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FORTY-THIRD
ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE
Pilgrim Holiness
Church
New York District



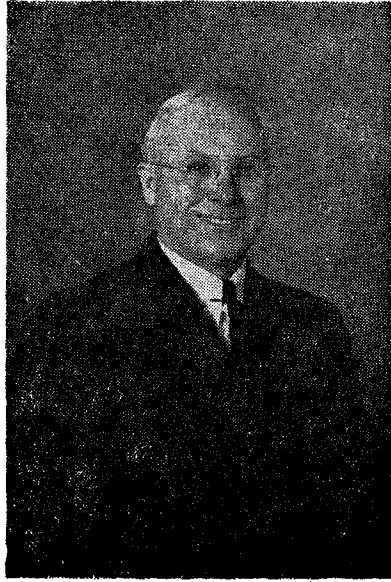
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In Memoriam

REV. ARTHUR L. SHAFER — 1898-1964

During the conference year now ended, the already slim roster of district charter members active among us sustained a further loss in the passing, March 19, 1964, of Rev. Arthur L. Shafer. The providences of his appointments in life denied to him the conspicuous roles, the duties by which he might have become widely known. But in Heaven's assay, it is quality which matters first; quantity considerations come later. In the heavenly rating, top-bracket value attaches to those very attributes by which our brother was characterized: unfailing faithfulness, endless devotion to God's work, uncomplaining acceptance of that which God either sent or permitted. Of such souls, we have never had— nor shall likely have — an over-supply. Our loss is correspondingly intensified.

Arthur L. Shafer was converted in a cottage prayer meeting conducted by Rev. William Showmaker in 1915 and, as a young man, he felt called to the ministry. Study at God's Bible School, and marriage to Miss Helena Terwilliger (in 1922) preceded his entrance upon active pastoring.

In all, 28 years were given to pastoral work, all of them in the New York District. In these assignments his wife actively shared the preaching duties: 1924-1943, at Monticello; 1948-1957, at Massena; besides an interval of labor in the charge then known as Finch Hollow (predecessor of the present Oakdale work). At Massena he had a large hand in the erection of a new church building, and in major remodeling of the par-

sonage. He was ordained in 1942.

From 1937, when the office of District Statistician was created, until his death, Bro. Shafer discharged this at-times tedious but thoroughly needful function. In the years between pastoral assignments, he followed various secular pursuits; but always there persisted the active concern for forwarding the Lord's work.

At the time of his passing he was in his fifth year as church treasurer of the Oakdale church, in which he held his membership, and was also custodian of property. He was employed at Broome Technical Community College. There, his consistent display of Christian grace made a marked impression upon all whose lives he touched at close range. He was, everywhere, an exemplary Christian gentleman.

Reasonably good health had been his portion until the final months. Increasing distress culminated in a major heart attack. On March 19 he slipped quietly out of life, after days of intense suffering. His confident testimony to God's sustaining presence and all-sufficient grace provided a flavor of triumph in the final hours of consciousness. The directly bereaved who survive include his widow; a daughter, Rowena Shafer Fairchild; two sons, Howard and Lloyd; his mother, Mrs. Jennie Shoemaker; four brothers; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral service was held March 21 at the Oakdale Pilgrim Holiness Church. More than 30 floral arrangements provided a radiant setting in which were mingled ministerial associates from across the years, grieving former parishioners, bereaved relatives, denominational friends, and fellow employees from the intervals of secular pursuits. Five members of the District Council participated in the funeral service. Interment followed at Chenango Valley Cemetery, with District Superintendent C. F. Berg officiating at the grave.



OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT—

Rev. L. B. Reese Lion's Head, Ontario, Canada

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Rev. Lloyd W. Stuart 171 Oakdale Rd., Johnson City, N. Y.

DISTRICT TREASURER—

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Rev. Norman Wilson 34 Highland Terr., Gloversville, N. Y.

Rev. H. L. Twining 60 Valley View St., Oneonta, N. Y.

Rev. Clifton Berg 10 Madison Ave., Ravena, N. Y.

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Rev. Lloyd W. Stuart (1 yr.) 171 Oakdale Rd., Johnson City

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Rev. Bobbie L. Bidwell (3 yrs.) 521 S. Wilbur Ave., Sayer, Pa.

Rev. F. T. Finch (2 yrs) Oakdale Rd., Johnson City, N. Y.

Rev. Lloyd W. Stuart (1 yr.) 171 Oakdale Rd., Johnson City, N.Y.

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Mrs. E. Jean Hoffman Mountain Rd., Ravena, N. Y.

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Mrs. Marcia Wilson 227 Hampton Ave., Hampton Manor,
Rensselaer, N. Y.

EDITING—

Rev. Lloyd W. Stuart 171 Oakdale Rd., Johnson City, N. Y.

RECEPTION—

Rev. Bobbie Bidwell

RESOLUTIONS—

Rev. Miles Gray, Mr. Roger Olsen

WAYS AND MEANS—

Rev. Norman Wilson, Mrs. Mary O. Conklin

STATISTICS—

Rev. Miles Gray, Hallstead, Pa., R.D.

MEMORIALS—

Mrs. Leona Warner, Northville, N. Y.

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Pastor: Rev. Miles Gray
Parsonage: Rt. 29, Brookdale, Pa. — Tel. Montrose 967-3317
- GLOVERSVILLE 68 Grand St., Gloversville, N. Y.
Pastor: Rev. Norman Wilson
Parsonage: 34 Highland Terr., Gloversville, N. Y. — Tel. 5-5040.
- NEW YORK CITY 1137 Prospect Ave., Bronx, New York City
Pastor: Rev. Newland John
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- OAKDALE 171 Oakdale Rd., Johnson City, N. Y.
Pastor: Rev. Lloyd W. Stuart
Parsonage: 171 Oakdale Rd., Johnson City, N. Y. — Tel. 729-3672
- ONEONTA 60 Valley View St., Oneonta, N. Y.
Pastor: Rev. Harry L. Twining
Parsonage: 60 Valley View St., Oneonta — Tel. GE 2-1083
- RAVENA Main St., Ravena, N. Y.
Pastor: Rev. Clifton F. Berg
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Pastor: Rev. J. N. Jump
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Pastor: Rev. Bobbie L. Bidwell
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Parsonage: Wevertown Rd., Wells, N. Y. — Tel. WA 4-2941.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Berg, Clifton F.	Jump, J. N.
Berg, Emeline	Shafer, Carl D. (Retired)
Bidwell, Bobbie L.	Shafer, Sadie (Retired)
Blann, A. E. (Retired)	Shafer, Helena (Retired)
Finch, F. T. (Retired)	Stuart, Lloyd W.
Gray, Miles	Twining, Harry L.
Helsby, Meredith W. (Missionary)	Wilson, Norman
John, Newland R.	

C. E. Mayne

Elwood L. Stuart

Mrs. Christine E. Helsby (Missionary)

CONFERENCE ROLL OF LAY DELEGATES

ALBANY	Lawrence Wilson Clarence Wilson
BINGHAMTON	Mr. Homer Kilmer Mrs. Homer Kilmer Mrs. Mary Conklin
BROOKDALE	Mrs. Ruth Halsey
GLOVERSVILLE	Mrs. Geneva Washburn
NEW YORK CITY	No Delegate
NORTHVILLE	Mrs. Cora Albus
OAKDALE	Hiram Goodrich Lillian Havens
ONEONTA	Alberta Devenpeck
RAVENA	No Delegate
SAYRE	Mrs. Marie Ashe Gerald Franklin Charles Merrill
WELLS	Elwood Ginter

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE 43RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE
NEW YORK DISTRICT OF THE PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH
JULY 7, 1964

Opening Sitting — 9 A.M.

The 43rd Annual Conference of the New York District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church was convened at 9 A.M., July 7, 1964, in the Pilgrim Holiness Church, Sayre, Pennsylvania.

After brief greetings by District Superintendent, Clifton Berg, the conference was led in singing an opening song entitled, "The Solid Rock," by Roger Olsen. Mrs. Mary Conklin accompanied at the organ. Rev. Harry L. Twining was requested to lead the conference in prayer.

Rev. Melvin S. Snyder, General Superintendent, was introduced and requested the conference body to stand and sing, "Majestic Sweetness." Following the singing and introductory remarks, Brother Snyder read from the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 8, verses 5 thru 13, and from Hebrews 11:1 and 2. He drew particular attention to the emphasis of Hebrews 11:2, "for by IT, the elders obtained a good report." Brother Snyder spoke encouragingly and profitably relative to the "Centurion's Faith," recorded in Matthew 8, and pointed us to the lessons of: (1) A Faith Demonstrated In A Profound Humility; (2) A Faith Exercised In A Profound Love; (3) A Faith That Recognized Constituted Authority. Following his message, the conference stood to sing two verses of "More Love To Thee."

We entered immediately into the business of the day and the roll of Ordained and Licensed ministers and missionaries was called. At this point, District Superintendent Berg requested that the conference stand in honor of the memory of Rev. Arthur L. Shafer, who has passed on to his reward during the past year. Rev. J. N. Jump was asked to lead the conference in prayer, thanking God for the life and influence of our departed brother, and in behalf of Sr. Helena Shafer, the deceased's widow. Immediately following, the roll of lay delegates was called.

A motion prevailed that Hiram Goodrich and Lillian Havens be seated as delegates from the Oakdale church.

Motion carried that Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kilmer and Mrs. Mary Conklin, be seated as delegates from the Binghamton church.

Motion carried that Roger Olsen be seated as a voting member of the conference in recognition of his appointment to the Resolutions Committee.

A motion prevailed that the District Secretary assign the conference bar. This was designated as the first five rows in the front of the sanctuary.

A motion carried that Rev. Norman Wilson be received into the New York District as an Ordained minister.

A motion carried that the time of the conference sittings shall be, until 12 noon and that the conference shall re-convene at 2 P.M. and

shall remain in session until the finish of conference business.

District Superintendent Clifton F. Berg, read his annual report which was received by the conference with an expression of sincere appreciation and of gratitude.

Assistant Superintendent Bobbie L. Bidwell, gave a brief oral report which was received by motion.

The Auditor's report, prepared by Mrs. Marcia Wilson, was read by the District Secretary and was received by the conference.

The Chairman requested that District Treasurer, J. N. Jump, present to the conference, the Treasurer's report, the report of the Ministerial Pension Fund, and the report relative to District Church Extension. These reports were all received by unanimous motion.

The World Missions report, compiled by Mrs. E. Jean Hoffman, was read by the District Secretary and was received by the conference with an expression of appreciation and gratitude.

Robert Finch, District Statistician, read the Statistical report which was received with a hearty 'amen' and appreciation for a job well done!

The Chairman requested that the remaining time of the morning sitting be spent in hearing the personal annual reports of the pastor's. Reports were given by Clifton Berg of Ravenna and by Bobbie Bidwell of Sayre.

The District Superintendent appointed Norman Wilson to the Ways and Means Committee, to serve in the absence of Newland John.

The conference was recessed after Gerald Franklin prayed.

Second Sitting — July 7, 1964

The afternoon sitting of the 43rd Annual Conference of the New York District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, opened at 2:30 P.M., by the singing of several hymns. General Superintendent Snyder spoke to the conference relative to his recent trip to the Phillippine Islands.

Minutes of the morning sitting were called for and approved after minor corrections.

The Chairman requested that the pastor's reports continue and the following were heard from:

Robert Finch of Brookdale; J. N. Jump of Rochester; H. L. Twining of Oneonta; Norman Wilson of Gloversville.

General Superintendent Snyder spoke commendably to and in behalf of the ministers and the sacrificial devotion revealed through their reports. He spoke at length of the pressing hope and cry of his heart for real revival all across our Zion and the Holiness movement.

A letter of greeting was read from Song Evangelists, Elwood and Joann Stuart, and a motion carried that the Secretary respond with greetings from this conference.

The next order of business was a report from the Resolutions Committee.

Resolution No. 1 relative to the creation of the office of District

Co-ordinator of World Missions Societies was ruled out of order as this is covered by Section 79 of the Manual.

Resolution No. 2: BE IT RESOLVED that miscellaneous resolution 15, page 12 and 27, page 13 of the 1963 Conference Minutes, be deleted from the 1964 Minutes.

This resolution was recommended and adopted by conference vote.

Resolution No. 3: BE IT RESOLVED that resolution 8, page 12, be changed to read, "Resolved that the conference Secretary designate the conference bar at the beginning of each annual conference."

This resolution was recommended and adopted by conference vote.

Resolution No. 4: BE IT RESOLVED that resolution 10, page 12, be changed to read, "We recommend that each local church, in as far as possible, give their pastor two weeks vacation, over two Sundays, with pay."

This resolution was recommended and adopted by conference vote.

Resolution No. 5: BE IT RESOLVED that resolution 21, page 12, be changed to read, "The Pilgrim Voice."

This resolution was recommended and adopted by conference vote.

Resolution No. 6, relative to Lay-member appointment to conference committees, was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

The report from the Secretary of the Ways and Means Committee was called for.

Ways and Means, Resolution No. 1: BE IT RESOLVED that standing resolutions on Finance, No. 5 and 12 and 13, page 11, listed in the 1963 Conference Minutes, be deleted as conflicting with resolutions passed at the 1963 Conference.

This resolution was recommended and adopted by conference vote.

Upon recommendation of the Examining Board, the name of Elwood Stuart was presented to the conference for a District Preacher's license. This recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of the conference.

Following a five minute recess, the chairman requested the District Superintendent to appoint tellers. The following were appointed: Fred Adams, Elwood Ginter, Robert Finch and Homer Kilmer.

Elwood Ginter moved that the District Youth Leader, Fred Adams, be granted an honorary seat within the conference bar. This motion carried.

Previous to casting a first ballot for District Superintendent, the chairman arose to announce nominations for this office. Nominations were as follows: Clifton Berg, Bobbie Bidwell and Alfred Case.

Following the first ballot, in which there was no election, Bobbie Bidwell withdrew from the list of nominees. On the third ballot, Alfred Case received 23 ballots electing him to the office of District Superintendent. While the chairman left the room to contact Brother Case, Clifton Berg assumed the chair and the conference proceeded with the elections.

Bobbie Bidwell was elected to the office of Assistant District Superintendent on the third ballot, receiving 21 votes.

The names of Norman Wilson and Lloyd Stuart, were presented as Council nominees for the office of District Secretary. Brother Stuart was elected on the second ballot.

Harry L. Twining and J. N. Jump were nominated by the District Council for the office of District Treasurer. Rev. Jump was elected on the first ballot. After balloting for three Advisory Members of the District Council, two of the tellers were excused to tally the vote, while the Conference moved on with the business of electing a District Trustee for three years. The first ballot cast resulted in the election of J. N. Jump as District Trustee.

Ballots were cast for a three-year member of the Examining Board which resulted in the election of Bobbie L. Bidwell.

A motion prevailed that Mrs. E. Jean Hoffman be re-elected to the office of Secretary-Treasurer of World Missions, by acclamation. This motion was unanimously adopted.

The results of the balloting for Advisory members of the District Council was read. Norman Wilson and Harry L. Twining were elected on the first ballot. A second ballot was cast for the remaining Council member and Clifton Berg was elected.

A motion prevailed that the District Council be authorized to take care of any unfinished conference business and to hear the minutes of the last and final sitting.

Upon a motion from the floor, the conference was recessed for the supper hour, with instructions to reconvene at 7 p.m. This motion carried.

As the Conference arose to be recessed, the Secretary asked permission to introduce a motion and presented the following: "Inasmuch as our retiring District Superintendent and his wife, Brother and Sister Berg have given to the District, good and faithful leadership and have labored untiringly in the work of Kingdom building, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that this conference recognize this service and show their deep appreciation by responding with a good and liberal love offering." This motion was seconded and responded to with an offering for the Bergs.

Third Sitting — July 7, 1964

Following the re-convening of the Conference, the Reception Committee introduced Mrs. Norman Wilson, wife of our Gloversville pastor. Sr. Wilson gave a glowing testimony and said she was happy to be a minister's wife, especially a Pilgrim minister's wife.

General Superintendent Snyder reported to the Conference the results of his telephone conversation with Alfred Case. Brother Case felt that he could not feel clear to accept the office of District Superintendent.

A motion was made and second that the Conference give to the District Council, in conjunction with the Executive Council, authority to continue in their attempts to secure a competent person to fill the office of District Superintendent. This motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that the District Council be authorized to set the time and place of the 1965 Annual Ministerial Convention. This motion was adopted.

The Resolutions Committee asked for permission to present a final report.

Resolution No. 7: BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference express our deep and sincere appreciation to Dr. Melvin S. Snyder for the thought inspiring message of the morning and for his kindly, efficient chairmanship in this annual conference; this expression to be recorded by a standing vote. The conference arose in a body in response to this resolution.

Resolution No. 8: BE IT RESOLVED that we express our sincere appreciation to Rev. Clifton Berg, our retiring District Superintendent, for labor among us, by a hearty, "God Bless You." The Conference responded to this motion in unison.

Resolution No. 9: BE IT RESOLVED that we express our appreciation to the Sayre Church for their hospitality and fellowship by a rising vote of thanks. Motion carried and congregation stood.

The reports having been completed, the chairman asked if there was any further business to come before the Conference. There being none, the conference voted to adjourn.

Melvin S. Snyder, Chairman
Lloyd W. Stuart, Secretary

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

FINANCE

No. 1 Resolved that each church sending a delegate or delegates to the District Conference, pay the traveling expenses of said delegates and pastor.

No. 2 Resolved, that when money is sent direct to any fund, the church treasurer shall obtain a receipt for same and forward this to each District Representative.

No. 3 Resolved, that all departments of our church shall, upon receipt of monies, immediately forward receipts for same to sender.

No. 4 Resolved, that in order to receive due credit in the current year, any church must have all money in the mail on or before June 10. The District Treasurer shall keep his books open until June 15 so that proper credit may be given for monies mailed on or before June 10. All monies mailed after June 10 shall be entered in the following year.

No. 5 Resolved, that the District Superintendent push the Pilgrim Pension Plan and encourage every pastor to join.

No. 6 Resolved, that the District Superintendent be granted an annual vacation of two weeks each year with pay.

No. 7 Resolved, that those driving to work on our Camp Grounds or otherwise using their cars in the interest of the District shall receive six cents per mile for the use of their car.

No. 8 Be it resolved that each church be required to send an offering each year to help defray the expense of Conference.

No. 9 Inasmuch as we are encouraged and admonished to move forward in the New ork District; Be it resolved that each Zone Camp set apart one service of their respective camp for a special Home Missionary Rally at which time an offering be taken for the support of present and future Home Missionary projects

MISCELLANEOUS

No. 1 Resolved, that inasmuch as the resolutions contain matters of vital importance to our lay members and inasmuch as not everyone reads the resolutions, we recommend that our pastors read the resolutions before the church as soon as possible after the distribution of the minutes.

No. 2 Resolved, that all reports regularly sent to the District Statistician be in his hands by June 10 and that all books and records that are to be audited shall be sent to the chairman of the Auditing Committee by June 10.

No. 3 Resolved, that each Pastor be required to attend his or her Zone Camp and to remain at least one Sunday.

No. 4 Resolved, that the telephone numbers of the ministers be published annually in the Minutes and that the address of the church also be published.

No. 5 Resolved, that following the election of officers the District Superintendent shall appoint the committees which are to function under the District Council for the ensuing year.

No. 6 Resolved, that a District Ministerial Convention be held each year on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of the second week in April except when the second week in April is Holy Week, in which case the date of the Convention shall be set by the District Council. The place of the convention shall always be determined by the District Conference.

No. 7 Resolved, that each pastor be given freedom to hold at least two revivals each conference year.

No. 8 Resolved that the District Secretary designate the Conference Bar at the beginning of each annual Conference. This resolution adopted, 1964.

No. 9 Resolved, that the District Superintendent be given freedom to conduct two revivals outside the District each Conference year, and that he be permitted to keep all proceeds from the same.

No. 10 We recommend that each local church, in as far as possible, give their pastor two weeks vacation, over two Sundays, with pay. This resolution adopted, 1964.

No. 11 Resolved, that in each of our churches a pastoral recall meeting shall be held each year not later than the third week in April.

No. 12 Resolved, that the monthly Sunday School report in THE PILGRIM VOICE follow the General Secretary's form, Tabulating (1) The average attendance of last Conference year as reported in the Conference Minutes; (2) The average attendance to date this Conference year; (3) The average attendance this month; (4) The average attendance for the same month last year.

The monthly report shall be submitted to the Editor of THE PILGRIM VOICE by the District Sunday School Promotional Secretary.

No. 13 Be It Resolved that the District Secretary-Treasurer of Foreign Missions be made an honorary member of the Conference with voice and vote in the same.

No. 14. Be It Resolved that the Editing Committee have the power to delete from the Minutes all obsolete resolutions subject to the approval of the District Council.

No. 15 Resolved, that each zone sponsor a youth camp to be held on the zone camp grounds, at a time convenient to the respective zone, to be under jurisdiction of the zone youth leader and committee, in conjunction with the District Youth Executive and the District Superintendent.

No. 16 Resolved, that each church shall upon the election of its delegate to the District Conference, forward a written notice of the same to the District Secretary.

No. 17 The Resolution Committee recommends that in the appointing of officers for the four zones into which our District is divided relative to our Young People's Societies, that the chairman of each zone be selected from our pastors and the officers of each organization be from the lay members.

No. 18 Resolved, that new District Young People's Zone be established to be known as the Western zone, which shall be composed of the following churches, Utica, Rochester, Syracuse, Chittenango and Rome.

No. 19 Resolved, that each Sunday school in the district close the Sunday school attendance records one-half hour after the beginning of the said school.

No. 20 Be It Resolved that the editor of **THE PILGRIM VOICE** receive from the District Secretary a calendar of District events to be published, at least one month in advance of dates set for each event.

No. 21 Resolved, we urge every preacher to not only warn his people against the evils of television, but also to set an example by not allowing it in his home.

No. 22 Whereas in the past some pastors have not known or heard of the death of some ministers of the District; and of the General Officials, be it resolved that the death of any District minister or any General official shall be reported to each pastor by the District Superintendent, and that he work out his own plan of notifying each pastor.

No. 23 Since it was requested by our General Officer that we have a Young People's report at the District Conference, be it resolved that the zone leaders send a report of their meetings and activities to the Executive Secretary, and that he report same to the District Conference.

No. 24 Be It Resolved that the District Council be authorized to appoint a Committee of three for each camp whose duties will be to function in keeping with duties outlined for them by the District Council.

The three camp boards shall meet together with the District Superintendent and Council to formulate basic social and disciplinarian regulations for the three zone camps. The camp boards shall be responsible for the enforcement of these regulations in their respective zones.

No. 25 We recommend that each enrollee in the Ministers Study Course, holding a pastorate to be required to present a written progress report, Semi-Annually. January 1 and July 1. Said report to be submitted to the Committee Chairman.

No. 26 Whereas, the statistical report presented by the district statistician is a general report and fails to reflect the progress of the local church and the activities of the individual pastor, Be It Resolved, that each active pastor be required to report to the annual conference: (1) His personal relationship to God; (2) the spiritual progress of his church; (3) the statistics included in the annual journal report; (4) his personal participation in district affairs which shall include: (a) Zone Home Missionary Rallies; (b) Zone Youth Rallies; (c) District Ministerial Meetings; (d) Hours devoted to work week and cleanup day; (e) Days in attendance at Zone Camp Meeting. Be It Further Resolved that a maximum of seven minutes be allotted for each report.

No. 27 Whereas, the International Conference of 1962, has changed the financial setup over the General Church, Be It Resolved, that the New York Conference use the General Church report blanks for all reports, financial and statistical.

No. 28 Be It Resolved that the District Superintendent shall arrange for and promote bi-monthly prayer and fasting services to be participated in on a district-wide basis; the purpose of which will be to promote revival and the unity in the Holy Spirit, in these last days.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the 43rd Annual Conference of the New York District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, Greetings:

It is with a sense of my utter dependence upon God, my appreciation for His faithfulness and the charity of my fellow-Pilgrims' that I come before you.

With many of us it has been a year of waiting — waiting for guidance, waiting for a special manifestation of God's presence, a renewal of soul to meet the emergencies of the hour, waiting for revivals, waiting for prayers to be answered.

If our waiting is upon God, it is both scriptural and effective. Isaiah 40:31 declares, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

Several of our churches have been blessed with revivals and added to the church those that were saved. Others are still holding on for a break in the powers of darkness that oppose us. If you are fearful of the outcome, consider the words of Elisha to his servant, "Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them."

There have been several changes in pastoral relationships. Rev. Norman Wilson came to Gloversville at the beginning of the conference year. The Lord has given his church a gracious revival.

For several months, Bro. Elwood Ginter had the responsibility of the Wells congregation after the resignation of Rev. James Flexon. We appreciate his faithfulness in obtaining guest speakers for the Sunday services and are grateful to those who responded to the call for help. After much searching, Rev. Paul Washburn of the Pa.-N.J. District was found available and was installed as pastor. Bro. Washburn and his family have been much appreciated. God bless them in their labors.

The Albany Church is seeking a new pastor following the leave-taking of Rev. Harry Grimes. The church will miss the Grimes' family and his warmhearted ministry.

Rev. Lloyd Stuart is leaving the field of evangelism to take over the responsibilities of the Oakdale Church being left vacant by the G. L. Adams family. Brother Adams has served the Oakdale Church for 15 years during which time the church has taken a leading part in World Misisonary giving. During this period, Brother Lin Adams visited the work in British Guiana and was of much encouragement and help to my family and me, as well as to our fellow missionaries. God bless the Adams family as they seek God's will and leading for the future. We trust the Oakdale Church to go forward under its new leadership.

Rev. Robert Finch is leaving the Brookdale Church to take work at Germantown, Pa. We appreciate his faithful labors in spite of severe illness of both him and his wife during their term of service. We trust that God shall make their labors fruitful in their new field. Pray that God will give us the much-needed pastor for Brookdale.

Under the effective ministry of Rev. Bobbie Bidwell, the Sayre Church burned it mortgage. They already have plans underway for the enlargement of their church building. A goodly number have been added to the membership of the church this year.

As District Youth Leader, Fred Adams has gone forward with the District Youth program. Several zone rallies have been held with greater prospects for the future.

As a District, there is much to be accomplished. Our territory is large. We have a **West Indian Church** in New York City. This is a small lighthouse on a rugged coast. In spite of the many obstacles, Brother John has faithfully carried on this work across the years. Their place of worship is a former Jewish Synagogue. I have had heart warming services and splendid fellowship with these good people.

Rev. Walter Skerritt from St. Kitts, West Indies, a graduate from our Bible School in Barbados, with his family, have moved into Hartford, Conn., and opened a place of worship. He is anxious for our fellowship and looks forward to a place in our District program. May God help us to stand by these men, fellow-Pilgrims, who have come to our shores to help us with our great task. The field is not only ripe but much of the grain is already lost. Let us refuse discouragement. The command is still, "go ye." God WILL give us victory!

My personal report is only a part of my labors, having served 10 months of this period as pastor. The following is the report of my District activities:

Sermons preached	14
Annual Meetings	9
Business Meetings	8
Council Meetings	13
Ministerial Conventions	2
Superintendent's Meetings	1
Eastern Pilgrim College Board	2
Miles travelled	10,000

Respectfully Submitted,
Clifton Berg

AUDITOR'S REPORT

July 2, 1964

To the New York District Conference of the Pilgrim Holiness Church:

This is to certify that I have made a cash audit of the records of the various departments of the District. Receipts deposited in banks and disbursements made by checks were verified by the bank statements and cancelled checks.

I present the following reports which I believe fairly present the results of the financial operations for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1964.

Foreign Missionary Treasurer's Report.

District Treasurer's Report.

District Treasurer's Report of Ministerial Pension Fund.

Church Extension Treasurer's Report.

District Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 1964

Balance May 31, 1963		\$ 546.65
Receipts:		
United Stewardship Fund	\$2,847.02	
Easter Offering	1,127.30	
Sunday School Rally Day	151.20	
E. P. C. Assessment	1,065.78	
E. P. C. Special Offering	1,564.75	
General Home Missions	10.00	
Total Receipts for Outside Dist.		\$ 6,766.05
District Expense Fund:		
Ministers Tithe	3,196.05	
Sp. Offering for Supt. Support	98.50	
Bro. Berg's Furniture	221.70	
District Conference	20.00	
Ministerial Convention	14.40	
Pilgrim Voice	62.50	
General Fund	420.90	
Total Receipts		
for District Expense	4,034.05	
Total Receipts		10,800.10
Total Cash Available		11,346.75
United Stewardship Fund	3,247.02	
Disbursements:		
General Home Missions	10.00	
Sunday School Rally Day	151.20	
Self Denial Offering27	
E. P. C. Assessment	1,089.78	
E. P. C. Special Offering	1,564.75	
Easter Offering	1,127.30	
Outside District		7,190.32

District Expenses:

District Supt. Salary & Gift	2,381.50	
Pension Plan	160.00	
Travel Expenses	507.53	
Telephone	222.19	
Furniture for Berg's	216.70	
Total Dist. Supt. Expenses		3,487.92
Pilgrim Voice	64.45	
Printing Dist. Minutes	168.34	
Speaker Ministerial Convention	100.00	
Travel, Phone and		
Expenses, Dist. Officers	148.84	
Stationary, Stamps, Bank Chgs.	21.53	
Services of Dist Officers	175.00	
Pittsfield Insurance	44.32	
Flowers for Rev. Shafer	10.00	
Total District Expense		732.48
Total Disbursements		11,410.72
Balance on hand June 11, 1964		—63.97
Total Disbursements		
Total Disbursements		
and Cash Balance		11,346.75
Bal. in Church Extension		129.90
Bal. in Dist. Exp. Fund		—63.97
Bal. in both Departments		65.83

Church Extension Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 1964

Balance 6/1/63		\$ 187.43
Receipts:		
Membership Assessment	723.88	
Rochester Support	524.98	
Rochester Loan Repayment	400.00	
Rochester Mortgage	629.43	
Total Receipts		2,278.29
Total Cash Available		2,465.72
Disbursements:		
Rochester Mortgage Payments	1,303.20	
Rochester Support	524.98	
Rochester Loan Repayment	400.00	
Rochester Insurance	107.64	
Total Disbursements		2,335.82
Balance on hand 6/11/64		129.90

District Treasurer's Report of Ministerial Pension Fund

Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 1964

Balance 5/31/63		
Receipts:		
Ministers 2%	375.74	
Ministers 6%	1,030.35	
Total Receipts		1,406.09
Total Cash Available		1,406.09
Disbursements:		
Ministers 2%	303.34	
Ministers 6%	784.05	
Total Disbursements		1,087.39
Balance on hand 6/11/64		318.70

Foreign Missionary Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 1964

Cash receipts and credits to churches:

Balance on hand June 1, 1963		\$ 20.68
Albany	\$3,245.90	
Bloomington	115.00	
Brookdale	249.25	
Gloversville	670.74	
Lake Placid	149.02	
North Troy	15.00	
Northville	654.00	
Oakdale	2,012.50	
Oneonta	1,112.60	
Ravena	762.66	
Rochester	389.65	
Rockwood	172.00	
Russell	115.00	
Sayre	1,913.41	
Tunkhannock	410.00	
Wells	444.23	
Total Cash and Credits		12,430.96
Plus beginning balance		12,451.64

Disbursements:

Cash forwarded to headquarters, Indianapolis, and specified as follows:

Native Workers Supports		
and Christmas	\$2,704.69	
Missionaries' Transportation	1,287.90	
Missionaries' Supports	1,914.77	
Self-Denial Offerings	2,248.52	
Jembo Hospital	574.25	
General Funds	226.68	
Missionary Homes	145.00	
Church and School Repairs	67.35	
Missionaries' Gifts and Supplies	55.00	
Unspecified	2,651.11	
Total remitted to Indianapolis		11,875.27

Amounts given direct:

Self-Denial	\$ 100.00	
Oriental Missionary Society	64.05	
Missionaries' Gifts	91.87	
Native Workers' Christmas	50.00	
Bible School Student, Africa	30.00	
Postage on Boxes	29.00	
Missionaries' Transportation	2.00	
Unspecified	108.77	
Total given direct		475.69

Expenses:

Postage	\$ 5.00	
Secretary-Treasurer's Salary for Conference year ended 5/31/64	75.00	
Total Expenses		80.00
Total Disbursements		12,430.96
Balance on hand, 5/31/64		20.68

Respectfully Submitted,
E. JEAN HOFFMAN

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS

	Total offering by church	Total offering by Sunday School	Total offering by Y.P.S.	Income from other sources	Total receipts	Cash carried forward	Total cash
Albany	19,578.56	1,414.74			20,993.30	195.44	21,188.74
Brookdale	4,458.96	499.83	18.47		5,002.25	115.20	5,117.46
Gloversville	9,427.93	678.31	38.57	244.80	10,389.61	370.31	10,759.92
Pakdale	12,660.08	406.20		410.02	13,476.30	171.63	13,647.93
Oneonta	9,475.01	364.56	77.77		9,899.34	912.30	10,811.64
New York	3,615.40	124.44	27.78		3,767.62		*-172.33
Tavena	5,806.06	348.42	36.75		6,191.23	213.37	6,404.60
Lochester	3,192.38	533.55			3,725.93	200.30	3,926.23
Wayre	17,657.42	2,596.65	290.98		20,515.05	1,994.53	22,509.58
Vells	6,164.93	454.30	32.61	128.74	6,780.58	147.51	6,928.09
Total	92,036.73	7,421.00	522.93	783.56	100,741.21	4,320.59	101,121.86

EXPENDITURES

LOCAL ITEMS

	Pastors support	Evangelist's support	Indebtedness	Interest	Property and improvements	Sunday School supplies	Other local items	Total local expenditures
Wayre	4,240.00	700.00	3,132.00	963.51	84.35		3,953.20	13,073.06
Brookdale	2,795.27	354.00			523.72	154.52	598.43	4,425.94
Gloversville	3,570.00	375.00	132.22	.77		623.31	2,029.10	6,730.40
Pakdale	5,300.00	340.00			362.13	265.00	2,972.81	9,239.94
Oneonta	3,180.00	525.00	200.00	13.43	277.26	365.82	2,748.56	7,310.07
New York	900.00		1,302.36			40.00	1,697.59	3,939.95
Tavena	1,920.00	156.00			160.60	178.53	1,969.24	4,384.37
Lochester	599.12	50.00			598.02	192.61	1,203.56	2,643.31
	5,205.00	760.00			1,453.95	966.20	3,444.41	11,629.46
	2,394.00	152.00			232.83	361.69	1,169.10	4,309.62
Total	30,103.39	3,412.00	4,766.58	977.71	3,692.86	3,147.68	21,786.00	67,686.12

FINANCIAL REPORT (continued)

	DISTRICT EXPENDITURES					ZONE ITEMS	
	District expense fund	District Home Missions and Church Extension	Pilgrim News	Other District Items	Total	Eastern Pilgrim College	Eastern Pilgrim College direct from donor
Albany	424.00	205.56	20.00	314.21	1,023.77	810.70	15.00
Brookdale	281.46				281.46		
Gloversville	357.00	81.96			438.96	181.00	90.00
Oakdale	467.00			317.70	784.70	729.00	116.00
New York							
Ravena	273.00	48.63	2.00	125.28	448.91	72.28	10.00
Rochester	232.90	450.00	13.00		695.90	52.00	10.00
Sayre	417.50	162.00	4.50	50.00	634.00	319.00	30.00
Wells	380.00	76.10			456.10	91.65	50.00
Totals	3,150.86	1,120.25	49.50	952.81	5,333.42	2,430.63	346.00

GENERAL EXPENDITURES							
	Foreign Missions	United Stewardship Fund	Sunday School Rally	Pilgrim Pension	All other	Total	Total Expenditures all departments
Albany	3,275.90	624.00	223.16	344.80		4,467.86	19,375.39
Brookdale	276.23		11.09			287.32	4,994.72
Gloversville	670.74	327.96		297.50		1,296.20	8,646.56
Oakdale	2,012.50	384.00	15.00		225.85	2,637.35	13,390.99
Oneonta	1,112.60	384.00	1276	193.20	132.34	1,834.90	9,889.59
New York							3,939.95
Ravena	762.66	192.40	7.08	162.00		1,124.14	6,029.70
Rochester	164.65	32.00	14.42		54.26	265.33	3,656.54
Sayre	1,122.75	576.00	30.00	343.00	317.87	2,390.07	14,972.53
Wells	444.23	144.00	9.66			597.89	5,455.26
Totals	9,842.26	2,664.36	323.17	1,331.50	730.32	14,901.06	90,351.23

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PROPERTY STATEMENT

	Church valuation	Parsonage valuation	Church indebtedness	Parsonage indebtedness
Albany	90,000.00	20,000.00	12,000.00	5,000.00
Brookdale	5,000.00	3,000.00		
Gloversville	20,000.00	8,000.00		
Oakdale	35,000.00	15,000.00		
Oneonta	10,000.00			
New York				
Ravena	20,000.00	9,000.00		
*Rochester	40,000.00		6,083.87	
Sayre	70,000.00	10,000.00		
Wells	10,000.00	5,000.00		
Total	300,000.00	70,000.00	18,083.87	5,000.00

STATISTICAL REPORT

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCH REMOVALS

ADDITIONS

SERVICES

	Membership beginning of year	Dismissals	Transfers	Deaths	Total removals	Additions by faith	Added by letter	Total additions	Present Membership	Members voting age	Preaching	Prayer	Other	Revivals
Albany	78	1	7		8	1		1	71	71	103	48	10	2
Brookdale	13								13	13	103	53	3	2
Gloversville	41		2		3		2	2	40	40	104	44	8	2
Oakdale	48	2	1	1	4		2	2	46	46	96	34	19	1
Oneonta	48	5	2	2	9	2	1	3	42	42	119	58	53	2
New York	53						3	3	56	56				
Ravena	24	7			7		2	2	19	19	108	50		1
*Rochester	unorganized										102	44		1
Sayre	73	3		1	4	16	1	17	86	86	100	40	36	2
Wells	27		3		3		4	4	28	28	100	50		1
Totals	405	17	15	5	38	19	15	34	401	401	935	421	129	14

STATISTICAL REPORTS (continued)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

	Enrollment	Average Weekly Attendance	Average last year	Number of sessions	Active	Associate	Honorary	Total	Average attendance this year	Average attendance last year
Albany	140	102	122	52						
Brookdale	60	50	50	53						
Gloversville	91	81	99	53					22	18
Oakdale	78	53	51	53						
Oneonta	89	60	70	52						
New York	30	25	20	50						
Ravena	52	38	47	50						
Rochester	75	58	62	53						
Sayre	208	176	154	52	41	1	26	69	59	85
Wells	62	50	59	50						
Totals	885	693	734	578	42	1	26	69	81	103

EVANGELISTS AND UNSTATIONED MINISTERS REPORTS

	Sermons preached	Prayed for healing	Calls made	Cash support
C. E. Mayne — Oneonta			218	
Lloyd W. Stuart — Wells	252	9	90	4,133.00

PASTOR'S REPORT

	Time on charge yrs. mos.		Sermons preached	Prayer services conducted	Communion services conducted	Revivals conducted	No. Prayed with for healing	Baptisms	Children dedicated	Funerals	Marriages	Pastoral calls
Albany - Harry E. Grimes	5	4	97	45	3	2	12	8	2	2		325
Brookdale - Robert F. Finch	2	6	98	34	3		8		1		1	200
Gloversville - Norman G. Wilson		11	101	39	2	2	1		2	3		381
Oakdale - G. Lindley Adams	15		88	31	3				3	3	2	608
Oneonta - Harry L. Twining	6	10	95	33	3			7	7	3		473
New York - Newland R. John	22		30	25	6		50		4		2	50
Ravena - Clifton F. Berg		10	88	27	1					6	1	385
Rochester - J. N. Jump	6	6	94	44		1		1				200
Sayre - Bobbie L. Bidwell	3	6	79	34	1	1			5	7	2	757
Wells - Paul W. Washburn		4	88	25	1	1						
Totals			795	312	22	7	71	8	24	24	8	3,379

	Cash support from Church	Cash support off charge	Gifts and donations	Total support	Parsonage	Heat	Telephone	Electricity	Cooking fuel
ny - Harry E. Grimes	4,160.00	670.00	200.00	5,030.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
kdale - Robert F. Finch	2,795.27	75.00	150.00	3,020.27	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
ersville - Norman G. Wilson	3,360.00			3,360.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
dale - G. Lindley Adams	5,300.00	40.00	335.00	5,675.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
onta - Harry L. Twining	3,180.00		50.00	3,230.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
York - Newland R. John	900.00			900.00	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
na - Clifton F. Berg	1,680.00		304.00	1,984.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ester - J. N. Jump	50.00	827.85	549.12	1,426.97	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
e - Bobbie L. Bidwell	5,205.00			5,205.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
s - Paul W. Washburn	1,050.00		40.00	1,984.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Totals	27,680.27	1,612.85	1,628.12	30,921.24					

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