MINUTES
OF THE
UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
VANCOUVER PRESBYTERY

TUESDAY, MARCH 10th 1942

The Presbytery of Vancouver met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Tuesday, March 10th 1942, at 9.30 A.M., Rev. H.R.McGill in the Chair, and was opened with praise, and prayer by Rev.Dr.T.Jackson Wray.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: E.W.Mackay, E.A.Davis, D.H.Telfer, R.W.Hardy, W.M. Burton, A.H.Huntley, Geo.W.Dean, R.Herbison, S.V.H.Redman, H.R.McGill, Francis H.Stevens, W.A.Cooke, W.E.Galloway, T.Jackson Wray, Edward Beeching,C.H.Ballard,J.Herdman, B.Glover, C.E. Batzold,H.M.Rae, Hugh Herbison, T.S. Paton, Bryce H.Wallace, M.Gordon Melvin,John Pye, W. Evan Fullerton, S.H.Pinkerton, Robert Moses, Charles Finnemore, W.H.H. Norman, O. Darwin, J.H.A.Warr, J.W.Smith, W. Stott, J.C.Stewart, J.W.Melvin, A.E.Cooke,Wm. Deans,Ivan Y. Wong, R.J.McIntyre, John Archibald, John R. Hewitt, K. Nomoto, S.J.Green, G.H.Villett, G.H. Raley,K.Shimizu, Wesley Latimer, G.A.Wilson, R.P.Stobie, E.F.Church, A.M.Sanford, and H.R.Vessey, Arthur Barner, L.A. Bygrave, Cyril G.Baker, J.Neave, T.E.Holling.
Lay Representatives: J.G.McGowan, W.H.Babb, J.McLarty, Etta V.Cooke, W.A.Gleason, E.G.Duncan, W. Carter, W.M.McKenzie, J.Quigley, W.F.Merrick, J.A.McLean, Wm.Forbes, T. Lawrie, Jas.R.Fraser, A.Warwick, C.Turney, R. Lundie, O.D.Austin, R.J.Innes, Geo.P.Wallace, Fred Emerson, James Hope, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, Edna L.King, John Wright, A.J.Honey, W.A.Mann, Mrs.G.E. Darby, C.H.Cunnings, W.T.Easterbrook, Mrs.W.Niles, Mrs.J.Ellis, D.F.Warren, F.Shoemaker, C.E. Mahon, D.McPherson, C.E.Atchison, M.MacInnes, M.A.Harrison, S.Shinobu, T.A.Brough, J.F.Shaw, R.D.Smith, Thomas Laing.

MINUTES: The Minutes of last meeting, on Monday February 9th 1942, as mimeographed, and in the hands of members, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with room provided for a resolution prepared by Rev.S.H.Pinkerton, was accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. A letter from Mr.V.R.Clerihue resigning as Convener of the Committee on Survey and Extension, was referred to the Nominating Committee.
2. Communications, re Lay Sunday, from the Secretary of the Central Council A.O.T.S. Clubs, were read, and were referred to the Secretary to write a letter of thanks on behalf of Presbytery, for excellent services rendered.
3. Notification from Ryerson Church of the appointment of Messrs.O.D.Austin, Stanley Brent, R.D.Smith and Fletcher Shaw, as Lay Representatives, was read, and their names ordered on the Roll of Presbytery.
4. The request from Rev.H.Stewart Forbes that his name be forwarded to the Settlement Committee as that of one prepared to take a Charge, was approved.
5. Acknowledgement of receipt of a letter of sympathy from Mrs.Dr.G.W.Knipe, was read, and was ordered to be received and filed.
6. Two resolutions from the Official Board(Feb.24/42) of Crosby Church,were read and dealt with as follows:-
   (a) For reduction of expenses, that Presbytery should recommend either discontinuance of the issuance of the Church Year Book, and the W.M.S. Annual Report, or that there be a drastic reduction in the size of these volumes. - referred to the Conference Committee on Publications.
   (b) Withdrawal or curtailment of the General Council "for the duration"- to be passed on 'simpliciter to B.C.Conference.
7. Letter of acknowledgment by Dr.R.B.Cochrane of Presbytery resolution re Cost of Living Bonus. Ordered to be received and filed.
8. Request from St.James' Church for May meeting of Presbytery to be held there. Request granted.

INTRODUCTIONS: Rev. W.M.Burton informed Presbytery of the presence of Rev. George W.Dean, now living on Salt Spring Island. Mr.O.D.Austin introduced Messrs. Stanley Brent, R.D.Smith, Fletcher Shaw, as new lay representatives from Ryerson Church - all of whom were cordially welcomed by the Chairman.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary presented the report of the Executive of Presbytery, recommending:-

1. That the action of the Trustees of the United Church Trust Fund in purchasing a $500.00 Bond of the Second Victory Loan be approved. Agreed.
2. That the name of Rev.Willard E.Brewing,D.D., now of St.George's Church Toronto, be submitted for the office of Moderator of the General Council. Agreed.
3. That in the absence of Mr.O.D.Austin for some months this summer, Mr. J.G.McGowan be empowered to act as Treasurer of Presbytery. Agreed.

HOME MISSIONS: In the report on Home Missions, as presented by the Convener, Rev. W.E.Galloway, the following recommendations were approved:-

1. Chinese Manse: In view of needed repairs and decorations of the Chinese Manse at 386 West 13th Avenue, Vancouver - that the Chinese congregation be asked to finish the reshingling of the roof, and that, when that has been done to the satisfaction of the Committee, the Board of Home Missions be asked for a grant of $165.00 for interior decorations. Approved.

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2. Scandinavian Mission Debt: Inasmuch as Presbytery has failed to fully implement its undertaking to pay for the heating plant of the Scandinavian Mission, and as the building has been sold, the Presbytery respectfully asks the Board of Home Missions to cancel the remainder of the debt.
3. W.M.S.Contribution to Mission Boat: That the Secretary of Presbytery be asked to forward a letter of thanks to the Vancouver Presbyterial of the Woman's Missionary Society, for the contribution of a new medical kit to the "Melvin Swartout", valued at $21.00. Approved.
4. Re Former Powell River Rural Charge: That that portion of the former Powell River Rural Charge not now included in the "Cranberry-Westview Charge, be henceforth known as the Texada Island Charge. Approved.
5. Salary Scale of Marine Missionaries: That the salary scale of Marine Missionaries, as presented by a sub-committee of the Conference Marine Committee be approved by this Presbytery, viz:-
   That the basic yearly salary be at the rate of $150.00 above that currently paid to Missionaries on aid-receiving charges.
   That at the end of three, five and eight years of effective service, there be an increase of salary at the rate of $100.00 per year.
   Note: Marine Missionaries receive their living while their boats are away from home o n duty. Approved.
6. Japanese Church Property: That the control of Japanese Church Property within the bounds of this Presbytery, after their evacuation by the Japanese, be placed in the hands of the Home Mission Committee of Presbytery. Approved.

GRANTS FOR HOME MISSION FIELDS: Requests, as under, for the following fields were approved:- Alert Bay $850 plus $1020 and bonus for engineer, boat expenses $1000.00; Bowen Island $130.00 if necessary; Bridge River - field re-arranged, no grant required; Cape Mudge $250 if required; Allowance for Mrs. Read $200.00; Cranberry-Westview $150; Dollarton $104; Howe Sound $500.00; Squamish $550; Steveston Japanese $550 if necessary; Texada Island $200; Vancouver Beaconsfield no grant required; First Church $4615; Renfrew $100; St. James' $50; Chinese $750; East Indian, for hall rent $300; Japanese Fairview $400.00.

RESOLUTION RE JAPANESE: On motion by Revs.B.H.Wallace and W.E.Galloway, the following resolution re the Japanese was accepted and Rev. H.M.Rae and W.R.Brown were appointed to submit the same to the city papers:-

"That this Vancouver Presbytery realising the present urgent need for national security, would voice approval of the appointment of a Provincial Security Commission, to expedite the evacuation of the Japanese population from the Defence Area, commending its avowed policy of doing so in the most humane manner possible.

We would also express to the Japanese citizens of our Province, who during their long residence among us have proved to be law-abiding and industrious people, our regret that the exigencies of war necessitate this complete disorganization of their way of living. We deprecate attempts made by anyone to exploit this unhappy situation for their own personal advantage.

To the members and adherents, and to our pastors, and their families among the Japanese people, at this dark hour, we would extend the hand of Christian fellowship, assuring them of our continued concern in their welfare, and promising, that as far as possible, we shall continue the ministry of the Gospel among them, and lovingly commend them to the common Father of all, and to the sustaining grace of our Lord Jesus Christ."

In view of rumours circulated as to the colour line being drawn, on motion of Rev.J.C.Stewart, Revs.H.M.Rae and M.Gordon Melvin, were appointed to draft a resolution to be presented to Presbytery in the afternoon.

Mr. Wm. Forbes enquired concerning the work among East Indians, and was assured by the Convener that efforts would be made, in co-operation with neighbouring congregations, to deal as effectively as possible with this situation.

The report as a whole was then adopted, with cordial thanks to the Convener.

RESOLUTION RE NOTICES OF REMOVALS: On motion by Revs.S.H.Pinkerton and H.M.Rae, it was agreed:- that the Vancouver Presbytery request the British Columbia Conference to instruct its ministers stationed on Pastoral Charges to forward to the Secretary of the Presbytery concerned(or to some other person duly appointed by that Presbytery) notices of removals of all adherents and members of the Church moving from their Charges. And,that the Secretary of Presbytery,(or other duly appointed person) place the

information so forwarded in the hands of the minister stationed on the Pastoral Charge to which the removal has taken place.

PENSIONS: As the Convener of the Committee on Pensions, Rev.Wm.Graham, had to leave for pastoral duties in Powell River, the report was presented by Rev.Dr.J.W.Melvin, who pointed out that while 28 had paid in full, 3 were in arrears for 1939, 17 for 1940, and 34 for 1941, making a total of $2721.00 of arrears in this Presbytery. Recommendations were approved as follows:-

1. That a grant of $50.00 from the Emergency Fund be made to Mrs.W.Agabob, on compassionate grounds.
2. That the brethren keep in closer touch with their fellow member Rev. J.T.Smeeton, 1795 West 8th Avenue.
3. That Ministers make every effort to pay up arrears.
4. That a ministerial session for discussion of the Pension Fund situation be arranged for the afternoon prior to opening of Conference.
5. That the matter of standardisation of Salaries be dealt with by the special Conference Committee appointed to deal with this matter.

On Dr. Melvin's motion, the report as a whole was then adopted.

STATISTICS: Mr. O.D. Austin presented the report on Statistics. Mimeographed copies of the totals for 1941, as compared with 1940, with increase and decrease tabulated, were in the hands of members. In general discussion gratifying increases in certain departments were noted, but figures for Sunday Schools, R.E., and Men's Organizations called for serious consideration. In summing up the report, the Convener laid emphasis on the need for regarding the figures set down as indicating effort, or lack of effort, to bring people to decision for Christ.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: For the Committee on Missionary and Maintenance, Mr. C.E.Mahon expressed heartfelt gratitude for an increase of $2570.46 in givings for the whole Church in 1941, an indication of excellent leadership of Committees, and loyalty of ministers and other church workers. For B.C.Conference the total was $80,671.97, an increase of $668.60 over 1940. Only two Conferences failed to increase givings in reaching the total of $1,454, 180.40. To February 28th of this year, total receipts in Toronto were $38,665.00, an increase over 1941 of $7,145.00. During 1941 contributions to the British Churches Fund amounted to $55,280.00 and to the Moderator's Fund $13,889.00. In moving the adoption of the report as a whole, the Convener urged all Treasurers to forward all M.&.M.Funds on hand to Toronto on the first Monday after the last Sunday of each month.

RESTRICTION OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC: Mr. C.E. Atchison asked for the privilege of submitting to Presbytery some particulars concerning the increase in drinking, and was supported by Revs.W.R.Brown and W.S. Reid. It was agreed that this matter be submitted to the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service to prepare a resolution to be submitted in the afternoon.

DEVOTIONAL: Rev. Bryce H.Wallace conducted the Devotional Service, basing his address, "Christian Mysticism and the Devotional Life" on John XV. To enter into this heritage that is ours calls for the use of certain techniques of known experts, so that the values may become ours that make for the enrichment of personal and public worship. Christian mysticism far from being mistiness or escape or revolt is the response to that divine urge within us that results in the awareness of the indwelling Christ. Such techniques as cleansing, vigils or fastings have values in the cultivating of a sense of oneness with God, of fresh awareness of God upon whom attention is so centred. Thus it is that time spent in prayer, in contemplation, is at once enrichment of the personal life, fitting preparation for public worship and for effective rendering of needed service.

ADJOURNMENT: This session of Presbytery adjourned at 12.45 p.m., with the benediction by Rev. Bryce H.Wallace.

LUNCHEON: Following adjournment the members of Presbytery were served luncheon, by a circle of the W.A. in the Hall of the Church. Members of the War Savings Committee, after luncheon, gave information on progress of the drive, related interesting incidents and recommended various methods of carrying the campaign to a successful issue.

2.10 p.m. Presbytery resumed at 2.10 p.m., and was opened with praise, and prayer by Rev.T.S.Paton.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: Presbytery learned with deep regret of the passing of near relatives of some of the members, messages of sympathy were ordered to be sent to Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith, whose wife, after long illness, had won release; to Mr.V.R.Clerihue, whose mother, at a ripe age, had entered into rest; and to Rev.Hugh and Mrs.Herbison, whose infant child had fallen on sleep. Rev.R.Herbison informed Presbytery of the serious illness of Mr.J.S.Woodsworth, and it was agreed that a message of sympathy from

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Presbytery be sent to the relatives. Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer then offered prayer.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The report on Christian Education as presented by Rev. J.H.A.Warr, dealt with the decline in Sunday School and mid-week activities. The taking over of certain activities by the Public Schools made it necessary for the Church's programme to be drawn up on more definite lines. Various members of Presbytery spoke of the appeal of the Scout Movement, of the difficulty of dealing with young people on account of constant change of residence and of the general handicap created by unsettled times.

1. New Boys' Programme: On motion by the Convener, seconded by Rev.A.E.Cooke, it was agreed to ask the Conference Committee on Christian Education to investigate thoroughly the advisability of preparing a new mid-week programme for boys in keeping with the times.
2. Finance: On motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon and Rev.C.Finnemore, it was agreed that the Conference Committee prepare a budget, and allocate a stated amount to each congregation in the Conference.

The report as a whole was then adopted.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ONPASTORAL RELATIONS: Rev. Dr. J.W.Melvin reported for the Committee charged with preparing suggestions on procedure re Pastoral Relations in view of the tendency to neglect the rulings of the Manual. After the report had been read, on motion by Rev.Wm.Stott, the several paragraphs were dealt with seriatim. It was then agreed that the revised report should be mimeographed and copies sent to Secretaries of Official Boards, Clerks of Sessions, to Ministers and to Secretaries of other Presbyteries in the Conference.

On motion by Rev.Dr.W.S. Reid, the Committee was continued in order to report at next meeting on the advisability of a limited pastoral term.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: In reporting for the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, Rev.A.E.Cooke referred to the Japanese situation and informed Presbytery it was understood that the Conference Committee would confer with the Security Commission to consider conditions as they might arise.

Five resolutions were then accepted, as follows:-

1. Restriction of hours of sale of liquor: It was moved by Rev.R.J.McIntyre and seconded by Mr. James McLarty:-

   "That this Vancouver Presbytery of the United Church write the Premier, Hon.John Hart, and Mr.W.F.Kennedy, Chairman of the Liquor Control Board, expressing appreciation of the reduction of hours of sale in the Government Liquor Stores, but are of the opinion the effect of such action will be largely offset if other agencies selling liquor are permitted to run as usual. We would therefore, strongly urge that the hours of sale in Licensed Premises and Drinking Clubs be made to conform with hours of sale now in operation in the Government Liquor Stores. This we request in the interests of economy, sobriety, efficiency, public safety, protection of youth and an all-out war effort."

2. Response of Federal Cabinet to Delegations: Moved by Revs.R.J.McIntyre and D.H.Telfer - "That we deeply regret and express our great disappointment at the recent response of the Federal Cabinet, to large and representative delegations which met the Cabinet in July 1940, and again in October 1941, requesting certain restrictions on the liquor traffic throughout Canada. Its action in keeping these bodies waiting for over a year and a half for a reply, appears to be most reprehensible, in view of the fact that the Cabinet bases its answer on a Judgment passed years ago as to limitations of Federal authority, which it knew as well in July 1940, as in February 1942.

   Furthermore, action was requested under the "War Measures Act" which gave full authority to the Federal Government to grant the requests with respect to advertising of liquor, and sale of alcoholic beverages and all matters relating thereto.

   We therefore again would remind the Federal Government of its obligations to restrict this traffic in view of the fact that alcoholic beverages are today impeding and frustrating the Nation's best effort in this world war."

3. RE Japanese Enlistment: Moved by Revs.H.M.Rae and Mr.C.Turney -

   "The Vancouver Presbytery of the United Church of Canada would strongly urge the authorities to make such a departure from our present policy, with regard to local Japanese volunteering for the armed services, whereby those who wish might take their places in the ranks of our Canadian Forces.

   From long association with and work among these people, it is our conviction that many are sincerely interested in the victory of our democratic forces. They love Canada, desire to maintain her freedom and integrity, and would willingly shed their blood for her as heretofore.

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"In our judgment there are many places where such volunteers could readily be used to great advantage. Nothing is more disappointing to any people than to forbid the normal expression of patriotic feeling, or more deplorable than to seek to draw a colour line when our enemy in the Pacific is making much of the race issue. The danger of projecting a racial cleavage into our Canadian life is a violation of Christian Principle, and we sincerely protest against a policy that would inevitably prejudice our national unity and burden us with an unfortunate heritage of feeling for generations to come."

4. Re Dismissal of Japanese Nurses: Moved by Rev.G.H.Villett and Rev.H.M. Rae:-
"That we greatly deprecate the action of the Board of the Vancouver General Hospital in dismissing the Japanese nurses in training, especially the one who was within three months of graduating. This is especially to be regretted in the light of the statement issued by St. Paul's Hospital that they were not taking any such action as the General Hospital had taken, nor had any such request come from the governing authorities."

5. Appreciation of Japanese Pastors: Moved by Rev.W.E.Galloway, seconded by Rev. Dr. D.H.Telfer:-
"That in view of the likelihood of our Japanese Ministers, Rev. K. Shimizu, and Rev.K. Nomoto, being obliged to leave the bounds of our Presbytery in the near future, we express our great appreciation of their fine and faithful work through the years, regretting the present necessity of severing our relations for the time being, praying God's blessing on them in the coming days and looking forward to a day of happy reunion."

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: Rev. W.M.Burton reported that the Session Records of St. Andrew's-Wesley Church had been examined,and asked that they be attested.

ADJOURNMENT: At 5.20 P.M., this meeting of Presbytery closed with the benediction by the Chairman.

H.R. McGill ..... Chairman

E. W. Mackay ..... Secretary

TUESDAY, MAY 5th 1942

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.James' Church, on Tuesday, May 5th 1942, at 9.30 a.m., with Rev. George G. Hacker presiding, and was opened with praise and prayer by Rev.Dr.S.S.Osterhout.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: Revs. R.Herbison, John Pye, T.Jackson Wray, M.Gordon Melvin, S.S.Osterhout, W.E.Galloway, F.H.Stevens, E.Beeching, Charles Finnemore, T.S. Paton, J.C.Stewart, S.V.H.Redman, R.W.Hardy, G.B.Switzer, W.P. Bunt, W.H.H.Norman, Wesley Latimer, Robt.Moses, A.M.Sanford, W.Evan Fullerton, J.H.A.Warr, Hugh Herbison, Andrew Roddan, J.W.Smith, B.Glover, A.E.Cooke, Wm. Burton, R.P.Stobie, J.Herdman, J.W.Melvin, John R. Hewitt, W.S.Reid, W.Stott, R.J.McIntyre, E.F.Church, W.R.Brown, Wm.Deans, G.D.Wilkie, Eb. Crute, W.A.Cooke, O. Darwin, G.A.Wilson, A.F. Munro, Bryce H.Wallace, George G.Hacker, E.W.Mackay, and G.H.Findlay, L.A.Bygrave, J.Neave, Arthur Barner, W.L.Armstrong(Toronto)
Lay Representatives:- W.H.Babb, J.Quigley, F.Shoemaker, W.Carter, W.F.Merrick, Mrs.G.A.McConnell, George P.Wallace, Fred Emerson, W.A.Mann, Margaret McDiarmid, W.T.Easterbrook, Mrs.Jas.Ramsay, W.A.Gleason, C.E.Mahon, W.J.Fullerton, Mrs. N.H.Schooley, C.E.Atchison, W.H.Parkin, M.A.Harrison, Mrs.G.E.Darby,Mrs.J Ellis, Mrs.W.Niles, E.Scruton, E.G.Duncan, J.F.Shaw, Mrs.F.Yeo, Edna L.King, Albert S. Cox, H.Garrison, D.F.Warren, R. Lundie, Jas.Hope, J.M.Gavey, R.D.Smith, T.A.Brough, H.Hilton, C.Turney.

MINUTES: The Minutes of last meeting, on March 10th 1942, as mimeographed, and with the change on page 5 of the address of Rev.J.T.Smeeton, from "West 15th" to"West 8th", were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Acknowledgements of letters of sympathy from Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith and Mrs. Grace McInnis, were read and were ordered to be filed.
2. Acknowledgments of -
   (a) Resolution re hours of sale in licensed premises and drinking clubs from:- Hon.John Hart, B.C. Premier; Hon.R.L.Maitland, B.C.Attorney General; Mr. W.F.Kennedy, Chairman Liquor Control Board.

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(b) Resolution urging restriction of the liquor traffic in Canada, from the Private Secretary of Hon.W.L.MacKenzie King.
(c) Resolution urging that Japanese in B.C., be allowed to join the Canadian Forces, from the Private Secretary of Hon.J.L.Ralston,Minister of Defence - were received and filed.

3. Letter from A.K.Haywood, Superintendent of General Hospital re Resolution deprecating dismissal of Japanese nurses-in-training. The Secretary was instructed to write thanking Dr. Haywood for information submitted, and informing him of Presbytery having been misled by reports in the Daily Press.
4. Applications of Presbyteries for admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, from:-
   (a) North Bay(Toronto) for Rev. Archibald D.Penman, Minister of the Convention of Baptist Churches of Ontario and Q uebec;
   (b) Essex, (London) for Rev.Stephen T. Dunk, Minister of the First Baptist Church, Grand Blanc, Michigan;
   (c) Sudbury,(Hamilton) for Rev.Ernest Hayes, a minister of the Church of England.
   (d) Simcoe,(Toronto) for Rev.Russell J.Pike, a Minister of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, Ontario Conference;
   (e) Toronto East,(Toronto) for Rev. Frank M. Cryderman, a Minister of the Presbyterian Church in U.S.A. -

   were submitted, and no objections made.
5. Applications to retire from Rev.E.Wesley Morgan, and Report and Recommendation of Medical Examiner, re Rev. Ebert C.Curry, were found in order, and were ordered to be sent to the Conference Pension Fund Committee.
6. The request of Rev.Mark A. Talney, of Everson, Wash., to have his name continued on the Roll of Presbytery was read, and the Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Talney for further information.
7. Notification of the appointment of Mrs. G.F.McGuffie in place of Mr.George Hillocks as delegate to Conference for Cranberry-Westview, was read and approved.
8. Notification of the appointment of Mr.S.H.Lind, to replace Mr.William McKenzie, from South Arm-Steveston was read and this name was ordered on the Roll of Presbytery.
9. The letter from Mr.G.Lake, Chairman of the joint committee of the sessions of St.John's, First, and St.Andrew's-Wesley Churches, called to consider the liquor question, and the documents relative to New Life Publications were referred to the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, for report in the afternoon.

INTRODUCTIONS: The Chairman welcomed Rev.James Stobie, recently returned from Manchuria, introduced by Rev.A.Roddan; Rev.Dr.W.L.Armstrong, introduced by Rev.A.E.Cooke, also lay representatives, Mrs.Margaret McDiarmid from Richmond and Capt.H.S.Hilton from Crosby Church.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: To Rev. J.G.Gibson of Squamish, on the passing of Mrs. Gibson, and to Mr.W.E.Fullerton, Lay Representative for Grandview, on the passing of his helpmeet, the mother of Rev.W.E.Fullerton of Vancouver Heights, by standing vote, followed by prayer by the Chairman, messages of sympathy were ordered to be sent.

EXECUTIVE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE: On motion by Rev.F.H.Stevens the reports of the Executive and Nominating Committee were postponed until the afternoon.

HOME MISSIONS: Rev. W.E.Galloway, for the Committee on Home Missions, reported the following actions of the Home Mission Board,at its recent meeting in Toronto:-

1. Agreed to vote a grant to shingle the Chinese Residence, 386 West 13th Ave., at a cost of approximately $100.00.
2. Agreed to the request of Crosby Church to sell the corner lot, which was included in a mortgage held by the Board, the proceeds of the sale to go towards payment of the mortgage.
3. Agreed to grant another $100.00 towards the purchase of the manse at Westview, as requested by Presbytery.
4. Agreed to cancel the debt of $242.60 due by the Vancouver Presbytery to the Property Fund of the Board, in connection with the Scandinavian Mission as requested by Presbytery.

Horseshoe Bay and Bowen Island: Your Committee asked the Superintendent of Missions and the Convener to meet with Rev. F.H.Stevens with respect to the work at Horseshoe Bay. Mr.W.P.Grant has been appointed by the Board of Home Missions as week-end supply for Bowen Island and Horseshoe Bay. It is hoped that these two places may be worked together at least for the summer months. The matter of a site for a building will be dealt with soon by the Trustee Board of West Vancouver United Church, in response to a petition signed by some of the residents of the community. It is felt by the committee that some guarantee of future support should be given by these residents before final action is taken.

Japanese Pastors: Rev. W.P. Bunt reported certain tentative arrangements

by the Home Mission Board with a view to appointing Japanese Pastors to camps etc., and it was agreed that Revs.H.M.Rae and W.Stott should prepare a statement in this connection to be forwarded to the Settlement Committee, so that the Home Mission Board may have power to effect such appointments.

LIFE AND WORK: For the Committee on Life and Work, Rev.G.H.Villett reported of 16 forms sent out, 5 had been returned:

First Church: A model report, prepared by Rev.W.Stott, of multitudinous congregational activities, carried on by devoted workers.
Grace Church: Conditions healthy, a progressive congregation.
St. Andrew's,North Vancouver: In every respect the work here is encouraging.
Riverview: Work going well; thanks to Presbytery for visit of delegation.
Cedar Cottage: Visit of delegation helpful, and to the mutual satisfaction of the congregation and the visitors.

On motion by the Convener, and Mr.C.E.Mahon, the report as a whole was adopted.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: In the report on Missionary and Maintenance, Mr. C.E. Mahon analysed the 1941 total of $40,925.01(an increase of $536.29 over 1940) and stated that 35 Charges had increased by from fifty cents to $300.00 (in Canadian Memorial). One Charge contributed the same as in 1940; one new Charge,Cranberry-Westview had raised $71.82; no contribution from Bridge River and Lillooet; seven Charges met their allocations; nineteen Charges exceeded their allocations, and thirty Charges failed - by from $4.30 to $1365.25, to meet their allocations.

Only 2643 of the 4348 contributors in the Presbytery through envelopes used the red end. A contribution of 10¢ per week from the 1705 delinquents would mean $8866.00. If the 4348 contributors by envelope gave 20¢ per week to M.&.M. our Presbytery would raise $45,229.00.

Contributions from Vancouver Presbytery to April 30th 1942, came to $7483.25 - an increase over 1941 of $26.40. The givings from B.C.Conference however were down by $310.28 - over against a gain for the whole Church of $11,012.73.

Allocations for 1942($44,295.00) are as follows:-
Alert Bay $30.00; Bowen Island $15.00; Bridge River(Bralorne) $50.00;Pioneer $50.00; Britannia $100.00; Cape Mudge Indian $100.00; Cranberry-Westview $100; Dollarton-Lynnmour $10.00; Howe Sound $150; Ladner $450; Lillooet, nil; Lynn Valley $30; North Lonsdale & Capilano $30; St.Andrew's,North Vancouver $1000; Powell River $300; Richmond $475.00; South Arm-Steveston $300; Squamish $50; Steveston Japanese nil; Texada Island $25; Beaconsfield $60; Canadian Memorial $3,000; Cedar Cottage $200; Chalmers $3000; Chinese $75; Chown Memorial $2500; Collingwood $300; Crosby $750; Dunbar Heights $1200; First $400; Grace $450; Grandview $1000; Hastings $125; Japanese, nil; Knox $2200; Marpole $500; Mountain View $250; Renfrew $50; Riverview $100; Robson Memorial $100; Ryerson $4250; St.Andrew's-Wesley $8000; St.George $600; St.Giles $2000; St.James $100; St.John's $1000; St.Stephen's $500; Secord $20; Shaughnessy $3000; Trinity $400; Union College $500; Vancouver Heights $450; West Pt. Grey $2250; Wilson Heights $150; Windsor $400; Zion $450; West Vancouver $600.00.

Forwarding of all monies on hand by the first Monday after the last Sunday of each month was again urged.

Rev. Dr.G.A.Wilson reported on action by the M.&.M. Board in Toronto, and Mr.W.Carter proposed that tithing be adopted by Presbytery.

On motion of Revs.H.M.Rae and F.H.Stevens, further discussion was postponed until the afternoon.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev.J.H.A.Warr, Convener of Christian Education, submitted to Presbytery, the six objectives of the United Christian Education Advance:-
1. Reach every person: 2. Provide Christian teachers: 3. Create a working Fellowship: 4. Train the leaders: 5. use best materials: 6. Seek personal commitments - and his motion, seconded by Rev.S.V.H.Redman was accepted:-

> "That Vancouver Presbytery endorse and support to the full the Christian Education Advance Movement, and - "That every Church in the Presbytery sign and return to the Convener of Christian Education, the form attached to Bulletin No.2 of Advance Movement."

POSTPONEMENT OF REPORT ON EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: Rev. A.E. Cooke's request that the report on Evangelism and Social Service be postponed until the afternoon,was granted.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: For the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.F.H. Stevens reported with recommendations, which were accepted as follows:-
1. That, in view of the unsettled condition arising out of the war, and consequent dislocation of plans and disturbing of the attitude of some candidates for the Ministry, no action be taken to remove the name of any candidate from the Presbytery's list at this time, even though he may not have fulfilled all normal requirements.

2. That the names of the following candidates for the Ministry be continued on the Roll:-
Alfred E. Carlson, Bryan C. Colwell, James Lowe, John Lowe, Harry B.B. Menagh, T.Thompson Moore, Harry L. Penny, Alfred H.Shepherd, Gordon M. Wilson, Raymond C.W.Keeble.
3. That, inasmuch as the Lowe family moved to Toronto, the Toronto Centre Presbytery be asked to supervise James and John Lowe, and consider their transfer to its jurisdiction.
4. That, Frederick Robert Gibson, age 20, in 2nd year Arts, and James Alexander McAllister age 24, in 3rd year Arts, both recommended by Union College Chapel Session, be received as Candidates for the Ministry, and arrangements be made for their formal reception at an early meeting of Presbytery.
5. That, being satisfied with his character and his proficiency in learning, the Presbytery recommends Takashi Komiyama to the British Columbia Conference, for ordination, and, with this end in view the Presbytery do now proceed to license him to preach the Gospel.
6. That this Presbytery request the Toronto Centre Presbytery to enquire into the character and proficiency in learning of R.C.Stewart Crysdale with a view to licensing him to preach, and recommending him for ordination; that a recommendation be forwarded to the B.C.Conference Committee on Education and Students that it request the Toronto Conference to ordain R.C.Stewart Crysdale, and that Mr.Crysdale's request for a leave of absence be forwarded to the Settlement Committee for consideration.

LICENSING OF TAKASHI KOMIYAMA, B.A. Rev.F.H.Stevens, as Convener of the Committee on Education and Students, presented Takashi Komiyama, to the Chairman of Presbytery to be licensed, who,with members standing, was, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by authority of Vancouver Presbytery licensed to preach the Gospel wherever God in His Providence may order his lot.

REQUEST FOR REV.DR.W.L.ARMSTRONG: Rev.Dr.W.S.Reid asked for a place on the Agenda for Rev.Dr.W.L.Armstrong, who himself suggested that he be given ten minutes at the luncheon.

DEVOTIONAL: In the Address at the Devotional Service, Rev.R.W.Hardy of Crosby Church, pleaded for wider and more grateful recognition of one of the greatest heroes of the faith, Barnabas; the magnificence of whose character shone forth in so many ways on so many critical occasions. The selfless generosity of this wonderful man, his eagerness to lay hold on those who could make known the Good News, his consuming interest in the furthering of the interests of the Kingdom, quite irrespective of any honour that might come to himself, are values we would do well to treasure. Barnabas, who gave Paul and Mark to the Christian Church exemplified qualities to be emulated, that have made, and will make for the coming of the Kingdom of God.

ADJOURNMENT: At 12.25 p.m., Presbytery adjourned with the Benediction.

LUNCHEON: The Women's Association of St. James Church served Luncheon in the Hall of the Church, in their customary efficient manner, and were cordially thanked for the helpful service rendered. At the close of the luncheon, Rev.Dr.W.L.Armstrong gave a brief but informing and inspiring Address on the Pension Fund.

2.00 P.M. Presbytery resumed at 2.00 P.M., with praise,and prayer by Rev. Dr. T.Jackson Wray - Rev. George G.Hacker presiding.

VANCOUVER CHARTS: Rev. Dr. Gordon Dickie presented a Chart of the City of Vancouver, marked to show locations of churches and comparative memberships. Another Chart, prepared by Mr.Takashi Komiyama, showed the locations of Japanese homes in the City. Copies of these charts will be made available later.

APPRECIATION OF DR.W.L.Armstrong: On motion by Rev.G.H.Villett, the members of Presbytery most cordially tendered their hearty thanks to Rev. Dr. W.L.Armstrong for his stimulating services in the West and for the telling work he is doing in the interests of the Pension Fund.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary reported that the Executive had met on April 20th, to arrange the Agenda for this meeting, to consider correspondence received,and -

1. Request for transfer (Rev.W.H.H.Norman)
The Executive of Vancouver Presbytery would draw attention of the Transfer Committee to the Resolution of this Presbytery, re the request for transfer of Rev.W.H.H.Norman, adopted on June 17th 1941:-
"That Presbytery take no action that would be contrary to the resolution brought in by the Settlement Committee and adopted by Conference."
In our opinion the situation has not changed, but, in view of the fact that the St.George congregation acted prior to the Resolution of Conference and subsequent action of Presbytery, the matter of the transfer of Rev.

W.H.H. Norman be left to the judgment of the Transfer Committee.
Rev. F.H.Stevens asked that his protest be recorded against any action being taken by the Executive of Presbytery, contrary to action taken by Presbytery.
2. That Presbytery approve of the action of the Committee on Education and Students in asking Toronto Centre Presbytery to examine and license, and Toronto Conference to ordain, Mr.R.C.Stewart Crysdale, and that his request for special consideration be forwarded to the Settlement Committee.
On motion by Revs.R.Herbison and W.E.Galloway, the report as a whole was approved.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The Secretary submitted the report of the Nominating Committee for Presbytery Officers and Conveners of Standing Committees:
Chairman: Rev. W. Deans, H.M.Rae, W.Stott.
Secretary: Rev.E.W.Mackay, Treasurer: Mr.O.D.Austin.
Home Missions: Rev.R.W.Hardy, Missionary Education: Rev.R. Moses, Evangelism & Social Service: Rev. A.E.Cooke, Burnaby Home: Mr.E.G.Duncan, Missionary and Maintenance: Mr.C.E.Mahon. Christian Education: Rev.J.H.A.Warr, Education & Students: Rev.F.H.Stevens, Pensions: Rev.H.R.McGill, Publications: Rev. Wm.Stott, Historical: Rev.E.D.Braden, Obituary: Rev.T.Jackson Wray, Property: Rev.O.Darwin, Statistics: Mr.O.D.Austin, Life and Work: Rev.G.H. Villett, Survey & Extension: Rev. Gordon Dickie, Manual: Rev.J.C.Stewart, Radio Committee: Rev. W.Deans, Moderator's Fund: Chairman Elect, Pastoral Relations: Rev.George G.Hacker, Congregational Records: Rev.W.Burton, Publicity: Mr E.G.Duncan, Hospital Visitation: Rev.George G.Hacker, Marpole Home: Rev.R.P.Stobie.
As all three whose names had been submitted for the office of Chairman, withdrew, the election of a chairman was left in abeyance until later. Other changes were the appointment of Rev.W.Stott as Convener of Home Missions, Rev.J.W.Smith for Burnaby Home, Rev.D.H.Telfer for Education and Students, Rev.R.W.Hardy for Publications.

On motion by Revs.A.M.Sanford and W.Deans, Rev.M.Gordon Melvin was appointed as the other representative of Presbytery on the Settlement Committee.

MINISTERIAL DELEGATE TO GENERAL COUNCIL: From the floor the names of Revs.M.G. Melvin, W.Deans, J.G.Brown, W.H.Smith and G.H.Villett, were placed in nomination for Ministerial delegate to the General Council. On motion by Revs.W.Stott, and A.F.Munro, it was agreed that the candidate to be elected should have more than half of the votes cast, and that the one standing second should be the alternate. Ballot papers were then distributed by the Scrutineers.

EVANGELISM & SOCIAL SERVICE: For the Committee on Evangelism & Social Service, Rev. A.E.Cooke reported, recommending:-
1(a) Endorsation of the Laymen's campaign for liquor restriction.
(b) That the minister and three delegates from each congregation be urged to attend the meeting called for May 7th. Agreed.
2. That Presbytery endorse the "New Life" publications, and recommend the widest possible use of the leaflets. Agreed.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS: (1st Ballot) The Scrutineers reported 58 ballots cast for Ministerial Delegate, but no election. A second ballot on the names of Revs.G.H.Villett, M.G.Melvin, W.Deans - having the highest number of votes - was then ordered.

EVANGELISM & SOCIAL SERVICE: The report on Evangelism and Social Service was continued with Rev.A.E.Cooke reporting re labour trouble in the Queen Charlotte Islands Lumber Camps, and interviews with Employers and representatives of the workers. Following the meeting of the Committee on April 21st the following resolution, unanimously adopted, was sent to Hon.W.L. Mackenzie King, also copies to the Minister of Labour, the Chief Timber Controller and to Mr.Nigel Morgan, Secretary I.W.A., Vancouver:-

"We reiterate the stand repeatedly taken by our United Church in affirming labour's right to Collective Bargaining through representatives freely chosen by Employees' Unions. In view of the serious shortage of Airplane Spruce, and the threatened labour troubles in the logging camps of the Queen Charlotte Islands, we urgently request the Dominion Government to take immediate steps to bring Employers and workers together upon this basis, so that all labour troubles may be prevented, and production proceed at maximum capacity."

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS: (2nd Ballot) - The Scrutineers reported 60 votes cast, but no election, and a third ballot was ordered.

EVANGELISM & SOCIAL SERVICE: It was moved by Rev.R.Herbison and T.Jackson Wray, that Presbytery endorse the action of the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service in forwarding the above resolution to the parties named.
In amendment, Rev.A.M.Sanford, and Mr.J.F.Shaw, moved - "That we take no action in this matter."

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Revs. Bryce H.Wallace and H.M.Rae, as an amendment to the amendment, moved that Presbytery refer the whole problem to the Conference Committee on Evangelism and Social Service.

The amendment to the amendment carried 19-14, and was made the finding of Presbytery. This report as a whole was then adopted.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS: (3rd Ballot) - The Scrutineers reported 61 votes cast, with a clear majority for Rev.W.Deans, and Rev. G.H.Villett coming second. It was agreed that Rev.W.Deans be the ministerial delegate from Presbytery to General Council, with Rev.G.H. Villett as alternate.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF PRESBYTERY: On motion by Revs.H.M.Rae and A.F.Munro, it was agreed that nominations for Chairman of Presbytery be made from the floor. The names of Revs.M.G.Melvin and G.H. Villett were submitted, and ballots were distributed by the Scrutineers.

PRESBYTERY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION: While ballots for the election of Chairman were being counted, Mrs. Frank Yeo gave an informing and inspiring report on the multifarious activities of 21 Women's Associations in the Presbytery. Cordial thanks were tendered Mrs.Yeo for much information that was new to many members of Presbytery.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS: (Ballot for Chairman) The Scrutineers reported 44 votes cast for the office of Chairman, with a clear majority for Rev. G.H.Villett, who thanked the members of Presbytery for the honour conferred upon him, and who pledged himself to employ all his ability worthily to discharge the duties of the office.

NOMINATIONS FOR CONFERENCE STANDING COMMITTEES: On motion by Rev.Wm.Stott, the nominations for Conference Standing Committees (to be posted on the Bulletin Board of the Conference Church), were taken as read.

MINISTERIAL STANDING: (Time Limit for Pastorate) Rev. W.Stott reported for the special committee on Ministerial Standing, asked to consider a time limit for Pastorates, as follows:-

"That this Presbytery of Vancouver, meeting in St.James Church on this the fifth day of May 1942, respectfully overtures the General Council, through the Conference, as follows:

WHEREAS, certain provisions of the Basis of Union continue to prove irksome to part of the Church, and -

WHEREAS the provision that all pastorates be without time limit is one of these:

THIS PRESBYTERY OF VANCOUVER respectfully overtures the General Council, at its forthcoming meeting to be held inBelleville, Ontario, to enact as follows:-

THAT Section 1, under 'The Ministry' (Basis of Union page 29) which reads as follows: "The Pastoral relation shall be without a time limit" be amended by the addition of the following: 'unless otherwise stated at the time of its inception'. AND -

THAT Section 5., under 'The Ministry' be numbered 5(a), and that 5(b) be added, to read as follows: "The Pastoral Charge in extending a Call or Invitation, or the Settlement Committee in making an appointment, may state the duration of the pastoral term - it being understood that such term may later be extended or abbreviated. Where no such statement is made, the pastorate shall be without time limit."

TO GIVE EFFECT TO THESE CHANGES in the basis of Union, if passed by the Courts of the Church, the following is recommended:-

To Section 112 of Constitution and Government, that the following paragraph be added:-

"The Pastoral Charge, in its Call or Invitation, if it so desires, may state the number of years for which it desires the proposed pastorate to continue. If, at the end of that period, it desires the pastorate to continue for a further term, this may be secured with the consent of Presbytery, the Minister, and a two-thirds vote of the congregation. If circumstances arise which make desirable a termination of the pastorate before the completion of the term mentioned in the Call or Invitation, this may be secured under similar consent.

Where appointment is made by the Settlement Committee in cases where a Call or Invitation has not been issued,the same procedure for extending or abbreviating the pastoral term will obtain.

In Charges not yet fully organised,the Home Mission

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"Committee may act for the congregation.
Where no such term is stated at its inception, the pastorate shall be without time limit."

On motion by the Convener and Rev.R.Herbison, the report was received. Rev. H.M.Rae, and D.H.Telfer moved that the Report be sent forward simpliciter to Conference. Agreed.

HOME MISSIONS: (Japanese Pastors) The following resolution re the standing of Japanese Pastors, moved by Revs.H.M.Rae and W.E.Galloway, was accepted, and copies ordered to be sent on to the Conference Committees concerned.

"The Presbytery of Vancouver is deeply conscious of the unprecedented situation which involves our Japanese Christian friends, members and ministers.
Realising the possible temporariness of the locations to which Japanese people may go, it is our opinion that steps be taken to maintain the Christian relationship of our members wherever they may go.
We commend the wisdom and generosity of the Home Mission Board in making adequate provision for our ministers for 1942. Since our brethren must be moved outside the Presbytery, and possibly outside the Conference, it would appear to be the most satisfactory procedure to rest the responsibility for appointment in the Home Mission Board.
And now that the future of the local congregation is in doubt, we recommend that the names of the congregations be left on the list - being assured that the professional standing of our Japanese ministers is being safeguarded and work for each minister is being provided.
The Conference and Settlement Committee will be duly advised by its Committee on Japanese work, but we would suggest that in the announcement re the congregations and ministers involved, the action be so defined that discouragement may not come to the Japanese Christians or doubt into the public mind.
It might cover the situation by stating that the minister has been 'temporarily transferred to another area', and that meantime the names concerned be forwarded to the Settlement Committee."

THANKS TO CHAIRMAN: A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the Chairman, Rev. George G.Hacker, who has acted at this meeting in the unavoidable absence of Rev.H.R.McGill.

ADJOURNMENT: This meeting of Presbytery closed at 5.15 p.m., with the benediction by Rev.Dr.G.B.Switzer.

H.R. McGill
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13th 1942

The Presbytery of Vancouver met, by order of Conference, in St.Giles United Church, on Wednesday, May 13th 1942 at 5.20 p.m., with Rev.H.R.McGill presiding, and was opened with prayer by Rev.Dr.S.S.Osterhout.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: E.W.Mackay, S.V.H.Redman, J.C.Stewart, F.W.Norwood, R.Herbison, G.D.Wilkie, S.S.Osterhout, J.W.Melvin, J.D.Hobden, R.W.Hardy, Ivan Y.Wong, F.Bushfield, A.E.Cooke, H.M.Rae, Wesley Latimer, T.S.Paton, Bryce H.Wallace, L.Clinton Johnston, R.P.Stobie, W.N. Byers, W.M.Burton, Hugh Herbison, W.Stott, B.H.Balderston, William Graham, W.E.Galloway, O.Darwin and James D.Stobie, Arthur Barner.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES: C.Turney, J.F.Shaw, J.G.McGowan, E.Scruton, Mrs.N.H. Schooley, R. Lundie, Margaret McDiarmid, Mrs.Frank Yeo, W.T.Easterbrook, Wm. Forbes, W.F.Merrick, J.McLarty, F.Shoemaker, V.R.Clerihue, T.C.Craighead, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, C.H.Cunnings, E.G.Duncan, T.A.Brough, J.M.Gavey, W.Carter, C.E.Mahon, Eva.B.Elliott, Fred Emerson.

STANDING OF REV. GEORGE LOWE: The Executive of Conference had referred the standing of Rev.George Lowe to Presbytery, and it was agreed that action be delayed pending further information.

RENEWAL OF LAY PREACHER'S CERTIFICATE: (Mr. A. Lewthwaite) The Secretary submitted a letter from Mr.A.Lewthwaite of PowellRiver, requesting renewal of his certificate as a lay preacher. On motion by Rev. Wm. Graham, renewal of the certificate was cordially granted. In view of the fact that this was the Golden Jubilee of this veteran Lay Preacher (first authorised as a local Preacher in Douglas Wesleyan Circuit, Isle of

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Man, in 1892) heartfelt congratulations and warmest thanks for service rendered were, on motion of Revs.R.P.Stobie and J.D.Hobden, ordered to be sent forward to Mr.Lewthwaite.

REQUEST FROM ST. ANDREW'S/WESLEY, Re Mr.E.L.Bishop: The request from the Official Board of St. Andrew's-Wesley Church for the services of Mr.Ernest L. Bishop, as assistant Minister, was, on motion by Revs.J.D. Hobden and J.C.Stewart, received and ordered to be sent on to the Settlement Committee.

STANDING OF REV.MARK TALNEY: Any action on the part of Presbytery as to recommendation of the standing of Rev.Mark Talney of Everson,Wash., was deferred, pending receipt of further information.

SPECIAL GRANT TO MRS.LILLIAN B.SMITH: On motion of Revs.W.Graham and F.W. Norwood, it was agreed to recommend that the application of Mrs. Lillian B.Smith now of 4450 Osler Avenue, Vancouver, for a special grant be approved, and be sent forward to the Conference Committee on the Pension Fund.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR REV.IVAN WONG: The application of Rev.Ivan Wong for leave of absence was approved, on motion by Revs.B.H.Wallace and H.M.Rae - the Settlement Committee to be so informed.

ADJOURNMENT: At 5.45 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by the Chairman.

M.G. Melvin
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

MONDAY, MAY 18th 1942

At the call of the Chair, Vancouver Presbytery met in St.Giles Church, on Monday, May 18th 1942, at 5.40 p.m. In the absence of Rev.H.R.McGill, the Chair was taken by Rev.George G. Hacker, who opened the meeting with prayer.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: George G. Hacker, E.W.Mackay, R.Herbison, W.Lashley Hall, J.W.Smith, O.Darwin, S.V.H.Redman, W.P.Bunt,R.J.McIntyre, William Graham, W.E.Galloway, Bryce H.Wallace, Hugh Herbison, D.H.Telfer, L.Clinton Johnston, J.R.Hewitt, G.H.Villett, W.Deans, G.B.Switzer, W.M.Burton, Charles Finnemore, S.J.Green.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES: Fred Emerson, E.G.Duncan, C.Turney, Charles Garden, A.Watson, E.V.Cooke, M.A.Harrison, Mrs.F.Yeo. F.Shoemaker, C.E.Mahon.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO MINISTRY OF THE UNITED CHURCH: The notification of Huron Presbytery(London) re application from Rev.S.F.N. Friedrichsen, a Minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church,Canada Synod, for admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, was read by the Secretary, and no objection was made.

ALTERNATE TO GENERAL COUNCIL FOR REV.G.H.VILLETT: As Rev.G.H.Villett(alternate for Rev.W.Deans) had been elected by Conference as a delegate to General Council, it was moved by Revs.D.H.Telfer and W.Deans, that Rev. M.Gordon Melvin be elected as alternate for Rev.W.Deans in place of Rev. G.H.Villett.

APPLICATION TO RETIRE(Rev.E.L.Best) The application to retire, on account of physical disability, of Rev.E.L.Best, was approved, on motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon and Rev. R. Herbison, and was ordered to be sent on to the Conference Committee on the Pension Fund.

ADJOURNMENT: At 5.55 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Dr. O. Darwin.

H.R. McGill
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

Friday, June 12th 1942

Vancouver Presbytery met in special session for the funeral of Rev. W.A.Alexander in the Chapel of St. Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Friday, June 12th 1942, at 2.15 p.m., with Rev.H.R.McGill presiding, and was opened with prayer by Rev.Dr.Arthur Barner.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: R.Herbison, W.A.Cooke, John R. Hewitt, J.C.Stewart, J.P.Westman, Ben.Glover, A.E.Cooke, H.R.McGill, B.H.Balderston, W.H.Smith, J.S.Muldrew, O.Darwin, F.W.Norwood, G.H.Raley, J.G.Brown, A.M.Sanford, W.E.Fullerton, E.W.Mackay, W.M.Burton, W.Deans, S.J.Green, A.Walker, and Arthur Barner, W.A.Guy, H.Feir, T.E.Holling, J.R.Frizzell, Canon Harold King.

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The Chairman informed Presbytery of the arrangements made for the funeral service.

On motion by Rev.J.C.Stewart and J.R.Hewitt, messages of sympathy were ordered to be sent to the widow, Mrs.Alexander, and to the brother, R.T.Alexander, Prescott, Ontario. It was also agreed that the Obituary Committee be requested to prepare a notice for the permanent records.

Rev.H.R.McGill presided at the funeral service in the Church. Portions of Scripture were read by Rev.J.S.Muldrew; Rev.W.A.Guy of Coquitlam, as a classmate, gave a brief sketch of Mr. Alexander's life, and Rev.Dr.F.W.Norwood gave the memorial address. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

H.R.McGill
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd 1942

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Tuesday, June twenty-third 1942, at nine-thirty a.m., with Rev. H.R.McGill in the Chair, and was opened with praise, responsive reading of the thirty-seventh Psalm, and prayer by Rev.G.H.Villett.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: F.H.Stevens, E.W.Mackay, J.C.Stewart, T.Jackson Wray, H.R.McGill, W.A.Cooke, G.H.Villett, W.E.Galloway, C.H. Ballard, J.W.Melvin, W.P. Bunt, S.S. Osterhout, M.Gordon Melvin, Robert Moses, E.Beeching, W.H.H.Norman, Charles Finnemore, S.V.H.Redman, T.S.Paton, John Pye, O.Darwin, R.W.Hardy, S.H.Pinkerton, A.Walker, C.E.Batzold, R.Herbison, W.E. Fullerton, J.H.A.Warr, J.R.Hewitt, B.H.Wallace, George A.Wilson, A.E.Cooke, W.Stott, A.F. Munro, Gordon Dickie, E.D.Braden, William Deans, John Archibald, W.M.Burton, Andrew Roddan, H.M.Rae, W.S.Reid and Arthur Barner, H.Rundle, L.A.Bygrave, J. Neave, T.E.Holling, Alexander Thomson.
LAY REPRESENTATIVES: J.McLarty, William Forbes, J.Quigley, W.F.Merrick, J.G.McGowan, T. Lawrie, E.Scruton, W.H.Babb, J.A.McLean, E.G.Duncan, W.Carter, J.A.Forin, C.H.Cunnings, James R.Fraser, Mrs.C.Nickols, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, W.A.Mann, James Hope, A.Warwick, G.Lake, W.J.Fullerton, John Wright, H.P. Baird, Stanley Brent, F.Shoemaker, W.T.Easterbrook, Margaret McDiarmid, M.MacInnes, Fred Emerson, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, C.E. Mahon, J.M.Collins, Charles Garden, R.Lundie, Mrs. J.Ellis, Mrs.Hawken, T.C.Craighead, C.E.Atchison, Mrs.R.C.McLean, T.W.Edwards, W.H.Parkins, R.D.Smith, T.A.Brough, Etta V.Cooke, J.M.Gavey, W.A.Gleason.

MINUTES: The Minutes of meetings of May 5th, 13th and 18th as mimeographed were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with the Obituary Committee taking the time set for Education and Students, was accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Acknowledgments of -
   (a) Renewal of Lay Preacher's Certificate from Mr.A.Lewthwaite, Powell River.
   (b) Letter of sympathy from Mrs.W.A.Alexander was received, and ordered to be filed.
2. Notifications of new Lay Representatives:-
   (a) Shaughnessy Heights - Judge J.A.Forin.
   (b) St. John's - Mr.George M.Munshaw.
   (c) Trinity - Mrs. Cyril Nickols.

   were read by the Secretary, and these names were ordered on the Roll of Presbytery.

INTRODUCTIONS: Two of the new Lay Representatives, Judge J.A.Forin and Mrs. Cyril Nickols, were present, and were welcomed by the Chairman. Rev. R. Herbison introduced Rev. L.A.Bygrave, for whom arrangements were being made for membership in the Presbytery.

EXECUTIVE: The two recommendations from the Executive, which had met on June 2nd, as read by the Secretary, were approved:-

1. For all meetings of Presbytery, correspondence to be given to the appropriate Committee, and that last minute letters or communications be dealt with by the Chairman and Secretary.
2. That the first meeting of the Presbytery in the Fall be held in the evening, in Canadian Memorial Church, on the first Tuesday of October (October 6th) when the necessary business will be transacted and delegates to the General Council will report.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: On motion by the Secretary and Rev.M.G.Melvin, the lists of names for Standing Committees, as mimeographed and in the hands of members, were received: any changes to be made from the floor.
Changes: The name of Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer was added to the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service; that of Mr. W.T.Easterbrook to the Burnaby Home

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Home Board of Control; and that of Mr. R.Lundie to Christian Education. Rev. J.H.A.Warr was given power to name a Counsellor on Children's Work and Vacation Schools. Rev. Dr.Gordon Dickie was asked to name some one in place of Mr. D.E.Buzza on Survey and Extension. With these changes, Rev.M.G.Melvin moved the adoption of the report as a whole.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The recommendations in the report of the Committee on Christian Education as presented by Rev.J.H.A.Warr were:-

1. Budget - That the allocation for Vancouver Presbytery from the Budget arranged by the Conference Committee be accepted. Agreed.
2. Camp Folders: That all church workers make use of the Camp Folders so as to ensure a good attendance at the Summer Camps. Agreed.
3. "Your New World" - The recommendation to endorse the Magazine "Your New World" with the prospect of changing the name, was modified, on motion by Revs. M.G.Melvin and B.H.Wallace to - "That Presbytery defer endorsement of this Magazine until the October meeting: The Committee to secure further information."
4. Christian Education Advance: That efforts be made to have each congregation link up with the Advance Movement in Christian Education. Agreed.

On the Convener's motion, the report as a whole was then adopted.

HOME MISSIONS: Rev. W.E.Galloway presented the report on Home Missions and recommended:-

1. East Indian Mission: That in view of existing conditions, we discontinue the Second Avenue East Indian Mission from July 31st. Agreed.
2. Supervision of Fields: That the following fields be allocated to the neighbouring Charges for supervision:
   (a) Texada Island, under the Pastor of Powell River.
   (b) Bowen Island & Horseshoe Bay, under the Pastor of West Vancouver.
   (c) Richmond East, under the pastor of Richmond.
   (d) Renfrew, under the Pastor of Trinity.
   (e) Dollarton, under the Pastor of North Vancouver. Agreed.
3. Squamish: The Convener made a statement concerning the situation on the Squamish field, and any action was deferred until later.
4. Mission in First Church: Rev.A.Roddan asked for sympathetic consideration of the mission in First Church to be conducted by Rev.J.Oswald Smith.
5. Japanese Churches: Rev.W.P. Bunt asked for suggestions by letter as to use of Japanese Churches, and mentioned the need for workers in Indian Missions. This report to be continued later.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: The report on Missionary and Maintenance, as presented by Mr.C.E.Mahon, showed total givings sent to Toronto from Vancouver Presbytery up to May 31st 1942 as $9117.89, a decrease of $1174.23 as compared with 1941. While 19 congregations had increased their givings by $910.33, and 4 congregations gave the same, 15 congregations fell below 1941 by $1043.06, and 6 congregations contributed nothing. In order to save interest, all contributions should be sent by June 29th, and, if at all possible half of the year's allocation. Leaflets are obtainable at the Church Office, 807 Dominion Bank Building.

On the Convener's motion, the report as a whole was adopted.

WAR SAVINGS COMMITTEE: For the War Savings Committee, Mr.E.G.Duncan, reported over half the amount of the deficit pledged across the Dominion, with enthusiastic support in some of the congregations in the Presbytery, and little interest in others. Our allocations would be met if each one of the 5700 families in the Presbytery would become good for one and a half certificates.

Dr.G.A.Wilson gave figures for each Presbytery in the Conference, in which 83 congregations had already met their allocations. Of the total allocation of $90,000.00, some $65,000.00 were now pledged.

On motion by Mr E.G.Duncan and Rev.G.H.Villett it was agreed to ask a pledge from each congregation failing to meet its allocation, to do so over a period of time.

LIFE AND WORK: The Convener of the Committee on Life and Work, Rev.G.H.Villett, reported an appeal from the Chaplain at Patricia Bay for recent books and magazines. It was agreed that Mr.Villett should be the representative of Presbytery in connection with entertainment for men in the armed forces.

The delegation appointed to visit St.George Church had been there on May 29th, and reported this congregation in a good healthy condition, under splendid leadership. There was a full attendance of the Official Board with free discussion of the general work of the Church, and an appeal for evening meetings of Presbytery to permit of the attendance of younger delegates. The people of St. George have at heart the highest interests of their church and are optimistic about the future.

SURVEY AND EXTENSION: On the request of the Convener of the Committee on Survey and Extension, Rev.Dr.Gordon Dickie, the name of Rev. Andrew Roddan was added to the list of members.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: For the Obituary Committee, Rev.T.Jackson Wray read the notice relative to the life and work of the late Rev.W.A. Alexander, B.A., which, on his motion, seconded by Rev.A.E.Cooke, was

received by standing vote and ordered to be entered in the permanent record of Presbytery.

Rev. W.A. Alexander, B.A.

"Rev. W.A.Alexander died at his home in Vancouver on Wednesday, June 10th 1942. The Presbytery of Vancouver took charge of the funeral services, which were in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, where Mr and Mrs.Alexander have worshipped since his retirement eight years ago. Rev. H.R.McGill conducted the service, Rev.Dr. Norwood gave the memorial address, Rev.W.A.Guy gave a brief sketch of Mr.Alexander's life in the way of a personal tribute. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Mr.Alexander leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, one brother,Mr.R.T.Alexander of Prescott, Ontario.

Mr. Alexander was born at Bishop's Mills,Ontario. He attended Kemptville High School and taught school for several years. He entered Queen's University in 1893, graduating in Arts in1897. While doing student mission work on the prairie he attended Manitoba College for the Summer Sessions, where he graduated in Theology in 1899. After a short time spent at Columbia, B.C., he was called to Lenore and Breadalbane,Manitoba, where he was ordained. After that, he occupied in succession, Charges at Hargrave,Manitoba; Grand Coulee and Craik,Sask.; Summerland, Courtenay, Port Alberni and Pender Island, B.C.

In 1903 he married Miss Nellie Sherman of St.Thomas,Ontario. They have been true and loyal partners in their great life's work for a period of thirty-nine years.

Mr. Alexander was not a man of striking peculiarities or angularities of character. He was well-poised, well-balanced in every respect. He held himself always in perfect control. He carried out his work quietly and steadily, with no noise or bluster. He was "God's good man", loving all His children and caring for them with genuine and constant sympathy. Beloved by youth, to whom he was always a great friend, he was loved just as truly by those of advancing years. He made many friends and kept them. He was fortunate in having that kindly spirit which seldom makes an enemy. Around his grave were gathered on the day of his funeral a group of College and other friends of forty to fifty years standing, paying tribute by their presence to the worthiness of a man who had lived in a quiet, simple way the life ofa Christian gentleman."

HOME MISSIONS: The report on Home Missions was continued by Rev.W.E.Galloway, who gave some further information concerning the situation at Squamish. After some discussion, the following motion by Revs.A.F.Munro and R.Herbison was made the finding of Presbytery:-

"Squamish - The Presbytery having learned through a report of the Home Mission Committee of difficulties in the Pastoral Relation of the Squamish congregation, and of the physical condition of the minister, appoints a Commission of Presbytery, consisting of the Executive of Presbytery, and the Home Mission Committee of Presbytery, to deal with the whole situation."

East Indian Work: On motion by Revs.B.H.Wallace and W.E.Galloway, the following resolution relative to the work among East Indians was accepted:-

"This difficult field of work among an interesting and splendid people of British Nationality, now, because of changing population and actual decrease of the numbers of East Indians in Vancouver, seems about to be closed.

This Presbytery desires to set on record its deep sense of appreciation for the heroic and self-sacrificing labours of Ministers, Missionaries and Lay Workers who have given freely of strength and ability in Christian Service to these "strangers within our gates". It is expected that the work now being carried on among the women and children will be continued as far as possible by churches adjacent to areas where they live."

The report as a whole was then adopted.

INSTALLATION OF CHAIRMAN: In handing over the reins of office to Rev.G.H. Villett, the retiring chairman, Rev.H.R.McGill, thanked the members of Presbytery for their considerate dealing with him, and bespoke the same treatment for the new Chairman during his term of office. Rev.G.H.Villett again thanked the members for the honour done him and asked for their sympathy and consideration.

On motion by Revs.R.Herbison and W.Stott, the heartfelt appreciation of Presbytery to Mr.McGill was expressed, for the kindly and efficient manner in which he conducted the various meetings, with the devotional and spiritual ever supreme.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd 1942

POSTPONEMENT OF DEVOTIONAL SERVICE: On motion by Revs.Bryce H.Wallace, and G.H.Villett, it was agreed to defer the Devotional Address to have been given by Rev.J.W.Smith of Collingwood Church until the first regular meeting of Presbytery in October.

ADJOURNMENT: At 12.40 p.m., this meeting of Presbytery closed with prayer and the benediction by Rev.H.R.McGill.

H.R. McGill
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Chairman

E.W. Mackay.
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Secretary.

TUESDAY, JULY 7th 1942

The Commission of Presbytery,(Executive of Presbytery and Home Mission Committee) appointed on Tuesday June 23rd to deal with the situation at Squamish, met, on the Call of the retiring Convener of the Home Mission Committee, Rev.W.E.Galloway, in St. Andrew's-Wesley Church on Tuesday,July 7th 1942, at 2.00 p.m., with Rev.G.H.Villett presiding. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev.Dr.S.S.Osterhout.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: G.H.Villett, W. Stott, W.E.Galloway, S.S.Osterhout, Hugh M. Rae, Bryce H.Wallace, S.H.Pinkerton, R.W.Hardy, Charles Finnemore, J.H.A.Warr, Robert Moses, W.P. Bunt, R.Herbison, O. Darwin, E.W.Mackay, John Pye.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES: C.E. Mahon, W.F.Merrick, T.A. Brough.

Rev. J.G.Gibson and Rev.J.P.Westman were in attendance on invitation.

The Chairman of Presbytery suggested that a Chairman of the Commission be appointed, and, on motion by Rev.W.E.Galloway, it was agreed that Rev. W. Stott, the new Convener of Home Missions, act in that capacity. The Secretary of Presbytery, Rev.E.W.Mackay, was asked to act as Secretary.

On request of Rev.W.P.Bunt, it was agreed to have Revs.J.G.Gibson and J.P.Westman make statements for the information of the Commission.

Rev.W.E.Galloway submitted correspondence relative to the situation on the Squamish field, and was followed by Rev.J.G.Gibson, who spoke ofthe work in the Squamish field over a period of twelve years. Rev.J.P.Westman had gone as a friend of Mr.Gibson to conduct the Sunday Services at Squamish and submitted his own impressions of the situation there.

After an extended discussion, participated in by Mr.C.E.Mahon, Revs. John Pye, G.H.Villett, Bryce H.Wallace, H.M.Rae, R.Herbison, Dr.S.S.Osterhout, Dr. O. Darwin and others, the following proposal was accepted and signed by Rev.J.G.Gibson:-

> "I herewith tender my resignation as Minister of the Pastoral Charge of Squamish, to take effect at the end of July 1942, and, with the understanding that application be made at once to the Home Mission Board for a special grant of $229.17, in my favour to cover the period up to December 31st 1942, also, that application be made to the Board of Pensions for retirement on account of disability -- the occupation of the Manse in Squamish, up to December 31st, 1942, to be left to the sympathetic consideration of the Home Mission Committee."

On motion by Revs.O.Darwin and Bryce H.Wallace, it was agreed that the resignation, with conditions attached and recognising Mr.Gibson's twelve years of service at Squamish, including the building of the manse, be accepted by the Commission.

Revs.C.Finnemore and R. Herbison moved that Presbytery endorse the application of Rev.J.G.Gibson for retirement on account of disability, subject to the submission of the necessary documents, to take effect from August 1st 1942. Agreed.

The motion by Revs.G.H.Villett and W.E.Galloway - "That we ask the Home Mission Board for the special grant of $229.17, for the Squamish field" was accepted.

Revs. H.M.Rae and W.E.Galloway moved that the expenses of Rev.J.G.Gibson, incurred in attending the meeting of the Commission, be paid by Presbytery.

The Secretary of the Commission was instructed to notify Mesdames David Morrison, J.W.Kuntze and Messrs.C.L.Bates and Tom Smith - all of Squamish, that the resignation of Rev.J.G.Gibson had been received and accepted, and will be effective at the end of July 1942 - the Treasurer of the Squamish congregation, Mr.Tom Smith, to be asked to send an audited statement of finances up to the end of July 1942.

At 5.30 p.m., this meeting of the Commission of Presbytery adjourned with the benediction by Rev.W.Stott, to meet at the Call of the Chair.

G.H. Villett
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Chairman

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E.W. Mackay.
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Secretary.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6th 1942

The Presbytery of Vancouver met in regular session on Tuesday evening, October 6th 1942, at 7.00 p.m., in Canadian Memorial Church, Rev.G.H.Villett presiding, and was opened with praise, and prayer by Rev.Dr.S.S.Osterhout.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: Charles Finnemore, E.W. Mackay, George G.Hacker, John Pye, R. Herbison, T. Jackson Wray, O.Darwin, T.S.Paton, F.H.Stevens, S.H.Pinkerton,R.W.Hardy, W.E.Fullerton, W.E.Galloway, George A. Wilson, J.C.Stewart, J.W.Melvin, J.W.Smith, H.M.Rae, John R.Hewitt, R.P.Stobie, F.W.Norwood, W.H.H.Norman, J.Herdman, M.Gordon Melvin, A.Roddan,R.J.McIntyre, W.M.Burton, Gordon Dickie, J.D.Hobden, Wesley Latimer, G.Duncan Wilkie, Bryce H.Wallace, A.E.Cooke, J.H.A.Warr, Hugh Dobson, G.H.Villett,H.R.McGill, S.S.Osterhout and James Neave, P.G.Sutton, H.G.McDonald, T.E.Holling, L.A. Bygrave, John Naylor, T.F.McGregor, Arthur Barner.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES: W.T.Easterbrook, J.G.McGowan, H.P.Baird, A.J.Honey, T.W.Edwards, R.D.Smith, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, G.Lake, F. Shoemaker, E.G.Duncan, Mrs.G.E.Darby, E.L.King, John Wright, W.Carter,Mrs.C. Nickols, C.Turney, R.J.Innes, Mrs.R.C.MacLean, M.A.Harrison, M.MacInnes, Thomas Laing, C.E. Mahon, Mrs.W.Niles, J.A.McLean, W.F.Merrick, J.A.Irving, J. Farquharson, J.A.Forin, H.Garrison, Margaret McDiarmid.

MINUTES: The Minutes of meetings on June 12th and 23rd, and of a Commission of Presbytery on July 7th, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with time for reports on War Savings and Home Missions, was accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The request of Rev.Hugh Herbison of Alert Bay for leave of absence from September 1/42 to July 1/43, as supported by the action of the Marine Committee was on motion by the Secretary and Rev. W.Stott, approved.
2. A circular letter from the Secretary of Conference calling attention of the Committees on War Savings(Page 6), on Christian Education(page 10) and of Missionary and Maintenance (page 21) to Conference recommendations as set forth in the Digest of Minutes, as also direction of Conference re Marriage Records (page 12), and a Resolution re members and adherents (page 38) was read and was ordered to be received and filed.
3. A letter from Rev.Andrew Roddan stating that the services of Miss McLellan, a Deaconess, were likely to be available for work in a down-town Church area,(as also a letter from Rev.A.E.Cooke asking Presbytery to approve of any such appointment to the St.John's Church area) was dealt with, on motion by the Secretary and Rev.R.Herbison: "That Presbytery approves the placing of Miss McLellan in the St.John's Church area, and thanks the Women's Missionary Society for their kindly and helpful interest in the difficult work in the West End of the City."
4. The request of Rev.R.N.Matheson, Secretary of the Burnaby Home Board of Control for the name of some one to act in room of Mr. D.F.Warren,(to be absent from the Province) was dealt with by the appointing of Mr.Albert S. Cox, who was present, and who accepted the nomination.
5. The request of Crosby United Church for consent of Presbytery to do certain specified things in relation to Lots 1 and 2, Block 221, District Lot 526, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 1058, in order to sell the northerly 52 feet of these Lots for not less than $500.00 cash, the net proceeds of such sale to be paid to the United Church of Canada on its mortgage over the said lots, was, on motion by Rev.Dr.O.Darwin,granted.
6. For the Vancouver Council of Social Agencies, Rev.E.F.Church was, on motion by the Secretary and Rev.H.R.McGill, appointed to be the representative of this Presbytery.
7. The invitation from the Session and Women's Association of West Point Grey Church for the November meeting of Presbytery, was, on motion by Mr.C.E. Mahon and Rev.A.E.Cooke, accepted.
8. The application of Rev.George D. Walker, a minister of the Presbyterian Church of England, for admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, was referred to the Committee on Education and Students.
9. THE CALL FROM THE OLIVER CHARGE, in Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery, to Rev. S.V.H.Redman of Ladner, to take effect about the middle of October, was found in order, and it was agreed that since Mr. Redman had expressed his desire to accept, the Call be sent on to the Settlement Committee with the approval of Presbytery, and that, on the request of the Official Board of Ladner, Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith be appointed Interim Chairman.
10. THE CALL FROM ST.JAMES CHURCH, MONTREAL, to Rev.Dr.F.W.Norwood, of St. Andrew's-Wesley Church, to take effect at the end of December 1942, was submitted and found regular. Representatives of the congregation (appointed by the Official Board), Mr.C.T.McHattie and Col. Nelson Spencer, were introduced by Mr.George Lake, all of whom paid heartfelt tribute to the outstanding work of Dr. Norwood, but recognised that the Call was to a field of labour in the United Church of Canada that could not be set aside. When Dr. Norwood, while expressing his sorrow at the thought of leaving, informed Presbytery that he regarded it as his duty to face the work in this other field, on motion by the Secretary, and Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson,

Presbytery agreed to grant the required permission to Dr. Norwood - the Settlement Committee to be so informed - and that the Transfer Committee be asked to grant transfer.

After the Chairman had expressed, on behalf of Presbytery, cordial appreciation of the effective service rendered by Mr.Redman in Ladner, and by Dr. Norwood in St. Andrew's-Wesley Church, on motionby Revs.Hugh M. Rae and A.E.Cooke, it was agreed that the Chairman should appoint two members of Presbytery to draft Resolutions of Appreciation of the good work done by these loyal servants of the Church, to be forwarded to the Presbyteries to which they are going. The Chairman, later, named Rev.William Deans and Rev.A.E.Cooke.

INTRODUCTIONS: Rev.W.E.Galloway introduced Rev.George A.Affleck(Auchinleck) of the Bay of Quinte Conference, now on his way to take up work in the Queen Charlotte Islands. Rev.R.W.Hardy introduced Rev.F.Sutton, also Dr. George E.Darby of Bella Bella Hospital. To all of these the Chairman extended a cordial welcome.

DEVOTIONAL: Rev.J.W.Smith of Collingwood Church, in conducting the Devotional Service, began by asking for silent prayer, after which all joined in the General Confession and Thanksgiving. In the address, based on selected passages from the 10th and 11th chapters of Romans, the speaker dwelt on the glory of the message, the Good News we have to proclaim, as needed by all, everywhere, calling for meditation, as also for devotion in response to Him who has done so much for us, and worship, in order to realise His presence so as to dedicate ourselves to the great work. The deep hunger of so many for the good news, coupled with a notable readiness of persons in all walks of life to give themselves to His Service, constitute the splendid challenge of the Church. With praise, prayer and the benediction this service closed.

WAR SAVINGS: For the War Savings Committee, Dr.G.A.Wilson reported,promising progress. Of the allocation of $90,000.00 for the Conference, some $76,500.00 had been contributed. Cariboo had underwritten their allocation; Kamloops-Okanagan was within $600.00 of their allocation of $9000.00; Kootenay had gone over their allocation by over $300.00; Prince Rupert was within $220.00 of their $1400.00; Vancouver, with rural congregations ahead of those in the City, had $37,400.00 of their allocation of $45,000.00 in sight. Victoria had still some $3,700.00 to secure. Westminster had $8,600.00 of their $10,400.00. In the City of Vancouver 19 congregations had reached their allocations. It would be highly gratifying if methods could be adopted whereby the lacking $13,500.00(of which Vancouver Presbytery's share is $7,500.00) could be underwritten before Presbytery meets in November.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: For information, Mr.C.E.Mahon handed the Secretary a note recording Missionary and Maintenance contributions to September 30th 1942. The givings of four congregations were the same as for 1941; 32 congregations had increased; 19 gave less and 2 congregations had made no contribution.

HOME MISSIONS: Rev. W.Stott reported for the Home Mission Committee.

Powell St.Japanese: This church officially closed its doors on September 30th, the last worship service taking place on September 28th. The congregation is now scattered throughout the province, but chiefly in Kootenay Presbytery, at Kaslo, New Denver and Grand Forks. May the words of Acts 8:4 "They that were scattered abroad went about preaching the word", be reproduced in our time. The remnants of their Official Board, three men, one lady, and their minister, met with the Superintendent and Convener on September 15th at 2.30 p.m., when the following arrangements were made:

1. The records of the congregation to be carefully gathered together;listed, boxed and placed in the vault at Union College.
2. A surplus of over $500 to be used as follows: The amount of minister's salary to be raised to the figure where no grant from Toronto would be required.
3. $100.00 to be given to the United Church Debt Liquidation Fund; the balance to be placed in the Superintendent's Trust Fund, to be distributed among the congregations that may be organized among the Japanese people in the Interior.
4. The use of the Gymnasium to be granted to First United Church.
5. Mr. Bunt, the Superintendent, to have the custody of the Church building, and to see that the pianos and organs are cared for.

FAIRVIEW JAPANESE CHURCH: On the same afternoon, September 15th, representatives of the Home Mission Committee met with representatives of the Woman's Missionary Society(The Advisory Committee of the Conference Branch), the deaconess who had served the Charge, and one of the Japanese laymen. After full and careful discussion it was decided to ask St. Giles Church, in whose area the building stands, to take the supervision of the building and open work there. St Giles has not yet assumed such oversight, but is experimenting.

A further suggestion for the use of this building has come from Mr.T.W. Edwards of Steveston; that it might be used for a special work, a congregation of those who for want of a better word, are known as feeble-minded. This

would be a work of unique character, and as the Committee understands that Mr. Edwards has made a study of this type of work, we recommend that the suggestion be explored and that a Committee, consisting of the President of the Presbyterial (W.M.S.), the Superintendent of Missions and the Conveners of Conference and Presbytery Home Mission Committees be appointed to investigate and report.

Texada Island: It was reported that the fine church at Vananda, the old headquarters of the "Sky Pilot", in the days of Dr. Pringle had been destroyed by fire; no insurance, and cause of the fire unknown. Mr.S.P.Good, the layman who has been supplying this Texada Island field, finds that he cannot do so any longer. The Committee recommends that Rev.William Graham be asked to report on the situation, and on the possibility of securing further suitable lay supply from Powell River.

Interim Chairman of Alert Bay and Squamish: The Committee recommends that the Convener of the Committee be Interim Chairman of Alert Bay and Squamish, both now without a Minister.

Secretary of Committee: Rev. R. Moses has been appointed Secretary of the Committee, and Dr. J.W.Melvin will look after the radio Broadcasts.

This report as a whole was then adopted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: For the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, Rev.A.E.Cooke asked that Rev. Dr. Hugh Dobson give some information concerning certain reports issued on Research on Farm Problems; on the Church and World Order, and on Temperance. On Dr. Dobson's motion it was agreed "That the Executive of Presbytery be asked to arrange a special meeting of Presbytery for "A Conversation" concerning the Work of God within the bounds of the Presbytery and throughout the Church".

REPORTS ON GENERAL COUNCIL: The Chairman explained that each of the six Commissioners who would report had been appointed on one or more Sessional Committees of General Council, and would make reference, for some ten minutes each to the outstanding matters dealt with by the Council through these Committees.

1. Rev. Andrew Roddan, on Evangelism and Social Service, reported on the delegation to Ottawa, headed by Rev.Dr.John Coburn, to interview the Prime Minister on the liquor situation.
2. Rev.Hugh M.Rae, for Home and Foreign Missions, dealt with work among the Japanese; the need of Lay Supply because of the shortage of ministers; the contribution of 180 United Church workers to War Services. From overseas cheering reports were coming of abiding Christian Fellowship in war-torn areas, and of opening doors on all Continents.
3. Professor J.A.Irving, reporting for Education and Colleges, dealt with matters of administration, with the establishing of a Faculty of Divinity in McGill University, and the laying on the shelf of the report of the Commission on Colleges.
4. Mrs. G.B.Switzer, dealt with Christian and Missionary Education, and gave interesting particulars of the pre-Council Missionary meeting at Whitby.
5. Mr. C.E. Mahon, gave interesting items from Dr.W.J.Gallagher's report on Finance, which showed a reduction of $27,500.00 in expenditures, also indications of improvement in Missionary and Maintenance contributions, for continuance of which, leadership of ministers and co-operation by laymen were most necessary.
6. Rev.C.Finnemore, dealing with Re-organisation and Pensions, referred also to the question of Collective Bargaining, Insurance, Time Limit on pastorates and co-ordination of Salaries.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.15 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by the Chairman.

G.H.Villett
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary

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Vancouver Presbytery met in special session in West Point Grey Church, on Tuesday, November 10th 1942, at 1.45 p.m., for the funeral of Rev.O.M. Sanford, with Rev.G.H.Willett presiding, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. W.H.Smith.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: T.S.Paton, R.Herbison, J.R.Hewitt, E.W.Mackay, D.H.Telfer, S.S.Osterhout, W.H.Smith, G.H.Villett, J.W.Melvin, E.F.Church, F.H.Stevens, W.A.Cooke, R.Moses, J.P.Westman, T.Jackson Wray, A.H.Huntley, E. Beeching, J.D.Hobden, O.Darwin, H.M.Rae, W.E.Galloway, A.E.Cooke, Hugh Dobson, G.B.Switzer, S.J.Green, B.H.Balderston, J.G.Brown, G.H.Raley, A.F.Munro, F.W.Norwood, H.R.McGill, W.M.Burton, J.S. Muldrew, E.D.Braden, Gordon Dickie, A.M.Sanford, C.E.Batzold, J.H.A.Warr, W.P. Bunt, and H.A.Ireland, Arthur Barner, W.A.Guy, G.H.Findlay, H.Feir, Peter Kelly. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: A.Watson, O.D.Austin, W.J.Fullerton, J.McLarty, T.A.Brough.

The Chairman informed Presbytery of the arrangements made for the funeral service, and, on motion of Revs.D.H.Telfer and F.H.Stevens, a message of profound sympathy with the bereaved was ordered, and a notice for the permanent record to be prepared by the Obituary Committee.

At the Service in the Church, Rev.G.H.Villett, presided, Rev.J.D.Hobden read the Scriptures, Rev.Dr.S.S.Osterhout paid an affectionate tribute to the life and work of his long time friend, who had rendered worthy and effective service as a loyal servant of the Master. Rev.F.H.Stevens offered prayer and Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer, as Brother Sanford's Pastor since his retirement, spoke of the respect and affection in which the departed was held by the entire congregation of West Point Grey Church.

The Service closed with prayer and the Benediction by the Chairman. Interment was in Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

G. H. Willett
Chairman

E. W. Mackay.
Secretary.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17th 1942

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session on Tuesday, November 17th,1942, at 9.30 a.m., in West Point Grey Church, with Rev.G.H.Villett in the Chair, who opened the meeting with prayer.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: A.F.Munro, E.W.Mackay, D.H.Telfer, R.Herbison, G.H.Villett, F.H.Stevens, T.Jackson Wray, Edward Beeching, H.R.McGill, Robert Moses, George G. Hacker, H.M.Rae, Charles Finnemore, John Pye, O.Darwin, A.E.Cooke, T.S.Paton, R.W.Hardy, S.H.Pinkerton, W.E.Fullerton, S.S.Osterhout, Wesley Latimer, B.H.Wallace, W.Stott, C.E.Batzold, A.H.Huntley, G.A.Wilson, J.H.A.Warr, E.F.Church, W.R.Brown, W.A.Cooke, F.W.Norwood, W.E.Galloway, R.P.Stobie, W.H.Smith, Hugh Dobson, W.H.H.Norman, J.C.Stewart, Gordon Dickie, W.M.Byers, G.D.Wilkie, and L.A.Bygrave, A.Barner, H.R.Vessey, A.C.Farrell, H.G.McDonald, H.C.Burkholder. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: W.F.Merrick, T. Lawrie, F.Shoemaker, Albert S.Cox, Mrs.James Ramsay, W.J.Fullerton, J.A.McLean, J. Quigley, Mrs.J.Ellis, J.McLarty, O.D.Auston, W.Carter, W.T. Easterbrook, M.MacInnes, C.E.Mahon, Thomas Laing, W.H.Parkin, R.Lundie, Mrs.C. Nickols, Fred. Emerson, R.C.Craighead, Edna L. King, H.Garrison, W.H.Garratt, Mrs. N.H.Schooley, T.A.Brough, T.W.Edwards, Mrs.F.Yeo, J.M.Gavey, Mrs.J.W. Hawken, J.A.Forin, W.H.Babb.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the meetings on October 6th,as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with room for reading the Obituary Notice immediately preceding the Devotional Service, was accepted.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary presented the report of the Executive, and the recommendation that a programme for a special meeting of Presbytery to be held on Tuesday, January 19th 1943 to deal with a "Conversation on the work of God throughout the Presbytery and the Church" be arranged by a Committee consisting of Revs.D.H.Telfer, H.R.McGill, C.Finnemore, J.H.A.Warr and G.H. Villett, was accepted.

PENSIONS: The Chairman made a statement on the instructions sent out to ministers by the Committee on Pensions.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. For representative of Presbytery on the Vancouver Council of Social Agencies, the name of Rev.R.P.Stobie was substituted for that of Rev. E.F.Church.
2. The Resolution of Appreciation re the services of Rev.S.V.H.Redman of Ladner,(now of Oliver,B.C.), prepared by Rev.W.Deans, was read, and was ordered to be entered in the permanent record.

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3. Letters concerning the appointing of a W.M.S.Deaconess for St.John's Church area were read for information.
4. Acknowledgment of a letter of sympathy from Mrs.Una Dobson(Knipe) was ordered to be received and filed.
5. The request from the Official Board of Howe Sound for consent of Presbytery to the sale of Grantham's Landing Church building, was referred to the Property Committee.
6. Notification from Kindersley Presbytery of recommendation to Saskatchewan Conference of Rev.William A.Miller, a former minister of the Evangelical Church of Canada, for admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, was read and no objection offered.
7. A letter from Mr.E.G.Duncan explaining inability to be present, and suggesting the calling of Presbytery meetings at 5.30 p.m., for business until 6.30 when supper would be served, and thereafter business to be transacted, was referred to the Executive.
8. A communication from Rev.W.P.Bunt, expressing regret at inability to be present on account of absence from the City, and suggesting remembrances of the three Japanese Ministers who belong to this Presbytery, was dealt with on motion by Revs.Bryce H.Wallace and D.H.Telfer, "That messages of brotherly greetings from the Presbytery be sent to Rev.K.Shimizu, Kaslo; K.Nomoto, New Denver and T.Komiyama, Lemon Creek,Slocan, for their encouragement and comfort as they face unusual difficulties and miss the fellowship of the Presbytery."
9. Three Remits,(copies of which were in the Vestibule) were referred to the Executive for consideration, and for submission, later, to Presbytery.

INTRODUCTIONS: Capt. H.S.Hilton, representative from Crosby Church, Prof.J. Henderson, representing Howe Sound Charge, and Dr.A.C.Farrell were introduced and were cordially welcomed by the Chairman.

OBITUARY: By standing vote - in silence - the Obituary Notice re the late Rev.O.M.Sanford, as read by Rev.T.Jackson Wray, was received and adopted, after which Rev.Dr.Arthur Barner offered prayer. On the Convener's motion, seconded by Mr.C.E.Mahon, the Notice was ordered to be entered in the permanent record.

"Osbert Morley Sanford was born in Centre Darlington,Nova Scotia on December 2nd 1873. At an early age he united with the Methodist Church, became very active in the Epworth League and was made a Local Preacher in 1896. Shortly thereafter he became associated with the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States, took his theological training in Springfield, Mass., and was accepted on probation for the Ministry. He was received in full connection in 1904 and served the M.E.Church in two fields in Iowa.

In December 1899 he married Eleanor Jean Glass of Quebec. He was very happy in his choice of a life partner and he owed the success of his ministry in no little degree to her self-forgetting service, her understanding sympathy and her quiet inspiration.

In 1908 he returned to Canada and was received into the Ministry of the Methodist Church in B.C. He served with distinction the fields of Nicola,Kamloops in the Interior and Trinity, Grandview and Mt.Pleasant in Vancouver. It was during his term here that he was elected, in 1922, President of the Methodist Conference. He and his congregation entered the United Church of Canada in 1925. In 1930 he was elected President of the B.C.Conference of the United Church. Thereafter he served Victoria West and Sixth Avenue,New Westminster. In 1937 he retired from the active ministry, but his willing services were always at the disposal of his brethren.

Of late years he suffered from a serious heart condition - though few would guess it from his cheery face - which was the cause of his death on Sunday, November 8th 1942. The funeral service was held on Tuesday, November 10th in West Point Grey United Church, with which church he had been associated since retirement. Rev. G.H.Villett, Chairman of Presbytery, presided, Dr.S.S.Osterhout and Dr.D.H.Telfer addressed the congregation and the Rev.J.D. Hobden and Francis H.Stevens also took part. His body was interred at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. He leaves four brothers, Rev.A.M.Sanford, Vancouver, Norman and Robie in Nova Scotia, Percy in California, one sister Mrs.H.Chandler in Winnipeg, his wife, one son, O.McLean Sanford in Vancouver and three grandchildren. Brother Sanford was an outstanding preacher, a faithful pastor and a capable executive, and the work of God prospered in his hands. But, he was perhaps more noteworthyin what he was than in what he did. He was religious in a most attractive way because his religion was saved from an austerity that is sometimes apt to repel, by the saving salt of kindly humour, and, as he was

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"genuinely interested in folk, he was able to win and hold the esteem and affection of all sorts and conditions of persons with whom he came in contact. Of him, more than of most of us, it may be said that he adorned the doctrine he both lived and taught. In the affectionate tribute his long-time friend and fellow-worker,Rev.Dr.S.S.Osterhout, paid to him at the funeral service, after pointing out the fact that his outstanding love to men was firmly based on his abounding love to God, the speaker said: 'As a Minister he excelled, He possessed a pleasing personality and sympathetic temperament, so that his words, his salutations and his visits as a Pastor came with a peculiar benediction. As a Preacher he was thoughtful, forceful and evangelical. He ministered to a congregation that I also served, and, to this day, they never cease to praise the genuine character of our brother's work. If all those to whom he spoke a kindly word, all those to whom he did a kindly deed, all those in sickness, trouble or distress whom he gently led into the more abundant life , and all those bereft of loved ones whose thoughts he lifted to life immortal, were to place a flower on his grave, his body tonight would rest under a wilderness of bloom'.
From Rev.Dr.A.E.Whitehouse, of Metropolitan Church, Victoria, President of B.C.Conference, came this message: 'As Pastor,O.M.Sanford excelled. As Preacher he was honest, progressive and gracious. As an administrator he was wise and fearless, but above all, he was God's good gentleman. The elements were richly mixed in him. His passing is a poignant loss to us all'."

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: On motion by Rev's F.H.Stevens and B.H.Wallace, a message of profound sympathy and devout thanksgiving for outstanding service, was ordered to be sent to Mrs. T.H.Dumble of West Vancouver, on the passing, in India, of her honoured missionary brother, Rev.J.Fraser Campbell.
Rev. R. Moses informed Presbytery of the serious illness of Rev.George Fisher, and, on his motion, seconded by Rev.Dr.Arthur Barner, a message of deep sympathy from Presbytery was ordered to be sent to his daughter, Miss Fisher, whose constant watchful care of her father has been widely appreciated by his many friends.

DEVOTIONAL: In the devotional Service, Rev.Dr.Arthur Barner, basing his Address on 2 Cor.2: 14,15, dwelt on Paul's life - his conversion, his never losing heart, his endurance etc. - as a pageant of triumph in Christ, arresting wide attention, also, as a fragrance of Christ, attracting outsiders, as does now, the steadfastness of a Niemoller, the loyal service of a devoted Pastor after the manner of the late Rev.O.M.Sanford, the constant care of an invalid father by a loyal daughter such as Miss Fisher. A life, hid with Christ in God, is not only a challenge but is also a constraining factor in creating that fragrant atmosphere so conducive to lovely living.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: (Reception of Candidates) For the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer presented four Candidates for the Ministry, three of whom had been interviewed by the Committee, Messrs. William Grant, James A. McAllister and Ernest Lloyd Lake, the fourth, Stephen Alphaeus Ramage, had been recommended by Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery. The Chairman of Presbytery asked the prescribed questions, all of which were satisfactorily answered, and, by authority of Presbytery, these four persons were formally received -'In the name of Jesus Christ as candidates of the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments'.

HOME MISSIONS: For the Home Mission Committee, Rev.W.Stott, reported a survey of the Alert Bay Field by Rev.Dr.G.A.Wilson, and recommended:

1. That an experienced, ordained minister be secured, as soon as possible for Alert Bay, the Superintendent and Convener of Home Missions to secure such minister and to arrange necessary terms. Agreed.
2. That a careful servey be made by the Marine Committee to locate other Headquarters than Alert Bay, if advisable, and to determine the scope of operations before Marine Work in the Alert Bay area is resumed - referred to Marine Committee.

Squamish: Satisfactory supply being given by Rev.George D.Walker.
Oriental Work: Chinese Pastor not yet secured.
Fairview Japanese Church: The Church School inaugurated by St.Giles Church for this area is growing.
Powell St. Church: First Church extending its use of this building.

Special Committee on Feeble-minded: That Mr T.W.Edwards be authorised to initiate experimental work for the feeble-minded, provided suitable teachers and premises can be secured. On motion by Revs.H.M.Rae and Dr.D.H.Telfer, it was agreed that such work be under supervision of a joint committee of the Committees on Home Missions and Evangelism and Social Service.

This report as a whole was then adopted.

HOSPITAL VISITATION: For the Committee on Hospital Visitation, Revs.G.G. Hacker reported that Dr. Barner had taken on the work of visiting the Institution for Indians at Sardis, where 159 of 180 beds were now occupied, and where he was holding services on alternate Sundays and visiting the following Mondays. In the T.B.Building of Vancouver General Hospital there were from 50 to 60 United Church patients, divided into groups of 5, and assigned to 10 ministers for visitation and for receiving dainties provided by certain Women's Organizations. Patients from outside points will be assigned to other ministers, who are requested to mark their visits in the Vancouver City Visitors' Book. All ministers are urged to ask their people to register as connected with the United Church.

Profound sympathy was expressed with Dr. Lamb, who had done so much in the campaign against tuberculosis, and whose condition now was serious.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: The report of the Finance Committee, giving the 1943 Conference and Presbytery Funds Budget, so as to enable Official Boards to draft local budgets in the various Pastoral Charges, was presented by Mr.O.D.Austin, and recommendations were accepted as follows:-

1. Conference and Presbytery Funds to be amalgamated, and single allocation to be made for each Pastoral Charge.
2. The Budget for 1943 to be $2250, of which $2185 be allocated to the Pastoral Charges, and $65 to Sundry Receipts.
3. Of receipts from Pastoral Charges, three-fourths be paid to the Conference Treasurer, up to $1600 - the Presbytery allocation for the Conference Fund, which is hereby accepted - and the balance retained for the Presbytery Fund.
4. Allotments to the various Pastoral Charges to be made on the basis of "Amounts raised for all Purposes" by the Charges as reported in the 1942 Year Book.
5. The basic allotment for 1943 to be the nearest $5.00 to ¾ of 1% of Funds "Raised for all purposes" in 1941 as reported in 1942 Year Book, with the following exceptions:-
   (a) No allocation for "Student Supply" Missions.
   (b) Allocations of $5.00 for Missions ministered to by Ordained Ministers, whose percentage under clause 5 is around or less than $5.00.
   (c) For Pastoral Charges ministered to by ordained ministers in the active work, the minimum allocation shall be $15.00, except in the cases of those whose percentage under Clause 5 is around or less than $10.00, when the allocation shall be $10.00.
   (d) Maximum allocation to be $175.00.
   (e) Variations to be made by the Finance Committee is exceptional cases.
6. The Allocations for 1943 to be as follows: Alert Bay $10.00; Bowen Island nil; Bridge River(Bralorne) $10.00; Britannia $20.00; Cape Mudge $5.00; Cranberry-Westview $15.00; Dollarton-Lynnmour,nil; Howe Sound $10.00; Ladner $30.00; Lillooet nil; North Vancouver,LynnValley $15.00; Lonsdale-Capilano $10.00; St.Andrew's $45.00; Pioneer $10.00; Powell River $20.00; Texada Island,nil; Richmond $30.00; South Arm-Steveston $20.00; Squamish $10.00; Steveston Japanese, nil; Vancouver, Beaconsfield $5,00; Canadian Memorial $125.00; Cedar Cottage $25.00; Chalmers $120.00; Chinese $15.00; Chown Memorial $100.00; Collingwood $40.00; Crosby $55.00; Dunbar Heights $65.00; First $85.00; Grace $35.00; Grandview $55.00; Hastings $30.00; Japanese, nil; Knox $65.00; Marpole $35.00; Mountain View $30.00; Renfrew $5,00; Riverview $10.00; Robson Memorial $15.00; Ryerson $175.00; St.Andrew's-Wesley $175.00; St. George $35.00; St.Giles $105.00; St.James $15.00; St. John's $60.00; St.Stephens $35.00; Secord $5.00; Shaughnessy Heights $110.00; Trinity $30.00; Union College Chapel $25.00; Vancouver Heights $30.00; West Point Grey $90.00; Wilson Heights $15.00; Windsor $25.00 Zion $40.00; West Vancouver $40.00.
7. All payments for the 1943 Funds to be made to the Presbytery Treasurer, not later than May 10th 1943.
8. Mr.J.G.McGowan to be appointed to audit the Treasurer's Books when closed at the end of the 1943 year.

The report as a whole was adopted.

STATISTICS: As Convener of the Committee on Statistics,Mr.O.D.Austin conveyed helpful suggestions and valuable information concerning Religious Education and Annual Returns, urging all members of Presbytery to pay attention to the time specified for having these Returns in his hands.

On motion by Revs. F.H.Stevens and E.F.Church the Secretary was authorized to certify regarding Income Tax Allowances for transportation when approved by the Official Board of the congregation.

The report as a whole was then adopted.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. J.H.A.Warr, reporting on Christian Education, informed Presbytery that Miss P. Phinney had been appointed Girls Work Counsellor, also that allocations for the work of Christian Education from May 1/42 to Apr.30/43, would be sent out to the various congregations.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: Rev. Dr.Hugh Dobson informed Presbytery that a letter had been received, conveying tidings of the passing of Mr. A. Lewthwaite of Powell River, and on his motion, seconded by Rev. R. Moses, the Secretary was instructed to convey, through Rev.W.Graham of Powell River, a message of heartfelt sympathy with those left to mourn the loss of this loyal and devoted servant of the Church, who, some months ago had completed his 50th year as a certified Lay Preacher.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: For the Missionary and Maintenance Committee, Mr. C.E.Mahon reported contributions up to Oct.31: from 3 charges the same as last year; decreases totalling $1691.79 in 22, and increases totalling $1582.59 in 27 Charges; making a total decrease of $109.20. Since 2 Japanese Charges last year contributed $408.48, and donations were down by $88.63, this leaves a total decrease at date of $606.31. It is not seemly that with the tremendous increase in National Income, such a large decrease in contributions for themost essential work of the Church should have to be recorded.

A total of $19,216.58 in November and December, is called for to meet our full allocation for 1942. For 1943 the Allocation for this Presbytery will be $45,325.00. Why should we not aim, not merely at this full allocation, but add to it 10% extra from each Charge for 10 years, as per General Council Resolution?

The Missionary and Maintenance Allocations for 1943 are as follows:- Alert Bay $30; Bowen Island $15; Bridge River(Bralorne) $50; Pioneer $50; Britannia $100; Cape Mudge Indian $100; Cranberry-Westview $100; Dollarton-Lynnmour $10; Howe Sound $150; Ladner $450; Lillooet $100; Lynn Valley $50; North Lonsdale-Capilano $40; St. Andrew's,Nrth.Van.$1200; Powell River $300; Richmond $475; South Arm-Steveston $300; Squamish $50; Texada Island $25; Beaconsfield $60; Canadian Memorial $3100; Cedar Cottage $200; Chalmers $3000; Chinese $100; Chown Memorial $2600; Collingwood $350; Crosby $750; Dunbar Heights $1200; First $400; Grace $450.00; Grandview $900; Hastings $150; Knox $2200; Marpole $500; Mountain View $250; Renfrew $50; Riverview $100; Robson Memorial $100; Ryerson $4250; St.Andrew's-Wesley $8000; St.George $600; St. Giles $2000; St.James $100; St.John's $1000; St. Stephen's $500; Secord $20; Shaughnessy $3,200; Trinity $450; Union College $500; Vancouver Heights $450; West Pt. Grey $2500; Wilson Heights $150; Windsor $400; Zion $450; West Vancouver $700.

These allocations were accepted, and the report as a whole adopted.

LUNCHEON: Not until around 12.50 p.m., did the members of Presbytery gather in the Church Hall for the satisfying luncheon served by the Alma Dean Circle of the W.A. At the close of the luncheon, the Chairman thanked Mrs. A.H.Huntley for presiding at the organ, and, on motion by Judge J.A.Forin, a very hearty vote of thanks to the good ladies who served the luncheon was enthusiastically passed,- to which Mrs Frank Yeo responded.

RADIO COMMITTEE: In the absence of Rev.W.Deans, Rev.George G. Hacker, reporting for the Radio Committee, informed Presbytery of the desire of the Committee to arrange for broadcasting ever more widely, in the weekly programmes, the services and achievements of the United Church, not only for a local church, but for groups of churches, or for Vancouver as a whole, or even for the whole province. A partial solution, under present conditions, might be for various United Church Ministers, from time to time to broadcast from First Church. Expenses are more than being met, and a balance in hand could well be dealt with as a Reserve Investment in the form of a Victory Bond against increased operating expense, or taking over our own License or any possible litigation.

On motion by Judge J.A.Forin and Rev.W.Stott, it was agreed to endorse the action of the Radio Committee in purchasing a $1500 Victory Bond, and the report as a whole was adopted.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: Rev. Dr. O.Darwin reported for the Property Committee, and on his motion, seconded by Rev.W.Stott, it was agreed that consent of Presbytery be granted to the Howe Sound Official Board to accept the offer of the Grantham's Landing Property Owners' Association to purchase the Grantham's Landing Church building for $200.00, on certain specified conditions, the price of the building to be paid to the Treasurer of the Howe Sound United Church for enlarging and repairing the Church building at Gibson's Landing.

PUBLICATIONS: As Convener of the Committee on Publications, Rev.R.W.Hardy urged more general concentrated effort in the various congregations to increase the number of subscribers for "The United Church Observer".

ENTERTAINMENT OF SOLDIERS: Mrs. Frank Yeo read a letter from the Women's Association of Vancouver Heights Church concerning the entertainment of soldiers, and, after discussion, it was decided to leave this to the individual initiative of congregations. When Dr.A.C.Farrell referred to the

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need for providing fellowship for soldiers, a Committee, consisting of Revs.G.H.Villett, R.W.Hardy, D.H.Telfer and A.C.Farrell - with power to add to their number - was appointed, to foster and develop efforts along these lines.

RESOLUTION RE POLICY OF THE CHURCH: On motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon and Judge J.A. Forin, Presbytery endorsed the following resolution, requesting that a copy be forwarded to the Secretary of the General Council for consideration by the Board of Finance:-

"That the Policy of the Church be:
When the Budget for the Missionary and Maintenance Fund is prepared and adopted, there be added thereto a sum equal to 10% of the amount of the Budget required, to be set aside in a Special Fund, so that when the amount in that Fund shall equal the amount of an annual Budget for the Missionary and Maintenance Fund, it be the amount to be spent for the Budget for the following year. If this were done, it would obviate the necessity of the Treasurer of the Church having to arrange for necessary bank loans or overdrafts. Should the Church, in the interim arrange for a Special Fund to augment the finances of the Church, that the amount of the difference required between the amount in the special fund and that required for an annual Missionary and Maintenance Budget be added to that appeal,so as to advance as rapidly as possible the date when the amount in the Special Fund would be sufficient to take care of the year's requirements, and that the amount raised yearly thereafter for the Budget of the Church be the amount to be spent for the following year."

FAREWELL MESSAGE TO DR. F.W. NORWOOD: As this was the last meeting of Presbytery before the time when Dr.F.W.Norwood would be leaving to take over the work at St.James Church, Montreal, the Chairman conveyed a cordial message of appreciation and heartiest good wishes for success to Dr. Norwood in his new field of labour.

REV. S.V.H. REDMAN: The following resolution was heartily endorsed, and the secretary requested to send a copy to Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery:- "The Presbytery of Vancouver wishes to express appreciation of Rev.S.V.H.Redman on the occasion of his departure from Ladner to the Charge at Oliver. Since coming to Ladner in 1938, Mr.Redman has been loyal in attendance at the sessions of Presbytery, and has contributed liberally of his musical talent, presiding at the organ at most of the devotional services, as well as on other occasions. He has shared graciously in the whole work of Presbytery,and shown special interest in the Dept.of Christian Education. Both he and Mrs.Redman have given invaluable leadership in Boys and Girls Summer Camps at Ocean Park. Presbytery regrets their transfer from its bounds, but wishes them every success in their new Charge. Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery will be enriched by their fellowship and service."

ADJOURNMENT: At 2.10 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Dr. S.S. Osterhout.

G.H.Villett
Chairman

E.W.Mackay.
Secretary

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5th 1942

A special meeting of Vancouver Presbytery was convened for the funeral of Rev. George Fisher, in Grandview United Church, on Saturday, December 5th 1942, at 1.45 p.m., and was opened with prayer by the Chairman, Rev.G.H.Villett.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: G.H.Villett, R. Moses, R.Herbison, J.G.Brown, S.S.Osterhout, W.M.Burton, W.E.Galloway, Gordon Dickie, J.S.Muldrew, B.H.Wallace, W.H.Smith, George G. Hacker, G.A.Wilson, E.W.Mackay, and A.Barner, A.C.Farrell.
LAY REPRESENTATIVE: J.M.Gavey.

As arrangements for the funeral service had been made by Rev.R.Moses, the Chairman informed Presbytery of the order to be followed.

On motion by Revs.W.E.Galloway and Gordon Dickie, the Secretary was instructed to express the heartfelt sympathy of Presbytery with the sorrowing ones, and the Obituary Committee was asked to prepare a suitable notice for the permanent record.

In the Church, Rev.G.H.Villett presided, Rev.W.E.Galloway read portions of Scripture, an appreciative biographical statement was made by Rev.R.Moses, after which Mrs. Menzies sang "Abide with Me". Rev.Dr.A.Barner, in affectionate terms testified to the faithfulness in his Ministry of Service, as also in a ministry of suffering of the one who had now been called to still higher service. Rev.Dr. J.G.Brown offered prayer. The Church Service closed with the Benediction by the Chairman.

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and, as the shortage in Vancouver Presbytery was large, it was agreed, on motion by Rev.A.Roddan and Mr.George Lake that a letter be sent out by the Committee to congregations in the Presbytery giving particulars and appealing for a generous response.

7. TIME FOR RADIO BROADCAST: The request for a change in the time of the evening Radio Broadcast, was referred to Rev.A.Roddan for him to consult the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT: At 12.25 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. George D.Walker.

G.D.Walker
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16th 1943

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Tuesday, February 16th 1943, at 9.30 a.m., with Rev.G.H.Villett presiding, and was opened with praise and prayer by Rev.Dr.Arthur Barner.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: F.H.Stevens, A.E.Cooke, R.J.McIntyre, G.H.Villett, T.Jackson Wray, W.M.Burton, D.H.Telfer, A.H.Huntley, R.W.Hardy, C.E.Batzold, Robert Moses, J.C.Stewart, E.Beeching, C.H.Ballard, H.M.Clark, Charles Finnemore, A.Walker, J.W.Smith, W.Stott, H.M.Rae, W.Evan Fullerton, W.A.Cooke, O.Darwin, M.G.Melvin, J.R.Hewitt, B.Glover, J.H.A.Warr, W.E. Galloway, W.R.Brown, H.R.McGill, G.H.Raley, B.H.Wallace, G.D.Wilkie, Wm.Deans, W.H.H.Norman, R.P.Stobie, A.Roddan, E.W.Mackay and Arthur Barner, J.Neave, Don Faris. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: J.A.McLean, W.F.Merrick, J.Quigley, J.McLarty, John Wright,Adam Watson, T.Lawrie, F.Shoemaker, T.A.Brough, R.Lundie, E.M.Ellis, J.A.Forin, A.S.Cox, W.J.Fullerton, A.Warwick,W.Carter, Jas.R.Fraser, C.E. Mahon, Margaret McDiarmid, J.M.Gavey, O.D.Austin, W.T. Easterbrook, Mrs. R.C.McLean, Mrs.G.E.Darby, Mrs.Hawken, Edna L.King, H.P.Baird, H.Hilton, W.A.Mann, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, R.J.Innes, G.Lake,M.MacInnes, R.D.Smith, R.D.Albraut, Fred Emerson, T.W.Edwards, M.A.Harrison, J.G.McGowan.

MINUTES: The Minutes of meetings on November 10th and 17th, December 5th, 1942, and of January 16th and 19th 1943, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

EXECUTIVE REPORT:

1. Dates for meetings: The dates for the Special Meeting, for consideration of a programme on the Life and Work of the Church - postponed from January 19th - as Tuesday, March 2nd, and the date for the next regular meeting of Presbytery, as Monday, March 15th, were accepted.
2. Remits: Revs.H.M.Rae, W.Deans and Mr.C.E.Mahon, were appointed a Committee to arrange for time and order for submitting three remits to Presbytery.
3. Britannia Charge: Rev. E.W.Mackay was appointed Interim Chairman of the Britannia Pastoral Charge.
4. Insurance Money for Bridge River: The letter from Rev.L.Clinton Johnston giving particulars re disposal of Insurance money, was referred to the Treasurer and Statistical Secretary, Mr.O.D.Austin.
5. Ladner Official Board: The request from the Official Board of Ladner for continuance of the services of Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith was referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations.
6. St.Andrew's-Wesley Parsonage: Application for consent of Presbytery to the sale of St.Andrew's-Wesley Parsonage was referred to the Committee on Property.
7. W.M.S.Worker for West End: Information from the President of the W.M.S. Presbyterial, Mrs. G.H.Villett, that the Branch Executive had endorsed the request for a W.M.S.worker in the West End of Vancouver, and suggesting steps to be taken to support the request of Presbytery, was gratefully received, and a Committee - Revs.G.H.Villett, A.E.Cooke and Mr.J.G.McGowan - was appointed to confer with the W.M.S. Home Mission Secretary, who is expected to be in Vancouver early in March.
8. Acknowledgment of letter of sympathy from Mrs.R.Herbison, was ordered to be received and filed.
9. TOC H.: A letter from Rev.Michael Coleman in the interests of Toc H, was referred to a Committee - Revs.W.Deans, B.H.Wallace and J.R.Hewitt.
10. Resignation of Rev.Ivan Wong: The resignation of Rev.Ivan Wong, recently granted leave of absence from the Chinese Church,Vancouver, was accepted, and a Certificate of Standing ordered. As Mr. Wong is now serving the Berkeley Congregational Church, it was agreed that Credentials be applied for from Conference.
11. Transfer for Rev.J.T.Fleming: The request of Rev.J.T.Fleming, under Call from Kingsville United Church(Essex Presbytery) for transfer

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from British Columbia to London Conference, was approved.

INTRODUCTIONS: Mrs. O.McLean Sanford, of West Point Grey, and Mrs.A.Campbell of Dunbar Heights, were introduced as Lay Representatives, and were cordially welcomed by the Chairman.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: Mr.C.E.Mahon reported receipts in Toronto for M.&.M. up to January 30th 1943 as $41,062.62 - an increase of $137.62 over 1941; and yet a shortage of $3,232.88 in our Presbytery allocation. Over the year 8 congregations met their allocations as they did the year before, 29 congregations showed increases, 16 fell below. In the Presbytery thirty congregations fell below their 1942 allocation, from $4.00 to $1305.74, a total of $3667.59; 16 congregations increased 1942 allocations from two cents to $122.00(West Vancouver) - by $570.07. Last minute contributions will, it is expected, lessen our deficit by some $1500.00, and appeals have been made to the 30 defaulting congregations. For the whole Church, at February 5th, the receipts were $1,409,494.84 - some $45,253.00 short of requirements - a condition which calls for renewed effort by all.

In the discussion of this report by Revs.M.G.Melvin, J.C.Stewart, E.Beeching, and F.H.Stevens, statements made were emphasized and fresh suggestions made, after which the report as a whole was adopted.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION: The members of Presbytery then moved into an adjoining room, suitable for shewing films, and Rev.R.Moses, Convener of Missionary Education, introduced Rev.Donald K.Faris, who, by films and words, made very real, the nature of the work in which he and others were engaged in China. At the conclusion of the half hour, the Chairman expressed the cordial thanks of the members of the Presbytery for the interesting and helpful setting-forth of the work of our missionaries, and their helpers in lands beyond the bounds of our Dominion.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The audited report of the Treasurer, presented by O.D. Austin, showed, at January 31/43, balance on hand $509.13; Receipts from congregations - Conference Fund $1530.00, Presbytery Fund $510.00. Inductions etc. $16.45 - a total of $2565.58. Disbursements - Conference Treasurer $1600.00. Travelling expenses $35.80; Secretary's Honorarium $200.00; Secretary's Office Expenses $173.93; Chairman's Expenses $1.50; Treasurer's Office Expenses $5.60; Evangelism and Social Service $25.62; M.&.M.$11.25; Statistical $2.00; Balance on hand: Presbytery Fund and Massed Choirs' Fund (in trust) $509.88 - a grand total of $2565.58.

United Church Trust Fund: Dec. 31st 1942. Balance on hand $504.50; Interest on V.Bond $7.50 -total $512.00. Disbursements: Dominion of Canada Bond, 2nd V.Loan, $500.00; balance on hand $12.00, total $512.00.

This report, as a whole,was adopted, with cordial thanks to the efficient and painstaking Treasurer.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The Convener of the Committee on Christian Education, Rev. J.H.A.Warr, gave a hopeful report on financial conditions and informed Presbytery of a circular letter, sent to all Ministers suggesting an evening discussion on Christian Education and the Advance Movement, which however, met with little response. There would be a Young People's Open Forum in Canadian Memorial Church on Sunday,February 28th, at 3.00 p.m., to be addressed by Mr. Robert T.McKenzie on "Post War Problems and their Challenge to Christian Youth". On March 16th the Children's Leaders' Council would meet in Chown Church. On motion by the Convener and Rev. W.R.Brown the report was then adopted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: In reporting for the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, Rev.A.E.Cooke submitted two resolutions: the first to be sent to the Dominion Premier, the second to the Premier of B.C.

1. Hon. W.L.MacKenzie King:

"That this Vancouver Presbytery of the United Church of Canada hereby place on record its deep and sincere appreciation of the Radio Address of the Prime Minister, Hon.W.L.MacKenzie King, on December 16th,1942, setting forth the necessity for greater restrictions on the liquor traffic in the interest of an efficient, all-out war effort, and his appeal for self-denial and self-discipline on the part of all citizens in relation to the drinking of liquor.

We heartily commend the Prime Minister and Cabinet upon the measures taken to secure the reduction of liquor released from bond, the appeal to the Provincial Governments to limit the time of the operation of all liquor selling agencies to, at most eight hours a day, and the prohibition of all liquor advertising within Canada.

BUT, we earnestly request that steps be taken to further reduce the sale of all alcoholic beverages, in the best interests of the Nation and its war effort."

On motion of Revs.A.E.Cooke and A.Roddan, approved.

2. Hon.John Hart:
"That this Vancouver Presbytery of the United Church of Canada place on record its appreciation of the action of the Provincial Government in co-operating with the Federal Government's request with respect to reduction of hours of sale in all liquor agencies under the control of the British Columbia Government.
We also approve of the reduction in the quantity of liquor that may be purchased by individuals each week and request that this may continue to be progressively decreased to the lowest possible amount for the duration of the war and the period of demobilization"
On motion of Revs.A.E.Cooke and R.J.McIntyre, approved.

3. Letter for Vancouver Daily Papers: The Convener read a letter prepared for the Vancouver daily papers, dealing with erroneous and misleading statements by the Brewing Industries of Canada and of B.C., and it was agreed that, while the letter represents the mind of the Presbytery, a Committee, consisting of Revs.A.E.Cooke, Hugh M.Rae, and M.Gordon Melvin review the letter and prepare the same for publication.

4. Pledge-signing campaign: On motion by Rev.R.J.McIntyre and A.E.Cooke, it was agreed:- "That, with reference to a letter from Dr. J.A.Irwin, Secretary of the Canadian Temperance Federation, on the proposal to inaugurate a pledge-signing campaign, we appoint a representative to a Committee, composed of representatives from other denominations, to discuss the question and to decide on what action should be taken, co-operatively, on the matter."
Rev.A.E.Cooke was named as representative of Vancouver Presbytery, on motion by Revs.R.J.McIntyre and D.H.Telfer.

5. Subjects for Lenten Study: As Convener of a sub-committee of Presbytery to prepare a series of studies for the Lenten Period, Rev. J.W.Smith submitted the following:-

(a) For Ministers and members of Presbytery:
Theme: "God and the fact of Suffering"

March 8th -	"The Mystery of Suffering"	Rev.A.F.Munro
16th -	"The Interpretation of Suffering"	" M.G.Melvin
22nd -	"The Message of the Suffering Servant"	" H.R.McGill
29th. -	"The Ministry of Reconciliation"	" E.F.Church
April 5th -	"The Meaning of the Cross"	" J.G.Brown
12th -	"Victory through Resurrection	" Hugh Dobson

(b) For Discussion with Sessions:
1. The Eldership: its history and functions
2. The Session serves the Congregation - (Under-shepherds)
3. The Session seeks the un-churched.
4. The Elder's Religious Life: Private devotions & Public Worship
5. The Session- Self-examination and re-consecration

(c) Group Studies for Congregations, for March:
1. The meaning of Prayer
2. The Power of Prayer
3. The Place of Prayer in a busy life
4. The purpose of prayer
5. The Victory through Prayer
Order "Fellowship of Prayer" from Toronto early and use Evangelical Literature.

(d) Passion Week - Community Services: Preaching Missions.
Mon. The Cross Appears (Caesarea Philippi)
Tues. The Challenge of the Cross
Wed. The Crowds and Disciples desert Jesus
Thur. Jesus faces His Accusers
Fri. Jesus endures the Cross
Sun. The Victim Victorious - Life Triumphant.
The Sub-Committee was authorised to prepare an outline of these studies for the benefit of Ministers and Congregations - more particularly of the specified subjects to be dealt with from March 8th to April 16th.

6. Collective Bargaining: Rev. Bryce H.Wallace was appointed to represent Presbytery at an investigation in the City, where the attitude of the United Church on Collective Bargaining is to be up for consideration.
This report, as a whole was then adopted.

MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY: On motion by Rev. Dr.D.H.Telfer and Judge J.A.Forin, a message of affectionate brotherly sympathy was ordered to be sent to Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson - prevented by medical orders, from being in attendance at Presbytery.

LIQUIDATION OF DEFICIT: In reporting for the information of Presbytery on the liquidation of the Church Deficit, Rev.Dr.G.A.Wilson, announced that up to February 9th, for the whole church $991,676.00 had been paid, $153,535.00 was pledged - a total of $1,145,212.00, which, at maturity will amount to $1,431,515.00. The allocation for the B.C.Conference was $90,000.00, to meet which $76,273 have been paid($66,977.82) and pledged ($9,295.72). Vancouver Presbytery, allocated $45,000.00 has contributed $35,721.00. Plans are under way to complete the campaign by June 30th, when it is hoped the objective set will be reached.

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PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

St. Andrew's-Wesley Parsonage: On motion by Revs.O.Darwin and Hugh M.Rae, consent of Presbytery was granted to the congregation of St. Andrew's-Wesley Church to complete the sale of the Parsonage Property,Lot 9, Block 26, in District Lot 185, for $5,500.00 - payable $1500.00 on completion of agreement, balance payable $50.00 per month with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, payments and interest starting with the 15th day of February 1943, and each month thereafter; all monies from the sale of the property to be used to liquidate the mortgage held by Woodwards Holdings Ltd on the St.Andrew's property.

PASTORAL RELATIONS: As no report from the Pastoral Relations Committee on the request from the Ladner congregation for continuation of the services of Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith throughout 1943 and into 1944 was submitted, it was agreed to lay this matter on the table.

SURVEY AND EXTENSION: For the Committee on Survey and Extension, Rev.Dr.G.A. Wilson read a statement prepared by the Convener, Dr.Gordon Dickie, giving information concerning the work accomplished in the East Kitsilano area, as suggested by a survey of United Church homes there, some time ago, by Rev.L. Clinton Johnston. This work, largely supported by friends of Union College, was under the leadership of Mr.Charles Plasket, and, later was carriedon by Mr.Lloyd Lake.

With the evacuation of the Japanese, the constituency changed to war workers' and soldiers' families. In what was known as the East Indian Mission, on Second Avenue, work is now being carried on under the name "Union Gospel Mission", with some teachers formerly active in the East Indian Mission, and workers from various other Communions. Expenses for the Sunday School (with an average attendance of 25) are contributed from private sources. Additional work, under trained supervision, which might include both Sunday and mid-week activities, would be welcomed. If the Home Mission Board were to continue the grant of $25.00 per month, formerly given for East Indian Work, part of this might be used to meet rental and part to support a student, who would superintend mid-week activities, and conduct a Sunday evening service. Out of this could come a survey of the area, that would make clear what further steps should be taken. Further attention needs to be given to the Powell Street area (in which only some 10% of the incoming settlers are of British Stock) in connection with the work of First Church. The United Church has a great responsibility in this matter. On motion by Revs.G.A.Wilson and H.M.Rae, the report was referred to the Home Mission Committee.

OBITUARY: The Convener of the Obituary Committee, Rev.T.Jackson Wray, submitted three Obituary Notices: 1. Rev. George Fisher; 2. Rev. R.L.Coffin; 3 Rev.R.Herbison. On motion by the Convener and Rev.Dr.D.H. Telfer, these three obituary notices were approved, and it was ordered that they be entered in the permanent record. Rev. W. Stott then offered prayer.

1. REV. GEORGE FISHER died at his home, 618 Salsbury Drive,Vancouver, B.C., on December 2nd 1942, at the ripe age of 90 years. He was born in Nova Scotia in 1852, and was educated at Sackville Academy,Dalhousie University and Pine Hill Theological Seminary, and was ordained by the Presbytery of P.E.I., on October 7th 1884.
Two years after ordination Mr.Fisher married Miss Sophia Mutch, at Hopeton,P.E.I. Pastorates were held at Montress, P.E.I., for nearly 5 years, and at Dalhousie,N.B., for 14 years. For reasons of health Mr.Fisher and family moved to California,U.S.A., and for about seven years ministered to congregations at Tomales and Cayucos. Coming back to Canada, Mr.Fisher took appointments at Whonnock, CentralPark and Gabriola Island. He retired from the active ministry in 1929. Mrs. Fisher passed away on October 24th 1921 at their resident in Vancouver.
Since retirement,Mr.Fisher lived with his family in the Grandview district of Vancouver, and, as long as his health permitted, rendered loyal and devoted service through Church and Session. For the last five years Mr.Fisher has been confined to his home through illness, and, as his active ministry was exemplary, so, through the ministry of suffering, he brought those who ministered to him and those who visited him into deeper fellowship with the Father who was so real to him. Although his body was not functioning properly his spirit glowed with vitality and occasionally flashes of humour would light up his eyes. He became accustomed to look through the gates of death, and what he saw, confirmed by a lifetimes' experience, enabled him to pass on quietly and eagerly with the Master he loved.
Surviving are four sons, Douglas and Wendel in Vancouver, B.C., Aubrey in Stewart, B.C., and John in San Francisco,U.S.A., two daughters, Miss Edith at home and Mrs. Donald K.Faris in Vancouver, B.C.(wife of Rev.Donald K.Faris, missionary in Honan who was recently repatriated from occupied China), five grandsons, the eldest being in the R.C.A.F. overseas.
The funeral service was held on December 5th 1942, in the Grandview United Church, with Revs.R.Moses, Arthur Barner, G.H.Villett, J.G.Brown and W.E.Galloway officiating."

2. REV. ROBERT LOUIS COFFIN, B.A. retired minister of the United Church passed away at Vancouver on January 14th 1943. He was born at Mt.Stewart, P.E.I., in 1871. After graduating from Dalhousie University and Pine Hill Theological College, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Truro in 1899. He held pastorates in Stewiacke, Bass River, Tatamagouche and Port Hawkesbury in Nova Scotia, and in Ruddell and Smiley in Saskatchewan. In 1936, owing to ill health, he retired and came, with Mrs. Coffin, to Vancouver, becoming members of St. George United Church. He became a regular attendant at the services and undertook such work as his health permitted. He came, a total stranger, but he became a greatly loved leader in the congregation. He never shirked a duty, and while one of the most unassuming and retiring of men, by the patently Christian character and kindly, friendly spirit, he won the respect and regard of the members, old and young.
He was the minister's friend, and appreciative listener and a great encourager, His sermons, while giving evidence of careful and up-to-date thought, were marked by a strong evangelism, and, at times, there were evidences, both in his preaching and in his conversation, of the fire with which in the days of his strength he must have expressed his thoughts and feelings.. his was an alert mind. He was a keen judge of men and events. Cant and insincerity he hated; injustice would move him to indignation. He was the fortunate possessor of a good sense of humour, and excelled as the Chairman of a social gathering or as an after-dinner speaker. There are Churches in various parts of Canada that are the stronger and better because of the services of Mr.Coffin and his devoted wife, and there are many lives that are better and richer and happier because of their ministry.
He is survived by his wife, four sons, Dr.Carl. C.Coffin of Dalhousie University, Harold and Frank in Vancouver; and two daughters,Margaret in Ottawa and Mrs.F.A.Ferguson in Vancouver.
The funeral service was conducted by Vancouver Presbytery, with Rev. G.H.Villett presiding, on January 16th 1943; Rev.W.H.Smith and Rev.H.E. Horton paid tribute to Mr.Coffin and Rev.W.H.H.Norman read the Scripture. Interment was in Mountain View Cemetery.

3. REV. ROBERT HERBISON, M.A. The Call of the Unseen came su ddenly to one of the most active of our retired Ministers, Rev. Robert Herbison,M.A., on the 27th of January 1943, at his home in Vancouver. He had been enjoying his usual good health and keeping up his habit of regular walks with the expectation of many enjoyable days to come, but the messenger from the beyond was closer at hand than he knew.
Mr. Herbison was born at Sand Bay, Ontario on March 13th 1870. His high school work was done at Brockville and his College course was taken at Queen's,Kingston. He took his Master's degree in Philosophy, winning high commendation from Professor John Watson. In English and in Greek he stood first class.
Graduating in Theology in 1898, he was called to Stewarton Church,Ottawa, and, on his resignation from there in 1904, he spent a year in Great Britain, taking post-graduate work part of the time. On his return in 1905 he was called to St.Giles Church,Toronto, and, eight years later changed to Richmond Hill. In 1919 he answered the call of the Home Mission Board for experienced men to man important fields in the West. The large mining area at Princeton and Copper Mountain in British Columbia was assigned to him, and there for the next five years he brought the work of the Church to bear with good effect on the life of the community. His last charges were those of Cedar Cottage(1924-1932) and Jubilee(1932 1936) in Vancouver.
Since retirement in July 1936 he had been under constant call to take services in the City and at many outlying points. His passing creates a vacancy which will be very noticeably felt. In Presbytery his voice was frequently heard and his contributions were always helpful. The Ministers' Study Club was a special object of his attention. The programme of studies and addresses was largely of his arrangement. His own keen mind, his honest search for truth, his regular and effective presence, and his unfailing personal interest in each member, accounted, in large measure, for the continuance of the valuable work for which the Club stands. He has done a work of permanent quality, and among many people in many places he will be gratefully remembered for his understanding guidance in times when views were changing and new statements of belief had to be arrived at.
The funeral service,in keeping with his own wishes, was conducted quietly in the presence of the family, by Rev.Dr.Douglas H.Telfer. The cordial sympathy of many friends is extended to Mrs. Herbison, one daughter,Mrs.R.T.Green, and two sons, Robert and Hugh. They have suffered a temporary loss, but they have been left a heritage of invigorating memories and character stability that will be a mine of strength to them throughout their lives.

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BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY: Rev. Dr.D.H.Telfer submitted a plea for continued interest in the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and, on motion by Revs.H.R.McGill and H.M.Rae, it was agreed that Rev. Dr. D.H.Telfer represent Presbytery in seeing to it that a representative of the Society be appointed in each congregation.

ADJOURNMENT: At 1.05 p.m., this meeting of Presbytery closed with the benediction by Rev. G.Duncan Wilkie.

G.A.Wilkie
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary.

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Examined and found perfectly and neatly kept.

C H. Ballard
Convener
Conference Committee on Presbytery Records

May 12th 1943

Hugh M. Rae.
President.

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Vancouver Presbytery met in special session on Tuesday, March 2nd 1943, as arranged on February 16th, in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church at 10.00 a.m., for a Conversation concerning the work of God, postponed from January 16th, with Rev.G.H.Villett presiding, and who opened the meeting with prayer.
SEDERUNT: Ministers: A.E.Cooke, D.H.Telfer, E.W.Mackay, E.Beeching, J.R.Hewitt, W.E.Galloway, H.M.Rae, Robert Moses, E.F.Church, T.S.Paton, Charles Finnemore, C.E.Batzold, H.R.McGill, A.Roddan, W.M.Burton, J.W.Smith, B.Glover, B.H.Wallace, R.J.McIntyre, T.Jackson Wray, G.D.Wilkie, J.H.A.Warr, A.F.Munro, George G. Hacker, Wm.Deans, John Pye, Hugh Dobson, R.W.Hardy, H.M.Clark, G.H.Villett and Arthur Barner. Lay Representatives: A.Watson, R.D.Albraut, R.D.Smith, Thomas Laing, W.Carter, T.Lawrie, A.S.Cox, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, W.T.Easterbrook, W.A.Mann, M.A.Harrison, M.MacInnes, T.C.Craighead, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, R.Lundie, Mrs.C.Nickols, T.A.Brough, J.A.Forin, Mrs.J.Ellis.

It was agreed, on the suggestion of the Chairman, that Rev.Dr.D.H. Telfer, Convener of the Special Committee appointed to draft the programme, should preside, while the various subjects were being discussed.

In the morning session, Rev.Dr.R.H.Lowry dealt with "The Church: its Worship, Sacraments and Ordinances" and Rev.Dr.Andrew Roddan with "The Church in the City". Following the masterly presentation of both subjects there was general discussion, until, at 12.15 p.m., Presbytery adjourned with the benediction by Rev.G.H.Villett.

2.00 P.M. At 2.oo p.m., the members of Presbytery re-assembled, with Rev. G.H.Villett presiding, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev.R.Moses. As in the forenoon, Dr. Telfer took charge, while, in the absence of Rev. George D.Walker, through indisposition, Rev.A.E.Cooke read a searching and comprehensive paper, prepared by Mr.Walker, on "The Church looks at the Post War World". On motion by Revs.A.E.Cooke and B.H.Wallace, a message of goodwill was ordered to be sent to Rev.Mr.Walker with thanks for his excellent paper and cordial good wishes for speedy and complete recovery. Rev.Dr.Gordon Dickie, Convener of Survey and Extension, submitted an interesting presentation of "The Church in the New Areas", with maps showing the parts of the City demanding immediate attention by the Church.

On motion by Revs.H.Dobson and E.W.Mackay, the hearty thanks of Presbytery was tendered the leaders of the discussions, and the Chairman voiced the thanks of Presbytery to the members of the special committee who had prepared the programme for this exceedingly helpful Conversation.
ADJOURNMENT: At 4.30 p.m., this special meeting closed with the benediction by Rev.Hugh Dobson.

G.H.Villett
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary

MONDAY, MARCH 15th 1943

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on Monday, March 15th 1943, at 9.30 a.m., with Rev.G.H.Villett presiding, and who opened the meeting with prayer.
SEDERUNT: Ministers: T.Jackson Wray, S.S.Osterhout, E.Beeching, A.F.Munro, E.W.Mackay, G.H.Villett, H.M.Clark, A.M.Sanford, G.A.Wilson, H.M.Rae, T.S.Paton, M.G.Melvin, H.R.McGill, Charles Finnemore, A.Maclean, W.M.Burton, W.Graham, R.W.Hardy, C.E.Batzold, F.Bushfield, J.Herdman, J.W.Smith, O.Darwin, E.F.Church, Andrew Roddan, C.H.Ballard, B.H.Wallace, W.P.Bunt, R.Moses, J.W.Melvin, F.H.Stevens, J.S.Muldrew, Wesley Latimer, John Archibald, W.A.Cooke, J.R.Hewitt, J.P.Westman, B.H.Balderston, R.G.Dunbar, G.D.Wilkie, G.H.Raley, R.P.Stobie, W.Stott, A.H.Huntley, John Pye, S.J.Green, W.R.Brown, Hugh Dobson, G.Dickie, R.J.McIntyre, D.H.Telfer and T.F.McGregor, J.Neave, A.E.Whitehouse, O.W.S.McCall, A.Barner, P.Henderson, R.A.Redman.
LAY REPRESENTATIVES: Wm. Forbes, W.F.Merrick, Fred Rogers, J.Russell Oliver, Thomas Laing, E.G.Duncan, W.Carter, J.Quigley, T.Lawrie, Jas.Hope, Jas.R.Fraser, Mrs.G.E.Darby, T.A.Brough, R.J.Innes, J.Wright, Mrs.Jas.Ramsay, R.Lundie, Mrs.Margaret McDiarmid, D.F.Warren, M.A.Harrison, Mrs.G.A.McConnell, Mrs.N.H Schooley, Albert S.Cox, Fred.Emerson, Mrs.C.Nickols, W.A.Mann, R.D.Smith, S.Riddell, Mrs.A.E.Mullett, Mrs.J.W.Hawken, Mrs. J.Ellis, W.T.Easterbrook, Mrs.George F.H.Lam, S.H.Lind, H.S.Hilton, J.M.Gavey, W.H.Inkster, O.D.Austin, J.G.McGowan.
MINUTES: The Minutes of the last regular meeting, on Tuesday, February 16th, as mimeographed, were approved on motion by Revs.M.G.Melvin and H.R.McGill.
AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with places for reports on the liquidation of the Deficit, and on Pastoral Relations, was accepted. Permission was given at this point, to the Committee on Education and Students to retire.

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INTRODUCTIONS: Rev.A.F.Munro introduced Mr.J.Russell Oliver as Lay representative for Knox Church in place of Mr.G.F.Gibson, with respect to whose long and efficient service it was agreed that Rev.A.F. Munro and George A.Wilson should be a Committee to draft a suitable resolution of appreciation on behalf of the Presbytery. Rev.Don Farris and Rev.T.F.McGregor(supply at Cape Mudge) were also introduced, and, later in the meeting, the President of Conference,Dr.A.E. Whitehouse; Rev.Oswald W.S.McCall, who is now stated supply at St.Andrew's-Wesley Church; Rev.R.A.Redman of Chilliwack; Rev.Peter Henderson of Port Moody; Rev. Jer Tse Sang (presented by Rev.W.P.Bunt) stated supply for the Chinese Mission; and Rev.Dr.George Dorey; were cordially welcomed by the Chairman.

PLACE FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING: On motion by Revs.H.R.McGill and George G.Hacker, St.James Church was named as the place for the next regular meeting on April 27th.

EXECUTIVE: 1. Notification of applications for admissions to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, from:-

(a) Kingston Presbytery(Bay of Quinte) for Rev.Robert Frederick Darke, B.Th., of the Convention of Baptist Churches of Ontario and Quebec.

(b) Glengarry Presbytery(Montreal & Ottawa) for Rev.Herbert B. Storey of New York State Congregational Conference.

(c) Calgary Presbytery(Alberta) for Rev.C.E.Lawson of the Church of Christ Disciples:-

were read by the Secretary and were ordered to be received and filed.

2. Acknowledgments of resolutions of Presbytery, from Hon John Hart, Premier of B.C.; and from Hon.W.L.Mackenzie King, Premier of Canada; were ordered to be received and filed.

3. Acknowledgments of letters of sympathy from Rev.Hugh Dobson and George D. Walker, were ordered to be received and filed.

CONFERENCE DELEGATES: On motion by the Secretary and Rev.C.Finnemore, it was agreed that the names - Ministerial and Lay - on the Roll of Presbytery when approved, be the delegates to Conference, except where changes are requested, and that the Chairman and Secretary assign delegates to the Sessional Committees.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: For the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.Dr. D.H.Telfer, recommended:-

1. Rev.Ivan Wong: That, inasmuch as Rev.Ivan Wong is still a member of the Montreal Conference, the Secretary of Presbytery forward his papers to the Montreal Presbytery, and so inform Mr. Wong. Agreed.

2. Rev. George D.Walker: That, upon his fulfilment of necessary conditions in regard to the Pension Fund, Presbytery recommend to Conference in May, the reception of Rev.George D.Walker into the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, and that other Presbyteries be officially notified. Agreed.

3. Rev.Oswald W.S.McCall: That Presbytery recommend to Conference in May, that Rev.Oswald W.S.McCall be received into the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, and that other Presbyteries be notified accordingly. Agreed.

The report, as a whole, was then adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev.J.H.A.Warr, reporting for the Committee on Christian Education, gave information concerning efforts being made to meet allocations to congregations in the Presbytery. The serious increase of Juvenile Delinquency called for immediate attention, and, on motion by Revs.H.M.Rae and E.F.Church, the Convener was authorized to approach the School Board and the Department of Education, with a view to co-operative effort and to report later to Presbytery. The Conference of Children's leaders, planned to be held in Chown Church had to be cancelled. Members of Presbytery were urged to keep in mind the period, July 10th to 19th, when Rev.Basil Mathews, will be one of the leaders at Ocean Park.

On the Convener's motion, the report as a whole was adopted.

PENSIONS: For the Committee on Pensions, Rev.H.R.McGill, reported inprovement in the standing of Ministers in the Presbytery. Assessments in full were paid by 28 ministers and 12 more were completing payments. The need for giving attention to the requirements of the Pension Fund was a matter of vital importance.

This report, as a whole, was adopted.

HOME MISSIONS: In the report of the Home Mission Committee, as presented by Rev.Wm.Stott, the following applications for grants were recommended and approved:-

Alert Bay: Grants for Alert Bay(former Marine Mission) totalled $2972.00, but with the missionary on ten months leave of absence, the "Melvin Swartout" in the Canadian Navy, the future of this important area is uncertain. No grant therefore is asked for, but the oversight of this Charge is referred to the Executive of the Home Mission Board for action when and if the opportunity of serving this area arises.

BRIDGE RIVER: Under the care of a W.M.S. worker from Lillooet: no grant asked for.

Cranberry-Westview: In view of local obligations of this newly-organized congregation, a grant of $150.00 is asked for.

Howe Sound: Grant of $500.00.

Squamish: Week-end supply from Vancouver. Grant of $175.00 to June 30th asked

for, and the matter of the grant after July 1st to be referred to the Home Mission Board Executive.

Beaconsfield: No grant asked for. St. James: Grant of $50.00.

First Church: Grant of $4615.00 as for last year, and in addition $1400.00 to be asked for to support a leader for service at First Church Community House(former Japanese Powell St.Church). Failing receipt of this extra grant permission from the Home Mission Board is asked for, to apply for inclusion in the Vancouver Community Chest - First Church to have full jurisdiction in the conduct of the work.

Bowen Island: $130.00 as last year. Dollarton: $200.00 ($104 last year).

Renfrew: $100.00 as last year. Texada Island $200.00 if required.

Cape Mudge: Grant of $250.00 to be increased to $600.00 in order to meet the needs of the work in this area. Mrs. Read retired Indian Worker, $200.00.

Vancouver Chinese: Rev.Jer Tse Sang now in charge, grant $650.00 - $100 less than last year.

Union Gospel Mission: Proposal that United Church pay the rent of the Union Gospel Mission in East Kitsilano was referred to a sub-committee to confer with neighbouring United Church Ministers. Now referred to the Home Mission Executive.

Mr. Fong Dickman: Allowance of $450.00 for Mr. Fong Dickman.

Repair expenses for former Japanese Church Property(Columbia and 6th Avenue), amounting to $22.58.

Moving expenses for Rev.Jer Tse Sang - when particulars are submitted.

REV. DR. GEORGE DOREY: On invitation from the Chairman, Rev.Dr.Dorey addressed Presbytery on Home Mission Work in spacious western Canada, and onthe encouraging response in Missionary and Maintenance contributions as our people are becoming aware of the greatness of the task confronting the Church.

On motion by the Convener, the report, as a whole, was then adopted.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION: As Convener of Missionary Education, Rev.R.Moses reported on the work of Rev.Don Faris, in making known to congregations the nature of missionary effort in China, and, on his motion, seconded by Rev.E.F.Church, it was agreed that "Having heard Rev.Don Faris tell of his work in China, and having seen the films he shows, it is the conviction of this Presbytery that in the interests of Missionary Education he be given deputation work across the Dominion". Presbytery was also informed that Rev. Wm.Scott of Korea will be in B.C. from April 11th to 18th and that, through Rev. R.Moses, dates can be arranged for Mr.Scott to address gatherings.

This report, as a whole, was adopted.

ADDRESS BY MODERATOR: The Chairman called upon Rev.Dr.A.E.Whitehouse of Victoria, President of B.C.Conference, to introduce Rev.Dr.J.R.P. Sclater, Moderator of the United Church of Canada. In glowing and felicitous terms, Dr.Sclater set before Presbytery the uniting nature of the United Church of Canada, and was most hopeful of combined effort on the part of the various Communions of the Church to facilitate the planning and execution of the better order that must be in Church and State when the global struggle in which we are engaged comes in an end.

On behalf of the Presbytery, the Chairman tendered the Moderator most hearty thanks for his informing and inspiring Address.

STATISTICAL: Mr.O.D.Austin presented the report of the Statistical Committee for 1942, as compared with 1941, showing increase or decrease(mimeographed copies of which were in the hands of members) and stated that the figures indicated a decided decrease in the more important phases of the Church's work. Much of this might be attributed to dislocation caused by enlistments of ministers, Sunday School and young people's leaders, coupled with demands for war work, and failure of the remaining membership to fill the vacant places. While on 45 pastoral charges members were received on profession of faith, there was a 30% decrease over all in the number as compared with 1941; only some 2% of "the field white unto harvest" became members on profession of faith. Figures showing difference between members received and those removed 'by certificate or otherwise' would seem to indicate serious loss. Enlistments and evacuation of Japanese might account for the increase of non-resident members. Statistics for Sunday Schools and Through-the-week Organizations constitute a serious challenge for strenuous effort on the part of ourmembers. Bright spots in the financial returns - while the total amount of money raised for all purposes shows a decrease- are, reduction of indebtedness by 26 congregations; discharge of mortgage by 5, wiping out of debt by 4, and marked increase in the number of duplex envelopes being used.

On motion by Revs. D.H.Telfer and H.M.Rae the report was received, to be discussed at the next meeting of Presbytery under suggestions from the Committee on Life and Work.

PASTORAL RELATIONS: (Ladner). The unanimous recommendation of the Committee on Pastoral Relations, presented by Rev.George G. Hacker - "That in view of unusual conditions in connection with the work on the Ladner field, the request of the Ladner congregation for Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith to continue as Stated Supply for the coming Conference year, be endorsed by Presbytery and notice of such action be sent on to the Settlement Committee of Conference", was, on his motion, seconded by Rev.M.G.Melvin, accepted.

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MONDAY, MARCH 15th 1943

LIFE AND WORK: The Chairman read the report of the Sub-Committee(Revs.F.H.Stevens, W.E.Fullerton and Mr.W.F.Merrick) appointed to meet with the Official Board of North Lonsdale-Capilano Pastoral Charge on Tuesday February 9th in the Capilano Church. On motion by Revs.F.H.Stevens and W.P.Bunt, the report, along with a historical statement prepared by Rev.John Archibald, was ordered to be referred to the Survey and Extension Committee.

LIQUIDATION OF DEFICIT: For the Committee on the Liquidation of the Deficit, Mr.E.G.Duncan reported progress, and Rev.G.A.Wilson gave particulars of the progress of the campaign.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: Rev.W.M.Burton reported that congregational records of Vancouver Heights, St.Stephen's, St.George and Cedar Cottage Churches, had been examined, and asked that they be attested. Agreed.

ADJOURNMENT: At 1.15 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by the Chairman, Rev.G.H.Villett.

G.H.Villett
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, APRIL 27th 1943

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.James' Church, on Tuesday, April 27th 1943, at 9.30 a.m., with Rev.G.H.Villett, presiding, and who opened the meeting with prayer.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: G.H.Villett, G.B.Switzer, D.H.Telfer, E.W.Mackay, W.E. Galloway, W.P. Bunt, W.A.Cooke, Charles Finnemore, W.H.H.Norman, O.Darwin, B. Glover, J.W.Smith, W.E.Fullerton, R.Moses, J.W.Melvin, George G. Hacker, E.Beeching, H.R.McGill, J.Herdman, A.E.Cooke. W. Stott. J.H.A.Warr, T.S. Paton, R.P.Stobie, R.W.Hardy, John Pye, Hugh Dobson, T.Jackson Wray, W.H.Smith, J.C.Stewart, S.S.Osterhout, W.M.Burton, E.F.Church, J.R.Hewitt, A.F.Munro, J.D.Hobden, B.H.Wallace, and George D. Walker, Angus Cameron.
Lay Representatives: M.MacInnes, R.Lundie, J.Russell Oliver, W.T.Easterbrook, James Hope, T.C.Craighead, W.Carter, W.F.Merrick, Mrs.J.Ellis, Flossie Zenkie, Mrs.Jas. Ramsay, Wm. Forbes, J.Quigley, R.D.Albraut, John Wright, Albert S. Cox, Mrs. C. Nickols, W.A. Mann, Thomas Laing, F.Shoemaker, A.Watson, F.Emerson, A.J.Honey, W.H.Inkster, W.H. Parkin, E.G.Duncan, J.A.MacLean, J.A. Irving, Mrs.Frank Yeo, R.D.Smith, Mrs. A.E.Mullett, H.S.Hilton, Mrs.C.T.Bailey, Mrs. J.H.Cameron

MINUTES: The Minutes of a special meeting on March 2nd, and of the regular meeting on Monday, March 15th were, on motion by Revs.C.Finnemore and O. Darwin, approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with a place for a report on Hospital Visitation, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: The names of Mrs. H. Wilby for Powell River, Mrs.George Lam for Vancouver Chinese, Mrs. C.J.Zenkie for St.George, Chief William Assu for Cape Mudge, Mrs. Mary D. Cameron for Alert Bay, were ordered on the Roll of Presbytery as Lay Representatives.

EXECUTIVE : 1. The request of Rev.Olivia C.Lindsay'supplying Lillooet and Bridge River, under W.M.S.) for membership in Vancouver Presbytery was ordered to be sent on to the Settlement Committee.

2. On recommendation of the Radio Committee, through Rev.W, Deans, the name of Rev.G.D.Wilkie was accepted as the representative of Vancouver Presbytery on the Radio Committee of the General Ministerial Association which plans morning devotions on C.B.R.

3. A letter from Rev.Dr.A.E.Armstrong, re Rev.Don Faris was read for information.

4. Acknowledgment of a letter of sympathy from Mrs. Stanley Brent was ordered to be received and filed.

5. The request of Rev.Hugh Herbison to be "left without a Charge" from July 1st 1943 to June 30th 1944, was approved on motion by Revs.J.W.Melvin and J.W.Smith, and was ordered to be sent on to the Settlement Committee.

6. A resolution of appreciation for the long and varied service rendered by Mr.G.F.Gibson, as prepared by Revs.Dr.A.F.Munro and G.A.Wilson was read and accepted.

DEVOTIONAL: Rev.H.R.Vessey, of the Saskatchewan Conference, conducted the Devotional Service. Basing his Address on the 12th Chapter of the Epistle to the Romans, Mr.Vessey pointed out how pertinent the practical side of the Gospel, as set out in this Chapter was to the many pressing problems in Church and State today.

ROLL OF PRESBYTERY: On motion by Revs.W.P. Bunt and H.R.McGill, the Roll of Presbytery, as prepared by the Secretary, was referred to a Committee consisting of the Secretary of Presbytery, the Secretary of Conference, Revs. Wm. Deans and W.Stott.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The report of the Nominating Committee, as presented by the Secretary, with names of Officers of Prespytery for 1943-44, and nominations for Standing Committees of Conference, was accepted on motion of

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TUESDAY, APRIL 27th 1943
Revs. Wm. Deans and W. Stott.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. J.H.A.Warr, presenting the report on Christian Education, informed Presbytery of having written the City Department of Education, and the Chief of Police, concerning certain acts of vandalism, and the unseemly behaviour by juveniles. Replies had been received thanking the Convener and the Committee with the assurance that everything possible was being done by the authorities.

FINANCIAL: Some $1250.00 had to be raised before April 30th to meet the allocation agreed upon. Only 40 congregations had made returns, and of these 13 had completed their allocation. From 14 congregations no returns had been received. On motion by Revs.G.B.Switzer and H.R.McGill, it was agreed to have the time for receiving contributions extended to the close of Conference. The report, as a whole,was then adopted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: For the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service Rev. A.E.Cooke, reporting for information, gave particulars of correspondence with, and literature from Rev.Dr.Mutchmor. Reference was made to the Temperance Convention to be held in the near future; and a statement was made concerning the Japanese situation.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: For the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.Dr. D.H.Telfer reported, and recommendations were accepted as follows:

1. That J.A.McAllister(Arts 4), Harry Lee Penny(Arts 4,Theology 1), W.P.Grant (Arts 1, Theology 1), A.H.Shepherd (Theology 3), R.C.Keeble (Arts 4,Theology 2), A.E.Carlsen (Arts, Extra Mural), Gordon Wilson(R.C.A.F.), B.C.Colwell(R.C.A.F.) Lloyd Lake(Arts 1,Theology 1-J'r.Matriculation French to be completed), be continued as/ Candidates
2. That enquiry be made concerning H.B.B.Menagh, at Ohio Wesleyan University, and F.R.Gibson at McMaster University,Hamilton, and that information concerning James and John Lowe be secured from Rev.Dr.Noyes in Toronto.
3. Ivan Wong - That Presbytery request Conference to issue Credentials to Rev. Ivan Wong, now at Berkeley, California, when technicalities of transfer are completed.
4. Licensing of Candidates: (T.T.Moore) That, having enquired into the character and faith and general motives of Mr. T.T.Moore, this Committee recommends Mr. Moore to Presbytery for License to preach and to Conference for Ordination. The Chairman of Presbytery then formally licensed Mr.T.T.Moore according to the prescribed form, and, on motion by Revs.Drs.D.H.Telfer and G.B.Switzer, the report, as a whole, was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT: At 12.30 p.m., Presbytery adjourned, with the benediction by Rev. Dr.S.S.Osterhout.

LUNCHEON: The members of Presbytery assembled in the Hall of the Church for luncheon served by the Women's Association. On motion by Revs.E.F. Church and W.H.Smith, an enthusiastic vote of thanks to those who had provided and served so many good things was unanimously carried.

1.20 p.m. Presbytery re-assembled at 1.20 p.m., and as Rev.G.H.Villett was called away on pastoral duties, on motion, Rev.H.R.McGill took the Chair. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev.Wm.Stott.

SCHOOLS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING: Rev. Dr.D.H.Telfer made a statement concerning methods and possibilities of Schools for Christian Living, citing instances of definite success where efforts along certain lines have been made.

LIFE AND WORK (STATISTICAL) Rev. J.H.A.Warr dealt with figures in the Annual Statistical returns relative to comparisons of membership over the past five years. Certain decreases could be accounted for by the large increase of Sunday work, and drill of various kinds, but the Sunday School decline calls for serious attention. On motion by Revs.Wm. Deans and J.W.Smith, it was agreed that the Life and Work Committee should meet with the Christian Education Committee in order to confer with the Conference Christian Education Committee, with a view to definite action being taken to deal with the problems raised in the Statistical Report and that these two Presbytery Committees make a joint report to Presbytery at the June meeting.

SURVEY AND EXTENSION: For the Committee on Survey and Extension, Rev.Gordon Dickie asked that application be made to the Home Mission Board for the renewal of the grant of $25.00 per month for operating expenses in the Kitsilano District.

PRESBYTERY ANNUAL: A communication from Mr. W.M.Birks of Edmonton, re issuing an Annual for Vancouver Presbytery similar to one that had been issued for Edmonton Presbytery was referred to the Executive for consideration.

REV. E. LESLIE BEST: The request of Rev.E.Leslie Best(accompanied by a medical certificate) for superannuation for one year was approved and ordered to be sent forward to the Conference Committee on Pensions.

CALL FROM BRITANNIA: The Call from Britannia to Rev.Alver Mackay of Hatzic, was submitted by the Secretary, was found in order and approved, and was ordered to be sent on to the Settlement Committee.

CHANGE OF PASTORATE: (Rev.L.Clinton Johnston) The request of Rev.L.Clinton Johnston of Pioneer for change of Pastorate, was on motion by Revs.C.Finnemore and J.H.A.Warr, ordered to be sent on to the Settlement Committee.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 27th 1943

CHINESE MISSION: On motion by Revs.W.P.Bunt, and W.Stott, it was agreed that, having been advised of the desire of the Vancouver Chinese congregation to have Rev.Jer Tse Sang become its settled minister by the action of the Settlement Committee at its forthcoming meeting, we communicate this desire to that Committee, and, further that we refer the name of Mr.Jer Tse Sang to the Committee on Education and Students, with a view to the clarification of his position in relation to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada.

MODERATOR'S FUND: Following explanation of the new method of administering the Moderator's Fund, by Revs.W.Stott, W.P.Bunt, and B.H. Wallace, it was agreed, on motion by Revs.W.Stott and Dr.D.H.Telfer, that letters be sent out to the congregations concerned and that the Life and Work Committee make arrangements for necessary deputations.

HOSPITAL VISITATION: Rev. George G. Hacker reported on Hospital Visitation, and informed Presbytery of arrangements having been made for Rev. Gordon Dickie to take over the work for the month of May.

RADIO COMMITTEE: For the Radio Committee, Rev.Wm. Deans reported:

1. Programmes for ensuing six months had been sent to all the Churches in the Province, with two changes indicated (a) Time for "Close of Day" is now 10.30 p.m.(b) "United Church News" in place of "Poet's Gold", for which changes, many expressions of appreciation have been received.
2. The thanks of the Committee have been conveyed to Miss Mary Neil for her services.
3. Hearty co-operation of the ministers in making this extensive work possible has greatly helped the Committee.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: On motion of Revs.W.E.Galloway and D.H.Telfer, the Secretary was instructed to send a message of sympathy to Rev.C.E.Batzold, who has been seriously ill.

ADJOURNMENT: At 3.00 p.m., this meeting closed with prayer andthe benediction by Rev.H.R.McGill.

G.H.Villett
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12th 1943

Vancouver Presbytery met, by order of Conference, in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Wednesday, May 12th 1943, at 4.10 p.m., and , in the absence of Rev.G.H.Villett, by request of Presbytery, Rev.H.R.McGill presided. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev.Dr.O.Darwin.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: O. Darwin, E.W.Mackay, W.A.Cooke, W.Graham, F.H.Stevens, J.H.A.Warr, D.H.Telfer, W.Deans, W.E.Galloway, J.P.Westman, J.W.Melvin, J.Herdman, B.Glover, L.Clinton Johnston, A.E.Cooke, W.M.Burton, A.F.Munro, R.P.Stobie, G.B.Switzer, J.D.Hobden, Wesley Latimer, R.W.Hardy, B.H.Wallace, E.Beeching, J.G.Gibson and Olivia C.Lindsay, R.H.Lowry, T.F. McGregor, Jer Tse Sang. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: R. Lundie, Chas. Garden, A.Watson, J.Quigley, R.D.Albraut, Mrs.C.Nickols, Fred Rogers, W.H.Inkster, M.A.Harrison, Mrs.J.P.Hawken, Mrs.G.E.Darby, Eva B.Elliot, Mrs. N.H.Schooley, Mrs.J.Ellis, M.MacInnes, H.P.Baird, John Wright, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, Mrs.Jas. Ramsay, Mrs. Mac.Sanford, W.H.Parkin, A.Warwick, Mrs.George Lam, W.J.Fullerton, J.A.Irving, R.D. Smith, R.J.Innes, T.C.Craighead, Wm. Carter, F.Shoemaker, W.T.Easterbrook, Margaret McDiarmid, Norah McDuffie, T.R.Brough, James R.Fraser.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Acknowledgment from Rev.C.E.Batzold of a letter of sympathy, was received and ordered filed.
2. Acknowledgment from Mr.G.F.Gibson of receipt of the resolution of appreciation from Presbytery was read, and was ordered to be received and filed.
3. Notification from the Presbytery of Woodstock, N.B., of intention to recommend Rev.Samuel H.Haslam, Th.B.,B.D., of the United Baptist Convention, Maritime Provinces of Canada, to the Maritime Conference in June, for admission to the Ministry of The United Church of Canada, was read and no objections were offered.
4. A letter from the Official Board of the Cranberry-Westview Charge, suggesting that local Lay Supply take charge of the services in that field, was, on motion by Revs.Wm.Deans and F.H.Stevens, referred to the Home Mission Committee for report later to Presbytery.
5. The request of Rev.E.C.Curry(981 Madison St.,Victoria) for superannuation for another year on account of illness, was approved, and was ordered on to the Conference Committee on Pensions - Medical Certificate to be obtained later.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: For the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.Dr. D.H.Telfer reported that from information received from

The Investigating Committee was agreed that if a temporary place of worship could be found, preaching and Sunday School Services should be started forthwith, and that the permanent pastoral affiliation of this work should be decided by Presbytery at a later date.

The report, as a whole, was then adopted.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: On motion by Rev.W.P.Bunt, the message of sympathy to Dr. and Mrs.G.E.Darby and family of Bella Bella, on the loss in action overseas of their son - already sent on by the Executive - was endorsed by Presbytery, and on motion by Revs.J.C.Stewart and Dr.Gordon Dickie, a letter of sympathy from Presbytery to Rev.A.Rannie and family, on the passing of Mrs. Rannie, was ordered.

By standing vote, and a period of silence, both motions were accepted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: Rev.A.E.Cooke presented an interim report for the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, calling the attention of members to World Wide Communion Sunday on October 3rd. To the need for Evangelistic Effort in the work of the Church, to the special service in November in relation to the Christian Family, and to the increasing prevalence of gambling. Relative to World Temperance Sunday, Rev.R.J.McIntyre presented the following resolution; which was accepted:-

> "We commend the Governments, both Federal and Provincial, on action taken to restrict the sale of permits for the purchase of liquor through the use of the National Registration Cards, or Identification Cards, in the Armed Forces.
> Also for the rationing of liquor to a fairly low amount, the prohibition of all liquor advertising within Canada, and reduction of the hours of sale to, at most, eight hours per day: This we believe has been of very great benefit to the social and family life of our people.
> We would urge the Federal Government, to, at least, retain these restrictions for the duration of the war and the period of demobilization."

The report, as a whole, was adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: For the Committee on Christian Education, Rev.F.H.Stevens informed Presbytery that a meeting of this Committee was to be held in the near future, and the new Field Secretary, Rev.R.A.McLaren, was elsewhere engaged, and called on Miss Kay Smith, to lay before Presbytery some of the methods being employed in this work.

This interim report was then adopted.

SURVEY AND EXTENSION: Rev. Gordon Dickie, reporting for the committee on Survey and Extension, suggested that, for the territory between Ryerson and Marpole Churches, and on Sea Island, representatives of the Marpole congregations should meet with this committee. At a later meeting it was hoped that plans for dealing with the needs of these districts might be submitted for consideration.

DISABLED VETERANS ASSOCIATION: On motion by Revs.B.H.Wallace and H.M.Rae, it was agreed that the case of the Disabled Veterans Association be considered by a Special Committee to be appointed by the Chairman of Presbytery. The Chairman named, Revs.B.H.Wallace, W.E.Fullerton, E.F.Church, J.D.Hobden and Mr.E.G.Duncan.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: Rev.J.C.Stewart reported that the session records of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church had been examined, and found correctly kept. It was agreed that they be accordingly attested.

ADJOURNMENT: At 12.30 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by the Chairman.

M.G. Melvin
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19th 1943

On Tuesday, October 19th 1943, at 9.00 a.m., Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, with Rev.M.G.Melvin presiding, and was opened with prayer by Rev.R.Moses.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: E.W.Mackay, W.H.Smith, E.Beeching, B.H.Wallace, D.H.Telfer, H.M.Rae, Charles Finnemore, M.G.Melvin, H.R.McGill, R.Moses, G.D.Wilkie, W.E.Fullerton, W.H.H.Norman, R.W.Hardy, O.Darwin, J.Herdman, G.H. Villett, F.H.Stevens, A.F.Munro, T.S.Paton, B.Glover, W.A.Cooke, T.Jackson Wray, George D. Walker, C.H.Ballard, G.A.Wilson, J.W.Smith, W.E.Galloway, W.Stott, C.E. Batzold, W. Deans, G.H.Raley, J.C.Stewart, John Archibald, R.P.Stobie, George G. Hacker, A. Mackay, J.D.Hobden and A.Barner, J.C.MacDonald, A.C.Cameron, R.A.McLaren, J.D.Stobie, T.E.Holling, C.G.MacKenzie, A.L.Carr. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: J.Russell Oliver, J.McLarty, A.Watson, Thomas Laing, W.Carter, Mrs.F.Yeo, T.Lawrie, J.Quigley, Mrs. A.Campbell, Mrs.M.McDiarmid, W.T.Easterbrook, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, Albert S.Cox, H.P.Baird, John Wright, C.E. Mahon, G.Lake, Mrs.J.Ellis, J.M.Gavey, Mrs.J.Ramsay,

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Mrs. Lockwood, Mrs. Hawken, Mrs. T.A.Elsom, A.Warwick, D.F.Warren, R.D.Albraut, Charles Garden, F.Shoemaker, Mrs. Roberts, T.Riddell, T.A.Brough, W.H.Parkin, Mrs. C. Nickols, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, James Hope, Mrs. A.E.Mullett,H.S.Hilton, D.McPherson, R.D.Smith, M.A.Harrison, T.W.Edwards, J.G.McGowan, J.A.Forin, M.MacInnes, Mrs. Etta V.Cooke.

MINUTES: The Minutes of last meeting on September 21st 1943, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with permission for the Committee on Pensions to retire in order to present a special report later, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: Dr. W.H.Smith introduced Rev.J.C.Macdonald from Trinidad; Rev.Dr.A.L.Carr of Alberta Conference, Stated Supply at South Arm-Steveston, was introduced by Rev.C.Finnemore, and was granted corresponding privileges. Mrs. M.E.Lockwood, replacing Mrs. G.E.Darby, as Lay Representative from Crosby Church was introduced by Rev.R.W.Hardy.

EXECUTIVE: The report of the Executive was submitted by the Secretary:-

1. Special Pension Fund Committee: to consist of the members of the Presbytery Committee on Pensions resident in Vancouver, with the addition of Mr.J. Russell Oliver. On the request of Rev.H.R.McGill, the names of Revs.G.D. Wilkie and F.H.Stevens were added, and the recommendation, so amended, was accepted.
2. Supply for South Arm-Steveston: That we accede to the request of the congregation of South Arm-Steveston for Rev.Dr.A.L.Carr of Alberta Conference as Stated Supply for this Charge to the end of the Conference year. Agreed.
3. Evening meetings of Presbytery: Beginning with 1944, that meetings of Presbytery be held in the evening at 7.30 - the place for each meeting to be determined. On motion by Messrs C.E.Mahon and G.Lake, this recommendation was accepted.
4. Induction at St.Andrew's-Wesley: With Rev.G.H.Villett presiding and inducting, Rev.Dr.O.W.S.McCall was inducted to the Pastoral Charge of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on the evening of Wednesday, September 29th 1943. There was an attendance of some 350 persons. Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith addressed the Minister; Rev.Dr.G.B.Switzer, the congregation, and an offering of $24.75 was received.
5. Trinity Induction: The recommendation of the Executive that the Secretary inform Rev.H.J.Bevan, appointed to Trinity Church, also the Secretary of Trinity Church Official Board, that it is the view of the Executive of Presbytery that the terms of the Manual #73,m, be carried out, and that an induction service be held in Trinity Church in the interests of the congregation, of the minister and of the United Church of Canada, was submitted, along with a letter from Rev.H.J.Bevan, expressing the hope that, since a reception had been already held, a formal induction might not be necessary. On motion by Revs.H.M.Rae, and D.H.Telfer, the Commission appointed was instructed to proceed with the induction as ordered by Presbytery - the Secretary of Presbytery to so inform the Secretary of the Official Board of Trinity United Church.
6. Application of Rev.Jer Tse Sang: The application of Rev.Jer Tse Sang of the Chinese United Church to secure standing as a minister of the United Church of Canada, was referred to the Committee on Education and Students.
7. Votes for East Indians: The request of the Consultative Council of Vancouver, that Dr. D.H.Telfer present terms of a petition that votes be granted East Indians resident in B.C., was granted - to be dealt with under new business.

Rev.Dr. Kenna of Seattle: Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer introduced Rev.Dr.Kenna of Seattle, who had been conducting Anniversary Services in West Point Grey Church, and who conveyed fraternal greetings from Church Workers south of the border.

DEVOTIONAL: The theme of the Address in the Devotional Service, conducted by Rev. G.D.Wilkie was, Jesus, the Light of the World, encountering the darkness of Gethsemane, where, as he looked up, steely stars conveyed tidings of that constant and imperishible order quite outside any control by wily gangsters. The fact that so many of the disciples were there, indicated that in them were glimmerings of light that, for brightness, would one day excel the shining of the noonday sun. Through the darkness of that seeming irrational world, Jesus, the Pioneer and the perfection of faith, prayed until he was willing that God should move His arm. Even so shall we find our way where Jesus found it - in communion with God. It is for us to fight on, and if the light be in us, through us others will find the way.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. F.H.Stevens, presenting an interim report for Christian Education, asked that an hour be allotted for this Committee at the November meeting of Presbytery. The request that the name of Mr.Frank Johns be added to the Committee, and that the name of Rev.W.Evan Fullerton replace that of Rev.Alver Mackay, was approved. The need for A.O.T.S. organizations to take an interest in Boys' Work was urged, and information was given concerning arrangements for regional Institutes on Sunday School work.

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The Convener then introduced Rev. Bob McLaren, the new Field Secretary (granted corresponding privileges when able to attend meetings of Presbytery), who pointed out how ministers could help or hinder in Sunday School and Boys' Work. In the near future a supper meeting would be held to encourage interest in Young Peoples' Work, and the coming of Rev. W.K.Howard to the City was laid before Presbytery as an opportunity not to be missed.

HOME MISSIONS: There was no regular report on Home Missions, but Mrs.A. Campbell for the Woman's Missionary Society informed Presbytery of the work being opened through Miss Shaw in the Fairview district formerly occupied by the Japanese, calling for hall chairs etc., that could be spared by congregations.

Fairview District: On motion by Mrs. A.Campbell and Rev.H.M.Rae, the work in Fairview District was referred to the Home Mission Committee.

Gibson's Landing: Rev.G.H.Villett reported the findings of the Committee (Rev.G.H.Villett and Rev.W.Stott, representing the Home Missions and Life and Work Committees) that had visited Gibson's Landing congregation on Friday, October 15th 1943, and had met with the Official Board and other interested members of the Church:-

(a) The Church building having considerable repairs and an extension being added will greatly improve the facilities, and also the appearance of the church. Finances for these improvements were secured from the sale of the church property not in use by the congregation; and in the organizing and carrying through the plans which resulted in the accomplishment of this work, the minister, Rev.Frank Bushfield, has been most energetic.

(b) Some friction with reference to organization and records calls for improvement. Neither the Session(4 members) nor the Board of Stewards, is called together. All the work of the congregation centres in the Official Board, causing overlapping of duties in some cases, and neglect of work in other areas. This will be corrected in future.

(c) The Sunday School and the Woman's Association are the two organized groups that function regularly. There are no through-the-week activities for boys, girls or Young People.

(d) Public Worship is observed on Sunday morning at Gibson's Landing, and on Thursday evening at Port Mellon. In summer Sunday School is held at Robert's Creek, Granthams and Hopkins.

(e) The average giving per family is about $13.00 for local expenses and .804 for Missionary and Maintenance Fund.

(f) No canvass has been made, and this has resulted in a loss of $50.00 from the missionary grant.

(g) The Secretary of the Official Board keeps an excellent record of the proceedings, but the congregational records have never been brought to Presbytery for attestation.

(h) To offset the loss of the early records of the congregation effort is being made to secure some knowledge of the early history from those who can recall the pioneer beginnings.

(i) Boat service(requiring 4 days) accounts for non-attendance of representatives at morning meetings of Presbytery - an evening meeting would be easier to attend.

(j) While only around half a dozen subscribe to "The Observer" these copies are widely circulated in the community. None of the free literature supplied by the church had been ordered or used.

(k) Direction and guidance to both Minister and Board on the foregoing matters were given by the Committee. Financially there is a slight inprovement in the giving. Greater use could be made of lay leadership and more co-operation would be beneficial to both Pastor and people.

This report, as presented, was adopted.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: For Missionary and Maintenance, Mr.C.E.Mahon reported a reduction of $123.91 in receipts up to September 30th, as compared with 1942. The decrease is accounted for by five of our congregations giving the same as last year, an increase from 28 congregations of from $3.25 to $125.00 - the highest for a total of $1500.36 - but 14 congregations fell behind by $1598.15, coupled with a reduction in donations of $36.12. No remittance has been made by Bowen Island, Bridge River, Britannia, Cape Mudge, Dollarton-Lynnmour, Lillooet, Texada Island, Beaconsfield, Chinese, First and Grace. For our entire allocation of $23,193.26 for nine months, the Church Treasurer had received $21,931.74. To meet our full allocation $7731.09 will have to go forward for each of the remaining three months. And what of our promised 10% increase? An increase of $2702.61 is reported for the B.C.Conference, and for the whole Church $49,826.22. Delay in forwarding contributions costs the Church in interest, around $65,000.00, much of which could be saved if Treasurers remitted money received on the first Monday after the last Sunday of each month. There is an increased demand for the supply of literature which has been received at the Church Office.

Rev.J.C.Macdonald: The Convener then introduced Rev.J.C.Macdonald of Trinidad, who addressed Presbytery, conveying greetings from the scene of his labours, where there was a Church of 11,800, but a pagan population ten times that. In

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days when Science was making the world a neighbourhood, it was the task of the Church to make the world a Brotherhood. On the Convener's motion, seconded by Rev.H.M.Rae, a cordial vote of thanks was tendered Mr.Macdonald and the report as a whole was adopted.

DISABLED VETERANS' ASSOCIATION: For the Special Committee appointed to deal with the Disabled Veterans' Association, Rev.Bryce H.Wallace reported progress, and asked that time be allowed at next meeting of Presbytery for a full report.

PENSION FUND: Rev.H.R.McGill, reporting for the Pension Fund Committee, gave particulars of the case of Mrs. Lillian B.Smith, and on his motion seconded by Rev.J.W.Smith, Presbytery endorsed the application of Mrs.Smith for a special grant of $100.00, on compassionate grounds.

EVANGELISM: There was no report from the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, but Mr. W.Carter submitted to Presbytery copies of cards that might be distributed in order to awaken interest of indifferent people in the work and mission of the Church. Rev.J.W.Smith, speaking for the special Committee on Evangelism dealt with the necessity of giving much attention to the work of preparation before any series of special meetings.

VOTES FOR EAST INDIANS: Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer presented the case for granting votes to East Indians, British Subjects resident in British Columbia, as set forth in a prepared petition, and on his motion, seconded by Rev.Bryce H.Wallace, by majority vote, Presbytery endorsed the distribution of the petition for ministers and members of their congregations to sign.

Unattached Religious Teachers: On motion by Rev.J.D.Hobden and Rev.H.M.Rae, it was agreed that Presbytery give its support to the Executive of the General Ministerial Association in seeking to bring under proper control the activities of so-called religious teachers in the City.

Adjournment: At 12.20 p.m., this meeting of Presbytery closed with the benediction by the Chairman.

M.G. Melvin
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30th 1943

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Tuesday, November 30th 1943, at 9.00 a.m., with Rev.M.G.Melvin presiding, who opened the meeting with prayer.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: E.W.Mackay, T.Jackson Wray, O. Darwin, D.H.Telfer, F.H.Stevens, R.W.Hardy, H.R.McGill, Robert Moses, Charles Finnemore, M.Gordon Melvin, George D.Walker, W.P.Bunt, W.H.H. Norman, Bryce H.Wallace, W.H.Smith, A.Walker, H.M.Rae, C.H.Ballard, J.W.Smith, J.S.Muldrew, T.S.Paton, G.B.Switzer, G.A.Wilson, W.Stott, A.E.Cooke, Andrew Roddan, A.Mackay, G.H.Villett, W.A.Cooke, R.P.Stobie, John Pye, J.Herdman, J.C.Stewart, W.E.Galloway, W.E.Fullerton, W.Deans, E.F.Church, J.Dinnage Hobden, Hugh Dobson, G.D.Wilkie, A.F. Munro and Arthur Barner, A.L.Carr, T.W.Reed, H.R.Vessey, A.C.Cameron, T.E.Holling. Lay Representatives: J.Russell Oliver, W.F.Merrick, T.A.Brough, W. Carter, W.M.McKenzie, J. Quigley, Thomas Laing, R.D.Albraut, Wm. Forbes, Mrs. N.H.Schooley, Mrs. M.McDiarmid, W.T.Easterbrook, H.S.Hilton, T. Lawrie, Mrs. James Ramsay, Flossie H.Zenkie, A.Cameron, C.E.Mahon, Mrs.J.Ellis, Mrs.C. Nickols, J.M.Gavey, Mrs. G.A.McConnell, F.Shoemaker, J.G.McGowan, R.D.Smith, Fred Emerson, Olive Sanford, O.D.Austin, J.A.Forin, D.McPherson, M.A.Harrison, James Hope, James R. Fraser, D.A.Jamieson.

MINUTES: The Minutes of last meeting on October 19th 1943, as mimeographed, were, on motion by the Secretary and Rev.F.H.Stevens, approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with room for a report on Home Missions, also for particulars concerning conditions among Japanese by Rev. W.R.McWilliams, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: Rev. W.H.H. Norman introduced Mr.A.Cameron as Lay Representative for St.George Church, and this name was ordered on the Roll of Presbytery.

EXECUTIVE:

1. Acknowledgement of letters of sympathy from the Executive and from Presbytery, from Dr. G.E.Darby, was read, and was ordered to be received and filed.
2. Squamish Induction: Report of Squamish Induction, on Friday October 22nd. 1943, when Rev.H.M.Rae presided and inducted Rev.George D. Walker, and Rev. Wm. Stott addressed the Minister and congregation, was read and was ordered to be received and filed. An offering of $10.55 had been received.
3. Trinity Induction: Arrangements by a delegation from the Executive of Presbytery, for an induction service of Rev.H.J.Bevan into Trinity Church

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in the Hall of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, on Tuesday, March 21st 1944, at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.M.G.Melvin presiding. The meeting was opened with praise and prayer by the Chairman.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: E.W.Mackay, T.S.Paton, O.Darwin, Robert Moses, W.Stott, A.E.Cooke, R.J.McIntyre, J.W.Smith, F.H.Stevens, George G. Hacker, T.W.Reed, T.Jackson Wray, J.Herdman, W.M.Burton, J.G.Gibson, George H.Hamilton, B.Glover, A.F.Munro, Charles Finnemore, Hugh Dobson, Wm.Deans, R.W.Hardy,H.R.McGill, E.F.Church, W.H.H.Norman, A.C. Pound, D.H.Telfer, J.R.Hewitt and Angus C.Cameron, T.E.Holling, H.R.Vessey, John Naylor. Lay Representatives: O.D.Austin, W.T. Easterbrook, R.J.Innes, W.Carter, G.Lake, J.Farquharson, C.E.Mahon, J.A.McLean, H.A.Black, E.G.Duncan, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, Mrs.Lockwood, H.R.Holding, Flossie H. Zenkie, H.P.Baird, G.McIntosh, W.F.Merrick, G.Fred.Turner, Mrs.F.Roberts, Mrs.T.A. Elsom, C.S.Coolidge, W.J.Poulton, Margaret McDiarmid, C.Turney, C.H.Cunnings, F.Shoemaker, James R.Fraser, T.E.Higgins, Norman Greer, J.G.McGowan, J.M.Gavey, Mrs.Frank Yeo, A.H.Martinson, H.S.Hilton, Mrs.E.V.Cooke and A.W.Denies, W.H.Inkster.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last regular meeting on February 15th 1944, and of a Special meeting on February 19th 1944, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: The Chairman welcomed new Lay Representatives, H.R.Holding, A.H.Martinson(St.Andrew's-North Vancouver) H.A.Black(St.George), G.McIntosh(Riverview) T.E.Higgins(W.Point Grey) and also Hon.Major G.H.Hamilton, Chaplain, Rev.George K.King, returned missionary, and Dr.A.W.Dennis.

EXECUTIVE: The report from the Executive was presented by the Secretary:

1. Ladner Supply: That owing to shortage of ministers, Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith be continued as Supply at Ladner for the 1944-45 Conference year. Agreed.

2. Retirement of Revs.C.Endicott and John Coburn:

(a). That, if Rev.C.Endicott cannot be continued as Secretary of the Missionary and Maintenance, we heartily recommend Rev. Denzil G.Ridout, for this office. Agreed.

(b) That, if Rev. John Coburn cannot be continued as Associate Secretary of Evangelism and Social Service, the name of Rev.Hugh M.Rae, of Dunbar Heights Church, Vancouver, be sent forward as a nominee of Vancouver Presbytery. Agreed.

3. Ministers' Salaries: That the Communication relative to Ministers' Salaries be referred to the Conference Committee on the Co-ordination of Salaries. Agreed.

4. Evening meetings of Presbytery: The recommendation that we revert to morning meetings of Presbytery if evening meetings are not better attended, was referred back to the Executive.

5. Howard, United Church, Trust Fund:

(a) That Clause 4, as accepted on February 16/39, to wit: "That the Conveners of the Committees on Evangelism and Social Service, Missionary and Maintenance, Education and Students, Home Missions, and the Treasurer of Presbytery, constitute the Trustee Board", be rescinded, and that Trustees, five in number be named, as follows: Messrs. O.D.Austin, C.E. Mahon, J.G.McGowan, Revs.M.G.Melvin and Hugh M. Rae. Agreed.

(b) That Presbytery approve of investment of Trust Funds, within control of Presbytery, in Victory Bonds (6th loan). Agreed.

6. Request for transfer: That the request of Rev.William Scott(called to Burford in Brantford Presbytery) for transfer from Vancouver Presbytery, B.C. Conference to Brantford Presbytery, Hamilton Conference, be approved. Agreed.

7. Minister from another Church:(Rev.David O.Reece) Toronto Centre Presbytery will recommend to Toronto Conference, admission of Rev.David O.Reece, of the Congregational Union of Scotland at Huntly, Aberdeenshire, for admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada. No objections.

8. Request from St.George Church: The request from St.George Church, that a part-time assistant be secured for that church to permit Rev.W.H.H.Norman to render service, involving his knowledge of Japanese, to the Pacific Command - this assistant to be Mr.Alfred Shephard, whose services in St.George Church might be counted part of the field work required of Candidates for the Ministry, was approved, with the understanding that the Committee on Education and Students should deal with Mr.Shephard's standing.

9. Acknowledgments of messages of sympathy: From Rev.George D.Walker, Mrs.G.A.McConnell and Mr.T.A.Brough, were ordered to be received and filed.

10. Consent to sale, for Trustees of St.Andrew's,North Vancouver: The request for consent to sale of Sixth Street Hall, North Vancouver, was referred to the Property Committee.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY: On being informed of the passing, at the age of 96, of Mr.M.MacInnes, who had represented Riverview Church continuously for many years, on motion by Revs.Hugh Dobson and T.S.Paton, a message of sympathy was ordered to be sent to the Recording Steward of that congregation.

STATISTICAL REPORT: The Statistical Report for 1943, as presented by Mr.O.D. Austin - copies of which were in the hands of members - gave totals for 1942 and 1943, showing increase or decrease in each case. Over a period of 10 years, with a large increase in population, there are over 7600 fewer reported under Pastoral Oversight in 1943 than in 1933, while figures for

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baptisms, Marriages and Funerals have almost doubled in that time. The increase of 14% over last year in the number of members received on Profession of Faith is gratifying, but the 470 enrolled constitute only 1 out of every 55 of available prospects for Church Membership. As compared with 1942, there is a net loss of 60 in membership: in the last three years we have reported net losses totalling 865 members. In Sunday Schools and Y.P. Organizations there is a continuing decrease in membership. The decline in W.M.S. membership is in the junior societies, but givings show a healthy increase.

The financial showing is improved, with a net reduction of liabilities by 16 congregations, amounting to $38,779. A total of some $95,000.00 is still owing by 22 congregations. For all purposes there is a net increase of givings in 1943 of 4.7% over 1942.

On motion by Mr.O.D.Austin, and Rev.R.J.McIntyre, this report as a whole was received and adopted.

REMIT ON RE-ORGANIZATION OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: The Remit granting power to General Council to effect re-organization of Boards and Committees of the Church, was presented by Mr. C.E. Mahon, and, on his motion, seconded by Rev.A.E.Cooke, was unanimously approved.

REV. G.K. KING, recently returned from war-torn North China, in an informing Address, made members of Presbytery aware of how steadfastly in that part of the world, many persons are "enduring hardness" as good soldiers of Jesus Christ. Through the National Christian Council, and other organizations, there is a measure of co-ordination of Christian forces, but the tide of battle, and financial problems combine to present staggering difficulties.

On behalf of Presbytery, The Chairman thanked Mr. King.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: For the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, the Convener, Rev.A.E.Cooke, along with Rev.Hugh Dobson, expressed pleasure in learning of plans for a great Forward Movement for Evangelization and Christian Education, in which the General Boards of the Church are co-operating. This campaign aims to meet the need for greater depth of Christian conviction and for more decisive action withthe coming of demobilization and the inauguration of post-war activities. These Boards are well aware that such a time will need a well grounded faith in the minds of Christian people, renewed conviction as to the essential value of Christian life and its relevance to these times; and, at the same time, a far deeper devotion to Christ and His Kingdom, and more loyal obedience to our Lord than now prevails.

This Presbytery - and others - as also their local Sessions, Teachers and leaders ought to take counsel together in order to face courageously and determinedly the reality of self-indulgence and near-pagan life, as well as the hunger of many for the righteousness that is the fruit of Christian love; and, further, these should plan for evangelistic effort, greater zeal in Gospel preaching, and perseverance in winning young and old into fellowship and worship.

Many regional Conferences of Ministers, Elders, Teachers and Leaders ought to be held to consider: 1. The need for Evangelism and its urgency. 2. The preparation of every Church Member for doing his or her part in Christian Evangelism. 3. The Christian message suited to the need. 4. The relevance of Christ to our times. 5. The methods most suitable to our times.

It is recommended therefore, that the Presbytery charge this Committee with planning for such group meetings, as well as for the special meeting of Presbytery arranged for the evening of April 18th/44 in Chalmers Church, to be devoted wholly to the consideration of Christian Evangelism.

Annulment of Beer Regulations: The prepared statement, as amended, re the annulment of beer regulations, copies to be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of B.C., and the Vancouver daily papers, was accepted as the mind of Presbytery on motion by Revs.A.E.Cooke and R.J.McIntyre.

Petition to Hon.John Hart: On motion by Revs.A.E.Cooke and A.F.Munro, a petition to the Premier of B.C., asking for segregation of men and women in licensed premises and enforcement of the law concerning minors, hospitalization of Addicts, appointment of a Committee on Temperance Education and Scientific Tests for drinking drivers, was endorsed by Presbytery, and , on motion by Revs. A.E.Cooke and D.H.Telfer, copies of this petition were ordered to be sent to the Boards of the Churches in the Presbytery.

This report, as a whole, was then adopted.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: On motion by Rev.O.Darwin, consent of Presbytery was granted to the Trustees of St.Andrew's Church, North Vancouver, for the sale by said trustees of Sixth Street Hall(formerly Sixth Street Church) - Lot 19, Block 119, D.L.274, Map 878 - to the Norwegian Lutheran Church, for the sum of $1000.00 cash, plus such amount as shall be agreed upon for the lot on which the building stands; the funds accruing to be kept in reserve for the providing of Religious Education facilities.

RE SETTLEMENT OF MINISTERS: It was agreed, on motion by Revs.W.Stott and D.H. Telfer, that Presbytery forward 'simpliciter' to the Conference Committee on the Pastoral Relationship, appointed by the President:-

1. The report of Presbytery's Special Committee.
2. Dr. Braden's suggested amendments.

Re 1 - That Article 29a be amended to read 'When the minister of a Pastoral

Charge is contemplating a change of Pastoral relationship, he may consult first with the Official Board of the Charge or with the Pastoral Relations Committee of Presbytery, or both. If, after such consultation, he desires to seek a change of Pastoral relationship, he shall then notify in writing both the Official Board of the Charge and the Presbytery at the same time. Such notice shall be given, unless in exceptional circumstances, at least seventy-five days before the meeting of the Settlement Committee.'

Re.3 That Article 73a ii, be amended to read as follows:

That Article 73a ii, be amended to read as follows:

'Oversight of Pastoral Charges shall provide for their visitation from time to time, when inquiry should be made concerning the life and work of the Church, particularly the observance of its Ordinances, the Christian Nurture of the children and young people, and the cultivation of liberality, including financial methods employed. This oversight shall be exercised through Committees consisting of ministers and laymen appointed by the Presbytery for such purpose.'

Added by Rev.Wm. Stott:- "Where such oversight reveals the need of a change in the Pastoral Relationship, the situation shall be reported to the Pastoral Relations Committee."

3. Mr. Bunt's request for an interpretation of the terms 'Call' and 'Invitation', also the suggestions that the powers of the Transfer Committee be extended.

That Presbytery express itself in favour of strengthening the hands of the Pastoral Relations Committee, and of lengthening the period during which requests for change of Pastoral Relations are no longer permissible from thirty days to seventy-five days.

WILSON HEIGHTS CHURCH: On motion by Rev.W.Stott and Mr.H.R.Holding, the request of the Home Mission Superintendent that the Life and Work Committee of Presbytery be asked to visit Wilson Heights Congregation was granted.

OBITUARY: (Rev. George A.Wilson) - Rev. J.S.Muldrew submitted the Obituary notice, giving particulars of the life and work of the late Rev. George A.Wilson, D.D., which was accepted by a standing vote in silence, followed by prayer by the Chairman:-

REV. GEORGE A.WILSON, D.D. Dr. G.A.Wilson's University and College career was outstanding, but it may be said that, while admired for his scholarship, his buoyant faith and missionary enthusiasm made the deeper impression. In later years reference was often made to this fact by his College contemporaries. Had the way been clear, his life work would have been on the foreign mission field, but, the way being closed, he chose the home field. In 1894 Dr. Wilson accepted a Commission from the late Rev.Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, to make a survey of the Cariboo country. This he carried out in his thorough-going way, reporting that more than half the people were Presbyterians and that religious services would be appreciated.

Dr. Wilson was then appointed to Vernon as Home Missionary there, and carried on the work with characteristic forth-rightness until the congregation became self-supporting in 1899, when he accepted a Call to Mount Pleasant Church in Vancouver. His work in Mount Pleasant, among the diverse elements in a young and growing City, laid the foundation of the fine spiritual fervour and splendid congregational organization which have functioned sosufficiently ever since that early day.

From Mt. Pleasant, Dr. Wilson was called to the Superintendency of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in British Columbia, and which position he held under Presbyterian, and later, under United Church auspices, until his retirement a few years ago.

Dr. Wilson had a marvellous geographical sense, coupled with a social sense, that was quite unusual. He knew every corner of the Province; he was acquainted with the populace of every area; he knew the problems that each community represented; he was familiar, from experience, with every difficulty his men were likely to meet. He loved the people of British Columbia and his one desire and prayer was for their spiritual good. He was a nursing father to every hamlet within the bounds. He loved his men; he was with them in faith and sacrifice. He strove in their interests and his dearest wish was that they might share in putting to the test his overwhelming conviction that the Gospel of Christ, preached and lived, is the solution of all our difficulties. The solidity of the Church in the life of this Province is the justification of his faith and a monument to his Christ-centred life and work.

He will be greatly missed in our Councils, where he made note-worthy contributions out of a long and successful life of Christian

ministerial experience. The wisdom which came from that varied experience, coupled with good judgment and a penetrating mind, made his presence on every Committee and Board of the Church of inestimable value.

His consistent endeavours to promote Christian living and Christian culture throughout his ministry in British Columbia, in all our cities, towns and hamlets, constitute a debt impossible of payment except by the Father's 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant', and the Master's crown of victory and reward."

MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS: On motion by Revs.A.Barner and J. Herdman, a message of cordial brotherly congratulations was ordered to be sent to Rev.Dr.J.H.White, at Sardis - about to celebrate his 89th birthday.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS(St. George) Congregational records of St.George Church were reported accurately kept and were accordingly attested.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.20 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by the Chairman.

M.G. Melvin
Chairman

E.W. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, APRIL 18th 1944

Vancouver Presbytery met in special session in Chalmers Church, on Tuesday, April 18th 1944, at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.M.G.Melvin in the Chair, who opened the meeting with prayer.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: E.W.Mackay, George D.Walker, D.H.Telfer, Hugh Dobson, B.Glover, O.Darwin, Robert Moses, A.E.Cooke, W.P.Bunt, T.S.Paton, R.W.Hardy, J.W.Smith, G.H.Villett, M.G.Melvin, Hugh M.Rae, A.F.Munro, R.P.Stobie, F.H.Stevens, W.S.Reid, E.F.Church, H.J.Bevan, Wm. Deans, A.Roddan, W.H.Smith, H.R.McGill, J.D.Hobden and Arthur Barner, T.E.Holling, A.C.Cameron.
Lay Representatives: A. Watson W.T.Easterbrook, R.D.Smith, W.F.Merrick, J.A. McLean, A.J.Holland, J. Quigley, G.Lake, W.Carter, M.A.Harrison, G.H.Hind, Thomas Laing, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, Mrs.James Ramsay, C.E.Mahon, C.Turney, H.P.Baird, Flossie H. Zenkie, Mrs.J.Ellis, G.Fred Turner, Mrs. R.C.McLean, James W.Martin, Mrs.Frank Yeo, Mrs.M.McDiarmid, J.M.Gavey, G.McIntosh, Mrs.C.Nickols, W.J.Poulton, Gilbert J.Spears, E.G.Duncan and O.W. Wakelin, Mary H.Tree, Mrs.Newman, J.D.S. Barrett, J.A.Thomson.

WORSHIP SERVICE: As the programme for this meeting had been arranged by the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, Dr. M.G.Melvin asked the Convener of this Committee, Rev. A.E.Cooke to preside. With praise, reading of Scripture and prayer, Rev.A.E.Cooke then conducted the worship service and announced the subjects to be presented, and the speakers. Rev. Dr.T.E.Holling dealt with "The Spirit of Evangelism"; Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson with "The Need and Urgency of Christian Evangelism, Now"; Rev. George D. Walker, with "What can we do, now"; and Rev.J.W.Smith, with "What Manner of Men Ought We To Be". Following the Addresses, Revs.R.A.McLaren and Dr.A.Roddan led in discussion, to which Messrs. R.M.Miller, J.Retallack, James Martin, W.R.O'Neill and A.Watson, made contributions. Rev. Dr.D.H.Telfer summed up the messages and discussion in a brief Address, and Rev.A.E.Cooke announced arrangements for nine regional conferences on Evangelism over the entire Presbytery, naming Conveners.

EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY: During the course of this meeting, Rev.Robert Moses, informed Presbytery of the death that evening of Mr.W.J.Fullerton, and Rev.Hugh M. Rae told of having returned from the funeral of Mr.W.A.Gleason. As both of these named had been loyal and helpful Lay Delegates to Presbytery, for many years, there was unanimous agreement that record be made of the good service rendered by these loyal members, and that the sincere sympathy of Presbytery should be extended to sorrowing relatives and friends.

ADJOURNMENT: This meeting closed at 10.20 p.m., with the benediction by Rev. A.E.Cooke.

M.G. Melvin
Chairman

E.W. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, APRIL 25th 1944

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.James Church on Tuesday, April 25th 1944, at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.M.G.Melvin presiding, and was opened with praise, and prayer by Rev.Dr.A.Barner.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: O,Darwin, Charles Finnemore, M.G.Melvin, J.R.Hewitt, H.J.Bevan, F.H.Stevens, H.R.McGill, T.Jackson Wray, J.P.Westman,

E.W.M.

Robert Moses, D.H.Telfer, H.M.Rae, E.W.Mackay, William Deans, W.R.Brown, F.Dickman, W.P.Bunt, W.N.Byers, Hugh Dobson, R.H.Lowry, W.Stott, T.S. Paton, George D.Walker, Gordon Dickie, G.B.Switzer, R.P.Stobie, W.E.Galloway, E.F.Church, W.H.Smith, A.F.Munro and Arther Barner, T.E.Holling, H.R.Vessey. Lay Representatives: Thomas Laing, W.F.Merrick, H.P.Baird, Adam Watson, F.Shoemaker, Mrs.F.Roberts, Mrs.M.McDiarmid, W.T.Easterbrook, G.Lake, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, J.Quigley, J.Russell Oliver, W.Carter, J.A.Irving, E.G.Duncan, Olive B.Sanford, C.Turney, Mrs.F.Yeo, J.A.Forin, Gilbert Spears, O.D.Austin, A.H.Martinson, H.R.Holding, James R.Fraser, T.C.Higgins, C.H.Cunnings, G.Fred Turner, C.H.Coolidge, Mrs.T.A.Elsom, G.McIntosh, R.J.Innes, C.E.Mahon, V.R.Clerihue, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, J.Farquharson and H.J.Bedford, W.H.Weldrich, J.A.Pritchard.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last regular meeting on March 21st 1944, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, with room for a report on Pensions, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: New lay representatives were introduced as follows:- Mrs.E.Pitcairn (St. James'), G.Fred Turner(Crosby), W.R.Wellings(St.Giles),G.McIntosh (Robson Memorial), Gilbert J.Spears(Dunbar Heights), and were welcomed by the Chairman.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary reported for the Executive:

1. Induction at Grace Church: Arrangements for induction of Rev.T.W.Reed into Grace Church, to be made by Revs.M.G.Melvin and B.H.Wallace. Agreed.
2. Presbytery meetings: Evening meetings of Presbytery to be continued, and, if deemed necessary to be held monthly, on the fourth Tuesday - time and place of each meeting to be left with the Chairman and Secretary. Agreed.
3. Rev. Hugh Herbison: The request of Rev.Hugh Herbison that his name be left on the Roll of Presbytery, 'without Charge' was granted, on motion by Prof.J.A.Irving and Rev.D.H.Telfer.
4. Call to Rev.W.Scott: The Call from Burford Charge in Brantford Presbytery to Rev.W.Scott, requiring application for transfer, was approved.
5. Statistical Report: That the Life and Work Committee make an analysis of the 1943 Statistical Report, and report to Presbytery.
6. Ministers from other Churches: Notification from:
(a) St. John's Presbytery, Newfoundland, of intention to recommend to the Newfoundland Conference, admission of Rev.George Budd, Methodist Church,U.S.A., and from -
(b) Middlesex Presbytery, to recommend Rev.Sidney E.Larman, B.Th., Ontario and Quebec Convention of Baptist Churches, to the London Conference, were submitted, and no objections were offered.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Call from Knox Church: The Call from Knox Church to Rev.S.G.Woolfrey, B.A.,B.D., S.T.M., of Melbourne, Que., with request for transfer was, on motion by Revs.E.W.Mackay and Dr.A.F.Munro, approved, and ordered on to the Settlement Committee.
2. Deaconess Applications: The request of the Committee on the Deaconess Order and Women Workers, for endorsation by Presbytery of the application of Miss Hedwig D.H.Bartling, a member of West Point Grey Church, was granted, on motion by the Secretary and Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer.
3. Application to retire: The necessary forms for Application to Retire, as filled in by Rev.Dr.Gordon Dickie, were submitted, and on motion by Revs.E.W. Mackay and H.R.McGill, were approved.
4. Request to Rent: A request to rent a building in Steveston, formerly used for work among the Japanese, was, on motion by Rev.W.P.Bunt and Mr.C.E.Mahon, referred to the Home Mission Committee to investigate and report.
5. Rev. George Lowe: Correspondence relative to Rev.George Lowe, now in California, taking up work in Canada, was referred, on motion by Revs.W.P.Bunt and Hugh M. Rae, to the Executive for report at Conference meeting of Presbytery.
6. Acknowledgments of communications from Presbytery; from Hon.John Hart, Premier of B.C., and Mr. Charles Lee, Recording Steward of Riverview Church, and from Rev. David Allan recently returned from hospital, were ordered to be received and filed.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: Mr. C.E.Mahon reported increased M.&.M.Givings in the Presbytery for the first quarter of the year, of $1717.43 as compared with 1943, in keeping with the increase in every Conference of the Church, amounting to $43,230.64 for the same period. In addition $161,165.00 had been contributed for the India-China Relief Fund. In the Presbytery, three congregations contributed the same as last year, 27 had increased givings, 9 gave less, making the total for the Presbytery $8,689.42 towards the $12,500.00 allocation for the first quarter of the year. Of 15 congregations making no contribution (3 of which had contributed in 1943) 5 are in outlying districts, while 10 are within, or in the environs of, the city. Rev.W.P. Bunt made a strong plea for generous support of this Fund in city congregations in order to render much needed assistance to aid-receiving fields. The ideal for the successful prosecution of the work of the Church would be for

congregations to accept their allocations as the minimum, and to increase their totals wherever possible. Much credit was due Mr.Mahon for his untiring efforts during the time he has been Convener, and Presbytery is under a deep obligation to him as a thoroughly loyal and effective servant of the Church.
On motion by the Convener, and Rev.W.R.Brown, the report as a whole was adopted.
RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION: On motion of Revs.W.R.Brown and Hugh Dobson, a cordial resolution of appreciation of the valuable and wide-spread services rendered by Mr.C.E.Mahon, not only as Convener of the M.&.M. Committee, but also in connection with other Committee and Church enterprises, in all of which, his has been a balanced loyalty, was unanimously passed.
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: For the Committee on Christian Education, Rev.F.H.Stevens called attention of members of Presbytery to the need of immediate and generous support of secretarial services being rendered in efforts to deal with the serious decline in Sunday School attendance. The response to the appeal for financial support of the work of Christian Education was far from being satisfactory.
PROPERTY (CHOWN CHURCH): On motion by Revs.O.Darwin and W.R.Brown, the motion, passed on February 15th 1944, giving consent of Presbytery to the congregation of Chown Memorial Church for the sale of Lot 11, Block 26, D.L.Group 1, New Westminster District for $600.00, was rescinded, and on motion by Revs.O.Darwin and D.H.Telfer, consent of Presbytery was granted for sale of said property for the sum of $500.00, the proceeds of such sale to be used for the Church Building Fund.
ROLL OF PRESBYTERY: The Secretary submitted the Roll of Presbytery, showing more ministerial than lay members, and on motion by Rev.F.H.Stevens and Rev.W.Stott, the Executive was requested to revise the basis of representation.
CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES: On motion by Revs.F.H.Stevens and H.R.McGill, it was ordered that Lay Representatives to Presbytery be named as Delegates to Conference, and that such additional Lay Delegates as are necessary to equalize with the number of ministers be named by the Chairman and Secretary of Presbytery.
NOMINATING COMMITTEE: For the Nominating Committee, the Secretary submitted the names of officers of Presbytery, Conveners of Standing Committees, with nominations for Conference Standing Committees, all of which were accepted with the name of Mr.J.M.Gavey added to Conference Home Missions,and the name of Mr W.R.Wellings substituted for that of Mr.J.McLarty on the Conference Property Committee.

Representative on Settlement Committee: Rev. W. Deans was appointed the representative of Presbytery on the Settlement Committee for 1944-46.

Lay Commissioner to General Council: From the floor the names of five lay members - C.E.Mahon, George Lake, E.G.Duncan, O.D.Austin, Prof.J.A.Irving - were proposed for nomination to Conference, of Lay Commissioners to General Council, voting to be by ballot, for which Scrutineers were appointed and ballots distributed.

PENSIONS: Rev. H.R.McGill, Convener of Pensions reported, recommending approval of:-
1. Application of Rev.Dr.Gordon Dickie for retirement. Agreed.
2. Special Grants, (a) $100 for Mrs. Lillian Smith, for daughter,(b) $80.00 for Mrs. William Rees(from Sask.), and (c) $50.00 for Mrs. Alice C.Coffin, for son. Agreed.
3. Application of Rev.E.L.Best for Retirement for another year, on submission of Medical Certificate. Agreed.
4. Re Visitation of Official Boards: Because of uncertainty as to changes in Pension Plan, to become effective in 1945, no arrangements for visitation of Official Boards were considered advisable. On motion by Revs.W.H.Smith, and Dr.D.H.Telfer, the whole question of assessing congregations for Pensions was referred 'simpliciter' to Conference, and the report as a whole was adopted.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS: The Scrutineers reported the names of Mr.E.G.Duncan and Prof.J.A.Irving as receiving the highest number of votes, and a second ballot on these nam es was ordered.
EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: As Convener of the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer reported recommending that the names of A.E.Carlsen(overseas), B.C. Colwell,B.A.(R.C.A.F.),Fred. R.Gibson(Arts 4, Theo.1, McMaster University), W.P.Grant (Arts 2 Theo.1,Emmanuel), R.C.Keeble (Arts 4, Theo.2, Union), J.A.McAllister,B.A.(Theo.1,Union), H.B.Menagh(U.S.Army), Harry Lee Penny (Arts 3,Theo.2,Union), Alfred H.Shephard,B.A.(Theo.2,Union), Gordon M. Wilson(R.C.A.F.), be continued on the list of Candidates for the Ministry, and that the name of E.Lloyd Lake, now attending Huron College,London, be dropped. On motion of the Convener and Prof.J.A.Irving, this report as a whole was adopted.
GOLDEN JUBILEE OF STEVESTON UNITED CHURCH: On motion by Revs.E.F.Church and C. Finnemore, Rev.Hugh M. Rae was appointed to represent Presbytery and Conference at a gathering in Steveston on Wednesday evening, May 10th, celebrating the Golden Jubilee of Steveston United Church.
MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY AND APPRECIATION: On motion by Rev.H.M.Rae and Mr C.E. Mahon, a copy of a statement prepared for the permanent record in connection with the passing of Mr. W.A.Gleason, expressing sympathy and high appreciation, was ordered to be sent to Mrs. Gleason in Victoria.

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"MR. W. A. GLEASON, until a year ago, was a faithful and outstanding Lay Member of this Presbytery for a number of years. His experience in construction work made his advice very useful in many practical affairs, and in all deliberations he preserved a balanced mind, and, when required, would offer sound judgment on the issues before Presbytery and its Committees.
He had travelled widely, held highly responsible posts, and offered in unstinted manner his time and talents to the work of our Church in the later years when business ties were not pressing. His strongly evangelical mind expressed itself in deep missionary interest, and wherever possible he befriended his minister, was an understanding hearer of the Word and filled the office of an Elder for nearly fifty years.
In Victoria, on the evening of April 14th, he passed quietly to his reward, and at Fairfield United Church, on the afternoon of April 17th, the funeral service was conducted by Revs.W.Allan, Hugh M. Rae and Dr.A.E. Whitehouse.
To his widow, the deepest sympathy of the members of Vancouver Presbytery is hereby conveyed."

SCRUTINEERS' REPORT - 2: The Scrutineers reported that Mr.E.G.Duncan had received the higher number of votes, and he was accordingly made the nominee to Conference as Lay Commissioner to General Council.

NOMINATIONS TO CONFERENCE: It was agreed that the names of Revs.M.G.Melvin and William Deans as Ministerial Commissioners, and Mr. E.G.Duncan and Professor J.A.Irving, as Lay Commissioners, should be forwarded to Conference for election as Commissioners to General Council.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.10 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Dr. M.Gordon Melvin.

M. G. Melvin
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17th 1944

Vancouver Presbytery met in Conference Session on Wednesday, May 17th 1944 at 4.00 p.m., in Chalmers Church, and was opened with prayer by the Chairman, Rev.Dr.M.G.Melvin.

SEDERUNT: Ministers: W.N.Byers, O.Darwin, M.G.Melvin, B.Glover, A.F.Munro, A.C.Pound, Olivia C.Lindsay, Bryce H.Wallace, W.Lashley Hall, W.Stott, D.H.Telfer, R.P.Stobie, F.H.Stevens, William Graham, William Deans, A.Mackay, C.Finnemore, H.R.McGill, T.S.Paton, W.M.Burton, R.W.Hardy, R.Moses, H.J.Bevan, J.W.Smith, T.T. Moore, Eb. Crute, R.H.Lowry, W.E.Fullerton, C.H.Ballard, E.W. Mackay and A.Barner, James D.Stobie. Lay Representatives: J.A.Irving, M.D.Cameron, J.Russell Oliver, W. Carter, J.Quigley, W.T.Easterbrook, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, Mrs. James Ramsay, C.N.Haney, John Wright, H.P, Baird, O.D.Austin, Mrs.Frank Yeo, Mrs. M.McDiarmid, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, F.Shoemaker, W.H.Inkster, E.G.Duncan, C.E.Mahon, G.Lake, J.M.Gavey, W.H.Parkin, George Scott, James Hope, Mrs.H.A.McArthur, G.McIntosh, Mrs.J.D.Stobie, Mrs.H.J.Wilby, Mrs.A.H.Holmwood, Mrs.C.Nickols, Gilbert Spears, G.Fred Turner.

Rev. George Lowe: Communications concerning Rev.George Lowe, now in California, were submitted, and on motion by the Secretary and Rev.O.Darwin, it was agreed to recommend that Mr. Lowe be listed "without Charge".

LAY COMMISSIONER TO GENERAL COUNCIL: As Mr.E.G.Duncan had been elected by the Lay Association as their nominee for Commissioner to General Council, on motion, by Revs.D.H.Telfer and W.Stott, the name of Professor J.A.Irving was accepted in place of that of Mr.Duncan.

ALTERNATES: On motion of Mr.George Lake and Prof.J.A.Irving, the names of Messrs. C.E.Mahon, and Fred.H.Fullerton were accepted as alternate Lay Commissioners.

LAYMAN FOR COMMUNION SERVICE: The name of Mr.E.G.Duncan was accepted as the layman from Vancouver Presbytery to officiate at the Conference Communion Service.

APPLICATIONS FOR SUPERANNUATION: The applications of Rev.E.L.Best, Rev.V.H.Sansum, and Rev.E.C.Curry, for superannuation for one year, were approved, and were ordered on to the Conference Committee on Pensions.

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER: The request of Rev.E.C.Curry for transfer of his name from Vancouver to Victoria Presbytery was approved, and ordered on to the Settlement Committee.

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ALTERNATE FOR GENERAL COUNCIL: As the Alternate for General Council, Mrs.F.Yeo, had been elected a Commissioner to General Council by Conference, on motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon and Rev.W.Stott, the name of Mr.O.D.Austin was accepted in place of that of Mrs.Yeo.

ADJOURNMENT: At 5.45 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev.W. Deans.

M.G.Melvin
Chairman

E.W.Mackay
Secretary.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20th 1944

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on Tuesday, June 20th, 1944 at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.Dr.M.G.Melvin presiding, and was opened with praise, and prayer by Rev.Dr.O.Darwin.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: E.W.Mackay, O.Darwin, A.C.Pound, J.S.Muldrew, M.G.Melvin, T.S.Paton, T.Jackson Wray, C.H.Ballard, D.H.Telfer, Hugh Dobson, John R. Hewitt, W.H.H.Norman, George D.Walker, C.E.Batzold, H.M.Rae, Robert Moses, W.Deans, E.F.Church, H.J.Bevan, F.H.Stevens, W.Stott, R.W.Hardy, A.E.Cooke, G.B.Switzer, Fong Dickman, R.P.Stobie, H.R.McGill, G.H.Villett, W.M.Burton, Charles Finnemore and T.E.Holling. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: Adam Watson, M.A.Harrison, F.Shoemaker, C.N.Haney, R.J.Innes, Mrs.C.Nickols, J.Quigley, W.Carter, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, Mrs. James Ramsay, Gilbert J.Spears, E.G.Duncan, G.Lake, C.Turney, James K.Cavers, A.J.Holland, C.E.Mahon, R.D.Albrant, Thomas Laing, Mrs.J.Ellis, H.A.Black, J.Farquharson, C.H.Cunnings, G.Fred.Turner, R.D. Smith, Mrs. N.H.Schooley, George Scott, T.E.Higgins, C.McIntosh, Hazel M.Urquhart, S.R.Snyder, H.N.Menzies, J.A.McLean, H.R.Holding, James W. Martin, J.A.Irving, T.C.Craighead, J.A.Forin, D.A.Jamieson, W.R.Wellings, W.T.Easterbrook.

MINUTES: The mimeographed Minutes of a special meeting on April 18th; of a regular meeting on April 25th(with correction in report on Education and Students, from 'attending Wycliffe College' to 'attending Huron College'); and of meetings during Conference on May 17th, 22nd and 23rd 1944, were approved as amended.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: New lay representatives were introduced as follows:- Mrs.H.H. Urquhart(replacing Mrs. W.Wilson) by Rev.C.E.Batzold; Mr.J.K.Cavers (replacing Mr. W.F. Merrick), by Rev. F.H.Stevens; Mr. George Scott(replacing the late Mr.W.J.Fullerton), by Rev.R.Moses, and Mr.Percy Buckle (replacing Mrs. M.McDiarmid) by Rev.Charles Finnemore.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary presented the report of the Executive, recommending:-

1. That Rev.Dr.Andrew Roddan take the place of Rev.R.P.Stobie, as Convener of the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service. Agreed.
2. That Rev.W.Stott revise the basis of lay representation to Presbytery and report to the Executive. Agreed.
3. That arrangements re the East Indian building in Kitsilano be referred to the Home Mission Committee. Agreed.
4. That the communication from Rev.J.A.Donnell of Prince Rupert re Gambling be referred to the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service. Agreed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Call from Penticton: The Call from Penticton United Church to Rev. R.P.Stobie of Marpole United Church was found in order, and was ordered on to the Settlement Committee, with the approval of Presbytery.
2. Request from Marpole Church - On motion by Revs.H.M.Rae and C. Finnemore, the request from the Official Board of Marpole Church, on behalf of that congregation, that Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw be appointed Stated Supply for one year, was granted.

HOME MISSIONS: For the Home Mission Committee, Rev.Wm.Stott, submitting the report of the Survey made by the Superintendent of Missions in the territory known as Alert Bay Charge, and which report had been considered by the Marine Committee, recommended:-

1. Alert Bay Charge: That, if a suitable retired minister can be secured he be placed at Alert Bay until such time as the marine work in that area be resumed. This recommendation, seconded by Professor J.A.Irving was approved, and, on motion by Rev.H.M.Rae, a copy of the Superintendent's report was ordered to be sent to Rev.Hugh Herbison at Minstrel Island.
2. Westview: That since, as informed by Rev.A.C.Pound, there are already four churches in Westview, and none in adjacent points, Rev.R.Moses and H.M.Rae interview the Baptist Authorities concerning the opening of work by the Baptist Church there,
3. Kitsilano Mission: That Revs.Robert Moses, Convener of Home Missions, and Hugh M.Rae, Chairman of Vancouver Council of Churches, confer with the Baptist Authorities concerning an appeal for financial support for interdenomina-

tional work being carried on in the premises formerly occupied by the East Indian Mission, under the leadership of a student from First Baptist Church. On motion by Revs.W. Stott and O.Darwin this recommendation was approved.

4. Inter Church Relations: That interdenominational relationships, as they affect a number of points, be considered by the Vancouver Council of Churches. Approved on motion by Revs.W.Stott and Dr.D.H.Telfer.

5. Renting of Japanese Property at Steveston: That the Secretary of Presbytery inform Rev.J.M.Maclean of the B.C.Conference of Pentecostal Assemblies that the former Japanese Property at Steveston has been leased to the Custodian of Japanese Property for the duration of the war, and is still required by him. Approved on motion of Rev.W.Stott and Mr.C.E.Mahon.

6. Deep Cove: That the Secretary of Presbytery be authorised to notify the District of North Vancouver, through MrD.G.Tate, City Hall, North Vancouver, of the appointment of G.A.Muri, Mrs.D.Morrison, Mrs. E.M.Shepherd, F.K.Berry, and Neil Munn, as Trustees of the Deep Cove Property, viZ: Lot fifteen(15) Block three(3), D.L. 543. Approved on motion by Rev.W.Stott and Mr.C.E.Mahon. This report as a whole was then adopted, on motion by Revs.W.Stott and A.E.Cooke.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The report of the Nominating Committee re Standing Committees, as mimeographed and in the hands of members, was presented by the Secretary, and was accepted, with names added and removed as follows:- Home Missions, Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw added as corresponding member; Missionary Education, T.E.Higgins added; Evangelism and Social Service, Mrs.A.W.Holmwood added; and it was agreed that nominations for Burnaby Home, Board of Control, be made in January or February; Missionary and Maintenance, G. Scott added; Christian Education, A.H.Martinson added, and Gladys Reid named as a corresponding member; Publications, Rev.W.Stott removed; Survey and Extension, Rev.R.W.Hardy added; Publicity, referred back to Executive. On motion of Revs.E.W.Mackay and T.Jackson Wray, the report, as a whole, was then adopted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: For the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, Rev.A.E.Cooke submitted the following resolution re lotteries, raffles and other games of chance, to be sent to the Attorney-General of British Columbia:-

> "This Presbytery regrets that in the effort to raise funds for many most laudable purposes, it is becoming a regular practice to make use of lotteries, raffles, sweepstakes, and other games of chance which are in violation of the Criminal Code of Canada.
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> We are aware of the fact that many of the service clubs, fraternal societies, and other groups which use these methods of raising funds are good citizens, impelled by good motives, but since the use of these illegal methods is calculated to bring all law into contempt, and to seriously interfere with the success of legitimate methods of free giving for all charitable and patriotic purposes, we urge that our people oppose such methods and we call upon the Attorney-General of this Province, and all law-enforcement officials, to see that the Criminal Code is properly enforced in this connection, and that the spirit of the law, as well as the letter, is fully observed."

On motion by Rev.A.E.Cooke and Mr.A.Watson, this resolution was accepted, over an amendment by Judge J.A.Forin and Mr C.N.Haney, that the resolution be laid on the table until next meeting of Presbytery.

A further motion by Revs.T.Jackson Wray and A.E.Cooke, that Revs.Hugh Dobson, A.E.Cooke and the Secretary, be a committee to draft the covering letter to the Attorney-General, was carried.

FAREWELL TO MINISTERS RETIRING, OR LEAVING THE PRESBYTERY: The Chairman expressed the high regard in which Rev.Dr.A.F.Munro of Knox Church, now retiring, to live at Gibson's Landing; Rev.Dr.Gordon Dickie of Union College, also retiring, and Rev.R.P.Stobie of Marpole, called to Penticton, were held by the members of Presbytery for highly efficient service rendered in their several fields of labour. After Dr.D.H.Telfer and Mr. T. Laing had referred to the place the Stobie family had won for themselves in West Point Grey Church, and the good work done by Rev.R.P.Stobie in the Marpole Charge, the Chairman and Secretary were authorized to have suitable resolutions of appreciation of these worthy brethren prepared for the permanent Minutes. These resolutions follow:-

Rev.A.F.Munro, M.A.,D.D. - On this occasion of the retirement of Dr.A.F. Munro of Knox Church from the regular work of the Ministry, the Presbytery of Vancouver wishes to put on record its deep appreciation of his gifts as a clear thinker, an able preacher, a devoted pastor and man of God.

Graduating in Arts from St.Andrew's University,(First Class Honours in Mental Philosophy and Tindall-Bruce prizeman in Logic), Dr. Munro studied Theology in New College Edinburgh, with post-graduate work at Goettingen and has maintained throughout his ministry his passion for scholarship. By wide reading and keen interest in all theological and literary movements he has become one of the most thoroughly cultured men in our Conference; also a true Shepherd of the flock, loving and caring for each Church member with a selfless devotion. Above all he is a man of deep piety, reserved - almost shy in his

social expression - but, to those who know him, a leal friend, a generous host, full of humour, charity and the grace of God. We trust that he may be long spared to move among us with his accustomed dignity and poise, and to exercise his rare gifts in the pulpit and in the Church Courts.

REV. GORDON DICKIE, M.A.,Ph.D. - Rev. Gordon Dickie served with great faithfulness for seventeen years, in St.Stephen's United Church, before being called to the staff of Union College as Professor of Social Ethics. During the years of his ministry in these parts he has not spared himself, and the Presbytery has taken full advantage of his service in the various Committees - Evangelism and Social Service, Home Missions and Survey and Extension. His motto has been thoroughness and he has never touched an issue except to enlighten by his knowledge and to grace the discussion by the wisdom of his discretion. In all departments he engendered a spirit of co-operation and assumed painstaking tasks with eager mind and goodwill. Fortunately, he finds himself at the end of these years with an active and well-stored mind, and with sufficient physical energy to give service wherever the opportunity occurs. We trust his long service of worth will be crowned with years of helpful interest in the affairs of Presbytery and, perhaps, in the life of some congregation he will continue to devote his gifts to the worthiness of his profession.

REV. ROY P.STOBIE: - Rev. Roy Stobie, son of Rev.James and Mrs. Stobie, missionaries of the Church of Scotland to Manchuria, studied under the supervision of this Presbytery and, at the same time, did a practical service in assisting at First United Church under Rev.J.Richmond Craig, and, later under Dr. Andrew Roddan. There he became as widely known as the reach of the Radio Station - telling a children's story from week to week. In the mining area beyond Gold Bridge he contributed to the establishment of the Cause there. When ordained, he was called to Britannia, and in 1940 to Marpole United Church, where he maintained an excellent ministry. In spite of tempting offers to devote himself to Social Service work, for which he had qualified academically, he preferred to remain in the regular ministry, growing in the affection of his people and in the promise of his gifts. Now that he leaves us to take up the important Charge of Penticton, the Presbytery of Vancouver records with gratitude his splendid service in the areas of his ministry. His congenial and friendly spirit will be much appreciated wherever he makes his home and the fine tradition, training and experience that are his good fortune to possess will readily mature into fruitful service in the opportunity which will come to him in the congregation of Penticton and in the various activities of the Presbytery of Kamloops-Okanagan. We wish him every happiness in his home and true success in his calling wherever he is called to minister the Word and Sacraments.

INTERIM CHAIRMAN FOR MARPOLE: On motion by Revs.Wm.Stott and J.S.Muldrew, Rev. H.R.McGill was authorised to act as interim-chairman of the Official Board of Marpole Church, while Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw was there as stated supply.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR INDUCTIONS: It was agreed that the new Chairman, Rev.W.Deans, and the Secretary, should arrange for induction services at Squamish and Knox Church,Kerrisdale.

INDUCTION AT STEVESTON: The Chairman informed Presbytery that he had presided at the induction of Rev.A.L.Carr, D.D., into the Charge at South Arm-Steveston, at Steveston, on Wednesday evening, June 14th, assisted by Revs.T.S.Paton and C.Finnemore.

SYMPATHY OF PRESBYTERY: On motion by Rev.G.B.Switzer and Mr. E.G.Duncan, it was agreed to express heartfelt sympathy of Presbytery with the many bereaved in these sorrowful days, as also with those whose relatives are missing.

INSTALLATION OF NEW CHAIRMAN: Rev. Dr.M.G.Melvin, in handing the reins of office to Rev.Williams Deans, congratulated him on the unanimity of his appointment to the office of Chairman, and referred to the varied and valuable services he had rendered the Church, as fitting him for this new position. Mr. Deans acknowledged, with thanks, the honour conferred upon him, asked for the co-operation of the members of Presbytery, and expressed the hope that his year of office might be one of real progress in the work of the Church.

REQUEST FROM ST.GEORGE CHURCH: The motion by Professor J.A.Irving and Mr.C.E. Mahon, that the request from St.George Church for the services of Mr. A.H.Shephard, be granted, was over-ruled by an amendment by Revs.W.Stott and H.M.Rae, that the matter be referred to the Committee on Education and Students, with power to issue.

APPRECIATION OF RETIRING CHAIRMAN: The heartfelt thanks of Presbytery, on motion by Rev.C.Finnemore and Mr.T. Laing, were cordially tendered the retiring Chairman, Rev.Dr.M.Gordon Melvin, for his competent and genial conduct of the business of Presbytery throughout the past year.

ADJOURNMENT: This meeting of Presbytery closed at 10.00p.m., with the benediction by Rev. William Deans.

W. Deans
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

on "Winning the families into regular fellowship and worship in the church, and maintaining Christian standards in family life". Mr. Horton outlined the influences which are today making for the breakdown of the family life. He stressed the need for making our own homes Christian. Women of the Church, he stated, must be willing to do less for outside organizations when these peril the making of a Christian Home - our first and paramount duty. Parents must work toward making their children accept responsibility in church and Sunday School. Those taking part in the discussion which followed were: Mr.W.W.Colclough, Mrs. A.Campbell, Mr.E.G.Duncan, Dr. Andrew Roddan, Rev.Robert McLaren, Mr.J.Martin, Mr. S.Nichol and Rev. Dr.W.H.Smith.

Rev. Dr. W.W.McPherson, of Oak Bay Church, Victoria, introduced the plan of "A Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom". He outlined the need of the world, the function of the Church, and personal responsibility. "Winning Souls for Christ" he declared "was the function of the Church". The following took part in the discussion:- Mrs.O.MacL.Sanford, Messrs. R.B.Spears, Gilbert Spears, H.Earnshaw, Miss Alma Snyder, Rev.A.E.Cooke, Mr.J.Retallack and Dr. Oliver Darwin.

Dr. Hugh Dobson summed up the results of the meeting, which he stated should not end here. It must be carried to Official Boards, Sessions and all Departments of the Church's life. Crusades begin with the Cross, the desire for success of this Crusade must be strengthened by the potent power of prayer.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting closed at 10.15 p.m., with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Oliver Darwin.

W. Deans ..... Chairman

E. W. Mackay ..... Secretary.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27th 1945

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in Crosby United Church, on Tuesday, February 27th 1945, at 7.30 p.m., Rev. William Deans presiding. Rev. W.R.Walkinshaw of Marpole Church opened the proceedings with Devotional Service.

SECRETARY: Owing to the illness of Rev.E.W.Mackay, Presbytery requested Rev.Bryce H.Wallace to act as Secretary pro tem.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: O.Darwin, R.W.Hardy, H.R.Vessey, A.L.Carr, Wm. Deans, J.S.Muldrew, T.S.Paton, D.H.Telfer, J.R.Hewitt, A.E.Cooke, W.E. Galloway, George D.Walker, A.Roddan, Bryce H.Wallace, F.H.Stevens, H.M.Rae, Robert Moses, H.J.Bevan, G.B.Switzer, H.R.McGill, W.M.Burton, W.Stott, W.B. McIntosh, J.W.Smith, G.D.Wilkie and A.C.Cameron, W.R.Walkinshaw.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES: W.T.Easterbrook, O.D.Austin, A.J.Holland, H.S.Hilton, J.A.McLean, C.Turney, C.N.Haney, Mrs.Jas. Ramsay, G.Lake, A.E.Kerr, James K.Cavers, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, J.Quigley, Mrs.F.Yeo, V.R.Clerihue, M.K.Ney, J. Farquharson, Mrs.C.Nickols, Mrs.J.Ellis, Flossie Zenkie, P.L.Buckle, A.H. Martinson, J.A.Irving, Mrs.F.Roberts, R.J.Innes, H.N.Menzies, S.R.Snyder, Mrs. A.Jamieson, Gilbert Spears, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, George Scott, J.G.McGowan, Wm. Forbes, T.C.Craighead, W.Carter, M.A.Harrison, R.D.Smith, C.H.Cunnings, H.L.Broadbent, H.P.Baird, T.C.Higgins, James W.Martin, H.R.Holding, J.A.Forin, G.McIntosh.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last regular meeting on November 28th 1944, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: The names of lay representatives were presented as follows:- Zion: Mr. Albert Edward Kerr, 6558 Lanark St., and Mr.H.L.Broadbent, 280 E. 32nd Ave., replacing Mr.R.Lundie and Mrs. H.H.Urquhart. Dunbar Heights: Mrs. A.Jamieson, 3869 W.22nd Ave., replacing Mrs. A.Campbell. Knox: Mr.M.K.Ney, 3126 W.38th Ave., replacing Mr.J.Russell Oliver. These names were ordered on the Roll of Presbytery.

EXECUTIVE: The Acting Secretary reported items from the Executive meeting of February 13th, as follows:-

1. Letter from Rev.Olivia C.Lindsay, requesting transfer to Toronto West Presbytery - referred to Settlement Committee.
2. Letter from Ladner United Church asking that Rev.Dr.W.H.Smith remain as supply for another year. Referred to Settlement Committee.
3. Letter from Raymond C.W.Keeble, requesting to be ordained by Manitoba Conference, referred to Committee on Education and Students.
4. Three letters from Rev.Dr.Gordon A.Sisco:
   (a) Re reports of various General Council Committees - ordered to be mimeographed and placed in the hands of Presbytery members.
   (b) re Changes in Manual - referred to Manual Committee.
   (c) re Rehabilitation - Referred to Pastoral Relations Committee.
5. Letter from Khalsa Diwan Society(East Indian), asking Presbytery's approval of their appeal for franchise. Attention drawn to action taken by Presbytery October 19th 1943.

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6. Letter from Moderator on "Crusade for Christ" Campaign - referred to Evangelism and Social Service Committee.
7. Revision of Representation of congregations in Presbytery, left in hands of Statistical Secretary.
8. Report on strength of denominations in Vancouver City, compiled by Rev.William Stott, ordered placed in the hands of members in active Ministry when completed.
9. Official Seal of the Church: Ordered that Official Seal of the Church be obtained and used for Presbytery letterheads.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Notification from Stettler Presbytery, Alberta Conference, of intention to recommend to Alberta Conference, the reinstatement of Rev.Donald MacGregor, who resigned from the United Church in 1944 to accept a pastorate in the Presbyterian Church, was read, and no objection offered.
2. Letter from Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery, dealing with fleet insurance on automobiles, referred to Executive.
3. Letter from members of local branch of British and Foreign Bible Society asking for a deeper interest in this work, and that one Sunday be set aside as special "Bible Society Sunday" - was approved, and on motion of Dr.D.H.Telfer and Judge J.A.Forin, referred to the Executive to set suitable date.

FORUM IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH: Attention was drawn to the exceptional work done by St.John's Sunday evening Forum, by a letter from members of that Church asking that Conference Executive give sympathetic consideration to having General Council Officers take part when visiting here. On motion of Dr.Andrew Roddan and Dr.Oliver Darwin, this was approved, and referred to Conference Executive.

REV. FRANK BUSHFIELD: A letter from Rev.Frank Bushfield, asking for retirement from Howe Sound Charge; also one with suggestions re returning Chaplains, referred to Pastoral Relations Committee.

CALL FROM MARPOLE CHURCH to Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw, referred to Committee consisting of Rev.Hugh M.Rae and Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer, who later reported this call in order, and on motion of Rev.H.M.Rae and H.R.McGill Presbytery supported the Call and ordered it sent on to Settlement Committee.

STATISTICAL REPORT: Mr.O.D.Austin, Convener, presented the Statistical Report, drawing attention to greatly improved position of all Departments of the Church's work. On motion of the Secretary and Mr.A.H.Martinson, the report was adopted, and Mr. Austin thanked for his accurate and thorough work.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: The Convener, Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer, presented the report of the Missionary and Maintenance Committee, showing figures as follows:- Allocation $50,000.00; raised for year 1944 $49,322.31, some $670 short of allocation. Out of 51 Charges, 45 gave more in 1944 than 1943, 4 gave the same, 4 gave less and 2 gave nothing. In respect of allocations set, 21 gave more than the allocation, 11 gave the amount allocated, 21 gave less and 2 gave nothing. Some Charges made splendid increases in their givings to this Fund, some fell below last year's givings, some, while making increases fell far short of the allocation, with the result that B.C.Conference fell below the total allocation of $100,000.00. It is regretted that in a year that marks a record of 10 out of 11 Conferences over the top, the only one to fail was British Columbia, which raised some $97,000 out of its total of $100,000.00. For 1945 we have accepted an allocation of $50,000 plus ten per cent. This is within our ability to raise. With loyal co-operation of all congregations it can be done.

HOME MISSIONS: The report of the Home Mission Committee was presented by the Convener, Rev.Robert Moses, on whose motion, seconded by Rev. William Stott, Presbytery approved the following resolution:- "That any field not reaching the minimum salary be visited by the Life and Work Committee, and that its findings and recommendations be forwarded to the Home Mission Committee, in order that requests for grants go through the regular channels."

Horse Shoe Bay Area: Moved by the Convener, seconded by Rev.H.M.Rae, that a committee be formed to make a survey of the Horse Shoe Bay area.

A statement of salaries for 1945 was also presented.

Grants recommended, were approved by Presbytery as follows:- Alert Bay, temporarily vacant. Pioneer-Bralorne, no grant needed. Cranberry-Westview, $275 and $50 travel. Howe Sound, $650. Squamish, $750.(field asked to increase givings to $550. Minister requested to make survey up P.G.E.Railway line.) Vancouver Beaconsfield, temporarily with Robson Memorial. First Church,$5225. Community House, $1750, and $200 for student minister if needed. Renfrew,$420 to apply on house rent. St. James', $150. Student Fields: Bowen Island at rate of $7.50 per Sunday and $1.00 travel - field to raise $232 Grant $210.00. Lynnmour-Deep Cove, $130 plus $25 travel allowance. Texada Island, temporarily with Powell River. Indian Fields: Cape Mudge, change in status of missionary from "single" to "married ordained", necessitates increased grant from last year; $1000.00 subject to review. Mrs. George Read, allowance $200. Vancouver Chinese, $850. Rev.Fong Dickman, allowance $450. North Lonsdale-Capilano: Life and Work Committee requested to visit and report to Home Mission Committee re request for grant of $200.00. Riverview

Property claims: Presbytery concurred in recommendation of Home Mission Committee that whole debt be dropped when the $2000.00 is paid at completion of present agreement.

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Secord: That a cash payment of $250 be paid in April 1945, and $100 each year for five years, until $750 is paid, which amount be accepted as payment in full. Approved.

St.James': That debt on church and manse be written down to $1000.00, approved. Dr. R.B.Cochrane to confer with members of local board.

Northlands: Presbytery authorised sale of this property, known as Lots 17 and 18, Block 2, District Lot 676, Group No.1, Map 2878, New Westminster District, and appointed Rev.A.C.Cameron and Wm. Stott to make arrangements; proceeds of sale to revert to Home Mission Board.

First Church Community House: Rev. Dr.Andrew Roddan presented a statement on the work of the Community House. Rev.Bryce H.Wallace voiced appreciation of the excellent work carried on by Dr. Roddan and staff. Presbytery expressed approval.

SALARIES OF MINISTERS: The question of inadequate salaries paid to ministers was raised by Mr.J.G.Spears and Judge J.A.Forin, and the following motion was passed:- "That a Committee be appointed by the Chairman, to confer with the Conference Committee to be appointed under Paragraph 5b, page 79, of Records of Proceedings of 1944 General Council; and to submit recommendations to the Central Committee on Ministerial Stipends".

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: Professor J.A.Irving presented the report on Education and Students as follows:-

Re Raymond C.Keeble:

1. That he be ordained by Manitoba Conference. Approved.
2. That Winnipeg Presbytery be requested to examine his credentials. approved.
3. That we accede to his request to continue his studies. approved. Settlement Committee to be informed, and Mr.Keeble to obtain permission of Home Mission Board to remain without a Charge after Ordination.

Professor Irving introduced two Candidates for the Ministry, namely, Mr.Garnet Hiram Caster and Mr.William Herbert Connor. The Chairman proceeded to put the customary questions, which were satisfactorily answered, and after prayer both students were received by Presbytery. It was requested that two other candidates- Mr. Gordon Paton and Mr.P.H.Mallett, attend the March meeting of Presbytery.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: Mr. J.G.McGowan, Convener, Presented the report of the Property Committee, and moved the following resolution, seconded by Dr. Oliver Darwin:

"That this Presbytery of Vancouver in the Conference of British Columbia of the United Church of Canada, meeting in Crosby United Church, on Tuesday, February twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and forty-five, does hereby affirm:-

1. That Lot twelve(12) Block Two(2), Section Ten(10), Block 3 North, Range seven(7) West, Map Two Hundred and Forty Nine(249) Municipality of Richmond in the District of New Westminster, is that parcel of land registered in the names of T.Koshiba, G.Otsu, C.Furukawa, M.Kuba, M.Miyamoto, as Trustees for the 'Steveston Congregation of the United Church of Canada', Certificate of Title No.130474E.
2. That in fact the above named persons were Trustees of 'The Steveston Japanese Congregation of the United Church of Canada', which was disbanded at the time of the evacuation of the Japanese from the protected area along the British Columbia Coast, and, therefore, these said Trustees can no longer function as such.
3. That, under the authority provided by Schedule B.Trusts of Model Deed, Column two, section 10, last paragraph, as printed on page 244 of the manual of the United Church of Canada 1942, this Presbytery does now appoint the following persons as Trustees of this Property:- William Thomas Easterbrook, 1590 West 66th Ave., Vancouver, B.C., William Calvert, 670 No.1 Rd., Steveston, B.C., Edwin George Ireland, 96 Steveston Highway, Steveston, B.C., and Samuel Montgomery, 65 Garry Street, Steveston, B.C.
4. That this Presbytery of Vancouver authorises those said trustees, namely, William Thomas Easterbrook, William Calvert, Edwin George Ireland, and Samuel Montgomery, to sell the lot, as described in paragraph one above, and building thereon, for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars($200.00) net."

Agreed.

A further resolution was agreed as follows:-

Re Proceeds from sale of Lot 12, Steveston:

"That this Presbytery of Vancouver recommend to the Conference of British Columbia, that the proceeds from the sale of the above lot be sent to the Treasurer of The United Church of Canada, to be placed with the funds which he holds in trust for the former Steveston Japanese Congregation."

TREASURER'S REPORT: The report of the Treasurer for the year ending January 31st 1945, as audited by Mr.M.H.Thomas, was presented by Mr.J.G.McGowan, showing a bank balance at Feb.1st 1944 of $565.68. Receipts from congregations on account of allocations $2211.00. Induction Services $23.11. Lecture by Rev.B.Green(First Church) collection $213.13. A total of $3013.02. Disbursements were:- $1600 to B.C.Conference, $21.00 for travelling

expenses, $200 for Secretary's Honorarium,$161.36 for office expenses, $4.55 Treasurer's expenses, $1.18 exchange on cheques, $6.25 for M.&.M.Committee, $4.81 Statistical Committee $2.00 Pension Fund Committee, $12.16 Rev.B.Green lecture expense $200.97 net proceeds of this lecture, a total of $2214,23, leaving a bank balance at Jan. 31st 1945 of $798.79. On motion of the Convener, seconded by Rev.Francis H.Stevens, this section of the report was adopted.

For the United Church Trust Fund, of which Mr.O.D.Austin is Treasurer, the cash balance at Jan.1st 1944 was $1,027.00. Interest on one $500 Victory Bond, May 1st $7.50, Sept. 1st $7.50, and from $1000.00 bond,Dec.1st $17.50. A total at December 31st 1944 of $1059.50. Disbursements $1000.00 Victory Bond. Liabilities, nil. Net Assets at December 31st 1944, $1559.50. On motion of Mr.J.G.McGowan and Mr.C.H.Cunnings, the report was adopted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: The Convener, Rev.T.S.Paton, seconded by Dr.G.B.Switzer, moved, that the following persons be requested to make a study of the Dumbarton Oaks Conference:- Rev.Dr.G.B.Switzer, Prof. Basil Mathews, Rev.Dr. Hugh Dobson, Revs.Ralph Hardy, Wm.Deans, S.G.Woolfrey, Mrs.A.Campbell, Miss Fronia Snyder, Mr.Maxwell Rae, Mr.E.G.Duncan and Rev. T.S.Paton.

Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom: After discussion on the Moderator's Report on the "Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom", Rev.J.W.Smith moved, seconded by Mr. S.R.Snyder, that another special meeting of Presbytery on the "Crusade" be arranged - Committees on Evangelism and Social Service and Christian Education making arrangements, with Executive fixing the date. Agreed.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. Dr.D.H.Telfer in the absence of the Convener, urged increased emphasis on Evangelism in Church Schools during pre-Easter period, and drew attention to several suitable books.

SURVEY COMMITTEE: Following discussion on the work of the Survey Committee, Rev. H.R.McGill moved, seconded by Judge J.A.Forin, that the Survey Committee report to next Presbytery on certain new areas.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The date of the next regular meeting was set for Tuesday, March 20th 1945.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: Rev. Wm. Burton reported on the Session Records of Crosby Church - examined and approved.

ADJOURNMENT: Presbytery adjourned at 10.35 p.m., with the benediction by the Chairman, Rev. William Deans.

W. Deans
Chairman.

E. W. Mackay.
Secretary.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th 1945

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in Grandview United Church on Tuesday, March 20th 1945 at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.William Deans presiding, and was opened with a Devotional Service, conducted by Rev.T.W.Reed of Grace Church.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: William Deans, E.W.Mackay, O.Darwin, Robert Moses, B.Glover, W.Stott, W.P.Bunt, R.W.Hardy, T.W.Reed, George D.Walker, T.S.Paton, D.H.Telfer, Hugh M.Rae, G.H.Villett, J.S.Muldrew, W.H.H.Norman, Charles Finnemore, W.E.Fullerton, S.G.Woolfrey, H.J.Bevan, W.B.McIntosh, A.L.Carr, R.J.McIntyre, W.L.Armstrong and A.Barner, R.McLaren, W.R.Walkinshaw.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES: W.T.Easterbrook, C.N.Haney, J.M.Gavey, C.Turney, J.K. Cavers, A.E.Kerr, H.R.Holding, George Scott, John Quigley, S.H.Lind, J.Elden, James R.Fraser, O.D.Austin, Mrs.Frank Yeo, J. Farquharson, H.N.Menzies, S.R. Snyder, C.E.Mahon, W.Carter, Mrs.C.Nickols, Mrs.J.S.Campbell, Mrs.J.Ellis, Mrs.T.A.Elsom, Wm.J.Gurr, G.McIntosh, Thomas Laing, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, T.C. Higgins, C.H.Cunnings.

MINUTES: The Minutes of a special meeting on February 13th and of a regular meeting on February 27th, as mimeographed, were approved, with the exception of the item "Re Raymond C.Keeble"(page 6) which, on motion by Revs. D.H.Telfer and C.Finnemore, was ordered to be reconsidered.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary submitted the report of the Executive:-

1. Auto Fleet Insurance: The Committee to deal with the suggestion from Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery re Auto Fleet Insurance, to be Messrs. C.E.Mahon and J.G.McGowan.
2. Bible Society Sunday: That the last Sunday in April be designated as Bible Society Sunday.
3. Special Meeting of Presbytery: The date for the special meeting of Presbytery to be arranged for by the Committees on Christian Education and Evangelism and Social Service to be April 10th, and the place of meeting to be St.Giles United Church.

4. Horse Shoe Bay Survey: The Committee to make a survey of the Horse Shoe Bay area to be Revs.R.Moses, W.E.Fullerton, W. Stott, with Rev.F.H.Stevens,Convener.
5. Committee on Ministerial Stipends: The Committee on Ministerial Stipends to be Revs. M.G.Melvin, Convener, W.E.Fullerton, T.W.Reed, W.R.Walkinshaw and Judge J.A.Forin, Messrs. W.H.Whiteley, W.G.Morton and Gilbert J.Spears.
6. Lists showing Denominational Strength: Two copies of list showing denominational strength to be sent to Ministers in Pastorates.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The application of Rev.V.H.Sansum for one year's retirement, and of Mrs.C.A. Rees for an Emergency Grant, were referred to the Committee on Pensions.
2. A letter from Rev.W.H.H.Norman, Vice President of the Consultative Council on Canadian Citizenship, to the Chairman of Presbytery, containing a copy of a motion passed by said Council on February 28th, requesting that "on April 15th or 22nd or 29th, all Clergymen in the Province deal with the racial problem in the light of Christian teaching, with particular reference to the problem of members of the Japanese race in Canada, and that material concerning this be sent by the Consultative Council to the Clergymen concerned", was discussed at some length. On motion by Rev.W.H.H.Norman, and Mr.C.H.Cunnings, it was agreed that Presbytery request all our ministers to deal with the racial problem on April 15th, or on a date near to that time.

PERMISSION TO RETIRE: On request by Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer, the Committee on Education and Students was given permission to retire.

INTRODUCTIONS: Rev. W.H.H. Norman introduced Mrs.A.Campbell as Lay Representative for St.George Church, replacing H.A.Black. For Vancouver Heights Rev.W.E.Fullerton introduced Mr.Wm.J.Gurr, and for Riverview,Rev.T.S.Paton introduced Mr.J.Elden. These three names were ordered on the Roll of Presbytery. Mr. James R.Fraser introduced, as visitors, Elders L.H.Hood and D.Arnot.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: For the Committee on Christian Education, Rev.W.E. Fullerton reported increases in 1944 of 605 pupils, of 255 in the Nursery Department, 10 in the Home Department, with an increase of 400 in average attendance, and of 59 more in 1944 coming into full membership than in 1943. Church Schools contributed $3600 more for local purposes and $440 more for Missionary and Maintenance, while Through-the-week Organizations contributed $2560. more in 1944 than in 1943.

The following matters called for serious attention:

1. Only one-eighth of Vancouver United Church Schools have leadership training for Sunday School Teachers.
2. Just 18 of the 71 Church Schools in this Presbytery report definite commitment to the Christian Advance Movement.
3. Only 5 Vacation Schools were held in 1944 - 2 less than in 1943.
4. Of the 12,878 Church School members, only 1056 (about 1/12th) attend Church.
5. Not quite 50% of the Schools have preparation Classes for Church Membership.

There was need for informing Church members and adherents as to the Radio programme of the United Church, in Church Bulletins,or by Pulpit Announcements. There was also the need for contributions for the support of the office and Secretaries to be forwarded. The untiring work of Miss Fronia Snyder and of Rev.R.McLaren called for cordial appreciation, and a hearty welcome was extended to the new-comer on the Staff, Mr. Clyde Woollard.

Rev.R.McLaren made an appeal to Ministers to seek out leaders for Boys'Camps, and went on to stress suggestions that might be submitted, with the approval of this Presbytery, to the Christian Education Committee in Toronto at the forthcoming meetings. At this point it was agreed that the report stand adjourned so that the particular suggestions might, later, be submitted to Presbytery for consideration.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: Rev. Dr.D.H.Telfer, reporting for the Committee on Education and Students, moved:-

1. That the following resolution be substituted for the Minute "re Raymond C. Keeble" as on page 6 of mimeographed Minutes of Presbytery for February 27th, 1945:
   (1) That this Presbytery of Vancouver request the Presbytery of Winnipeg to examine the academic and religious standing and activities of Mr. Raymond C.Keeble. (Manual #16(f).
   (2) That this Presbytery ask the Conference of B.C. to request the Conference of Manitoba to ordain Mr.Keeble, providing his examination by the Presbytery of Winnipeg is satisfactory. Manual #16(n).
   (3) That Mr. Keeble be directed to present his request to be left without Charge, in order to pursue his studies looking forward to the B.D.Degree, to the Settlement Committee of the Conference to which he shall have been assigned by the Transfer Committee. Manual #16(L).

II That the request of Mr. Fred Gibson for transfer from the Presbytery of Vancouver to the Presbytery of Toronto Centre be approved, and be forwarded to the President of the Conference of B.C., and to Rev.Dr.Sisco, the Secretary of the Transfer Committee.

III That Mr. Percy H.Mallett, B.A., be now formally received by the Presbytery of Vancouver, as a Candidate for the Ministry.

Reception of Candidate: The Chairman of Presbytery, Rev.William Deans, then addressed the Candidate, asked the prescribed questions, and formally received Percy H.Mallett, B.A., as a Candidate for the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments.

This report, as a whole, was then adopted.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: Rev. T.S. Paton, reporting for the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, called on Mr.Milton Webber to give Presbytery particulars regarding an Adult Probation System, after which the following resolution was submitted and approved - copies, on motion of Messrs. O.D.Austin and James R. Fraser, to be sent to the Premier of B.C., to the Attorney General and to Vancouver and District members of the Provincial Legislature:-

> "Having heard a statement by Mr.Milton Webber, the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service of Vancouver Presbytery of The United Church of Canada in British Columbia, resolved to go on record as favouring an Adult Probation System, based on an adequate Act as in the Province of Ontario, and respectfully request the Government of British Columbia to set up such a system at the earliest possible date."

TEMPERANCE SITUATION: For the information of Presbytery as to the liquor problem Rev.R.J.McIntyre was called upon to give some facts and figures for the Fiscal Years, 1942-43 and 1943-44. There was a decrease in the total liquor bill paid by the Public of B.C. in 1943-44 of some four and three quarter million dollars. The total liquor bill in 1942-43 was $35,768,041. and in 1943-44 $30,779,670.63. Factors to account for the decrease were, higher cost of liquor, ban on liquor advertising, closed night liquor store in Vancouver, and decreased hours of sale. For the year 1943-44, 976,234 liquor permits had been issued - more than our entire population. Copies of the figures for the two Fiscal Years, taken from Government Reports were made available for members of Presbytery.

MINORITIES: The following resolution re Minorities was submitted by the Convener, and approved:-

> "Whereas there is a confusion of thought amongst the members of our United Church concerning minority questions, and attitudes to minorities, that this Presbytery of Vancouver refer the whole matter to the Conference Committee on Evangelism and Social Service for consideration and preparation of a memorandum thereto for presentation to the next British Columbia Annual Conference."

EVANGELISM: In view of the Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom, Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer appealed to the members of Presbytery, and through them, to others for consecrated thought and devoted effort as the servants of Him who said - "For their sakes I consecrate myself".

On the Convener's motion, the report was then adopted.

PENSIONS: For the Pension Fund Committee, Mr.C.E.Mahon recommended approval of the following applications, and that they be forwarded to the Conference Pension Committee:

1. Rev.V.H.Sansum - to be continued on pension for another year. Agreed.
2. Rev.E.L.Best - for retirement on account of ill-health. Agreed.
3. Mrs. Alice C.Coffin - for Emergency Grant of $50.00, for support of totally dependent son. Agreed.
4. Mrs.Lillian Smith - for Emergency Grant of $50.00 for support of invalid daughter. Agreed.
5. Mrs. Catherine A.Rees - for Emergency Grant of $80.00, for personal needs. Agreed.

The Convener stressed the necessity of informing the Board of Pensions as to salaries paid ministers in 1944, so that assessments may be made. As the first quarterly instalment assessment falls due on March 31st, failure to return cards sent out in January, may involve the charging of Interest on overdue payments. It is the duty of Treasurers of congregations to see that payments are promptly forwarded to the Board of Pensions in Toronto.

The Pension Fund Committee would like to have permission of Presbytery to contact any congregations that may not have carried out the instructions of General Council, which, under Section IV, Benevolent Fund, are obligatory upon local churches. It was agreed on motion by Rev.C.Finnemore, that a questionnaire to secure allnecessary information be prepared and sent to all such congregations.

On the Convener's motion, the report as a whole, was adopted.

Following the adoption of the report Rev.Dr.W.L.Armstrong gave interesting particulars concerning the condition of the Pension Fund, the solvency of which, in his estimation, was reasonably sufficient if the present programme is carried on.

MINISTERIAL STIPENDS: For the Special Committee on Ministerial Stipends, Rev. W.R.Walkinshaw reported their findings as follows:-

1. The Committee recommends the Standard, as in Manual #58, as a just and equitable minimum salary for married ministers.
2. A just and equitable minimum(whatever the amount) could be made effective by:

(a) Careful planning and development of all work at all times.
(b) Careful scrutiny and examination of all Candidates for the Ministry (Manual #16). Presbytery Committees should exercise more fully their right of oversight of all Charges.
(c) Developing the "Stabilization Fund" to the full.
(d) More thorough oversight of all Charges by Presbyteries with particular care of Aid-Receiving Charges.

3. Developing the "Stabilization Fund " to the full would help to solve the problem of placing a floor on salaries in order to prevent a marked reduction in ministerial salaries provided a depression should come upon us after the close of the war.
4. The finding of the Committee, on the question, "Should part of the plan to put a floor on salaries, include limitation of the number of persons appointed to Pastoral Charges by the Settlement Committees and Presbyteries"? is as follows:- The Manual calls for the appointment of "every efficient minister to a Charge". The word "efficient" would bear study and greater care should be exercised in the distribution of ministers over areas of Presbyteries.
5. To the question "As a means of equalizing certain advantages, would it be possible to institute a fund to be raised by an assessment of say 1% on ministerial salaries paid to Ministers, such fund to be available to meet the educational expenses of ministers who must send their children away to High School, Normal School or University"? (It is understood that this is to be a general plan, the rules to be drawn up after the general principle is accepted.) - the finding of the Committee is - "In the event of an assessment being adopted it should be on all who receive in excess of the minimum of $1800.00. (The experience with such funds has not been happy in the past). Has the Home Mission Board not such a scheme in effect already for missionaries? On motion by Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw and Mr.O.D.Austin, the report was received and adopted, and was ordered to be sent on to the Conference Committee on Pensions.

LAY REPRESENTATION: For the Executive of Presbytery Mr.O.D.Austin submitted a revision of the basis of Lay Representation of Pastoral Charges in the Presbytery, recommending that:-

1. Twenty-Four(24) Charges having less than 150 resident members, to have one(1) representative; Fifteen (15), with 150 -350 to have two(2); Five (5), with 351-600 to have three(3); seven(7), with 601-900, to have four(4); and two(2), with over 900 to have five(5).
2. The adoption of the Basis of representation, and the distribution of representation to become effective on June 1st 1945.
3. The statement of representation of the various Pastoral Charges be issued with the Call for the Special meeting of Presbytery in April, for the information and direction of the Official Boards of the Pastoral Charges.
4. The Pastoral Charges be reminded that their Representatives, if chosen annually, shall be elected before the first regular meeting of Presbytery after the Annual Conference (Manual #67(b)ii).

This report, as a whole, was received and adopted.

REHABILITATION OF CHAPLAINS: The report of the Special Committee on the Rehabilitation of Chaplains, as presented by Mr.C.H.Cunnings, was referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

SURVEY AND EXTENSION: For the Committee on Survey and Extension, Rev.R.W.Hardy, on behalf of Rev.G.B.Switzer informed Presbytery of steps being taken to survey certain areas in the City, and that maps were being sent to parties concerned.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The adjourned report of the Committee on Christian Education was taken up and, on motion by Revs.W.E.Fullerton and G.H. Villett, Presbytery approved of the suggestion made by Rev.R.McLaren, and, to be commended to the Board of Christian Education, as follows:-

1. That men's Clubs in the United Church be promoted on a nation-wide basis.
2. That Adult Committees be formed in each local congregation for the sponsoring and promoting of Christian Education work.
3. That greater provision be made within the Christian Education programme for interest and hobby work.
4. That the Board of Christian Education take steps to see that the United Church makes the fullest possible use of the vast stores of war supplies to be released by the Government after the war.

This report as a whole was then adopted.

AUTO FLEET INSURANCE: Mr.C.E.Mahon reported for the special committee appointed to deal with the communication from Kamloops-Okanagan Presbytery re Auto Fleet Insurance for Ministers. Having contacted Board and Non-Board Auto Insurance Companies, and in view of the stringent requirements of legislation, the finding of this committee is that the project is not feasible. The Fleet Insurance Policy calls for all Autos to belong to, and, to be licensed under one ownership, while Ministers' Autos are individually owned and licensed. If, as suggested, a Trustee were appointed, this would require that the License be transferred from each Minister into the name of the Trustee, involving inconvenience and costs.
This report was accepted without discussion.

CONGRATULATIONS TO REV. DR. J.H. WHITE: Information having come to the Presbytery that Rev.Dr.J.H.White of Sardis would attain his 90th birthday on the coming Saturday, on motion by Rev.Hugh M. Rae it was unanimously and enthusiastically agreed that a message of congratulation and good wishes from Presbytery be sent on to him.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: Rev.J.S.Muldrew reported that congregational records from Dunbar Heights, Cedar Cottage, Grandview and South Arm-Steveston had been examined, and asked that they be attested as carefully and correctly kept.

REV. BRYCE H. WALLACE: The Chairman informed Presbytery that Rev.Bryce H.Wallace had to go to Hospital for treatment and it was unanimously agreed that a letter of sympathy and good wishes for speedy and complete recovery be sent to him from the Presbytery.

RECOVERY OF SECRETARY: On motion by Revs.C.Finnemore and H.M.Rae, the following motion was carried:- "The Presbytery of Vancouver desires to place on record its deepest gratitude for the wonderful recovery from his recent illness of our genial Secretary of Presbytery, Rev.E.W.Mackay. We rejoice that, after so serious an operation, he is already able to resume his duties at the Secretary's desk, and would extend to him our best wishes for continued improvement and a complete recovery, so that he may continue to enjoy the many opportunities of Christian Service that come to him.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.30 p.m., this meeting closed, with the benediction by the Chairman.

W. D. Reans
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

The Minutes of Vancouver Presbytery have been Examined this day, May 18th 1945 - and are hereby attested as neatly and Correctly Kept. Signature of Chairman is lacking at Sept. 9. 1944. It is suggested that in the new book provision be made for marginal notes.

Peter Henderson,
Chairman, Committee on Presbytery Records

Graham Rodden.
President of Conference.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10th 1945

The Special Session of Vancouver Presbytery, authorized on February 27th, with the Committees on Christian Education and Evangelism and Social Service responsible for the Agenda, was held in St.Giles Church on Tuesday evening, April 10th 1945, at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.William Deans presiding, and was opened with a service of praise from 7.30 to 8.00 o'clock.

SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE: Following the Service of Praise, Rev.Dr.G.B.Switzer read the Scripture and offered prayer, after which he pointedout that our neglect in connection with the League of Nations might be largely remedied by taking practical interest in the San Francisco Conference. To this end he submitted a letter, drafted by Professor Basil Mathews and himself, copies of which would be sent out from the office of Christian Education to every congregation in the Presbytery for individual member to sign and to send on to the Prime Minister and Canadian Delegates at San Francisco.

On motion by Revs.G.B.Switzer and T.S.Paton, this proposal was unanimously approved.

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5. CRUSADE FOR CHRIST AND HIS KINGDOM: The circular from Toronto, with suggestions regarding the Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom was referred to the Presbytery's Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, on motion by Revs.B.H. Wallace and H.R.Vessey.
6. MAGAZINE FOR YOUTH: The prospectus for a magazine for youth(Hi Chum), was, on motion by Rev.M.G.Melvin and Hugh M.Rae referred to the Committee on Christian Education.
7. HOSPITAL CARE: The Communication, setting forth a plan for Hospital care was referred to the Executive of Presbytery, on motion by Revs.F.H. Stevens and Mr.E.G.Duncan.
8. PENSIONS: A reference from the Conference Committee on Pensions, suggesting certain changes, was dealt with by a motion by Rev.B.H.Wallace and Mr.James R.Fraser, that the application be returned to the Conference Committee on Pensions as having been already approved by this Presbytery.
9. RESIGNATION OF REV. G.B. PUNTER: The Chairman submitted the resignation of Rev. Gerald B.Punter from the Ministry of the United Church of Canada. On motion by Revs.M.G.Melvin and F.H.Stevens, it was agreed that Presbytery forward to the B.C. Conference a copy of Mr.Punter's letter to the Chairman with the recommendation that this resignation be accepted.

ADJOURNMENT: At 4.35 p.m., this meeting closed with the Benediction by the Chairman.

Wm Deans ..... E. W. Mackay.
Chairman Secretary

MONDAY, MAY 21st 1945

Vancouver Presbytery met on the Call of the Chair in Canadian Memorial Church, on Monday, May 21st 1945 at 12.35 p.m., with Rev.William Deans presiding, who opened the meeting with prayer.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: W.R.Walkinshaw, E.W.Mackay, W.E.Galloway, A.F.Munro, William Graham, T.S.Paton, D.H.Telfer, G.B.Switzer, A.C. Pound, William Deans, Hugh M.Rae. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: Evelyn M.Graham, R.J. Innes, Wm.J.Gurr, J.Wright, F.Shoemaker, Flossie H.Zenkie, Mrs.J.Ellis, Mrs.J. Crittenden, Mrs.C.Nickols, Mrs.E.Kruger.

The Chairman informed Presbytery of the request of the Conference Committee on Pensions to have Presbytery reconsider recommendations on three applications:-

1. Mrs. Catherine Anne Rees: Conference Committee suggested that the Emergency grant of $80.00 for Mrs.Rees, as recommended, be reduced to $50.00. In view of the fact that Mrs.Rees' Pastor had interviewed her, it was agreed, on motion by Revs.W.Graham and W.E.Galloway, that the Emergency Grant of $80.00 be approved.
2. Mrs. Alice Coffin: The recommendation of the Conference Committee that the Emergency Grant to Mrs.Coffin be increased from $50.00 to $75.00, on account of heavy hospital expenses incurred, was, on motion of Mrs.J.Ellis and Mrs. C.J.Zenkie, cordially approved.
3. Rev.E.L.Best: The suggestion from the Conference Committee that in connection with the application of Rev.E.L.Best, enquiry be made as to remuneration of applicant for present occupation, was set aside by the motion of Rev.H.M.Rae and W.E.Galloway - "That Presbytery is satisfied with the medical statement accompanying this application,and that the Chairman of Presbytery so inform the Conference Committee on Pensions.

ADJOURNMENT: At 1.00 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev.Dr.G.B. Switzer.

Wm Deans ..... E. W. Mackay.
Chairman. Secretary.

TUESDAY, JUNE 26th 1945

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.George Church, with Rev.William Deans presiding, on Tuesday, June 26th 1945, at 7.30 p.m., and was opened with a devotional service, conducted by Rev.S.G.Woolfrey of Knox United Church.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: W.P.Bunt, S.G.Woolfrey, E.W.Mackay, W.H.H.Norman, H.M. Rae, F.H.Stevens, H.R. Vessey, R.W.Hardy, D.H.Telfer, W.E.Fullerton, W.M.Burton, O.Darwin, A.L.Carr, Robert Moses, Hugh Dobson, W.Stott, J.R.Hewitt, Wm.Deans, T.S.Paton, Charles Finnemore, H.J.Bevan, Bryce H.Wallace, H.R.McGill, G.D.Wilkie and Arthur Barner. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: V.R.Clerihue, W.T.Easterbrook, A.E.Kerr, W.J.Poulton, Wm.J.Gurr,T.K.Zenkie, J.K.Cavers, Gilbert Spears, C.T. Baldwin, E.C.Carr, H.S.Hilton, C.H.Cunnings,

G.F.Turner,Mrs.N.H.Schooley, Mrs.C.Nickols, H.L.Broadbent, J.Quigley,R.Wright, George Scott, D.T.Scrimgeour, C.N.Haney, H.R.Holding, A.H.Martinson, J.Farquharson, T.C. Higgins, Mrs.J.S.Campbell, T.C. Craighead, H.P.Baird, C.E.Mahon, P.L.Buckle, J.A.Forin, F.Shoemaker, W.Carter.

MINUTES: The Minutes of a Special Meeting on February 27th, of the regular meeting on April 24th, and of Conference meetings on May 16th and 21st 1945, were approved, with the addition, for the permanent record, of item No.9, "Resignation of Rev.G.B.Punter", in Minutes of May 16th meeting.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: Mr.Charles T.Baldwin, as replacing James A.McLean for West Vancouver, was introduced by Rev.F.H.Stevens, and Arthur Brenchley for Chalmers, by Rev.M.C.Melvin. These names were then ordered on the Roll of Presbytery.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary reported for the Executive of Presbytery:-

1. Marpole Induction: That Rev.H.R.McGill arrange for the induction of Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw to the Marpole Charge.
2. Hospitalization Plan: That Mr.C.E.Mahon enquire and report. Mr.Mahon gave particulars of the Hospitalization Plan to Presbytery, and, on motion by Revs.W.P.Bunt and S.G.Woolfrey the new Executive of Presbytery was requested to appoint a Committee to make further enquiry and to report.
3. Resignation of Professor J.A.Irving: That the request of Professor J.A. Irving to resign as Convener of the Committee on Education and Students, as he is leaving the bounds of this Presbytery be granted, and that a new Convener be appointed. Agreed.
4. Law Enforcement: That the reference from Conference re Law Enforcement, as set forth in the amended report on Evangelism and Social Service, be referred to the same Presbytery Committee, to take such action as may be required.
5. Income Tax: The recommendation of the Executive - 'That Presbytery endorse the resolution of Hamilton Presbytery re Income Taxes, and forward such endorsement through the Executive of Conference to General Council, was, on motion by Messrs. C.E.Mahon and C.N.Haney, changed to "That this Presbytery request the Executive of General Council to investigate the question of payment of Income Tax by the Clergy of the various Denominations."
6. Aid to European Churches: That Rev.W.E.Fullerton present the matter of aid to European Churches to Presbytery. Dr.Hugh Dobson also urged churches to collect used clothing for needy persons in Europe.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Montreal Presbytery Resolution re Japanese: Copies of the Resolution of Montreal Presbytery re Japanese were ordered to be sent to the Committees on Evangelism and Social Service and Home Missions.
2. United Church Work in Yukon: Notification of Conference Action,transferring United Church work in Yukon from Prince Rupert Presbytery to the Presbytery of Vancouver, was ordered to be received and filed.
3. Sale of Steveston, Lot 12: A copy of a motion passed by 1945 B.C. Conference, recommending approval of the recommendation of Vancouver Presbytery -"That the proceeds from the sale of Lot 12, Steveston, be sent to the Treasurer of The United Church of Canada, to be placed with the funds which he holds in trust for the former Steveston Japanese Congregation", was ordered to be received and filed.
4. Marpole Induction: A communication from Rev.H.R.McGill was read, informing Presbytery of the induction of Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw to the Marpole Pastoral Charge on Wednesday, June 13th 1945, at 8.00 p.m., with Rev.H.R.McGill presiding, assisted by Rev.A.L.Carr who addressed the Minister and Rev.C.Finnemore who counselled the congregation. Offering, $11.60.
5. Vancouver Council of Churches: The request from Mr.George Lake, Treasurer of Vancouver Council of Churches, for $25.00 as the amount set by the Executive of the Council to be contributed by each member church towards defraying Council expenses, was, on motion by Revs.F.H. Stevens and H.R. McGill, referred to the Presbytery's Committee on Conference and Presbytery Fund.
6. Chinese Church: The request of the Official Board of the Vancouver Chinese Church for approval of exchange of Charges between Rev.Chow Ling of Victoria and Mr.Jer Tse Sang of Vancouver - as approved by both congregations - was granted, and notification ordered to be sent to the Executive of the Settlement Committee.
7. Release from Armed Forces of Candidates for the Ministry: Notification from the Executive of Conference as to how to expedite the discharge from the Armed Forces of Candidates for the Ministry, was referred to the Committee on Education and Students.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The report of the Nominating Committee, as mimeographed and in the hands of members was submitted by the Secretary, and the following changes were made:- The name of H.S.Hilton was taken from Life and Work and added to Home Missions; the names of C.E. Atchison and D.F.Warren removed, that of Mrs.A.Jamieson to replace Mrs.A. Campbell, and ONE corresponding member from the Baptist Church, added to Burnaby Home, Board of Control; the name of Rev.D.H.Telfer added to Evangelism and Social Service; that of C.T.Baldwin to Christian Education;the names of Rev.H.R.McGill and Mr.J.A.McLean removed from Publications; the names of the Principal of Union College and Ministers of churches broadcasting added to Radio Committee. On motion by Revs.M.G.Melvin and W.P.Bunt it was agreed that Committees add the names of members of Presbytery to any Committee where such addition may be considered necessary, and the report as a whole was adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: For the Committee on Christian Education, Rev.W.E.Fullerton gave particulars of the various camps for which arrangements were being made, and asked for increased interest on the part of ministers, Sunday School Teachers and Officers of Young People's Organizations in the distribution of folders giving all necessary information.

LIFE AND WORK: The Convener of the Life and Work Committee, Rev.G.D. Wilkie, reported visits to Robson Memorial and Lonsdale-Capilano congregations, consequent upon which recommendations had been made to the Home Mission Committee. Rev.W.P.Bunt expressed warm appreciation of the helpful work being done by the Committee.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: In closing his work as Convener of Missionary and Maintenance, Rev.Dr.D.H. Telfer reported an increase of some $750.00 as compared with last year. For the whole church there was an increase of $26,000.00. With good prospects of the hoped for 10% increase by the end of the year.

THE CRUSADE: In reporting on the promotion of the Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom, Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer, linking the Crusade with Missionary and Maintenance, suggested the appointment of a Special Committee of Presbytery for the Crusade, the members of which would visit each congregation. Each Minister would be expected to present the Crusade to his Session in order to appoint a committee for the congregation. For intensive promotion of the Crusade the Presbytery might be divided into smaller geographical areas. The Convener of the Presbytery Committee would be amember for the Presbytery on the Conference Committee. On motion by Revs.H.R.McGill and Hugh Dobson, authority was given Dr.Telfer, the Chairman and Secretary of Presbytery to name a Committee of Presbytery to be associated with Dr.Telfer, with instructions to have a Crusade Committee appointed in each congregation.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: Rev.T.S.Paton reporting for the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service submitted the reference from the amended report of the Conference Committee on Evangelism and Social Service re Law Enforcement - on motion by Rev.H.M.Rae and Mr.G.Fred Turner, the Presbytery's Committee was instructed to take such action as may be necessary for law enforcement.

Night Club License: In connection with the possibility of a license for a night club being granted to the renovated Chinese Theatre, the Committee was instructed to ask for delay until further enquiry should be made, and on motion by Rev.H.R.McGill and H.M.Rae, Rev.T.S.Paton was appointed as representative of Presbytery on a delegation to interview the licensing Committee of the City Council.

Housing: Mr.G.Spears gave information re housing needs in Vancouver, and, on his motion, seconded by Rev.Hugh Dobson, it was agreed "That the recommendation of the Rehabilitation Council of Greater Vancouver, embodied in a letter dated May 26th, be supported and that the City Council and the Government be urged to take immediate and effective action". It was further agreed, on motion by Revs. D.H.Telfer and H.R.McGill, that the information given to Presbytery be forwarded to the Conference Rehabilitation Committee for their meeting on Thursday,June 28th. This report, as a whole, was then adopted.

HOME MISSIONS: Matters dealt with in the report on Home Missions, presented by Rev.Robert Moses, were:

1. Sea Island: Oversight of Sea Island by the Home Mission Committee, as recommended by the Committee on Survey and Extension, was under advisement.
2. Lonsdale-Capilano: The recommendation that a grant of $300.00 be requested for Lonsdale-Capilano, as suggested by information from the Life and Work Committee, was approved.
3. Horse Shoe Bay: Rev.W. Stott reported for the special committee appointed to make a survey of the Horseshoe Bay area, and informed Presbytery of certain property left by a lady in Horseshoe Bay to the Trustees of West Vancouver Church for establishment of a church at Horseshoe Bay, and which property having been sold, leaves some $1480.00(partly Victory Bonds) on hand. As Lots near the forks of the road to Whytcliff and Horseshoe Bay for the erection of a church have been given to the Church of England, the Special Committee recommends that:-
   (a) Formal approach be made by Presbytery to authorities of the Anglican

Church with a view to the erection of a union church.
(b) Failing agreement with the Anglicans, that this special committee confer with Trustees of West Vancouver congregation regarding the securing of a suitable lot.
(c) Rev.Angus Cameron be authorised to collect information regarding United Church families, need for a Sunday School, etc., and report to the Convener of Presbytery's Home Mission Committee. Agreed.

4. Cape Mudge: Recommend that a grant of $60.00 be requested for repairs to the water system of the Cape Mudge Mission House. Agreed.

The report, as a whole, was then adopted.

INVITATION TO GENERAL COUNCIL: On motion by Revs.H.M.Rae and D.H.Telfer, it was unanimously agreed to forward the following invitation to the Executive of the General Council, to plan for the General Council to meet in 1946 in Vancouver:

"That the Presbytery of Vancouver, in support of the Executive of the B.C.Conference, offers an enthusiastic invitation to the General Council to meet in Vancouver. The session of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church supports this matter with encouraging unanimity and offers the splendid facilities of their church and school building for the use of the Council. We believe the Council owes it to all parts of Canada to give the inspiration and leadership of its presence as often as may be feasible in its several areas. Not only would it be of great help to the work in the west, but it would give the whole Church a new vision of its Dominion-Wide task, to meet in the City of Vancouver."

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: For the Committee on Congregational Records, Rev.W. Burton reported records of Crosby and St.George Churches as having been examined, and asked that they be attested. Agreed.

INDUCTIONS: The Chairman and Secretary were authorised to arrange for Induction Services at Gibson's Landing for the Howe Sound Charge, and at the Chinese Mission when arrangements for the desired change have been completed.

INSTALLATION OF NEW CHAIRMAN: The Chairman, Rev.Wm. Deans called on Rev.W.Stott, to assume his duties as Chairman for the coming year. In taking his place in the seat of authority(primus inter pares) the new incumbent expressed appreciation of the honour conferred upon him and asked for brotherly co-operation of the members to enable him to do all that might reasonably be expected of him.

APPRECIATION OF RETIRING CHAIRMAN: A motion by Rev.C. Finnemore and Mr.C.E.Mahon expressing cordial appreciation of the genial and efficient service rendered by Rev.William Deans during his term of office as Chairman, was unanimously and enthusiastically carried.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.30 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Wm. Stott.

W. Deans Stott
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary.

MONDAY, JULY 30th 1945

A Special Meeting of Vancouver Presbytery, on the Call of the Chair, to consider proposals for a Rallyand Conference to be held in Vancouver in connection with the visit of the Moderator on September 16th to 18th, was held in the Chapel of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on Monday, July 30th 1945, at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.W.Stott presiding, and who opened the meeting with praise and prayer.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: E.W.Mackay, J.C.Hartley, W.Stott, O. Darwin, W.H.Stratton, Bryce H.Wallace, J.P.Westman, C.E.Batzold, H.M.Rae, D.H.Telfer, R.W.Hardy, Hugh Dobson, W.R.Walkinshaw, A.C. Pound, J.D.Hobden and J.Neave, Arthur Barner, George Knox. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: C.N.Haney, G.Lake, H.R.Holding, Wm.J.Gurr, Mrs.F.Yeo, W.T.Easterbrook, A.H.Martinsen, J.Quigley, Wm.Forbes, D.A.Jamieson, J.Farquharson, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, James R.Fraser, C.Turney, J.K. Cavers, C.T. Baldwin, J.F.Shaw, T.C.Craighead, Olive Sanford, S.R.Snyder, H.S.Hilton, J.G.McGowan, E.G.Duncan, C.H.Cunnings, C.E.Mahon, W.J.Poulton,Judge J.A.Forin, J.W.Martin, Mrs.Alex.Jamieson, Mrs.J.Ellis and Fronia Snyder,John McBay.

APPROVAL OF MEETING: On motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon and Rev.B.H.Wallace, the action of the Chairman in calling this meeting was approved.

INTRODUCTIONS: Rev.H.M.Rae introduced Rev.E.R.McLean of Toronto, and, on motion by Revs.Hugh Dobson and D. H. Telfer, all visitors were welcomed and granted corresponding privileges.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY: Rev. B.H.Wallace called the attention of Presbytery to the loss sustained in the passing of Rev.Dr.R.B. Cochrane, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, and, on his motion, seconded by Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson,it was agreed by standing vote, that a committee be named to draft a resolution of appreciation of the valuable service rendered by Dr.

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"pursue the ways of grace, understanding and brotherhood, which are of the Kingdom and by which the Kingdom will come."

GAMBLING , LOTTERIES AND RAFFLES: The Convener called on Rev.H.M.Rae to submit the following resolutions on Gambling etc., which, on motion by Rev's Hugh Dobson, and D.H. Telfer, were approved, with instructions that one copy be sent to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa, and one copy to the Attorney General for British Columbia at Victoria.

"Whereas, under the guise of patriotism, lotteries and raffles have of late developed unto a racket all across Canada under the War Charities Act., and ,
Whereas, under the Criminal Code, these are illegal, and,
Whereas, we are informed of a movement from certain quarters to amend the Criminal Code to allow lotteries at the discretion of the Attorney General or the Government in each Province:
WE THEREFORE respectfully call attention to the grave evils attendant upon every form of lotteries and raffles, and upon the business of gambling, and respectfully urge:

1. That the Government of British Columbia, following the very recent example of Manitoba and Alberta, enforce the Criminal Code against all lotteries and raffles.
2. That the Government of Canada, the Members of the House of Commons and the Governments of the Provinces and Provincial legislators oppose all attempts to weaken the Criminal Code by allowing powers of discretion to Provincial Governments, or to Provincial Attorney Generals within any particular Province. Incidental to the moral deterioration which would follow, it would become possible for one province to exploit another and to introduce a disturbing factor into our relations with our national neighbours.

We are in favour of one law throughout Canada against lotteries and raffles, and we are opposed very strongly to any retrograde proposal to license 'Bookies' merely for the revenue. The 'Bookie' business is in its nature an iniquitous racket and should be stopped forthwith.

In the event of the Government of Canada opening the gambling issue, we would strenuously press for the strengthening of the law by the elimination of any and every exception."

SPECIAL NOON SERVICE: Rev. Dr.O.W.S.McCall informed Presbytery of a Service, dealing with "What men live by", to be conducted by him in the Hudson Bay Georgian Room, each Monday at noon, and asked for support of members of Presbytery.

ADJOURNMENT: At 12.50 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Dr.A.F.Munro.

William Stott
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23rd 1945

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on Tuesday, October 23rd 1945 at 7.00 p.m., with Rev.W.Stott presiding, and was opened with a devotional service, conducted by Rev.G.Duncan Wilkie.

SEDERUNT: A.Mackay, E.W.Mackay, T.S.Paton, O.Darwin, R.W.Hardy, William Graham, W.Stott, Wm. Deans, H.M.Rae, G.D.Wilkie, F.H.Stevens, Charles Finnemore, H.R.McGill, S.G.Woolfrey, Robert Moses, J.S.Muldrew, D.H.Telfer, Hugh Dobson, W.M.Burton, G.H.Villett, O.W.S.McCall, M.Gordon Melvin, W.R.Walkinshaw, A.Roddan, A.E.Cooke and A.Barner. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: J.K.Cavers, J.Quigley, R.D.Smith, R.Wright, J.Farquharson, G.F.Turner, F.Shoemaker, C.H. Cunnings, H.S.Hilton, S.R. Snyder, A.Jamieson, Gilbert Spears, C.T.Baldwin, E.G.Duncan, Mrs.F.Roberts, Wm. Forbes, Mrs.N.H.Schooley, C.E.Mahon, Geo.Scott, C.Turney, Joseph Smith, D.T. Scrimgeour, T.C.Higgins, J.A.Forin, W.T.Easterbrook, Mrs.F.Yeo, Wm.J.Gurr, W. Carter, J.G.McGowan and M.McNair, W.M.McKenzie, Mrs.A.C.Pound.

MINUTES: The Minutes of last regular meeting on September 25th 1945, as mimeographed, were approved.

AGENDA: Changes in the Agenda provided time for a brief report from the Woman's Association, making the report on Missionary and Maintenance and Missionary Education a stated order of the day at 8.15, and extending the time allotted for Home Missions to hear a statement from the Bishop of Yukon.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary submitted a recommendation from the Executive, naming Rev.T.S.Paton as Interim-Chairman of the South-Arm-Steveston

Charge in place of Rev.C.Finnemore whose health made it necessary for him to resign, which was approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: Acknowledgments of receipt of the resolution on lotteries and gambling, from (a) The Attorney General for British Columbia, and (b) The Minister of Justice at Ottawa, were ordered to be received and filed.

2. West Vancouver: A letter from Rev.F.H.Stevens of West Vancouver, informing Presbytery of preliminary plans to erect a new church edifice to cost some $40,000.00, was read. After a statement by the Convener of the Presbytery Property Committee - on motion by Rev.H.M.Rae and Mr.C.E.Mahon, hearty congratulations from Presbytery were ordered, and a fresh canvass for funds recommended, to the end that in the near future this proposal might be in form to have consent of Presbytery.

3. Call from South Arm-Steveston: The Secretary submitted the Call from South Arm-Steveston to Rev.Douglas Carr of Beaver Lodge, Alberta, in support of which Rev.T.S.Paton and Mr.McNair spoke, and it was moved by Rev.T.S.Paton and Mr.C.H.Cunnings, that the Call be sent on to the Settlement Committee with approval of Presbytery. Several members took part in the discussion that followed, and Rev.Hugh M.Rae moved an amendment "That the Call be sent on to the Settlement Committee "Simpliciter", the representatives of Vancouver Presbytery on the B.C.Settlement Committee to confer with the President of Alberta Conference, and meantime, the Home Mission Board be asked for such grant as may be necessary to meet the cost of supply during the period of vacancy".

Debate adjourned. As the time for the Order of the Day - the report on M.&.M. and Missionary Education - had arrived, on motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon the debate was adjourned.

Debate resumed. Following the M.&.M. Report, the debate was resumed, several members taking part before the vote was called for, when 24 voted for the am endment and 22 for the motion. The amendment was then made the finding of Presbytery.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE AND MISSIONARY EDUCATION: Rev.C.Finnemore, for the Missionary and Maintenance Committee, called on Rev.Dr.K.J. Beaton, Secretary of Missionary Education, who set before Presbytery the importance of the increase of M.&.M. givings over last year as an outcome of increased interest in Missions and growing awareness of the needs of this work. Authoritative books by competent writers on mission work in all parts of the world, at moderate prices, were shown and particulars given of films and slides now available.

For Vancouver Presbytery, Mr.Finnemore reported an increase of only $243.00 in M.&.M.Givings over last year, with less than half of the allocation for this Presbytery reported from Toronto, and called for increased effort and more general use of M.&.M.Literature of which a supply would be available at the Church Office.

THE CRUSADE: For the Special Committee on the Crusade, Rev.W.R.Walkinshaw reported some suggestions from a recent meeting of the Committee:

1. That each congregation be encouraged to promote Visitation Evangelism. For the training of such workers, Sessions or Groups from several congregations by arranging to meet together in order to share experiences and fellowship would help to equip the individual visitors for the demands of the Crusade. Some guiding points of information for the use of Ministers and Conveners of visiting teams would be prepared by Rev.G.D.Walker. Certain key men would be asked to prepare themselves for the work of training visiting teams.
2. That the Sunday Schools of the Presbytery concentrate on winning the older children into the fellowship of the church, and that, to this end, teachers and officers meet before the regular session for prayer.

On motion by Revs.W.R.Walkinshaw and M.G.Melvin this report as a whole was adopted.

RADIO COMMITTEE: For the information of Presbytery Rev.F.H.Stevens reported that the usual broadcast services were being conducted and that Collingwood, Shaughnessy Heights, West Point Grey and First Church, would broadcast Sunday Services.

WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION: Mrs. F.Yeo, President of the Woman's Association, submitted a request for approval of a plan being formulated to establish a Home in Vancouver for elderly or infirm United Church women. On motion by Rev's.H.M.Rae and G.D.Wilkie consultation with the sub-committee of the Conference Committee on Evangelism and Social Service was advised.

HOME MISSIONS: In presenting the report on Home Missions, Rev.Robert Moses called on Rt.Rev.W.A.Geddes, Bishop of Yukon, to inform Presbytery of conditions in the far North where, for some time, the Anglican Church has been the only Protestant Body carrying on religious work in Whitehorse and Dawson City. Former United Church people there, worshipping with the Anglicans say there is no

need for additional Protestant Churches in territory almost exclusively missionary. Under such conditions, the following recommendations are being made:-

1. Whitehorse, Yukon Territory:
   (1) That as there is no organized congregation of the United Church of Canada in the town of Whitehorse,Y.T., and no likelihood of our work being opened for at least some years, it is the opinion of this Presbytery that our property - East Half of Lot 10, and Lot 11, Block 15, Town of Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, be now sold.
   (2) That this Presbytery now give its approval to one or other of these offers, empowering the Superintendent of Home Missions to carry through the transaction:-
   Offer A. $2750.00 cash, from Miss Josephine Lynn, who, from July 1st 1943 to Sept. 30th 1945 has carried on a business known as "The Northcraft Shop".
   Offer B. $2850.00, from Mr.E.F.Pinchin, the owner of a bakery on a Lot cornering our property.
   (3) That we ask the B.C.Conference to order that the proceeds from such sale, together with the accumulated rentals now with the Treasury in Toronto, be held in trust for a period of five years to help re-open our work in Whitehorse, if at any time during this period this Presbytery should so determine. And, further, if no such action is taken by the date of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Home Missions in 1951, these monies be turned over to the property fund of the said Board.

II. Dawson City, Yukon Territory: Pursuant to the action of the Superintendent of Missions, as set forth in his letter of September 10th 1945, to the Vestry of St.Paul's Pro-cathedral, Dawson City,Y.T., and the reply thereto of Oct. 1st 1945, this Presbytery of Vancouver agrees:-
   (1) To ratify the action of the Superintendent, giving temporary oversight of our church and manse to St.Paul's Vestry, and -
   (2) To extend for a period of three years, as from June 30th 1946, the use of these buildings to St.Paul's Vestry for such through-the-week activities as it may carry on as part of its regular programme of Church Life and Work. At the end of the period stated, the arrange ment to be reviewed by this Presbytery and St.Paul's Vestry.
   (3) That neither the Church nor Manse will be sold while it is under the oversight of St.Paul's Vestry, without consultation with the Vestry with a view to making a fair compensation for money expended under paragraph 4, below.
   (4) It is to be understood that St.Paul's Vestry -
      (a) will repair the foundation of the church, partition off the east and west transepts, put in a false ceiling and store the pews and organ console where they will receive adequate protection from damage.(This may cost $1000.00 to $1200.00)
      (b) Keep both buildings insured against loss by fire.
      (c) Give assurance that only such activities will be allowed in both church and manse as would be carried on in a Parish Hall of their own.

On motion of Rev's.Robert Moses and H.M.Rae, these recommendations as to property in Whitehorse and Dawson City, Yukon Territory, were approved an d the report as a whole adopted.

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS: For the Committee on Education and Students, Rev.G.H. Villett, recommended:-

1. That Messrs G.Caster, James A.McAllister,B.A., P.H.Mallett, B.A., and A.H. Shephard, B.A., be certified to Union College.
2. That Mr.W.H.Connor be certified to Victoria College.
3. That the name of Mr W.P.Grant(Emmanuel) be continued on our list of Candidates, pending information from Toronto Centre Presbytery, also the names of Messrs. A.E.Carlsen(overseas) Bryan C.Colwell, B.A.(R.C.A.F.), and G.M.Wilson(R.C.A.F.).
4. That, as there was no information concerning Mr.H.B.Menagh(supposed to be in the U.S.A.Army) his name be dropped from our lists.

On the Convener's motion these recommendations were accepted and the report as a whole adopted.

ARBUTUS RIDGE DISTRICT: Rev.G.H.Villett informed Presbytery of some property at Trafalgar and 22nd Avenue, suitable for church purposes, that could be secured at a reasonable figure, and, on motion by Rev's.H.M.Rae and H.R.McGill, it was agreed that power to act in this matter be given to the Committees on Survey and Extension and Home Missions.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: For the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, Rev.T.S.Paton submitted the following resolution re Japanese, which, on his motion, seconded by Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson was approved with instructions to have one copy sent to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa, and one copy to the Attorney General of B.C. at Victoria.

RE JAPANESE: This Presbytery endorses the action of Montreal Presbytery unanimously accepted by that Presbytery on May 15th 1945, and submitted to the Presbyteries of the United Church of Canada, and to

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this Presbytery on June 26th 1945, and in doing so we reiterate judgments expressed by the B.C.Conference and by this Presbytery on a number of occasions in the statement that "any action against any man on the basis of his race is contrary to a basic doctrine of the Christian religion, that all members of the human race are members of one great family, viz: the family of God", and contrary to the basic principle of British law, that all men are deemed innocent until proven guilty.

Inasmuch as there has been a very subtle pressure upon many Canadians of Japanese parentage, and upon others whose records have been good, and families are being broken by the proposed deportation of those aginst whom there had been no charge or evidence of disloyalty, we do believe that the representations of several organizations which are promoting general deportation of Japanese are not nearly so unanimously supported as they would have people believe.

We do again urge fair and impartial action by the Government of Canada, and the people of this Province and of Canada, regardless of those who in a time of extreme social pressure agreed to return to Japan.

In making this protest we are not opposing deportation of any person who has proven to have been seditious or dangerous in any way. We are simply asking that a common principle of action be followed in Canada without respect of persons or race or of national origin in reference to deportation.

A second resolution re Temperance Policy was submitted by Rev.T.S.Paton, seconded by Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson, and approved, with instructions to have a copy sent to the Premier of British Columbia at Victoria:-

RE TEMPERANCE POLICY:

"WHEREAS the conditions relating to the whole liquor dispensing system in British Columbia are being raised, and,

WHEREAS it has been proposed that a plebiscite be taken at the time of the Provincial election, and,

WHEREAS the Government has announced that there would not be a plebiscite during the election, and,

WHEREAS it will be another year before those in the services abroad will be returned to British Columbia, and,

WHEREAS we have always favoured the right of the people to know the facts and to bring their judgment to bear upon the solution of public affairs:

WE THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST the Government of British Columbia to appoint a thoroughly judicial and representative Royal Commission to enquire publicly into all the facts which may have a bearing on the manufacture importation and sale of intoxicating liquors, the spread of drinking customs, the advertisement and promotion of the Liquor Trade, the effect of the Trade upon public life and Government, and upon health, efficiency and welfare of the people, and to take evidence on oath and to publish the facts and make them available to the public, and, thereafter, to prepare an Act and to submit it to referendum or to submit questions agreeable to the leading parties at issue in a plebiscite to be held not earlier than October 25th 1946, or, based on the facts elucidated by the Commission, to take responsibility as a Government for such amendment to the Act as may appear to the Government to be in the interests of good government and the welfare of the people.

In case of a plebiscite, we request that at least three months notice to the public be given of the date thereof and of the question or questions to be submitted, and that ample opportunity be given for consideration by the public of any changes proposed by the Government.

This report, as a whole, was then adopted.

CRUSADE RALLY: On motion by Rev.William Deans and Mr.C.H.Cunnings it was cordially agreed:-

"That this Presbytery record its appreciation of the services of the Crusade Committee in planning the Rally at the Forum on September 16th, and carrying these plans through. To Rev.Dr.D.H.Telfer, Convener, and all the members of the Committee and its sub-committees this Presbytery expresses its sincere thanks."

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: For the Committee on Congregational Records, Rev.W.M.Burton reported that the Minutes of Knox Church Official Board had been examined, comments made, and asked that they be attested by the Chairman.

VISIT OF REV.DR.A.E.ARMSTRONG: On motion by Revs.H.R.McGill and G.H.Villett, the Convener of Missionary Education was authorised to arrange time and place for a meeting to confer with Rev.Dr.A.E.Armstrong and to notify the Conveners and members of Committees concerned.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.12 p.m., this meeting closed with prayer by Rev.Dr.O.W.S.McCall.

William Ross
Chairman

E. D. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27th 1945

for the Committee on Christian Education to set up Sunday School Institutes in arranged districts was granted.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: Rev. Wm. Burton reported that the records of the Sessions and Official Boards of Zion and Grace Churches had been examined and found correctly kept. On motion they were ordered to be accordingly attested.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9.50 p.m., this meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Dr.Oliver Darwin.

William Stott
Chairman

E. W. Mackay.
Secretary

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29th 1946

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church, with Rev.Wm. Stott presiding, on January 29th 1946 at 7.30 p.m.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: R.H.Lowry, B.Glover, E.W.Mackay, Charles Finnemore, H.R.McGill, G. D.Wilkie, W.P.Bunt, W.Stott, M.G.Melvin, H.R.Vessey, H.M.Rae, W.H.H. Norman, Robert Moses, W.M.Burton, W.E.Fullerton, Hugh Dobson, R.W.Hardy, F.H.Stevens, W.R.Walkinshaw, H.J.Bevan, J.R.Hewitt, John Archibald, T.S.Paton, A.E.Cooke, W.B.McIntosh, W.H.Stratton, J.Herdman, W.R.Brown and D.B.Carr. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: Wm. Forbes, H.R.Holding, A.E.Kerr, Wm.J.Gurr, J.Farquharson, E.C.Carr, E.G.Duncan, R.J.Innes, George Scott, Joseph Smith, John Quigley, G.Spears, Mrs.A.Jamieson, O.D.Austin, C.H.Coolidge, R.Wright, R.D.Smith, W.R.McTaggart, Mrs.M.Porter, J.M.Gavey, C.T.Baldwin, S.R.Snyder, J.K.Cavers, H.S.Hilton, James R.Fraser, C.H.Cunnings, G.Fred Turner, L.C.Bushell, S.H.Lind, T.E.Higgins, W.S.Willis, J.G.McGowan, C.N.Haney, H.L.Broadbent, C.Turney.

DEVOTIONAL: The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev.Dr.M.Gordon Melvin of Chalmers United Church.

OBITUARY: The Obituary Notice, relative to the passing of Rev.Angus C.Cameron, submitted by the Secretary, accepted by standing vote in silence, was ordered to be entered in the permanent record.

"ANGUS CAMPBELL CAMERON, born in Grey County, Ontario, on Oct.18th 1875, and who passed away suddenly on Dec.19th 1945 at his home at Whytecliffe, Vancouver, absorbed the Highland traditions and customs of a devout farm home while he was attending public school and Collingwood Collegiate. Gifted with unusual physical strength, a clear and cool head, his success in a particular line of the flourishing lumbering industry in the Ottawa Valley pointed to his becoming one of the 'lumber kings' of these stirring days. His own choice, however, was to enter Toronto University, where, dividing academic honours and Secretarial work in the Y.M.C.A. with outstanding success in athletics, he graduated as M.A. in 1905.

During his theological course in Knox College, Toronto, from where he graduated as B.D., in 1908, he served on several mission fields, one of which was in the region where the whaling vessels called on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. For two years after ordination he was minister at Port Perry, Ontario, and in 1910 married Miss Ethelwyn B.Bradshaw of Toronto who was singularly gifted as a leader of young people. Coming out West, he acted as Assistant in St.Andrew's Church Vancouver for two years, when he was called to Henderson Church Burnaby, where, for 17 years his was a faithful and effective ministry, the educative work of the Pastor being supplemented by the work of his talented helpmeet among the youhg people. For some years he was in charge of Douglas Park Church until that congregation united with Chown Memorial Church, when he served at Abbotsford,B.C. for five years, retiring in 1942, and, later, because of the shortage of ministers, taking charge of the new field, Lynnmour-Deep Cove, gathering together the people there until he was gathered to his fathers.

As Pastor, Teacher and Preacher, - and ever interested in social conditions - powerful Angus Cameron, 'thoroughly furnished unto all good works', 'never turned back but marched breast forward' in a telling, forceful and friendly ministry. To his surviving life partner, the two daughters and one son, married,and the youngest daughter, Kathleen, at home, goes deepest sympathy from a wide circle of grateful and affectionate friends. The funeral service on Dec.21st was conducted by Rev.E.W.Mackay, assisted by Rev's.A.W.McIntosh and Peter Henderson; interment was in Ocean View Cemetery,Vancouver."

E. W. M.

MINUTES: The Minutes of last meeting, on November 27th 1945, as mimeographed, were approved.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary submitted recommendations from the Executive, as follows:-

1. That the January meeting of Presbytery be held on January 29th instead of on the fourth Tuesday. Approved.
2. That Rev's.R.Moses, W.P.Bunt and Mr.C.N. Haney, be a committee to study the situation relative to Renfrew Trustees and report back to Executive. Approved.
3. The request from Alert Bay relative to renting church buildings be referred to the Home Mission Committee. Approved.
4. That Presbytery grant $50.00 for Church Office maintenance for 1945, and that the Finance Committee arrange for a contribution for 1946. Approved.
5. That the name of Mr.E.G.Duncan be placed on the Committee on Burnaby Home Board of Control. Approved.

This report, as a whole, was received and adopted, on motion by Mr.E.G. Duncan and Rev.W.E.Fullerton.

CORRESPONDENCE, received after the Executive meeting:

1. Notification from Sudbury Presbytery of intention to recommend re-instatement of Rev.Elma S. Hjelt to Hamilton Conference. No objections were offered.
2. Letter from Superintendent of Home Missions requesting Presbyteries to make an informed statement at the February meetings of men needed for fields - referred to the Survey and Extension and Home Mission Committees.
3. Communication, through Mr.Gilbert Spears, from Secretary of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, Toronto, re Book of Friendship, now available for inspection in Vancouver.
4. The invitation to the Annual(dinner) meeting on February 1st of Citizens' Rehabilitation Council of Greater Vancouver. As our representative on this Council could not attend, on motion by Rev.W.P.Bunt and Wm.Burton, the President of Conference was named as our representative.
5. The communication from H/Col.W.C.Mawhinney re representatives to confer with Presbytery on Rehabilitation, was referred to the Executive.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.

INTRODUCTIONS: Rev. H.J.Bevan introduced Mr.L.C.Bushell, as Lay Representative, replacing Mr.W.A.Mann. Encouraging news of recovery of Judge J.A.Forin and Rev.George G.Hacker, was received with grateful pleasure by Presbytery.

Rev.C.Finnemore introduced Rev.Douglas B.Carr, under call to South Arm-Steveston, and now conducting services there. When the Chairman of the Settlement Committee informed Presbytery that all required steps had been completed, on motion by Revs.T.S.Paton, and Hugh M.Rae, it was agreed that Rev.T.S.Paton, C.Finnemore and A.W.McIntosh should be a Commission of Presbytery to induct Rev. Douglas B.Carr in Steveston United Church, on Thursday,February 14th at 8.00 p.m., into the South Arm-Steveston Pastoral Charge.

Presbytery was also informed that necessary action had been taken regarding appointment of Rev.N.J.Crees to the Ladner Charge, and, therefore arrangements for an induction service there could now be made.

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: Rev.C.Finnemore reported increased givings to date for Missionary and Maintenance over last year, of $132,703.00 for the whole Church, $3,624.00 for B.C. Conference, $201.00 for Vancouver Presbytery, with no contributions from three Charges, less from fourteen, the same from three, more from thirty-one. Thirteen Charges had exceeded the 1945 allocation plus 10%, but over $5,000.00 were still required to meet the $55,000.00 objective.

The following recommendations were approved on motion by the Convener, and Mr E.G.Duncan:-

1. That for the allocation for 1946, the amounts be distributed among the various congregations in the same proportion as 1945, with the 10% increase added to each amount to make the total of $55,000.00.
2. That, whereas the report of the M.&.M.Department on page 22 of the 1945 Year Book, sets an objective of $120,000.00 for the B.C.Conference, we would remind all our people of our post-war responsibilities and the need of expansion in Missionary Work, and ask all congregations to co-operate as far as possible to raise the added amount so obviously necessary to meet the challenge of this day and generation.
3. We would once again urge all congregations to intensify their efforts to increase their givings early in the year. We are convinced that by this means the objective is more easily and more surely achieved.
4. That copies of allocations, with these recommendations be forwarded to the minister, the secretary of the official board and the treasurer in each congregation.

This report, as a whole, was then adopted.

HOME MISSIONS: For the Home Mission Committee, Rev.R.Moses presented an interim report, recommending:-

1. WHITEHORSE PROPERTY: That, pursuant to the action of Presbytery on October 23rd,1945, consent of Presbytery be given to sell as follows:-

(A) The Easterly thirty-seven feet,six inches(37'6") of Lot 11,Block 15 Town of Whitehorse,Yukon Territory, to Edwin Field Pinchin of Whitehorse, Y.T., for the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1000.00), terms cash.

(B) The Easterly half of lot 10, and lot 11, save and except the easterly thirty-seven feet six inches (37'6") thereof, Block 15, Town of Whitehorse,Yukon Territory, to Richard Gordon Lee of Whitehorse,Y.T., for the sum of Eighteen Hundred and Fifty Dollars($1850.00), terms cash.

Approved, on motion by Revs.R.Moses and Dr.M.G.Melvin.

2. RENTING ALERT BAY CHURCH PROPERTY: The motion by Revs.R.Moses and H.R. Vessey, "That Presbytery agree to the renting of the house and the use of the Church at Alert Bay to Mr.Harford of the Pentecostal Church, subject to a written statement being signed by him that he will vacate the premises upon receiving a two months notice to that effect from the United Church, was amended, on motion by Revs.F.H.Stevens and H.M.Rae, to read "That this application be referred to the Home Mission Committee, with power to issue in consultation with the Superintendent of Home Missions.

This report, as a whole, was then adopted.

CHRISTMAS FUND FOR Tb. PATIENTS: For the information of Presbytery, a statement was submitted of receipts for 1945(including balance of $6.95 from 1944) of $125.55 for parcels to Tb.patients. Total expenditures came to $58.67, leaving a balance on hand of $66.88). For 80 parcels sent out - 7 to Tranquille , 62 to General Tb., 3 to Marpole and 8 to Shut-ins - 19 acknowledgments had been received of which 7 were from Tranquille.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: In the report of the Finance Committee, as presented by Mr.J.G.McGowan, and copies of which were available for members, the budget for 1946 was set at $2270, of which $2240 was allocated to congregations and $30 to Sundry Receipts. The allocation to this Presbytery of $1700 for Conference Fund was accepted, and 1946 allocations for Pastoral Charges set at the same figure as for 1945.

On motion by the Convener and Rev.Dr.M.G.Melvin, this report was adopted.

STATISTICS: Mr.O.D.Austin, Statistical Secretary, reported for information, on entries to be made in Statistical Returns, and urged members to see to it that filled-in forms were mailed to him in good time for him to report at the February meeting of Presbytery.

GREETINGS FROMCHAPLAINS: Rev.J.Herdman informed Presbytery that H/Capt.U.Laite and H/Col. Stone, were presented and would like to bring greetings from the Chaplain Service. Welcomed by the Chairman, Capt. Laite brought greetings from the Com mand Chaplain,H/Lt.Col.W.C.Mawhinney, and expressed appreciation of the links that bind the Chaplain Service to the regular ministry of the Church. To Presbytery, and through Presbytery, to others, he would like to thank all for the kindly assistance and consideration given to his wife and family during his 44 long months in a Japanese Internment camp. Nor would he and others be forgetful of the help that came to them in the Prison Camp throughthe pre-war work that had been done by missionaries in the Orient. Col. Stone expressed his pleasure over the kindly welcome from Presbytery through the Chairman and looked forward to meeting with the members of this Court when the question of Rehabilitation would be up for consideration. Both speakers were heartily thanked by the Chairman.

LIFE AND WORK: As the Convener of the Committee on Life and Work, Rev.G.D. Wilkie had to leave for another meeting, the Secretary reported that revised lists for the visitation of Pastoral Charges has been drawn up and werebeing sent out to all who were appointed to take part. For reasons that appealed to Presbytery, Rev.W.P.Bunt requested that he be relieved of the work of being one of the visitors, and the Secretary was requested so to inform the Convener of this Committee.

REMIT "WITHIN THE BOUNDS": The Remit to change the position of the phrase "Within the Bounds" in Section 19, Polity Division,

to read as follows:-

"The Presbytery shall consist of:

(1) The Ordained Ministers,

(a) who are regularly settled as ministers or assistant ministers of pastoral charges within the bounds."

was submitted to Presbytery for consideration, when 42 votes were cast in the affirmative.

EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL SERVICE: Rev. T.S.Paton, reporting for the Committee on Evangelism and Social Service, submitted three resolutions:- Nos.1 and 2, approved on motion by Revs.T.S.Paton and Dr.Hugh Dobson, and copies to be sent to the Premier and Attorney General of British Columbia:-

1. Enquiry into B.C.Liquor Act:

"It is reported that the British Columbia Government proposes to enquire into the B.C.Liquor Act, the Liquor Acts of other Provinces and of some States in the United States, and Liquor

"conditions resulting from the operation of such legislation, and, WHEREAS, such inquiry will not be in the nature of a Royal Commission as requested by the Temperance Forces, Churches, and Young People's Organizations of British Columbia, THEREFORE, we would urge the Government of British Columbia to appoint a thoroughly representative Commission to enquire publicly into all the facts which have bearing on the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors, the spread of drinking customs, advertising and promotion of the drink trade, the effect of the trade upon public life, the Government, health efficiency and welfare of the people and that evidence be taken on oath and the facts be published and made available to the citizens of the Province."

2. Securing a Brewery License:

"In view of the report that a Company, formed for the purpose of securing a Brewery License for the manufacture of beer in British Columbia, is making an application for such a license: And, WHEREAS, it is understood that the Federal Government will not grant any such license without the written consent of the Attorney-General of British Columbia, and WHEREAS, it is reported that there are already TWELVE breweries licensed in British Columbia - more than sufficient to meet all requirements, THEREFORE, we would strongly urge the Provincial Government to withhold its consent to the operation of another brewery in this Province and would, also, request the Federal Government not to grant any other licenses in British Columbia."

3. Commendation of Richmond Reeve and Council: "We would heartily commend the Reeve and Council of the Municipality of Richmond, also the Editor of the Marpole and Richmond Review, on their action in opposing the establishment of licensed premises for the sale of beer in that area. We are fully convinced that no plebiscites on the liquor question should be granted until the report of the Government investigation into the liquor question is completed and made available to the citizens of British Columbia."

Approved, on motion by Revs.T.S.Paton and C.Finnemore, and the report as a whole, adopted on motion by Revs.T.S.Paton, and Dr.Hugh Dobson.

APPRECIATION OF DR. HUGH DOBSON: On motion by Revs.W.R.Brown and A.E.Cooke, it was unanimously and enthusiastically agreed that we put on record our deep gratitude to Rev.Dr.Hugh Dobson for valuable services rendered not only in connection with the Department of Evangelism and Social Service, but also with the general work of the Presbytery.

DEPORTATION OF JAPANESE: On motion by Revs.W.H.H.Norman and Dr.Hugh Dobson, the following resolution was approved, and copies ordered to be sent to the Prime Minister and Minister of Labour of Canada, the Attorney-General of B.C., the three Vancouver daily newspapers, Toronto Star and Saturday Night:-

"In regard to the deportation of persons of the Japanese race under Orders-in-Council 7355,7356, 7357, be it resolved that we petition His Majesty's Government at Ottawa, that, irrespective of legal technicalities involving dates, categories, etc., the deportation be carried out in the most humanitarian way; that, except where crimes or treason have been proved, rupture or division of families be avoided, and that no person who is legally resident in Canada, be compelled to go to Japan against his will.
We further petition the Prime Minister, Rt.Hon.W.L. McKenzie King, that he implement the spirit of the policy declared by him in connection with persons of Japanese race in Canada on August 4th 1944."

TIME LIMIT OF PASTORATE: It was moved by Rev's.H.M.Rae and E.W.Mackay and carried:-

"That the Executive of Presbytery be asked to nominate a Committee to study again the matter of the time limit of the Pastorate, to receive suggestions and to bring to the attention of Presbytery, their recommendations is such form and time that they might be brought to the attention of the General Council."

ADJOURNMENT: At 10.00 p.m., this meeting closed with prayer and benediction by Rev.Dr.R.H.Lowry.

William Hall
Chairman

E. W. Mackay
Secretary

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th 1946

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on Tuesday, February 26th 1946, at 9.30 a.m., with Rev.W.Stott in the Chair.

SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: E.W.Mackay, S.H.Pinkerton, D.B.Carr, O.Darwin, W.P.Bunt, W.H.Stratton, W.Stott, T.S.Paton, J.S.Muldrew, D.H.Telfer, W.E.Galloway, W.M.Burton, W.S.Reid, J.P.Westman, H.R.Vessey, C.H.Ballard, W.R.Walkinshaw, C.E.Batzold, H.R.McGill, R.W.Hardy, F.H.Stevens, G.H.Villett, Robert Moses, S.G.Woolfrey, J.Clark Stewart, H.M.Rae, B.H.Wallace, J.R.Hewitt, A.C.Pound, A.F.Munro, A.E.Cooke, W.E.Fullerton, J.W.Smith, B. Glover, Wm.Deans, G.H.Raley, J. Herdman, H.J.Bevan, M. Gordon Melvin, G.D.Wilkie, O.W.S.McCall, Andrew Roddan and A.O.Paterson, J.C.Sibley. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: J.M.Gavey, S.H.Lind, A.E.Kerr, R.J.Innes, Wm. Forbes, James R.Fraser, G.Lake, O.D.Austin, W.S.Willis, E.G.Duncan, G.McIntosh, J. Quigley, W.R.Wellings, F.Shoemaker, T.Laing, T.E.Higgins, Mrs. A.D.McLellan, Mrs.C. Nickols, T.C.Craighead, C.E.Mahon, G.Scott, Mrs. N.H.Schooley, J.G.McGowan, Mrs.J.Ellis, Mrs.J.Campbell, C.Turney, M.A.Harrison, Mrs.A.Jamieson, Mrs.Frank Yeo, H.S.Hilton, Wm.J.Gurr, Mrs.M.Porter, John Wright, E.G.Ironside, D.A. Jamieson, R.D.Smith, J.W.Smith.

DEVOTIONAL: The Devotional Service was conducted by H/Capt.Rev.S.H.Pinkerton,B.A.

MINUTES The Minutes of the last meeting, on January 29th 1946, as mimeographed, were approved.

EXECUTIVE: The Secretary submitted recommendations from the Executive as follows:-

1. That the report of the Committee of Saskatchewan Conference on support of the Ministry be referred to the Executive of B.C. Conference. Approved.
2. That arrangements for the induction of Rev.N.J.Crees to the Ladner Charge be left in the hands of the Chairman of Presbytery. Approved.
3. That the Committee to study again the time limit of the Pastorate be:- Revs.W.Stott, G.D.Wilkie, G.B.Switzer and Messrs. C.E.Mahon, J.G.McGowan, was modified, on motion by Revs.D.H.Telfer and H.R.McGill, that the name of Rev.W.Stott, on his own request,be left off, and that Rev.G.D.Wilkie act as Convener. Approved.
4. That Presbytery endorse the invitation of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church Official Board, through Rev.Dr.O.W.S.McCall, for the General Council of 1948 to meet in that Church, and that such endorsement be sent on to the Executive of Conference. Approved.
5. That acknowledgment of receipt of Resolution re the Liquor Situation from Premier John Hart and the Secretary of the B.C.Attorney-General; also of resolution re Japanese Canadians from Ottawa Deputy Minister of Labour be received and filed. Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Pulpit Supply: The request of the Convener of the Committee on Pulpit Supply for Conference Sunday, for return of all forms sent out to all ministers, was submitted by the Secretary for information; no supply would be arranged for Charges from which forms were not returned.
2. Message of Sympathy: The Secretary informed Presbytery of a message of sympathy wired to Rev.K.Shimizu, on the passing of Mrs. Shimizu.
3. Induction at Steveston: Notification by Rev.T.S.Paton, informed Presbytery that he had conducted the service for the induction of Rev.Douglas B.Carr, into the South Arm-Steveston Charge in Steveston Church on Thursday evening, February 14th 1946, when there was a large and appreciative congregation. Assisting in the service were Rev.C.Finnemore who addressed the Minister and Rev.A.W.McIntosh, who counselled the congregation.

The offering for the Presbytery Fund was $18.00.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was modified, so as to change the order in which reports would be presented and provide for special reports on Christian Education, Pension Fund, and Radio.

INTRODUCTIONS: Mr. E.G.Ironside(St.Andrew's-Wesley Church) was introduced by Mr.J.G.McGowan. Mr.John W.Smith(Ryerson Church) by Mr.R.D. Smith; Miss Gertrude Patmore, Girls' Work Secretary, by Rev.J.P.Westman, all of whom were welcomed by the Chairman.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: In presenting an interim report on Christian Education, Rev.H.R.McGill called on Miss G.Patmore, Girls' Work Secretary - for whom he requested corresponding privileges - to give some particulars concerning Sunday School Institutes, one in Victoria, and seven in Vancouver, where the city had been divided into seven districts, making it possible for each congregation in the city to be represented. As there were new techniques in Sunday School work and younger teachers needed assistance, the methods to be employed and means available were dealt with. While attendance at some of these Institutes was slim, the possibilities of slides, films and other valuable helps for all grades were set forth before those in attendance and it was hoped they might carry much of the information to others. On the whole Girls' Work was on a high level. According to Mr. McGill, the work with groups in the Y.M.C.A. was most encouraging and emphasis was to be laid in every congregation on Commitment to Christ for the teen-age boys and girls.

E.W.M.

PENSIONS: For the Committee on Pensions, Mr.C.E.Mahon reported good returns of assessment claims from congregations in the Presbytery, with only three slightly behind. Lost years cases were being given consideration. In connection with the Church-wide campaign for 3½ millions to make the F und actuarially sound, Mr.A.T.Whitehead of Toronto stressed the necessity of this campaign, and, giving the names of outstanding laymen in the East, whose contributions of time and money were on a generous scale, the prospects for success were distinctly encouraging. In B.C., Mr.Alan Williamson, whose record in war work was of the first order, would head the campaign, and offer opportunity for laymen to unite in seeing to it that not only the 50% of the total of $500,000 assigned to B.C. would be forthcoming from Special contributions, but also, that, through literature to be supplied for the two weeks campaign beginning on April 28th, the entire balance would be secured, through thorough organization in the various congregations.

Mr.Alan Williamson then informed Presbytery of the success of two luncheon meetings for prominent business men arranged to set up organization for this Province, and expressed his conviction that with the assistance of instructed Committees in the various congregations, and of the Pension Fund Committees of the Presbyteries and of Conference, ultimate success could be achieved. Rev.Dr.Andrew Roddan, who had attended the luncheons, expressed cordial approval of the efforts that were being made.

On motion by Mr.C.E.Mahon and Rev.A.E.Cooke, it was agreed that this report, as a whole, be adopted, with hearty thanks for work already done and information imparted by the visiting speakers, and with the hope that City Ministers will take steps to have suggestions made by the speakers carried into effect.

HOME MISSIONS: In presenting the report on Home Missions, Rev.Robert Moses called on Rev.W.P.Bunt, who attributed certain improvements in salary payments largely to vacancies over a period of years. With more ministers available for supply of fields, additional funds will be required, to meet which need, mission fields and well-to-do congregations will have to give such additional help as an every person canvass in all congregations has so frequently revealed can be done. For all vacancies, returned Chaplains and men serving on the frontier, ought to be given first consideration.

Dealing with the several fields, on the basis on $1650.00 for a married ordained minister with unfurnished house, or $1600 with furnished house, the Convener would have Presbytery to urge each field for an increase for 1946, of at least $50. On this basis, recommendations for application for grants were approved as follows:- Alert Bay, vacant at present. Cranberry-Westview $325. Howe Sound $900 - a committee consisting of Revs.W.P.Bunt, W.Stott and R.Moses to confer with the Anglican Bishop in relation to the development of the surrounding district in order to have boundaries defined in respect of this field and others similarly located. Squamish, a deficit of $170 for 1945 to be met, 50-50 by the Home Mission Board and congregation. The motion by Rev.R.Moses and W.R.Walkinshaw that, owing to the limited scope of this area, Squamish be designated as a special field, until other appointments are included, was amended, on motion by Rev's.H.M.Rae and G.H.Villett to - "That this matter be referred to the judgment of the Home MissionCommittee." As the Convener was to have this field make a canvass, it was agreed that he be given authority to report as to the grant, to the Conference Home Mission Committee on March 6/46. North Lonsdale-Capilano, grant at the rate of $300 for the first half year, and $750 for last half year, in the hope that this Charge will soon become self-supporting. Beaconsfield, temporarily with Robson Memorial. First Church, grant $5425, with $1750 for Community House and $200 for student, if required. Renfrew, no grant, field raising $750. St.James, grant of $200. Bowen Island, grant of $210. Lynnmour-Deep Cove: Deep regret on passing of Rev.A.C.Cameron who had been serving this Charge. Grant $200 until June 30th and then to be referred to the Executive. Texada Island, temporarily with Powell River. Cape Mudge, grant of $1200, and allowance of $200 for Mrs. George Read. Vancouver Chinese, the Charge to b e asked to raise another $100 or total of $500.00, grant of $800. Allowance of $450 for Fong Dickman. Horse Shoe Bay, committee appointed has made survey, also intensive survey of families living in this district made by Rev.A.C. Cameron. The special committee to meet soon with the Anglican Bishop. Lulu Island, under consideration by Richmond congregation. Arbutus Ridge, lots purchased near 22nd Ave and Arbutus St., Canadian Memorial visiting this district, organizing and supervising a Sunday School. Ryerson-Marpole, this district under consideration.

This report,as a whole,was then adopted.

RADIO: For the Committee on Radio, Rev.F.H.Stevens reported arrangements made for Sunday morning broadcasts from Shaughnessy Heights,Collingwood, and Canadian Memorial Churches, and evenings from First Church. The Convener, introduced Mr.Ralph Spencer who had been appointed Director of Radio for B.C. Conference, and who, expressing appreciation to Presbytery, assured the members of his desire to do all inhis power to have listeners informed as to the activities of The United Church

MISSIONARY AND MAINTENANCE: Rev. C.Finnemore reported forty congregations ahead in their givings for Missionary and Maintenance over last year; 24 of these had the 10% increase over allocation, and 12 had almost reached the desired goal; 11 congregations had given less. For the coming year more general use of envelopes and appeals for this Fund at Special Seasons, would bring notable improvement.

BURNABY HOME: On the request of Rev.H.R.McGill, the names of Rev.H.J.Bevan and Mr.T.C.Higgins were placed on the Board of Control of Burnaby Home.

PROPERTY: (West Vancouver United Church). The recommendations of the Property Committee regarding the proposal from West Vancouver United Church to erect a new church edifice, as submitted by Mr.J.G.McGowan and seconded by Rev.G.D.Wilkie, were approved, as follows:-

1. That we approve of the congregation of West Vancouver United Church building a new church edifice on the site of their present church, namely, the south east corner of Twenty-first Street and Esquimalt Avenue (Lots 1,2,3, Block 10, sub-division of Blocks 7-12 D.L.775, Group 1, New Westminster District, Map or plan number 4595, registered Deed number, 57091.)
2. That we approve the sketch plans submitted, showing the exterior Gothic design of the proposed new church, estimated cost, $40,000.00, which will be a frame building with stucco finish, seating 400 or more, subject to the approval of this Presbytery of the detail plans and financial proposals.
3. Details, plans and financial proposals to be submitted for approval prior to any building commitment.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The audited report of the Treasurer for the year ending January 31/46, as submitted by Mr.J.G.McGowan, showed balance on hand at Jan.31/45 of $788.79, receipts from congregations $2130, Special meeting collections, Chalmers $48.01, St.Giles $30.00, and Induction Services $15.60, a total of $3022.40. Disbursements were $1700 to Conference, $200 for Secretary's honorarium, $227.42 for Secretary's expenses, $50 for office expense, $19.70 Travelling expenses, $4.00 for Treasurer's expenses, $16.25 for Chalmers meeting, $25.00 for Vancouver Council of Churches, 65¢ exchange, $31.68 for Committee expenses (Statistical $8.80, Survey and Extension $1.68, Pensions $12.20, Nominations $4.00, M.&.M. $5.00) a total of $2274.40, leaving a bank balance at Jan.31/46 of $747.70.

For the United Church Trust Fund of $1500.00(1 Victory Bond $500, 1 Victory Bond of $1000) the bank balance at January 1/45 was $59.50. Interest on these bonds for 1945 totalled $45.00 leaving cash on hand at Jan.31/46 of $104.50, which with bonds $1500, makes a grand total of $1604.50.

On the Convener's motion, seconded by Rev.C.Finnemore, this report, as a whole, was adopted, and on motion by the Convener and Rev.S.H.Pinkerton, Mr. M.H.Thomas was appointed Auditor.

STATISTICS: Mr.O.D.Austin, Statistical Secretary, presented the report on Statistics for 1945, comparing figures with those for 1944. While there was an increase of persons under Pastoral oversight; also in membership, there was a decrease in persons received on Profession of Faith. The slight decrease in the number of Sunday Schools was offset by a healthy increase in membership of Sunday Schools and Through-the-week organizations, as also in contributions. Total raised for all purposes showed an increase of over $40,000, despite a decrease of Every Person Canvass that called for attention. Contributions from W.M.S., with fewer Societies and less membership were larger by some $2400.00. Woman's Association, with a decrease in number of Associations, but an increase in membership, reported larger contributions by $5486.00. On motion by Mr.O.D.Austin and Rev.A.E.Cooke, the report as a whole was adopted.

LAY ASSOCIATION: It was agreed that a Committee, consisting of Revs.G.H. Villett, D.H.Telfer and Messrs E.G.Duncan, George Lake, be appointed to deal with relations between the Lay Association and Presbytery.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORDS: On motion by Revs.W.Burton and J.S.Muldrew, congregational records for Riverview, Cedar Cottage, Steveston, St.Andrew's-Wesley, Ryerson, St.James and Windsor, having been examined and comments made, were ordered to be attested by Presbytery.

BIBLE SOCIETY SUNDAY: The request of Rev.H.R.McGill on behalf of the Bible Society, that the last Sunday of April be Bible Society Sunday, with interchange of pulpits and appeal for support of this work, was dealt with on motion by Revs.W.E.Galloway and A.C. Pound, that the second Sunday in June be Bible Society Sunday.

HONOR ROLL: On motion by Messrs. E.G.Duncan and C.E.Mahon, Presbytery approved of the removal of the Honor Roll now in Central Presbyterian Church (formerly First Congregational Church) to St.John's United Church.

REHABILITATION: H/Lt. Col. C.G.Stone, who had been detained by official duties gave some particulars regarding rehabilitation plans and problems, as calling for consecrated effort by all who have at heart the temporal and

eternal welfare of all concerned.
ADJOURNMENT: At 1.15 p.m., this meeting closed with the Benediction by Rev. W.E.Galloway.

Chairman Secretary

TUESDAY, MARCH 26th 1946

Vancouver Presbytery met in regular session in St.Andrew's-Wesley Church on Tuesday, March 26th 1946 at 7.30 p.m., with Rev.Wm.Deans, presiding.
SEDERUNT: MINISTERS: E.W.Mackay, Andrew Roddan, A.Mackay, O.Darwin, T.S.Paton, J.P.Westman, W.H.Stratton, W.H.H.Norman, W.Evan Fullerton, Robert Moses, D.H.Telfer, R.W.Hardy, O.W.S.McCall, Wm.Deans, H.M.Rae, W.R. Walkinshaw, C.E.Batzold, F.H.Stevens, H.R.McGill, H.J.Bevan, M.G.Melvin, T.W.Reed, H.R.Vessey, W.M.Burton, C.H.Ballard, E.F.Church, W.B.McIntosh, J.R. Hewitt, G.D.Wilkie and L.A.Bygrave, Arthur Barner. LAY REPRESENTATIVES: A.E.Kerr, T.C. Craighead, W.Carter, R.Wright, T. Laing, W.T.Easterbrook, J.Quigley, Beatrice Nash, J.K.Cavers, G.Lake, C.T.Baldwin, A. Brenchley, J.F.Earl, H.P.Baird, H.R.Holding, Mrs.A.D.McLellan, J.J.Thomson, Mrs.M.Porter, E.G.Duncan, W.S.Willis, George Scott, Wm.J.Gurr, G.Fred Turner, Mrs.Frank Yeo, T.C.Higgins, Joseph Smith, James R.Fraser, Wm. Forbes, R.D.Smith, J.W. Smith, O.D.Austin, Mrs. A. Jamieson, H.N.Menzies, C.E. Mahon, Miss Eva Elliott, L.C.Bushell, S.H. Lind, Olive Sanford, G.J.Spears, E.G.Ironside, D.T.Scrimgeour, H.S.Hilton, C.H.Cunnings and W.R.Radford, Wm.H.Whiteley.
DEVOTIONAL: The Devotional Service was conducted by H/Capt.H.McF.Morrow,B.A.
MINUTES: The Minutes of last meeting on February 26th 1946, as mimeographed, with the name of Collingwood Church instead of West Point Grey, in the Radio Report, were approved.
EXECUTIVE: The Secretary submitted recommendations from the Executive, as follows:-

1. That the request of Rev.Bryce H.Wallace of Cedar Cottage Church for change of pastorate be approved, and be sent on to the Settlement Committee. Agreed.
2. That the name of Rev.George Lowe, B.A., be left on the list of members on the Roll of this Presbytery. Agreed.
3. That the Resolution re Food Control, as stated in the Call for this meeting and acknowledgment of the receipt of which had come from Rev.Dr. G.A.Sisco, be submitted to Presbytery for endorsement. Agreed.

CORRESPONDENCE; received after meeting of Executive:

1. Acknowledgment of message of sympathy from Rev.K.Shimizu.
2. Acknowledgment from Dr.G.A.Sisco of receipt of Presbytery's endorsement, of invitation of Official Board of St.Andrew's-Wesley Church for 1948 General Council to meet in that Church - received and filed.
3. Notification of intention to recommend for admission to the Ministry of The United Church from:-
   (1) Toronto West Presbytery to Toronto Conference -
      (a) Rev.Heda Wyn Williams(Welsh Presbyterian Church).
      (b) Rev.Harold T.West (Congregational Union of England and Wales)
   (2) Toronto Centre Presbytery to Toronto Conference
      Rev.W.W.Thomas (Congregational Union of England and Wales)
   No objections.
4. Application of Rev.Gerald B. Punter for re-admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada was dealt with by motion of Rev's.O.W.S.McCall and E.W.Mackay - "That a special committee, consisting of Rev's.Dr.Andrew Roddan, Hugh M.Rae and Dr.D.H.Telfer be appointed to consider and deal with the application of Rev.Gerald B. Punter for re-admission to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada, and to report back to Presbytery". Carried.

AGENDA: The Agenda, as in the Call, was accepted.
INTRODUCTIONS: Rev.W.H.Stratton introduced Messrs,J.F.Earl(replacing Mr.K. Ney) and J.W.Logan(replacing D.McPherson) as Lay Representatives for Knox Church. Dr.D.H.Telfer introduced Lieut.Ross Radford from Runnymede Church,Toronto, all of whom were welcomed by the Chairman.
RESOLUTION RE FAMINE CONDITIONS: On motion by Rev.H.R.McGill and Mr.C.E.Mahon, Presbytery endorsed the Resolution re Famine conditions as recommended by the Executive: "In view of the threat of famine conditions in Europe and Asia, the Executive of Vancouver Presbytery, United Church of Canada, requests the General Council Executive to urge upon the Dominion Government the desirability of such food control as will release additional supplies for the relief of the starving peoples, confident that such a measure will have the hearty support of the Canadian people."