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THE
Pilgrim Holiness Church

ONTARIO DISTRICT



TORONTO - ONTARIO

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH

Ontario District

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

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| General Superintendent | Rev. Wm. Neff, 230 E. Ohio Street Indianapolis 4, Indiana |
| General Secretary | Rev. R. A. Beltz, 230 E. Ohio Street, Indianapolis 4, Indiana |
| Assistant Superintendent | Rev. J. W. Bray, 249 13th Street, Owen Sound, Ontario |
| District Secretary | Rev. F. L. Henschen, Durham, Ontario |
| District Treasurer | Miss Eileen Baker, 374 Glenholme Avenue, Toronto 10, Ontario |
| Advisory Members of District Council | Rev. F. Hobbs Rev. F. Newton Rev. N. Nixon |
| Educational and Examining Board | Rev. F. Hobbs 1 year Rev. F. White 3 years |
| Committee on Resolutions | District Council |
| Ways and Means | District Council |
| District Editor | Dist. Youth Executive |
| Church Extension Loan Fund | Executive Council |
| District Sunday School Promotional Secretary | Rev. Fred Newton |
| District Youth President | Rev. Fred Henschen |

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY

ORDAINED

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Beltz, R. A. | Indianapolis, Indiana |
| Bray, E. W. | Toronto, Ont. |
| Bray, J. W. | Owen Sound, Ont. |
| Henschen, F. | Durham, Ont. |
| Hobbs, F. | Toronto, Ont. |
| Keith, J. P. | Lansing, Mich. |
| Neff, William | Indianapolis, Ind. |
| Newton, F. | Lion's Head, Ont. |
| Nixon, N. | Strathroy, Ont. |
| Shaw, Mrs. G. | Lion's Head, Ont. |
| White, Miss F. | Bruce Mines, Ont. |
| White, Miss G. | Bruce Mines, Ont. |

ORDAINED DEACONESES

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| Baker, Miss E. | Toronto, Ont. |
| Bray, Mrs. E. W. | Toronto, Ont. |
| Cornfield, Miss M. | Oshawa, Ont. |
| Hobbs, Mrs. F. | Toronto, Ont. |
| Lashbrook, Mrs. J. W. | United States |
| McMillan, Mrs. S. | Proton, Ont. |
| Short, Mrs. S. | Massey, Ont. |

LICENSED MINISTERS

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| ✓ Hobbs, Gerold | Toronto, Ont. |
| Richard, W. J. | Bruce Mines, Ont. |

LICENSED DEACONESES

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|------------------------|-------------------|
| Cole, Miss A. | Toronto, Ont. |
| Dunleavy, Mrs. A. | Lion's Head, Ont. |

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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| Bruce Mines | | |
| Pastor | Rev. G. White | |
| Delegate | None | |
| Durham | | |
| Pastor | Rev. F. Henschen | |
| Delegate | Mrs. R. Jackson | |
| Dyer's Bay | | |
| Pastor | Rev. F. Newton | |
| Delegate | Mr. Bartley | |
| Lion's Head | | |
| Pastor | Rev. F. Newton | |
| Delegate | Mr. James Shaw | |
| Massey | | |
| Pastor | Rev. N. Nixon | |
| Delegate | Mrs. Ira Leeder | |
| Strathroy | | |
| Pastor | Rev. Miller | |
| Delegate | Mr. L. Gast | |
| Toronto | | |
| Pastor | Rev. F. Hobbs | |
| Delegate | Mrs. E. G. Rossiter | |

Conference Proceedings

FIRST SESSION

The thirty-sixth annual Conference of the Ontario District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church of Canada convened on Friday, June 30th., at 10:00 A.M. Rev. Keith, District Superintendent, led the congregation in singing of "My Saviour's Love," and "Blessed Assurance." Mrs. Miller very ably presided at the piano.

Rev. R. L. Leroy, pastor of Cedarvale Wesleyan Methodist Church, Toronto, led in prayer.

Rev. Spearman, President of the Canada Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church brought fraternal greetings.

Dr. Neff replied, speaking of the friendly relations existing between our two churches and the possibility and probability of renewed negotiations leading to organic merger of our two denominations.

The Secretary read the roll call which was accepted by the Conference.

Rev. Keith introduced Rev. V. Miller to the Conference. The District Superintendent suggested that the hours of Conference be as follows: 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M.; with afternoon session from 2:00 P.M. until business be completed.

Rev. Keith appointed Rev. R. T. Holton as chairman of the reception committee.

Dr. Neff called for a motion to set the Conference bar. It was moved and seconded that the first five seats across the church constitute the Conference bar. Motion prevailed. The Chairman requested that the Conference bar be cleared.

Rev. Keith moved that Rev. Leroy and Rev. Spearman be granted honorary seats within the Conference bar. Motion was seconded and carried.

The hour of the evening service was set at 8:00 P.M.; the service to be devotional in nature.

Rev. Keith, District Superintendent, presented his report. The report was accepted with a rising vote of thanks.

Rev. J. W. Bray presented his report as Assistant District Superintendent. It was accepted.

Rev. R. T. Holton presented the Treasurer's report. After some discussion the report was adopted.

The Statistician's report was presented by Mrs. Nixon. The report was accepted with the understanding that where information was incomplete the Secretary would include the information from late reports.

Session adjourned by expiration of time.

SECOND SESSION

The second session convened at 2:00 P.M. Rev. Bray led in prayer, and business was resumed.

The Resolutions Committee presented a partial report.

- No. 1 — Adopted
- No. 2 — Adopted
- No. 3 — Adopted
- No. 4 — Adopted
- No. 5 — Adopted

(Printed in the reports as adopted).

The Examining and Educational Board's report was received and adopted.

First Year District Ministerial License:

Herbert Grose
Gerold Hobbs.

Third Year District Ministerial License:

W. J. Rickard.

Deaconess's License:

Audrey Cole
Anne Donnegan.

Sister White presented the report of the Memorial Committee. Dr. Neff added words of tribute to those who had departed this life. The report was accepted by the Conference which arose and sang a verse of the hymn, "In the Sweet By and By."

At this point the Conference was recessed for ten minutes.

Following recess the Conference reconvened and proceeded with the election of officers. The following officers were elected:

Assistant District Superintendent - J. W. Bray

District Treasurer - R. T. Holton

District Secretary - F. L. Henschen

District Council Advisory Members - Norman Nixon, Fred Newton,
Frank Hobbs.

The Committee on Memorials for General Conference presented the following which was adopted by the Conference:

Be it resolved that the District Sunday School Promotional Secretary and the District Youth President, by virtue of their offices, be members of the District Council.

Sister F. White was elected to the Educational and Examining Board for a three year term.

The General Conference ministerial delegates elected were: Norman Nixon and Frank Hobbs. The alternate Ministerial delegates elected were

Fred Newton and Gladys White. The lay district delegate and alternate elected were C. G. Grose and Clarence Watson respectively.

The District Council was empowered to take care of any unfinished conference business.

Conference was adjourned.

Reports

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE

1. In view of the problem in obtaining a suitable District Superintendent, we request the Executive Council to make the appointment of a District Superintendent, or take the district under its direct supervision. The Assistant Superintendent to carry out the wishes of the Executive Council.
2. Resolved that we receive two special offerings sometime throughout the church year known as "Quarter-Day Offerings." One offering to be devoted to youth interest of the district, and one to the district Sunday School interest.
3. Resolved that we ask the bookkeeper to submit an auditor's report to be incorporated in the minutes.
4. Because of the difficulty in obtaining pertinent information regarding the deceased, be it resolved that each local church submit a brief memorial of its deceased members; such report to be submitted to the memorial committee.
5. Be it resolved that the district finances be raised as follows: Ten percent of the regular church offerings plus the pastor's tithe.

STANDINGS RESOLUTIONS

1. That each local church assist, or pay the equivalent of two days labor for the preparation for the District Camp and Conference when called by the District Superintendent.
2. That each local church supply the parsonage with adequate heating and cooking equipment.
3. That each pastor and the District Superintendent be granted a two weeks vacation including two Sundays with pay. Pastors who are not on stated salaries shall receive their vacation pay and Camp meeting Sunday offerings equal to their average weekly offering.
4. That fifty copies of the Journal be printed and distributed, cost of same to be met from District Administration.
5. In as much as several of our schools have correspondence courses to meet the requirements of our ministerial candidates, be it resolved that we urge our licensed ministers to make use of the same in pursuing the course of study.

6. That the District Council act as a District Church Extension Committee and have full authority to appoint Home Missionary pastors, select and build on new locations.
7. Be it resolved that the District Superintendent shall appoint the committees that are to function during the ensuing year.
8. Whereas Dominion and Provincial laws require us to have a head office in order to operate under our charter, be it resolved that such office be located at 312 Oakwood Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, and that the District Superintendent act as manager of such office.
9. That the District Treasurer shall close his books for the year as of June 30, and that pastors and local treasurers shall have a grace period of five days in which to ensure that all monies received in the Conference year shall be in the Treasurer's hands to be credited as received at that date.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the thirty-sixth annual Conference of the Ontario District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, greeting in the Name of the Lord.

We gather together at the end of another Conference year to look over the past year's work and to make plans for the coming months.

This year has not been without its problems, but at the same time it has had its victories. To those who serve the Lord, life is always more than routine. This 1961 Conference is not just another meeting. We are not met only to discuss the administrative details of this District; it is more than that — a dispensation of the Gospel is committed to us. On each of us, limited as we may feel, rests the awesome responsibility to make this church the effective, spiritual force God Himself wants it to be. Any lack of vision, faithfulness, or courage on the part of any of us will stunt the ministry of the Ontario District, and of the Gospel itself.

The year has held many duties which I have tried to discharge to the best of my abilities, for the upbuilding of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. I have greatly appreciated the kindness shown me by our pastors and laymen, especially under the different circumstances I have labored under.

The pressing problem of the year was the settling of the Camp site. A referendum was held, as the last conference requested. The results were that an overwhelming majority favored some type of change. For this year we have rented the camp grounds in Durham. We trust this will make an improvement in this part of our work.

I have been present at all District Council meetings and all District meetings with the exception of the last youth meeting.

I have traveled the District in annual meetings, with the exception of asking Brother Bray to hold the annual meetings at Proton and Lion's Head charges..

The District Finances show a balance as will be noted in the treasurer's report. The United Stewardship and E.P.C. budgets have not been completely paid due to economic factors in the country at large. This has militated against the total income of the churches.

There was, of necessity, a change at Strathroy this past year. Numerous visits were made during this period. However, the problem there was largely solved and the church has grown, especially in the Sunday School department.

In view of the load at the university that I am carrying, it is imperative that I leave the District at this time. I want to thank the Conference for the words of advice given to me in the past. I trust the Lord's Blessing will remain with you.

Thank you,
John P. Keith.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the thirty-sixth annual Conference of the Ontario District Conference of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, "Greetings in the Name of our Saviour and Lord."

During the year I attended one meeting of the Camp Committee to consider camp sites. I also traveled around Owen Sound with a number of real estate salesmen, but without success.

I have attended all the Council meetings during the year. And I have conducted four annual church meetings: Proton, Durham, Lion's Head and Dyer's Bay.

In conclusion, I give thanks to God for the degree of health He has given during the past year, and for His Grace.

Respectfully,
J. W. Bray.

REPORT OF THE MEMOIRS COMMITTEE

To the memory of Sister Byran Bray, a member of the Ferndale Church, whose cheery disposition, helpful spirit, and sweet Christian experience were a blessing to all who knew her.

To the memory of Sister Edward Walpole, a member of the Ferndale Church, who will always be remembered for her loving, quiet, consistent life and testimony.

To the memory of Sister George Coram of the Ferndale congregation whose whole life proved her saving faith in Christ, and whose interest in our foreign mission work was a blessing.

To the memory of Brother William Brown of the Toronto congregation, who will be remembered as a quiet, shining Christian, who devoted his musical talent to the rich blessing of God's People, and was a help and inspiration to the church.

To the memory of Sister Wm. Haliday, a regular attendant of the Proton Church, who suddenly departed this life early in 1961, with a firm trust in her Saviour and her acceptance in Him.

To the memory of Sister Ella Young, better known as Grandma Young, who gladly and triumphantly departed to be with the Lord in March, 1961. Sister Young was one of the earliest converts of the Wareham revival which led to the founding of our Proton Church and Bible School. Her presence and testimony were a benediction in every service she attended, and in her last years her room and bedside were as the vestibule of heaven.

Of all these Saints of sacred memory we would sing, "I will meet you in the morning."

Respectfully,

Gladys White.

District Treasurer's Report Year Ending June 30, 1961

| | Balance Forward | Receipts | Expenditures | Balance on hand |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------|--------------------|
| District Administration | 1393 63 | 3468 15 | 4398 45 | 463 33 |
| Foreign Missions | 40 00 | 2450 43 | 1500 00 | 990 43 |
| United Stewardship Fund ..... | .. .. | 698 02 | 698 02 | ..... |
| Camp Fund | 44 40 | ..... | 44 40 | ..... |
| General Conference Fund | 138 02 | 44 85 | .. .. | 182 87 |
| Eastern Pilgrim College ..... | ..... | 280 50 | 280 50 | ..... |
| Notes Payable ..... | .. .. | 2000 00 | 2000 00 | .. .. |
| Pilgrim Pension Plan | 21 60 | 142 80 | 115 20 | 49 20 |
| Rally Day ..... | .. .. | 60 98 | 60 98 | .. .. |
| | 1637 65 | 9145 73 | 9097 55 | 1685 83 |

Church Treasurer's Report

| | Balance Brought Forward | Total Receipts | Paid To District Administration | Total Expend. | Bal. on hand |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Bruce Mines | 4.32 | 1689.98 | 58.61 | 1636.81 | 53.17 |
| Durham | 8.51 | 1468.31 | 106.20 | 1309.07 | 159.24 |
| Dyer's Bay | 16.81 | 739.33 | 37.25 | 684.68 | 54.65 |
| Lion's Head | 166.35 | 4333.53 | 374.19 | 4223.74 | 109.79 |
| Massey | 110.23 | 5330.79 | | 5328.42 | 2.33 |
| Proton | 60.72 | 3455.72 | 313.87 | 3455.72 | |
| Strathroy | | | | | |
| Toronto | 206.02 | 8926.67 | 380.51 | 8923.51 | 3.16 |
| Totals | 572.96 | 26879.33 | 1270.63 | 26496.95 | 382.38 |

Pastor's Report

| | Sermons Preached | Total Pastor Calls | Total Seekers | Total Support |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Bruce Mines | 82 | 370 | 15 | 763.83 |
| Proton and Durham | 95 | 500 | 15 | 2935.00 |
| Dyer's Bay and Lion's Head | 181 | 339 | | 2730.01 |
| Massey | 101 | 297 | 21 | 2590.55 |
| Proton Strathroy | | | | |
| Toronto | 96 | 382 | 15 | 3920.00 |

| | Members last report | Removals by death or letter | Gain | Members this report | Total Services | Advocate subscr'n |
|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Bruce Mines | 12 | .. | 1 | 13 | 96 | 10 |
| Durham | 11 | .. | 0 | 11 | 58 | 3 |
| Dyer's Bay | 9 | .. | 0 | 9 | 93 | 6 |
| Lion's Head | 20 | 4 | 0 | 20 | 159 | 8 |
| Massey | 23 | 7 | 0 | 23 | 203 | 10 |
| Proton | 51 | 1 | 5 | 56 | 115 | 16 |
| Strathroy | 19 | 3 | 0 | 16 | | |
| Toronto | 49 | | 12 | 61 | 160 | |
| Totals | 194 | | 18 | 209 | 884 | 53 |

Property Statement

| | Church Value | Parsonage Value | Total Value | Total Debt | Total Equity |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Bruce Mines | 3750 00 | 2453 00 | 6203 00 | | 6203 00 |
| Durham | 6000 00 | | 6000 00 | | 6000 00 |
| Dyer's Bay | 3000 00 | | 3000 00 | | 3000 00 |
| Lion's Head | 3000 00 | 3000 00 | 6000 00 | | 6000 00 |
| Massey | | | | | |
| Proton | 3500 00 | 3000 00 | 6500 00 | | 6500 00 |
| Strathroy | | | | | |
| Toronto | | | 45000 00 | 7460 00 | 37540 00 |
| Totals | | | 72703 00 | 7460 00 | 65243 00 |

Missionary Treasurer's Report

| | RECEIPTS | | EXPENSES | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---|-------------------|---------------|
| | Cash brought forward | Total Receipts | Local | Foreign Missions | Value of gifts sent Foreign Miss. | Total Expenses | Cash Bal. |
| Dyer's Bay | 43 19 | 114 19 | .. .. | .. .. | .. .. | 87 10 | 27 09 |
| Lion's Head | 26 30 | 113 20 | 78 60 | .. .. | 46 00 | 78 60 | 34 60 |
| Massey | | 22 03 | 21 53 | .. .. | 85 00 | 21 53 | 50 |
| Proton | 31 93 | 98 61 | 7 38 | 50 00 | .. .. | 57 38 | 41 23 |
| Strathroy | | | | | | | |
| Toronto | | 139 00 | .. .. | 126 84 | 40 25 | 126 84 | 12 16 |
| Totals | 101 42 | 487 03 | 107 51 | 176 84 | 171 25 | 371 45 | 115 58 |

Youth Financial Report

| RECEIPTS | | | EXPENDITURES | |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Cash Brought Forward | Total Receipts | Total Expenditures | Cash on Hand |
| Bruce Mines | | 10 42 | 10 42 | ..... |
| Massey | 71 | 230 87 | 228 71 | 2 16 |
| Proton | 5 50 | 32 34 | 25 50 | 6 84 |
| Strathroy | | | | |
| Toronto | | 118 34 | 111 75 | 6 59 |
| Totals | 6 21 | 391 97 | 376 38 | 15 59 |

Youth Statistical Report

| | Members Last Report | Total Members This Report | Gain | Meetings Held | Average Attend. Last Report | Average Attend. This Report |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bruce Mines | | Unorganized | | 35 | .. | 11 |
| Massey | | 20 | 20 | 20 | .. | 15 |
| Proton | 46 | 46 | .. | 22 | 25 30 | 25 30 |
| Strathroy | | | | | | |
| Toronto | | | | | | |
| Totals | 46 | 66 | 20 | 77 | 28 | 54 |

Sunday School Statistical Report

| | Total Enrolment | Average Wkly. Attendance Last Report | Average Wkly Attendance This Report | Attendance Gain | Attendance Loss |
|---------------------|--------------------|--|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Bruce Mines | 53 | 31 | 34 | 3 | |
| Durham | 25 | 16 | 19 | 3 | |
| Dyer's Bay | 44 | 30 | 21 | .. | 9 |
| Lion's Head | 99 | 65 | 66 | 1 | |
| Massey | 92 | 67 | 69 | 2 | |
| Nestorville | 20 | .. | 12 | 12 | |
| Proton | 91 | 54 | 63 | 9 | |
| Strathroy | | | | | |
| Toronto | 235 | 135 | 163 | 28 | |
| Totals | 659 | 398 | 447 | 58 | 9 |

Sunday School Financial Report

| RECEIPTS | | EXPENDITURES | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| | Total Receipts | Literature | Rally Day Offering | Total Expenditures | Cash On Hand |
| Bruce Mines | 202 71 | 67 29 | 6 00 | 170 61 | 32 10 |
| Durham | 117 47 | 60 51 | 6 00 | 97 43 | 20 04 |
| Dyer's Bay | 196 29 | 50 78 | . . . | 131 25 | 65 04 |
| Lion's Head | 553 56 | 219 46 | 21 94 | 340 99 | 212 57 |
| Massey | 461 21 | 182 54 | 15 73 | 410 78 | 50 43 |
| Nestorville | 21 05 | Donated | . . . | 21 05 | . . . |
| Proton | 462 83 | 176 10 | 14 57 | 458 57 | 4 26 |
| Strathroy | | | | | |
| Toronto | 764 22 | 286 14 | 17 91 | 642 91 | 121 31 |
| Totals | 2779 34 | 1042 82 | 82 15 | 2273 59 | 507 75 |

Summary of Totals By Departments

RECEIPTS

| | Regular Church | Sunday School | Youth Society | Missionary Society | Grand Total |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Bruce Mines | 1689 98 | 202 71 | 10 42 | . . . | 1817 95 |
| Durham | 1468 31 | 117 47 | . . . | . . . | 1585 78 |
| Dyer's Bay | 739 33 | 196 29 | . . . | 114 19 | 1049 81 |
| Lion's Head | 4333 53 | 533 56 | . . . | 113 20 | 5000 29 |
| Massey | 5330 79 | 461 21 | 230 87 | 22 03 | 6044 90 |
| Proton | 3455 72 | 462 83 | 32 34 | 98 61 | 4049 50 |
| Strathroy | | | | | |
| Toronto | 8926 67 | 764 22 | 118 34 | 139 00 | 9948 23 |
| Totals | 26879 33 | 2738 29 | 391 97 | 487 03 | 28963 15 |

EXPENDITURES

| | Regular Church | Sunday School | Youth Society | Missionary Society | Grand Total | Cash on hand in all depts. |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Bruce Mines | 1636 81 | 170 61 | 10 42 | . . . | 1732 68 | 85 27 |
| Durham | 1309 07 | 97 43 | . . . | . . . | 1406 50 | 179 28 |
| Dyer's Bay | 684 68 | 131 25 | . . . | 87 10 | 903 03 | 146 78 |
| Lion's Head | 4223 74 | 340 99 | . . . | 78 60 | 4643 33 | 356 96 |
| Massey | 5328 42 | 410 78 | 228 71 | 21 53 | 5989 44 | 55 46 |
| Proton | 3455 72 | 458 57 | 25 50 | 57 38 | 3997 17 | 52 33 |
| Strathroy | | | | | | |
| Toronto | 8923 51 | 642 91 | 111 75 | 126 84 | 9805 01 | 143 22 |
| Totals | 26496 95 | 2252 54 | 376 38 | 371 45 | 28103 09 | 1019 30 |