

500 Attending Church Meeting

Trinity C.M.E. church this week is host to the annual Champaign district of Southeast Missouri and Illinois conference.

There are approximately 500 attending the conference which opened yesterday and will continue through Sunday.

Elder J. P. Davis, of Decatur, district superintendent, is presiding elder and general chairman of the conference and Rev. C. M. Baker, church pastor, is host.

Dr. E. P. Murchison, editor of the Christian Index, official publication of the C.M.E. church, delivered the communion sermon which opened the conference yesterday.

CONFERENCE officers elected yesterday are:

Robert Birdsong, Gary, Ind., secretary;

Mrs. A. C. Shrout, New Madrid, Mo., assistant secretary;

Attorney I. S. Pinkett, Chicago Heights, reporter;

Rev. J. C. Clay, Gary, Ind.;

Rev. A. L. Adams, Chicago Heights; Rev. T. R. Taylor, New Madrid, Mo.;

The latter three make up the committee on finance.

NEW DISTRICT officers are:

Mrs. A. L. Groom, Mt. Vernon, missionary;

Mrs. Minerva G. Bradford, Decatur, league;

W. C. Wesson, Gary, Ind., lay activity.

Mayor James A. Hedrick participated in last night's reception program.