of life representative of the State, the member Churches and various Christian organisations. Presentations were made to Mr Brash personally, and to him for use as a discretionary fund for aid to persons and projects outside the normal operations of interchurch aid. The amount for the special fund was over £900.

FRATERNAL WORKERS' FUND:

Previously there has been a fund publicised and operated by the Overseas Missions Board, for meeting emergencies arising in the experience of Fraternal workers overseas. The Ecumenical Committee now publicises this fund and the Overseas Missions Board will operate it. Such a fund is an important standby in case of urgent needs of Methodist Fraternal workers. The matter has been given consideration, but the committee needs further time to work out certain details. At present we know of the following Methodist Fraternal workers:

The Rev. Evan Lewis, Salatiga, Indonesia.

The Rev. Lane Tauroa, Djakarta, Indonesia.

Mr John Hayman, Madras.

ASIAN CHRISTIAN YOUTH ASSEMBLY:

The New Zealand Churches have been asked to arrange for 20 young people to attend this Assembly in the Philippines in December, 1964. The party selected includes four Methodists.

APARTHEID IN SPORT:

The N.C.C. Executive found a common mind amongst member Churches on this matter and desires to take joint action. A commission was convened to consider the propriety of excluding eligible Maoris from representative New Zealand sports teams visiting other countries, and if this is considered wrong to take effective action to prevent such exclusion. The convener was the Bishop of Wellington.

ECUMENICAL LOOKOUT:

The Committee is grateful for the page in the "Methodist Times" available for news of the world Church. For some time the news has been prepared most ably by Mrs R. Thornley to whom we extend our hearty thanks. The Rev. G. D. Brough has now undertaken this piece of service.

PRISON CHAPLAINCY:

The Prison Chaplaincy service continues with an increasing measure of acceptance in the Justice Department. There are ten full time, and five part-time chaplains on the establishment. Churches at present represented are Anglican, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Congregational and Church of Christ.

In the larger centres of population the chaplain's residence is now in the residential areas to facilitate availability to released trainees and inmates. It is hoped in this way to be more active in 'after care' of prisoners.

The recent appointment of a Maori clergyman to the service should be a substantial help in dealing with the Maori offenders who are in disproportionate numbers in penal institutions.

The training of chaplains is one of the urgent necessities and preliminary steps are being taken to meet this need. Churches are urged to give the opportunity to Prison Chaplains to address them on this ecumenical activity.

MEMBERSHIP OF EAST ASIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE:

All member Churches of the W.C.C. in New Zealand will be listed as members of the E.A.C.C. unless they raise an objection. The Committee agreed that our Church should be regarded as a member of the E.A.C.C.

ECUMENICAL ACTION

This matter arises from last year's report. Conference agreed that we convey to the highest courts of the constituent Churches the desire of the Methodists to put the Lund principle into action. The matter has been referred to the Churches and almost all have replied expressing their interest, and their intention to place it on the agenda of Conferences and suchlike. We hope to have something further to report in the near future.

CONFERENCE ON GOD, MAN AND CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY:

This Conference under the auspices of the W.C.C. is planned for 1966 at a place and date to be announced later. It is important to have the right person or persons to represent N.Z. Churches. If individual Churches do not appoint delegates then the N.C.C. may have to take action. The Committee is prepared to make a suggestion to the N.C.C.

CHRISTIAN ORDER CAMPAIGN:

The N.C.C. Executive has given careful consideration to this matter, and a special committee of the N.C.C. will report shortly on a suggested Mission to the Nation.

INVITATION TO THE CHINESE CHURCH:

This suggestion was referred by the N.C.C. Executive to the Rev. Dr D. T. Niles who says that the leaders of the Church in Indonesia have been in touch with the Church in China, and would be better able to give the invitation than the N.Z. Churches. However, the opinion of a Methodist layman who has been to China several times is that the Church there would appreciate an invitation from the N.C.C. or one of the member Churches. The N.C.C. Executive is giving the matter further consideration.

BEING A CHRISTIAN AT THE PLACE OF WORK:

The suggested studies on this theme are being planned by the Committee in consultation with the Men's Fellowship Executive and the Department of Christian Education. A great deal of exploration in this field has already taken place by select committees of the W.C.C.

NEW ZEALAND ECUMENICAL HYMN BOOK:

The compilation of a Hymnal for use by member Churches to assist people in worshipping together more effectively is a matter referred to the Committee through the Church Union Committee. The N.C.C. Executive has been asked to study this suggestion as in MINUTES 1963, Page 196, Resolution 8.

MAORI SECTION OF THE N.C.C.:

The new Chairman of the Maori Section is the Rev. H. Potatau of the Presbyterian Church. During 1963 the Rev. R. Rogers represented the N.C.C. as an observer at the Assembly of the Cook Island Churches.

After consultation with the Motueka Ministers' Association Maori ministers made regular visits to that district during the fruit-picking season to co-operate with church and welfare organisations in ministering to the large body of migrant workers.

In an effort to stimulate Section interest in local areas, District Committees of the Maori Section are being set up to study matters sent by the Executive. The Apprentices' Hostel in Rotorua is having difficulties as a result of the Maori Affairs Department's policy to train the bulk of Maori apprentices in Trade Training Centres.

This year a small publication entitled "New Ways for New Days" has been released, and an effort is being made to set up a substantial publishing fund which will make further regular publications possible.

THE WOMEN'S COMMITTEE OF THE N.C.C.:

The past year has been a good one. Contact has been well maintained with the sixteen Branch Women's Committees and with Corresponding members in strategic areas.

The Committee has studied "What is our Gospel?", reports of the Faith and Order Conference at Massey, and a W.C.C. statement on the "Co-operation of Men and Women".

Real highlights of our year have been the brief, though effective visit of Dr M. Barot, and the contacts our secretary has made as she has travelled up and down New Zealand reporting to all kinds of groups on the Asian Churchwomen's Conference.

We were privileged to send a representative to the Faith and Order Conference, Massey. The Women's Committee was one of the three groups asked to speak in appreciation at the farewell to the Rev. Alan Brash.

Our new study book, "Maori and Pakeha" has been successfully launched and is already being used in several groups. It was well reviewed by the Press, and has been asked for by several public libraries.

A Newsletter has been sent out recently covering a variety of topics of particular interest to the Branch Women's Committees.

The World Day of Prayer was again most successful. The offerings of over £3099 were distributed to the British and Foreign Bible Society, the N.C.C. Project for aid to Amputees in Indonesia, and £100 to the expenses of the next East Asian Churchwomen's Conference to be held in Tokio.

The Annual Meeting and Conference was held in Christchurch in June and was a time of encouragement and inspiration. The Rev. R. M. O'Grady, a delegate to the E.A.C. Assembly in Bangkok, brought to us a vivid picture of Asia and her needs. Also, time

was given to the learning of Asian hymns. Branch Women's Committees report on successful Ecumenical Schools, Fellowship Days, and various inter-church projects and activities. Mrs J. R. Maddren has been elected Chairman of the Women's Committee for the next two years.

YOUTH COMMITTEE OF THE N.C.C.:

The Youth Committee has suffered a loss in the departure of the Rev. Alan Brash, to Singapore, and Miss Peggy Yearbury, to Wellington.

The Standing Committee has been active in five main areas.

Much thought has been given to organisation and procedures. Regional Youth Committees are not able to have direct representation on the Standing Committee. This is for representatives of the constituent bodies. The Constitution has been revised after consultation with constituent bodies. The Committee is now the National Council of Churches Youth Committee (N.C.C.Y.C.); the 'Purpose' has been changed to 'Aim and Functions'; additional representatives from the Churches may be appointed in lieu of Senior Youth Directors; the appointment of people under thirty years of age for at least half of the membership is to be encouraged.

The Asian Christian Youth Assembly in Dumaguete City, in the Philippines, in December, 1964, has aroused the interest of young people in the Churches. Of the 80 applicants received 20 have been selected as New Zealand's contingent of the 500 young people from all Asian countries. The theme of the Conference is, 'Christ the Life.'

The N.C.C.Y.C. has been kept informed of the work of Volunteer Service Abroad. Don Martin, of Waihi, has been sponsored at a W.C.C. long term work camp in Kenya, and Dianne Gower, of Taupiri, in Thailand more recently.

Plans are being made for the Fourth Ecumenical Youth Conference in Hamilton, 1965-1966. A venture is to be made into new experimental fields. There will be better preparation of chosen group leaders in order that in small study groups there may be real sharing and fellowship.

The Leadership Training Committee in Wellington has had the help of a full time secretary-organiser. It is hoped that close liaison can be maintained with the Youth Activities Officers of the Department of Internal Affairs, in regard to initiating new courses. Too few people know that a course for Leadership Training can be organised wherever a group of young people express a need for one.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the following grants be authorised:
 - £560 to the Budget of the N.C.C.
 - £145 to the W.C.C. through the N.C.C.
 - £25 to the World Methodist Council.
 - £10 to the Ecumenical Committee.
3. That the N.C.C. Christmas Appeal be commended to the Circuits over the signature of the President of Conference.
4. That the representatives of the Church on the following committees be:

N.C.C.: The Revs. R. Thornley, R. D. Rakena, W. S. Dawson,
W. R. Laws. Alternate: Mr G. E. Hill.

N.C.C. Y.C.: Messrs C. H. Couch and R. J. Patchett and Miss Wendy Crossan.

W.C. N.C.C.: Mesdames J. R. Maddren, A. Pratt, H. C. Matthews.

Maori Section N.C.C.: The Revs. B. M. Chrystall, R. D. Rakena, R. Rogers, H. A. Darvill. Associates: The Revs. E. Te Tuhi, G. I. Laurenson, and W. Tahere.

Council of the Religious Film Society: The Revs. B. M. Chrystall, A. Jolly, Miss M. Astley and Mr S. Eady. Executive: The Revs. B. M. Chrystall and A. Jolly.

5. That thanks be extended to the Rev. John Grocott for his many year of able and faithful service as a representative of the Church on the N.C.C.
6. That the Ecumenical Committee be asked to examine with Sister Churches the position now facing us whereby in having Membership in the East Asian Christian Conference we appear to be deprived of effective Membership in the Pacific Conference. The fact that the Maori Population is the largest single group of the Polynesian peoples, should be recognised in some effective link with the Pacific Conference.
7. That Conference request the Council of the Religious Film Society to present a report and Financial Statement annually, through the Ecumenical Committee.
8. That the Ecumenical Committee be asked to consider the relationship of ministers who have been granted permission to serve with the Justice Department, to the Church Courts, with special regard to their being granted leave to enable them to attend such Church Courts as may be required of them by the Laws and Regulations of the Church.
9. That in view of the new situation in inter-church relations we draw the attention of all congregations to last year's Resolution concerning the setting up of local Inter-Church Committees, encouraging Methodists to take the initiative.
10. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 63.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Other Questions?

1—Faith and Order Committee

ANNUAL REPORT, 1964.

Ministers Without Pastoral Charge:

The Committee has corresponded with the British and Australian Conferences and received memorandums from individual ministers. We have been led to reconsider the thinking of the past two years, and now report as follow:

- i. Having given further consideration to the matter, the Committee withdraws the suggestion of limited rights for certain ministers within the Connexion. We believe that the situation can be met adequately under the present regulations.

No Methodist minister has an inherent right to membership of Synod and Conference because of his ordination. The status of a minister in relation to the legislative functions of the Church in Synod and Conference is established by his reception into "full connexion." This means that as long as he is prepared to serve under the direction of the Conference and according to its rules, he is entitled to share equal

rights with his ministerial brethren in the Courts of the Church. If he refuses a Conference appointment, he immediately calls into question his relationship to the Connexion. He can then maintain his status only by grace of the Conference.

- ii. Any minister desiring to serve another organization may do so only by permission of the Conference, which gives careful consideration to the nature of the service he wishes to undertake. (Law Book p.18 par. 118) In all such cases the application to serve another organization must be renewed annually through the Synod to the Conference.

The Faith and Order Committee feels that in view of the development of new avenues of service (chaplaincies, etc.) in which a true ministry may be exercised, the Connexion should be prepared to interpret these conditions liberally.

- iii. To preserve the connection of a minister in this category with the pastoral life of the Church, it is recommended that his District Chairman should arrange where possible for such minister to give some honorary service on the staff of a suitable Circuit.

Laying on of Hands:

The Committee received reports from March Ministerial Synods and made two small but significant additions to last year's statement, which is now submitted for adoption:

The laying-on of hands is used in the New Testament for several different purposes; while there is a characteristic use of this practice, there is no single form of the rite which can be considered as normative. In a general sense this rite is deeply rooted in the life of the primitive Church, and must be regarded as a significant Christian symbol. The Methodist Church of New Zealand, therefore, has warrant for the use of this rite.

While there is no fixed prescription binding the Methodist Church of New Zealand today in faith and practice with respect to the laying-on of hands, there are certain general principles by which she should be guided. The laying-on of hands does not automatically confer the grace of God: it symbolises an act of God in and through the Church. It has a sacramental character, and therefore cannot be fully rationalised; there is always an element of mystery. It is, moreover, not to be separated from the prayer of the Church which it accompanies and embodies.

Being a rite of the Christian Church the laying-on of hands must always be related to one or more of the acts of God in and through the Church. It should not be private or indiscriminate. Whoever performs the laying-on of hands is acting as representative of the whole Church.

The laying-on of hands is related most intimately to the priestly functions of the Church in healing, ordination and confirmation. While such actions are not amenable to complete definition, certain elements are apparent in each case.

In healing it is associated with that ministry which, in the name of Christ and His Church, brings to bear divine compassion and power, and with prayer that bodily and spiritual wholeness may be conferred.

In ordination the Church, acting under divine guidance and empowerment, seals the call of her ministers, gives them authority, assures them of the prayer of the Church and the blessing of the

Holy Spirit, and commissions them to share in the apostolic ministry.

In confirmation the Church places its seal upon the decision of the candidate to make his own that which was vouchsafed in baptism; receives the candidate into full communion; recognises and ratifies the candidate's act of self-dedication; and, in a manner similar to ordination, commissions the candidate to share in the lay apostolate. In the laying on of hands there is focussed the blessing of the Church and its confident prayer for the help of the Holy Spirit. It is therefore a most significant moment both in the life of the confirmand and the Church.

General Rules for the Guidance of Members:

The revised form of the General Rules first presented last year is now submitted for adoption, under the heading **General Standards for the Guidance of Members:**

Preamble: Methodists are a people under the authority of Jesus Christ as Lord, committed to the total mission of the Church. They are called to participate in the encounter of Christ with the world, and to remember Christ's word, "Love one another as I have loved you." In obedience to the revealed word of God the Christian, guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, finds his true freedom.

Statement of Standard:

We believe that we are called to keep festival on the first day of the week as the Day of Resurrection. We remember that all our days belong to God; and with joy we endeavour to participate regularly in Christian Worship, the observance of the Sacraments of the Church, and in Christian Fellowship.

We believe that courtship, marriage, and family life and the general relationships between men and women should involve respect for persons and must be brought under obedience to Christ.

We believe that we are accountable to our Lord for the stewardship of our powers, our time, talents and money.

We believe that the whole of life should be brought under the Word of God in Christian citizenship. We recognise further that we are our brother's keeper and that we are called to seek right relationships and to witness against contemporary social evils.

We believe that we are called to the exercise of integrity in daily work and to the offering of all such work as a service to God.

We believe that Christ claims the whole world for His own, and that we are called both to active participation in civic and national affairs and to service directed toward the attainment of world peace and justice.

Printing:

The Committee has prepared the new certificates of Baptism and Confirmation for printing, as authorised, and is preparing the Order for the Induction of a Minister for printing in a format similar to the present Order of Confirmation.

Book of Offices:

The Committee presents the first draft of an Order for the Burial of the Dead, and seeks comments from March Synods and individual ministers or laymen before presenting a draft for adoption. We have been unable to work on the Order for the Dedication of Christian Education Workers. The Order for the Dedication of a Deaconess will need to be reviewed in the light of the report of the Commission on the Ministry of Women.

Draft Order for the Burial of the Dead:

THE SERVICE

Rubric: It is desirable that the Service be at the Church.

Scriptural Affirmations: Jesus said: John 11: 25f.; 14: 19; 5: 25. Psalm 16: 11. Romans 14: 8.

(At the burial of a child, the following may be used: Isaiah 40: 11; Matthew 18: 14, 10.)

Let us pray: Three prayers as provided in the British Order at this stage of the service.

Here a hymn may be sung

Then may be read one or more of the following passages:

Psalm 23

Psalm 90: 1, 2, 4-6, 10, 12, 14-17

Psalm 130

Wisdom 5: 15-16; 3: 1-5, 9

John 14: 1-3, 27

I Corinthians 15: 20-26, 35-38, 50, 53-58

Romans 8: 35, 37-39

I Peter 1: 3-9

Revelation 21: 1-4

Here the congregation may say the Apostles Creed.

Rubric: If it be thought expedient to speak some words of comfort and hope, showing the love of God in the redemption of man by Christ Jesus, how spacious that love is, how tender, how sure, this may be done here.

Rubric: Then may be said one or more of the following prayers, or prayer may be offered extempore.

Lord, have mercy upon us

Christ, have mercy upon us

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Almighty and ever-living God, we offer Thee most hearty thanks for the grace and virtue made manifest in all Thy saints, who have been chosen vessels of Thy favour and lights of the world in their several generations: And we most humbly beseech Thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples that with them we may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Father of spirits, we have joy at this time in all who have faithfully lived, and in all who have peacefully died. We thank Thee for all fair memories and for all lively hopes; for the sacred ties that bind us to the unseen world; for the dear and holy dead who compass us as a cloud of witnesses, and make the distant heaven a home to our hearts. May we be followers of those who now inherit the promises, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Into Thy hands, O God, we commend our **brother** as into the hands of a faithful Creator and most loving Saviour, beseeching Thee to grant **him** pardon and peace and, of Thine infinite goodness, wisdom and power, to work in **him** the good purpose of Thy perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Father of mercies, and God of all comfort: Look in Thy tender love and pity, we beseech Thee, on Thy sorrowing servants. Be Thou to them their refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble; make them to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge; who by death hath conquered death, and by rising again hath opened the gates of everlasting life; even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O heavenly Father, Who in Thy Son Jesus Christ hast given us a true faith, and a sure hope: Help us, we pray Thee, to live as those who believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting; and strengthen this faith and hope in us all the days of our life; through thy Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

A prayer for use in specially distressing circumstances:

O God of infinite compassion, who art the comforter of Thy children: Look down in Thy tender love and pity, we beseech Thee, upon Thy stricken servants, unto whom this trial has come. In the stillness of our hearts we entreat for them Thy sustaining grace. Be Thou their stay, their strength, and their shield, that they may be delivered from all bitterness, despair, and doubt, trusting in Thee to lighten their darkness, and to bring them out of their distress; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer.

Here may be sung a hymn.

Benediction: The grace of our Lord . . .

THE COMMITTAL

The eternal God is thy dwelling-place, and underneath are the everlasting arms. (Deut. 33: 27)

Because I live, ye shall live also. (John 14: 19)

Here may follow a further passage of scripture, as set out in the service above.

We know that if the earthly house of our tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens.

Forasmuch as Almighty God of His great mercy has taken unto Himself our dear **brother** here departed, we therefore commit **his** body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; (**when the body is to be cremated:** we therefore commit his body to the elements, ashes to ashes, dust to dust); in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; who shall fashion anew the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of His glory, according to the working whereby He is able even to subject all things unto Himself. Amen.

The Order follows as in the British Order, except that in the first prayer the word 'children' is omitted in the phrase 'ye blessed children of my Father' and the benediction is as follows:

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.

(The Committee recommends that in general the Revised Standard Version be used for Scripture readings, but not in the wording of prayers.)

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

B. A. WALKER, Acting Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received.
2. That the statement on Ordained Ministers without Pastoral Charge be adopted.
3. That the statement on the Laying-On of Hands be adopted.

4. (a) That the General Standards for the Guidance of Members be adopted.

(b) That the section be referred to the Law Revision Committee for inclusion in the Law Book.

5. (a) That the draft Order for the Burial of the Dead be submitted for comment by March Synods and individual ministers or laymen, and be revised by the Committee during 1965.

(b) That Conference asks the Faith and Order Committee to prepare an Order of Service in contemporary English for the Burial of the Dead to be studied by March Synods along with the new suggested Order.

6. That £10 be granted from the Contingent Fund.

7. That the Faith and Order Committee be requested to clarify the status of Probationers in relationship to the fully ordained ministry.

8. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked for guidance with regard to the practice of baptism of infants by a minister outside the circuit in which the child resides without the prior consent of the circuit minister concerned, and with regard to other matters involving ministerial relationships.

9. That Conference ask the Faith and Order Committee to consider the structure and wording for alternative Orders for Holy Communion and Baptism in modern English.

10. That the Faith and Order Committee, in consultation with the Welfare of the Church Committee draw up a Church Calendar which gives proportionate emphasis to: the great events of the Kerugma; the heritage of the Christian Church; the annual festivals and observances of the local Church and community (rural—urban—city); a contemporary expression of the Christian social ethic and other concerns.

11. (a) That the Faith and Order Committee, in consultation with the Public Questions Committee, the Temperance Committee, the Department of Christian Education, the New Zealand Methodist Social Services Association, the International Affairs Committee and the Missions Departments, draw up a Charter of Christian Social Concerns, including a consideration of the problems of rapid technological and social change, and if possible reflecting a Christian social ethic which transcends our Western origins.

(b) That we suggest to the Faith and Order Committee that an ad hoc committee of Christchurch ministers and laymen do this work.

12. That the constitution of the Methodist Revival Fellowship be referred to the Faith and Order Committee in consultation with the Law Revision Committee for consideration and report.

13. (a) That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 6 herein, with power to co-opt further lay members for 1965.

(b) That the Committee be asked to include a more widely representative selection of laymen in future nominations.

QUESTION 63

2—Commission on the Ministry of Women

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1964.

It proved impracticable to hold the consultation authorised by Conference 1963 (Minutes p.242 8 (f), in Wellington as intended. Instead, after discussion with the President, a consultation was held in Auckland on 19th and 20th May. The consultation was attended

by the following: Rev. A. Penn (chair), E. Hames, J. Lewis, D. Williams, W. Walker, J. Penman, R. F. Clement, L. Schroeder, S. Andrews, J. A. Ziesler, R. LeCouteur, B. Chrystall, H. Matthews, G. Thomas, W. Chambers, H. Brown, P. Guthardt, B. Walker, Sisters R. Snowden, G. Clement, E. Harkness, B. Taylor, G. Pointon, Mesdames I. G. Baber, C. Leak, S. T. Carter, Miss L. Hendra, Messrs. G. Gapper and H. E. Gaulton. The findings of the consultation, which were adopted without dissent, are presented below. Following the consultation the agreed statement was sent to the ten members of the Commission not present at the consultation, requesting their opinion. One dissentient reply was received expressing the feeling that the implementing of the policy recommended by the statement might mean the end of Deaconess work as the church has understood it; i.e., as being "with the women and children of the Church and Community". The Faith and Order Committee, acting as an executive committee of the Commission, felt that this dissenting point of view had been well considered during the work of the consultation and that there was therefore nothing to prevent the consultation's findings going forward as the report of the Commission. They are therefore presented to Synods and Conference for adoption as the report of the Commission on the Ministry of Women, in the light of the instructions given by Conference 1962 (Minutes page 260).

The Ministry.

1. There is one universal ministry of the Church in which every member participates in virtue of his membership. This universal ministry of the Church derives from and participates in the ministry of Christ to the world and is exercised by the Church for the sake of the world.
2. Within the universal ministry there is a special ministry of Word and Sacrament. This ministry is one; in it both men and women participate after having been trained on a parity, ordained and received into full connexion.
3. The Order of Deaconesses exercises a ministry of service on behalf of the Church. This is a ministerial rather than a lay order. Ordination by prayer and the laying-on of hands is therefore appropriate. The relationship of the Deaconess Order to the courts of the Church needs to be reviewed in the light of the ministerial character of the Order.
4. We believe that the concept of ministry in both orders, and for both men and women, needs to be expanded to make better use of varying gifts. This implies more flexibility than our present methods permit.

Implications for Training.

1. Both orders of ministry share a common area of study and require similar academic standards. With the rising level of education in the community, only the best that the Church can provide is adequate.
2. Members of both orders need, during training, to belong to a community of learning large enough to provide adequate group stimulus.
3. Both orders will, after training, share a community of ministry in the Church. The collegiate years need to prepare them for this partnership.
4. We believe these ends can best be served by both orders being trained together at Trinity College, with provision for additional specialised training for each order.

A. R. PENN, Chairman.

B. A. WALKER, Acting Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and given general approval.
2. That as soon as arrangements can conveniently be made Deaconess students shall be accommodated in Auckland and trained under the Trinity College staff. The matter to be discussed between the Trinity College Council and the Deaconess Board during 1965.
3. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked to confer with the Deaconess Board and report further on the implications of the Section on The Ministry.
4. That Conference re-affirm its conviction that a Warden for the Order is still essential and further that his duties be re-defined when the transfer takes place.
5. That Conference ask the Deaconess Board to examine the specific functions of a Deaconess and the specialised training required additional to Theological, Biblical and Pastoral Study.

QUESTION 63

3—Radio and Television Committee

REPORT TO SYNOD AND CONFERENCE

Sound Broadcasting National Link:

At the March meeting of the C.R.A.C. the Broadcasting Corporation presented proposals regarding a link of all YA and YZ stations except for local breakaways in special circumstances. This link has implications for religious broadcasting and the representatives were asked to report through the C.R.A.C. the views of the broadcasting churches on the following proposals.

1. That devotional services at 10 o'clock each week day morning should become a national session.
2. That Children's Sunday Services follow the same arrangements as described for 1.
3. That Sunday Church Services on a national basis be considered.

Following consultations the reports on these proposals by the various churches were given to the C.R.A.C. and there was enough unanimity for the Corporation to decide to act upon them with this alteration to three—that there be separate links for South and North Islands for the church services.

The Radio and T.V. Committee discussed the proposals and sent a copy of them together with our recommendations to Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin and Greymouth committees for their comments and following this the Supervisor visited Christchurch and Dunedin to discuss them further.

Following these consultations the committee replied to the C.R.A.C. as follows: 'We approve of 1 and 2 but we approve of 3 in principle only with the recommendation that an alternative programme be available to allow for some variety in presentation and some opportunity for choice on the part of the listener.'

The three most important points that came up in the consultation with committees were—

- (a) Possible loss of intimacy in the devotional services and a break in pastoral contact with listeners who write to the local man.
- (b) A lack of variety and opportunity for choice of programmes, i.e., standardization.
- (c) Who would be the responsible body for deciding programmes and broadcasters.

Though the committee sees one and two as possibilities we feel that the advantages of the National Link would outweigh these possible deficiencies. At the moment we have variety but we also have a variation in the standard of broadcasting, and in its place instead of men taking their turn on devotional sessions and often repeating the same theme as yesterday's speaker, each church would select its broadcasters and planned programming could be arranged. The devotional broadcasts could be so arranged that they originate from different places to maintain local interest.

Responsibility for Methodist contributions and broadcasts would lie first with the local committees who should carefully select and recommend both broadcasters and scriptwriters to the central committee who would have the final responsibility of selecting and co-ordinating the programme.

This would mean that the local committees hold real responsibility, and also that a personal liaison would have to be maintained either by the supervisor visiting them or by a meeting or meetings of the National Committee at which representatives of local committees could be present.

N.C.C. Commission on Television:

During the year the Rev. Canon Austin Charles retired and in his place the Rev. Charles Harrison was appointed as the second director. For the first time the budget has been increased by one sixth for 1965.

Inside the work of Television there have been major changes. Church services have begun to be televised and by the end of 1964 there will have been fifteen telecasts of church services of which two will have been Methodist services.

The value of church telecasts are—

- (a) In the ecumenical field people learn how other people worship as they could not learn from radio.
- (b) They force churches to produce the very best in worship.

The second major change has been the abandonment of Epilogue and the Children's Session and the introduction of the main programme at family viewing time and a three minute close of day devotional. In the main programme the two chief interests are—

1. To put on the screen professionally produced programmes, and to this end the Commission has abandoned the writing of scripts and now works with producers from the beginning in the realisation of programmes.
2. The religious slot is at family viewing time and can be filled with planned programmes including Interviews, Documentaries, Children's Session, Drama, etc., and the Commission is responsible for balanced programming so that the Gospel in all its ramifications has justice done to it.

The Commission does not think that people are converted by television but God uses the medium to prepare the ground.

It is fairly true that "you get judged on your own rating of yourself" and therefore the Commission cannot countenance programmes that cause people to say "we always thought you were of no account and now you have proved it". The aim then is to create an image of the church as a sincere honest society which deals with real issues and can command respect.

During the year both Directors have been overseas to gain experience, the Rev. G. E. Dallard to the Pacific, Europe and America, and the Rev. C. Harrison to Australia.

Supervisor's Report:

Three years ago a special conference committee met to determine whether our church would set aside a man to serve the church full time as a supervisor of Radio and Television. It was decided that the convener of the Radio and Television Committee be the supervisor. I believe that the time has come for our church to review this decision. Any man in our Ministry who is asked to be a Circuit minister and also act in a special capacity has to cope with divided loyalties and if he is true to his calling his first loyalty must be to the Circuit. I believe that the time has arrived when a man could be set aside for the special work of supervising and co-ordinating the Methodist contribution to Sound Radio and through the N.C.C. Commission to Television. This person would not at first need to work full time in this capacity but should be attached to a church department rather than a Circuit, and should I feel be centred at Wellington.

The Job:

1. A liaison officer between Central Committee and Local Radio and T.V. Committees, and between the Central Committee and the C.R.A.C. which now has much more power in an advisory capacity to the Broadcasting Corporation, and as a member of the N.C.C. Commission on Television. His job would here be to interpret the mind of the Church to these bodies and inform local committees of the work of these bodies.
2. To encourage and improve the Methodist contribution to both media and to assist busy ministers in their preparation and planning of programmes. To do research in programme possibilities and to maintain a watching brief on the pattern of broadcasting both here and overseas.
3. In consultation with the Principal to organise regular training at Trinity College on the aims and techniques of Sound and Television Broadcasting, and to initiate training programmes for men who show a talent for this work.
4. **General:** To further the aims of our Church in this field of outreach to the non-church listener, and to ensure that at least Methodism is contributing a planned variety of broadcasting to both media.

The Man:

The first requirement I see is not necessarily a man who is going to contribute programmes to either media but one who has enough experience in both, to know the techniques needed and the limitations that both have. The first requirement is the ability to encourage men who have ideas and talent, to use them to the full. It is not the job for a one-idea man. A capacity for administration would be essential.

Equipment:

If the Supervisor is to carry out his brief efficiently it is essential that he be provided with a television set.

R. THORNLEY, Chairman

I. W. REID, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Contingent Fund make a grant of £50 to the Radio and T.V. Committee.

3. That the Supervisor and Convener of the Committee be the Rev. G. D. Brough.
4. That a grant of £466 be made from the Connexional Budget to the N.C.C. Commission on Television.
5. That Methodist representatives on the N.C.C. Commission on T.V. be the Rev. R. Thornley and the Rev. G. D. Brough.
6. That the Methodist representative on the C.R.A.C. be the Rev. G. D. Brough.
7. That the recommendations regarding a special appointment in the supervisor's report be studied by the Committee in consultation with the Department of Christian Education, the Home and Maori Mission Department and the Church Council for submission to its sub-committee on Church structure for report to Synods and Conference 1965.
8. That a Television set be provided for the Supervisor from the Contingent Fund.
9. That we seek Inter-Church co-operation in reaffirming our opposition to the licensing of any privately owned Commercial Radio or Television Stations.
10. That Conference express to the Rev. Ian Reid its grateful thanks for his work as Supervisor of Radio and Television.
11. That Conference ask the C.R.A.C. to reconsider the proposed island link-ups for Sunday services commencing in 1965 to provide a real alternative for listeners in the Northern and Southern areas of New Zealand and approach the N.Z.B.C. in this matter. (N.B. A link of 1YA and 3YA and of 2YA and 4YA would provide this.)
12. That the Committee for 1965 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 64

(a) When Shall the District Synods be held?

During the week ending August 28, 1965.

(b) When and Where Shall the Next Conference be held?

On Wednesday, November 3, 1965, at Christchurch.

PASTORAL LETTER

FROM THE 1964 CONFERENCE TO THE CHURCH

"Conversation on the work of God" became the dominant purpose and experience of those who attended this year's Conference at Hamilton.

Many factors combined to make real conversation possible and helpful in good measure. The excellence of the facilities and the near perfection of the work of the Arrangements Committee were noteworthy in this connection.

Some daring experiments were incorporated into the programme and these were "beamed" on giving members a greater degree of participation in both the worship and the work of the Conference. The real test of the degree to which these experiments succeeded will be the extent by which the conversation continues in the Churches from which the representatives came to "promote the work of God."

Worship and Work

A greater degree of congregational participation was structured into the Opening Session which culminated in an act of dedication when the President said, "Brethren in Christ, let us now in love, loyalty and obedience offer ourselves to God for the work of this Conference."

From this point onwards the business was done in a strong spirit of willing co-operation. The "Conference Report" will reveal that a very considerable amount of important business was transacted. Where unanimity prevailed the business went forward without undue delay; where strong differences were evident sufficient time was available for reasonable discussion before decisions were reached. The standard of debating was high, with some of the younger ministers and laymen being keen participants. This bespeaks a promising future for this aspect of the life of Conference.

The strongest contributions in debate came in the areas of domestic policy, theological factors and Church Union. Public Questions and International Affairs raised scarcely a ripple compared with the storms of by-gone years. Does this mean that as a Church we are losing our social conscience? Or what?

Conversation and Conviction

The innovation of group study might be difficult to repeat in some centres because of the lack of suitable facilities. Even so, some adaptation of the experience is worthy of consideration because this was probably the binding factor of the life of Conference. That such a high percentage of Conference members, and others, shared in the groups is its own testimony to their worth. The studies, "God's Chosen Workmen" based on four passages in 1st Corinthians were strong meat to those who partook in the groups, and good food to offer the folk at home. Ask your representatives to share the meal with you. Ask them, too, to tell you about the "Questions and Comments" session and the "Panel Discussion" on the final morning before the Covenant and Communion Service. These were all occasions when more questions were asked and more comments made by more people than has been the case within the memory of most "regulars" at Conference.

Because of this there was a sense of aliveness about Conference. It was not centred in any particular person or function or service. It came about because far more people than usual came to Conference with a "vested interest" in it. In addition to those usually

responsible for the good running of things, group study and panel discussion leaders, together with members generally, had spent much time in preparation.

Consequently, the spirit of expectancy was upon the life of Conference from the beginning.

Commitment and Action

It was in this context of a worshipping and learning fellowship that such things as the following happened:

- A unanimous vote to proceed with negotiations for Church Union on a five-fold basis.
- A vote without dissent to accept a 5% increase in the Connexional Budget in the awareness that stipend increases also would be involved.
- An almost evenly divided vote on the inauguration of the new Connexional paper, but without acrimony of any kind.
- The final reading of the full list of stations in New Zealand and Overseas being listened to without anyone obviously rushing out to spread the news.

It was in this setting that we reached out in prayer and greeting to all our Ministers and members in New Zealand, the Solomons and the New Guinea Highlands. From the Conference we expressed our confidence that the year ahead will be rich in expressing throughout the life of the Church some of the insights and convictions that came to us as Ministers and laymen through our "Conversation on the work of God." Many of us left with this prayer upon our lips—

"Remember, O Lord, what Thou has wrought in us and not what we deserve; and as Thou has called us to Thy service, make us worthy of our calling: through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN

GEO. H. GOODMAN, President.

R. C. A. MARSHALL, Vice-President.

HOWARD E. HARKNESS, Secretary.

AMENDMENTS TO LAW BOOK

ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE, 1964

1. CHANGE OF TITLE

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Page 156 para. 520. The name of the "Dominion Committee" shall be changed to the "National Committee".

(1964 Minutes page 66.)

2. AMENDMENTS

Section VIII Leaders and Leaders Meeting

Page 46 Section 261 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: "261. A Leader is a Church member who has been duly appointed to exercise a preaching, pastoral, educational or administrative responsibility within a Society. He is chosen primarily for maturity of spiritual experience, his faithfulness in attendance upon all the ordinances of grace and his loyalty to the Church."

(1964 Minutes page 68)

CONSTITUTION OF CONFERENCE

Page 70 Section 359 is hereby amended by repealing the words "(9) District Secretaries of Church Property" and substituting therefor the words: "(9) Either District Financial Secretaries or District Secretaries of Church Property".

(1964 Minutes page 69)

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Page 75 Section 379. Section 379 be amended by adding the following: "(31a) How are the Overseas Missionary Sisters stationed for the ensuing year".

(1964 Minutes page 144)

EXAMINATION COMMITTEE

(a) Probationers

Page 81 Section 407 is hereby amended by adding to the first sentence thereof the words "but such exemption shall not be granted in his ordination year" and repealing the last sentence thereof.

(1964 Minutes page 37)

BOOK LISTS

Page 85 Section 436 is hereby amended by deleting the words "third year" in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "ordination year".

(1964 Minutes page 37)

3. THE OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT

(as passed by Conference 1962)

Solomon Islands District

Page 106 Section 504 is hereby amended by adding to Sub-Section (32) the following: "(h) The District Engineer, if a member of the Church".

(1964 Minutes page 145)

5. ORDER OF DEACONESSES

e. Appointment of Deaconesses

Page 123 Section 506 sub-section (38) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: "(38) A Deaconess who retires, having served for at least 30 years, or having reached the age of 55 years while in the service of the Order, may, on the recommendation of the Board, have her name placed on the Retired List in the Minutes of Conference.

(1964 Minutes page 172)

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Page 156 para. 520. The name of the "Dominion Committee" shall be changed to the "National Committee."

(1964 Minutes page 66)

STANDING ORDERS OF CONFERENCE

Page 161 Section 521 sub-section (10) (b) (as passed by Conference 1960) be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "provided always that any member making an explanation shall not without the consent of the President speak for more than one minute."
(1964 Minutes page 60)

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)

Men's Fellowship

Page 156 para. 520. The name of the "Dominion Committee" shall be changed to the "National Committee".

(1964 Minutes page 66.)

New Zealand Lay Preachers Association

Page 199. The name of the "New Zealand Local Preachers Association" shall be changed to the "New Zealand Lay Preachers Association." (1963 minutes page 70.)

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.)

Covenant Service

Page 10 Section 10 is hereby amended by deleting the words "the first Sunday of the year" in the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "on the second Sunday in February each year" and by repealing the last sentence thereof. (1963 minutes page 224.)

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)

Section VII—Appointment of Ministers—Invitations

Page 20, Sections 126 to 129 inclusive are hereby 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.

(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 subsection (o) is hereby amended by adding the words "or any other local Church meeting" after the words "Leaders' Meeting" and also by adding subsection (oo) "If he deems it expedient, appoint a Church member to preside at any local Church meeting, except official meetings. Any such appointment shall be made annually and no appointee shall hold office for more than three years consecutively.

(1963 minutes page 224.)

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)

District Chairman

Page 27 Section 159 is hereby amended by deleting the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following: A District Chairman is a Minister in full connexion who is appointed by the Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of a District and to carry out administrative duties as set out herein.

(1963 minutes page 76.)

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)

Local Officers Organisations and Courts

Page 40. Add 226(a) The following shall be deemed to be official meetings in the local Church and in the Circuit, Preacher's meetings, Leaders' meetings, Quarterly meetings, Trustee meetings and Church meetings.

(1963 minutes page 224.)

Circuit Stewards

Page 40 Section 227 is hereby amended by deleting the word "two" in the third paragraph and substituting therefor the word "five."

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). (1957 Minutes, Page 196)

Page 46 Section 261 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: “261. A Leader is a Church member who has been duly appointed to exercise a preaching, pastoral, educational or administrative responsibility within a Society. He is chosen primarily for maturity of spiritual experience, his faithfulness in attendance upon all the ordinances of grace and his loyalty to the Church.”

(1964 Minutes page 68)

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.)

Circuit Quarterly Meeting

Representation of Local Women’s Fellowship

Page 50. 1963 Conference referred the question of the basis of representation of Local Women’s Fellowships at Circuit Quarterly Meetings to the Committee of the Church Council on Leaders’ Meeting and decided that in the meantime each Local Women’s Fellowship shall be represented at Circuit Quarterly Meetings by

two members, one of whom shall be the President or her elected substitute. (1963 minutes page 227.)

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.)

Agenda For Quarterly Meetings

Page 53 subsection (3) of Section 290 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

3 (a) What is the income and expenditure for the quarter?

(b) Have all payments to the Connexional Budget been made in full by the end of the month in which they became due?

Subsection (6) of Section 290 is hereby amended by deleting the second sentence thereof. (1963 minutes page 224.)

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)

Page 57 add the following:

302 (b) The appointment of a Choirmaster and/or organist shall be made annually by the Trustees except in cases where

remuneration is paid to professional organists, when the position shall be reviewed every five years. (1963 minutes page 64.)

Votes at Official Meetings

Page 59 Section 316 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Provided always 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 determining the majority. (1963 minutes page 75.)

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)

District Synod Constitution

Page 60 Section 323 is hereby amended by adding the following: (cc) The National President of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship if she resides in the District.

Section 323 is also hereby amended by repealing sub-section (f) and substituting therefor:

(f) Two representatives of each District Education Council in the District.

Section 323 is hereby further amended by repealing sub-sections (m) and (p) and substituting therefor:

(m) Two representatives of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship who shall be appointed by the District Council of the Fellowship.

(1963 minutes page 227.)

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 is hereby amended by repealing the words "(9) District Secretaries of Church Property" and substituting therefor the words: "(9) Either District Financial Secretaries or District Secretaries of Church Property".

(1964 Minutes page 69)

Page 70. Section 359: Add the following:

(16) The Deaconess Order (additional two members).

(1959 Minutes page 206)

Page 70 Section 359 is hereby amended by repealing (11) Methodist Women's Missionary Union and (15) New Zealand Guild Fellowship and substituting therefor: (11) The National President of the New Zealand Women's Fellowship (15) New Zealand Women's Fellowship (additional member).

(1963 Minutes page 227)

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 devision 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?" (1956 Minutes, Page 66)

Page 75 Section 379. Section 379 be amended by adding the following: "(31a) How are the Overseas Missionary Sisters stationed for the ensuing year". (1964 Minutes page 144)

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.)

Page 81 Section 407 is hereby amended by adding to the first sentence thereof the words "but such exemption shall not be granted in his ordination year" and repealing the last sentence thereof.

(1964 Minutes page 37)

(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)

Book Lists

Page 85 Section 436 is hereby amended by deleting the words "third year" in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "ordination year". (1964 Minutes page 37)

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 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)

Department of Christian Education

(i) Page 23 Amend Section 140 by deleting the words "Youth Department" and substituting therefor the words "Department of Christian Education."

(ii) Page 48 Amend section 268 (6) by adding the words "Church Schools or" after the words "officer in."

(iii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Local Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "Local Education Committee."

Page 48 Section 269 (8)

Page 50 Section 277(h) (1) (2) (3)

Page 53 Section 290 (5) (b)

(iv) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Youth Board" and substituting the words "Board of Christian Education."

Page 27 Section 157 (2)

Page 53 Section 290 (5) (d)

Pages 69/70 Sections 358 and 359

(v) Amend the following sections by deleting the word "District Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "District Education Council."

Page 60, Section 323 (f)

Page 61 Section 326

(vi) Page 73 amend section 371 (g) by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."

(vii) Page 75 amend section 379 (36) by adding the words "Christian Education" after the word "respecting."

(viii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Senior Youth Director" and substituting therefor "the Director of Christian Education."

Page 79 Section 388

Page 92 Section 490A (2)

(ix) Page 88 Repeal the title "G. Committee on Youth Work" and substitute therefor "G. Committee on Christian Education."

(x) Amend section 459 by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."

(1963 minutes page 223.)

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 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.

Page 106 Section 504 is hereby amended by adding to Sub-Section (32) the following: "(h) The District Engineer, if a member of the Church". (1964 Minutes page 145)

(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)

Amendments Relating to Overseas Mission Department

(i) That the sections set out hereunder be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas."

Page 17 Section 111

Page 18 Section 115

Page 23 Section 140

Page 26 Section 154 (y)

Page 49 Section 273 (3)

Page 50 Section 277 (i)

Page 53 Section 290 (6)

Page 61 Section 323 (h)

Page 63 Section 337 (9) (f)

Page 66 Section 340 (37) (a)

Page 75/76 Section 379 (20) (49)

Page 79 Section 388

Page 81/82 Section 409-411

Page 86 Section 445 and 447

Page 92 Section 490a (2) Page 146 Section 514 (5) (9)
Page 122 Section 506 (25) Page 147 Section 514 (17)

(ii) That the subtitle (b) on Page 81 of the Law Book be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas." (1963 minutes page 223.)

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.)

e. Appointment of Deaconesses

Page 123 Section 506 sub-section (38) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: "(38) A Deaconess who retires, having served for at least 30 years, or having reached the age of 55 years while in the service of the Order, may, on the recommendation of the Board, have her name placed on the Retired List in the Minutes of Conference. (1964 Minutes page 172)

Removal Expenses Fund

Page 126, Section 508 (11) is hereby amended by deleting all the words after the words "two removals" and substituting therefor the following: "be as from time to time determined by the Conference." (1956 Minutes, page 124)

Contingent Fund

Page 129. Section 510 (8) (e) is amended by adding after the words "second class railway fares" the words "for journeys up to and including 100 miles, first class railway fares for journeys in excess of 100 miles." (1959 Minutes, page 140)

The Supernumerary Fund

Page 135, sub-section 23 (a) of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"23 (a) Each Candidate for the Ministry, before being accepted by the Conference, shall undergo the prescribed medical and chest

X-ray examination, the report on same to be submitted by a practitioner approved by the Board."

Sub-section 23 (b) is hereby repealed.

(1958 Minutes, Page 201.)

Page 136, Section 511 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section 27.

(1953 Minutes, page 117)

(27) a. That when a Home Missionary who has served for more than three years as such is received as a Probationer he may exercise the option of buying into the Fund for the number of years in excess of three for which he thus served as a Home Missionary. In the case of a Home Missionary who proceeds to Trinity College for three years, the proviso concerning the three-year limitation shall not apply.

b. Such payment shall be at the ruling rate of annual personal contribution and annual Circuit subsidy plus compound interest for the number of years involved.

c. In the case of Probationers received after 1st February, 1958, such option must be exercised not later than three months after the applicant has been received on Probation. (1957 Minutes, page 134.)

Page 137, sub-section 33 of Section 511 is hereby amended by inserting after the words "shall receive an annuity" the words "or commuted sum."

Sub-section 34 of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(34) When the application of a Minister to become a Supernumerary has been approved by the Conference, then the Board shall offer to him the option either of receiving an annuity according to scale, or of commuting a specified part of his interest in the Fund. Such interest shall be determined by the Board's Actuary as at the date of such retirement." (1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Section 511 (35) is hereby amended by adding the following: "Provided that in the case of a Minister who is in receipt of a War Veteran's Pension he may commute in full his interest in the Fund. This proviso shall not apply to the remaining annuity of the widow of such War Veteran." (1956 Minutes, page 121)

Sub-section 36 (b) of Section 511 is hereby repealed.

(1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Sub-section 37 (e) of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(37) (e) Decide as to the amount of annuity to be commuted and as to the amount or amounts of the annuity or annuities remaining to be paid in respect to the applicant's interest in the Fund." (1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Page 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 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 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 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)

Page 154 Section 517—Repeal sub-section (15) and substitute therefor: (15) A Property Advisory Committee shall be appointed for each District. Its function shall be to act as a consultative adviser on policy matters to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and to Trusts and Circuits within the district as re-Convener. (1963 minutes page 114.)

It shall consist of the District Chairman, District Secretary of Church Property and at least two other ministers and two laymen to be nominated by the District Synod. The District Chairman shall be Convener. (1963 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 (11) and substituting therefor the following:—

(11a) The New Zealand Guild Fellowship shall consist of:—

(a) The Presidents of District Guild Fellowships.

(b) Members of the Executive Committee holding office prior to the annual meeting of the Fellowship.

(c) Representatives from District Guild Fellowships.

(11b) Each District Guild Fellowship shall be entitled to one representative for each fifteen or fraction of fifteen guilds in the District.

(11c) In the event of a District President being unable to attend she may appoint a substitute.

Section 519 is hereby also further amended by adding to subsection 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.)

Page 156 Add:

18. The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship

519 1. There shall be a New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship under the control and direction of the Conference.

2. The objects of the Women's Fellowship shall be:—

(a) To promote by worship, study and service, the spiritual and social life of its members so that they may make a Christian witness in home, church and community.

(b) To support the work of the Church at home and abroad.

3. Membership shall be open to all women who desire to further the objects of the Fellowship.

Local Women's Fellowship

4. In each Church where practicable there shall be a local Methodist Women's Fellowship.

5. The officers of each Local Women's Fellowship shall be the President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary and a Treasurer. There shall be an executive Committee consisting of the officers and such other members as shall be required.

6. An annual meeting shall be held in July at which shall be held the election of officers and executive committee and representatives to the District Council. The Minister of the Church shall have the right to preside thereat. It shall receive the annual report and financial statements duly audited and shall submit the same to the district Council and to the Quarterly Meeting.

District Council

7. In each Synodal District there shall be a District Council or Councils of the Women's Fellowship which shall have the oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship within such District. Where there is more than one District Council the area which each District Council shall operate shall be as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention.

8. The District Council shall consist of the officers, the members of the District Executive Committee, the President and Secretary of each local Women's Fellowship, two representatives for the first 25 members or fraction thereof of each local Women's Fellowship and an additional representative for each 25 additional members or fraction thereof of such local Women's Fellowship.

9. The Officers of the District Council shall be a President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the annual meeting and shall hold office for a period not exceeding three consecutive years.

10. There shall be a District Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the District Council and at least three other members who shall be elected at the annual meeting. It shall have

the general over-sight of the work of the Women's Fellowship in the District.

11. The annual meeting of the District Council shall be held in each August. It shall receive the annual reports and financial statements, duly audited for each local Fellowship and hold an election of officers, District Executive Committee and representatives to the annual Convention. It shall submit an annual report and financial statements duly audited to the Annual Convention and an annual report to the District Synod.

Annual Convention

12. There shall be held an Annual Convention which shall determine and direct the general policy of the Women's Fellowship. It shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

13. The Annual Convention shall consist of the officers, the members of its Executive Committee, the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each District Council, one representative for the first 200 members or fraction thereof of each district and an additional representative for each additional 200 members or fraction thereof of such District.

14. The officers of the Annual Convention shall be:—A President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for a term of three years.

15. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Annual Convention which shall consist of its officers and 8 other members who shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for three years. It shall implement the decisions of the Annual Convention and have general over-sight of the work of the Women's Fellowship. The Executive Committee shall be stationed in a District for three years.

General

16. (a) All officers of the Annual Convention and District Councils shall be members of the Church. (b) Officers of a local Women's Fellowship, where practicable shall be members of the Church.

17. Substitute representatives to the Annual Convention and District Councils as required shall be appointed by the President of the respective Council and local Women's Fellowship, whose duly elected representative cannot attend.

18. There shall be an annual membership fee as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention. The Annual Convention may fix fees payable to it and to District Councils.

19. The Annual Convention shall have power to amend the Constitution of the Women's Fellowship by a three-fifths vote at its annual meeting provided three months' written notice of its intention so to do has been given to all District Councils and local Women's Fellowships. Before coming into force such amendments shall receive the approval of the Conference.

20. The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship shall be the legal successor of the New Zealand Women's Guild Fellowship and the Methodist Women's Missionary Union.

(1963 minutes page 225.)

Men's Fellowship

Page 156 para. 520. The name of the "Dominion Committee" shall be changed to the "National Committee."

(1964 Minutes page 66)

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)

Page 161 Section 521 sub-section (10) (b) (as passed by Conference 1960) be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "provided always that any member making an explanation shall not without the consent of the President speak for more than one minute."

(1964 minutes page 60)

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.)

New Zealand Methodist Lay Preachers Association

Page 199-200. Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 (c), (d) and (e) be amended by deleting the word "Local" wherever it appears and substituting therefor the word "Lay." (1963 minutes page 70.)

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)

APPENDIX

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. C. M. Luke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J. Serpell	E. Rosevear	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	H. Holland	William A. Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C. Lawry	G. Winstone	William A. Sinclair
Wellington	1917	William A. Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A. Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E. Bellhouse	J. H. Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E. H. Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W. Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Charles H. Laws, B.A.	L. M. Isitt, M.P.	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	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. Laurensen	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
Wellington	1963	Athol R. Penn	G. Cyril Burton, B.A.	Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
Hamilton	1964	George H. Goodman	R. C. A. Marshall	Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.

*William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assume Office. Died 19th August, 1931

†For Validating Regulations see 1944 Minutes, page 10 § February, Exec. Comm. of Conference.

A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

OF THE

MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

IN CONNECTION WITH THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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| <p>1896—Blamires, Henry L. (Sup.)</p> <p>1899—Keall, Robert P. (Sup.)</p> <p>1900—Blamires, E. Percy (Sup.)</p> <p> " Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.)</p> <p>1901—Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D.
(Fellow of Trinity College)
(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>1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Harris, Archer O. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Olds, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1911—Enticott, Walter J. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Hopper, Arthur (Sup.)</p> <p> " Rowe, William (Sup.)</p> <p> " Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1912—Hinton, George B., (Sup.)</p> <p> " Scrivin, Arthur H. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Walker, William, E.D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1913—Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1914—Werren, Samuel J. (Sup.)</p> <p>1915—Cooke, Percy I. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Olds, E. Thomas (Sup.)</p> <p> " Slade, William G., M.A., D.D.
(Toronto) (Sup.)</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Fordyce, Robert E., S.B.St.J.
(Sup.)</p> <p> " Harkness, Edwin S. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.
(Melb.) (Sup.)</p> <p> " Chambers, Ernest B. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Dennis, John (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.
(Sup.)</p> <p> " Neal, Wallace S. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Parker, James W. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Skuse, Thomes, E.D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1919—Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.)</p> | <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)</p> <p> " Hames, Eric W., M.A (Fellow
of Trinity College) (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Brown, Hubert G. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Kings, Harry S. (Sup.)</p> <p> " Taylor, Cecil R. (Sup.)</p> <p>1925—Peterson, Gordon R. H.</p> <p>1926—Harris, G. Raymond</p> <p> " Voyce, A. Harry (Sup.)</p> <p>1927—Larsen, Norman P.</p> <p> " Laurenson, George I.</p> <p> " Penn, Athol R.</p> <p> " Raynor, Ivo M.</p> <p> " Silvester, A. Wharton E., (M.M.)</p> <p> " Utting, Harry V. (Sup.)</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D., B.A.</p> <p> " Hailwood, Charlie O.</p> <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E.</p> <p> " Horwood, Leonard C.</p> <p> " Kent, Arthur T.</p> <p> " Parker, Walter (Sup.)</p> <p>1930—Blight, J. Montgomery</p> <p> " Draper, Joseph C. (Sup)</p> <p> " Leadley, E. Clarence</p> <p> " McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D.
(Mt. Union, U.S.A.)</p> <p> " Parker, Wesley, E.D., M.A.,
B.D.</p> <p>1931—Carr, Thomas H.</p> <p> " Carr, W. E. Allon</p> <p> " Greenslade, William W. H.</p> <p> " Moore, William E.</p> <p> " Payne, Herbert W.</p> <p> " Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D.</p> <p>1932—Day, Reginald</p> <p> " Hickman, D. J. Donald (Sup.)</p> <p> " Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D.</p> <p> " Jenkin, William C.</p> <p>1933—Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A.</p> <p> " Daglish, J. Ainsley</p> <p> " Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E.</p> <p> " Patchett, Ralph E., (Sup.)</p> |
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| <p>1934—Goodman, George H.
 „ Johnston, Andrew J.
 „ Matthews, Howard C., B.A.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>1936—Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A.</p> <p>1937—Churchill, John
 „ Francis, William R., B.A., B.D.
 „ (Lond.)
 „ Norwell, Leslie T.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>1940—Dawson, John B., B.A.
 „ Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D.
 „ Gilmore, Leslie R. M. B.A.
 „ Greenslade, Lawrence
 „ Jones, Alan O.</p> <p>1941—Bell, Charles H. B.A.
 „ Brown, Harold K.
 „ Darvill, Harold A.
 „ Thomas, Gordon V., B.A.
 „ Woolford, Henry J., M.A.</p> <p>1942—Clement, R. Frederick, M.A.
 „ Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B.,
 „ B.Com.</p> <p>1942—Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.
 „ (Melb.) Ph.D., (London)
 „ Morrison, William J., M.A.
 „ Rogers, Ranginohoora
 „ Willing, Leonard V.
 „ Williams, J. C. Aldwyn</p> <p>1943—Andrews, Stanley G., M.A.
 „ Dip.Ed.
 „ Brown, Clifford G.
 „ Cramond, George W.</p> <p>1943—Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A.
 „ Falkingham, Wilfred E.
 „ Grounds, Edmund D.
 „ Jolly, Albert</p> | <p>1944—Allen, Robert H., B.A.
 „ Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D.,
 „ Theol.M. (Melb.)
 „ Bycroft, Leslie F.
 „ Chambers, Wesley A., M.A.
 „ Dorrian, A. Peter
 „ Sherson, Donald G., B.A.</p> <p>1945—Green, Warren
 „ Shapcott, Leonard</p> <p>1946—McDonald, D. I. Alister
 „ Moore, Harry
 „ Olds, Norman W.
 „ Shepherd, Trevor
 „ Thompson, George R., E.D.</p> <p>1947—Attwood, A. Francis (Sup.)
 „ Campbell, M. Jackson
 „ Clements, Leslie C.
 „ Divers, W. Lloyd
 „ Hall, Allen H., M.A.
 „ Parker, Francis H.
 „ Riseley, Benjamin H.</p> <p>1948—Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A.
 „ Hilder, Basil J.
 „ Marshall, Edward M., B.A.,
 „ Dip.Ed.</p> <p>1949—Baker, Edward
 „ Benny, T. Ralph
 „ Burt, Douglas H.
 „ Cornwell, Gordon A. R.
 „ Ford, Wilfred F., B.A.
 „ Garner, William M., (Sup.)
 „ Keightley, Clifford J.
 „ Olds, J. Stanley
 „ Ramage, Ian C., E. M.A.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>1951—Besant, H. David, B.A., B.D.
 „ Burrough, Amos W.
 „ Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed.
 „ Clucas, Ivan J.
 „ Gilbert, Geoffrey T.
 „ Ruck, Idris J.
 „ Stead, Peter A. B.A.
 „ Toothill, Harry W.
 „ Olds, O. McLennan</p> <p>1952—Edmonds, David W.
 „ George, R. Leslie
 „ Gibson, Loyal J.
 „ Hall, John R.
 „ Handyside, Allan J.
 „ Penman, John A., B.A.</p> |
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CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—*Continued*

- 1952—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
 " Osborne, John H., M.A.
 " Stubbs, David G.
- 1954—Billinghurst, Noel D.
 " Dickie, Arthur W.
 " Eastwood, Eric R.
 " Grundy, John, M. A.
 " Heppelthwaite, Ernest
 " Newton, Alan H. V.
 " Rakena, Ruawai D.
 " Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D.
 " Tahere, Te Awa W.
 " Trebilco, David L.
 " Watson, Alexander C.
- 1955—Abbott, William K
 " Bennett, Trevor L.
 " Boyd, Edward P.
 " Cable, William J.
 " Peart, Cuthbert F.
 " 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. (Bristol),
 B.D., (Lond.)
- 1957—Bell, G. Basil W.
 " Brough, Gordon D., B.A.
 " Cropp, James F.
 " Fowler, Irwin J.
 " Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A.,
 Ph.D. (Camb.)
 " 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., B.D.
 " Major, Lewis H.
 " Mullan, David S., B.A.
 " Peterson, Frederick D
 " Reid, Andrew G.
 " Roke, Charles E.
- 1961—Edwards, Bruce W., B.A.
 " 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., B.A.
 " Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B.
 " Jones, Barry E.
 " Pomeroy, Harold C., B.A.
 " Robertson, Ian H.
 " Rutherford, Maynard G.
 " Waine, Frederick E.
 " Wakeling, W. J. Douglas
 " Woodley, Alan K.
- 1963—Ansell, David H.
 " Armstrong, David
 " Ball, Niven G.
 " Browne, Wallis F., B.A.
 " Clark, Ian L.
 " Fields, Ronald E.
 " Garside, Paul A.
 " Laws, Derek G.
 " Rowe, B. Keith, B.A.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—*Continued*

- 1963—Toomer, Kenneth, L.
 „ Tucker, W. Geoffrey
 „ White, John W.
- 1964—Bruce, Maxwell L., B.Com.
 „ Felderhof, Ludwig
 „ Gerritsen, Hendrik
 „ Maguire, Michael
 „ Major, Ronald G.
 „ Neal, Barry W.
 „ Olsen, Brian L.
 „ Roberts, John H.
 „ Shave, Charles D.
 „ Slinn, Stuart G.
 „ Smith, Neil E.
 „ Stockbridge, Nelson W.
- 1965—Chessum, William A.
 „ Clarke, Edwin B.
 „ Collingwood, Ronald C.
 „ Hayhurst, John G.
 „ Herbert, C. Brice
 „ Mackie, Bruce E.
 „ Waaka, Napi
 „ West, Norman J.

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
- 1953—Teem Tekieru
- 1955—Bitibule, John Veo (Sup.)
 „ Baudromo, Iliesa
- 1957—Pataaku, Samson
 „ Zio, Joel
- 1958—Beraki, Serupepeli
- 1961—Bongbong, J. Francis
- 1962—Mosusu, Moses
 „ Rotoava, Job
- 1964—Alu, Solomon
 „ Boseto, Leslie
 „ Maelagi, George
 „ Tarakabu, Tim
 „ Tarakabu, Takarepu
- 1965—Beaso, Matthew
 „ Tarurava, Misake

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1957	.. 3	Brough, Gordon D., B.A., 7 Cleveland St., Brooklyn Wellington, S.W.1	84
1943	.. 2	Brown, Clifford G., 151 Kennedy Road, Napier	68
1916	.. S	Brown, George E., Cates Rd, R/D Rototuna, Hamilton (1956)	40
1941	.. 2	Brown, Harold K., 88 Linwood Ave, Christchurch, 1	111
1924	.. S	Brown, Hubert G., 27 Cobham St., Spreydon, Christchurch 2 (1964)	114
1964	.. 2	Bruce, Maxwell L., B.Com., Kohukohu, Hokianga	4
1910	.. S	Burley, William A., M.A., 54 Albert St., Hamilton (1951)	40
1951	.. 4	Burrough, Amos W., Box 12, Ruawai, Northland	9
1949	.. 4	Burt, Douglas H., 28 Marion Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland	14
1935	.. S	Burton, Ormond E., M.A., Lupin Rd., Otaki (1960)	98
1944	.. 1	Bycroft, Leslie F., 100 West St., Feilding	78
1955	.. 5	Cable, Wilfred J., 18 West Road Northland, Wellington	85
1947	.. 4	Campbell, M. Jackson, 336 Selwyn St., Addington, Christchurch, 2	114
1931	.. 5	Carr, Thomas H., Pukekohe	27
1931	.. 1	Carr, W. E. Allon, 320 Hardy St., Nelson	100
1951	.. 15	Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed., Methodist Mission, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands	[6]
1917	.. S	Chambers, Ernest B., P.O. Box 20018, Glen Eden, Auckland (1956)	19
1944	.. 2	Chambers, Wesley A., M.A., 170 Fitzgerald Ave, Christchurch	111
1965	.. 1	Chessum, William A., Liemen St., Otautau, Southland	141
1960	.. 3	Christian, Owen L., Park Avenue, Oxford	123
1933	.. 2	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., 11 Kakariki Ave, Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1.	H.M.
1937	.. 2	Churchill, John, Neville St., Warkworth, Northland	32
1950	.. 1	Clark, Colin D., M.A., 298 Adelaide Rd., Wellington	86
1965	.. 1	Clarke, Edwin B., 74 Main South Rd., Christchurch 4.	115
1942	.. 9	Clement, R. Frederick, M.A., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3	12
1947	.. 10	Clements, Leslie C., 5 Rodrigo Rd., Kilbirnie, Wellington	84
1958	.. 1	Climo, Frederick J., Tauranga Rd., Waihi	36
1951	.. 6	Clucas, Ivan J., 67 Shearman Street, Waimate	126
1939	.. 1	Cochrane, Herbert A., 24 Eden St. Oamaru	130
1965	.. 1	Collingwood, Ronald C., Silverdale, Auckland	31
1915	.. S	Cooke, Percy I., 70 Blockhouse Bay Rd, Avondale, Auckland, S.W. 3 (1952)	18
1960	.. 2	Conway, James H., 35 Mitchell St., Greerton Tauranga	46
1905	.. S	Copeland, Fred., Leigh Haven, 61 Allendale Rd., Mt. Albert, Auckland (1947)	19
1949	.. 2	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., Okato Taranaki,	62
1918	.. S	Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sci., 11 Sutherland Tce., Blenheim (1955)	104
1953	.. 2	Craig, Hughan M., Methodist Parsonage, Otorohanga	51
1943	.. 1	Cramond, George W., Selwyn St., Leeston	119
1957	.. 4	Cropp, James F., Munda, British Solomon Islands	[6]
1962	.. 1	Currie, John B., 12 Gilberthorpes Rd., Islington., Christchurch	118
1933	.. 3	Daglish, J. Ainsley, 39 Strathavon Street, Miramar, Wellington, E.4	87
1941	.. 21	Darvill, Harold A., 107 Waihi Road, Hawera	H.M.
1940	.. 5	Dawson, John B., B.A., 801E Queen St., Hastings	69
1943	.. 4	Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A., 54 Chester St.W., Christchurch, 1	109
1932	.. 3	Day, Reginald, 211 Sealey Street, Thames	33
1917	.. S	Dennis, John, 8 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay, Auckland (1954)	21

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1929	.. 3	Dickens, Charles E., 274 High Street, Carterton	.. 94
1959	.. 1	Dine, Mervyn L., C/o Linton Military Camp, Palmerston North	.. 75
1947	.. 5	Divers, W. Lloyd, 5 Chapman St., Invercargill	.. 139
1940	.. 9	Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D., P.O. Box 2500, Wellington	.. 90
1944	.. 2	Dorrian, A. Peter, 18 Tennyson St., Opunake	.. 62
1930	.. S	Draper, Joseph C., 203 Glenfield Road Birkenhead (1960)	.. 22
1935	.. 3	Duder, Clifford L., 5 Princess St., Pahiataua	.. 74
1954	.. 3	Eastwood, Eric R., 22 Hakanoa Street, Huntly	.. 42
1952	.. 6	Edmonds, David W., 237 Salisbury St., Christchurch, 1	.. 110
1961	.. 2	Edwards, Bruce W., B.A., 176 West Tamaki Rd., Glen Innes, Auckland	.. 17
1948	.. 4	Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A., 43 Miro St., Wellington E2	.. 84
1911	.. S	Enticott, Walter J., Kumeu, Auckland (1948)	.. 19
1943	.. 15	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, P.O. Box 1449, Christchurch, 1	.. 110
1964	.. 2	Felderhof, Ludwig, c/o 1 Tennyson Ave, Takapuna, Auckland, N2	.. 21
1924	.. S	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., 69 Westholme St., Christchurch (1964)	.. 109
1963	.. 2	Fields, Ronald E., 131 Livingstone St., Hokitika	.. 108
1948	.. 9	Ford, Wilfred F., B.A., 16 Duncan St., Tawa, Wellington	C.E.D.
1916	.. S	Fordyce, Robert E., S.B.St.J., 27a Lorna St., New Plymouth (1957)	.. 56
1957	.. 4	Fowler, Irwin J., 46 Matthias St., Darfield, Canterbury	.. 122
1937	.. 3	Francis, William R., B.A., B.D., 149 Kamo Rd., Whangarei	.. 7
1949	.. S	Garner, William M., Korari Cres., Mangakino (1958)	.. 44
1963	.. 1	Garside, Paul A., P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	.. [9]
1952	.. 1	George, R. Leslie, Apiti	.. 81
1964	.. 2	Gerritsen Hendrik, 56 Foyle Street, Bluff	.. 142
1952	.. 6	Gibson, Loyal J., 28 Oxford Street, Richmond, Nelson	.. 101
1959	.. 4	Gibson, Roger M., Middelton St., Johnsonville, Wellington	.. 88
1951	.. 5	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 16 Belvedere St., Te Puke	.. 47
1958	.. 5	Gilbert, Wilfred S., 230 High Street, Dannevirke	.. 72
1940	.. 4	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A., 64 Station Rd., Otahuhu, S.E.7	.. 24
1958	.. 3	Glen, Frank G., 77 Shirley Road, Christchurch, 1	.. 111
1934	.. 9	Goodman, George H., 111 Wood St., Palmerston North	.. 76
1950	.. 6	Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A. P.O. Box 5076, Dunedin	.. 131
1959	.. 2	Goudge, Stanley R., B.A., Waipawa, Hawkes Bay	.. 82
1956	.. 1	Grant Ian D., 12 Wesley St., Pukekohe	.. 27
1945	.. 3	Green Warren, Dunback Rd, P.O. Box 54, Palmerston Christchurch, 1	.. 131
1959	.. 2	Greening, G. Kingsley, 23 Aynsley Tce, Opawa, Christchurch, 1	.. 112
1940	.. 1	Greenslade, Lawrence, 14 St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, Auckland S.E.2	.. 17
1931	.. 1	Greenslade, William H., 42 Malfroy St., Rotorua	.. 45
1939	.. 4	Grice, Reginald, 27 Cambrai Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland, S.2	.. 14
1959	.. 3	Griffith, Keith C., 9 Paynter's Ave., New Plymouth	.. 56
1928	.. 10	Grocott, John D., B.A., 15 Nelson St., Riccarton Christchurch, 1	.. 116
1943	.. 1	Grounds, Edmund D., 42 Melanesia Rd., Kohimarama, Auckland	.. 17
1960	.. 2	Grundy, Albert A. M.A., 138 Somme Parade, Aramoho, Wanganui	.. 64
1954	.. 3	Grundy, John, M.A., 142 North Street, Timaru	.. 125
1957	.. 2	Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A., Ph.D., 93 Lake Crescent, Hamilton	.. 40
1960	.. 2	Gust, Warwick, B.A., 106 Rata St., Lower Hutt	.. 90
1928	.. 2	Hailwood, Charlie O., 33 Wicksteed St., Wanganui	.. 63
1947	.. 4	Hall, Allen H., M.A., C/o Methodist Church, Bombay, South Auckland	.. 28

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1952	.. 4	Hall, John R., 82 Pah St., Motueka	102
1923	.. S	Hames, Eric W., M.A., Fellow of Trinity College, 25 Lucerne Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1963)	17
1958	.. 5	Hamlin, R. John, R.N.Z.A.F., Woodbourne	104
1952	.. 5	Handyside, Allan J., 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine, Dunedin	134a
1935	.. S	Hanna, L. Gordon, 20 Nogat Ave., Papatoetoe, Auckland (1960)	25
1960	.. 1	Hanson, E. Francis, B.A., 4 Titoki St., Stoke, Nelson	100
1916	.. S	Harkness, Edwin S., 14 Atanga Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I. (1947)	16
1938	.. 5	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton	95
1910	.. S	Harris, Archer O., 44 Redruth Ave, Spreydon, Christchurch, 2 (1951)	109
1926	.. 7	Harris, G. Raymond, 19 Schofield St., Grey Lynn, Auckland	12
1900	.. S	Haslam, Jonathan H., 26 Rhodes St., Waimate (1940)	126
1962	.. 1	Hawkey, Graham E., 114 Cuba St., Palmerston North	76
1965	.. 1	Hayhurst, John G., Norwood St., Newfield Invercargill,	140
1939	.. 8	Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Agric.Sc., The Manse, Cockfield, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham, England	84
1960	.. S	Henderson, W. John, 43 Abbotsford Rd., Waipawa (1963).. ..	82
1954	.. 2	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 100 Waiwhetu Rd, Lower Hutt	90
1965	.. 1	Herbert, C. Brice, C/o 42 Malfroy St., Rotorua	45
1932	.. S	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert St., Ashburton (1961)	128
1948	.. 2	Hilder, Basil J., 135 Queen St., Northcote, Auckland, N.4	22
1962	.. 4	Hight, Arnold C., 10 Freyberg St., Wairoa, Hawkes Bay	71
1962	.. 1	Hines, David, L., B.A., 22 Clarke St., Kamo, Northland	7
1912	.. S	Hinton, George B., 49 Roberta Ave., Beverley Hills, Auckland, E.1 (1949)	17
1938	.. 6	Hoddinott, Ernest S., C/- Mt. Crawford P.B., Kilbirnie P.O. Wellington	87
1911	.. S	Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935).. ..	69
1936	.. 2	Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A., Main Rd., Woodend, Canterbury	121
1962	.. 4	Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B., 474 Pakuranga Rd., Pakuranga, Auckland	16
1960	.. 2	Hornblow, Maxwell A., 15 Naish St., Balclutha	137
1960	.. 2	Horrill, C. Seton, P.O. Box 4, Kaeo, Northland	3
1929	.. 5	Horwood, Leonard C., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2	18
1959	.. 3	Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Mus., Springston No. 4 R/D., Christchurch	118
1942	.. 3	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., 4 Heath Street Mt. Maunganui, Tauranga	46
1961	.. 2	James, Russell E., 81 Gloucester St., Greenmeadows, H.B.	68
1932	.. 6	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D., 30 Church St., Te Aroha	37
1919	.. S	Jefferson, Alfred E., Flat 2, 8 Shadwell Place, St. Heliers, Auckland, E.1., (1954)	17
1932	.. 2	Jenkin, William C., 77 Grey St., Woodville	73
1934	.. 6	Johnston, Andrew J., 31 Whitby St., Mornington, Dunedin	133
1943	.. 7	Jolly, Albert, 83 Kolmar Rd., Papatoetoe	25
1940	.. 5	Jones, Alan O., 20A Wellington St., Hamilton	41
1962	.. 4	Jones, Barry E., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh, Dunedin	135
1899	.. S	Keall, R. Purcell, 14 Green St., Lower Hutt (1940).. ..	90
1949	.. 12	Keightley, Clifford J., Methodist Mission, Nipa, via Mendi, Territory of New Guinea	[15]
1916	.. S	Kendon, Charles H., 170 Lemon St., New Plymouth (1954)	56
1929	.. 1	Kent, Arthur T., 17 Mahoe St., Inglewood	67
1924	.. S	Kings, Harry., 98 Salisbury Street, Levin (1956)	97

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1959	.. 6	Kitchingman, David L., B.A., 24 Passmore Cres., Maori Hill, Dunedin	.. 133
1957	.. 5	Kitchingman, Henry W., 1 Seabrook Ave., New Lynn, Auckland	.. 18
1956	.. 6	Kitchingman, Owen, B.A., Wesley Tce., Te Kuiti	.. 52
1961	.. 2	Langley, John E., 84 Hackthorne Rd, Cashmere, Christchurch 2	.. 109
1927	.. 5	Larsen, Norman P., 112 Cambridge St., Levin	.. 97
1927	.. 2	Laurenson, George I., 15 Ward St., Te Kuiti	.. [4]
1963	.. 3	Laws, Derek G., 4 Claude St., Hamilton East	.. 40
1938	.. 2	Laws, William R., M.A., B.D., 17 Merivale Lane, Christchurch	.. C.S.
1930	.. 6	Leadley, E. Clarence, 5 Paice Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland	.. 14
1953	.. 4	LeCouteur, E. Raymond, 12 Poronui St., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1	.. 16
1958	.. 3	Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A., djl, Andong 44, Salatiga, Djwa-Tengah, Indonesia	.. 84
1942	.. 13	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D., Ph.D., "Leigh House", Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland, C.3	Th.C.
1939	.. 3	Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th., Hohaia Street, Matamata	.. 43
1935	.. 6	Luxton, Clarence T. J., 4 Myers Rd. Manurewa, Auckland	.. 26
1957	.. 4	Mabon, John C. F., 811 Pakowhai Road, Hastings	.. 69
1965	.. 1	Mackie, Bruce E., 123 Waimea Rd., Nelson	.. 100
1960	.. 3	Major, Lewis H., 22 Donegal Street, Cromwell	.. 144
1964	.. 2	Major, Ronald G., 55 Warspite Ave, Porirua East, Wellington	.. 89
1961	.. 5	Marshall, C. Russell, 35a Halswell Rd., Christchurch, 3	.. 114
1948	.. 1	Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip. Ed., 10 New Bond St., Kingsland, Auckland	.. 12
1934	.. 6	Matthews, Howard C., B.A., 18 Chapel St., Papanui Christchurch, 5	.. 117
1946	.. 2	McDonald, D. I. Alister, Hikurangi, Northland	.. 6
1964	.. 2	Maguire, Michael, Stanley St., Eketahuna	.. 96
1930	.. 1	McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D., 62 Wiggins St., Sumner Christchurch 8	.. 112
1953	.. 5	McKay, Archibald W., 30 Matai St., Hamilton	.. 40
1960	.. 1	McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., B.D., 890 George St., Dunedin	132
1946	.. 6	Moore, Harry, 302 West Coast Rd. (P.O. Box 20070), Glen Eden, Auckland	.. 19
1931	.. 2	Moore, William E., 29 Rimu St., Helensville, Auckland	.. 30
1959	.. 3	Morrison, William, 6 Derwent St., Wainuiomata, Wellington	.. 92a
1942	.. 2	Morrison, William J., M.A., 37 Bank St. Te Awamutu	.. 50
1960	.. 2	Mullan, David S., B.A. 36 Kings Rd., Panmure, Auckland E2	16
1964	.. 2	Neal, Barry W., Murchison	.. 103
1918	.. S	Neal, Wallace S., 61 Mathiesons Rd., Linwood, Christchurch, 2 (1953)	.. 111
1953	.. 1	Newman, Alan, 104 Manawapou Rd., Hawera	.. 60
1954	.. 6	Newton, Alan H.V., 179 Regan St., Stratford	.. 57
1956	.. 1	Nicholls, Trevor L., 21, Horoeko St., Stokes Valley Wellington	.. 90
1959	.. 4	Noble, Dorothea M., B.A., 71 Copeland St., Lower Hutt	.. 90
1937	.. 4	Norwell, Leslie T., 46 Radley St., Woolston Christchurch, 2	112
1939	.. 5	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	.. 1	Olds, J. Stanley, 19 Hillside Cresc., Mt. Eden, Auckland	13
1946	.. 2	Olds, Norman W., 98 North Street Timaru	.. 124
1951	.. 7	Olds, O. McLennan, 2 Westend Rd., Herne Bay, Auckland W.1	.. 15

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1964	.. 2	Olsen, Brian L., Methodist Parsonage, Russell ..	2
1933	.. 33	Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E., Box 5104, Wellesley St., Auckland C.1	13
1953	.. 4	Osborne, John H., M.A., 12 Nahum St., Paeroa ..	35
1947	.. 2	Parker, Francis H., 406 Thames St., Morrinsville ..	38
1918	.. S	Parker, James W., 143 St. John's Rd., Meadowbank, Auckland, S.E. 3 (1950) ..	17
1929	.. S	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Rd., Epsom, Auckland S.E.3 (1965) ..	14
1930	.. 1	Parker, Wesley, E.D., M.A., B.D., 34 Edmonton Rd., Hen- derson ..	19
1933	.. S	Patchett, Ralph E., 118 Knowles St., Christchurch, 1 (1965) ..	109
1931	.. 5	Payne, Herbert W., 77 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland ..	23
1955	.. 1	Peart, Cuthbert F., C. F., Te Reinga St., Kaitaia ..	1
1952	.. 4	Penman, John A., B.A., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna, N.2	21
1927	.. 5	Penn, Athol R., 17 Pukehana Ave., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3	16
1938	.. 4	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 24 Liverpool St., Hamilton ..	40
1960	.. 6	Peterson, Frederick D., No. 3 R.D., Wellsford ..	11
1925	.. 6	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 235 Karori Rd., Karori, Wellington ..	85
1962	.. 1	Pomeroy, Harold C., B.A., Mace St., Reefton ..	105
1954	.. 4	Rakena, Ruawai D., 28 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland, S.W.2	[2]
1949	.. 1	Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A., c/o 37 Bank St., Te Awamutu	50
1950	.. 2	Ramsay, Phillip D., C.F., 38 Cranford St., Christchurch 1	116
1901	.. S	Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College, Leigh Haven, 61 Allendale Rd., Mt. Albert, Auckland E.S.3 (1941) ..	12
1927	.. 3	Raynor, Ivo M., 5 Miriona Grove, Paekakariki, Wellington	88
1957	.. 5	Reddihough, John W., 78 Church Street, Mosgiel ..	134
1960	.. 3	Reid, Andrew G., P.O. Box 196, Dargaville ..	8
1952	.. 1	Reid, Ian W., c/o Witako Prison, Private Bag 300, Trentham Camp ..	91
1955	.. 1	Rigg, Frank S., Main Rd., Greytown ..	93
1947	.. 1	Riseley, Benjamin H., 31 Rarangi St., St. Heliers, Auckland	16
1964	.. 2	Roberts John H., 3 Delta St., Dunedin N.W.1 ..	131
1962	.. 1	Robertson, Ian H., Methodist Parsonage, 95 Rifle Range Rd., Taupo ..	45
1942	.. 11	Rogers, Ranginohoora, 519 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland S.1	[2]
1960	.. 6	Roke, Charles E., P.O. Box 400 Hamilton ..	[3]
1963	.. 3	Rowe, B. Keith, B.A., Riemanschnieder Street, Manaia ..	61
1911	.. S	Rowe, William, 60 The Esplanade, Paremata, Wellington (1949) ..	89
1951	.. 3	Ruck, Idris J., 37 Nelson Street, Petone ..	92
1954	.. 4	Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D., 31 Carleton Rd., Tawa Wellington ..	89
1957	.. 6	Russell, Kenneth H., 24, Mouatt Street, Waitara ..	57
1962	.. 1	Rutherford, Maynard G., 18 Robinson St., Foxton ..	83
1906	.. S	Ryan, Henry, 8 Burns Road, Napier (1943) ..	68
1916	.. S	Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis St., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1955) ..	18
1959	.. 4	Salter, Lawrence E., 19 Graham Ave, Te Atatu, Auckland ..	19
1956	.. 7	Scammell, Bruce, Taitua St., Taumarānui ..	53
1957	.. 2	Scarr, Geoffrey E., Willowby, R.D., 3 Ashburton ..	129
1950	.. 1	Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., B.D., 92 Liardet St., New Plymouth ..	56
1912	.. S	Scrivin, Arthur H., "Roviana" 16 Empire Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1952) ..	16
1945	.. 4	Shapcott, Leonard, 43 Queen St., Cambridge ..	44
1964	.. 2	Shave, Charles D., Ngatea, Hauraki Plains ..	34
1952	.. 4	Shaw, Harry I., N.Z. Reg. Terendaks Camp. Malacca, Malaya	75

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1946	.. 3	Shepherd, Trevor, 356 Wairakei Rd., Bryndwr, Christchurch, 5	.. 116
1944	.. 4	Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 57 Glenfield Rd., Birkenhead, Auckland N.5	.. 21
1961	.. 2	Sides, Brian W., Methodist Mission, Skotolan, P.O. Sohano Territory of New Guinea	.. [12]
1927	.. 4	Silvester, A. Wharton E. (M.M.) 22 Union St., New Brighton, Christchurch, 7	.. 111
1938	.. 2	Silvester, John M.A., 1107, Dominion Road Ext, Mt, Roskill, Auckland, S.3	Th.C.
1918	.. S	Skuse, Thomas, E.D., No. 2 R.D., Kumeu, Auckland (1956)	19
1915	.. S	Slade, William G., M.A., D.D., 198 Clyde Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, 5 (1958)	.. 109
1964	.. 2	Slinn, Stuart G., Ohura	.. 54
1964	.. 2	Smith, Neil E., Te Kopuru, Dargaville	.. 8
1952	.. 1	Spindler, Sydney J., 12 Marsden Rd., Greymouth	.. 107
1951	.. 7	Stead, Peter A., B.A., 524 Church Street, Palmerston North	75
1964	.. 1	Stockbridge, Nelson W., 2, Cowal St., Broad Bay, Dunedin	135
1953	.. 1	Stubbs, David G., 216 Earn St., Invercargill	.. 140
1955	.. 2	Tauroa, Lane M., B.A., c/- National Christian Council of Indonesia, Djl Salemba Raya, 10, Djakarta IV/3, Indonesia	[4]
1954	.. 4	Tahere, Te Awa W., 38 Three Mile Bush Rd, Kamo, Northland	.. [1]
1961	.. 2	Taylor, A. Kerry, Murphys Rd, Blenheim	.. 104
1924	.. S	Taylor, Cecil R., 23 Garreg Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, 5 (1955)	.. 116
1957	.. 8	Taylor, Phillip F., Methodist Mission, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea	.. [10]
1911	.. S	Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E., Oturei Aratapu, Nth. Wairoa (1954)	H.M.
1914	.. 1	Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 18 Matai Rd., Hataitai, Wellington E.2	.. 87
1946	.. 3	Thompson, George R., E.D. 18 Orari St., Ngaio, Wellington, N.4	.. 88
1951	.. 2	Thompson, J. Herbert, 53 Fuller St., Kaiapoi	.. 120
1955	.. 4	Thornicroft, Neville, 108 Talbot St., Geraldine	.. 127
1935	.. 9	Thornley, Robert, M.A., 38 McFarlane St., Wellington, C.4	84
1908	.. S	Tinsley, Robert B., Kereone Rd., Morrinsville (1949)	.. 38
1963	.. 3	Toomer, Kenneth L., 112 High St., Masterton	.. 95
1951	.. 5	Toothill, Harry W., 50 Clevedon Rd., Papakura, Auckland	26
1954	.. 1	Trebilco, David L., 17 Church St. Devonport, Auckland N1	20
1952	.. 1	Trebilco, George R., 120 Colombo St., Christchurch 2	.. 113
1963	.. 3	Tucker, W. Geoffrey, 6 Weka Street, Taihape	.. 66
1927	.. S	Utting, Harry V., 73 Birdwood Ave., Beckenham Christchurch 2 (1964)	.. 113
1926	.. S	Voyce, A. Harry, 17 Rangitoto Tce, Milford, Auckland, N.2 (1959)	.. 21
1965	.. 1	Waaka, Napi, 1060 Heaphy Tce., Claudelands, Hamilton	.. [3]
1962	.. 4	Waine, Frederick E., 58a Scotland St., Roxburgh	.. 143
1962	.. 1	Wakeling, W. J. Douglas, 40a Henley St., Westport	.. 106
1956	.. 6	Walker, Bryan A. M.A., 19 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay Auckland	.. 21
1912	.. S	Walker, William, E.D., 54 St. John's Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1945)	.. 17
1961	.. 2	Wallace, William B.A., 128 Vogel St., Palmerston North	.. 75
1945	.. 10	Watson, Alexander C. Methodist Mission, Box 36 Honiara, British Solomon Islands	.. [7]
1939	.. 2	Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., 304 Stanmore Rd., Christchurch 1	.. 111
1914	.. S	Werren, Samuel J., 17 Murray St., Maeroa, Hamilton (1956)	40

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1965	.. 1	West, Norman J., 314 Ormond Rd., Gisborne 72
1963	.. 3	White, John W., 17 Iti Street, Otaki 98
1938	.. 4	Whitfield, Harris, E.D., P.O. Box 374, Kaikohe	.. .. 2
1959	.. 5	Widdup, Robert W., Kiwi Road, Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	.. .. 22
1931	.. 19	Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D., "Richmond House", Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland, C.3	.. .. Th.C
1943	.. 6	Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, 463 Gladstone Rd., Gisborne	.. .. 70
1942	.. 2	Willing, Leonard V., 77 Pretoria St., Lower Hutt	.. .. 90
1935	.. 9	Witheford, Arthur R. B.A., 119 Burnett Street, Ashburton	.. .. 128
1953	.. S	Woodnutt, Alfred G., 32 Fulford St., New Plymouth	.. .. 56
1950	.. 3	Woodfield, Frank H., 30 Kelso St., Tokoroa	.. .. 44
1950	.. 1	Woodfield, Owen T., B.A., 15 Verran Place, Bryndwyr, Christchurch 5	.. .. 116
1962	.. 1	Woodley, Alan K., P.O. Box 21, Rawene, Hokianga	.. .. 5
1955	.. 5	Wood, Ronald H., 203 Chelmsford St., Invercargill	.. .. 139
1941	.. 4	Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., 5 William St., Gore	.. .. 138
1956	.. 4	Ziesler, John, M.A., B.D., 134 Grafton Road, Trinity College, Auckland, C.3 Th.C.

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1941	.. S	Kukutai, Ngatete, Gibsons Road, Tuakau (1954) 2
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1964	.. 2	Alu Solomon, Munda, British Solomon Islands.	
1965	.. 1	Beaso, Matthew, Magarima, via Tari, Territory of New Guinea.	
1955	.. S	Bitibile, John V., P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands. (1965)	
1958	.. 2	Beraki, Serupepele, Panggoe, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1961	.. 5	Bongbong, Francis, Kekesu, Inus Free Bag, P.O. Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.	
1964	.. 1	Boseto, Leslie, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1955	.. 6	Buadromo, Ilesia, Simbo, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1964	.. 2	Maelagi, George, Petaks P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea.	
1962	.. 4	Mosusu, Moses, Buka, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea.	
1944	.. 5	Palavi, Daniel, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1951	.. 6	Pataaku, Samson, Siangara, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea.	
1944	.. 4	Piani, Timothy, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1962	.. 4	Rotoava, Job, Sasamunga, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1965	.. 1	Tarakabu, Te Takarebu, Wagina, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1965	.. 1	Tarakabu, Te Tim, Wagina, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1965	.. 1	Tarurava, Misake, Tearaka, Kekesu, Inus Free Bag, P.O. Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.	
1944	.. 16	Taufa, John, Roreinang, P.O. Kieta, Territory of New Guinea.	
1965	.. 1	Teem, Te Tekiera, Wagina, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	
1950	.. 5	Vula, Aisake, Sege, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.	

HOME MISSIONARIES

Entd.	Names and Addresses	Years
1919	J. W. Bayliss, (Retired) Awaroa Road, Henderson, Auckland	.. 27
1922	C. Robinson, (Retired) 108 McGrath Street, Napier	.. 14
1924	R. T. Alexander (Retired), Pah Street, Motueka	.. 14
1924	W. H. Wilson (Retired) 31 Rangitoto Tce., Takapuna, Auckland	.. 27
1928	R. Coombridge (Retired), 263 Glenfield Road, Birkenhead, Auckland, N.5	.. 15
1939	H. R. Wright, (Retired) 7 Tor St., Westown, New Plymouth	.. 6
1940	W. J. Bryant, (Retired) James Street, Whakatane	.. 10

1941—T. Steele, (Retired) Dick Street, Reefton	8
1948—H. Prowse, (Retired) 34 Harris Street, Marton	7
1952—F. L. Johnson (Senior Home Missionary) Paparoa	1
1956—F. E. Trim (Retired), Durham St., Rangiora	5
1961—A. E. Tardif (Senior H.M.) Ford St., Opotiki	2
1958—D. I. Robertson (Retired), 50 Puriri Ave, Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	7
1961—H. D. Kelly, B.A., 82 Auckland Street, Picton	5

HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS

1962—Ronald W. Ferguson, Westgate St., Ngaruawahia	1
1964—David R. Alley, c/o 20A Wellington St., Hamilton	41

UNION CHURCHES MINISTERS

Raglan—	Oliver, J. H., The Manse, Raglan	40a
Taita—	Reid, A. R., B.A., 73 Molesworth St., Taita, Lower Hutt	90a
Wainuiomata	{ Fowler, Richard W., B.A., B.D., 115 Main Rd, Wainuiomata	92a
	{ Morrison, William, 6 Derwent St., Wainuiomata	92a
Marchweil—	Mackley, P., 24 Tyne St., Timaru	125a
Corstorphine—	Handyside, Allan J., 149 Hillhead Rd., Corstorphine, Dunedin	134a

MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES

Ent.	Name and Address	Years
(a) Full time:		
1954—Te Akonga Pihama, 5 Mission Street, New Plymouth		4
1960—Matu Makiha, Methodist Parsonage, Waima Hokianga		6
1962—Herehere Maihi Maaka, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton		3
1962—Te Orahi Tonga, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia		4
(b) Honorary:		
1922—Te Hira Ratete, Punakitere, Hokianga, Northland		38
1930—Paahi Moke, Kawhia (Retired) P.O. Box 24		9
1932—Tuteao Manihera, Raglan		18
1936—Ngaweke Tuhimata, Tuakau, Waikato (Retired)		20
1937—Roi Moke, Aotea Harbour, via Kawhia		14
1938—Wiremu Paki Ihaka, 15 Ropata Ave, Tamaki, Auckland		12
1940—Wiremu Tonga, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton		8
1942—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of Islands		24
1946—Waiwera Rangawhenui, Maketu Pa, Kawhia, King Country		20
1946—Tumu Te Huia, C/o 60 Churchill Avenue, Maeroa, Frankton Junction		20
1946—Waaka Kukutai, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato		20
1946—Henere Kapa, Rangitane, Pouto, R.D. Te Kopuru		20
1947—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki		19
1948—Nguru Winikerei, Marokopa Valley, R.D. 4 Te Kuiti		18
1950—Hotai Mita Hohepa, P.O. Box 167, Kaikohe, Northland		18
1950—Te Awikau Waaka, R.D. No. 4, Rotorua		16
1951—Pukerau Rangitutia, C/o Oliver Bros., Arohena, Te Awamutu		15
1952—Matene Hori De Thierry, Pukekohe		14
1952—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, Whatawhata, Waikato		14
1952—Hone Wilcox, 81 Premier Avenue, Pt. Chevalier, Auckland		14
1952—Hohepa Hemara, Cartwright's Road, Onerahi, Northland		14
1955—Wera Couch, Box 20, Lyttelton		11
1957—Taipua Te Uira, C/o Mrs Armstrong, Karewa, Kawhia		9
1958—Himiona Waata, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi		8
1960—Hoera Whakaari Hakopa, Whatawhata, Waikato		6
1962—Robert Taka, C/o Post Office, Kaeo, Northland		4
1964—Para Piripi Livingstone, Pokere, Bay of Islands		2

DEACONESSES

- 1921—Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main Road, Papanui, Christchurch N.W. 2
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, 9 College Court, 19 Cashel St., Christchurch.
1935—Sister Madeline Holland, "Kurahuna", 110 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5
1936—Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Box 400, Hamilton
1939—Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Maori Girls Hostel, South 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, (overseas) C/o Mrs W. A. Smith, R.D.3, Ohaupo.
1955—Sister Doreen Bulford, (overseas) C/o Mrs W. A. Smith, R.D.3, Ohaupo.
1957—Sister Beverley Taylor, 89 Rose Rd., Auckland, W.2
1960—Sister Gladys Thomas, C/o Methodist Central Mission, P.O. Box 5104, Auckland.
1960—Sister Pamela Beaumont, P.O. Buin, T.N.G.
1960—Sister Joan Wedding, Taheke, P.O. Hokianga.
1962—Sister Edna Jenkin, C/o P.O. Box 9, Otorohanga.
1963—Sister Lynne Bowker, 21 Longfellow Street, Opunake.
1963—Sister Barbara Miller, P.O. Box 239, Dargaville.
1963—Sister Shirley Simpson, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.
1963—Sister Elva Harris, C/o 8 Airdale Street, Auckland.
1963—Sister Janet Evans, Flat 3, 5 Ruahine St., Trentham.
1964—Sister Shirley Ungemuth, 11 King St., Feilding
1964—Sister Connie Fell, C/o 8 Airedale St., Auckland, Cl.

DEACONESS "SUPPLIES"

- Mrs. Bell C/o, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton
Mrs G. George, P.O. Waihaha, Bay of Islands.

MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Ada Lee, Kihili, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Myra Fraser, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Sister Norma Graves, Namatanai, P.O. Kavieng, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Mary Addison, Tonu, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Patricia Jacobson, Kihili, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Kathleen Shaw, Kekesu, Inus Free Bag, P.O. Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Gladys Larkin, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands.
Sister Beryl Grice, Sasamunga, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Sister Patricia Hulks, Skotolan, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Janice Palmer, Skotolan, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Muriel McCormack, Kihili, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Esther Watson, Kekesu, Inus Free Bag, P.O. Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea.
Sister Lynette Sadler, B.A., Goldie College, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands.
Sister Beverley Withers, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands.
Miss Catherine Scott, Nipa via Mendi, Territory of New Guinea.
Miss Shona Couch, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands.
Sister Rosemary Bettany, Tonu, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea.

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. W. R. Laws, 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
Bateup, Frank	Patea, New Zealand	1884	1924	29th November, 1962	Hamilton East
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, N th. Cant by
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

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Blamires, Ernest O.	Warrnabool, Victoria	1881	1904	6th June, 1963	Auckland
Blight, Joseph	Clare, South Australia	1858	1887	24th October, 1933	Auckland
Bond, George	Durham, England	1848	1871	6th November, 1931	Auckland
Bowie, William S.	Scarsdale, Victoria	1865	1896	19th December, 1914	Victoria
Brasell, H. Maurice	Masterton, New Zealand	1910	1949	9th July, 1953	Napier
Brooke, Thomas G.	Berkshire, England	1849	1880	31st August, 1931	Auckland
Brooks, Leslie, A. G.	Christchurch	1894	1922	25th February, 1964	Hamilton
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.
Burnet, 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
Cottom, Harry	Birmingham, England	1879	1909	10th February, 1963	Christchurch
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

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Drake, Edward	Staffordshire, England	1868	1893	28th April, 1953	Christchurch
Dudley, Ben	London	1872	1898	1st January, 1948	Christchurch
Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.	Suva, Fiji	1904	1931	10th December, 1963	Napier
Dukes, John	Staffordshire, England	1845	1880	16th August, 1919	Manurewa, Auckland
Dumbell, John	Isle of Man	1830	1852	28th September, 1923	Wellington
Eaton, Clarence	Auckland	1878	1901	26th August, 1949	Christchurch
Eketone, Hare	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Elliott, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17th June, 1879	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C.	Hull, England	1879	1903	4th June, 1944	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, New Zealand	1882	1912	3rd May, 1920	Auckland
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.
Ford, Herbert	Latchford, England	1882	1919	28th November, 1962	Christchurch
Foston, Charles A.	Lincolnshire	1870	1914	4th June, 1944	Levin
Fowles, Arthur H.	Davenham, England	1885	1911	7th April, 1963	Christchurch
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

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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
Hall, James H.	Invercargill	1901	1926	5th November, 1963	Auckland
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	Otahuhu
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
Hunt, George P.	Rongotea	1875	1900	29th January, 1964	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.,	Motueka, New Zealand	1880	1908	19th October, 1953	Stoke, Nelson
Jory, John D. F.R.E.S.	Cornwall, England	1846	1874	16th June, 1935	Auckland
Joughin, Thomas A.	Isle of Man	1863	1887	10th January, 1942	Auckland
Kakuere, Hori	Mangere	1863	1911	21st August, 1938	Pukekohe
Keall, William	Holbeach, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1838	1869	31st August, 1906	Palmerston North

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Keast, W. H.			1880		Christchurch
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1825	1846	19th May, 1915	Wellington
Knight, Percy N., B.A.	Norwood, Australia	1867	1889	16th August, 1944	Auckland
Kuri, Te Hori	Hokianga	1828	1879	6th May, 1891	Hokianga
Law, John	Lancashire, England	1841	1868	1st August, 1908	Auckland
Lawrence, Frederick B.,	London	1883	1912	16th July, 1959	Nelson
Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D.	Newcastle on Tyne, England	1867	1887	8th February, 1958	Auckland
Lawry, Albert Charles	Auckland, New Zealand	1862	1885	21st June, 1940	Christchurch
Lawry, Henry Hassall	New South Wales	1821	1845	8th May, 1906	Auckland
Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26th July, 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30th March, 1859	Parramatta, N.S.W.
Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1851	1884	13th November, 1927	Christchurch
Leadley, Frank E.	Yorkshire, England	—	1900	25th July, 1964	Auckland
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

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Metson, Basil	Temuka	1879	1905	8th February, 1952	Rangiora
Mitchell, Arthur	Truro, England	1866	1890	19th August, 1951	Auckland
Mitchell, John L.	Kent, England	1892	1933	12th July, 1950	Hutt
Morley, William, D.D.	Notts, England	1842	1863	24th May, 1926	Kew, Victoria
Murray, Daniel J.	Cambridge, England	1851	1875	27th September, 1928	Auckland
Murray, Richard James	London, England	1862	1896	26th March, 1928	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Nielsen, Edward	Norway	1842	1877	12th June, 1894	Palmerston North
Ngaropi, Hamiora	Waikato	1809	1856	1887	Whatawhata
Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S.	Auckland	1886	1911	26th August, 1959	Auckland
Nelson, John R.	Cumberland, England	1883	1917	22nd February, 1951	Auckland
Newbold, Thomas Walter	Auckland	1862	1886	19th October, 1930	Dunedin
Nixon, John	Scotland	1852	1875	2nd March, 1947	New Plymouth
Odell, Henry J.	New South Wales	1891	1915	16th March, 1961	London
Oliver, William C.	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1842	1867	14th April, 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1866	1888	5th March, 1950	Auckland
Orchard, Hector C.	Geelong, Australia	1884	1920	16th May, 1957	Dunedin
Orchard, John	Devonshire, England	1838	1861	6th January, 1907	Christchurch, N.Z.
Oxbrow, Walter	Ballarat, Victoria	1873	1902	29th June, 1956	Auckland
Parker, Frederick John	Dunedin	1892	1917	15th November, 1959	Auckland
Paris, Percy R.	Dunedin, N.Z.	1882	1906	29th March, 1942	Wellington
Parsons, John Ernest	Birmingham, England	1885	1912	8th April, 1932	Palmerston North
Parsonson, William George	Lerwick, Shetland Islands	1854	1881	8th September, 1903	Christchurch
Patchett, Ernest D.	Styx, North Canterbury	1878	1902	13th September, 1958	Auckland
Patene, Wiremu	Waikato	1810	1859	December, 1884	Karakariki
Paul, Hauraki	Orakei	—	1882	1910	Kaipara
Peat, Harold T.	Thames	1885	1913	24th August, 1948	Auckland
Pendray, John J.	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1845	1870	2nd July, 1914	Taumarunui
Penney, Charles	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1851	1875	17th March, 1917	Reefton
Peryman, Samuel H. D.	Tai Tapu, N.Z.	1867	1892	16th August, 1945	Wellington
Peters, Alfred	Truro, Cornwall, England	1850	1877	8th November, 1939	Christchurch
Pewa, Wiremu 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

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Pratt, M.A., Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6th March, 1946	Christchurch
Prior, Samuel F.	Bedford, England	1851	1875	1919	Masterton, N.Z.
Prosser, Frederick O.	Blaenavon, Wales	1883	1943	26th March, 1963	Wellington
Purchon, Samuel R.	Leeds, England	1851	1875	24th January, 1878	Motueka
Pybus, T. Arthur	Yorkshire, England	1873	1897	28th August, 1957	Port Chalmers
Raine, Robert	Durham, England	1868	1892	17th March, 1942	Wellington
Rakena, Piripi		—	1882	25th March, 1934	Mangamuka
Rakena, Rakena P.	Maungamuka, Northland	1890	1908	February, 1956	Rapaki
Rands, Frederick	Methven, New Zealand	1883	1908	14th February, 1919	Germany
Ratou, W. Te Kote Te	Wairarapa	1820	1859	4th May, 1895	Lower Wairarapa
Read, Frederick T.	Sleaford, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1867	1889	29th July, 1937	Christchurch
Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, England	1875	1901	20th June, 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7th September, 1927	Auckland
Redstone, Harry B.	Tavistock, Devon, England	1836	1862	20th September, 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5th May, 1912	Te Aroha
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
Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G.	Tongala, Victoria	1877	1903	17th September, 1963	Auckland
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

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
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
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.	Waingarua (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

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
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
Woodward, Coombs 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

CHURCH FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 30th June, 1964.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	
Credit Balance—1st July 1963—							
Reserve Account	893	12	0				
General Account	1,185	7	2				
				2,078	19	2	
Circuit Paym'ts for Stewardship Missions—							
Completed	4,939	4	0				
Not yet completed	1,702	12	3				
				6,641	16	3	
Connexional Budget				310	0	0	
Bank Interest—							
Budget Account	127	4	7				
Committee's Account	59	2	8				
				186	7	3	
Sale of Pamphlets—"Dont' Miss the Point"				10	0	0	
Overdue payment to Central Finance Committee				48	1	0	
				£9,275	3	8	
Salaries					4,388	14	0
Travelling Expenses					663	14	4
Board					339	8	0
Superannuation					230	5	10
							5,622 2 2
Office Equipment							41 9 1
Printing and Stationery							193 4 9
Advertising							4 0 0
Insurance							4 18 9
Typing Assistance							25 0 0
Rent of P.O. Box							2 10 0
Cheque Books							3 0 0
Postages and Petties							67 19 5
Toll Charges							65 1 8
Exchange							19 17 0
Grant to Wesley (Wgtn. Central) Trust re premises							25 0 0
Credit Balance—30th June, 1964:							
Reserve Account					941	13	0
General Account					*2,259	7	10
							3,201 0 10
							£9,275 3 8

* Includes £1702/12/3 deposits paid for work not yet done.

E. G. HEGGIE, Chairman.

G. G. SLATER, Treasurer.

METHODIST MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance Nat. Bank of N.Z. Ltd., 1/7/63	50	8	8	Stationery	24	7	7
Affiliation Fees	29	13	0	Duplicating	34	6	9
Sales—Study Books	1	0	0	Study Books	9	4	9
Donation	5	0	0	Postages	8	10	0
Interest	1	6	3	Conference Expenses (A.G.M.)	3	4	6
				Balance Nat. Bank N.Z. Ltd. 30/6/64	7	14	4
	<u>£87</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>		<u>£87</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>

L. E. ARMSTRONG, Dominion Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

T. I. BATHURST, A.R.A.N.Z.,
14th July, 1964.

METHODIST CHILDREN'S FUND
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

INCOME			EXPENDITURE				
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance as at 30th June, 1963				Grants to Ministers			
Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington	33	12	9	For Twelve Months ended 30/6/64	4,100	0	0
Payments received from Connexional Budget				Sundry Expenses:			
Treasurer	4,000	0	0	Exchange	4	13	3
Temporary Loan (from private source)	70	0	0	Cheque Book	10	0	
Interest							
As allowed by Bank of N.S.W.	2	19	9	Balance as at 30th June, 1964			
				Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington	1	9	3
	£4,106	12	6		£4,106	12	6

Audited and found correct.
 J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z.,
 Hon. Auditor.

ROBERT THORNLEY, T. M. PACEY,
 Hon. Treasurers.

SPIRITUAL ADVANCE COMMITTEE
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1964
GENERAL FUND

INCOME				EXPENDITURE				
		£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance brought forward	.....	290	2	2	Travelling	41	16	6
Connexional Budget	.....	148	16	3	Stationery	20	5	0
Circuits	.....	24	19	6	Postages and Tolls	20	4	10
Interest	.....	8	18	1	Miscellaneous	18	3	5
						100	9	9
					Bank Balance	372	6	3
		£472	16	0		£472	16	0

OVERSEAS VISITORS' FUND

INCOME				EXPENDITURE				
		£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance brought forward	.....	483	15	11	Travelling	523	19	8
Income from meetings	.....	505	8	10	Advertising	35	11	4
Interest	.....	13	9	9	Miscellaneous	63	11	6
Miscellaneous	.....	3	0	0				
						623	2	6
					Bank Balance	397	3	0
						1,020	5	6
					Unpresented cheques	14	11	0
		£1,005	14	6		£1,005	14	6

Audited and found correct.
 S. E. COWLEY, ROBT. L. IRVINE.
 25th July, 1964.

EMSLY TRUST
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

1964	£	s	d	1964	£	s	d
June 30 TO Interest from National Savings A/C	—	—	—	June 30 BY Trinity College	95	0	0
" Interest on Debentures to 1-3-64	95	0	0				
	£95	0	0		£95	0	0

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

1964	£	s	d	1964	£	s	d
June 30 TO Capital	1,900	0	0	June 30 BY Auckland Electric Power Board			
" Income		1	0	Debentures—5%—1/3/1970	1,900	0	0
				" Deposit at National Savings In-			
				vestment Account No. 1/9553		1	0
	£1,900	1	0		£1,900	1	0

Treasurer: J. H. BLACKWELL.

Audited and found correct.

Auditors: A. R. MARTIN, R. EVANS. 30/7/64.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30/6/64

RECEIPTS				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	
To Balance 1/7/63	---	---	---				
Balance in Bank	1,871	12	11				
Less amounts due to Districts	527	0	0				
				1,344	12	11	
Connexional Budget Grant				6,855	0	0	
District Collections and Interest							
Northland	12	1	0				
Auckland	10	6	2				
South Auckland	22	15	2				
Taranaki/Wanganui	23	5	7				
Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	17	11	0				
Wellington	11	2	7				
Nelson	2	19	9				
North Canterbury	12	7	9				
South Canterbury	20	11	7				
Otago/Southland	14	0	0				
				147	0	7	
Collections							
Opening of Conference	64	12	9				
Ordination Service	61	0	1				
				125	12	10	
Sales							
Agendas for Conference	41	7	6				
Minutes for Conference	167	17	4				
Miscellaneous	158	17	9				
				368	2	7	
Interest				61	13	1	
By Cost of Conference							
(a) Travel to Wellington							
Equalisation Fund	650	0	0				
Official Representatives	368	1	8				
							1,018 1 8
(b) Printing and General							
Agendas	426	8	6				
Supplementary Agendas	43	5	0				
Minutes	856	6	0				
Station Lists	28	17	6				
Home Mission Statements	76	10	3				
Miscellaneous Printing and Stationery	31	7	9				
Secretary's Expenses	93	2	6				
Platform Staff	37	10	0				
							1,593 7 6
District Expenses							
Northland	76	1	0				
Auckland	156	12	10				
South Auckland	316	13	5				
Taranaki/Wanganui	62	11	6				
Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	108	4	3				
Wellington	81	1	0				
Nelson	128	4	0				
North Canterbury	99	6	6				
South Canterbury	104	14	10				
Otago/Southland	225	14	7				
							1,359 3 11
Synod Expenses							
Northland	75	9	6				
Auckland	15	1	6				
South Auckland	118	19	4				
Taranaki/Wanganui	71	2	0				
Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	90	0	1				
Wellington	59	9	1				
Nelson	85	7	0				
North Canterbury	38	18	6				
South Canterbury	27	11	6				
Otago/Southland	89	13	9				
							671 12 3

Supply									
Northland	---	---	---	---	---			56	6 8
Church Council									
Northland	---	---	---	---	---	34	17 0		
Auckland	---	---	---	---	---	8	6 0		
Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	---	---	---	---	---	1	10 0		
Nelson	---	---	---	---	---	6	0 0		
North Canterbury	---	---	---	---	---	14	8 6		
South Canterbury	---	---	---	---	---	19	6 2		
Otago/Southland	---	---	---	---	---	31	18 0		
								116	5 8
Grants									
Interantional Affairs	---	---	---	---	---	30	0 0		
Temperance Committee	---	---	---	---	---	45	0 0		
Radio and T.V.	---	---	---	---	---	30	0 0		
Methodist Times Committee	---	---	---	---	---	50	0 0		
Ecumenical Committee	---	---	---	---	---	10	0 0		
Faith and Order Committee	---	---	---	---	---	10	0 0		
Church Music Committee	---	---	---	---	---	5	0 0		
Married Students	---	---	---	---	---	150	0 0		
World Methodist Council	---	---	---	---	---	25	5 2		
Wesley Historical Society	---	---	---	---	---	10	0 0		
Church Union	---	---	---	---	---	12	0 0		
Spiritual Healing Committee	---	---	---	---	---	10	0 0		
								387	5 2
Connexional Payments									
President Bal. 1962/3	---	---	---	---	---	50	0 0		
President's Personal Allowance	---	---	---	---	---	65	0 0		
Travel to Islands	---	---	---	---	---	149	8 9		
Travel in New Zealand	---	---	---	---	---	228	15 9		
General Expenses & Supply	---	---	---	---	---	21	15 6		
Gown and photo.	---	---	---	---	---	29	18 6		
Printing									
Baptism Cards	---	---	---	---	---	99	3 6		
Baptism Books	---	---	---	---	---	63	18 0		
Synod Agendas, 1963	---	---	---	---	---	208	7 9		
Membership Cards	---	---	---	---	---	91	5 0		
Baptism of Infants Booklets	---	---	---	---	---	88	10 0		
General Connexional Payments	---	---	---	---	---	17	3 9		
Faith and Order Conference	---	---	---	---	---	231	0 9		
Finance and Stewardship	---	---	---	---	---	132	15 3		
Church Union	---	---	---	---	---	222	5 1		
Church Council	---	---	---	---	---	16	12 0		
Examination Committee Expenses	---	---	---	---	---	79	6 0		
University Expenses	---	---	---	---	---	24	8 6		
School of Theology	---	---	---	---	---	80	6 3		
Women in the Ministry	---	---	---	---	---	54	3 0		
General	---	---	---	---	---	43	10 9		
								1,997	14 1

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Loan Probert Trust	1,000	0	0	Balance 1st July 1963	72,700	15	2
Balance Carried Forward	88,718	2	9	Excess Income from General Account	71	3	10
				Additions Land	430	0	0
				Buildings	15,703	2	2
				Furnishings	813	1	7
				£	s.	d.	
	88,718	2	9		88,718	2	9
				Balance 1st July 1964, Brought Forward	88,718	2	9

ORGAN FUND

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fund as at 1st July, 1963				1,784	11	1
Add Dividends	63	0	0			
Bank Interest	10	12	4			
				73	12	4
				1,858	3	5

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.				
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Capital	88,718	2 9	Freehold Land	8,550	0 0		
Building Fund at Bank of New Zealand	873	2 0	Additions	430	0 0	8,980	0 0
Organ Fund	1,858	3 5	College Buildings	35,000	0 0		
Loan Probert Trust	1,000	0 0	Additions New Class Rooms	15,703	2 2	50,703	2 2
J. Silvester Overseas Funds	450	2 0				11,470	13 1
			Chapel			2,834	16 10
			Organ				
			Furnishings & Fittings:				
			College	4,221	0 0		
			Additions	813	1 7		
				5,034	1 7		
			New Chapel	1,631	0 0	6,665	1 7
						4,000	0 0
			Contents of Library			2,834	9 6
			House—134 Grafton Road				
			Buttle House:				
			2 Beckham Place	5,175	0 0		
			Less Mortgage	3,000	0 0	2,175	0 0
						1,440	0 0
			Shares (Stn. British Insurance)			418	3 5
			Auckland Savings Bank			505	1 7
			Bank of New Zealand No. 1 Account			873	2 0
			Bank of New Zealand No. 2 Account				
						£92,899	10 2
						£92,899	10 2

I have examined the books, vouchers and bank statements of the Trinity Methodist Theological College Council and have compared them with the Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1964, and certify that in my opinion the Balance Sheet shows the correct position of the affairs of the Council as at that date.

5th August, 1964.

E. P. SALMON, F.R.A.N.Z.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD
REVENUE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964**

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Interest Receivable	532	0	0	Bank Charges	6	0	0
				Interest Payable	396	0	0
				Stationery, Stamps etc.	10	0	0
				Total Expenses			412 0 0
				Excess of Income over Expenditure Transferred to Accumulated Funds			120 0 0
	<u>£532</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>				<u>£532 0 0</u>

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT THE 30th JUNE, 1964**

	£	£		£
CURRENT LIABILITIES			INVESTMENTS	
Bank of New Zealand		4941	Secured Advances	15,501
Interest Accrued		29		
Loans at Call:				
Department of Christian Education		750		
General Purposes Trust Board		7000		
Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educa- tional Endowment Trust		500		
Wesley Church Social Services Trust		1000		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		14220		
ACCUMULATED FUNDS:				
Balance 30th June, 1963	1161			
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure	120			
Balance 30th June, 1964		1281		
		£15,501		£15,501

I certify that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Transport Board for the year ended 30th June, 1964, 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 view of the Trust at that date.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

D. TAYLER, Treasurer.

J. B. STEEL, F.P.A.N.Z., Public Accountant,

Hon. Auditor.
Wellington, 16th July, 1964.

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries	2,735	11	2	By Connexional Budget—Balance 1962/63	56	0	0
" House Stores and Expenses	1,770	9	8	Part 1963//64	1,663	0	0
" Repairs and Maintenance	541	6	1	" Donations	38	13	0
" Provision for Bathroom				" Maintenance	1,425	6	6
" Renovation under action	250	0	0	" Social Security Benefits	845	8	0
				" Government Capitation	561	3	4
				" J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	250	0	0
" Drapery and Clothing	791	6	1	" Masterton Trust Lands Trust	35	0	0
" Advertising	444	5	3	School Requisites Grant	65	0	0
" Fares of Children	13	8	2	" Income from Estates			
" Farm Expenses	25	2	4	(includes arrears)	477	12	2
" General Expenses	107	19	1	" Interest	1,010	11	11
" Heating and Lighting	65	7	1	" Wellington Board—Grant of half share of Income	1,522	15	3
" Insurance	459	12	8	" Gross Profit Livestock	422	8	2
" Maintenance—Children Boarded out	38	4	7				
" Motor Car Allowance	250	0	0				
" Manager's Disbursements	212	14	0				
" Optical and Dental	27	15	0				
" Postages and Telephones	39	3	7				
" Rates	161	16	2				
" Secretary's Expenses	25	0	0				
" Recreational Expenses	370	7	2				
" Less ex Police Charity Fund	250	0	0				
" Stationery and School Requisites	120	7	2				
" Travelling Expenses	82	5	3				
" Depreciation	14	18	0				
	257	11	0				
" Excess of Income over Expenditure	7,642	16	3				
	665	2	1				
	£8,307	18	4		£8,307	18	4

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
ACCUMULATED FUND at 1/7/63				26,937	8	10							
Add Legacies:													
Est. H. Miller				85	2	1							
Est. D. L. Craig				538	2	0							
Est. M. V. Simpson				468	3	0							
Est. B. O. Anderson				211	0	0							
Est. C. Giles				125	0	0							
Est. H. M. Pollard (Balance)				223	5	7							
Excess of Income over Expenditure				665	2	1							
Furniture and Equipment ex Police Charity				172	11	0							
				29,425	14	7							
POLICE CHARITY FUND:	332	14	6										
Further Donation	187	10	0										
Interest	9	13	8										
	529	18	2										
Less Expended	422	11	0										
				107	7	2							
Provision for Maintenance under action				250	0	0							
Newcombe Trust				15	0	0							
Sundry Creditors				894	3	7							
				£30,692	5	4							
											£30,692	5	4

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
ASSETS.							
Land and Buildings (vested in Wellington Board £17,894/1/8)							
Laundry Installation	868	0	0				
Depreciation	88	0	0				
	780	0	0				
Furniture and Equipment	612	0	0				
Additions	172	11	0				
	784	11	0				
Depreciation	156	11	0				
	628	0	0				
Implements	65	0	0				
Depreciation	13	0	0				
	52	0	0				
Investments held by Wellington Board Post Office Savings Bank—							27,167 6 10
Police Charity							107 7 2
Wellington Board, Current Account							977 15 10
Sundry Debtors							251 11 5
Bank of New Zealand:							
Depreciation Fund Account							257 11 0
Maintenance Fund Account							250 0 0
Current Account							220 13 1
							£30,692 5 4

J. F. CODY, F.P.A.N.Z.,
Treasurer.

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 30th June, 1964, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Home as at 30th June, 1964, and the result of its transactions for the year ended at that date.

Masterton,

1st September, 1964.

R. R. DEANE,

W. G. SADLER, Auditors.

THE GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1964

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS							
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d		
Balance Brought Forward	---	---	---	957	14	1	Advertising, Printing & Stationery	9	16	8	
Rentals	1,855	10	4				Interest on Advances from Home Mission Board	122	3	4	
Noting Fees	10	10	0				Land Tax	301	5	10	
Interest from Bank	23	12	0				Postages, etc.	12	19	11	
Proceeds, Lease of Section	500	0	0	2,389	12	4	Secretary	175	0	0	
							Sundries	14	6	3	
							Reduction of Home Mission Loan	400	0	0	
							Insurances	5	13	8	
							Grants to Rangiatea Maori College Trust	750	0	0	
							New Titles	24	0	0	
							Audit Fees	7	7	0	
							Renovations, Mission Hill Dwelling	114	7	6	
							Rates	47	12	5	
							Renovations, Old Mission House and Church	117	6	2	
							Replacement of Memorial Stone	45	0	0	
							Valuer's Fees, Stat. etc. re Renewal of Leases	103	9	6	
							Property Expenses:				
							Removal of Bamboos, Spraying etc.	95	4	9	
							BALANCE at Bank of N.S.W.				
				£2,347	6	5			2,345	13	0
									1,001	12	5
									£3,347	6	5

	£	s	d
Contingent Liability:			
Loan from Home Mission Department	3,858	5	5
Less Repaid during year	400	0	0
Balance owing	£3,458	5	5

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I HEREBY certify that I have examined the foregoing statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30th June, 1964. All receipts as shown by the Secretary's books have been duly banked and the vouchers have been produced for all payments. I have also checked the credits to the respective Lessees' Accounts and found these in order.

NEW PLYMOUTH,
19th August, 1964.

W. P. OKEY,
Secretary.

G. V. DUFF,
Auditor.

THE RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD
(Incorporated under the Religious, Charitable, and Education Trust Act)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

INCOME										EXPENDITURE																			
										£	s	d											£	s	d	£	s	d	
Fees	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7,396	17	0	Staff Salaries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,922	19	2	—	—	—	11,126	4	7
Board	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	258	10	0	Fuel	—	—	—	—	—	—	251	16	9	—	—	—	615	0	0	
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	7	6	Bread, Meat and Milk	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,209	16	10	—	—	—	8	15	3	
Rent	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Groceries and Vegetables	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,262	16	1	—	—	—	42	0	0	
Grants and Donations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,496	14	8	Lighting and Heating	—	—	—	—	—	—	352	11	10	—	—	—	507	19	0	
Shop Account Profit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Repairs and Renewals	—	—	—	—	—	—	764	5	9	—	—	—	615	0	0	
Leased Land (half year)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	250	0	0	Telephone and Tolls	—	—	—	—	—	—	26	9	4	—	—	—	11,126	4	7	
													Insurance	—	—	—	—	—	—	230	4	11	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Petty Cash	—	—	—	—	—	—	57	10	0	—	—	—	11,126	4	7	
													Deaconess Retiring Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	10	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Rates	—	—	—	—	—	—	263	1	4	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Interest on Overdraft	—	—	—	—	—	—	79	10	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Secretary's Salary	—	—	—	—	—	—	200	0	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Audit Fee	—	—	—	—	—	—	52	0	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Advertising, Printing and Stationery	—	—	—	—	—	—	81	2	4	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Sundry Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—	108	12	9	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Water Rates	—	—	—	—	—	—	80	3	3	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Postages and Petties	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	15	3	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Legal Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—	42	0	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Depreciation:	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Furniture and Equipment, 10%	—	—	—	—	—	—	507	19	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
													Buildings 1%	—	—	—	—	—	—	615	0	0	—	—	—	615	0	0	
										£10,421	9	2	LOSS, 1964	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	615	0	0	

NOTE: Fees received were recorded on a cash basis up to 30th June, 1963, and on an income and expenditure basis at the end of the 1964 year.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

FOR SEVEN MONTHS ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1964

	EXPENDITURE	£	s	d
1963 Conference Resolutions:				
Home Mission Dept.: 7/12th Annual Grant of £3,700	2,158	6	8
Overseas Missions Dept.: 7/12th Annual Grant of £3,700	2,158	6	8
Honorary National Treasurer, 7 months	90	0	0
Epsom Church: Use of Office and Phone 12 months	10	0	0
Deaconess Trainee: Allowance ½ years @ £22 per annum	11	0	0
Sister Eleanor Dobbie: Grant ½ year @ £55 per annum	27	10	0
Sister S. Ungemuth: Uniform Allowance for Dedication	25	0	0
Depreciation Reserve 1 year Kurahuna Capital and Deprec. A/c.	23	6	0
Initial Grant, Overseas Worker, Mrs Kehely	20	0	0
Distribution Funds "Other Objects" as specified by Districts (see Summary)	71	6	6
Home Mission Dept. for Capital Expenditure Seamer House ex Legacy A/c. Otago District	50	0	0
Printing and Stationery	175	3	8
Subscriptions:				
National Council of Women	2	2	0
National Council of Churches	1	5	6
World Federation of Methodist Women	8	8	0
Postages and Sundry Expenses	15	3	2
Travelling Expenses	38	7	0
Executive Expenses	44	0	0
Smethurst Estate: Sundry Expenditure	372	10	4
		<u>5,301</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>
Credit Balances:				
Missions General Account	6,422	7	0
Kurahuna Revenue Account	3,107	13	11
Stamps etc. Fund	1,675	9	3
Kurahuna Emergency Account	1,626	17	7
Smethurst Estate Accounts	1,112	10	1
Overseas Travel Fund ex Guild Fellowship	183	19	8
		<u>14,128</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>6</u>
		<u>£19,430</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>

AT 31st AUGUST, 1964

	ASSETS	£	s	d
Credit Balances at Banks	12,554	11	11
Loan at Call, Methodist Home Mission Department	2,228	0	0
Deposits, General Purposes Trust Board	1,806	5	3
Drainage Board Debentures	4,500	0	0
Properties:				
"Kurahuna" Maori Girls' School Hostel	7,208	0	0
Smethurst Estate Property	4,000	0	0
		<u>£32,296</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>2</u>

HELENA I HENDRA,
Treasurer.

I HAVE examined the accounts of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship and have received all the information and explanations required. In my opinion the above accounts show the true and correct position of this organisation as at 31st August, 1964.

W. T. WALTON, A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I.,
Auditor.
9th September, 1964.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
"KURAHUNA" ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1964
MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Cash Bank N.Z. 1/8/63	348	11	3	Administration	1,758	9	11
Fees, Social Security Benefits and Staff Board	1,119	10	0	Household Expenses	345	4	4
M.W.M.U. Revenue Account	1,714	9	10	Provisions	774	14	8
Donations	97	4	10	Repairs, Doors and Gates	14	5	9
Telephone Toll Refunds	12	10	8	15 Mattresses remade	42	13	0
Bank Interest	18	17	6	Mattresses re-wired	46	9	0
Distribution late Mrs Trewin's Estate	23	11	2	Plumbing	29	10	8
Holiday Rentals	13	0	0	Repairs, Veranda, Clothes Posts, etc.	25	17	0
Sale of Monograms	2	8	0	Concrete Crossing	29	0	0
Onehunga Borough Council: Refund Deposit Crossing	6	0	0	Gates and Letter-box (ex Otago Legacy)	22	5	0
Grant, Buttle Centennial Fund	15	0	0	Staff Bedroom Furniture (Memorial to late Mrs Gapper)	23	19	0
				Gas Stove	61	10	0
				3,173	18	4	
				Credit Balance Bank N.Z., 31/7/64	197	4	11
	£3,371	3	3		£3,371	3	3

STALL ACCOUNT

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Cash Bank N.Z. 1/8/63	116	13	2	Outings, Books and other expenses	137	9	6
Donations and Stalls "At Home"	132	19	10	Credit Balance Bank N.Z., 31/7/64	117	8	6
Additional Donations	3	0	0				
Bank Interest	2	5	0				
	£254	18	0		£254	18	0

LEGACY ACCOUNTS

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Estate late Mrs E. J. Jones:				Estate late Mrs A. Woodward:			
Cr. Balance Auck. Savings Bank, 1/8/63	36	19	5	Credit Balance Bank N.Z., 1/8/63	107	0	0
Plus Interest	1	1	7	Plus Interest	3	0	0
	38	1	0	£110	0	0	
Less Assistance with Girls' Fees	12	0	0	Estate late Mrs Denton:			
Cr. Balance Auck. Savings Bank, 31/7/64	£26	1	0	Legacy, 23/8/63	200	0	0
				Interest	3	0	0
					£203	0	0

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
Summary of Receipts for Seven Months Ended 31st August, 1964.

District	Totals	Missions General A/C.	Kurahuna	Stamps Etc. Fund	Legacies	Other Objects	
Northland	409 14 9	304 12 7	44 16 3	60 5 11			
Auckland	1,356 6 1	964 7 10	171 8 4	220 9 11			
Waitemata	346 15 6	236 3 8	39 14 4	70 17 6			
South Auckland	438 3 2	301 16 5	78 1 6	36 5 3		22 0 0	Scholarship
Waikato	738 18 0	594 6 10	78 4 7	66 6 7			
Thames Valley	338 2 5	264 6 2	50 17 2	22 19 1			
Bay of Plenty	168 18 1	101 16 4	28 13 2	32 6 1		3 2 6	Exec. Travel Fund
						3 0 0	Deaconess House
Taranaki	654 10 7	462 11 1	114 12 7	77 6 11			
Wanganui	175 17 9	131 16 8	26 6 3	17 14 10			
Manawatu	912 13 7	711 2 7	133 8 4	68 2 8			
Hawke's Bay	343 8 9	227 19 1	44 13 8	70 16 0			
Wairarapa	142 19 3	99 10 3	20 15 0	21 14 0		1 0 0	Fraternal Workers
Wellington	829 7 9	631 14 3	108 2 0	89 11 6			
Nelson/Marlborough	614 18 10	486 16 7	81 12 6	41 9 9		5 0 0	Mission Boat
West Coast	97 8 9	77 6 6	12 2 11	7 19 4			
North Canterbury	1,226 4 2	998 10 0	105 4 2	122 10 0			
South Canterbury	542 5 6	421 15 2	23 13 9	93 16 7		3 0 0	Sol. Is. Literature
Otago	541 3 5	360 14 3	40 17 1	79 12 1	50 0 0	10 0 0	Deaconess House
Southland	555 15 5	415 5 2	56 7 4	84 2 11			
Women's Fellowships—							
Methodist Maori							
Hawera & Opunake	8 0 0					8 0 0	Seamer House
Other Sources	20 1 11		10 1 11			10 0 0	Scholarship
	<u>£10,461 13 8</u>	<u>£7,792 11 5</u>	<u>£1,269 12 10</u>	<u>£1,284 6 11</u>	<u>£50 0 0</u>	<u>£65 2 6</u>	

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1964.

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Directors' Salaries, Superannuation and A'ances	2,843	12	8	By Budget	5,571	0	0
" Office Salaries and Superannuation	1,282	8	11	" Bookroom Grant	1,800	0	0
" Rent—Office Space	156	0	0	" Duplicating	86	2	0
" Parsonage Property Expenses	87	18	2	" Interest	6	2	3
" Grants—D.E.Cs, etc.	155	0	0	" Excess Expenditure over income	402	10	1
" Travelling Expenses	728	12	8				
" Christian Education Handbook	554	14	9				
" Home Sunday School and Bible Class	240	11	1				
" Depreciation	381	13	6				
" Printing and Stationery	360	12	9				
" Postages	218	1	6				
" General Expenses	364	3	11				
" Insurances	44	1	4				
" Order of St. Stephen	24	5	0				
" National C.Y.M.M. Council	63	7	8				
" Audio Visuals	94	18	4				
" Missionary Education	30	3	7				
" Leadership Training	233	8	6				
" Family Camps	2	0	0				
	£7,865	14	4		£7,865	14	4

F. W. G. CLARIDGE, A.R.A.N.Z.,
 Hon. Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1964.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS									
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d				
Sundry Creditors				522	11	6	P.O.S.B. Special Appeal Fund	286	9	3			
Interest received in advance				18	15	0	" Car Fund	327	8	6			
Home Mission Board Loan (Secured by mortgage on Well'ton Prop.)				1,200	15	0	" Special Purposes Fund	986	13	9			
Special Reserves:							" New Ventures Fund	107	18	6			
Special Appeal	1,877	4	4				" Furniture Fund	319	0	5			
Car Fund	477	8	6				" Depreciation Fund	250	0	0			
Special Purposes	986	13	9							2,277	10	5	
New Ventures	707	18	6				Sundry Debtors				6	12	1
Parsonage Furniture	319	0	5				Department Alterations				90	15	1
Missions—Overseas	75	11	1				Wellington Parsonage Property				5,413	5	4
Missions—Home	73	19	8				Parsonage Furniture				597	0	0
Youth Conference	414	9	3				Equipment				460	0	0
Operation Solomons	58	15	0				Films				65	19	2
Project Protein	8	0	0				Loan to Transport Trust Board (Special Appeal Investment)				750	0	0
Ambassadors to Asia	152	7	0				Loan on Mortgage (Special Appeal, Car & New Venture Fds. Invest.)				1,500	0	0
Accumulated Fund (1/7/63)	5,562	12	2	5,151	7	6	Stock (Printing and Stationery)				425	17	7
Excess Expenditure over Income	402	10	1	5,160	2	1	Cash in Hand				14	18	0
							National Bank of N.Z.				32	19	2
							National Bank of N.Z. A/c. No. 2				418	14	3
				£12,053	11	1					£12,053	11	1

F. W. G. CLARIDGE, A.R.A., N.Z., Hon. Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — BUDGET ACCOUNT
Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 30th June, 1964

	RECEIPTS					PAYMENTS						
	£	s	d	%	%	£	s	d	£	s	d	
Balance at Bank of N.Z. 30th June, 1963						591	18	2				
Second Budget—1962-63:												
Northland	89	0	0									
Auckland	255	0	0									
South Auckland	281	13	4									
Hawke's B.-Manawatu	135	0	0									
Nelson	26	10	0									
North Canterbury	90	0	0									
Otago-Southland	40	13	9									
						917	17	1				
Third Budget—1963-64:												
Northland	4,048	7	0	84.13								
Auckland	25,769	0	0	95.44								
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	15,728	0	0	94.49								
Taranaki - Wanganui	10,520	18	0	97.41								
Hawke's B.-Manawatu	14,180	0	0	96.46								
Wellington	16,248	0	0	100.00								
Nelson	8,213	0	0	98.05								
North Canterbury	21,054	17	6	94.18								
South Canterbury	8,004	0	0	100.00								
Otago-Southland	8,753	18	8	91.53								
					95.68	132,520	1	2				
Supernumerary Fund									8,640	0	0	
Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund									485	0	0	
Deaconess' Retiring Fund									1,125	0	0	
Removal Expenses Fund									4,000	0	0	
Children's Fund									4,000	0	0	
Contingent Fund									6,855	0	0	
Church Build. & Loan Fd. (Ch. Ext.)									19,000	0	0	
Home and Maori Mission Fund									30,970	0	0	
Overseas Missions Fund									30,020	0	0	
Department of Christian Education									5,571	0	0	
Trinity Theological College									6,443	0	0	
Deaconess Board									751	0	0	
Connexional Secretary Fund									347	0	0	
Children's Homes—												
Auckland								2,138	0	0		
Masterton								1,663	0	0		
South Island								1,900	0	0		
									5,701	0	0	
City Missions—												
Auckland								840	0	0		
Wellington								768	0	0		
Christchurch								768	0	0		
Dunedin								523	0	0		
									2,899	0	0	
Methodist Times									475	0	0	
Miscellaneous Causes Fund									2,845	0	0	
Finance and Stewardship Committee									310	0	0	
									130,437	0	0	
District Expenses—												
Northland								92	0	0		
Auckland								668	0	0		
Waikato-Bay of Plenty								207	0	0		
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu								140	0	0		
Wellington								96	0	0		
Nelson								24	0	0		
North Canterbury								342	0	0		
Otago-Southland								188	0	0		
									1,757	0	0	
									132,194	0	0	
Balance at B'k of N.Z. 30th June, 1964									1,835	16	5	
									134,029	16	5	

G. G. SLATER, Budget Treasurer.

METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND
CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		
To Retiring Allowances and Withdrawals				1,308	7	0	By Balance as at 30/6/63			20,436	13	10
Subsidies Refunded							Contributions					
H.M. Board Contributions Refunded	69	9	6				Personal	979	5	0		
O.M. Board Contributions Refunded	127	8	0				Circuit	378	0	0		
Benefits Surrendered	33	0	0				Home Mission Board	351	10	0		
				229	17	6	Overseas Mission Board	655	5	0		
Balance as at 30/6/64				22,159	0	5	Interest			2,364	0	0
										896	11	1
				£23,697	4	11				£23,697	4	11

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		
To Interest to Contributors' Account				896	11	1	By Balance as at 30/6/63			726	11	10
Office Expenses							Interest			1,082	4	9
Administration Charges	75	0	0				Benefits Surrendered			33	0	0
Audit Fee, Stationery and General Expenses	14	17	4									
				89	17	4						
Balance as at 30/6/64				855	8	2				£1,841	16	7
				£1,841	16	7				£1,841	16	7

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.	£	s.	d.	ASSETS.	£	s.	d.
Personal Accounts	22,159	0	5	Debentures and Government Stock	1,800	0	0
Capital Account	2,560	0	7	Debenture Interest Accrued	15	4	1
Revenue Account	855	8	2	Deposit Supernumerary Fund	24,033	10	1
Sundry Creditors	274	5	0				
	£25,848	14	2		£25,848	14	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, 1964.

W. R. LAWS,
G. S. SALTER,
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,
Auditors.
8/9/1964.

CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Sundry Creditors			257 0 1	Bank of New Zealand	623	1	10
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund:				House Property—17 Merivale Lane	2,621	12	5
House Mortgage	1,400	0	0	Furniture as at 30.6.63	599	12	0
Plus Increase	1,100	0	0	Add Furnishings 1964	476	11	5
			2,500 0 0				1,076 3 5
Provision and Reserves:				Office Equipment	767	17	2
Salaries Fluctuation Reserve	671	12	5	Sundry Debtors	155	19	1
Office Equipment Reserve	595	0	0				
			1,266 12 5				
Capital Account:							
Balance as at 30.6.63	1,485	3	9				
Less Expenditure over Income	264	2	4				
			1,221 1 5				
			£5,244 13 11				£5,244 13 11

I report that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Connexional Secretaryship Committee for the year ended the 30th June, 1964. 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, 1964.

W. R. LAWS

H. de R. FLESHER
Treasurers

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.I.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,
Auditors

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE AND CHILDREN'S HOME
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1964

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries and Wages	5,351	2	6	By Post Office Interest	4	0	5
House Supplies	1,747	3	1	Bank Interest	35	15	2
Drapery, Clothing, etc.	728	1	4	Donations and Collections	633	2	9
Lighting and Heating	757	0	2	Combined Orphanage Appeal	1,666	13	4
Repairs, Renewals and Maintenance	350	17	9	Church Finance and Stewardship Budget Account	2,713	0	0
Stationery, Stamps and General Expenses	532	6	6	Donation Mackenzie Trust	333	6	8
Insurances	189	13	9	Donation Arthur Hall Fletcher Trust	279	16	0
Board and Residence payments	1,156	18	0	Maintenance Fees	6,301	12	6
Travelling Expenses	224	5	7	Miscellaneous Receipts	42	5	7
Rates	209	2	7	Rent F. A. Rule	30	0	0
Grounds	69	13	3	Rent from Investment Board	500	0	0
Miscellaneous Expenses	474	11	2	Deficit	11	16	6
Depreciation (this includes £170/13/3 on Van)	760	13	3				
	<u>£12,551</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>		<u>£12,551</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1964

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Expenses and Commission Account	32	17	0	By Interest Earned	2,037	5	9
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	50	0	0	Bank Interest	97	15	10
Legacies transferred to Capital A/c.	4,838	18	8	Legacies Received	4,838	18	8
Grant to South Island Methodist Orphanage	500	0	0				
Balance to Income Account	1,552	4	7				
	<u>£6,974</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>£6,974</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1964

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
South Island Methodist Orphanage	1,105	16	4	Sundry Debtor			17 10 0
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	1,204	2	6	Mortgage Investments	9,513	16	3
Plus Further Provision	50	0	0	Plus Accrued Interest	114	17	2
					<u>9,628</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>
Capital Account	40,970	6	10	Debentures and Government Stock	26,628	9	6
Plus Legacies	4,838	18	8	Plus Accrued Interest	255	12	0
					<u>26,884</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>
Plus nett Revenue for Year	45,809	5	6	Loans	2,000	0	0
	1,552	4	7	Plus Accrued Interest	1	4	8
	<u>£49,721</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>		<u>2,001</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>
				N.Z. Farmers' Co-op. Assn.	350	0	0
				Preference Shares St. Elmo Courts	500	0	0
				National Savings Bank	2,064	12	0
				Post Office Savings Bank	49	12	10
				Bank of New Zealand	8,225	14	6
					<u>£49,721</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,
Auditors.

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s	d		£	s	d
To General Expenses	31	13	0	By Interest	1,290	8	9
„ Land Tax	64	15	5	„ Rents	1,962	15	2
„ Secretarial Fee	100	0	0				
„ Travelling Expenses	11	5	0				
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Balance Carried Down	207	13	5				
	3,045	10	6				
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	£3,253	3	11		<hr/>		
					£3,253	3	11
To Masterton Children's Home	1,522	15	3	By Balance Brought Down	3,045	10	6
„ Rangiatea Maori College	1,522	15	3				
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	£3,045	10	6		<hr/>		
					£3,045	10	6

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d
Capital Account				70,700	15	1	Wellington Property	30,430	0	0
Masterton Home:							Masterton Property	17,894	1	8
Capital Account	25,516	14	2				Foxton Property	3,660	0	0
Add Bequests	1,650	12	8				N.Z. Government Stock	15,307	6	2
				27,167	6	10	N.Z. Government Stock, Newcombe Trust	51	5	0
Current Account				977	15	10	Loans on Mortgage	27,354	14	6
Newcombe Trust:							Deposit Transport Trust Board	500	0	0
Prize Fund	51	5	0				Post Office and National Savings Accounts	1,748	6	10
Add Interest	6	0	0				Australia and New Zealand Bank	1,777	13	5
				57	5	0	Shares Wairarapa Building Society	200	0	0
Rangiatea Maori College							Wellington C.C. Debentures	—	—	—
Trust				922	15	3	Rent and Interest Accrued	902	10	5
				£99,825	18	0		£99,825	18	0

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, 1964, and have received 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 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.

18th September, 1964.

T. M. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z., Auditor.

METHODIST CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1964

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Administration Costs	900	0	0	Premiums and Commission	3,609	13	2
Stationery & General	400	6	0	Mortgage Interest	859	15	6
Balance to Profit & Loss Appropriation Account	6,268	6	1	Mortgage Interest Accrued	135	6	10
				Debenture Interest	2,040	14	9
				Debenture Interest Accrued	803	18	0
				Deposit Interest	119	3	10
	<u>£7,568</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>£7,568</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>

PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT AS AT 31st MAY, 1964

Grants Additional (1963)	4	0	0	Balance as at 31/5/1964	43	17	9
Recommended Grants	3,550	0	0	Transfer from Revenue Account	6,268	6	1
Fire Loss Reserve	250	0	0				
Transfer to Accumulated Funds	2,500	0	0				
Balance Forward	8	3	10				
	<u>£6,312</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>£6,312</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>

College Building	3,559	19	0		
Furnishing	3	0	0		
Library	400	3	6		
				3,963	2 6
Excess Income over Expenditure	3,397	18	1		
College Building Fund Interest					
Donations received					
				229,261	18 9
Less Bad Debts written off		89	14	0	
				229,172	4 9
				£256,438	15 10

£256,438 15 10

J. S. CAUGHEY, Chairman.

G. B. C. MINOGUE, F.P.A.N.Z., Secretary.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Board so far as appears from our examination of those books. In our opinion, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the said books, the Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give, respectively, a true and fair view of the state of the Board's affairs as at the 31st December 1963, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date. We have obtained from the Solicitors of the Board, Messrs Peak, Kirker & Newcomb, a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order.

AUCKLAND,
31st January, 1964.

(Signed) HUTCHISON, ELLIFFE, CAMERON AND CO.,
Public Accountants.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LAY PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964
GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance Forward 1st July, 1963	100	0 10	Presentation Book Purchases	15	1 1
Interest General Purposes Trust Board	31	10 0	Printing—"Preacher," Certificates etc.	123	17 5
" N.Z. Government Stock	11	17 6	Typing and Postages	34	2 0
" National Bank of N.Z. Ltd.	5	7 6	Travelling Expenses	16	12 0
Church Budget Committee	59	0 0	Sundry Expenses	6	3 11
Subscriptions from Branches	59	18 6	Transferred to Benevolent Fund	23	15 0
			Balance	48	2 11
	<u>£267</u>	<u>14 4</u>		<u>£267</u>	<u>14 4</u>

BENEVOLENT FUND ACCOUNT

	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance Forward	100	0 0	By Balance	135	12 6
Transfer from General Account	23	15 0			
Interest N.Z. Govt. Stock	11	17 6			
	<u>£135</u>	<u>12 6</u>		<u>£135</u>	<u>12 6</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
General Account	448	2 11	National Bank—Benevolent Fund	135	12 6
Benevolent Fund Account	1,135	12 6	INVESTMENTS:		
			N.Z. Government Stock	500	0 0
			General Purposes Trust Board	900	0 0
			Balance—General Account	48	2 11
	<u>£1,583</u>	<u>15 5</u>		<u>£1,583</u>	<u>15 5</u>

Audited and found correct,
 C. H. VERRY, A.R.A.N.Z.
 7/7/64.

THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — FROM 1st JULY 1963 TO 30th JUNE 1964

EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.	INCOME.		£ s. d.
To Grants	.....	553 7 0	By Interest Harbour Bridge Loan No. 9	.....	292 10 0
“ Expenses	.....	30 10 0	“ Interest Govt. Inscribed Stock	.....	290 10 0
“ Excess Income over Expenditure	.....	31 16 10	“ Interest Bank of New Zealand	.....	12 2 3
			“ Interest Auckland Savings Bank	.....	4 1 7
			“ Interest National Savings A/c.	.....	17 10 0
		£615 13 10			£615 13 10

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.		£ s. d.	ASSETS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Trust Fund Account	.....	11,810 0 0	N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock 5% 1974-76	.....		5,810 0 0
Income Account	.....	1,113 0 9	Auckland Harbour Bridge Loan No. 9	.....	
			at 4½% 1971	.....		6,000 0 0
			CASH BALANCES:			
			Auckland Savings Bank	.....	140 13 0	
			National Savings Account	.....	517 16 3	
			Bank of New Zealand	.....	454 11 6	
		£12,923 0 9				1,113 0 9
						£12,923 0 9

L. W. PEAK, Chairman.
 E. E. SAGE, Secretary.

Audited and found correct,
 (Signed) JOHN C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.
 AUCKLAND, 10th August, 1964.

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK	.....	25 12 9
REGISTERED STOCK:		
Thames Valley Electric Power Board (£2000) 5%, 1/6/67	1,978 0 0
BANK OF NEW ZEALAND:		
Current Account	4,510 12 10
CASH IN HAND:	354 14 10
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	£91,465 3 4	£91,465 3 4

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1964, 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 1964 as shown by the Books.

A. R. MARTIN,
R. EVANS, Auditors.
30/7/64.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		INCOME.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		
REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE & RENOVATIONS:											
No. 1 Block	397	16	9								
No. 2 Block	431	16	9								
No. 3 Block	176	8	2								
Cottages, etc.	479	14	6								
				1485	16	2					
INSURANCE PREMIUMS:				266	2	5					
RATES:				201	6	4					
SUNDRIES:											
Audit Fee	12	12	0								
Land Tax	65	3	1								
Sundries	29	6	3								
Secretary's Salary	250	0	0								
Commission on Rent etc. collected	286	16	0								
Architect's Fees re repairs etc.	52	5	0								
				696	2	4					
SURPLUS for the year				7,644	4	1					
				£10,293	11	4					
Appropriated to Building Renewal Fund				2,500	0	0					
Paid to Theological College				3,500	0	0					
Balance as at 30th June, 1964				16,927	0	10					
				£22,927	0	10					
									8,516	14	6
									1,776	16	10
									£10,293	11	4
									15,282	16	9
									7,644	4	1
									£22,927	0	10

Examined and found correct.
A. R. MARTIN,
R. EVANS, Auditors.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
GENERAL ACCOUNT
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	INCOME.	£	s.	d.
Stipends and Allowances	3,268	0	2	Connexional Budget	6,211	0	0
Divinity Student Fees	3,600	0	0	Probert Trust	1,500	0	0
Bursaries	250	0	0	Elmsley Trust	95	0	0
Furnishings	569	1	10	Prince Albert Trust	200	0	0
Library Fund	100	0	0	Pitt St. Church Trust	100	0	0
Insurance	14	4	9	Friends of Trinity	16	0	0
Tutors Fees	60	0	0	Garden Rents	10	0	0
University Fees	479	5	6	House and Service Account:			
Rent—Tutors House J. Silvester	108	6	8	Contribution to Administration	500	0	0
Stipend and Allowances J. Silvester	339	3	4	Lecture Fees	3	1	6
Overseas Study Expenses J. Silvester	784	8	0	Overseas Study Funds received for Rev. J. Silvester	1,682	0	0
Travelling Expenses J. Ziesler	70	14	0	Interest of Bank of New Zealand	4	2	5
Printing and Stationery	116	13	3				
Bank Charges	4	19	3				
General Expenses	1	13	1				
Legal Expenses	3	8	3				
N.C.C. Conference	30	0	0				
Transfer to Silvester Overseas Study Account	450	2	0				
Excess of Income over Expenditure to Capital A/c.	71	3	10				
	£10,321	3	11		£10,321	3	11

BUILDING FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	INCOME.	£	s.	d.
New Building Class Rooms—W. G. Archer, Builder	14,599	4	10	Short Term Deposits	15,000	0	0
Le Petit & Naylor	1,103	17	4	Interest on Above	536	1	2
Furnishings—Class Rooms	813	1	7	Loan—Probert Trust	1,000	0	0
Land, Ground Improvements	430	0	0	Excess Expenditure over Income	457	18	7
Repairs	47	16	0				
	£16,993	19	9		£16,993	19	9

BUILDING FUNDS AT BANK OF NEW ZEALAND

	£	s.	d.
Balance at 1st July, 1963	1,331	0	7
Less Excess Expenditure over Income Above	457	18	7
	£873	2	0

NEW ZEALAND "METHODIST TIMES"
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1964

EXPENDITURE			INCOME			
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Printing and Publishing	2,656	12 4	By Subscriptions		3,718	5 8
Addressograph Plates	12	13 0	Advertising	829 8 0		
Process Blocks	111	6 3	Less Unexpired Values	216 15 6		
Distribution Charges	443	15 10			612	12 6
Agents' Commission	108	16 9	Connexional Budget Com-			
Editor's Honoraria, Expenses and Contribu-			mittee's Grant (allocation		304	0 0
tors' Fees	393	12 5	£500)		1	17 3
Office Expenses	278	13 1	Donations		9	5 10
Authorised Appropriation	600	0 0	Bank Interest			
Excess Income over Expenditure	40	11 7				
	<u>£4,646</u>	<u>1 3</u>			<u>£4,646</u>	<u>1 3</u>

NEW ZEALAND "METHODIST TIMES"
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1964

LIABILITIES	£	s.	d.	ASSETS	£	s.	d.
Advertisements (Unexpired Value)	216	15	6	Sundry Debtors:			
Subscriptions Prepaid	90	19	5	Subscriptions in Arrear	416	16	5
Agents' Commission Provision	11	18	6	Advertisements in Arrear	76	18	6
Sundry Creditors	249	6	6	Bank of New Zealand	131	4	6
Contingent Fund Reserve	500	0	0	Accumulated Deficit as at			
				30.4.63	484	12	1
				Less Balance from Revenue			
				A/c. as at 30.4.64	40	11	7
					444	0	6
	£1,068	19	11		£1,068	19	11

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th April, 1964.

W. R. LAWS
 B. C. BASCAND
 Treasurers
 18th June, 1964.

F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,
 H. F. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z.
 Auditors.

METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION
HOSTEL REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	INCOME.	£	s.	d.
House Supplies	1,274	3	4	Hostel Receipts	4,256	9	3
Light and Heat	365	7	8	Board for two Trainees	310	0	0
Wages and Salaries	2,046	14	1	Rent	134	0	0
Telephone	31	18	11	Interest	51	6	5
Repairs	357	6	4	Budget Grant due year ending 30/6/63 but not received until current year	147	0	0
Advertising	6	0	0	Home Mission Grant	—	—	—
Insurance	76	11	9	Contingent Fund Grant	—	—	—
Rates	212	9	4				
Depreciation	100	0	0				
Transfer to Property Reconstruction Fund	150	0	0				
Transfer from Trainees Expenses and Warden Account	67	9	7				
Balance	210	14	5				
	£4,898	15	8		£4,898	15	8

TRAINEES AND WARDEN EXPENSES ACCOUNT

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Lecture Fees	2	0	0	Budget Allocation for year ending 30/6/64	751	0	0
Printing and Stationery	35	4	9	Balance	67	9	7
Board for two Trainees	310	0	0				
Library	40	11	11				
Travelling Honorarium	121	11	9				
Balance of Trainees Allowances	29	18	6				
Trainees Medical Expenses	—	—	—				
Share of Warden's Stipend	178	6	8				
Share of Parsonage	50	0	0				
Share of Local Travelling Expenses	20	0	0				
Warden's Deputation Expenses	30	16	0				
	£818	9	7		£818	9	7

FURNITURE RENEWALS ACCOUNT

Cash Payments	278	14	6	Balance 1st July, 1963	89	4	5
Balance	102	8	6	Interest	5	0	0
				Donation from Guilds	286	18	7
	£381	3	0		£381	3	0
				Balance 30th June, 1964	£102	8	6

METHODIST DEACONESS INSTITUTION
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Trainees Emergency Fund										
Sister Lenna Button Fund										
Furniture Renewals	102	8	6	Freehold Property	12,900	0	0			
Property Reconstruction Fund	1,803	6	6	Furniture and Plant	1,000	0	0			
Maori Library	49	12	3	Sundry Plant and Equipment	—	—	—			
Accumulated Funds	10,835	9	2		13,900	0	0			
				Less Depreciation Reserve	3,383	6	8			
				Post Office Savings Bank				10,516	13	4
				Canterbury Savings Bank				1,094	10	3
				Depreciation Reserve Account						
				General Purposes Trust				100	0	0
				Bank of New Zealand				38	18	0
								1,052	6	8
								12,802	8	3
								12,802	8	3

NOTE:—Items of sundry Plant and Equipment have been included in Freehold Property and Furniture and Plants Accounts. Freehold Property has been written up from £5,000 to Government Valuation of £12,900.

7/7/64.

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

F. T. BARTLEY, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
 F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.
 Auditor.

KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Grant to Rangiatea Trust	300	0 0	Rent	1,045	0 0
General Expenses	3	3 0	Interest on Depreciation Fund Investment	43	2 9
Interest (State Advances Mortgage)	99	14 7	Interest — Bank of N.S. Wales	8	11 1
Depreciation Reserve Account	150	0 0			
Excess of Income over Expenditure	543	16 3			
	£1,096	13 10		£1,096	13 10

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES			ASSETS				
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
State Adv. Mortgage	2,442	9 3	2,344	17 4	Farm Property	15,276	8 0
Less repaid	97	11 11			Less Depreciation Res.	900	0 0
Loan Account	847	10 0			14,376	8 0	
Less repaid	145	0 0			Sundry Debtors	225	0 0
			702	10 0	Bank N.S.W. Current A/c.	301	6 9
Accumulated Fund	12,612	12 4			Reserve A/c.	200	0 0
Plus excess Income over Expenditure	543	16 3			Depreciation Fund Invest. A/c.:		
			13,156	8 7	P.O.S.B.	51	1 2
					Local Body Loans	1,050	0 0
			£16,203	15 11		1,101	1 2
						£16,203	15 11

C. O. HAILWOOD, 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, 1964, and in my opinion the above accounts and balance sheet show the true financial position of the Trust at 30th June, 1964.

15th July, 1964.

D. R. SMART, Honorary Auditor.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1964

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Loans as at 31.5.63	106,974	9	3	By Loans Repaid	17,693	7	5
New Loans Advanced	31,348	5	0	Loans as at 31.5.64	120,629	6	10
	£138,322	14	3		£138,322	14	3

SITES FUND ACCOUNT

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Grants:				By Contributions:			
Redwoodtown	150	0	0	Home Mission Department	400	0	0
Porirua Church	150	0	0	Fire Insurance Fund	500	0	0
Porirua Parsonage	150	0	0	Bank Interest	42	13	7
Waitaki	100	0	0				
Balance	392	13	7				
	£942	13	7		£942	13	7

ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Administration Costs	600	0	0	By Working Expenses	811	2	6
Stationery and General Expenses	482	19	4	Trust Contributions	67	10	0
				Interest	176	12	2
				Brochure	30	11	3
Balance to Capital Account	181	3	0	Commission	178	6	5
	£1,264	2	4		£1,264	2	4

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	INCOME.	£	s.	d.
Interest on Trust Accounts	3,671	17	1	Interest earned	4,345	9	11
Administration	500	0	0	Commission	85	12	4
Stationery and General Expenses	216	9	10				
War Damage Insurance	2	11	0				
Excess Income over Expenditure	40	4	4				
	£4,431	2	3		£4,431	2	3

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.				CURRENT ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Personal and Church Trusts	78,049	2	0	Bank of New Zealand	3,661	8	6
T. W. Newbold Trust				Sundry Debtors and Accruals			
Capital A/c. as at 30/6/64	10,614	5	5	Personal Trusts	90	17	0
Plus Transfer from Revenue A/c.	442	19	9	Winstone Trust	764	12	5
	11,057	5	2	Interest Accrued on Mortgages	156	14	0
Winstone Memorial Trust				Interest Accrued on Debentures	1,043	3	7
Permanent Capital Account as at 30/6/63	30,801	12	4		2,055	7	0
Transfer from Revenue A/c.	591	19	7	Investments			
	31,393	11	11	Debentures & Government Stock	83,932	9	4
Grants Capital as at 30/6/63	12,284	12	4	Less Investment Fluctuation Reserve	957	14	6
Plus Revenue Less Grants	1,401	7	7		82,974	14	10
	13,685	19	11	Mortgages	15,875	17	2
General Purposes Trust Board				Loans to Trusts against deposits	4,457	8	2
Capital Fund	2,694	9	0	Loan to Methodist Transport Board (Winstone Trust)	7,000	0	0
Plus Revenue	40	4	4	Loan to Removal Expenses Fund	1,000	0	0
	2,734	13	4		111,308	0	2
	£136,920	12	4	Freehold Property (Winstone Trust)	19,895	16	8
					£136,920	12	4

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1964.

W. R. LAWS,
G. S. SALTER,
Treasurers.

Auditors.
GAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,
8/9/1964.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND BENEVOLENT FUND
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Grants	50	0	0	By Balance as at 30/6/63	263	17	9
Stationery and General Expenses		3	7	Donations	46	1	8
Balance as at 30/6/64	394	13	4	Legacy	60	0	0
				Interest	74	17	6
	<u>£444</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>		<u>£444</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Capital Account	1,400	0	0	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund	1,794	13	4
Revenue Account	394	13	4				
	<u>£1,794</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>£1,794</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>4</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1964.

W. R. LAWS
 G. S. SALTER
 Treasurers

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,
 Auditors.
 8th September, 1964.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND
CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.									
				£	s.	d.							
To Withdrawals	1,527	3	8	By Balance as at 30/6/63	.....	.....	.....	31,345	7	5
Forfeitures	65	0	0	Personal Subscriptions	.....	.....	.....	1,074	9	0
Balance as at 30/6/64	32,749	1	2	Fire Insurance Subsidy	.....	.....	.....	504	0	0
				£34,341	4	10	Interest to Contributors	.....	.....	.....	1,417	8	5
							£34,341				4	10	

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.										
				£	s.	d.								
Interest to Contributors	1,417	8	5	Balance as at 30/6/63	.....	.....	.....	203	18	2	
Administration Charges	95	10	0	Forfeitures	.....	.....	.....	65	0	0	
Stationery and General Expenses	24	18	10	Interest on Deposits and Investments	.....	.....	.....	1,416	15	0	
Balance as at 30/6/64	120		8					1,685		13	
											2			
				£1,685	13	2				£1,685			13	2

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.										
				£	s.	d.								
Personal Accounts	32,749	1	2	Debentures	.....	.....	.....	1,000	0	0	
Revenue Account Surplus	147		15	Debenture Interest Accrued	.....	.....	.....	8	8	4	
							Deposit Supernumerary Fund	.....	.....	.....	31,884	8	9
							Sundry Debtors	.....	.....	.....	4	0	0
				£32,896	17	1				£32,896			17	1

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, 1964.

W. R. LAWS,
G. S. SALTER,
Treasurers.

GAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,
Auditors.
8/9/1964.

METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND
CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Retiring Allowances and Withdrawals	278	9	4	By Balance as at 30/6/63	846	3	9
Benefits Surrendered	30	12	6	Contributions:			
H.M. Board Contributions Refunded	4	10	0	Personal	189	0	0
Balance as at 30/6/64	1,024	8	10	Circuit	150	10	0
				Home Mission Board	112	10	6
				Interest			
					452	0	6
					39	16	5
					£1,338	0	8

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Interest to Contributors' Account			39 16 5	By Balance as at 30/6/63			6 10 10
Office Expenses				Interest			78 1 10
Administration Charges	10	0	0	Benefits Surrendered			30 12 6
Audit Fee, Stationery and General Expenses	11	17	4				
Balance as at 30/6/64			53 11 5				
					£115	5	2

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Personal Accounts	1,024	8	10	Debentures and Government Stock	300	0	0
Capital Account	644	15	0	Debenture Interest Accrued	3	2	10
Sundry Creditors	350	0	0	Deposit Account—Supernumerary Fund	1,769	12	5
Revenue Account	53	11	5				
					£2,072	15	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, 1964.

W. R. LAWS,
G. S. SALTER,
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,
Auditors.
8/9/1964.

METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

Balance-Sheet as at 31st July, 1964.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Accumulated Funds:													
Balance 1st August, 1963				2,028	1	7	Cash at Nat. Bank of N.Z.	755	14	8			
Plus Excess Income over Expenditure				175	15	7	Cash at Auck. Savings Bank	282	12	3			
Balance 31st July, 1964				2,203	17	2	Loan — Home Mission & Church Extensions Board @ 3½% (3 months call)				1,038	6	11
							Debtors				500	0	0
							Stock of Booklets				189	15	2
							Typewriter at Cost				443	5	1
											32	10	0
				£2,203	17	2					£2,203	17	2

JOHN C. WIGGLESWORTH,
B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,
Hon. Treasurer.

AUDITED AND FOUND CORRECT.
R. H. HAMES, B. Com.,
A.R.A.N.Z.,
Hon. Auditor.

METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS
Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 31st July, 1964.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Stock of Booklets 1st Aug, 1963				455	12	3				959	8	6
Printing Booklets:												
"Our Baby"	50	7	6									
"Meaning of Baptism"	104	17	6									
"Advent"	114	0	0									
"Knock on the Door"	22	10	0									
Conference Reports	102	10	2									
Lenten Leaflets	252	16	9									
Prayer Manuals	171	11	9									
"Cradle Roll"	4	10	0									
				823	3	8						
Less Stock of Booklets 31st July, 1964				1,278	15	11						
				443	5	1						
Cost of Sales:				835	10	10						
Petty Cash, Postages, Stationery				70	16	8						
Travelling Allowance				10	0	0						
Removal Expenses				5	0	0						
(Storeroom Rental)				-	-	-						
Excess Income Over Expenditure for Year				921	7	6						
				175	15	7						
				£1,097	3	1				£1,097	3	1

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND**

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

Balances 1st July, 1963:		Removal Expenses	6,188 17 0
P.O.S.B.	26 9 2	General Expenses	9 0 0
Bank of New Zealand	1,078 2 7	Balances, 30th June, 1964:	
Church Finance and Stewardship Committee Budget Allocation	4,000 0 0	P.O.S.B.	2 4 9
General Purposes Trust Board—Loan	1,000 0 0	Bank of New Zealand	110 17 11
Refund—Removal Expenses	172 8 11		
Interest	33 19 0		
	£6,310 19 8		£6,310 19 8

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

Removal Expenses	6,016 8 1	Budget Allocation	4,000 0 0
General Expenses	9 0 0	Interest	33 19 0
	£6,025 8 1	Excess of Expenditure over Income for Year	1,991 9 1
			£6,025 8 1

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD		Post Office Savings Bank	2 4 9
LOAN	1,000 0 0	Bank of New Zealand	110 17 11
		Deficiency:	
		Excess of Expenditure over Income	1,991 9 1
		Less Balance 1st July, 1963	1,104 11 9
	£1,000 0 0		886 17 4
			£1,000 0 0

W. R. LAWS, W. E. CLOTHIER,
Treasurers.

Audited and found correct.

F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,
21/9/64.

SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1964

	DISTRICT	ROVIANA	MAROVA	VELLA LAVELLA	CHOISEUL	CENTRAL	BUIIN	KIETA	TEOP	BUKA	Totals for 1964	Totals for 1963
A—Buildings, Etc.												
No. of Churches ..		22	13	24	38	1	60	27	32	32	249	260
Other Preaching Places		6	1	10	2	3	2	2	2	6	24	17
B—Staffing												
Ministers	2	5	1	2	2	3	2	1	1	6	22	19
Deaconesses (Sisters)		-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	2
Catechists		3	2	5	7	-	4	1	3	5	30	29
Pastors		5	3	4	2	-	21	17	15	11	78	66
Pastor-Teachers ..		12	9	32	34	1	33	4	14	14	153	159
Local Preachers ..		60	20	128	78	19	30	26	15	22	398	358
C—Membership												
Members		919	288	745	1826	225	1196	707	736	968	7610	7448
Youth Roll		1021	527	1031	2019	435	1109	516	803	904	8365	8625
Adherents		1200	261	708	422	252	1291	123	768	536	6561	5111
Totals		3140	1076	3484	4267	912	3596	1346	2307	2408	22536	20813
D—Young People's Work												
Sunday Schools ..		22	13	21	32		18	24	15	19	164	184
S.S. Teachers ..		62	20	29	52		24	48	20	48	303	260
S.S. Scholars ..		929	270	789	970		360	390	597	838	5143	4824
Bible Classes ..		6	3	6	20		14	14	17	3	83	69
Bible Class Leaders		6	3	9	23		14	14	17	3	88	79
Bible Class Members		62	56	75	398		216	85	170	60	1122	1394
Boy's Brigade Coys.		4	1	3	4		1	1	3	5	22	26
B.B. Officers ..	1	9	2	2	6		3	3	5	13	45	38
B.B. Boys		114	55	98	89		35	64	82	161	698	694

G.L.B. Companies		1	1	1	3	-	2	1	1	1	11	13
G.L.B. Officers ..		3	2	2	5	-	2	2	3	2	21	20
G.L.B. Girls ..		46	1	38	85	-	115	47	67	33	432	414
G.L.B. Cadet Coys.		1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	5	3
G.L.B. Cadet Officers		2	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	6	6
G.L.B. Cadets ..		33	-	13	-	-	25	-	22	-	93	57
E—Educational												
Schools		22	12	24	35	3	24	6	11	9	145	157
Overseas Trained												
Teachers	3	1		1	1	-	3		1	1	11	11
Local trained Tchrs.		7	3	9	11	-	25	8	16	15	94	83
Untrained Teachers		35	5	35	54	2	25	9	9	15	189	215
School Boys		640	231	501	636	87	516	180		536	3327	3229
School Girls ..		531	213	408	456	70	450	153		347	2628	2900
F—Medical Work												
No. of Hospitals ..	1	-	2	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	8	7
No of Aid Posts ..		1	2	3	2	-	6	2	-	1	17	15
Doctors	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
A.M.O.'s	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Nursing Sisters ..	2	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	7	8
Staff Nurses & Dressers	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	3
Medical Assistants ..	20	1	2	8	6	-	12	3	2	4	59	57
G—Overseas Staffing, etc.												
Ministers	2	3	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	11	13
Laymen	4	1	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	8	4
Laywomen	4	2	-	1	3	-	4	-	2	2	18	18

-METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st AUGUST, 1964

EXPENDITURE	
SOLOMONS ISLANDS DISTRICT:	
Support of Overseas Staff:	
Stipends and Allowances	18,059
Supernumary and Retiring Funds	913
Overseas Travel, Freight and Insurance	5,618
Maintenance of Building and Equipment, Insurance and Sundry	1,327
Order of St Stephen, Voluntary Service Overseas, A.V.A., Board and Allowances	1,039
All Saints' College	90
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LESS Government Grants	27,046
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Grant in Aid of District Budget	2,477
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	24,569
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	13,281
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LESS Reduction to N.Z. Currency	37,850
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	7,326
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	30,524
PAPUA NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS DISTRICT:	
Support of New Zealand Staff	3,438
One third of District Expenditure	4,474
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	7,912
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LESS Reduction to N.Z. Currency	1,532
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	6,380
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LESS Government Grants	217
Interest on Appeal Fund	292
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	509
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	5,871
HOME BASE EXPENDITURE:	
General Administration:	
General Secretary's Stipend	843
General Secretary's House Expenses	150
General Secretary's Travel and Car Expenses	267
Office Salaries	811
Office Rent and Rates	504
Printing and Stationery	209
General Office Expenses	168
Audit Expenses	39
Telephone	159
Travelling, Board Meetings	83
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	3,233

INCOME	
Interest, Working Capital	1,088
Interest, Medical Fund	1,654
Donations outside Budget	769
M.W.M.U. and M.W.F. Ordinary	4,100
Connexional Budget	30,512
Lepers' Trust Board Grant for Medical Expenses	7,000

Publicity and Deputation:

Annual Report	40	
Subsidy, OPEN DOOR and LOTU	139	
Deputation material and Travel:		
Bulletin (2 years)	311	
Film "LOTU"	91	
One third cost Slide Programme	171	
General Expenses	29	
	<u>602</u>	78

Miscellaneous:

METHODIST TIMES Grant	20	
C.O.M.I.C.A.	49	
I.M.C. Project Fund	50	
N.C.C. Projects	81	
Pacific Islands Christian Endeavour Curriculum	300	
Insurances, Employers' Liability and Fire	215	
Interest on Overdraft	92	
Office Equipment	186	
Office Removal Expenses	52	
Staff Superannuation	26	
Sundry Expenses	162	
	<u>1,233</u>	
Motor Car Depreciaton	125	
Balance — Transferred to Accumulated Fund	3,356	
	<u>£45,123</u>	

£45,123

-METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT
BALANCE SHEET as at 31st AUGUST, 1964

LIABILITIES

SOLOMON ISLANDS' DISTRICT:

Local Workers' Balances	1,052	
Sundry Creditors	17,157	
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Solomon Islands Church Building Funds		2,153

SPECIAL FUNDS:

Medical	34,472
Medical Orderly	530
Working Capital	27,465
Vanes Bequest	629
Boat Insurance	28,387
Boat Replacement	3,827
Fire Insurance	12,645
Sickness & Accident	1,202
South Sea Islands Catechists' Retiring Fund	144
Solomon Islands Ministers' & Catechists' Retiring Fund	1,355
New Guinea Highland Appeal	6,361
New Guinea Highlands Agriculture	122
Nicholson Memorial	115
Refrigerator Replacement	1,569
Landrover Replacement	269
Sundry Solomon Islands Trust Funds	3,481
Lepers Fund	3,698
Lepers' Trust Board Dispensary in North Solomons	395
Lepers' Trust Board Nurses' Training Centre, Munda	2,525
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centre, B.S.I.P.	2,350
Lepers' Trust Board New Station, Bougainville	2,194
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centre, Br. Sth. Sol.	3,072
Lepers' Trust Board Hospital Centre, Sege	1,735
Lepers' Trust Board, P. J. Twomey Memorial Hospital	3,008
Leprosarium Bequest	205
Mission to Lepers Grant	354
Oamaru Special Gift — Buka	514
Lepers Relief Vessel Maintenance Reserve	16,001

M.W.M.U. FUNDS:

Building and Equipment	6,289
Sisters' Salary Emergency A/c	1,000
Teacher Training	1,129
Nipa Teacher's Salary	2,000
Scholarship for Girls	1,360
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	11,778

ASSETS

SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT:

Cash in Hand and in Bank	9,959
Sundry Debtors	4,502
Overseas Workers' Balances	137
Stock	13,836
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	28,434
Boats	25,000
Solomon Islands District A/c	25,071
Solomon Islands Expenditure Suspense A/c	22,303
Sege Plantation Lease	214

INVESTMENTS:

N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock	19,755
Local Body Stock and Debentures	81,180
Mortgages	2,310
Shares and Stock	6,381
Commonwealth Savings Bank and T.P.N.G.	
Government Bonds	7,871
Savings Banks and National Savings	15,576
Share in Central Mission Building	9,902
Loan at Call	3,000

145,975

Medical Fund	34,472
Medical Orderly	530
Working Capital	27,465
Vanes Bequest	629
Boat Insurance	28,387
Boat Replacement	3,827
Fire Insurance	12,645
Lepers Vessel Reserve	16,001
Sickness and Accident Fund	1,202
South Seas Islanders' Retiring Fund	144
Solomon Islands Native Ministers' and Catechists' Retiring Fund	1,355
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centres B.S.I.P.	2,350
Lepers' Trust Board New Station, Bougainville	2,194
Lepers' Trust Board, Dispensary in Nth. Sol.	395
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital, Br. Sth. Sol.	3,072
Leprosarium	205
P. J. Twomey Memorial Hospital	3,008

Building and Equipment Fund	17,029
Overseas Scholarship Fund	305
Solomon Islands Jubilee Scholarship Fund	294
New Guinea Highlands, Solomon Islands Support	403
New Guinea Highlands District A/c	4,402
New Guinea Highlands Sundry Creditors	118
New Guinea Highlands District Reserve	1,290
Solomon Islands District Reserve	2,643
Solomon Islands History Account Reserve	61
Vella Lavella Translation	134
M.W.M.U. Translation	100
Sundry Creditors and Maps	254
Boat Reserve A/c	25,000
Loans at Call	2,703
Accumulated Fund	6,636
	<u>£252,136</u>

Sisters' Salary Emergency	1,000
Girls' School, Kihili	118
Oamaru Special Gift, Buka	514
New Guinea Highlands Appeal	6,361
General Investments	101
	<u>145,975</u>
Residence, General Secretary	1,503
Projector and Tape Recorder	22
Motor Car	842
Sundry Debtors	406
Stacks, Stationery	176
Papua New Guinea Highlands District Sundry Debtors	34
Leper Vessel Maintenance A/c	1,843
Cash in Bank of New Zealand	313
	<u>£252,136</u>

G. S. GAPPER,
Treasurer.

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, 1964. Island assets and liabilities have not been verified, these having been entered on the basis of signed statements received from the Islands.

AUCKLAND
10th November, 1964

(SGD): Macky & Frear, Public Accountants
AUDITORS

HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND
STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st JULY, 1964

		RECEIPTS	
	£	£	
BALANCES AT 31st July, 1963:			
General Account	187		
Legacies for Disbursement ..	1,236		
Removal Expenses	76		
H.M. Training Conference ..	108		
Picture Department	157		
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust ..	312		
	2,076		
LEGACIES received during the year	1,529		
INCOME FROM CIRCUITS AND SUNDRY INCOME:			
Maori Circuits	1,211		
Sundry	355		
District Easter Camps	110		
	1,676		
CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:			
Third Budget—11 months ..	28,389		
		Fourth Budget—1 month ..	2,783
			31,172
		M.W.M.U. AND WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP	
		M.W.M.U. Smethurst Interest ..	4,100
			130
			4,230
		H.M. Removal Expenses Fund	
		Circuit Levies	5
		E. W. Blackwell Trust—Share of Income	260
		Sundry Receipts and Refunds ..	80
		Duplicating and Typing	16
		Use of Duplicator	40
		Picture Department —	
		Grant for Plant Replacement ..	25
		Sale of Projector	150
			175
		INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD	2,663
			£43,922

		PAYMENTS		
	£	£		
LEGACY DISBURSEMENT GRANTS:			(b) European Minister in Maori Work:	
Investment Funds Board for Maori Hostels	250		Stipend	766
Investment Funds Board for Loan Repayment	40		Travelling	250
Te Rahui (W) Hostel	75		Rent	200
Taupo Youth Hall	50		(c) Maori Work General:	
Waitoki	100		Maori Section N.C.C.	96
Te Rongopai Centre, Kaiakohe ..	100		Students Fees	180
Devonport Parsonage	100		Workers' Conference	100
Kararaea Church	100		South Island Travel	100
Opotiki	100		Mission Hill Rent	162
Coromandel	40			22,909
Kawhia Church Painting	80		CIRCUIT GRANTS:	
Paraparaumu	100		Northland District:	
St. David's Wairakei Rd.	100		Hikurangi	200
Takapuna	100		North Hokianga	415
Lincoln Rd. Halswell	100		Whangaraa	130
Part Cost of Duplicator	100		Paparaa	150
	1,535		Kaikohe — Bay of Islands ..	200
EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST GRANTS:				1,095
Kaikohe—Bay of Islands	25		Auckland District:	
Papatoetoe	30		Kaipara	50
Bombay — Tuakau	40		Auckland West	100
Rotorua	50		Bombay — Tuakau	230
Putaruru	25		Birkenhead	200
Taihape	50		Mahurangi	175
Paraparaumu	25		Whangaparaoa	175
Riccarton	30		Onehunga	113
St. Albans	15		Takapuna	112
Milton-Lawrence	20		Auckland East	117
	310		Henderson	300
MAORI MISSION:			Papatoetoe	110
(a) Maori Mission Account			Auckland South	175
Stipends	13,952		Devonport	100
Travelling	2,127			1,957
Maori Ministers' Car A/cs ..	938		Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:	
Deaconess Car A/cs	2,438		Coromandel	26
Circuit Expenses	500		Tauranga	100
Investment Funds Board			Taumarunui	100
Rents (6)	1,100		Ngaruawahia	113
			Te Kuiti	300
			Hauraki Plains	88
			Putaruru-Tokoroa	750
			Opotiki	52

THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1964

RECEIPTS	
BALANCE, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/63:	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	285
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	1,000
Kinross St. Sales, on A/c Avondale Circuit	1,715
On Account of Capital	761
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	3,761
On Account of Maintenance	155
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	3,916
 CASH ON ACCOUNT OF CAPITAL:	
Estate of J. H. Oldham	786
" B. E. Bell Thorne	25
" G. M. Denton	500
" H. M. Pollard (Final)	223
" S. N. Spear	5,000
" G. Phillips	350
" M. G. Hughes	500
" M. H. Morley (Final)	6
" H. E. Vanev	60
" K. A. Robinson	200
" M. Dixon	500
" C. Gates	125
" T. Price	500
" F. R. Collinson	63
" J. J. B. Veale	1
C. H. Olds, Gift in lieu of Legacy	100
Walters Farm Trust	50
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	8,989
Less Proportion for Disbursement	1,529
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	7,460
LEGACIES, PROPORTION FOR DISBURSEMENT	1,529
REPAYMENT OF SPECIAL LOANS	10,951
GOVERNMENT STOCK SOLD (£2,420)	2,418
LOCAL BODY STOCK SOLD (£1,000)	1,002
REPAYMENT OF MORTGAGE	53
REPAYMENT, OPONONI	97
NEW LOANS AT CALL	18,975

PAYMENTS	
INTEREST TRANSFERED TO HOME MISSION FUND:	
Through Mornington	3
Through Invercargill	9
Direct	2,651
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	2,663
LEGACIES FOR DISBURSEMENT	1,529
CAPITAL INVESTED:	
Special Loans	20,541
On A/c of Loan paid in advance	17
Waitemata County Council Stock	3,000
Waitemata C.C., Geo. Buttle Gift A/c	200
Space in Central Mission Building	7,625
Post Office Savings Bank	1
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	31,384
PROPERTIES:	
Otarohanga Maori Centre	18
Auckland Maori Parsonage	76
Dargoville Deaconess Cottage	2,092
11 Kakariki Avenue	2
Kamo Maori Parsonage	99
28 Mt. Albert Road	13
New Plymouth Maori Parsonage, Furniture	19
Opunake Deaconess Cottage	71
Te Kuiti Mission House	12
Te Kuiti Maori Parsonage	30
Waima Maori Parsonage	36
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	2,468
REPAYMENT OF LOANS:	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	260
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	160
Kamo Maori Parsonage	38
Loans at call	10,923
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	11,381
EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST, EXPENDED	1,138
INTEREST DISBURSED:	
George Buttle Centennial Gift	21
Thomas Buddle Library Fund	5
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	26

THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1964

LIABILITIES	
CREDITORS:	
Loans at Call	61,603
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund, 31/7/63	1,000
Added during year	60
	1,060
Kamo Maori Parsonage, Mortgage	2,522
Sundry	116
	65,301
SUNDRY FUNDS:	
Thomas Buddle Memorial Library Fund ..	100
George Bettle Centennial Gift Fund	500
	600
E. D. and M. E. Jones Trust Account	100
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	261
M.W.M.U. Emergency Fund	1,027
RESERVES:	
Working Expenses, Maintenance	279
Sinking Funds, 31/7/63	9,481
Added during year	910
	10,391
Investment Reserve	400
Loan Repayment Reserve	2,640
	13,710
MAORI CENTRES & HOSTELS:	
Mortgages:	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	2,905
Less Repaid during year	260
	2,645
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	1,520
Less Repaid during year	160
	1,360
	4,005
Capital Receipts to date:	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	15,855
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	12,299
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	9,348
Dargaville Maori Centre	2,098
Hawera Maori Centre	2,372
Kawakawa Maori Centre	4,019
Otorohanga Maori Centre	425
Te Kuiti Maori Centre	850
Opunake Deaconess Centre	71
	47,337

ASSETS	
CASH — Bank of New Zealand:	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	261
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	1,060
Kinross St. Sales, on A/c Avondale Ct.	1,715
M.W.M.U. Emergency Fund	1,027
On account of Capital	2,142
	6,205
On account of Maintenance	279
	6,484
INVESTMENTS:	
Memorial Gifts, Local Body Stock:	
George Bettle Memorial Gift	500
Thomas Buddle Library Fund	100
	600
General:	
Mortgage	186
Government Inscribed Stock	4,700
Debentures and Stock	21,300
Sundry Shares	4,296
Post Office Savings Bank	36
Space in Central Mission Building	9,625
	40,143
Special Loans:	
E. D. and M. E. Jones Trust	50
General	94,171
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	2,640
	96,861
Sundry Debtor, Sale of Property	880
PROPERTIES:	
Parsonages, etc.	33,715
Maori Hostels and Centres:	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	25,780
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	12,299
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	11,953
Dargaville Maori Centre	2,058
Hawera Maori Centre	2,395
Kawakawa Maori Centre	3,971
Otorohanga Maori Centre	3,471
Te Kuiti Maori Centre	1,375
Opunake Deaconess Centre	648
Kawakawa Deaconess Cottage	34
	63,984

Capital Receipts, Sundry:

Hawera Deaconess Cottage	383	
Hokianga Deaconess Cottage	25	
Dargaville Deaconess Cottage	2,110	
Opunake Deaconess Cottage	100	
Kamo Maori Parsonage	135	
Kaeo Property Sales	1,635	
Kinross St. Property Sales	1,715	
Kakariki Avenue Property Sale	1,069	
Taheke Deaconess Cottage	175	
	<u>7,347</u>	

CAPITAL:

Balance 31/7/63	102,231	
Add Profit on Sale of Local Body Stock ..	1	
Legacies and Gifts	8,989	
	<u>8,990</u>	
Less Transfers to Disbursement Account ..	1,529	
	<u>7,461</u>	
Less Loss on Sale of Govt. Stock	2	
	<u>7,459</u>	
	<u>109,690</u>	
	<u>£249,378</u>	

Mt. Wesley, Mangawhare	1,866	
Mt. Wesley, Parsonage Site	1,497	
Kaeo	2,384	
Kaeo Farm Development	120	
Opononi	594	
Waima	100	
Kawhia (Te Waitere)	100	
Raglan	50	
	<u>6,711</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, 1964.

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, 1964.

M. C. COPELAND, A.P.A.N.Z., Auditor.

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st JULY, 1964

	EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
Repairs		303	Rent and Rates	1,940
Rates		239		
Insurance		188		
Commission		97		
		<u>827</u>		
Depreciation Reserve		275		
Net Income Carried Down		838		
		<u>1,940</u>		<u>1,940</u>
Transfer to Capital		168	Net Income Brought Down	838
Transfer to Maintenance Reserve		150		
Transfer to Home Mission Fund		260		
Transfer to Investment Funds Board		260		
		<u>£838</u>		<u>£838</u>

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EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1964

	LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
CAPITAL:			BUILDINGS	10,000
Balance, 31/7/63	12,664		INVESTMENTS:	
Added during year:			National Savings Investment	356
From Income	168		Post Office Savings Bank	24
From Interest	122		Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Stock . .	2,500
	290		Auck. Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock . .	2,500
	12,954		Manukau County Council Stock	1,500
DEPRECIATION RESERVE:			Waitemata County Council Stock	1,000
Balance, 31/7/63	4,585			7,880
Added during year:			MAINTENANCE RESERVE OVERDRAWN, 31/7/63	302
From Income	275		Less transfer from Net Income	150
From Interest	209		Less Interest	9
	484			159
	5,069			143
	£18,023			£18,023

SEAMER HOUSE ACCOUNT
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1964

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/63	465	Salary of Matron	577
Add Petty Cash in hand	15	Wages	793
	480	Provisions	1,062
Boarding Fees	3,869	Light and Heat	287
J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	200	Cleaning and Laundry	30
Home Mission Fund Grant	200	Repairs, Maintenance and Replacements	510
Canteen	8	Sundry Equipment and Furniture	118
Sundry Receipts	13	Rates and Insurance	265
		Interest on Loan	122
		Telephones	42
		Sundry Expenses	47
		Grounds	18
		Transfer to Painting Reserve	100
		Transfer to Capital, Investment Funds Board	400
		Balance, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/64	384
		Add Petty Cash in hand	15
	£4,770		399
			£4,770

EPWORTH BOOKROOM (AUCKLAND)
TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Bank Overdraft	292
Trade Creditors	1,335
Bills Payable	66
Subs. in Advance	32
	1,725

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,725
VAN REPLACEMENT RESERVE	1,545

CAPITAL:

Balance as at 30/6/63	8,709
Add Profit for year	452
	9,161
	£12,431

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash in hand	16
Cash in Auck. Savings Bank	31
Debors	2,044
Less Reserve Bad Debts .. .	50
	1,994
Stock on hand	6,398
	8,440

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	8,440
Loan Hamilton	1,781
Superannuation in Advance ..	90

OFFICE FURNITURE & FITTINGS:

Balance as at 30/6/63	200
Additions	2,044
Less Sales	51
Less Depreciation	73
	124
	2,120
	£12,431

I have audited the books and accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Auckland) for the year ended 30th June, 1964, and certify that in my opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet correctly sets out the position of the Bookroom as at 30th June, 1964, as disclosed by its books and the information and explanations I have received.

(signed) W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.,
Auditor.

EPWORTH BOOKROOM (HAMILTON)
TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

Stock on hand, 1/7/63	2,214	Sales—Cash	1,769
Purchases	2,558	—Credit	1,570
	£4,773		
Less Stock on hand, 30/6/64	2,028		
	£2,745		
Costs of Goods sold	£2,745		
Gross Profit	594		
	£3,339		£3,339
Advertising	76	Gross Profit	594
Cleaning	32	Net Loss	1,007
Electricity	27		
Freight	—		
General Expenses	47		
Insurance	17		
Postages	38		
Rent	520		
Interest	101		
Stationery	24		
Telephone	42		
Travelling Expenses	10		
Wages	619		
Depreciation	48		
	£1,601		£1,601

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1964

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Sundry Creditors	255
Accrued Charges	41
Epworth Bookroom (Auck.)	6
Bank of New Zealand	436
	738

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES: 738

LOANS:

Epworth Bookroom (Auck.)	1,772
Other	2,100
	3,872

TOTAL LOANS: 3,872

TOTAL LIABILITIES: £4,610

CAPITAL:

Deficit to 1963	891
Plus Loss for Year	1,007
Deficit to 30/6/64	1,898
	£2,712

TOTAL CAPITAL: £2,712

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash in Hand	20
Bank of New Zealand	—
Sundry Debtors	194
Stock on Hand	2,028
Stationery on Hand	35
	2,277

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS: 2,277

FIXED ASSETS:

Furniture and Fittings	477
Plus Additions	6
	483

Less Depreciation (10%
D.V.) 48

TOTAL FIXED ASSETS 435

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Hamilton) for the period ended 30th June, 1964, and I report to the Committee that, in my opinion, the Trading and Profit and Loss Accounts attached and the foregoing Balance sheet represent a true and fair view of the affairs of the Bookroom at 30th June, 1964.

HAMILTON.

R. L. KNIGHT, A.P.A.N.Z., Auditor.

HOME MISSION FUND

Estimates of Receipts and Payments for the Connexional Year 1965

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1. PROPERTIES AND INVESTMENTS	2,800
2. METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP:	
Sisters' Salaries	3,700
Smethurst Interest	130
Special Gift	400
	<hr/>
	4,230
3. EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST FOR CIRCUIT GRANTS	263
4. MAORI CIRCUITS	1,400
5. MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS	300
6. TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE:	
Living-out allowance 2 students	240
7. FROM CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:	
5/12ths of the 1964-65 Budget	14,647
7/12ths of the 1965-66 Budget	21,838
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	£45,718

ESTIMATED PAYMENTS

- NOTES:** (1) Stipends below are those authorised by the 1964 Conference.
 (2) Grants have been adjusted in accordance with the appointments made by Conference.
 (3) Deaconess Car appropriations have been adjusted on the basis of 5/12ths of £125 plus 7/12ths of £150 equalling £139/11/8 and shown as £140.

NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Maori Work	
Minister—Stipend	850
Travelling	250
Parsonage Allowance	15
Supernumerary Minister—Honorarium ..	52
Travelling	125
Home Missionary—Stipend	737
Travelling	200
Parsonage Allow.	15
General Circuit Expenses	100
Deaconess—Stipend	512
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	474
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess Supply—Stipend	528
Travelling	140
Investment Funds Board—Rents:	
Waima	152
Kamo	200
	£4,759

Circuit Grants

Hikurangi—M.	250
Whangaroa—M.	150
Kaikohe-Bay of Islands—M. & P. (R.B.)	200
(E.W.B.)	50
North Hokianga—P.	275
Travelling	150
Paparoa—S.H.M.	50
	£1125

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Maori Work

Senior Maori Superintendent—	
Stipend	850
Travelling	250
Special Travelling	25
Parsonage Allowance	15
Supernumerary Minister (Parsonage in lieu of honorarium)—Travelling	75
Non-Resident Student Supply—	
Stipend	689
Travelling	150
Parsonage Allowance	15
Non-Resident Student Supply—	
Stipend	689
Travelling	150
Parsonage Allowance	15
Circuit Expenses	100
Deaconess—Stipend	564
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	564
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	590
Travelling	25

Investments Funds Board—Rents:

Tuakau	150
Auckland	200
New Parsonage	250
	£5802

Circuit Grants

Takapuna—2 M. & P.	200
Birkenhead—3 M.	450
Onehunga—2 M.	150
Auckland South	150
Henderson	300
Whangaparaoa	150
Bombay-Tuakau—M. (E.W.B.)	50
Bombay-Tuakau	200
Mahurangi—M.	250
Kaipara—M.	75
	£1975

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Maori Work

(A) Waikato Circuit

Minister—Stipend	850
Rent	250
Travelling	175
Parsonage allowance	15
Probationer (half share with King Country)—Stipend	368
Travelling	75
Parsonage Allowance	7
Home Missionary—Stipend	737
Travelling	75
Provision for car	125
Pars. Allowance	15
Home Missionary—Stipend	737
Travelling	200
Pars. Allowance	15
Part-time H.M. Supply—Travelling	104
Part-time H.M. Supply—Travelling	75
Honorarium	104
Circuit Car—Travelling	140
General Circuit Expenses	200
Deaconess—Stipend	564
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	474
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess Supply—Stipend	552
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	552
Provision for car	140
Deaconess (Half-time)—Stipend	241
Rent	78
Travelling	75
Investment Funds Board—Rents:	
Ngaruawahia	100
Heaphy Terrace	200
	£7844

(B) King Country Circuit

Minister—Stipend	850
Traveling	250
Parsonage allowance	15
Probationer (half share with Waikato):	
Stipend	368
Travelling	100
Parsonage allowance	8
Home Missionary Supplies (2) Honorarium	100
Travelling	100
General Circuit Expenses	25
Deaconess—Stipend	564
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	474
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Investment Funds Board—Rents:	
Te Kuiti	200
Kawhia	125

£3615**Circuit Grants**

Ngaruawahia—H.M.P.	50
Coromandel—Supply	20
Kawerau—Supply	50
Rotorua—2 M. P.	450
Rotorua—(E.W.B.)	50
Taumarunui—M.	100
Tauranga—3 M.	200
Putaruru—M.	250
Putaruru—(E.W.B.)	50
Tokoroa—M.	450
Huntly—M.	150
Te Kuiti—M. (R.B.)	200
Te Kuiti—Special	150
Ohura—P.	200
Waihi—M.	100
Hamilton East—3rd agent, H.M.P.	250

£2720**TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT****Maori Work**

Minister (Missionary in Maori Work):	
Stipend	850
Travelling	250
Parsonage allowance	15
Senior Home Missionary—Stipend	772
Travelling ..	100
Prov. for car ..	140
Pars. allow.	15
Circuit Expenses	75
Deaconess—Stipend	474
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Deaconess—Stipend	474
Rent	78
Provision for car	140
Investment Funds Board—Rent:	
Hawera	200
Grey Institute Trust—Rent:	
New Plymouth	175

£3976**Circuit Grants**

Taihape—(E.W.B.)	50
Taihape—P.	150
Taihape—Travelling	25
Inglewood—M.	150
Mania—M.	125

£500**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT****Circuit Grants**

Wairoa—M.	175
Wairoa—Travelling	50
Apiti—M.	50
Waipawa-Waipukurau—M. (R.B.)	500

WELLINGTON DISTRICT**Circuit Grants**

Porirua—2 M. & P.	600
Paraparaumu—M. (R.B.)	150
Upper Hutt—M. & P.	200
Special	200
Wainui-o-mata	160
Wainui-o-mata—(E.W.B.)	13

£1323**NELSON DISTRICT****Circuit Grants**

Reefton—M.	200
Special for Debt Reduction	100
Hokitika—M.	175
Murchison—P.	200
Westport—M.	150

825**NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT****Circuit Grants**

Riccarton—M. & P.	160
Spreydon—2 M.	150
Springton—2 M.	450
St. Albans—4 M.	200
Woolston-Lyttelton—3 M.	450

£1410**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT**

No applications.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT**Circuit Grants**

Central Church & Mission	150
Cromwell-Alexandra—M.	150
Western Southland—P. & P.	100
St. Kilda—M. & P.	90
Milton-Lawrence—M. (R.B.)	125
Roxburgh—M.	175
Bluff—P.	80
North Dunedin—M.	100

GENERAL EXPENDITURE**Maori Work**

South Island Deaconess—Honorarium	52
Travelling	26
Hostel Subsidies	200
N.C.C. Maori Section	38
Deaconess Car Depreciation	150
Maori Students	180
South Island Travelling	100
Staff Conferences	50

£796**General Grants**

Church Sites Fund	400
N.Z. M.S.S.A.	30
Colportage Society of Otago	38
Wesley Circulating Library	25
*President's Supply (Part Cost)	425
*Auckland Hospital Chaplain (½)	550

£1468

*New Grants; not on previous estimates.

Miscellaneous		Parsonage Allowance	15
Deputation and other travelling	300	Travelling	250
Visual Supplies	32		<u>£1165</u>
Staff Insurance	40		
Ministerial Supplies	100		
Share of "Lotu"	135		
"Methodist Times" advertising	12		
Interest and Bank Charges	71		
	<u>£690</u>		
General Superintendent		Investment Funds Board	
Stipend	850	Rent for two Parsonages	<u>£400</u>
General Allowance	50		
Parsonage Allowance	15		
Travelling	250		
	<u>£1165</u>	Office Expenses	
		Book-keeping, Secretarial & Wages	850
		Office, interest, rates, etc.	650
		Light, Postages	200
		Telephone & Tolls	100
		Printing & Stationery	400
			<u>£2200</u>
Assistant Superintendent		GRAND TOTAL	<u>£45,503</u>
Stipend	850		
General Allowance	50		

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES FOR CONNEXIONAL YEAR 1965

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Properties & Investments	2800	Maori Work	26,972
Methodist Women's Fellowship	4230	Circuit Grants	11,623
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	263	General & Miscellaneous	2158
Maori Circuits	1400	Superintendents	2730
Miscellaneous Donations	300	Office	2200
Trinity Theological College	240	Estimated Surplus	215
Connexional Budget			
1964-65	14,647		
1965-66	21,838		
	<u>£45,718</u>		<u>£45,718</u>

NOTE—E.W.B.: Means portion of Annual Grant from the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust.
R.B.: Referred to Board for consideration during the year.

Summary of General and Youth Returns

FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1964

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	Members as at 30th June last year.	No. Recd. during year			Number Removed from the Roll			No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	Communi-cants	Sunday School					Bible Classes					No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling) additional to Annual Stipend	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Ownership of Car	Minister	Circuit		Trust Account Totals															
										New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend						No. of Baptisms	No. on Cradle Roll	Beginners—Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Teachers	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Leaders								Cr. Balance	Dr. Balance	Total Credit Balances (excluding balances held for special purposes)	Total Debit Balances														
																																										Members as at 30th June last year.	New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend	No. of Baptisms	No. on Cradle Roll	Beginners—Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Teachers	Junior
NORTHLAND	37	45	22	14	14	—	—	47	1476	35	26	59	16	80	7	1493	17	—	—	1660	171	231	430	301	221	116	161	126	57	31	2127	6462	9973	13	0	—	3524	3	9	3	12	670	2	10	568	6	9	2620	4	11	2620	1	5		
AUCKLAND	70	32	65	45	69	4	3	146	6285	152	167	432	103	424	149	6360	75	—	38	6318	627	1329	2114	1657	1026	541	604	448	470	165	9673	30368	31219	19	8	260	0	0	7005	19	4	2	42	3039	11	9	9880	1	9	38616	18	2	25821	14	9
WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY	56	64	42	31	38	5	—	84	4247	101	109	275	57	269	32	4374	127	—	25	4130	522	1295	1508	1098	677	342	422	338	245	113	6456	19758	23584	10	6	269	0	0	5502	1	1	5	28	2474	4	5	1105	6	1	17302	0	6	14749	13	6
TARANAKI-WANGANUI ..	41	12	23	16	19	2	1	50	2325	68	49	119	54	152	44	2311	—	14	5	2052	258	611	685	529	367	187	244	169	113	56	3544	10205	12059	13	5	95	3	0	2800	18	9	1	14	2728	18	6	242	5	0	7377	5	8	35586	18	4
HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU	44	14	32	22	24	2	2	64	3260	71	37	134	57	168	150	3127	—	133	2	3001	263	800	903	622	441	219	309	248	166	77	4517	13419	15659	18	4	251	5	0	3620	3	2	—	20	1129	7	0	4823	9	11	8793	0	7	15456	0	10
WELLINGTON	48	14	37	31	41	—	2	83	4066	86	88	297	59	281	71	4126	60	—	5	3730	479	1228	1412	1007	689	325	416	359	297	114	6110	18344	24435	0	0	521	0	0	5676	0	0	1	31	6166	0	0	1345	10	0	22622	10	0	24026	10	0
NELSON	23	22	18	13	14	3	—	45	1687	29	21	70	36	77	34	1660	—	27	8	1465	133	414	495	383	288	152	151	139	63	41	2570	7479	9318	18	4	65	0	0	1935	1	5	3	10	646	4	1	3614	15	8	2572	7	0	95	11	2
NORTH CANTERBURY ..	60	11	53	30	36	1	2	106	4836	86	110	309	79	283	91	4888	52	—	12	4781	471	1000	1438	1141	758	440	487	426	424	146	7786	22252	21974	15	0	130	0	0	4508	17	6	1	29	1264	12	10	501	3	10	11898	5	2	3728	13	4
SOUTH CANTERBURY ..	22	8	17	9	11	—	—	35	1545	38	26	56	38	73	6	1548	3	—	10	1382	90	331	364	200	219	104	154	143	71	38	1830	5673	6977	9	1	70	0	0	1729	0	0	—	9	2014	17	11	1	17	8	4714	14	9	9314	17	6
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND ..	49	16	29	24	21	1	—	51	2662	25	37	121	44	148	44	2609	—	53	9	2250	235	539	783	562	400	220	215	198	172	67	3780	10714	16262	17	7	20	0	0	3872	12	6	1	21	1384	16	6	1868	9	1	8510	16	4	6283	17	10
TOTALS FOR 1964 ..	450	238	338	235	287	18	10	711	32389	691	670	1872	543	1955	628	32496	334	227	114	30769	3249	7778	10132	7500	5086	2646	3163	2594	2078	848	48393	144674	171466	14	11	1681	8	0	40174	17	6	17	216	21518	15	10	23951	5	9	125028	3	1	137683	18	8
TOTALS FOR 1963 ..	449	258	328	230	285	20	7	697	32073	738	738	1942	497	2065	540	32389	388	72	167	30516	3163	8333	10277	8196	5564	2696	3880	2630	1913	854	47618	143732	168211	9	5	1115	0	0	37999	12	1	15	216	23132	14	8	19444	12	9	100870	17	5	104509	2	7
INCREASES ..	1	—	10	5	2	—	3	14	316	—	—	—	46	—	88	107	—	155	—	253	86	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	165	—	775	942	3255	5	6	566	8	0	2175	5	5	2	—	1613	18	10	4506	13	0	24157	5	8	33174	16	1
DECREASES ..	—	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	47	68	70	—	—	—	—	54	—	53	—	—	555	145	696	478	50	717	36	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

*This Column includes those transferred overseas and those transferred to other Churches in N.Z

GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1964.

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 N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend						No. of Baptisms	No. of Families	No. of People
Mangonui	4	-	2	1	1	-	-	4	119	-	-	4	2	3	1	117	-	2	-	117	9	175	590
Kaikohe/Bay of Islands .. .	4	9	2	2	2	-	-	2	107	8	3	8	2	4	1	119	12	-	-	106	15	380	700
Whangaroa	2	3	1	1	1	-	-	5	107	6	14	4	1	11	-	119	12	-	-	103	17	137	280
North Hokianga	3	4	2	1	1	-	-	4	50	-	1	3	1	8	-	45	-	5	-	38	14	91	294
Hokianga	3	4	-	1	1	-	-	2	91	6	2	-	1	10	-	88	-	3	-	132	14	113	425
Hikurangi	1	5	1	1	1	-	-	1	59	-	-	4	1	11	1	53	-	6	-	60	9	110	315
Whangarei	4	5	4	2	2	-	-	12	325	15	-	26	1	10	-	355	30	-	-	395	33	386	1160
Dargaville	3	6	5	2	2	-	-	7	283	-	2	5	4	10	-	276	-	7	-	360	22	278	1112
Ruawai	3	1	-	1	1	-	-	5	88	-	1	2	2	4	-	85	-	3	-	105	10	127	431
Paparoa	3	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	95	-	-	-	1	8	-	86	-	9	-	94	9	100	355
Port Albert	7	4	4	1	1	-	-	5	152	-	-	3	-	1	4	150	-	2	-	150	19	230	800
TOTALS	37	45	22	14	14	-	-	47	1476	35	26	59	16	80	7	1493	54	37	-	1660	171	2127	6462

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central	5	-	5	6	12	-	-	11	544	10	12	49	11	54	23	527	-	17	-	596	44	677	1850
Auck. Central Mission .. .	1	1	1	3	2	-	-	3	206	2	13	3	4	6	7	207	1	-	9	183	11	214	777
Auckland South	5	3	4	3	4	-	-	9	470	5	23	24	2	39	7	474	4	-	-	587	61	698	2023
Auckland West	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	3	79	2	6	14	5	8	-	88	9	-	-	112	14	250	860
Auckland East	4	-	4	4	6	-	-	12	567	4	13	57	9	66	9	557	-	10	5	609	28	644	1755
Orakei	4	-	3	3	7	-	-	7	505	5	11	42	5	36	18	504	-	1	-	415	29	646	1769
Avondale	4	2	4	2	6	-	-	12	469	4	6	19	11	14	1	472	3	-	-	430	31	558	1670
Henderson	4	5	7	3	5	1	-	9	392	6	4	41	5	17	12	409	17	-	-	450	89	1100	4252
Devonport	2	-	2	1	2	-	-	4	122	9	-	4	2	10	10	113	-	9	-	105	5	190	495
Takapuna	5	-	3	2	6	1	-	23	669	8	6	50	14	26	3	690	21	-	-	705	37	862	2326
Birkenhead	4	3	4	3	3	2	-	10	436	1	7	29	4	20	12	437	1	-	-	395	77	839	2808
Onehunga	4	-	6	2	2	-	-	6	204	6	4	14	7	11	14	196	-	8	-	225	28	354	1100
Otahuhu	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	3	175	4	8	4	2	19	3	167	-	8	-	170	18	268	780
Papatoetoe	5	-	3	2	3	-	-	5	401	26	17	26	5	17	5	443	42	-	-	443	39	667	2768
Papakura	3	1	2	2	2	-	-	4	316	8	11	30	4	29	15	317	1	-	24	301	56	717	2328
Pukekohe	5	2	4	1	2	-	-	7	247	13	4	7	5	10	1	255	8	-	-	220	22	330	760
Bombay-Tuakau	3	4	-	2	1	-	-	7	87	13	6	4	1	11	1	97	10	-	-	73	9	132	396
Waiuku	1	3	1	1	1	-	-	2	134	-	-	-	-	6	2	126	-	8	-	120	8	190	640
Kaipara	4	3	4	1	1	-	-	4	68	14	14	6	1	11	4	86	18	-	-	94	6	80	265
Whangaparaoa	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	1	77	-	-	2	4	2	-	73	-	4	-	58	7	145	376
Mahurangi	1	5	2	1	1	-	-	3	117	12	2	7	2	12	2	122	5	-	-	100	8	112	370
TOTALS	70	32	65	45	69	4	1	146	6285	152	167	432	103	424	149	6360	140	65	38	6318	627	9673	30368

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Thames	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	141	-	2	7	1	1	-	148	7	-	-	188	7	250	500
Hauraki Plains	3	3	1	1	1	-	-	3	62	1	-	5	-	4	-	64	2	-	-	76	12	103	390
Paeroa	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	66	-	3	6	1	3	3	68	2	-	-	65	4	96	302
Waihi	1	4	1	1	2	-	-	1	93	-	-	2	3	4	1	87	-	6	-	60	8	130	455
Te Aroha	3	1	2	1	1	-	-	1	195	-	2	1	2	14	2	180	-	15	12	200	16	190	540
Morrinsville	3	5	3	2	3	-	-	4	282	29	3	13	3	18	1	305	23	-	-	275	28	469	1304
Cambridge	3	1	2	1	1	-	-	6	189	5	4	7	3	10	1	191	2	-	-	185	13	217	640
Hamilton	5	2	4	2	4	-	-	8	602	14	6	51	8	44	1	620	18	-	-	600	73	885	2540
Hamilton East	4	3	6	2	6	-	-	11	438	10	12	40	5	24	1	470	32	-	-	420	42	650	1950
Huntly	1	5	1	1	1	-	-	5	100	5	5	11	4	11	-	106	6	-	5	100	22	290	1003
Matamata	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	3	238	6	3	8	4	11	2	238	-	-	4	210	31	260	895
Putaruru	1	6	2	2	3	-	-	5	150	-	1	7	2	5	1	150	-	-	-	100	14	358	1437
Rotorua	4	2	2	2	2	1	-	9	302	2	18	36	5	27	3	323	21	-	-	305	49	439	1351
Tauranga	3	3	1	3	4	-	-	5	401	13	26	35	8	21	8	438	37	-	4	447	26	531	1612
Te Puke	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	2	68	5	6	4	-	5	-	78	10	-	-	60	20	140	450
Whakatane	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	5	110	-	2	11	-	4	1	118	8	-	-	115	16	180	530
Opotiki	2	2	2	1	1	-	-	3	83	-	-	2	-	10	1	74	-	9	-	116	13	121	350
Te Awamutu	2	3	2	1	1	-	-	4	278	8	2	2	2	30	-	258	-	20	-	280	52	325	1000
Otorohanga	1	6	1	1	1	-	-	3	113	-	3	7	1	-	1	121	8	-	-	60	36	172	520
Te Kuiti	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	66	-	-	3	2	7	-	60	-	6	-	45	10	203	500
Taumararua	1	5	1	1	1	-	-	-	60	2	2	7	-	4	-	67	7	-	-	68	5	171	682
Ohura	3	3	1	1	1	-	-	2	47	-	3	5	-	7	3	45	-	2	-	65	9	80	210
Kawerau	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	19	-	5	-	-	-	-	23	4	-	-	20	6	73	234
Raglan Union	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61	-	-	-	-	-	-	61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ngaruawahia	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	58	-	-	4	2	3	-	57	-	1	-	65	10	105	330
Coromandel	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	20	1	1	1	1	2	1	19	-	1	-	25	-	18	33
Kawhia	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	56	64	42	31	38	5	-	84	4247	101	109	275	57	269	32	4374	187	60	25	4130	522	6456	19758

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth	6	3	5	3	6	1	1	14	607	28	9	33	24	44	4	605	-	2	-	468	46	935	2200
Waitara	3	2	1	1	1	-	-	3	136	8	4	-	2	12	2	132	-	4	-	113	18	246	770
Stratford	6	-	2	1	1	-	-	4	165	10	8	7	3	7	-	180	15	-	-	120	16	245	790
Eltham-Kaponga	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	3	140	2	1	7	1	10	2	137	-	3	-	149	19	231	789
Hawera	4	-	1	1	1	-	-	4	230	2	2	13	7	8	10	222	-	8	-	200	10	299	891
Mania	4	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	74	7	2	6	-	6	2	81	7	-	-	58	10	120	440
Opunake	6	-	5	2	2	-	-	3	193	2	9	13	3	17	5	192	-	1	-	202	44	314	1005
Wanganui Central	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	4	296	6	5	12	5	29	4	281	-	15	-	290	16	350	950
Wanganui North	2	2	2	1	1	-	-	7	127	-	6	8	2	8	4	127	-	-	-	131	13	179	542
Wanganui West	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	4	114	-	1	12	4	3	1	119	5	-	-	130			

GENERAL RETURNS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

NELSON DISTRICT

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	Number on Roll at 30th June			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		
									No. Members on Roll last year	New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits							Ceased to Attend	No. of Families	No. of People
Nelson	2	1	3	3	3	-	-	18	476	2	8	28	13	24	12	465	-	11	5	460	20	667	1807
Waimea	5	1	2	1	1	-	-	3	184	1	1	2	3	4	6	175	-	9	3	180	10	242	740
Motueka	2	1	3	1	1	1	-	4	122	4	1	5	2	3	4	123	1	-	-	100	9	230	661
Murchison	1	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	27	-	-	4	-	2	-	29	2	-	-	25	3	105	350
Blenheim	7	9	5	4	4	1	-	12	475	17	7	16	10	19	10	476	1	-	-	420	46	625	1775
Reefton	2	2	1	1	1	1	-	1	57	-	-	3	1	3	-	56	-	1	-	20	14	122	426
Westport	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	3	89	2	-	9	3	5	-	92	3	-	-	86	11	215	575
Greymouth	2	4	1	1	1	-	-	1	194	-	2	1	3	13	1	180	-	14	-	79	13	262	827
Hokitika	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	3	63	3	2	2	1	4	1	64	1	-	-	95	7	102	318
TOTALS	23	22	18	13	13	3	-45		1687	29	21	70	36	77	34	1660	8	35	8	1465	133	2570	7479

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street	3	-	3	2	7	-	-	15	744	23	13	42	16	32	10	764	20	-	9	690	50	775	1899
Central Mission & Cambridge Terrace Church	2	1	2	2	2	-	-	5	115	1	1	8	8	10	1	106	-	9	-	93	4	230	648
Christchurch East	9	1	9	5	6	-	-	14	851	10	33	61	14	68	43	830	-	21	-	1056	108	1761	5310
Woolston-Lyttelton	6	2	6	3	2	-	-	6	325	4	8	15	9	14	5	324	-	1	3	304	16	617	1865
Sydenham	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	4	201	-	3	13	5	10	1	201	-	-	-	200	14	268	472
Spreydon	1	1	4	2	2	-	-	6	271	2	15	33	4	12	3	302	31	-	-	380	45	600	1898
Riccarton	4	-	4	1	2	-	-	4	234	10	6	14	4	11	2	247	13	-	-	265	46	550	1650
St. Albans	3	2	7	4	5	-	-	17	730	14	12	55	3	45	10	753	23	-	-	680	78	1282	3170
Papanui	2	-	1	2	1	-	-	2	229	-	1	27	2	5	-	250	21	-	-	250	30	366	1127
Springston	6	-	4	2	2	-	-	6	181	-	1	5	1	17	4	165	-	16	-	150	18	306	1016
Leeston	4	-	2	1	1	-	-	5	215	3	1	5	2	8	3	211	-	4	-	135	20	156	545
Kaiapoi	4	-	2	1	1	-	-	4	172	3	3	10	3	13	-	172	-	-	-	129	8	256	763
Rangiora	7	1	3	2	2	1	-	4	356	12	6	13	7	25	9	346	-	10	-	253	22	440	1250
Greendale	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	3	95	4	4	2	1	7	-	97	2	-	-	86	9	92	335
Oxford	4	1	3	1	1	-	-	6	117	-	3	6	-	6	-	120	3	-	-	110	3	87	304
TOTALS	60	11	53	30	36	1	2	106	4836	86	110	309	79	283	91	4888	113	61	12	4781	471	7786	22252

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru Banks Street	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	159	6	2	7	5	12	2	155	-	4	-	140	12	258	646
Timaru Woodlands Street	4	1	4	1	1	-	-	6	285	-	4	4	4	10	1	278	-	7	-	320	18	340	1180
Timaru Marchwiell Union ..	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	75	2	2	4	1	6	-	76	1	-	-	76	12	136	530
Waimate	2	-	2	1	2	-	-	1	193	-	3	7	10	13	-	180	-	13	10	183	6	196	584
Geraldine-Temuka	2	-	1	1	2*	-	-	2	142	4	4	8	3	7	1	147	5	-	-	125	2	130	384
Ashburton	4	3	3	2	3	-	-	16	398	13	2	15	10	10	1	407	9	-	-	300	22	423	1270
Willowby	5	2	3	1	1	-	-	6	100	5	3	4	2	4	-	106	6	-	-	70	8	106	356
Oamaru	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	3	193	8	6	7	3	11	1	199	6	-	-	168	10	241	723
TOTALS	22	8	17	9	11	-	-35		1545	38	26	56	38	73	6	1548	27	24	10	1382	90	1830	5673

*Includes one minister on reciprocal membership, but only Methodist ministers in total.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church & Mission Dunedin	5	1	1	3	3	-	-	7	232	3	4	21	5	13	5	237	5	-	-	190	5	286	603
North Dunedin	6	-	4	2	1	-	-	4	219	1	1	7	4	35	8	181	-	38	-	150	8	160	540
Dunedin West	3	1	3	3	2	-	-	7	280	-	2	14	6	24	-	266	-	14	-	260	15	380	1150
Dunedin South	4	1	4	3	2	-	-	4	325	4	6	20	7	11	1	336	11	-	-	250	36	523	1354
Corstorphine Union	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	35	2	2	5	1	-	-	43	8	-	-	40	3	50	160
St. Kilda	4	-	1	1	1	-	-	3	237	4	6	9	5	17	-	234	-	3	-	190	15	280	820
Milton-Lawrence	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	53	-	3	2	-	2	-	56	3	-	-	99	3	106	312
Balclutha	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	5	142	-	-	6	2	8	7	131	-	11	-	90	19	171	583
Gore	4	-	2	1	1	-	-	1	127	1	3	3	1	5	4	124	-	3	-	100	13	185	530
Invercargill Central	2	3	4	2	2	-	-	3	309	3	4	7	5	9	5	304	-	5	-	330	30	460	1240
Invercargill-St. Peters	3	-	2	2	1	1	-	8	340	4	6	14	3	4	3	354	14	-	9	252	49	550	1600
Western Southland	6	4	3	2	2	-	-	3	183	-	-	4	2	7	-	178	-	5	-	170	14	285	870
Bluff	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	69	-	-	4	2	4	1	66	-	3	-	40	7	160	400
Roxburgh	3	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	46	3	-	3	1	3	1	47	1	-	-	39	6	71	202
Cromwell-Alexandra	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	3	65	-	-	2	-	6	9	52	-	13	-	50	12	113	350
TOTALS	49	16	29	24	21	1	-51		2662	25	37	121	44	148	44	2609	42	95	9	2250	235	3780	10714

GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964

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	764 0 0		213 19 2	C	334 9 0		62 8 2	
Kaikohe—Bay of Islands ..	724 0 0		367 0 0	M		106 3 6	190 9 8	984 7 10
	351 0 0		140 0 0	M				
	275 0 0		127 0 0	M				
Whangaroa	704 13 0		297 0 0	M		38 16 10	147 1 3	
North Hokianga	709 0 0		375 0 0	C	71 6 9		23 17 1	
Hokianga	764 0 0		509 13 4	C	26 18 1		178 17 11	229 1 9
Hikurangi	762 0 0		164 0 0	M		63 0 3		
Whangarei	764 0 0		136 0 0	M	185 3 1		50 17 11	434 12 0
	664 0 0		125 0 0	M				
Dargaville	764 0 0		201 11 3	M		135 16 1	125 14 7	600 0 0
	436 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Ruawai	764 0 0		290 0 0	M		63 4 11	163 12 8	371 19 10
Paparoa	764 0 0		158 0 0	M		161 5 2	209 18 9	
Port Albert	764 0 0		300 0 0	M	52 5 11		1467 6 11	
TOTALS	9973 13 0		3524 3 9		670 2 10	568 6 9	2620 4 11	2620 1 5

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central	789 13 0	50 0 0	160 0 0	M	310 2 7		705 13 4	7539 7 9
	764 0 0		100 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		100 0 0	M				
Auckland Central Mission	820 0 0		All Exp.	M		82 3 4	28656 8 11	2884 1 5
	765 0 0		138 15 0	M				
Auckland South	764 0 0		78 0 0	Trust		1708 5 3	678 14 9	4303 2 4
	764 0 0		75 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		100 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		90 0 0	M				
Auckland West	768 11 8		115 0 0	M		20 12 9		2546 0 10
Auckland East	779 0 0		165 0 0	M	354 9 5		303 14 8	417 3 0
	764 0 0		150 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		140 0 0	M				
	632 10 0		135 0 0	M				
Orakei	764 0 0		175 0 0	M	665 8 2		813 2 9	
	764 0 0		175 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		175 0 0	M				
Avondale	764 0 0	100 0 0	150 0 0	M	52 6 8		449 6 5	
	764 0 0	50 0 0	150 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		175 0 0	M				
Henderson	764 0 0		150 0 0	M		3715 6 0	300 10 6	127 10 4
	764 0 0		150 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		180 0 0	M				
Devonport	764 0 0		120 0 0	M	31 6 9		344 18 4	
Takapuna	764 0 0	25 0 0	185 0 0	M		967 0 0	242 1 7	2185 1 0
	764 0 0	15 0 0	135 0 0	M				
	662 0 0		135 0 0	M				
Birkenhead	764 0 0		164 18 9	M		2502 0 5	227 1 10	1983 14 0
	764 0 0		241 7 6	M				
	522 0 0		71 10 11	M				
Onehunga	745 0 0		120 0 0	M		48 6 10	249 7 8	1550 6 5
	646 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Otahuhu	764 0 0		200 0 0	M	81 6 3			1203 2 6
Papatoetoe	770 0 0		225 0 0	M		624 7 11	14 7 8	441 13 8
	646 0 0		180 0 0	M				
Papakura	764 0 0		207 0 0	M	165 6 4		4523 4 5	
	764 0 0		207 0 0	M				
Pukekohe	764 0 0		300 0 0	M	1137 4 11		246 15 11	233 11 5
Bombay-Tuakau	619 5 0	20 0 0	409 12 8	M		5 14 4	105 13 1	
			72 14 6	M				
Waiuku	763 0 0		220 0 0	C	47 6 4		130 7 1	162 17 2
Kaipara	764 0 0		240 0 0	M		103 19 9	452 18 0	
Whangaparaoa	764 0 0		190 0 0	M	194 14 4		123 5 5	244 2 11
Mahurangi	764 0 0		235 0 0	M		102 5 2	48 16 1	
TOTALS 1964	31219 19 8	260 0 0	7005 19 4		3039 11 9	9880 1 9	38616 18 2	25821 14 9

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Thames	764 0 0	40 0 0	266 9 0	M	38 5 10			794 10 8
Hauraki Plains	721 0 0		216 0 0	M	178 7 2		97 6 3	528 9 2
Paeroa	764 0 0		120 0 0	M		47 12 6	61 14 7	
Waihi	840 8 0		180 0 0	M		106 18 3		16 9
Te Aroha	792 0 0		250 0 0	M	71 10 9		462 19 11	
Morrinsville	788 16 10		180 0 0	M		286 8 3	64 13 6	6 2 10
	764 17 4		116 10 9	C				
Cambridge	764 0 0		132 0 0	M	222 5 9		159 11 3	
Hamilton	800 0 0	115 0 0	117 9 7	M	720 13 1		9589 7 8	
	768 0 0	65 0 0	103 3 9	C				
	384 0 0	15 0 0	155 17 4	M				
Hamilton East	790 0 0		110 0 0	C	162 14 1		4691 13 9	
	662 0 0		180 0 0	M				
Huntly	705 0 0		256 0 0	M		136 7 10	1 17 4	105 11 1
Matamata	778 0 0		260 0 0	M	25 19 0		42 19 4	416 1 0
Putaruru	650 0 0		220 0 0	M		107 16 7		2707 16 4
	764 0 0		220 0 0	M				
Rotorua	764 0 0	9 0 0	220 0 0	M	165 5 2		547 9 10	1411 16 6
	662 0 0		120 0 0	M				
	400 0 0		100 0 0	M				
Tauranga	776 0 0	25 0 0	235 0 0	M		158 8 11	612 2 0	805 0 4
	775 0 0		181 0 0	M				
	329 0 0		81 0 0	M				
	272 0 0		21 0 0	M				
Te Puke	764 0 0		143 0 0	Scout.	111 15 10			7973 8 10
Whakatane	764 0 0		150 0 0	M		60 10 7	90 9 2	
Opotiki	734 8 4		111 0 8	M	218 7 11		186 11 2	
Te Awamutu	775 0 0		330 0 0	M	386 11 5		299 0 0	
	350 0 0		169 0 0	C				
Otorohanga	764 0 0			C	25 19 3		3 0 11	
Te Kuiti	764 0 0		150 0 0	M		96 11 7	54 13 0	
Taumarunui	764 0 0		196 0 0	M	58 8 8		36 7 2	
Ohura	630 0 0				5 6 5		3 13 9	
Kawerau			84 0 0	M	41 10 2		37 13 7	
Raglan Union								
Ngaruawahia	693 0 0		168 10 0	M		104 11 7	233 10 5	
Coromandel	104 0 0				41 3 11		25 5 11	
Kawhia								
TOTALS	23584 10 6	269 0 0	2502 1 1		2474 4 5	1105 6 1	17302 0 6	14748 13 6

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth	839 0 0		150 0 0	M			3940 9 4	28370 19 3
	764 0 0		135 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		150 0 0	M				
Waitara	767 0 3	12 10 0	250 16 0	M	227 6 1		159 10 9	
Stratford	764 0 0		200 0 0	M	113 3 8		98 5 7	2564 11 11
Eltham-Kaponga	779 0 0		219 0 0	M	1512 6 10		202 0 8	
Hawera	781 0 0		174 0 0	M		72 7 3	879 1 0	
Manaia	639 9 4	6 5 0	163 3 5	M	208 2 7		64 12 4	
	764 0 0		293 0 0	C				
Opunake	706 0 0		293 0 0	M	33 15 2		680 18 0	201 7 2
Wanganui Central	764 0 0	76 8 0	135 0 0	M	387 11 10		27 16 1	
Wanganui North	764 0 0		155 16 8	M		52 17 9	558 10 9	
Wanganui West	774 0 0		100 0 0	M		117 0 0	113 14 1	
Taihape	662 3 10		42 15 0	M	51 5 2		170 17 2	
				(M.C)				
Raetihi-Ohakune			58 10 0		190 1 0		75 7 3	
Marton	764 0 0		135 0 0	M	4 19 7		189 8 7	1800 0 0
Inglewood	764 0 0		145 17 8	M	6 7		225 14 1	2650 0 0
TOTALS	12059 13 5	95 3 0	2800 18 9		2728 18 6	292 5 0	7377 5 8	35586 18 4

(M.C) Motor Cycle

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964.

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 C. 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 ..	900 0 0	10 0 0	252 0 0	M	2861 0 0		4407 0 0	2208 10 0	
	765 0 0	10 0 0	135 0 0	M					
	765 0 0	10 0 0	250 0 0	M					
	453 0 0	156 0 0	10 0 0						
Wellington West ..	830 0 0		130 0 0	M	95 0 0		1639 10 0		
	790 0 0		150 0 0	M					
Wellington South ..	765 0 0	45 0 0	145 0 0	M	115 0 0		1345 0 0		
Wellington East ..	794 0 0		135 0 0	M		538 0 0	553 10 0	241 0 0	
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M					
	764 0 0		135 0 0	M					
Wellington North ..	764 0 0		135 0 0	M	64 10 0		553 10 0	7482 10 0	
	764 0 0		135 0 0	M					
Porirua ..	764 0 0		269 0 0	M	10 0		477 10 0	3 10 0	
	764 0 0		221 0 0	M					
	275 0 0		67 0 0	M					
Lower Hutt ..	764 0 0	80 0 0	192 0 0	M	9 10 0		10676 10 0		
	764 0 0	40 0 0	167 0 0	M					
	764 0 0	40 0 0	167 0 0	M					
	663 0 0	32 0 0	100 0 0	M					
Upper Hutt ..	764 0 0		317 0 0	M		148 0 0		3523 0 0	
	477 0 0		41 0 0	C					
Petone ..	772 0 0		160 0 0	M		300 0 0	912 0 0		
Greytown-Featherston ..	790 0 0		312 0 0	M	89 0 0		761 10 0		
Carterton ..	764 0 0		189 0 0	M	246 0 0		142 0 0	73 0 0	
Masterton ..	814 0 0	52 0 0	229 0 0	M	50 0 0		741 10 0	9161 10 0	
	698 0 0	26 0 0	150 0 0	M					
Eketahuna ..	662 0 0		300 0 0	M	180 0 0		124 0 0		
Levin ..	875 0 0		303 0 0	M	2309 10 0		96 0 0		
Otaki ..	764 0 0	20 0 0	285 0 0	M	89 10 0			1333 10 0	
Paraparaumu ..	764 0 0		175 0 0	M		354 10 0	193 0 0		
Taita Union ..	850 0 0			M	56 10 0				
Wainuiomata Union ..	800 0 0		180 0 0	M		5 0 0			
	765 0 0		120 0 0	M					
TOTALS ..	24435 0 0	521 0 0	5676 0 0		6166 0 0	1345 10 0	22622 10 0	24026 10 0	

NELSON DISTRICT

Nelson ..	764 0 0	26 0 0	200 0 0	M	78 0 1		575 11 6	
	764 0 0	24 0 0	175 0 0					
	662 0 0	15 0 0	25 0 0	M				
Waimea ..	764 0 0		235 0 0	M	23 4 2		592 17 11	
Motueka ..	764 0 0		156 0 0	M	128 7 7		277 19 4	
Murchison ..	584 0 0		175 0 0	M	262 18 5		192 17 10	
Blenheim ..	789 0 0		84 1 6	C	3 9 3	3400 0 0	691 4 11	40 6 8
	678 8 4		126 18 8	C				
	662 0 0		190 14 9	M				
Reefton ..	637 0 0		110 0 0	M		214 15 8	51 14 6	
Westport ..	764 0 0		120 0 0	M	78 17 1		83 14 9	
Greymouth ..	764 0 0		210 0 0	C	66 9 3		43 1 6	55 4 6
Hokitika ..	721 10 0		127 6 6	M	4 18 3		63 4 9	
TOTALS ..	9318 18 4	65 0 0	1935 1 5		646 4 1	3614 15 8	2572 7 0	95 11 2

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street ..	800 0 0	45 0 0	180 0 0	M	10 6		937 6 7	
	764 0 0	25 0 0	200 0 0	M				
Central Mission & Cambridge Terrace Church ..	810 0 0		Conf. Rates	M	26 12 7		411 9 10	
Christchurch East ..	763 12 0		202 8 8	M				
	789 0 0		105 8 4	M	329 2 3		1548 16 8	167 14 5
	764 0 0		108 6 8	M				
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		75 0 0	M				
	764 0 0		104 0 0	H.M. Sup.				
Woolston-Lyttelton ..	764 0 0		156 0 0	M	113 16 7		1450 15 11	
	764 0 0		194 1 7	C				
Sydenham ..	764 0 0		172 0 0	M	108 7 7		556 7 1	
Spreydon ..	764 0 0		135 0 0	M		232 0 0	1091 0 0	1601 0 0
	705 0 0		100 0 0	M				
Riccarton ..	764 0 0		156 0 0	M	41 7 0		181 1 5	1959 18 11
	659 0 0		75 0 0	M				
St. Albans ..	790 0 0	15 0 0	120 0 0	M			2902 19 3	
	764 0 0	15 0 0	120 0 0	M				
	764 0 0	15 0 0	120 0 0	M				
	764 0 0	15 0 0	120 0 0	M				
Papanui ..	800 0 0		165 0 0	M	89 9 8		231 0 5	
Springston ..	764 0 0		201 12 3	M	99 18 3		387 3 6	
	629 10 0		120 0 0	M				
Leeston ..	764 0 0		240 0 0	M	1 6 9		766 14 0	
Kaiapoi ..	764 0 0		156 0 0	M	562 9 3		103 7 1	
Rangiora ..	764 0 0		234 0 0	M		209 16 3	1355 15 8	
	713 0 0		219 0 0	M				
Greendale ..	764 0 0		250 0 0	M		58 11 7	174 16 11	
Oxford ..	763 13 0		240 0 0	M		16 0	355 17 11	
TOTALS ..	21974 15 0	130 0 0	4508 17 6		1264 12 10	501 3 10	11898 5 2	3728 13 4

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru Banks Street ..	764 0 0		150 0 0	M	25 11 1		73 6 4	
Timaru Woodlands Street ..	764 0 0	50 0 0	135 0 0	M	1142 8 0		434 7 5	
Timaru Marchiel Union ..	820 0 0		150 0 0	M	184 18 3		one A/c	
Waimate ..	764 0 0		135 0 0	M		1 17 8		
Geraldine-Temuka ..	763 4 1		305 0 0	M	84 19 11		380 15 3	
Ashburton ..	814 0 0	10 0 0	150 0 0	M	186 0 0			
	764 0 0	10 0 0	234 0 0	M			1631 1 5	
Willowby ..	760 0 0		270 0 0	M	387 12 2		907 14 1	1698 0 0
Oamaru ..	764 5 0		200 0 0	M	3 8 6		1287 10 3	7616 17 6
TOTALS ..	6977 9 1	70 0 0	1729 0 0	M	2014 17 11	1 17 8	4714 14 9	9314 17 6

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church & Mission (Dunedin) ..	873 6 8		235 0 0	M	328 0 5		5428 8 11	5167 4 9
	721 10 0		215 0 0	C				
	764 0 0		200 0 0	M				
North Dunedin ..	764 0 0		130 0 0	M		44 1 6	103 4 11	
Dunedin West ..	764 0 0		135 0 0	M	53 10 9		275 16 7	
	764 0 0		125 0 0	M				
Dunedin South ..	790 0 0		137 10 0	M		805 2 5	1620 7 4	13 15 7
	790 0 0		112 10 0	M				
Corstorphine Union ..	764 0 0		120 0 0	M				
St. Kilda ..	663 16 6		187 3 3	M	65 16 11		200 5 0	299 2 0
Milton-Lawrence ..	764 0 0		196 8 7	M		169 13 9	118 2 2	
Balclutha ..	764 0 0		216 0 0	M	42 14 7		98 0 0	
Gore ..	764 0 0		169 0 0	M	287 6 10		113 9 11	565 2 11
Invercargill Central ..	764 0 0		150 0 0	M	464 0 11			2 10 6
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Invercargill (St. Peters) ..	764 0 0	20 0 0	300 0 0	M	30 4 1		277 9 1	
	619 0 0		135 0 0	M				
Western Southland ..	764 0 0		268 10 0	M		714 1 3	185 9 0	181 0 11
	626 10 0		248 5 2	M				
Bluff ..	584 0 0		135 0 0	M	17 8 7		9 18 3	
Roxburgh ..	662 0 0		126 0 0	M	95 13 5		80 5 2	
Cromwell-Alexandra ..	764 14 5		211 5 6	M		135 10 2		55 1 2
TOTALS ..	16262 17 7	20 0 0	3872 12 6		1384 16 6	1868 9 1	8510 16 4	6283 17 10

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