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50	Lykens and Wiconisco, W I Mills	
50	Pastor	
50	Cyrus Romberger and wife	\$ 3 00
50	M Withers and wife	2 00
50	Wiconisco S. S.	2 00
25	Cyrus Bitterman	1 00
25	Mrs Ida Seifert	1 00
25	Mrs Rebecca Bretz	1 00
25	A friend	1 00
25	Cyrus Parfet	75
25	Elmer Zerbe	75
25	Mrs Fred Mucher	50
25	Andrew Greiner	50
25	Oscar Fegley	50
25	Allen Row	50
15	John Houtz and wife	50
15	Mrs Samuel Matter	50
10	Mrs Ida Stuppie	50
70	Catechetical Class	50
4 50	Raymond Snyder	35
60	Samuel Greiner	35
3 55	James E Messner	25
16 00	Annie Houtz	25
25	Violet Prout	25
103 00	Franklin Schoop	25
	Harrison Mucher	25
	Harry Bitterman	15
	Flossie Jones	15
	Personal contribution	\$ 10 00
		\$ 28 71
7 04	Parent Society	
2 30	Children's Day Collection	6 00
12 34	Total	\$ 34 71

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MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-THIRD SESSION

OF THE

EAST PENNSYLVANIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION,

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present at our conference, Bishops Horn, Bowman and Breyfogel, and that we gratefully recognize their wise counsel in our deliberations, and we pray God to bless them abundantly.

Resolved, That we express our hearty appreciation of the kindly and able manner with which the presiding officer, Bishop W. Horn, D.D., has guided the deliberations of this conference, and also our appreciation of the impartiality and kindness shown to all the brethren.

Resolved, That we tender our sincere thanks to our Secretary, A. Krecker, for the excellent manner in which he has conducted his department of the work of this conference.

Resolved, That our thanks be tendered B. C. Krupp, the pastor of Salem church, Hazleton; the trustees for the use of their elegant church; the janitress for her satisfactory services; the people of our church and of the city of Hazleton, who have so hospitality entertained us and the daily press who have accorded us every facility in the prosecution of our work.

Quarterly Conference Records.

Your Committee on Quarterly Conference Records respectfully submit the following report:

WHEREAS, Having carefully examined the various records we find much to commend as improvement over former years, and

WHEREAS, Believing that an honest pride in neatness and correctness is right and good, we therefore call attention to the following findings:

Catasauqua and Lancaster have their annual reports pasted in the book.

Williamstown and Ringtown fail to make mention of adoption of minutes.

Mohnsville and Fredericksburg have not adopted the minutes of one session until the next session of Quarterly Conference.

Paradise Valley and Phoenixville have not got the figures attached to some of their annual reports.

South Easton's reports are incomplete. Ringtown fails to mention election of stewards.

Lansford and Wayne have no annual reports entered.

We desire also to call the attention of this body to the fact that the Quarterly Conference Record of Centre Hall, was lost or mislaid a few years ago. This record must be produced in court in a suit now pending.

We offer the following suggestions:

1. Every Journal to be plainly marked on the outside to what field it belongs.
2. While spelling reform is needed, we suggest a different form of it than we find in some of the Records.

COMMITTEE.

Report of Examinations.

Applicants for License.	Average.
B. W. Romberger	86 5-8
J. H. Rosenberger	71 1-4

FIRST YEAR CLASS.

W. F. Savidge	80 1-7
James Tonkins	82 2-7
W. H. Stahl	88 4-7
W. L. Ketner	83 6-7

SECOND YEAR CLASS.

H. E. Hilt	82 5-7
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THIRD YEAR CLASS.

C. H. Hess	95
F. M. Gingrich	98 3-4
C. C. Hoffman	93 1-4
P. W. Brown, in four branches	97 1-2
J. G. Martin, in one branch	80

FOURTH YEAR CLASS.

W. I. Miller	96
O. T. Mover	91
D. A. Brown	90

Report of the Committee on Memorials.

Your Committee would respectfully submit the following report:

BISHOP J. J. ESHER.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in whose power are life and death, to remove from the church militant to the church triumphant, by the hand of death our beloved and venerable Bishop, John J. Esher, the senior Bishop of our Evangelical Association, and

WHEREAS, Our sainted Bishop gave his life to the church in consecrated service, whereby, especially in the Episcopal office, his noble character, his great talents, the intense energy of his great intellect and his superior wisdom shone forth in unsullied lustre, for nearly 40 years, leaving their indelible impress upon the temporal and spiritual economy of our church, therefore

Resolved, That we as the East Pennsylvania Conference, of Evangelical Association, do now solemnly record our sin-

cere and heartfelt sorrow over the great loss we, in common, with our entire church, have sustained in the death of Bishop John J. Esher, further

Resolved, That we give thanks to God for having given our church this prince of preachers and leader among men, and for having sustained him for so many years of eminent service by voice and pen and administrative counsel. His keen intelligence, his broad grasp of great questions and far-reaching policies, his masterful will, his deep piety, his profound knowledge of the Word of God, his many personal virtues, and his official conscientiousness and fidelity fitted him in an extraordinary degree for the office of a Bishop, and were a priceless blessing to the church. His wise counsels as chairman of this conference and his masterly sermons in this conference district remain a blessed memory to both ministry and laity, and a beacon light to guide us onward. To the bereaved family of the departed Bishop we extend our sincere condolence and heartfelt sympathy, and we pray that the God of all grace may comfort them and us with the plenitude of divine consolation in this great bereavement.

REV. HENRY BONTZ.

Rev. Henry Bontz, departed this life Oct. 29, 1901, in his 69th year. He was converted in 1858 and at once joined our church. He was faithful, loyal, and true to the church of his choice. He was licensed to preach in 1893 and served the church very acceptably in a local capacity. His advice in the administrative affairs of the church was eagerly sought for and usually sound. It is due to his memory to say that this beautiful edifice, in which this conference is assembled, stands as a monument of his love for and his liberality to the cause of Christ. We regret that he was not permitted to meet with us, which would have been his delight. We also honor his memory by recording the fact that he made provision for the entertainment of four preachers during this session.

BRO. LEVI WENTZ.

Levi Wentz was born Jan. 24, 1824, and died Sept. 13, 1901. He was converted in 1845 under the labors of the Sainted Rev. Henry Fisher. He served as class leader and exhorter for 52 years. He also served as associate judge of Carbon County for 8 years. In 1852 he was licensed to preach the Gospel. After serving acceptably for a number of

years as a local preacher, he returned his license, on account of a throat affection, which incapacitated him from serving further in this capacity. Bro. Wentz was known throughout our church as a man of God, faithful in the performance of his duties and loyal to our beloved church.

REV. JESSE HUNSBERGER.

Rev. Jesse Hunsberger was converted when he was a young man, on Milford Circuit, and also licensed on the same circuit. He soon felt called to the ministry; the church recognizing the call, sent him out as a local preacher in which capacity he labored faithfully 40 years. He was a pious, quiet, consistent man, preaching by precept and example. He was in later years a member of our 9th street church, in Reading. In his last hours he frequently sang, "Oh, the way is so delightful, in the service of the Lord."

We would recommend that a memorial service be held this (Monday) afternoon in connection with the opening devotional exercises, and that our Bishops be requested to speak briefly on the lives and labors of these departed servants of God.

A. E. WILLIAMS,
J. M. SCHLAGENHAUF,
J. SPECHT.

Appropriations.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

Philadelphia, 9th Street.....	\$175 00
Milford	90 00
Perkasie	120 00
South Easton	325 00
Bethlehem	125 00
South Bethlehem	85 00
South Bethlehem, Intersect	40 00
Pen Argyl	300 00
Nazareth	25 00
Paradise	100 00
Wayne	125 00
Lansdale and Limerick	150 00

Total

ALLENTOWN DISTRICT.

Allentown, Ebenezer, Interest..	\$275 00
Allentown, Zion	190 00
Allentown, Salem	150 00
Lehigh and Emaus	100 00
Catasauqua	200 00
Slatington	250 00
Lehighton	200 00
Weissport and Weatherly	50 00

Amount carried forward .. \$1,415 00