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In 1870 the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, created the West St. Louis Conference by dividing the former St. Louis Conference. The new conference included churches in districts centered around Kansas City, Lexington, Boonville, Neosho, Springfield, and Lebanon. Later, districts were formed around Nevada and Clinton. The first annual meeting was held in 1871. In 1874, the Conference was re-named the Southwest Missouri Conference, better describing its geographical scope.

These annual meetings were held in September or October, and lasted almost a week. The site varied from year to year. At these convocations, presided over by a Bishop, the business of the Conference was conducted by its clerical and lay membership. Pastors were appointed to local churches, reports were offered on the well-being of the church and its programs, departed brothers and sisters of the faith were eulogized, and detailed statistics were gathered concerning the membership and finances of the denomination.

The dates covered are scattered (see the Shelf List), but are most complete for the 1890s and 1900s, with a complete run from 1901 through 1908.

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1907  Independence, Mo.  Joseph S. Key
1908  Warrensburg, Mo.  H. C. Morrison
1921  Windsor, Mo.  W. B. Murrah
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