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"In the case of an emergency in any jurisdiction or Central Conference through the death or disability of a bishop or other cause, the Council of Bishops may assign a bishop from another jurisdiction or Central Conference to the work of the said jurisdiction or Central Conference with the consent of a majority of the bishops of that jurisdiction or Central Conference."

Number of members of the Annual Conference present and voting was 185
Number voting Aye was 166 Number voting No was 13 Number Abstaining was 6
No. 1972-13

That Division III, Article VII (Paragraph 56) be amended by deleting in the first paragraph thereof the words "him" and "his" and substituting in their place respectively the words "the bishop" and "the"

and by deleting in the second sentence of the second paragraph the words "Each bishop shall report in writing annually all his decisions of law" and substituting in their place the words "All decisions of law made by each bishop shall be reported in writing annually" so that the paragraph as amended will read:

"A bishop presiding over an Annual, Central, or Jurisdictional Conference shall decide all questions of law coming before the bishop in the regular business of a session; provided that such questions be presented in writing and that the decisions be recorded in the journal of the conference.

"Such an episcopal decision shall not be authoritative except for the pending case until it shall have been passed upon by the Judicial Council. All decisions of law made by each bishop shall be reported in writing annually, with a syllabus of the same, to the Judicial Council, which shall affirm, modify, or reverse them."

Number of members of the Annual Conference present and voting was 184
Number voting Aye was 166 Number voting No was 11 Number Abstaining was 7
No. 1972-14 (Contingent upon the Puerto Rico Annual Conference deciding to become an affiliated autonomous church or an affiliated united church)

That Section VIII, Article I (Paragraph 42) be amended by deleting therefrom the words "Puerto Rico" so that the boundaries of the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference will read:

"Northeastern—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware, District of Columbia."

Number of members of the Annual Conference present and voting was 178
Number voting Aye was 171 Number voting No was 0 Number Abstaining was 7

MEMOIRS

REV. HARVEY L. KAUFMAN

Rev. Harvey L. Kaufman, Pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico, passed away suddenly at the parsonage home, at 5:10 Thursday morning, February 1, following a brief illness.

Memorial Services were conducted in Wesley Church at two o'clock, Saturday afternoon, February 3, with Dr. Bervin Caswell, Albuquerque District Superintendent, Rev. Clement E. Lewis, Pastor at University Heights Church, and Rev. Dan Turner, Pastor at Grants, New Mexico, officiating. Rev. Turner committed his life to the Ministry while Rev. Kaufman was serving Aldersgate Church in Hobbs, New Mexico.

At the time of his passing, Rev. Kaufman was sixty-four years of age, having been born in Talequah, Oklahoma, June 22, 1908, and a graduate of Oklahoma University, at Norman, Oklahoma. On completion of his training for the Ministry, he served appointments in the New York, New Mexico, and Oklahoma Annual Conferences, having come to Wesley Church in June, 1972. He had served as an Ordained Minister for twenty-one years. Among those served in New Mexico are Fort Sumner; Aldersgate, Hobbs; Santa Rosa; Grady, and the present pastorate at Wesley Church.

He is survived by his wife, Janet, and two daughters, Karin Lee Rhodes, McAlester, Oklahoma, and Katherine Lucille Posner, of Durham, North Carolina.

His four brothers, Jack, Louis, Oliver, and William; and one sister, Rose Marie Friend, also survive, and all of them reside in Talequah, Oklahoma.

There are also three grandchildren: Mark and Ann Rhodes, and Matthew Posner.

The remains will reside in the Garden of the Chapel of the Chimes, in Fairview Park, Albuquerque.

Mrs. Kaufman is immediately moving to Oklahoma, and may be reached there in care of Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Rhodes, 701 Lampton Lane, McAlester, Oklahoma 74501.

REV. WATT H. ROYAL

After ten years as Associate Minister of Grace United Methodist in Alamogordo, New Mexico, Watt H. Royal succumbed to the onslaughts of a serious illness. He retired as an "effective" member of the Conference in 1963, giving himself to Evangelism and visitation in the church he came to call "Home" and loved so dearly.

A graduate of Southern Methodist University and Candler School of Theology at Emory University, he served churches in Louisiana, Southwest Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico Annual Conferences. His last appointment before retirement was Trinity United Methodist Church in Roswell.

Reverend Royal was born in Taylor, Louisiana, March 14, 1890. He married Bertha Sutton in June, 1918. After being "Admitted on Trial" in 1925 he was ordained "Elder" in 1929. In the Louisiana Conference he was Chairman of the Board of Missions and a member of the Board of Ministry and Board of Education.

The real thrust of his ministry was not in organizations and boards of the church but in his great concern for individuals and the spiritual growth of the church. He was a dynamic preacher and constant visitor in the homes and businesses of his members. The ministry was for him a call from God that he tried very hard to fulfill to the best of his ability.

Funeral services were held in Grace United Methodist Church, Alamogordo, November 13, 1972, two days after his death. Reverend Don Forsman, Dr. Buren Stewart and Reverend Jack Moffatt officiated. Interment was in Shreveport, Louisiana. He is survived by his wife, Bertha Royal, two sons, Phillip and Rudolph, and five grandchildren.