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HELOISE CHURCH—The following Resolution was adopted:

FORASMUCH as among other things, good roads and shifting population have caused circumstances requiring the congregation of the Heloise Church on the Lenox Circuit to discontinue all activities.

FORASMUCH as the District Committee on Building and Locations of the Dyersburg District has recommended that the Heloise Church be discontinued.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Memphis Annual Conference authorize the Heloise Church to be discontinued and that the church building be moved to a new location to be used by the Bell's Chapel Methodist Church on the Lenox Circuit or that the Heloise Church building and grounds be sold and the proceeds be used to relocate Bell's Chapel on the Lenox Circuit. Signed, H. J. Burkett, Superintendent of Dyersburg District.

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NEW CHURCH START

Memphis South District
Oakhaven

DISCONTINUED

Paris District

Mt. Vernon (Weakley County) of the Dresden Circuit
Crooked Creek (Benton County) of the Big Sandy Circuit
Union Hall (Weakley County) of the Cottage Grove Circuit

Lexington District

Smith's Chapel of the Lexington Larger Parish
Mt. Zion (Henderson County) of the Sardis-Milledgeville charge

Paducah District

Little's Chapel (McCracken County)

LITTLE'S CHAPEL CHURCH—The following resolution was adopted.

"WHEREAS, the Little's Chapel Methodist Church in the City of Paducah, has for a number of years been slowly dying for the lack of leadership among its very few members, 15 to 20, and, WHEREAS, the church has paid an average of \$300 per year for pastor's salary, and nothing else, and, WHEREAS, all means and ways have been used to bring in new members and failed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That we recommend the discontinuance of Little's Chapel Methodist Church effective at this Annual Conference, June 3-6, 1958.

We further recommend that the property, valued at \$1,000 be deeded to the Salvation Army as an outpost for its work with the understanding that a reversionary clause in the deed shall make it clear that said property shall revert to the Methodist Church if it should ever cease to be used by the Salvation Army for its normal work.

We further recommend that the Conference Trustees shall negotiate for any and all transactions in disposing of said property." Signed, W. B. Potts, District Superintendent.

OAKHAVEN METHODIST CHURCH.—Superintendent W. S. Evans, Sr., moved that Oakhaven Church, Memphis South District, be recognized as duly organized and constituted Methodist Church and that they be given a certificate of recognition. (Adopted.)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE—Report No. 2 read by Cabinet Secretary Burkett and adopted. (See Reports Section.)

TRANSFERS—Bishop Watkins read the list of transfers IN and OUT. (See "change in status" following list of appointments.)

COMMISSION ON PROMOTION AND CULTIVATION—was named by the Bishop. W. C. Aden, President Board of Education was designated to convene and organize. (See Reports Section.)

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY—report was adopted without reading.

LOCAL CHURCH EMPHASIS scheduled in printed program for 11:45 A.M. was changed to 10:00 A.M. so Bishop Watkins could hear report and take part in discussion.

HOSPITALS AND HOMES—Bishop Watkins named the members of the Committee to cooperate with the Board of Hospitals and Homes, looking forward to the building of a home for the aged. (See Reports Section.)

MOUNT VERNON CHURCH—The following resolution was adopted.

"WHEREAS, the Mt. Vernon Church on the Dresden Circuit is now without membership, I, therefore, move that the property be sold, the proceeds to be used to build a parsonage for the Lynville-Storey's Chapel Charge. The quarterly conference of the Dresden Circuit asks that this disposition be made of the property."—Signed, W. E. Mischke, District Superintendent.

CROOKED CREEK CHURCH—The following resolution was adopted.

“WHEREAS, the Crooked Creek Church membership has voted to unite with the Big Sandy and Faxon Churches on the Big Sandy Circuit, and the Quarterly Conference has taken appropriate action, I, therefore, move that the Church be discontinued.” Signed, W. E. Mischke, District Superintendent.

UNION HALL CHURCH—The following resolution was adopted.

“WHEREAS, the Union Hall Church membership has voted to unite with the Cottage Grove Church on the Cottage Grove Circuit, and the Quarterly Conferences have taken appropriate action, I, therefore, move that the property be sold and the proceeds be used to apply on the remodeling or rebuilding of the Cottage Grove Church.” Signed, W. E. Mischke, District Superintendent.

MT. ZION CHURCH—The following resolution was adopted.

“WHEREAS, the membership of the Mt. Zion Methodist Church on the Sardis-Milledgeville Charge has become wholly inadequate to effectively carry on the work of the church and the remaining members have voluntarily requested that it be discontinued as an active church, and, WHEREAS, they have requested that the church property be kept for funerals, and special observations during the year. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Memphis Annual Conference, in session at Lambuth College, June 3-6, 1958, approve the discontinuance of the Mt. Zion Methodist Church on the Sardis-Milledgeville Charge as an active Church; that the property be placed under control of the Quarterly Conference of the Sardis-Milledgeville Charge, that the duly elected trustees be allowed to open the church only for funerals and special observances during the year and the successors to the present trustees be elected by the Quarterly Conference of the Sardis-Milledgeville Charge.” Signed, Carl M. Robbins, District Superintendent.

SMITH’S CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH—The following resolution was adopted.

“WHEREAS, The Smith’s Chapel Methodist Church on the Lexington Larger Parish is without resident members, I, therefore move that the Memphis Annual Conference, in session at Lambuth College, June 3-6, 1958, approve the discontinuance of Smith’s Chapel Methodist Church and that the duly elected Trustees of the Lexington Larger Parish be authorized to dispose of the property, proceeds to be given to Oak Grove Methodist Church to which the membership of the remaining members shall be moved.” Signed, Carl M. Robbins, District Superintendent.

SILOAM CHURCH—Pursuant to order of 1957 session of Memphis Conference has been sold for \$700, these proceeds going to Floyd’s Cpl. Church on the Floyd’s Cpl.-Boling Mem.-Crossroads charge.

GIFT CHURCH—This church in Tipton County which had been abandoned for a number of years has been deeded to the Big Hatchie Baptist Association in exchange for White’s Cpl. Baptist Church in Lauderdale County. No money involved.

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NEW CHURCH START

Memphis North District
Scenic Hills

MERGED

Jackson District

Sandy Flat and Price's Chapel, merged church to be known as Rose Creek

Brownsville District

Siloam and Floyd's Chapel, merged church to be known as Floyd's Chapel

DISCONTINUED

Paris District

Mt. Vincent (Benton County) of the Big Sandy Circuit

Mt. Moriah (? County) of the Fulton Circuit

Lexington District

Mt. Moriah (Henderson County) of the Scotts Hill Circuit

Hardin's Beauty (Hardin County) of the Adamsville Circuit

"WHEREAS, the Memphis Annual Conference at the 1957
November 5-9, at Paducah, Kentucky, approve the discontinuance of the

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Union Hill Methodist Church on the Sardis Circuit and direct the Quarterly Conference of that charge to dispose of the property and WHEREAS, no action has been taken to this date by the Quarterly Conference, Therefore, be it resolved, that the Memphis Annual Conference, in session at Paducah, Ky., June 5-9, 1957, authorize the Memphis Conference Trustees to dispose of the property and to place the proceeds from the sale into the District Church Extension Fund of the Lexington District." Signed, Carl M. Robbins. Adopted by vote of the Conference.

SILOAM CHURCH—

"WHEREAS the Siloam Church on the Floyd's-Siloam-Bowling Charge has been merged with the Floyd's congregation, and, WHEREAS there being no further need for the said building, be it resolved that the Annual Conference Trustees be authorized to sell the Siloam Church and the proceeds go to the Trustees of Floyd's Church." Signed J. Noble Wilford. Adopted by vote of Conference.

GIFT CHURCH—

WHEREAS the Gift Church was by the 1955 Annual Conference ordered sold, the sale to be handled by the Trustees of Covington First Church, and the sale not being consummated, therefore be it resolved that the Annual Conference Trustees be authorized to make the sale and the proceeds be given to the Brownsville District Church Extension Society. Signed J. Noble Wilford. Adopted by vote of Conference.

WHEREAS, The Pond Creek Church of the Alamo Ct. has been sold for \$3,500.00 as directed by the Annual Conference of 1956, and the proceeds have been invested in Bonds as directed by a resolution passed last year.

WHEREAS, The Resolution stated, quote "If Gadsden Church and Center Church, both of the Alamo Ct. should merge and construct a new church jointly, the Bonds would be sold and the proceeds be used in the construction of said Church.

WHEREAS, Gadsden Church and Center Church do not wish to merge, but Gadsden church wants to remodel and build Sunday School rooms, and Center Church wants to build a new Church. And since Cross Roads Church on the Alamo Ct. has been damaged by fire, at an estimated loss of \$1,000.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Annual Conference rescind its action of last year and authorize and empower the District Superintendent of the Jackson District to sell the Bonds and divide the proceeds between the three churches as follows, \$1,550.00 to Gadsden and \$1,550.00 to Center, and the balance which is more than \$300.00 to Cross Roads, provided Gadsden and Center churches will build as stated above." Signed F. A. Flatt, District Superintendent.

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NEW CHURCH START

Paris District

Trinity (Paris)

Memphis North District

Hampton Memorial (Millington)

Memphis South

Underwood Memorial (Memphis)

DISCONTINUED

Brownsville District

Pond Creek (Crockett County) of the Alamo Circuit

Jackson District

Davis Grove (Gibson County) of the Trenton Circuit

Lexington District

Palestine (Carroll County) of the Hickory Flat-Pleasant Hill charge

Spence (Benton County) of the Holladay Circuit

Pisgah (Carroll County) of the Hollow Rock Circuit

Sharon (Henderson County) of the Lexington Larger Parish

RELATING TO CHURCH PROPERTY
Resolution

WHEREAS, the Memphis Conference has created one additional District within its bounds, and
Whereas, in the formation of this District the former Memphis District has been divided, and
Whereas, for the supervision of this District an additional Parsonage must be provided for the District Superintendent, and
Whereas, the Commission on World Service and Finance has made sufficient provisions for the purchase of the same,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, by the Memphis Annual Conference now in session at First Methodist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, on this the 16th day of June, 1956, that the Trustees of the Memphis Annual Conference be and are hereby authorized to purchase such home for the District Superintendent and take title to same in themselves as trustees, according to the Discipline of The Methodist Church.
Be It Further Resolved, that the Chairman and Secretary of the Trustees of the Memphis Conference be and are hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary papers incident to the purchasing of said property, including any notes and mortgages to secure the payment of any unpaid balance.

Respectfully submitted,
F. A. FLATT,
J. A. FISHER.

Resolution

WHEREAS, by deed dated the 29th day of April, 1851, and recorded in Book 229, Page 465 in the Register's Office of Shelby County, Tennessee, Joseph Locke and C. M. Locke conveyed to G. W. Bartlett, Washington Bond and Harvey W. Granade, Trustees in Trust, for the use of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South as a church yard and burying ground, the following described real estate situate and being in Shelby County, Tennessee:

Beginning eight chains due West of James Warrens North East Corner of 258 2/3 acres tract at a stake from which S 87° W. 30 Links a post oak marked W. C. thence South 4 chains and 25 Links to a stake from which N 30° W 52 Links a post oak marked W. C. thence West seven chains and six links to a stake from which N. 70° W 11 links a post oak marked W. C. thence north four chains and 25 links to a stake from which South 42° E 42 Links a red oak marked W. C. on the north boundary line of said 258 2/3 acre tract thence east seven chains and six links to be beginning contained three acres (3 acres), said property being where Warren's Chapel formerly stood, and said property having been used as a church yard and burying ground and later continued to be used by the members of the Bartlett Methodist Church and the people of the surrounding communities as a burying ground, and the same having been and is now known as the Pisgah Cemetery.

Whereas, Warren's Chapel having become non-existent and the congregation evolved into what is now the Bartlett Methodist Church, Bartlett, Shelby County, Tennessee, and by reason thereof, the Bartlett Methodist Church having become the successor to Warren's Chapel, and

Whereas, the members of the Bartlett Methodist Church and the people of the communities surrounding said property having held meetings at the Bartlett Methodist Church and having formed a permanent organization to be known as the Pisgah Cemetery Association with its objects and purposes being to acquire the title to said property, to beautify and improve the grounds thereof, to provide uniform prices for the operation, care, maintenance and perpetual care thereof, and to perpetuate and preserve the cemetery as a burying ground unto its members and posterity, and

Whereas, in the furtherance of the purposes for which said property was originally conveyed to said trustees, it appears advisable that said property be conveyed to the Pisgah Cemetery Association: now, therefore,

Be it Resolved, that the trustees of the Bartlett Methodist Church, Bartlett, Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee, be, and they are, hereby authorized to convey the title by special warranty deed to the real estate hereinabove described to the trustees of the Pisgah Cemetery Association to be held by them and their successors in office for the purposes hereinabove set out.

J. E. UNDERWOOD.

Charge Line Changes—Read by J. A. Fisher:

Brownsville District—Dissolve Oakland Circuit. Form two new Charges: Eads-Chambers Chapel, and Oakland-Macon-Antioch.

Dyersburg District—Dissolve Maury City Circuit. Form two new Charges: Maury City Station, and Floyd's Cpl.-Siloam-Bowling Mem.

Paducah District—Dissolve West Clinton and Columbus Circuits. Form this pool of churches (Berkley, Columbus, Moscow, New Chapel, Oakton, Oakwood, Shiloh, Zion, Spring Hill) into the Hickman County Larger Parish.

New Churches Announced—Paris: Trinity (Paris Dist.); Hampton Memorial (Memphis North Dist.); Underwood Memorial (Memphis South Dist.).

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Resolution

WHEREAS, the Pond Creek Church on the Alamo Circuit has ceased to function as a Methodist Church; and

Whereas, the members have withdrawn and joined the Methodist Evangelical Church; and
Whereas, we have through legal channels reached an agreement for settlement;

I, therefore, recommend that the Pond Creek Church on the Alamo Circuit be discontinued, the membership dropped from the roll of The Methodist Church and the property sold.

I also recommend that the Honorable L. W. Morgan, Brownsville, Tennessee, a Conference Trustee, and the attorney for the Brownsville District, be authorized to execute the proper and necessary legal papers conveying title to purchasers of the church property.

I further recommend that the proceeds from the sale (\$3,500.00 less cost) be invested in Government Bonds and held by the Treasurer of the Memphis Conference for a time up to five years.

If at any time during the five-year period either

1. Pond Creek should desire to function as a Methodist Church and deed all her property to the Methodist Church, the Bonds would be sold and all proceeds used to construct an educational building for Pond Creek Church.

2. If Gadsden Church and Center Church, both on the Alamo Circuit, should merge and construct a new church jointly, the Bonds would be sold and the proceeds be used in construction of said new church.

If said churches should reach the above decision at the same time, Pond Creek Church would have prior claim.

If, at the close of the five-year period, neither of the above has taken place, then the Bonds would be sold and the proceeds used as directed by the Superintendent of the District in which the Alamo Circuit is located.

JAS. A. FISHER,
Superintendent, Brownsville District.

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Quiney Church on the Alamo Circuit was discontinued by order of the 1953 session of the Memphis Conference and was ordered sold by a Committee that had been appointed, and the proceeds were to be used on the Alamo Circuit Parsonage, and

Whereas, the Committee has not functioned, and
Whereas, we have an offer, which is considered fair, on the property,

I, therefore, Move, that the Trustees of the Gadsden Methodist Church on the Alamo Circuit be permitted and hereby instructed to dispose of said property in accordance with permission granted by the 1953 Session of the Conference. They are instructed to sign all legal papers in this matter.

JAMES A. FISHER, SR.,
Superintendent, Brownsville District.

Resolution

Since Davis Grove Church of the Trenton Circuit was abandoned by its membership, the Annual Conference Trustees have sold the property under the provision of paragraph 188 (4) of the 1952 Discipline:

Therefore Be It Resolved, that this Annual Conference sustain the Conference Board of Trustees in their action; and authorize the Board to turn over the money received for the sale thereof to the Jackson District Board of Church Extension for the use of Church Extension in the Jackson District.

F. A. FLATT.

Resolution

Due to lack of members to carry on the work of the church in each instance to be noted later and due to the fact that there is no possibility for future existence, we recommend and request that the following churches be discontinued at the Annual Conference June 13-17, 1956:

1. Palestine Church carried in the 1955 Journal as a church on the Bruceton Circuit, but for 1956 a church on the Hickory Flat and Pleasant Hill Charge.

This Church has only 6 members who can be found. The man who had carried it for several years died this year. What members can be found will be transferred to other churches. The property has no Board of Trustees. Therefore we request that the Conference Trustees dispose of the church property, according to Paragraph 188, the 1952 Discipline.

2. Spence Church, carried as a church on the Holladay Circuit, showing a total 21 members, voluntarily requested abandonment at the beginning of the year due to inability to carry out the work of the church and maintain a budget adequate for any kind of financial program. There is no church property. Meetings have been in a school house. The members who can be found are being transferred to Holladay and Yellow Springs Churches on the same Charge.

3. Pisgah Church on the Hollow Rock Circuit has not been supplied with a pastor for the past two years. It is wholly inadequate for the present and there is no hope for the future. It is within a few miles of Hollow Rock and the members who can be found either live in Hollow Rock or could attend the services there. The church property is in a bad state of repair and could not be used for services. The Trustees of the Circuit should have control of the property. If they fail to handle it properly, the Conference Trustees should make the proper disposition of this property.

4. Sharon Church, carried in 1955 Journal a church on the North Lexington Circuit, and the past year an inactive church on the Lexington Larger Parish, has no future and the church leaders have requested abandonment. The members are being transferred to other Methodist Churches. We recommend that the Conference Trustees dispose of said property.

W. B. POTTS, District Superintendent.

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NEW CHURCH START

Memphis District

Christ

NOTE: Appears in Appointments; at no point in the Daily Minutes, Reports, or Resolutions is there any mention of a new church being started!

NAME CHANGE

Dyersburg District

South Dyersburg to Collins Chapel

DISCONTINUED

Lexington District

Union Cross (Henderson County) of North Lexington Circuit

Pebble Hill (McNairy County) of Lebanon-New Hope-Pisgah charge

Jackson District

Oak Grove (Hardeman County) of Hornsby Circuit

1955

DISTRICT AND CHARGE LINE CHANGES

DISTRICT LINE CHANGES:

Transfer Diamond Grove Church from the Lexington to the Jackson District.

CHARGE LINE CHANGES:

BROWNSVILLE DISTRICT: None.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT: Take Bells Chapel and Heloise from South Dyersburg Circuit; and take Burgie's Chapel and Lenox from the Finley Circuit; these four to form a new charge to be called Lenox Circuit.

Form a new charge to be called Finley-Richwood; thus dissolving the Finley Circuit.

Change name of South Dyersburg to Collins Chapel, to be a station, thus dissolving the South Dyersburg Circuit.

JACKSON DISTRICT: Place Diamond Grove Church (received from Lexington District) with Liberty to form a new charge. Abandon Oak Grove on Hornsby Circuit.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT: Change name of North Lexington Circuit to Lexington Larger Parish. Abandon Union Cross Church. Transfer Diamond Grove to Jackson District. Abandon Pebble Hill on Lebanon-New Hope-Pisgah Charge.

Take Palestine Church from Bruceton Circuit; place on Hickory Flatt-Pleasant Hill Charge.

MEMPHIS DISTRICT: Dissolve Embury-Mt. Vernon Charge. Make Embury Station and Mt. Vernon Station.

PADUCAH DISTRICT: Dissolve Benton Circuit. Form Church Grove-Maple Springs Charge. Form Briensburg-Mt. Carmel Charge.

PARIS DISTRICT: None.

"Conference Board of Trustees of Lexington District to dispose of Pebble Hill Church property according to their best judgement. Property of Union Cross Church to be under control of Lexington Larger Parish Quarterly Conference."

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NEW CHURCH START

Jackson District

Forest Heights

NOTE: Appears in appointments; no other notation of this start

Dyersburg District

Mooring (Lake County)--reopened

DISCONTINUED

Jackson District

Mifflin (Madison County) of the Beech Bluff Circuit

Denmark (Madison County) of the Mercer-Andrews charge

Eureka (Hardeman County) of the Hickory Valley Circuit

Medon (Madison County) of Malesus-Medon charge

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DISTRICT AND CHARGE LINE CHANGES

DISTRICT LINE CHANGES:

Transfer Curve and Woodville on the Curve Circuit, Dyersburg District, to the Brownsville District.

CHARGE LINE CHANGES:

BROWNSVILLE DISTRICT: Take Mason and Braden from the Arlington Braden and Mason Charge and form a new Charge to be called Mason and Braden. Arlington to become a Station. Thus Arlington Braden and Mason Charge is dissolved.

Take Galloway from the Bolton Circuit and form a Charge to be called Galloway.

Dissolve the Charge Hyde Park, Leigh's and Pisgah and form two Charges one Hyde Park Station the other Leigh's Chapel and Pisgah.

Add Curve and Woodville from the Dyersburg District to Trinity Station to form a new Charge to be called Trinity, Curve and Woodville.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT: Take Bethesda from the Gates Circuit and place with Edith and Melville forming a new Charge to be called Edith, Melville and Bethesda. Thus dissolving the Curve Circuit.

Take Archer's Chapel and Maury's Chapel from the Maury City Circuit and take Lebanon from the Gates Circuit placing these Churches together forming a new Charge to be called Archer's, Lebanon and Maury's.

Create a new Charge in Dyersburg to be called Boose Memorial and Second Church.

Take Bogota and Miston from Dyersburg Circuit and reopen Mooring placing these Churches together forming a Charge to be called Lake County Parish.

Take Gates, Concord and Eureka from the Gates Circuit and form a Charge to be called Gates, Concord and Eureka. Thus dissolving the Gates Circuit.

JACKSON DISTRICT:

Medon is discontinued

Denmark is discontinued

Eureka on Hickory Valley Ct. is discontinued

Take Big Springs (West) from the Pinson Circuit and put it with the Hornsby Circuit.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT: Dissolve the Adamsville and Pickwick Charge and form a new Charge to be called Adamsville Station. Take Stantonville from the Michie Circuit and place with Pickwick to form a new Charge to be known as Stantonville and Pickwick.

Take Lebanon, New Hope and Pisgah on the Michie Circuit and form a new Charge to be called Lebanon, New Hope and Pisgah. The Michie Circuit thus dissolved.

Take Enville from the Enville and Morris Chapel Charge and form a new Charge to be called Enville Station. Take Mt. Zion from the Enville and Morris Chapel Charge and place with Sardis and Milledgeville Charge. Thus dissolving Enville and Morris Chapel Charge.

Take Bethlehem and Holly Springs from the Jack's Creek Circuit and place with Morris Chapel to form a new Charge to be called Morris Chapel, Bethlehem and Holly Springs. Thus dissolving the Jack's Creek Circuit.

Take McLemoresville from the McLemoresville-Trezevant Charge and form a new Charge to be called McLemoresville Station. Form another new Charge Trezevant Station. McLemoresville and Trezevant thus dissolved.

Take Salem and Lessenberry's Chapel Churches from the Milan Circuit and form a new Charge to be called Salem and Lessenberry's Chapel.

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Take Walnut Grove and Lavinia from the Milan Circuit and form a new Charge to be called Walnut Grove and Lavinia. Thus dissolving the Milan Circuit.

Take Bethel Springs, Finger and Buena Vista from the Bethel Springs Circuit and form a new Charge to be called Bethel Springs, Finger and Buena Vista. Thus dissolving the Bethel Springs Circuit.

Sulphur Springs, Price's Chapel and Sandy Flat from the Bethel Springs Circuit become a new Charge to be called Sulphur Springs, Price's Chapel and Sandy Flat.

MEMPHIS DISTRICT: None.

PADUCAH DISTRICT: Take Pryorsburg and Mt. Olive from the Wingo Circuit and form a new Charge to be called Pryorsburg and Mt. Olive. Wingo and Poyner's Chapel to become a new Charge. Thus dissolving the Wingo Circuit.

Take Lynnville and Story's Chapel from the Sedalia Circuit and form a new Charge to be called Lynnville and Story's Chapel. Sedalia and Burnetts Chapel form a new Charge thus dissolving the Sedalia Circuit.

Dissolve the Lovelaceville and Massac Charge and form a Charge to be called Massac Station.

Dissolve the Milburn and Corinth Charge and form a Charge to be called Milburn Station.

Form a Charge to be called Lovelaceville and Corinth.

PARIS DISTRICT: None.

Mifflin Church—F. A. Flatt, upon the recommendation of the Jackson District Committee of Church Locations & Building, and with the approval of the Cabinet, moved the discontinuance of Mifflin Church on the Beech Bluff Ct., and asked authorization for the Conference Board of Trustees to sell the property and give the proceeds to the Jackson District Board of Missions and Church Extension for the work of Church Extension in the Jackson District. By vote it was done.

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NAME CHANGE

Memphis District

Christ's Church (sic) established previous year becomes Colonial Park in the Appointment List for this year

DISCONTINUED

Dyersburg District

Bondurant Church (Fulton County) of the West Hickman Circuit

Brownsville District

Quincy (Crockett County) of the Alamo Circuit

Wilson's Chapel (Tipton County) of the Tabernacle Circuit

Gift (Tipton County) of the Tabernacle Circuit

NOTE: None of the above is noted in the "District and Charge Line Changes"

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NEW CHURCH START

Memphis District

“Establish a new church at the corner of Park and Hayne Road to be known as Christ’s church”

NOTE: In 1953 in the Appointment List this becomes Colonial Park

DISCONTINUED

Brownsville District

Asbury (Hardeman County) of the Williston Circuit

Graves Chapel (Lauderdale County) of the Green’s Chapel Glimp Circuit

Pleasant Hill (Hardeman County) of the Whiteville Circuit

Lexington District

Prospect (Henderson County) of the Sardis-Milledgeville charge

Jackson District

Concord (Hardeman County) of the Silerton Circuit

Concerning Church Property—Motion of A. L. Dickerson,

Sr., prevailed authorizing: (1) Prospect Church on Sardis-Milledgeville Charge be officially abandoned, (2) Concord Church on Silerton Circuit be sold with proceeds being used on parsonage at Silerton.

Motion of J. A. Fisher prevailed authorizing: (1) Asbury Church on Williston Circuit be discontinued, that the membership be transferred to Somerville Station, that the trustees of Somerville Station be instructed to sell the property, the proceeds to be turned over to the District Trustees for such use as they see fit. (2) Graves Chapel Church on the Green's Chapel-Glimp Circuit be discontinued and that the membership be transferred to either Henning, Durhamville, or Hurricane Hill, that the trustees of Green's Chapel-Glimp Circuit sell said property and use the proceeds on Green's Chapel-Glimp Circuit parsonage. (3) Pleasant Hill Church on Whiteville Circuit be discontinued, the membership being transferred to such nearby Churches as they desire, that the trustees of Smyrna Church be instructed to dispose of the property and use the proceeds in making improvements on the Whiteville Circuit parsonage.

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NEW CHURCH START

Lexington District

Crowell's Chapel (Henderson County)--reopened

Pease Chapel (Henderson County)-reopened

NOTE: In the two mentions in the Journal, the church is identified both as Pease Chapel and Peace's Chapel; Pease is correct.

DISCONTINUED

Lexington District

Pleasant Hill (Carroll County) on the Bruceton Circuit

Reopen Churches—Rev. A. L. Dickerson moved to reopen Crowell's Chapel to be on North Lexington Circuit and Peace's Chapel to be on Scott's Hill and Liberty. Approved.

CHARGE LINE CHANGES

Charge Line Changes—Were read by Cabinet Secty. Evans as follows:

BROWNSVILLE DISTRICT—Dissolve the Munford Circuit, the churches to form two new charges known as (1) New Bethel, Quito and Camp Ground, and (2) Randolph and Hopewell. Take Gift from Munford Circuit and place on Tabernacle Circuit.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT—None.
JACKSON DISTRICT—Take Mifflin, Liberty and Diamond Grove from the Beech Bluff Circuit and form a new charge to be known as Mifflin, Liberty and Diamond Grove. Take Hornsby from Bolivar and Rehoboth from Hickory Valley Circuit and place them together to form a new charge to be known as Hornsby and Rehoboth. Take Trinity from the Pinson Circuit and form a new charge to be known as Trinity Station. Divide Malesus and Medon Charge and form two stations to be known as Malesus Station and Medon Station. Change the name of the Humboldt Circuit to Harris Grove and Oak Grove.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT—Take Mt. Vinson from Mt. Vinson Circuit and place with the Shiloh, Crump and Union Grove charge to form a new charge to be known as Shiloh Circuit. Take Hardin's Beauty, Hickory Flat, Maggie Jones Memorial and New Hope from Mt. Vinson Circuit to form a new charge to be known as Adamsville Circuit. The Mt. Vinson Circuit is thereby dissolved. Take Hickory Flat from Huntingdon Circuit and Pleasant Hill from the Atwood and Pleasant Hill Charge and place them together to form a new charge to be known as Hickory Flat and Pleasant Hill. Take Atwood and Shiloh from Atwood and Pleasant Hill charge and place them together to form a new charge to be known as Atwood and Shiloh. The Atwood and Pleasant Hill charge is thereby dissolved. Discontinue Pleasant Hill in Carroll County on the Bruce-ton Circuit. Reopen Crowell's Chapel, formerly attached to Scotts Hill Circuit and place it with North Lexington Circuit. Reopen Pease Chapel, formerly attached to Scotts Hill Circuit and place with Scotts Hill and Liberty.

MEMPHIS DISTRICT—Dissolve Ellendale and St. Stephens charge, each to become a station, to be known as Ellendale Station and St. Stephens Station.

PADUCAH DISTRICT—Take Christ Church from Mayfield First Church to form a new charge to be known as Christ Church. Dissolve the McKendree and Pleasant Hill charge, each church to become a station, to be known as McKendree station and Pleasant Hill Station.

PARIS DISTRICT—Dissolve the Cayce Circuit. Cayce Church to become a station to be known as Cayce First Church. Crutchfield, Harmony and Rush Creek to become a new charge known as Crutchfield Circuit.

Wm. S. Evans, Secretary to be Cabinet

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NEW CHURCH START

Memphis District

St. Stephan's

Lexington District

Lessenberry-reopened (Gibson County) and placed on Milan Circuit

Smith's Chapel (Henderson County)-reopened and placed on North Lexington Circuit

MERGER

Jackson District

Pisgah and Hearn's Chapel (Chester County). Merged church to be known as Trinity.

NOTE: For several years this church was referred to as NEW Trinity.

NAME CHANGE

Paris District

Paris Second Church to Paris Calvary

DISCONTINUED

Dyersburg District

Chic (Dyer County) of the Ayers Circuit

Paducah District

Littleville

NOTE: Reopened several years later as Little's Chapel

Paris District

Mt. Vincent (Benton County) of the North Big Sandy Circuit

New Hope (Benton County) of the North Big Sandy Circuit

PADUCAH District

Liberty (Marshall County) of the Benton Circuit

(s) Yates Moore."
Church Property—Motion of J. Noble Wilford prevailed to sell Liberty Church on Benton Circuit and apply proceeds to benefit of Benton Circuit.

Motions of A. L. Dickerson prevailed to reopen Lessenberry's Chapel on Milan Circuit and Smith's Chapel on the North Lexington Circuit.

Motions of Wm. S. Evans prevailed—

That the New Hope Church, on the North Big Sandy Circuit, Paris District, be discontinued and abandoned and that the property be disposed of as follows:

1. The material in the church be used to repair the parsonage on the North Big Sandy Circuit.

2. The ground, and furniture in the church, be sold and the proceeds used for the same purpose as stated above.

That the Mt. Vincent Church, on the North Big Sandy Cir-

cuit, Paris District, be discontinued and abandoned, and that property be placed in the hands of the Trustees of District Property of the Paris District to be held by said Trustees and be used for the establishment of a new church within the bounds of the Paris District, if and when such a new church is established, it being left to the discretion of the Trustees of District Property either to sell the property or to move the building.

CHARGE LINE CHANGES

BROWNSVILLE DISTRICT—None.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT—Discontinue Chic as a preaching appointment on the Ayers Circuit. Take Sanders Chapel from Troy and Rives Circuit and place on the Union City Circuit. Take Mt. Zion and Pleasant Valley from the Union City Circuit and establish a new charge to be called Mt. Zion and Pleasant Valley.

JACKSON DISTRICT—Dissolve Bells and Alamo Charge. Each becomes a station appointment. Merge Pisgah and Hearn's Chapel on the Pinson Circuit, forming a new church to be called Trinity Church.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT—Take Palestine from North Lexington Circuit and place on the Bruceton Circuit. Take Crump from Adamsville and Pickwick. Take Shiloh Church from Shiloh Circuit. Place Crump and Shiloh with Union Grove Church, thus forming a new charge known as Shiloh, Crump and Union Grove. Take Lebanon, New Hope, Pebble Hill, Pisgah and Stantonville from the Shiloh Circuit, these churches to form a new charge to be called Michie Circuit. Reopen Lessenberry's Chapel, a church which had formerly been discontinued, and place the same with the Milan Circuit. Reopen Smith's Chapel, a church which had formerly been discontinued, and place the same with the North Lexington circuit.

MEMPHIS DISTRICT—Place St. Stephen, a newly organized church, with Ellendale, the new charge to be known as Ellendale and St. Stephen.

PADUCAH DISTRICT—Discontinue Littleville as a station and make Marlie Wallace and Littleville. Discontinue Liberty Church, Benton Circuit, as a preaching appointment. Dissolve the Paducah Circuit. Massac and Lovelaceville and Massac are combined to form a new charge known as Massac and Lovelaceville. Attach Salem with the Trinity-Pleasant Grove Charge, the charge to be known as Trinity-Pleasant Grove-Salem. Dissolve the Oakland-Palma Charge. Take Symsonia from the Brewers circuit. Place Symsonia, Oakland, and Palma together to form a new charge, the same to be known as Symsonia, Oakland, and Palma.

PARIS DISTRICT—Change the name of Paris Second Church to Calvary. Discontinue Mt. Vincent and New Hope Churches as preaching appointments on the North Big Sandy Circuit. Take Crooked Creek Church from the North Big Sandy Circuit and place with the Big Sandy Circuit. Take Baker's Chapel Church from the Big Sandy Circuit and place with

the North Big Sandy Circuit. Merge the Cayce and Ebenezer churches on the Cayce Circuit, the new church to be known as the Cayce Methodist Church. Dissolve the Murray Circuit. Lynn Grove and Goshen are placed together to form a new charge known as Lynn Grove and Goshen. Martin's Chapel, New Hope and Sulphur Springs churches are placed together to form a new charge to be known as Martin's Chapel, New Hope, and Sulphur Springs.