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GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:

Rev. Albert H. Wilson GENERAL BOARD:

Rev. Albert H. Wilson

Rev. William J. C. Vanoss

Rev. Sylvester N. Bennett

F. W. Clark

Harry Handwerck

TRUSTEES:

Rev. A. H. Wilson (1 year)

Rev. S. N. Bennett (2 years)

Rev. Floyd Baker (3 years)

DISTRICT ELDERS:

Western Division: Rev. Sylvester N. Bennett Eastern Division: Rev. William J. C. Vanoss

CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE:

Rev. A. H. Wilson Rev. Floyd Baker

Rev. Stanley W. Simmons Alvin Young

Rev. William J. C. Vanoss

EDUCATIONAL BOARD:

Rev. Stewart Thompkins (1 year)

Rev. Harry M. Moore (2 years)

Rev. S. N. Bennett (3 years)

COMMITTEE ON MINUTES:

Rev. S. S. Thompkins Rev. S. N. Bennett Rev. William J. C. Vanoss

AUDITING COMMITTEE:

Augusta Engwer

Mrs. Sadie Schaeffer

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE:

Rev. Floyd Baker (1 year)

Rev. William J. C. Vanoss (2 years)

Rev. Sylvester N. Bennett (3 years)

GENERAL SECRETARY:

Alvin Young

The fifteenth annual Conference of the Pentecostal Rescue Mission and its Branches was called to order Tuesday afternoon, March 16th, 1920.

The General Superintendent, Rev. Albert H. Wilson presiding. At the roll call the following delegates reported:

Albany-Clark Davis

Ashland, Conesville, Keyserkill-Martha Ackley

Amsterdam—By letter

Binghamton—Ida Houghtaling

Cortland-Prudence Moon

Finch Hollow—Frank Finch

Grovenors Corners, Brooky Hollow-Ina Carpenter

Oneonta-Grace Culver

Pittsfield-Mrs. Linnburg

Schenectady—By letter.

North Troy-Jennie Vines

White House-Mrs. Dalley

Allentown-

Lake Placid-Hubert Downs

East Dickenson-Maud Orton

Union Valley-

For General Supt. Brother Davie

Adjourned to 9 a. m. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17th, 9 A. M.

Devotional Exercises, Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair Roll call of delegates and workers.

Reports of the various branches read and accepted.

Motion made and seconded that the report of Oneonta branch be accepted with report of Orphanage corrected, and that hereafter all personal reports be excluded from reports of branches.

Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that a Judiciary Committee be appointed to hear all unsettled matters, as the chair may refer to them, Carried.

Motion made and seconded that the committee consist of 3 members to serve 3, 2, and 1 year. Motion carried.

Chair appoints: Rev. S. N. Bennett, 3 years, Rev. William J. C. Vanoss, 2 years, Rev. Floyd Baker, 1 year.

Rev. Winfred R. Cox of Greensboro, N. C. was introduced and voted seat in conference.

Motion made and seconded that the report of North Troy be accepted with correction regarding General Fund Assessments. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn until 2 P. M. Motion carried.

MARCH 17, 1920, 2 P M.

Devotional Exercises, Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair

Report form Chester, Penn'a.

Branch closes and property deeded back to former owners.

Reports from the following Workers read and accepted:

ccepted:					
A. H. Wilson	Augusta B. Visscher				
H. M. Moore	Alvin Young				
Floyd Baker	Augusta Engwer				
S. N. Bennett George J. Becker					
Belle B. Burns	Edward J. Schemelia				
S. W. Simmons	Marion Foster				
Preston Kennedy	Cora Hill				
S. S. Thompkins	Crace M. Robinson				
W. J. C. Vanoss	O. E. Whipple				
David E. Wilson	Louisa Whipple				

H J Felter W. A. Schoemaker F. T. Boswell Henry Schoemaker R. W. Visscher Sadie Schaeffer Verna Hamlin (Oral) Mary B. Wood Emma Garman Lena M. Roy Vera Davie Mary Berg (Oral) May Whitman Anna Cole Grace V. Bush Carl Schaeffer No report from J. G. Chamberlin Walter Grady

Report from Bethel Anchorage Home at Schenectady read and accepted.

Missionary report was read and accepted.

Fund for "Needy Saints" discussed at length.

Motion made and seconded that the report of the Chairman of Needy Saint's Committee be accepted, and that the discipline be followed the coming year regarding the fund for 'Needy Saints'. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 9 A. M. Thursday, March 18th.

MARCH 18th, 9 A. M.

Devotional Exercises, Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair

Roll call of delegates and workers.

Minutes read, corrected and accepted.

Personal report of Preston Kennedy read and accepted.

Report of the treasurer of the Binghamton Camp meeting read and accepted.

Report of Hope Anchorage Home at Allentown. Pa. read and accepted.

Motion made and seconded that an itemized report of the General Board be read at Friday morning session. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the General

Board report the amount of property held by them; also the amount paid on indebtedness during the year. Motion carried

Motion made and seconded that the report of the Supt. of the Orphanage be read at the Friday morning session. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the Auditing Committee report at the Saturday morning session. Motion carried

Chair ruled that all books must be closed at the last day of February each year, and books given to the Auditing Committee at the beginning of the Conference.

Matters regarding printing office discussed at length. Matter was put in hands of the Judiciary committee for investigation.

Motion made and seconded that report of General Supt. of the Victory Grove Camp Meeting Association be accepted. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the Pastor at Brooky Hollow investigate matter of deed of Brooky Hollow property at the County Clerk's office and if original deed can not be found, another deed be drawn up and put in the hands of the Trustees. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the pastor at Union Valley investigate regarding deed of property at Union Valley, and report at next conference. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the Educational Committee meet and prepare to give more difinite report concerning course of study for Deaconess. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the matter of ordination of women be left until to-morrow morning session. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 2 P. M. Motion carried.

MARCH 18th, 2 P. M.

Devotional Exercises, Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair

Motion made and seconded that the report of the Judiciary committee be embedded in the minutes of this meeting. Motion carried.

Following is the report of the Judiciary Committee:

Request that provision be made in the delegates report for Missionary money sent to Secretary of Missionary Board. For other Missionary purposes. Regarding "News from Home".

Request that the General Board assume the debts, and pay the same as they see best.

Motion made and seconded that the Binghamton Branch be given privilege to change their membership list, because of the members of the Binghamton Branch being members of the Conference Branch. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that all members of the conference branch desiring to join a Logar Branch shall make request for transfer from Secretary of Conference Branch, which will be granted, and that from this time, all such persons desiring credentials shall make request for same at Local Quarterly Meeting. Motion carried.

Rev. W. R. Cox of Greensboro, N. C. presented the matter of a union of the Pentecostal Rescue Mission and the International Holiness Church. Brother Cox explained in detail the work of the International Holiness Church.

Motion made and seconded that the question of a union between the Pentecostal Rescue Mission

and the International Holiness Church be discussed at the afternoon session to-morrow. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 9 A. M. March 19th. Motion carried.

FRIDAY 9 A. M. MARCH 19th, 1920

Devotional Exercises, A. H. Wilson in Chair Roll call of delegates and workers.

Minutes read and accepted.

Report of General Board read and accepted.

Motion made and seconded that General Board investigate Workers who have not reported at this conference. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the enforcing of examinations in the course of study be left in the hands of the Educational Committee. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that all workers who expect to have their credentials renewed, should take report from the Educational Committee to the General Board. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we accept the resignation of Rev. Preston Kennedy. Standing vote 30 for and 15 against. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that Brother Kennedy be given privilege to speak concerning his resignation. Motion carried.

Amendment: Motion made and seconded that we recind the action of the Conference regarding the resignation of Bro. Kennedy. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the matter regarding the reason for the resignation of Brother Kennedy be placed before the Judiciary Committee and General Board, and report made to this

Conference. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we proceed to business, and that examination on discipline and Cushing's Manual be dropped for another year. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the Board of trustees report the valuation of Local branches so as to appear on the minutes. Motion carried.

Rev. C. E. Judd of the Nazerne church of Cortland, N. Y. was introduced and voted seat in Conference.

Motion made and seconded that the question of ordaining women be taken from table, and acted upon at this session. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the action of the 1917 Conference regarding ordination of women be repealed. Motion carried.

Standing vote, 27 for and 20 against.

Report of the Chenango Valley Orphanage Sunday School read and accepted with correction.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 2 P. M. Motion carried

FRIDAY, MARCH 19th, 2 P. M.

Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair. Devotional Éxercises.

Roll call of delegates and workers.

Motion made and seconded that the report of the Judiciary Committee and General Board regarding the resignation of Bro. Kennedy be accepted, and that report be embodied in these minutes. Motion carried.

Following is the report: "After considering the matter regarding the reasons for the resignation of Bro. Kennedy, the Judiciary Committee and General Board find, that while we are at fault in

some instances as a work, which faults we promise by the help of God to correct, we do not, however, feel that Bro. Kennedy is justified in resigning because of same, however, at his request we advise the Conference to accept his resignation."

Motion made and seconded that the principles, which the work has been charged with leaving, through the resignation of Bro. Kennedy be made known to the Conference. Motion carried.

Sr. Dinnburg was excused from Conference at her request.

Motion made and seconded that at the request of Bro. Kennedy, after his statement to the Conference, his resignation be accepted. Standing vote 14 for, 16 against.

Motion made and seconded that we proceed to the regular business. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the Missionary Board meet the General Board and formulate plans to carry on the Missionary work. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that a committee of three be appointed to dispose of printing outfit. Motion carried.

Chair appoints Bro. Vanoss, Bro. Bennett, Bro. Baker.

Motion made and seconded that a committee of two with the General Superintendent be appointed to investigate concerning the union of the Pentecostal Rescue Mission and the International Holiness Church. Motion carried.

Chair appoints, with himself, Rev. William J. C. Vanoss, Rev. S. N. Bennett.

Motion made and seconded that the report of the Educational committee be accepted. Motion: carried.

Election of officers.

Alvin Young was reelected as General Secretary.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the General Secretary for his faithful service during another year.

Motion made and seconded that the office of the District Superintendent be left to the discretion of the General Board. Motion carried.

Chair appoints the following on the General Board: F. W. Clark, S. N. Bennett, W. J. C. Vanoss.

Motion made and seconded that we grant the General Superintendent more time to make appointments on the Missionary Board. Motion carried.

Campmeeting Committee: Floyd Baker, W. J. C. Vanoss, Alvin Young, Stanley W. Simmons.

Auditing Committee: Augusta Engwer, Sadie Shaeffer.

Committee on Minutes: S. S. Thompkins, W. J. C. Vanoss, S. N. Bennett.

Rev. Floyd Baker was appointed Trustee for three years.

Rev. S. N. Bennett was appointed member of the Educational Board.

Motion made and seconded that the General Board be given power to appoint Board of the Schenectady Rescue Home from local branches. Motion carried.

Rev. S. N. Bennett was appointed member of the Needy Saints committee for three years.

Motion made and seconded that the matter of the support of the Schenectady Rescue Home be placed in the hands of the Judiciary Committee. 12

Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the matter of Conference Evangelist be left in the hands of the General Board. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the matter of the next meeting place for the Conference be left with the General Board, and report at their earliest convenience. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that an offering be taken Sunday afternoon for the expenses of the Conference. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 9 a.m. Saturday, March 20. Motion carried.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20th, 1920, 9 A. M. Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair, Devotional Exercises.

Roll call of Delegates and Workers.

Minutes read and approved to date.

Orphanage report read and accepted.

Report of the Judiciary committee on support of Schenectady Rescue Home was accepted.

Following is the report: "We advise that the Workers of the different branches take up an offering as often as possible, and to press the appeal upon the hearts of the people."

Report of the Conference Branch read and accepted.

Motion made and seconded that report of Auditing Committee be accepted and books corrected by General Board. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the General Superintendent act as Chairman of the Missionary Board. Chair appointed the following members: Floyd Baker, Verna Hamlin, Louise Shelp, Ida Houghtaling. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that the matter referred to by Bro. Vanoss concerning a permanent home for the pastor on each local branch in the rural districts be encouraged. Motion carried.

Workers were advised by the Chair that they send in their address to the General Secretary as soon as possible.

Workers were also advised regarding the change of Secretary in the Conference branch.

Motion made and seconded that a committee of three be appointed to meet the Orphange Board of Directors, also the Board of Trustees and General Board to decide matter pertaining to the Orphanage work. Motion carried.

Chair appoints the following committee: S. N. Bennett, Floyd Baker, S. S. Thompkins.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 2 p. m. March 20.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20th, 1920, 2 P. M.

Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair. Devotional Exercises.
Roll call of delegates and workers.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn to 7 p. m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 7 P. M.

Rev. A. H. Wilson in Chair. Devotional Exercises.

Motion made and seconded that committee appointed to investigate the forming of a church union be given power to bring it to completion after a favorable expression of all the Branches.

Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that if the matter regarding this church union is entertained favorably this Conference votes to give the General Board power to draw up papers to complete the union. Motion carried.

Minutes read and accepted.

A vote of thanks was extended to the General Secretary.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn for one year. Motion carried,

P. S.: Before going to "Press," we received notice from Bro. Walter Grady expressing his regret for not having been able to attend the Conference. He got the dates mixed a little, thought it was the week of the 25th instead of the 16th.

Rev. Wenfred R. Cox, of the International Holiness University at Greensboro, N. C., preached every night, and twice on Sundays to large congregations. His work was blessed of God, with souls at the altar at every service. He was a great blessing to the workers.

Alvin Young, General Secretary.

REPORTS OF BRANCHES.

Albany, New York.

Members	. 43
Probationers	6
Cash receipts	\$3426.03
Disbursements	3311.53
Property valuation	8500.00
Indebtedness	1900.00
Sunday School receipts	80.52
Disbursements	54.64
Allentown, Penn.	
Members	13
Probationers	1

`	Cash receipts \$1,570.48 Disbursements 1,565.19 Property valuation 4,000.00 Indebtedness 3,570.00 Sunday School receipts 84.43	
	Sunday School receipts 84.43 Disbursements 70.83	
	Amsterdam, New York.	
	Members	
	Probationers 2	
	Cash receipts \$1,787.14	
	Disbursements \$1,760.25	
	Property valuation \$7,150.00	
	Indebtedness\$3,450.00	
	Sunday School receipts 59.99	
	Disbursements	
	Ashland, New York.	
	Membership 4	
	Probationers 0	
	Cash receipts \$ 9.50	
	Disbursements \$ 9.50	
	Binghamton, New York.	
	Membership 56	
	Probationers 9	
	Cash receipts\$2,026.21	
	Disbursements\$2,018.06	
	Property valuation	
	Indebtedness\$4,000.00	
	Sunday School receipts \$ 94.95	
	Disbursements \$ 82.39	
	Brooky Hollow, New York.	
	Membership 16	
	Probationers 5	
	Cash receipts \$ 429.21	
	Disbursements \$ 429.21	
	Property valuation\$ 675.00	

Conesville, New York.		North Troy, New York.
Membership	6	Membership 8
Probationers	. 2	Probationers
Cash receipts\$	201.44	Cash receipts \$ 596.93
Disbursements\$	201.44	Disbursements
Property valuation\$	950.00	Value of furnishings\$ 42.86
Cortland, New York.		Sunday School receipts\$ 42.86
Membership	8	Disbursements
Probationers	0	Disbursements \$ 40.08
Cash receipts\$	•	Oneonta, New York.
Disbursements\$		Membership 33
Value of furnishings\$	60.00	Probationers
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	00.00	Cash receipts
Finch Hollow		Disbursements
Membership	35	Property valuation \$4.500.00
Probationers	8	Indebtedness
Cash receipts\$		Sunday School receipts\$ 44.76
Disbursements\$		Disbursements \$ 42.24
Property valuation \$1		Disbutisements \$ 42.24
Sunday School receipts\$	85.16	Pittsfield, Mass.
Disbursements\$	69.91	Membership
Grosvenor's Corners, New York.		Probationers
Membership	9	Cash receipts
Probationers	2	Disbursements
Cash receipts\$	321.98	Value of furnishings\$ 45.75
Disbursements\$		Sunday School receipts \$ 59.69
Property valuation\$		Disbursements\$ 55.44
•		Disbuisements p 00.45
Keyserkill, New York.	18	Schenectady, N. Y.
Membership Probationers	2	Membership 20
Cash receipts\$	_	Probationers
	640.56	Cash receipts \$ 1,765.67
	950.00	Disbursements
Sunday School receipts\$	6.20	Property valuation \$ 7,500.00
Disbursements\$	3.42	Indebtedness \$ 3,669.20
Disbut sements	0.14	

Union Valley, Penn'a.

Membership	11
Probationers	, 0
Cash receipts	\$ 541.31
Disbursements	\$ 518.26
Property valuation	\$ 950.00

White House, N. J.

Membership	6
Probationers	0
Cash receipts \$	598.87
Disbursements \$	604.87
Chenango Valley Orphanage Sunday School	Report
Cash receipts \$	3.89
Disbursements \$	2.50

Workers Personal Reports:

I have visited all the Branches once during the year, assisted Bro. Baker at Allentown, Pa. and Bro. Moore at Oneonta, N. Y., in revival meetings. Laboured at four Camp meetings, viz: Victory Grove Camp, Vermontville Camp, Seven Oaks and Binghamton Camp meeting. Held, revival meeting in Wilmington, N. Y., Holiness Church, Preached once in Beacon Light Mision Troy, N. Y., Twice in Good Templar Hall, Bangor, N. Y. Organized new Branches at East Dickenson, N. Y., and Lake Placid, N. Y.

Received for my services as General Supt. and Evangelist, \$458.57

· Albert H. Wilson, General Supt.

Rev. A. H. Wilson-

I appointment; 4 weekly services; 50 calls; Receipts \$1,370.01,

Rev. H. M. Moore-

I appointment; 3 weekly services; 148 calls. Receipts \$826.34.

Rev. Floyd Baker-

I appointment; 3 weekly services; 80 calls. Receipts \$\$36.26.

Rev. S. N. Bennett-

Held 3 quarterly meetings; supplied Binghamton in absence of pastor. Receipts \$25.65.

Rev. B. E. Burns-

I appointment; 4 weekly services; 45 calls. Receipts \$422.19.

Rev. S. W. Simmons-

I appointment; 4 weekly services; 115 calls. Receipts \$1,143.54.

Rev. Preston Kennedy-

Six camp meetings; 5 revivals; 5 conventions. Receipts \$1.890.00.

Rev. S. S. Thompkins-

I appointment; 3 weekly services. Receipts, \$575.98.

Rev. William J. C. Vanoss-

3 appointments; 2 weekly services; 64 calls. Receipts \$628.29.

Rev. D. E. Wilson-

4 appointments; 4 weekly services; 250 calls. Receipts \$1,294.39.

Rev. H. J. Felter-

3 appointments; 2 weekly services; 60 calls. Receipts \$448.67.

R. W. and Augusta Vissher-

Not stationed; 35 services. Receipts \$66.76.

C. W. Schuyler-

1 appointment; 3 weekly services; 243 calls.

Receipts \$364.42.

Alvin Young----

1 appointment; 2 weekly services; 35 calls. Receipts \$1,282.05.

Augusta Engwer-

Matron, Bethel Anchorage Home, Schenectady. Receipts \$140.59.

George J. Becker-

Not stationed. 16 services. Receipts \$13.18.

Edward Shemelia-

1 appointment; 4 weekly services; 109 calls. Receipts \$264.04.

Marion Foster-

Not stationed. Receipts \$119.85.

Rev. Ellis T. Boswell-

1 appointment; 2 weekly services; 66 calls. Receipts \$456.37.

Rev. William A. Schoemaker-

1 appointment; 2 weekly services; 105 calls. Receipts \$682.57.

Rev. Henry Schoemaker-

1 appointment; 4 services weekly; 294 calls. Receipts \$651.98.

Carl and Sadie Shafer-

1 appointment; 3 weekly services; 122 calls. Receipts \$420.36.

Mary B. Wood-

27 services; 85 calls. Receipts \$100.00.

Rev. J. G. Chamberlin

No financial report.

Cora Hill-

Girls' Matron in Orphanage, reports a blessed time. Receipts \$15.00.

Emma Carman-

Deaconess, Allentown, Pa. 6 weeks' revival meetings; 141 calls; 50 services; 1600 tracts given out. Receipts \$61.14.

O. E. and Louise Whipple-

76 meetings; 16 calls; 5000 tracts given out. Receipts \$217.78.

May Whitman-

Spent the year in Orphanage. Receipts \$92.14.

Grace Robinson-

Part of year in Orphanage. Receipts \$117.08.

Grace V. Bush—
Visits to county jail 7; visits to hospital 8;

Anna S. Cole-

meetings 8; calls 16.

Boys' Matron, Open school Sept. 11th, with over thirty scholars. Receipts \$56.01.

Walter Grady-No report.

Mary E. Berg-

Oral report of good work done in Cortland.

Lena M. Roy-

Missionary in Africa. Full report in Missionary report.

Verna Hamlin— Oral report given.

Vera Davie-

In Orphange part of the year. Receipts \$10.00. Report of General Board:

Value of property, \$96,700.00.

Indebtedness on property, \$18,871.74. Endowment fund of nearly \$119,000.00

ALVIN YOUNG, General Sec'y.

Campmeeting Committee: Toal receipts during the year, Total disbursements,	\$1960.36
,	\$1871.66
Balance on hand Present indebtedness, \$1520.31.	\$88.70
ALVIN YOUN	G, Treas.
Hope Anchorage Home: Allentown, Pa.	
Receipts	. \$690.78
Disbursements	\$690.78
Home suspended July 1, 1920, unable financial obligations.	to meet
Mrs. J. F. Gilbe	rt. Sec'v
Bethel Anchorage Home— Schenectady, N. Y.	
Receipts during the year Disbursements	\$569 79
Donations	49.33
AUGUSTA ENGWER	7 Treas
Missionary Board:	o, 110as.
Balance on hand	6904 45
Receipts during year	. \$391.45
June 1 Ju	\$804.57
Total	2444
Total	\$1196.02
Disbursements	\$522.17
Cash on hand	0000 00
Notes of value of	\$673.85
To worker's on field:	\$907.52
Lena M. Roy, South Africa.	
Belle B. Burns Vincia Interior	
Belle B. Burns, Virgin Islands.	•
Two going to Alaska.	
Bro. and Sr. Henry Schoemaker.	

VERNA HAMLIN, Sec'y.

Chenango Valley Orphanage:
Children in the Home during the year73
Children gone out during the year25
Children now in the Home 48
Adults in the Home
Receipts during the year 11,715.21
Disbursements \$11,715.21
Bills receivable \$1,001.59
Bills Payable\$260.00
Donations of canned fruit, supplies and cloth-
ing.

Generous donations from George Moore Bakery.

PRESTON KENNEDY, Supt.

Sister Lena M Roy's report:

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Port Shepstone, Natal, South Africa.

January 5th, 1920.

Pentecostal Rescue Mission Conference,

Binghamton, N. Y.

Dear Colabourers in Christ:

Greeting in Jesus Name. Am so glad that about fifteen years ago, I came to Binghamtion for a visit and there met the dear ones at 399 Chenango St., and that I saw my need of a new heart and came to Jesus and was made whole. Am glad that before that there was a precious family who were praying for me and God answered their prayers. I rejoice that when a very small girl in the primary class in Sunday School that God put the desire in my heart to be a Missionary for Him and that the thought was always with me. But it seemed that my health would not permit me to go to the Mission field. Then, after God saved me, sanctified me, and has led

me, He gave me different call. Praise His Name. I am so glad for that. It is so necessary for every missionary to have a different call. There are sure to come clouds, but if, when the clouds are hanging low, we can say, God called me and I know I am in His will, then we can hold still in the furance and when we come through. we find that even the clouds have caused us to grow in grace. I do not think I can say I have ever been homesick. There have been clouds, heart ache, loneliness for the dear ones over the sea, and times when it seemed my work was of no avail, but never have I regretted that I came. There were times before I left the homeland. when I sometimes wondered if I had a real call, but have never doubted it since I have been here. Have now been in Africa three years. vear has been different from the others, each year has brought its own experiences, but His grace has been sufficient all through. To-day I feel more like trusting Him than ever. Bless His name. He blesses me as I write. He holds me steady from day to day, but it is not so often that the real overflow blessing comes, but just now he touches my soul. It seems I am giving a class-meeting testimony rather than a report. but I do want to tell you He gave me health and He keeps me saved and sanctified just now, and gives me grace to do His will and follow all the way.

Last year my work had not much variety about it, this year it has been all variety. There has been a little of everything for me to do. Yet as I give my report, I do not want you to think I

have done more than I have. I am sure that many missionaries have done more work, that is, been busier than I have.

I do want to thank God for letting me understand the people more. I have had more to do with them than in previous years and it has let me know more about their hearts and lives. Then too, while I am not learning the language as quick as some, yet I know that God has helped me to make progress during the pastyear.

I want to thank you all for your faithful support by your prayers, your means, and your letters. Frequently some one writes telling me it would do my soul good to hear the Saints or this one or that one pray for me. Eternity alone will reveal how many times I might have failed had not those who were "holding the ropes" been faithful.

The coming year is untired. Satan will not try along the lines on which he has been conquered. There will be new conflicts, new per-I am to meet. new problems plexities. but I am also a mighty God, trusting in trusting and knowing that there are precious Saints who are holding me to a Throne of Grace. This is a blessed thought. Remember, on the mission field there are times when trial or burden or clouds come when there is no earthly friend to whom one can pour out their heart, but Jesus understands without words if we just groan-it. out to Him.

"I'm in this way to stay

To go every step of the way

To wear a crown

And play on a harp some day."

Below follows report of work and finance:

Held night school 5 evenings a week from first of the year until after first of June. Reopened about November 1st, and continuing. Administered medicine to 328 people. Some of these were simply given medicine, others had sores dressed.

Visited 75 Kraals and prayed with 353 people. Had charge of 29 services. Also had charge of Sunday school for the year.

The services which I have held at the out stations are included in the 29.

Received from Missionery board \$379.86.

This is remittance for 13 months.

Received from other sources \$120.92. This includes Christmas gifts for both last year and this Not all of last year's, as some was received before January of last year.

May God bless you all. Ever yours in Christ.

Lena M. Roy.

I do not want to neglect to speak of the blessing which Brother and Sister Fuse have been to me. We have not had the privilege of being so much together the past year, but they have been faithful to me and there will be a vacant place to me as they go over the sea.

Ever trusting,

Lena M. Roy

Sister Belle B. Burns' Report:

Frederiksted, St. Croix.

Virgin Islands, U. S. A., March 1, 1920. To the Pentecostal Rescue Mission, Yearly meeting, at Binghamton, N. Y.

Dearly Beloved in the Lord. Greetings:

"Thanks be unto God who giveth" the privilege of addressing you at this time, from this beautiful little island.

Our summer is already very warm tho' Jesus gives us grace.

The two months we have been laboring here has been satisfaction and contentment.

We have seen about twenty five seekers for pardon and heart purity, tho' have learned that all have been seekers before except one East Indian.

Holiness missionaries have been on this island over seventeen years, so the gospel story is not new here now; many have given no heed; others have turned against the light; a number hang around the edges while a little company of true saints are a real blessing to us.

As a rule the natives are very quarrelsome, very dishonest in their dealings, tho' when they do yield to Christ there is no sham piety or veneer to fight down; one example will show you.

A sister gave her heart to Jesus; she was very eager to attend all the meetings; her husband was very wicked, he would hook the door and not let her in when meeting was over, then she must sleep in the arch-way or seek shelter with a neighbour the remainder of the night.

One day her husband was taken very ill and was carried to the hospital. A few days later

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she was summoned to his death; it was early on Wednesday morning when the saints were in prayer at the tabernacle, when she came in clapping her hands and shouting: "O Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! He has removed my "tumbling block" from me".

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

All are very courteous in manner and show much respect for white men and women who come to them. Those who are christians do all in their power to help us.

A few mornings ago these same sisters above mentioned came to our door and called "Bro. Burn". He opened the door and greeted her; she stood with her arms folded together as if carrying parcels, tho' she had none. She said. "When you go market, buy thing; don't carry home. Buy meat and things; leave them, come tell me, I go for them; white missionary must not carry bundles."

There are three different churches in this town -Lutheran, Moravian, and Roman Catholic, all are very worldly; all have crosses and look so much alike. I am not yet able to tell them apart.

The island outside the towns is laid out in These have villages for the laboring estates. class of people, families living in one small room, like the town people the home conditions and poverty are apalling.

We have visited two of these villages, the first being very near us; tracts were given each person. all were urged to attend the meetings and seek the Lord. The next day a young woman from there was pronounced a leper and was taken in the ambulance to the leper aslyum near hospital As we prayed with the sorrow-Christiansted.

stricken mother, the hope of the daughter getting salvation among the fifty or more saints there, seemed no comfort to her, as they have often rejected the Saviour as also the young woman who died there suddenly the following day after being often reproved for her sins.

On this island all are clothed—at least partly covered, if only with rags and tatters or a bran sack, while a few dress very nice.

Most of our people even have shoes, tho' some wear them only on special occassions.

If I were to invite you in any one of our services, think it would be the Sunday or Wednesday 5 A. M. prayer service to hear some of these dear black men and women "who do know their "God" talk with Him. Sometimes I open my eyes during prayer and to see the "big black feet turned up" under the seat here and there. I can't help saving "how beautiful are the feet of them" Bless the Lord!

I love my work. Not all is ease and sunshine. tho' He gives grace in the testings. We need your prayers very much.

The jail of this town is a part of my parish. Two services are held there each Sabbath Bro. Burns with the native brethern go in the A. M. A native worker, Sr. Markeo, goes with me in the P. M. if Bro. Burns does not.

Have had from eleven to fifteen in each service; several have raised their hands for prayer

We are both perfectly contented, Bro. Burns goes among the men and does much that would he impossible for me to do. If "conference time" was not so valuable would tell you much of one we are deeply interested in, whom Erc. Burns has often called on, read to and prayed with. Last Thursday we had been and canned peaches. Bro. Burns was desirous of treating his newly made friends, who had never tasted peaches, and a tray was arranged and carried to him. I think the contents was enjoyed by the one who looked on, as well as by the one who ate. Prayer was offered afterward and Bro. Burns said the thankful man prayed with all his heart.

He later sent word to me that he was saved; came to meeting that night and as he went into the seat he knelt to pray as timely as any saint, and has acted like one ever since.

If peaches would have that effect on every one, I would empty all U.S.A. of them till every one was served, tho. I know prayer does "much more than this." So please help us pray, Pray for these dear needy ones.

I shall miss the conference; shall answer to my name each morning at the roll call as usual, tho' you do not hear me. Am planning to arrange my work so when it is 9 with you (our time is 40 minutes faster) I will go in prayer in behalf of you dear ones assembled to do business for Jesus. When prayer is ended and by memory I hear, "Floyd Baker, S. N. Bennett, Belle B. Burns, I shall say "present" out loud, then go to my daily duties. God Bless You All!

Perhaps you who know that West Indian missionaries are supposed to have seventy-five dollars monthly for support of a couple will wonder how we have gotten along when you hear my financial report. To the glory of God will say we have not suffered want nor do not expect to, and as some of you know American currency is

high now.

We use Danish money here. At the post office we get twenty-eight and a half percent on a dollar; at the bank we get twenty-seven and one half percent. You see that makes our American money go further. Prices are very high here, every thing at least a few cents in advance of the home prices.

The enclosed American dollar is for my conference fee, the Danish dollar will be of interest to those who have never seen one, then it can be changed to American money and have seventy-two or three cents toward conference expenses.

Again I say, please Pray for us that God will give us souls for His glory here.

Yours, waiting for Jesus coming.
Belle B. Burns.

REPORT FROM OCT.15, 1919 TO MARCH 1, 1920.

From Oct. 15th, to Dec. 20th, when we sailed for St. Croix Island, held 22 Missionary meetings and made 18 calls.

Since on St. Croix Island have made 76 calls, besides 7 times going to the hospital, visiting 77 patients.

Spoke at Poor Yard one Sunday P. M.; visited there one other time.

Have one preaching place under my care besides the jail services.

Angusta

Financial	Report	from	Oct.	15,	1919	to	Mar.	1,
1920.								

 Cash
 \$362.40

 Missionary Out-fit
 \$43.97

 Supplies since on St. Croix
 \$4.50

Total \$410.87

Total receipts for the year\$833.06

Expenses of Missionary travels,

S. S. passage and freight\$266.55

Net Total for the year\$566.51

Belle Bradt Burns,

Frederiksted, St. Croix Island,

Virgin Islands, U. S. A.

Appointments.

Albany, Rev. A. H. Wilson.

Allentown, Rev. Floyd Baker.
Keyserkill, Conesville, Rev. Chas. S. Bartlett
Amsterdam, Mary B. Wood.
Binghamton, Rev. S. W. Simmons.
Cortland, Carl & Sadie Shafer.
Finch Hollow, Harry J. Felter
Grovenors Corners,
Brooky Hollow, Rev. W. A. Schoemaker.
Oneonta, Rev. S. S. Thompkins.
Pittsfield, Rev. Edward Shemelia.
Schenectady, Rev. William J. C. Vanoss.
Union Valley, Charles W. Schuyler.
North Troy, O. E. and Louise Whipple.

Lake Placid, Rev. Ellis T. Boswell.

Howard Hill, Mary E. Berg.

East Dickenson, Rev. D. E. Wilson.

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Western Division: Rev. N. Bennett.

Eastern Division: Rev. W. J. C. Vanoss.

Singing Evangelist: Alvin Young.

Matron, Bethel Anchorage Home,

Missionaries.

Lena M. Roy, Africa.

Belle B. Burns, West Indies.

Brother & Sr. Schoemaker, Alaska.

To Chenango Valley Orphanage:

Anna Cole.

May Whitman.

Deaconess, Allentown:

Emma Garman.

Subject to call of General Supt. George J. Becker.

Berna Hamlin.

Grace M. Robinson.

Marion Foster. R. W. Vissher.

R. W. Vissner. Augusta Vissher.

Rev. J. G. Chamberlin.

Walter Grady.
J. Herbert Mease.

Grace V. Bush.

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his request.
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