

Annual Reports
for 1939

Read JAN. 17. 1940

Pelham Congregational
Conference Statement 1939

	Oct.		Nov. & Dec.		Total	Budget	over
<u>Balance</u>	1166.71	2273.09	1166.71	1166.71	-		
<u>Receipts</u>							
Current Collections	753.33	725.00	1013.33	1200.00	186.67		
Pledges 1939	11783.38	3977.82	16761.20	16748.20	513.00		
Pledges Back	496.50	600.00	1096.50	1000.00	96.50		
Gift of Honor	1067.08		1067.08	1067.08	-		
Church School	522.85	1800.00	728.85	400.00	3028.85		
Womens Assembly	650.00	1500.00	800.00	800.00	-		
Donations etc. Oregon	610.00		610.00	610.00	-		
Miscellaneous	580.1		580.1		580.1		
Rental	400.00	400.00	800.00		800.00		
	17014.14	51728.82	22156.94	21325.28	86166		
	18180.83	7445.91	23353.65	22491.99	86166		
<u>Disbursements</u>							
Salary Pastor	3583.33	716.67	4300.00	4300.00	-		
Salary office	1000.00	200.00	1200.00	1200.00	-		
Assistant Treasurer	166.67	33.33	200.00	200.00	-		
Office Supplies	135.61	25.00	160.61	175.00	14.39		
Postage Printing	241.30	130.00	371.30	250.00	121.30		
Music	1534.00	666.00	2200.00	2200.00	-		
Salary Director	1000.00	200.00	1200.00	1200.00	-		
Church School (1938 69.75)	529.17	244.00	773.17	600.00	173.17		
Salary Janitor	1503.80	300.00	1803.80	1500.00	300.00		
Supplies Janitor	52.93	30.60	83.53	100.00	16.47		
Telephone	44.15	20.00	119.15	120.00	8.00		
Power Light Water Gas	473.68	120.00	593.68	500.00	93.68		
Coal (1938 699.31)	799.31	874.82	1674.13	800.00	874.13		
Removal of ashes	26.50		26.50	25.00	1.50		
Funeral Missions	1000.00	200.00	1200.00	1200.00	-		
Apprenticeship	530.00	1250.00	1800.00	1800.00	-		
Insurance	480.46	167.13	607.59	431.00	175.59		
Repairs Church	501.64	311.00	812.64	500.00	312.64		
Repairs Parsonage	103.80	25.00	128.80	50.00	78.80		
House Rental	40.00	40.00	80.00				
Contingent Fund	244.90	50.00	294.90	500.00	140.30		
Young Men's Comm.	23.48		23.48				
Funeral & Textiles	36.15		36.15				
Association dues	25.60		25.60				
Advertising	300.00		30.00	50.00	200.00		
Miscellaneous	8.29	29.59	38.77				
Payment on mortgage	500.00		500.00	500.00			
Interest on mortgage	54.00		54.00	57.00			
Board cost 1938	77.00		77.00		77.00		
Oregon Contract	64.16	308.44	372.60	610.00	240.00		
Clothes & Pastor	150.00	20.00	200.00	200.00	50.00		
Pulpit Supply							
Gift of Honor		2137.08	2137.08	2137.08			
Mission Fund		134.65	134.65	134.65			
	15407.74	8207.61	24115.31	21780.73	22246.20		
	22730.9	761.60	2616.00	711.26	14724.66		

Pilgrim Congregational Church.

Tentative Budget

1939

	1939	1938
<u>Pulpit & Office</u>		
Salary Pastor	4300.00	4000.00
Assistant Treasurer	700.00	700.00
Office Secretary	1700.00	1700.00
Office Supplies	1750.00	2000.00
Postage & Printing	100.00	50.00
Advertising	50.00	150.00
Pulpit Supply		600.00
<u>Religious Education</u>		
Salary Director	1700.00	1700.00
Budget	600.00	600.00
	1800.00	1800.00
<u>Benevolences</u>		
Finnish Mission	1700.00	1700.00
State Office	1800.00	800.00
	3000.00	2000.00
<u>Music</u>		
	2000.00	2000.00
<u>Maintenance of Plant</u>		
Salary Janitor	1800.00	1800.00
Supplies Janitor	100.00	100.00
Coal	800.00	800.00
Light Power Water Gas	500.00	500.00
Telephone	120.00	120.00
Removal of Ashes	75.00	75.00
Insurance	450.85	437.00
Repairs Church	500.00	500.00
Repair House	50.00	50.00
Taxes	10.00	10.00
Interest on Mortgage	537.00	600.00
	4869.85	4937.00
<u>Contingent Fund</u>	500.00	500.00
<u>Payment on Mortgage</u>	500.00	500.00
	1969.85	17987.00

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REPORT OF HISTORIAN

Members of the
Pilgrim Congregational Church of
Duluth, Minnesota:

Tonight is held the 69th annual meeting of Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duluth.

The first meetings were held in the old Y.W.C.A. building and the church was organized with 16 charter members.

The first church building was constructed at the Northeast corner of First Avenue East and Second Street.

In 1887 a new church was constructed at the site of the present Boys' Y building at Lake Avenue and Second Street.

The present building was dedicated on Christmas Sunday 1917.

The following have served as pastors of this church, in the order named:

Rev. C. C. Salter
Rev. C. A. Conant
Rev. E. C. Ingalls
Rev. C. C. Salter
Rev. J. W. Hargrave
Rev. Edward M. Noyes
Rev. C. H. Patton
Rev. Alex Milne
Rev. C. N. Thorp
Rev. N. S. Elderkin
Rev. C. S. Dunham
Rev. T. K. Vogler
Rev. B. R. Marshall
Rev. T. C. McQueen

And each of these pastors Pilgrim Church is pleased to honor for their faithful service.

During the year past, 1939, 75 new members have been added, 18 have been dismissed, 5 died, 9 marriages have been performed, 15 births recorded and 9 infants baptized.

The pastorate of Rev. Thomas C. McQueen continued uninterrupted thru the year.

During the year 1939 the following have ended their probation here and joined that innumerable throng in that world beyond:

Lester M. Maxfield
Mrs. Virginia Kearns
Mrs. H. H. Phelps
Miss Daisie Thoers
Mrs. Philip J. Frost
Mrs. W. H. Thomas.

IN MEMORIAM

"Who hath not learned in hours of faith,
The truth, to flesh and sense unknown,
That Life is ever Lord of Death,
And Love can never lose its own."
--Whittier

May we pause for a moment in silence to the memory of those whose names have been read.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. Foster
Church Historian

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

TREASURER'S REPORT

1939

RECEIPTS:

Current Plate Collections	1,249.34	
Current Pledges	15,684.40	
Back Pledges	796.95	
Church School	647.49	
Women's Assembly	1,100.00	
Debt of Honor	1,067.08	
Rental, of Auditorium	120.00	
Fire Insurance on Curtain	49.01	
Donations Organ Fund	610.00	
Thank Offering	225.92	
Miscellaneous	209.00	
		<u>21,759.19</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

<u>PULPIT & OFFICE</u>		
Salary, Minister	4,300.00	
Salary, Church Office	1,200.00	
Salary, Assistant Treasurer	200.00	
Office Supplies	145.66	
Postage & Printing	370.05	
Advertising	30.00	
		<u>6,245.71</u>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Salary, Director	1,200.00	
Church School	845.21	
		<u>2,045.21</u>

BENEVOLENCES:

<u>FINNISH MISSIONS</u>		
Apportionment	1,200.00	
	1,434.11	
		<u>2,634.11</u>

UPKEEP OF PLANT

Salary, Janitor	1,803.80	
Supplies, Janitor,	75.78	
Telephones	119.85	
Power, Light, Water, Gas,	607.47	
Fuel	1,032.31	
Removal of Ashes	38.50	
Insurance	667.59	
Repairs, Church	880.89	
Repairs, Parsonage	110.50	
New Equipment	36.15	
		<u>5,372.84</u>
		2141.40

MUSIC

GENERAL:

Traveling Expense, Minister	\$ 175.20	
Association Dues	95.62	
Interest on Mortgage	547.00	
Payment on Mortgage	500.00	
Children's Choir	68.11	
Every Member Canvass	96.68	
Garage Rental	40.00	
Broadcast, 1938	77.40	
Contingent Fund	33.50	
Organ Contract	641.56	
Miscellaneous	32.08	
		\$ 2,307.15
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$20,746.42

SUMMARY:

Balances, January 1, 1939:		
Church	\$ 1.59	
Church School, Missions	75.12	
Debt of Honor	1,090.00	\$ 1,166.71
Receipts		21,759.19
		\$22,925.90
Disbursements		20,746.42
Balances, December 31, 1939:		\$ 2,179.48
Church	\$ 19.00	
Church School, Missions	3.40	
Debt of Honor	2,157.08	\$ 2,179.48

Mortgage Balance	\$10,440.00
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UNPAID BILLS:

Coal	\$641.72
Balance Organ Contract	308.44
	\$949.36

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HUGO MANUFACTURING COMPANY

MAKERS OF



GAS APPLIANCES
METAL STAMPINGS

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WEST DULUTH • MINNESOTA

January 16, 1940

Board of Trustees
Pilgrim Congregational Church
2310 East 4th Street
Duluth, Minnesota

Dear Sirs:

As Chairman of the Religious Education I give you below the report on the activities of our committee for the past calendar year.

The facilities of the church have been used extensively during the past year by the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Sea Scouts, The Inter-College Club, The Pilgrim Players, and the Pilgrim Fellowship Group. Practically every evening you find some group present carrying on their various activities.

The enrollment in the Sunday School has gradually increased. On January 1st, we had 268 enrolled. The average attendance since the beginning of the present school year has been 212.

We have a good staff of teachers who have given generously of their time in an effort to prepare themselves for the kind of leadership which they feel is needed.

The committee has lived within its budget and are pleased to report a net ~~receipt~~ for mission activities of \$187.90. Expenditures of \$24.50 have been made against this fund leaving a total of \$163.40 which is being turned over to the Church Treasurer.

The committee has endorsed the plan of having the older children carry on their worship service in connection with the regular church services. While there may have been some disturbances, the committee feels that the advantage to the children far exceeds any inconvenience which might have been felt by the regular congregation. The committee endorses the idea and is likely to continue the arrangement.

The ever increasing enrollment has resulted in a problem of finding space for the classes. We urge that as soon as conditions permit, additional space be made available for the Church School.

Respectfully submitted,
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMITTEE

By

Harry W. Clark
Harry W. Clark, Chairman.

January 17th, 1940.

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The Hospitality Committee held two luncheon meetings at the Glass Block early in the year to outline their work. The first meeting was held early in February. At that time Mr. McQueen gave us a list of about thirty families, whom he felt were interested in our Church, and asked us to call on them.

We met again with Mr. McQueen in March to report on our calls. At this time we also discussed plans for getting our new people acquainted with our church members. Mr. McQueen suggested we invite these people into his home for informal gatherings on Sunday evenings. This was done with the result that we had

14 at the first meeting
20 at the second meeting
18 at the third

By October there were so many new people interested in an organization that we had outgrown Mr. McQueen's home so the Pilgrim Century Club was formed.

The Century Club had a dinner meeting in November with thirty present. In December ~~they~~ had a Christmas party with 58 present. Many people in this group have joined our Church during the past year.

Beside making all the calls Mr. McQueen asked of us during the year, your committee has functioned in the foyer each Sunday in an effort to make strangers feel welcome and at home in our Church and to make new members better acquainted with our older members.

I wish to thank all members of the hospitality committee for their support during the year and I also want to acknowledge the help of Mr. & Mrs. MacLeod, Mrs. Loranger and Mrs. Rayn.

We have enjoyed a busy year.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia W. Coleman
Virginia W. Coleman

World Fellowship Department, 1939.

Eight meetings were held, 7 at homes and one (in September) in connection with the Assembly meeting. Attendance averaged 25. Collections and contributions totaled \$42.79 which, with \$34.69 on hand made \$77.48, besides the thank offering. Our assigned quota of \$40.00 was sent to Tillotson College, subscriptions to "Congregational Minnesota" were sent to ministers in outlying churches of our association, and dues paid to the Women's Department of the Duluth Council of Churches, leaving a balance of \$33.98. (Of the Thank offering of \$255.92, \$225.92 was sent to the State Board, and \$30.00 bought meat for Thanksgiving baskets.)

Four programs dealt with books suggested by the Missions Council: Mrs. Savin reviewed "Moving Millions", Mrs. Harris, "Thru Tragedy to Triumph", Mrs. Hanson, "Dina bandhu"; and Mrs. Arper read a report of the Madras Conference. Mr. McQueen explained our benevolence situation at one meeting; and at another, told us about the conference at St. Louis. Reports from the state conference were brought by the delegates.

Mrs. McQueen, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Matter & Mrs. Tracy.

Twenty six women have served or assisted as hostesses, and the program shows the earnest work of Mrs. Taylor & Mrs. Avery, co-chairmen.

Elizabeth Porter Land, pres.
1-17-40

President's Report.

General Assembly 1939-40.

Mr. Moderator and fellow members of Pilgrim Congregational Church, I want if possible to present to you a picture of the various departments and activities of the Women's Assembly and its branch, The World Fellowship. I really think the President of the latter group, Mrs. Laird should read her report, but because it is an integral part of the Assembly she has asked me to incorporate it in this report. Read

As to the duties of officers and Committees of the Assembly, The President is in charge of general activities and is responsible to the Church for the Women's work. The first Vice President is financial chairman for General Assembly projects and is always coming forward with some new money making plan, as movie tickets, clearing powder, public market etc. The second Vice President is the consultant for the Supervisors and an excellent

right hand man ready to be called upon in an emergency. The duties of the Recording and Corresponding Secretaries are well known and our treasurer pays the bills and acts as a good balance wheel if we become a bit too ambitious.

The five Supervisors directly oversee their particular groups and correlate their work with that of the General Assembly, each group being responsible for the activities of two working months of the year.

Our contact with the church as a whole is maintained thru representation on the Board of Trustees, the Hospitality, Music, Lookout and Religious Education Committees.

In our own especial field we have our Housekeeping and Replacement Committee, membership, Flower, Welfare, Program and Publicity. Thus you see we have the set up as you might call it, now does it work? We believe that it does.

I would like to pay tribute to ³ the loyalty, faithfulness and good nature of the women of this church. It is not only an education but an inspiration to work with them.

The individual groups have sponsored many activities to promote good fellowship and help earn their quotas, as teas, musical entertainments, luncheons & an electrical demonstration. While the Assembly, all working together have sponsored one or two large luncheons, a turkey dinner and fair and the Catherine Van Buren Concert.

Our programs have been varied and interesting, a topic by the Rev. Clarence Kilde of Minneapolis and a Reading Program for women, music, book reviews, a talk and exhibit on weaving and two special programs in absence of Lent and Xmas.

Nor do we live to ourselves alone but feel that we should share in the work of the community, so thru our Welfare Committee we have sent boxes to the Finnish missions,

To Southern Schools, our High Schools, money given to Holiday Bureau, International Institute, Light House for the Blind, to help send a girl to Camp and in a National Call for relief as the Red Cross and Flood Sufferers.

Special help has also been given in taking care of and repairing the robes of both the Senior and Junior choirs. The flower arrangements in the church and also special decorations has been the work of the flower committee, and this was much appreciated help was given by the newly organized Century Club.

Speak of
Mrs. Hermick,

Finally last but not least, are we solvent, we are. Our total disbursements for the year ending Jan. 3 1940 were \$1857.28. This includes our pledge of \$500. to the church and \$300. to benevolences, ~~and~~ in addition ~~\$500.~~ we undertook to raise \$500. as a start toward the remodeling of our kitchen. This coupled with a most substantial balance of \$486.91, passed on to us by the Assembly of 1938 & the Past President Mrs. Laid, + including \$33.98 belonging to W. Fellowships

all bills paid. a balance of 1106.78.

Respectfully Submitted
Mrs. W. C. Lounsbury

Annual Report for 1939.

The year 1939 was one of progress for Pilgrim Church as the minister sees it. All departments of the church have shown a healthy growth and the attendance in the worship services and the church school has been most gratifying. The officers & committees of the church have co-operated with me fully and I sincerely appreciate the fine service they have rendered. The reports you have heard tonight show that all have discharged the duties of their respective departments well. I think we ought to have a report from every committee at our annual meetings & suggest that this be done next year. Several committees not heard from tonight have rendered exceptionally fine service.

Lookout - Mrs. Heimick

Ushers - Ray & Coleman

Social Relations - Carol Steele

Music - Ralph Page

next year - Boy's Work.

"Council of Churches"

The staff of the church have also given me the fullest co-operation and I sincerely appreciate the fine spirit in which they have done their work.

Mrs. Mauley would win first prize as a church secretary, easily, in any competition. He is always ready to do anything that is asked of her whether it happens to be in her department or not and gets through a prodigious amount of work in the best humor of anyone I ever knew.

Miss Leland has worked hard with the Church School and the fine report you heard from Mr. Clark tonight gives evidence of her success. Due to the fact that we dropped the "U of Life" program this year her work with the young people has been most difficult but she has given her best to it and we are beginning to see results.

Mr. Rivals has always been willing to carry out any suggestion we make to him in regard to the plant and he keeps the building in tip top condition.

I want also to mention the fine volunteer work Mr. Hillman has done as our church treasurer. He has one of the hardest tasks in the church, for which he receives no pay whatsoever, and he does a splendid piece of work.

There are several matters concerning our activities in of the coming year which I want to mention.

- Improvements—
1. take care of mortgage
 2. finish room in basement
 3. new hymn books
 4. new chairs for chapel

Note on finance—

Dr. Mayo in Rochester

In regard to organization—

Pilgrim Century Club—go with rest of church

The direction of the spiritual program of the church I am sure must be apparent to all of you. We live in very difficult times and I am sure you feel the need of spiritual guidance just as I do. I have tried to bring you such light as God has given me to face life today and shall continue to do so. As you know I am not a reformer in any sense of the word as I am convinced that the solution of any spiritual problem is not nearly so important as the way in which we meet it. Hence the things I have to say are meant to strengthen our faith in Him who is our Saviour and Lord and for the coming of whose Kingdom we all look forward with hope.

Report of Men's Club of Pilgrim Church.

The Men's Club, which was organized in February 1939, held six meetings during the year with an average attendance of 35.

The officers for the year were;

Seymour Smith--Pres.

F.L. Berkheiser--Vice-Pres.

George Finlayson--Sect'y-Treas.

The purpose of the Club was to further greater fellowship among the men of the church, encourage self-improvement through adult Religious Education, rally men to the loyal support of the Pastor and officials of the church and develop among men an appreciation of the value of public worship with renewed devotion to the cause of Christ.

Fine dinners and interesting programs were provided at each meeting and the men became better acquainted with the Pastor and each other.

It is hoped that during 1940 the Club will expand until all the men of the church become a part of it and that it will grow to be one of the most active organizations of the church.

Seymour Smith . President.

REPORT OF BOARD OF DEACONS FOR
ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 17th, 1940.

At the Annual Meeting of the church a year ago, the membership of the Board of Deacons was increased from Sixteen to Eighteen members.

During the year regular monthly meetings have been held, with loyal attendance.

The generosity of the Congregation has enabled the Treasurer of the Deacons fund to maintain at all times a modest reserve for emergencies. The balance on hand at this date is \$67.89. It is not necessary to carry a large balance, since experience has shown that when money for the fund is needed, the response is always prompt and adequate. We believe this fund is rendering a splendid service.

It may interest you to know something of the nature of the Deacon's monthly meetings. These meetings are held on the second Friday of each month at the luncheon hour, and I assure you they are not social engagements. The minister never fails to have a list of subjects that he desires to discuss with the Board, and I'm quite convinced that no I.Q. test can be more perplexing, and no picture puzzle was ever more puzzling, nor more interesting than some of the problems with which the minister is faced.

I think that if anyone inclined to be at all critical could "listen in" at one of these meetings, he would quickly be convinced that the labors of the minister of a large church are not confined to what some may consider the soft job of preparing a twenty-five minute sermon once a week. At these meetings, in the frankest manner, and solely with the welfare of the church in mind, many matters concerning the life, purposes and activities of the church have been discussed with the minister, resulting, as we are persuaded, in a mutual appreciation of the problems, which in a church the size of Pilgrim church, are numerous, varied, complex, omnipresent, and never dull or ~~uninteresting~~ uninteresting.

At the conclusion of an important and interesting meeting of the Board

In September, on motion of Mr. Walker, a unanimous vote of confidence, esteem and deep appreciation was given Mr. McQueen for his splendid services to our church and its people during the first two years of his ministry, and all pledged him their hearty cooperation and support during the coming year.

I believe that this expression of the Board of Deacons ~~is~~ expresses also the sentiment of the church at this the Third Annual meeting of Mr. McQueen's ministry with us.

Albert G. Allison,
Senior Deacon.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH CLERK
FOR THE
SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
HELD AT THE CHURCH, JANUARY 17, 1940

During 1939 there were two regularly called meetings of membership which were duly held and the minutes recorded.

At the Annual Meeting of Pilgrim Church held January 18, 1939 there was reported a membership of

683

During 1939 there were new members added by letter, by re-affirmation and confession of faith

~~77~~ 75
~~760~~ 758

Transferred to other Churches

18

Losses by death

5

23
~~137~~ 735

Net gain

~~54~~ 52

The following letters of transfer were issued during 1939, which require the approval of the membership at this time:

Date

1-3	Mrs. Emilie M. Cole,	1st Presbyterian Church,	Albuquerque, N. M.
2-4	J. H. Gentry,	Endion Community Church,	Duluth, Minnesota.
2-4	Mrs. J. H. Gentry,	" " "	" "
3-5	Mrs. Arthur Hartwell,	1st Presbyterian Church,	Englewood, N. J.
3-15	Lester M. Bergford,	Plymouth Church,	Minneapolis, Minn.
3-15	Mrs. Lester M. Bergford,	" "	" "
3-23	Mrs. Mildred George Hess,	United Baptist Christian Church,	Duluth, Minnesota.
3-27	Dr. Thomas D. Tracy,	1st Presbyterian Church,	Columbia, Tenn.
4-5	C. A. George,	United Baptist Christian Church,	Duluth, Minnesota.
4-5	Mrs. C. A. George,	" " " "	" "
4-5	R. S. Gardiner,	Grace Presbyterian Church,	Minneapolis, Minn.
4-5	Mrs. R. S. Gardiner,	" " " "	" "
4-5	John W. Gardiner,	" " " "	" "
4-10	Mrs. Lloyd Hale,	Plymouth Church,	" "
4-14	Mrs. Marjorie DeForest Hanson,	Woodside M. E. Church,	Silver Springs, Md.
4-18	Miss Marcella Bates,	Lakeside Presbyterian Church,	Duluth, Minnesota.
5-3	Robert Person,	Mayflower Community Church,	Minneapolis, Minn.
6-9	Miss Margaret Staley,	1st Congregational Church,	Rochester, Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted,

The Report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees

The Annual Meeting affords an opportunity for the members to learn of the business of the Church.

The Treasurer will give you the details of the finances and the reports of the committee chairmen and officers will tell you of the work accomplished. I am sure that you will agree that they all deserve your thanks for the good deeds done.

The Trustees have had a struggle with a double budget, with unfavorable results. Unfortunately we, unlike the Federal government, cannot ignore the deficit caused by unexpected and extra-budget expenditures.

After the last year's Every Member Canvass it was necessary to revise, downward, the tentative budget, printed and distributed at that time. A reduction of approximately \$ 1000 was made. During the year and after the painting was done in the Auditorium, two apparently unavoidable expenses occurred. Repairs to the organ, which had been neglected for several years, as an economy measure, had to be made and later, in order to protect the new paint and the organ, repairs to the roof were necessary.

We started 1939 with unpaid bills of \$769.06 and arrearages in pledges of \$ 1602.80. About half the pledges have since been paid. We end 1939 with a deficit represented by unpaid bills of about \$ 800.00 and nearly \$ 2,000 in unpaid pledges.

During the year two appeals were made for extra-budget obligations, the Debt of Honor and Organ repairs. Nearly \$ 3,000 was realized. A balance on \$ 350. on the organ repairs had to be assumed by the regular fund of the Church.

Some criticism of the Trustees has been made on account of printing in the tentative budget an item " Deficit \$ 750. " The statement was made that we had had no deficits in the past. This not the case - unpaid bills have been carried over frequently and the apportionment cut. In 1936 and 1937 the apportionment suffered by lack of funds. \$ 540 and \$ 705. respectively was paid. In 1938 we paid \$ 2024 toward the Benevolences and in 1939 we paid \$ 2700. The last due to special assistance from the Women's Assembly.

The mere approving of a budget by the Church does not necessarily settle the finances . If the pledges are not paid or unexpected and unavoidable expenditures develop some part of the program has to be curtailed. — *apportionment usually suffers.*

I am sorry that business prevents me from attending this meeting, but I am sure that Mr Stillman will answer your questions.

The Trustees appreciate the excellent work of the pastor and the church staff and particularly the untiring, thorough and dependable labor of the Treasurer, Mr Stillman.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

