CARLOS NICOLAS:

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to Carlos Nicolas, of Mexico.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 3, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, M E Kern, F Griggs, Dr H W Miller, W W Prescott, B G Wilkinson, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

ASIATIC DIVISION MEETING:

A letter was presented from Elder R C Porter, of the Asiatic Division, asking for counsel by cable as to the holding of the Asiatic Division conference during the visit of Elder Daniells to the East. It was--

VOTED, To cable as follows: "Yes. Early. Additional appropriation, \$5,000; limit delegation accordingly."

According to the suggestions made in the letter this cable indicated that the Committee advise holding the meeting in March, if possible, rather than in the later warmer season; and that the expense of transportation and of the meeting would be limited to \$5,000, some of the newly arrived workers, possibly, being asked not to come on to the meeting in order to keep the expense down.

SCHOOL MAN. FOR CHINA:

Elder Porter reported that after one more year of school work, Dr. Selmon felt that he should be released, to take up other lines of service. The Asiatic Division committee requested the selection of a school man on this side, who might come out

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and be learning the language, provided Dr Miller was not available to return to take the school.

VOTED, That we suggest to the committee that they consider Elder R F Cottrell as principal of the school, failing Dr Selmon, and that in case this is favorably considered, Elder and Sister Cottrell plan their furlough the coming year, in order to be able to take over the school work.

H C GOODRICH--CUBA;

In response to a letter from the son of Elder H C Goodrich, now in Cuba, reporting his inability to return to Elder Goodrich some funds that he had borrowed, the funds being tied up by the financial crisis arising out of the war situation, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be asked to investigate the matter of Elder H C Goodrich's efforts to build a home and mission in the Isle of Pines, and that we advise the General Conference Corporation to take such steps as the treasurer may consider wise after investigation.

HAWAIIAN MISSION COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That Jonah Kumalae be appointed a member of the Hawalian mission advisory committee.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 4, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

A G DANIELLS:

The chairman presented a letter from Elder A G Daniells asking counsel regarding his movements abroad, and the time when he should plan to reach America. It was--

VOTED, That we advise that Elder Daniells attend the General Asiatic Division meeting in Shanghai, and visit as many of the Division fields as his strength will permit. We would be glad for him to reach the Pacific Coast in time to take in the larger early camp meetings of the North Pacific Union.

W A COLCORD:

A letter was considered from W A Colcord, expressing his feelings that he would prefer not to accept the call to work in New England.

VOTED, That the letter be referred to the officers of the General Conference, to talk with Brother Colcord, with authority to make such arrangements with him as may be thought advisable.

E W SNYDER:

A letter was received from Elder E E Andross, of the Pacific Union, reporting that it seemed difficult to utilize the services of Elder E W Snyder fully in the Spanish work in Southern California.

VOTED, That we request N Z Town, of the Northern Spanish mission fields, to take under consideration the placing of Elder E W Snyder in some of the northern Spanish fields where his services can be best utilized in the Spanish work.

A N DURRANT:

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$50 be authorized to the Columbia Union, to be put with a similar amount from that union, to aid Elder A N Durrant, of the West Indies, in clearing up some obligations which have hindered him in making ends meet in his work in Pittsburg.

NURSES, SIMLA, INDIA:

A letter was received from H R Salisbury, of the India Union Mission, calling for two nurses, man and wife, for treatment room work in Simla.

VOTED, That we ask the secretary and the North American Division Medical Department to look up nurses for Simla, who can be sent forward soon in order to reach the field in time for the opening of the summer season in the hills.

JOSEPH TUCKER--SOUTH AFRICA:

On report from N Z Town that the brethren in attendance at the Nashville book convention united in recommending Joseph Tucker, of the Southwestern Union, as leader of the book work in South Africa, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made, it was--

VOTED, That on these conditions we invite Joseph Tucker, to prepare to go to South Africa at the close of the school year, to take the leadership of the book work.

SOUTH AFRICAN EVANGELIST:

The call of South Africa for evangelistic help was further considered, and it was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division officers who will be at the College View meeting to make inquiry as to the availability of H E Lysinger, of Nebraska, for work in the South African Union.

DR RUBLE'S BECRETARY WORK:

A letter was received from Dr W A Ruble, secretary of the General Conference Medical Department, who is located at Loma Linda, reporting that he would like authorization to do some work by correspondence from that point in behalf of the general medical work.

VOTED, That we authorize Dr Ruble to employ a stenographer for ten or twelve hours per week, and that we advise him to rent a typewriter for the present requirements.

NOAH BAHARIAN:

The treasurer presented a letter from Noah Baharian, son of Elder Z G Baharian, of Turkey, reporting that his father had made arrangements, or had endeavored to do so, for funds to be remitted to him through the European Division. Owing to the breaking of connections, apparently, the funds were not coming through.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to advance \$25 at once to Brother Baharian, Jr., and to write the European treasury regarding the matter of further advances.

MEXICAN BUILDING FUND:

The treasurer presented a letter from Professor Caviness, of the Mexico Mission, saying that they would bike to have made available the funds held in trust as Mexico's share of the \$300,000 Fund, in order that purchases of property may be made in places where mission centers should be established, the present being an exceptional time to secure property at a low rate.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to inform the Mexican Mission that half of the Mexican fund, or \$2,500, is immediately available for land purchases.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 8,1915

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PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, Dr H W Miller, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, F Griggs, M E Kern, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, W E Howell, C L Benson, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

B R OWEN, KOREA:

A telegram from Dr T J Evans, of Loma Linda, reported further investigation of Mrs Owen's health, and with the medical opinion favorable, it was agreed that the action inviting B R Owen, of Loma Linda, to Korea would stand.

RAY KIMBALL-SIMLA, INDIA:

On report from the sub-committee appointed, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Ray Kimball and wife to go to India in response to the call for treatment room workers at Simla, or such other work as may later be arranged.

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HUNAN SUPERINTENDENT:

A letter was received from Elder Porter, of the Asiatic Division, making a call for a superintendent of the province of Hunan, in the Central China Mission.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to recommend some worker for the superintendency of Hunan.

ARGENTINE PRESIDENCY:

A letter was presented from J W Westphal, of the South American Union, setting forth the need again of a man to take the presidency of the Argentine Conference, owing to the death of Elder B C Haak.

VOTED, That we ask the Division officers at College View to take up with the representatives gathered there the call from Argentine.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND VACCINATION:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Medical Department to take under consideration the revision of medical blanks for use in examination of candidates in this country for mission service abroad; and that we suggest to the department that it take up a campaign of education on measures for the prevention of smallpox and typhoid by vaccination.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICE EFFICIENCY:

W T knox, chairman of the sub-committee appointed some time ago, to consider the relationship and effective working of departments in the General and Division offices, with a view to instituting every possible economy in their working, made a report, stating that each department's work had been reviewed in detail, suggestions being made for some interchanges of stenographic help when heads of departments are away from the office; it being found, however, that on absence of the head of the department from the office his stenographic assistant was depended upon to keep up the routine of office work, so that it was seldom possible to altogether withdraw help from one department to another.

It was recommended that the personnel of the two departments of Education be combined, similar to the combination effected in the Young People's Department, the general secretary, Professor Shaw, having his hands fully occupied with his work as president of the Washington Missionary College. It was recommended that in effecting the changes in the Educational Department, Professor Griggs should resign as an elective member of the General Conference Committee, Professor Shaw taking his place on the Committee, while Professor Griggs will become an ex-officio member of the General Conference Committee by virtue of his office as secretary of the Department.

VOTED, That the report of the sub-committee be

accepted.

CHANGES IN EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

F Griggs presented his resignation to the Committee as an elective member of the General Conference Committee.

VOTED, That the resignation of F Griggs be accepted, and that J L Shaw be elected in his place as an elective member of the General Conference Committee.

J L Shaw presented his resigntion as secretary of the General Conference Educational Department.

VOTED, That the resignation of J L Shaw as educational secretary be accepted, and that F Griggs be appointed secretary of the General Conference Educational Department.

VOTED, That J L Shaw be appointed a member of the Educational Department Committee.

DENOMINATIONAL HISTORY:

Consideration was given to the matter of the preparation of the manuscript for the Denominational History.

VOTED, That W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott be appointed a committee to hasten forward in any way possible the preparation of the manuscript for the Denominational History, that it may be placed in the hands of the examining committee.

VOTED, That G B Thompson act as chairman of the committee on examination of the manuscript for the Denominational History, in place of W A Spicer, who is to be absent from the office.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary. ONE HUNDRED BIGHTH HEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE . COMMITTEE

January 24, 1915

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PRESENT:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, W W Prescott, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F W Paap, W E Howell, C L Benson.

Prayer by F W Paap.

RAY KIMBALL-INDIA:

The secretary reported that Ray Kimball, nurse of the Washington Sanitarium, had accepted the call to India, and reported similar acceptance by the young lady to whom he is to be married before going.

R J BROWN--CHINA:

It was also reported that R J Brown, treasurer of the District of Columbia Conference, accepted the call which had been tendered him to go to China, as secretary and treasurer of the Central China Mission.

S A NAGEL--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we approve of the action of the Asiatic Division Committee in holding that they could not properly pay the fare of S A Nagel on furlough if he takes his furlough leave in advance of the regular time and out of his proper turn in the list of workers to whom furlough is due.

BRAZIL CORPORATIONS:

On inquiry from the president of the Brazilian Union as to the policy recommended by the General Conference for the holding of properties in the various conferences and mission fields of a union, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference policy be to recommend that unless peculiar conditions exist, making it necossary to handle the matter otherwise, there be one union holding corporation for the field, such corporation to hold all properties in trust for the various conferences and missions within the territory.

C E WEAKS--GREAT BRITAIN:

The secretary of the Publishing Department presented a request from England for the services of Brother C E Weaks, on furlough from India, now with his wife attending school at Berrien Springs.

VOTED, That we invite C E Weaks to respond to the invitation of the British Union Conference, to connect with their book work.

H A ROBINSON--WASHINGTON BOOK CONVENTION:

The secretary of the Publishing Department asked counsel concerning the propriety of inviting H A Robinson, now attending school at South Lancaster, but a leader in the Spanish book work in the Mexican and West Indian fields, to get the benefit of the bookmen's convention to be held in Washingtoh in February.

VOTED, That we make an appropriation enabling the treasurer to meet the fare of H A Robinson, of the Spanish fields, now at South Lancaster, in order that he may attend the Washington publishers' convention.

CUBA:

N Z Town reported upon his recent visit to the Cuba mission field, stating that rearrangements of their work had enabled the Mission to reduce their expenses by ten dollars per week, and that plans were laid for the school which had been conducted for four months at Santa Clara to continue a similar period another year. The tuition was raised, however, to \$18 per month, and students are planning to put in the interval in working for scholarships.

Following the report the Committee adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 28,1915

PRESENT:

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I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescoty, M E Kern, N Z Town, C S Longacre, Mrs L Flora Plummer; also W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

HERBERT MOULD--CUBA:

VOTED, That Herbert Mould, in attendance at the Washington Missionary College, be recommended to enter the work in Cuba.

D D FITCH--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That the secretary correspond with D D Fitch and wife, of California, regarding their answering a call from Porto Rico; he to enter evangelistic work, she to engage in office work.

BOOKMAN FOR SPAIN:

VOTED, That the Publishing Department of the General Conference and the North American Division be requested to find a good book man for spain.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 8,1915

PRESENT: ·

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, M E Kern, N Z Town, R D Quinn, B G Wilkinson; also L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by M E Kern.

SALARIES OF TEACHERS:

The question of the support of teachers in the Washington Missionary College by 'the General and North American Division Conferences requiring some adjustment, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference continue the salaries of J L Shaw and M E Olsen during the present school year, leaving J N Anderson and S M Butler, the Bible teachers, to be paid by the North American Division.

S A OBERG--FURLOUGH:

Correspondence having been received regarding the serious condition of Sister Oberg's health, in Venezuela, it was--

VOTED, That S A Oberg and wife be granted a furlough to the States at once, they to choose the location which would best conserve the interests of Sister Oberg's healhh, and aid in her recovery.

HAWAIIAN "BIBLE READINGS":

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to appropriate \$450 to the Hawaiian Mission for the purpose of publishing a book, "Bible Readings," in the Hawaiian language, manuscript of which is now ready.

DEPARTMENTAL LITERATURE:

The committee appointed to study the question of the publishing of General Conference and North American Division Departmental matter by the Review and Herald, having rendered a report, it was--

VOTED, That the following recommendations be adopted, governing the sale of books recommended by the departments, the issuing of leaflets and preparation of advertising matter:--

1. That all former arrangements between the Review and Herald and the General and North American Division Conferences, with reference to the printing of departmental literature, be canceled.

2. That the Review and Herald be requested to publish at its own expense such advertising matter for the Reading Courses, and other literature which they sell, as may be presented by the General and North American Division Conferences Departments and accepted by the Review and Herald Book Department.

3. That in the selection of books for the Reading Courses by the departments, the prices at which these must be sold shall be taken into consideration, and before they are finally adopted and advertised, they shall be submitted to the Book Department of the Review and Herald, in order that adjustments may be made, if necessary, on account of the cost of the books and the expense of handling.

The question of the Review and Herald mailing for the departments the free leaflets and literature of various kinds sent out by the departments, was considered, and it was the opinion of the Committee that matters of this kind should be handled by the departments.

B E CONNERLY:

VOTED, That we recommend B E Connerly and wife, now on furlough, to return to the West Indian Union in time to attend the West Caribbean Conference session, to convene at Colon, March 19.

C M SNOW--AUSTRALIA:

VOTED, That we defer action on the call of C M Snow to the Australasian editorial ataff until the return of A.G.Daniells.

C A PAAP:

VOTED, That correspondence be entered into with the Australasian Union Conference, with reference to the release of C A Paap for city evangelistic work, and that Australia be asked to reply by cable if the request is granted.

H M LEE-FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we concur in the recommendation of the Korean Mission committee, that Prof H M Lee and family, of Soonan, take their furlough this year.

VOTED, That we rescind the action recommending W T Knox to attend the West Indian Union Conference session.

J V SCOTT--INDIA:

VOTED, That we approve of Dr J V Scott, of St Johns, Oregon, going to India as a self-supporting dentist, if further correspondence does not indicate otherwise; and that the transportation be paid by the Mission Board.

C E WEAKS:

VOTED, That, on account of the health of his wife, we rescind the action inviting C E Weaks to Great Britain.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 10, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, J L Shaw; also W E Howell, T E Bowen.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

E G SALISBURY--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we request the Mt Vernon Academy Board to release Prof E G Salisbury at once, to take the preincpal ship of Claremont Union College, at Cape Town, South Africa.

F E STAFFORD:

VOTED, That, in case the Asiatic Division Committee recommends the return of F E Stafford and family, of Shanghai, on account of falling health, we concur in the action, and authorize their return.

ANNA ORR--TRAVELING EXPENSES:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to pay the traveling expenses of Miss Orr, formerly a missionary in India, and Miss Haggard, who accompanied her from India, both being now self-supporting workers in the Southeastern Union, to St. Louis, Mo.

H H COBBAN'S RATE:

VOTED, That H H Cobban's rate be raised to \$19.

APPROPRIATION TO COLLEGE:

VOTED, That we appropriate to the Washington Missionary College, from the tithe received from the Review and Herald, \$2700, to be applied on the College indebtedness.

B RICHARDS:

It was agreed that Prof J L Shaw should correspond with B Richards, of Graysville, Tenn., inviting him to come to the College for the remainder of the school year.

SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLY:

VOTED, That we request the Pacific Press Publishing Association to release to the Washington Missionary College Press the printing of the Sabbath School Quarterly.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 12, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, M E Kern; also F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

J W HIRLINGER--ARGENTINE:

Consideration was given to the question of supplying a president for the Argentine Conference, South America, made necessary by the death of Elder B C Haak. Several names were considered, and it was finally--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure J W Hirlinger, of Virginia, to take the presidency of the Argentine Conference.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 22, 1915

PRESENT:

W T knox, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, N Z Town, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, M E Kern; also W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

REVIEW AND HERALD EDITORS:

The Review and Herald Board having elected editors for the various publications issued by them, and submitting the same for approval to the General Conference Committee, it was--

VOTED; That the following named persons be approved as editors of the various periodicals published by the Review and Herald for the ensuing year:--

Editor of the <u>Review and Herald</u>, F M Wilcox; associate editors, C M Snow, W A Spicer] contributing editors, A G Daniells, I H Evans, L R Conradi, R C Porter, G B Thompson, W T Knox.

Editor Youth's Instructor, Eannie Dickerson

Chase.

Editor <u>Life and Health</u>, Dr G H Heald; associate editors, Dr H W Miller, L A Hansen.

Editor <u>Protestant Magazine</u>, W W Prescott; associate editor, W A Spicer.

Editor <u>Liberty Magazine</u>, C S Longacre; associate editors, C M Snow, C P Bollman; contributing editors, K C Russell, J O Corliss, W F Martin, S B Horton, C B Haynes.

Editor <u>Sabbath School Worker</u>, Mrs L Flora Plummer, associate aditor, Miss Rosalind D Ginther.

Editor <u>Christian Education</u>, W E Howell; associate editors, J L Shaw, F Griggs.

Editors <u>Church Officers' Gazette</u>, Edith M Graham and C L Benson.

D D FITHH'S MOTHER:

VOTED, That D D Fitch be permitted to invite his mother to accompany himself and family to Porto Rico.

REPORT OF A G DANIELLS' VISIT IN INDIA:

A report of Brother Daniells' visit through India, written prior to the India biennial council, was read. This interesting account of his observations as he visited the mission stations in India will be duplicated and furnished to the members of the Committee.

BOOK WORK IN INDIA:

Careful study having been given to the needs of India in developing its publishing interests, at the time of their biennial council, recommendations were passed by the council, and submitted by Brother Daniells to the Mission Board for consideration as follows:--

"The night before the council opened, Professor Salisbury called all the leading men together and placed the prorosition before them, giving them opportunity to ask questions and discuss every feature as fully as they desired. These brethren adopted the following resolution:--

"'Voted, That we look with favor upon the desire of the Signs Publishing Company to establish a branch office in our field for the more extensive circulation of our subscription books; and that we invite them to establish such an enterprise in this territory at an early date.'

"Later the question was placed before the council in session, and after free, full discussion, the action taken by the brethren in committee was unanimously approved.

"In our great need we are glad to invite and urge our Australasian brethren to come and help us with both the subscription book and the periodical work. Our plan runs about as follows:--

"1. Let the Signs Publishing House count this their territory the same as the Review and Herald holds Eastern Canada, and the Pacific Press, Western Canada.

"2. Let them establish a small branch at either Colombo, Calcutta, or Lucknow.

"3. Let them send to India one of their **h**est subscription book agents to act as manager of the branch and general agent of the field.

"4. Let this Manager-Field-Agent be the secretary of the Publishing Department of India, and a member of the Executive Committee.

"5. Let this Manager-Agent draw from Australasia as many well-trained, successful subscription book agents as are needed to push the work all over India. "6. Let the Manager-Agent help the India Union Mission Committee secure from Australasia as many good periodical workers as may be needed to make that work a success.

"7. Let the Manager-Agent and the Executive Committee plan for issuing our subscription books in cheap, economical form for sale among the millions of natives who read English.

"8. It is understood that every person, old or young, living in India who can consistently be pressed into the literature work shall be trained for it."

After careful consideration of letters from Elder Daniells and Prof H R Salisbury, and actions taken by the India Union Mission in response to propositions made to them by the Australasian Union Conference Committee that the Signs Publishing Company establish a branch office in India,--

We recommend the following tentative plan for the reorganization of the colporteur work in the India Union Mission--

1. That a tract society office be opened in Calcutta, with an experienced tract society secretary in charge of it, and that this be the distributing center for literature.

2. That it be under the direction and control of the India Union Mission.

3. That a field agent be connected with it, to labor under the direction of the India Union Mission, as such workers do in other fields, that he be the secretary of the publishing department and a member of the Union Mission Committee.

4. That the Australasian Union Conference be invited to send an experienced field agent to India, to fill this place, and that they pay his traveling expenses.

5. That the Australasian Union Conference be invited to send six or more colporteurs to India, paying their traveling expenses.

6. That the India Union Mission purchase from Australia all the subscription books it requires that are there published in the English language.

7. That the Australasian publishing house provide subscription books in an inexpensive form for sale to Englishspeaking natives.

8. That the books be supplied to India at tract society prives, the Australasian house paying from the publishers' profits the freights, etc., to India and the wage of the field agent.

9. That this be a tentative arrangement subject to change or termination, in counsel with the General Conference Committee, should either party interested so desire.

RECRUITS FROM AUSTRALASIA FOR INDIA:

In communications coming to the Mission Board from India, we are informed that in considering the urgent and immediate requirements for workers and means to prosecute the cause of the third angel's message in that great mission field, at their recent biennial council in Calcutta, India was led to appeal to the Australasian Union Conference to supply means and a few workers, on account of the additional strain upon the Mission Board this year, occasioned by extra demands on account of the war.

After considering the actions passed by the India Mission council, regarding several definite calls for workers and means from the Australasian Union, it was--

VOTED, That we not only approve of this action of India in looking to Australasia for help, but also heartily express our appreciation to the Australasian Union Committee for this timely assistance rendered the India Union Mission; and that further, this action be made to include hearty appreciation for the \$5000 so generously voted the Mission Board treasury at the recent Australasian Union Conference session.

The actions passed by the India Union Mission council referred to above, as submitted by Elder Daniells, follow:

"1. A young man to enter the Telegu field. Although we have as yet done no work in that field, yet a few excellent Telegu people have embraced the truth. The brethren feel that they dare not delay this work any longer. They believed that if the Australasian brethren would pay the transportation of a bright young man to the field they could manage to support him. In this they do not intend to call on the home Board for an increase in the appropriations for this year.

"2. A young couple to carry on evangelistic work among the Rnglish in Colombo. I understand this expense is provided for in the appropriations for 1915.

"3. An appropriation of \$2,500 for a bungalow in the Karen district of Burma. The home Board cut this out in making appropriations for 1915. Te understand you did this colely

on the ground of possible financial embarrassment on account of the war. We appreciate your situation, and do not feel to press you for the money. We hope that we are not doing wrong in turning to Australia for it. The situation is a desperate one in Burma. Four years ago Sister Gibbs was sent to work for the Karens. She has studied hard to master the language and has succeeded. Again, soon after Sister Gibbs came, Brother and Sister Hamilton were sent out to work among the Karens. They have had this before them all the time, consequently could not throw their lives into anything else very well. As Professor Salisbury and I looked the situation over, we felt that a desperate effort should be made to get this bungalow up. We first tried to see if we could pinch other lines and turn the amount required to the Karens, but we could not. So we turned to Australasia.

"4. A nurse to Mussoorie. All that is involved in this request is for the nurse. The treatment rooms will pay all expenses."

The call for two superintendents, to take charge of the Punjab and Burma, was recognized, and the secretary was instructed to take up correspondence immediately with a view to supplying these workers at an early date.

\$6000 TO INDIA.

VOTED, That the treasurer be instructed to send on to India the remainder, about \$6,000, of a trust fund provided by a special offering about two years ago for that field, provided India requires this money to meet special present needs outside its operating funds.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 28,1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, M E Kern, B G Wilkinson, N Z Town; also W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by B G Wilkinson.

F E WILSON:

VOTED, That F E Wilson, in attendance at the Washington Missionary College, be placed on one half provisional appointee rate for the remainder of the school year, subject to interview by J L Shaw.

ROBERT TREIBLE:

VOTED, That Robert Treible, in charge of the Bermuda school, be invited to continue there another year.

H H VOTAW:

VOTED, That H H Votaw be granted ministerial credentials.

A F PRIEGER--HAITI:

VOTED, That A F Prieger and wife be advised to return to Haiti at the close of their furlough, to superintend the work in that field; and we suggest that while Brother Prieger is in California he plan to attend the earlier camp meetings, returning to Haiti about June 15.

G G COFFIN:

VOTED, That the Bahama Islands Mission be allowed to employ G G Coffin, now engaged in school work, during the vacation, the mission to suggest salary rate.

DOLLAR-A-WEEK FUND:

Consideration was given to a method for raising mission funds adopted successfully by one union conference, known as the Dollar-a-week Fund for Foreign Missions, the object of which is to secure pledges from members of churches who are able and may consider it a privilege to give more than the regular twenty cents a week to missions. B.G.Wilkinson being present, asked counsel as to the advisability of undertaking this plan in the Columbia Union Conference, and the advisability of publishing in the <u>Columbia Union Visitor</u> the list of pledges by conferences. It was--

VOTED, That we recommend the Dollar-a-week Fund to be adopted by the Columbia Union Conference, in whose territory is located the Washington Missionary College and other general denominational institutions, and that the lists of weekly offerings pledged, of one dollar, or more, or less, down to twenty-five cents, be published, by conferences, in the <u>Columbia</u> <u>Union Visitor</u>; it being understood that one half of all mission offerings raised during 1915 by the Columbia Union Conference above the average of fifteen cents per week will be applied on the indebtedness of the Washington Missionary College.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 2, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, M E Kern, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, E R Palmer; also H E Rogers, T E Bowen.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

GEO R E MCNAY--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite Geo R E McNay, of Iowa, to make South Africa his field of labor.

W T KNOX--VISIT TO EAST:

W.T.Knox having received a cablegram from A G Daniells and R C Porter, requesting him to meet them in Japan at an early date--letters previously received outlining the plan for him to join them in visiting the missions in Japan, Korea, Manchuria and China prior to the Shanghai general meeting, May 1 to 16--it was--

VOTED, That, while a visit of the treasurer to these fields would be very desirable, and under normal conditions favored, it is the sense of this Committee that inasmuch as the president and secretary of the General Conference are both away at this time on long tours in the mission fields, it would not be advisable for the treasurer to leave for the East.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 5, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, M E Kern, B G Wilkinson, E R Palmer; also R E Harter, M E Olsen, J M Campbell, R J Brown, T E Bowen,

Prayer by J L Shaw.

W E STRAW--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite W E Straw, of West Michigan to make South Africa his field of labor, taking the principalship of the Claremont Union College.

> W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 12, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, M E Kern; also F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

VOTED, That we invite the North American Division and the Columbia Union to release R T Baer, of the Chesapeake Conference, for India, with the understanding that he shall leave for the field as soon as consistent after the adjustment of local conditions in the Chesapeake Conference.

It was agreed to ask the North American Division to grovide a man of good executive ability for Argentine, as soon as possible, it being desirable that he speak either German or Spanish, and be able to acquire the other language not known.

VOTED, That D P Gaede, recently returned from Russia, be allowed his time, at a furlough rate of \$14, to March 1, also his traveling expenses to South Bakota, and \$150 in addition on account of the loss of his household goods in fleeing from Russia.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, California, March 25, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town, W C White, E E Andross.

N Z TOWN TO CENTRAL AMERICA:

N Z Town, who has charge of the Northern Spanish American mission fields, stated that he had received an invitation from the president of the Honduras Conference to attend the annual meetings of the Central American Conference, and he wished instruction. After full consideration of the needs of the field in that vicinity, it was--

VOTED, That N Z Town be invited to attend the annual meeting of the Central American Conference, to be held in May, 1915, in Spanish Honduras.

G C JENES TO WEST CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE;

N Z Town stated that Brother Jenks had been requested to return to the West Caribbean Conference, to take up work as general agent. It was--

VOTED, That G C Jenks be invited to connect with the West Caribbean Conference as general agent. An allowance of \$50 is to be made to him, and a further allowance by the cancelation of the amount now charged against him.

> I H EVANS, Chairman, J J IRELAND, See'y pro tem

ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D. C., April 14,1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, B G Wilkinson, C S Longacre, Dr H W Miller; also W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, W E Howell, W L Burgan, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W E Howell.

C B ACHENBACH AND WIFE TO PERU:

VOTED, That C B Achenbach and wife, of the Washington Missionary College, be invited to make Peru their field of labor, connecting with the Lake Titicaca Mission, and that they be requested to go on to the field as soon after the close of the school year as possible.

J W HIRLINGER:

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting J W Hirlinger to the presidency of the Argentine Conference.

J G HANHARDT--ARGENTINE:

VOTED, That the North American Division be asked to release J G Hanhardt, of the Massachusetts Conference, for the South American Union, with a view of his taking the presidency of the Argentine Conference.

DR ARTHUR DONALDSON AND WIFE TO CHINA.

VOTED, That Dr Arthur Donaldson and wife, of Loma Linda, be invited to make China their field of labor, with a view of connecting with the work in the Hunan Provence, of the Central China Mission.

DR D E DAVENPORT AND WIFE--CHINA:

VOTED, That Dr D E Davenport and wife, of Loma Linda, be invited to prepare for a call to China, subject to an interview with and the concurrence of Brother Daniells, on his return from China.

DR OLIVE SMITH--BURMA:

VOTED, That Dr Olive Smith, graduating from Loma Linda Medical College, and her husband, be advised to have an interview with Brother Daniells, on his return from the East, with regard to making the Karen Mission, in Burma, their field of labor this autumn.

MISS SAUERWINE--EAST_PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, That Miss Millie Sauerwine, under provisional appointment at the Washington Missionary College, be advised to accept the invitation from the East Pennsylvania Conference to engage in Bible work.

HAROLD ROBINSON TO SPAIN:

VOTED, That Harold Robinson, of South Lancaster, be invited to make Spain his field of labor, taking the oversight of the colporteur work.

JOHN BROWN TO CUBA:

VOTED, That John Brown, of Spain, be invited to make Cuba his field of labor, engaging in colporteur work, until such time as he may be able to engage in evangelistic work in Mexico.

H H HICKS TO CHINA:

VOTED, That H H Hicks, of East Michigan, be invited to connect with the work in China this autumn, continuing his evangelistic work in East Michigan during the summer.

FORREST WILSON AND WIFE TO CUBA:

VOTED, That Mr. Forrest Wilson and wife be invited to go to Cuba, to engage in the colporteur work, in response to the urgent call which has come from that field for more colporteurs, and that they receive from the General Conference \$25.00 per month, for six months while learning the language.

A committee was appointed, consisting of I H Evans, W T Knox, J L Shaw, T E Bowen, to confer with students under provisional appointment at the Washington Missionary College regarding their future work.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman, I. T E BOBEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 25, 1915

BRESENT:

I H Ewans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, N Z Town, C S Longacre, Dr H W Miller, F Griggs; also F M Wilcox, W E Howell, Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

MIDSUMMER OFFERING:

VOTED, That the time of the Midsummer Offering for Missions be appointed for Sabbath, July 24, and that A G Daniells, G B Thompson and W T Knox be requested to furnish readings for this occasion.

WEEK OF PRAYER:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three to suggest the date of the week of prayer, and topics and writers for the readings. Named: G.B.Thompson, F. Griggs, T.E.Bowen.

I C SCHMIDT AND J W ROWLAND TO MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That I C Schmidt and J W Rowland, of Walla Walla College, be invited to connect with the Malaysian Mission Field, thus supplying two of the three couples voted for that field.

J M HOWELL TO PERU:

VOTED, That J M Howell, of Iowa, be invited to make Peru his field of labor, with a view of connecting with the Indian mission work in the Lake Titicaca region.

R T BAER TO ARGENTINE:

VOTED, That the North American Division be requested to release R T Baer, of the Columbia Union, to connect with the South American Union, with a view of taking the presidency of the Argentine Conference.

DENTAL OUTFIT TO PERU:

VOTED, That the dental outfit not in use at the Mission Board office be donated to the Peruvian Mission, for the use of A N Achenbach, under appointment to that field.

OUTFITTING ALLOWANCE TO C V ACHENBACH:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to supply C V Achenbach with \$100 as an outfitting allowance.

MAX TRUMMER--NATURALIZATION PAPERS:

VOTED, That Max Trummer be allowed the expenses incurred in securing his naturalization papers.

H M LEE'S FURLOUGH RATE:

VOTED, That H M Lee's furlough rate be fixed at \$14.

ALLOWANCE TO W L FOSTER:

VOTED, That W L Foster; returned missionary from Japan, be allowed \$100, to assist him in meeting the expenses of his wife's operation.

CODE BOOK:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to furnish the principal mission stations with the new code book for use in the transmission of cablegrams.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING ENVELOPES:

VOTED, That the treasury supply free to charge to the conferences the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Envelopes.

FUNERAL EXPENSES OF O A OLSEN:

VOTED, That the funeral expenses of O A Olsen be allowed, amounting to \$150, and that his salary rate be continued to his wife until June 1, her Sustentation rate thereafter to be \$8.50 per week.

SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE

VOTED, That a committee consisting of W T Knox, C S Longacre, N Z Town be appointed to pass upon Sustentation items in hand.

\$100 TO H A ROBINSON:

VOTED, That \$100 be advanced to H A Robinson on his transportation expenses to Spain.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Secr'y.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 2, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town, F Griggs, C S Longacre, W W Prescott, Dr H W Miller; also L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by Dr Miller.

H A ROBINSON:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to pay the traveling expenses of H A Robinson, of South Lancaster, to visit relatives and friends in Tampico, Mexico, before going to Spain.

ERNEST LONGWAY:

VOTED, That Ernest Longway, of South Lancaster, be invited to take up colporteur work in one of the Spanish fields, the particular field to be determined through correspondence with the Secretary of the Publishing Department.

J G PETTEY--CUBA:

VOTED, That W T Knox be requested to take up correspondence with J G Pettey, of Keene, Texas, to ascertain whether he has had sufficient experience to enable him to take the position of secretary and treasurer of the Cuban Mission; if he has had, that he be invited to go to Cuba at once, to enter upon such Work.

A N ALLEN AND WIFE--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That A N Allen and wife, of Cuba, be authorized to take a short furlough to the States, the children to remain in Cuba.

C F INNIS TO WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That C F Innis be invited to make the West Caribbean Conference his field of labor, to take the oversight of the colporteur work.

HENRY BROWN TO CENTRAL AMERICA:

VOTED, That if, after investigation of the financial conditions in Central America they are considered reasonably good, Henry Brown's expenses be paid from Washington to that field, with the understanding that he shall take two or more bookmen with him, to train into the work, said bookmen to remain in Central America in the colporteur work.

MISS INA FISHER--PROVISIONAL APPOINTEE:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Ina Fisher, of Cuba, to come to the Washington Missionary College, as a provisional appointee.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 9, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, F Griggs, C S Longacre, M E Kern, J L Shaw, W W Prescott; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, T E Boweh.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

J M HOWELL:

VOTED, That we invite John M Howell, under appointment to Peru, to come to Washington to spend two or three months in connection with the city dispensary.

WEST CARIBBEAN TREASURER AND SECRETARY:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three, of which he shall be one, to select a secretary and treasurer for the West Caribbean Conference. Named: I H Evans, W T Kyox, G B Thompson.

FIELD AGENT--SOUTH CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That the Publishing Department be asked to secure a field agent for the South Caribbean Conference.

SPANISH WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS:

VOTED, That on account of the unsettled conditions in Mexico, the Barcelona (Spain) publishing house be invited to print the Week of Prayer Readings in Spanish this year, supplying the readings in this language to the entire Spanish field.

GOSPEL TENTS FOR JAPAN:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to increase the appropriation for Japan sufficiently to provide that field with two gospel tents.

H A ROBINSON:

In view of some changes in the plans of H A Robinson and wife, under appointment to Spain, it was agreed that they be permitted to go by way of Cuba, instead of his going to Tampico, Mexico, to visit relatives, as voted in a former meeting.

TRACT ON TITHING:

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to resommend a tract on tithing for general distribution, Named: W T Knox, G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson.

W A SPICER:

VOTED, That the secretary be requested to inform Australia that in view of Brother Spicer's being delayed in South Africa longer than at first planned, and on account of important matters to be considered at the autumn council, the Committee does not favor his returning from Africa by way of Australia.

FLORENCE SWARTOUT--PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Miss Florence Swartout be placed under provisional appointment at the Washington Missionary College for the next school year.

FLOYD W SMITH:

VOTED, That Floyd W. Smith, of Berrien Springs, be placed under provisional appointment at the Washington Missionary College for the next school year.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That I H Evans, W T Knox, and J L Shaw be a committee to consider, and report on the number who should be placed under provisional appointment in the Washington Missionary College next year.

HAROLD LEWIS TO CUBA:

Washington, to Cuba, to engage in the Spanish book work during the summer.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

GHE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMPITTEE

May 10, 1915

PRESENT

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, N 2 Town, W W Prescott, F Griggs, C S Longacre, Mrs L Flora Plummer; also W W Eastman, W E Howell, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, C L Benson, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C L Benson.

The committee appointed to interview provisional appointees and graduates of the Washington Missionary College reported, and after considering each name, the following recommendations were passed:--

MR AND MRS C BLANDFORD:

That Mr and Mrs C Blandford be advised to attend school another year, in order to finish the college course, it being the understanding that they can do this at their own expense by working during the summer at the Melrose Sanitarium.

RUTH MCCULLY:

That Miss Ruth McCully be invited to take work at the Washington Dispensary during the summer, subject to the call of the Mission Board.

W H MILLER AND WIFE:

That W H Miller and wife be advised to work for a scholarship during the summer in order to return to the College next year.

ETHELWYN HIBBARD:

That Miss Ethelwyn Hibbard be left free to go on with the plans she has for the future, without reference to appointment to any field for the present.

MELVIN MUNSON:

That Melvin Munson, in order to give time for establishing his health more fully, be advised to work for a scholarship during the summer and return to College next year on a self-supporting basis.

That Albert Munson be encouraged to go on with his plan of earning a scholarship during the summer, so as to spend another year in College.

MR AND MRS TRUMMER:

That Mrs Max Trummer, with her husband, be invited to go to South America, in response to the urgent request from that field for their return.

B G AITKEN AND WIFE:

That inasmuch as Mr and Mrs B G Aitken do not wish to go to a mission field before fall, and really would like to return to school next year, they be advised to work for a scholarship, with the understanding that they will hold themselves in readiness to answer a call to the fields.

J HALL AND MISS M LIPKAMAN:

That J Hall and Miss M Lipkaman be invited to make China their field of labor.

MILLIE SAUERWINE:

That Miss Millie Sauerwine be advised to answer the call to connect with the East Pennsylvania Conference for Bible work, subject to a call to India when conditions make it advisable.

HAZEL STOUT:

That Miss Hazel Stout be recommended to the Medical Department for work in this country.

MR AND MRS H MILLER:

That Howard Miller be advised to work for a scholarship in order to return to school next year, and that Mrs Miller be placed under provisional appointment.

ROLAND LOASBY AND WIFE TO SOUTH AMERICA:

That Mr and Mrs Roland Loasby be invited to make South America their field of labor, going forward as soon as possible.

I A STEINEL AND WIFE:

That Mr and Mrs I A Steanel be recommended to the Educational Department as teachers.

ELLA IDEN:

That Ella Iden be advised to answer the call to the New Jersey Conference, to act as Educational, Young People's and Sabbath school secretary.

PRINTING PLANT FOR PHILIPPINES:

Consideration was given to a communication sent to the Review and Herald by A G Daniells regarding the advice of the members of the General Conference Committee who visited the Philippines, to the effect that that field ought to have at once a suitably equipped printing plant, and it was--

VOTED, That we agree to purchase land and erect a suitable building for a printing plant in the Philippine Islands, asking the Pacific Press Publishing Association to equip the plant with the necessary machinery.

BRITISH PUBLISHING HOUSE:

VOTED, That I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town be a committee to recommend an assistant manager for the British Publishing House.

FURLOUGH RATES-MRS QUANTOCK & W E PERRIN:

VOTED, That Mrs M M Quantock, returned from India, be placed upon a furlough rate of \$9, until such time as she obtains permanent employment.

VOTED, That the North American Division be asked to locate W E Perrin, returned from India, with the suggestion that he be referred to the Iowa Conference; his furlough rate until provided with employment to be \$14.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 12, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, N Z Town, W W Prescott, Mrs L Flora Plummer, F Griggs, J L Shaw, Dr H W Miller, S E Wight, M E Kern; also L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, P T Magan, E A Southerland, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

A F PRIEBER--HAITI:

VOTED, That we advise A F Prieger to return to Haiti from his furlough in time to meet N Z Town there early in August, to attend a general meeting, his wife remaining in the States until Brother Town shall have time to report to the Committee the result of that meeting.

HENRY BROWN TO CUBA:

VOTED, That on account of the unfavorable financial conditions in Central America, Henry Brown be invited to go to Cuba instead of Central Emerica, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay his transportation one way.

H G GARDNER TO BRITISH UNION:

That H G Gardner, of Portland, Oregon, be recommended to the British Union as assistant business manager of the British Publishing House.

JAY CHRISMAN TO WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That Jay Chrisman, of the Washington Missionary College, be invited to take the office of secretary and treasurer of the West Caribbean Conference.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TTENTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 16, 1915

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I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, F Griggs, C S Longacre, M E Kern, J L Shaw; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, C L Benson, C M Snow, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C L Benson.

AUTUMN COUNCIL:

A communication was read from A G Daniells, in which mention was made megarding the autumn council of the General Conference Committee, and the place of holding it. After careful consideration, it was--

VOTED, That in view of the Ingathering Campaign coming on in October, when the men in the union and local conferences feel that they should not be called from their work, and in view of the arrangements made with the Panama Exposition officials for a convention at San Francisco at the close of the autumn council at Loma Linda, we advise that the time and place remain as arranged at the late spring meeting, that the council be held at Loma Linda from November 5--27, with a two days' convention at San Francisco, November 39 and 39.

Four members of the General Conference Committee being together in Manila, Philippine Islands, some consideration was given to the interests of the work in India, and to the question of securing help for India from Australia, and these members forwarded a number of recommendations to the Committee. After careful consideration the following were approved and adopted: --

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KAREN MISSION-BURMA:

VOTED, That we request the Australasian Union Conference to donate \$2500 for the erection of a suitable mission home and a small dispensary on the block of land given us by the government for a mission station among the Karens of Burma.

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ERIC HARE AND WIFE TO BURMA:

VOTED, That we ask the Australesian Union Conference to arrange, if possible, with Brother Eric Hare and his wife, to connect with the Karen Mission, paying their transportation to the field and supporting them for one year.

TURNER AND WIFE TO INDIA:

VOTED, That the Australasian Union Conference be requested to arrange with the Victorian Conference for the release of Brother Turner and wife, to connect with the Bengal division of the India Union Mission.

A W CORMACK AND WIFE TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we request the Australasian Union Conference to secure the release of A W Cormack and his wife from the West Australian Conference, to connect with the India Union Mission.

MISS T MANSON TO INDIA:

VOTED, That Miss T Manson, of New Zealand, be invited to go to India, to connect with the treatment rooms in Mussoorie, the treatment rooms to pay her transportation and salary.

INDIA BOOK WORK:

After a careful review of the present status of the English subscription book work in India, and the arrangement proposed for the promotion of this work by the Signs Publishing Company and the India Union executive committee; and after considering the correspondence that has passed between our chairman and the brethren in Washington regarding this matter, it was--

VOTED, That we hereby express our conviction that this arrangement will prove a great blessing to the cause in the India Union Mission; and inasmuch as the territory is open to any and all publishing houses, and it is understood that the correspondence from Washington is not intended to prevent further consideration of the matter, we counsel the brethren in Australia and India to proceed with arrangements as nearly in harmony with the plans of the General Conference Publishing Department as existing conditions make it possible.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 20, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, M E Kern, G B Thompson, F Griggs, Dr H W Miller; also W W Eastman, Miss Edith M. Graham, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

WEEK OF PRAYER:

The committee appointed to set the time for the Week of Prayer, and suggest topics and writers for the Readings, reported, and the report was adopted as follows: --

That the time for the Week of Prayer be fixed for December 11 to 18, and that the schedule of Readings be as follows:---

The Great Commission, -- A.G. Daniells.

The Church as the Evangelizing Agency.--I.H.Evans.

The Mission Fields .-- W.A. Spicer.

Victory over Sin through Faith in Christ.--Mrs.E.G.White

The Macedonian Cry.--J.E.Fulton.

The Need of Personal Sacrifice in Finishing the Work.--W.T.Knox.

Spiritual Power, How Obtained. -- E.E. Andross.

Current Events in the Light of Prophecy .-- J.T. Boettcher,

Children's Lessons .-- Mrs. E.W.Farnsworth.

JAY CHRISMAN::

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Jay Chrisman to the West Caribbean Conference.

CHAS. M. PADEN--WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That the secretary be instructed to correspond with Elder E.K.Slade and the principal of Mount Vernon Academy regarding the qualifications of Chas. M. Paden, of Mount Vernon, and if replies are favorable, he be invited to take the office of secretary and treasurer of the West Caribbean Conference.

D P BOERSMA:

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to place D P Boersma, on his return from Europe, New Jersey being suggested.

GEO C JENKS TO SOUTH AFRICA;

VOTED, That Geo C Jenks, of Arkansas, be invited to make South Africa his field of labor, with a view of uniting with that union as field missionary secretary.

R T BAER--OUTFITTING ALLOWANCE:

VOTED, That R T Beer be allowed \$100 as an outfitting

fund.

J HALL--TENT WORK:

VOTED, That the North American Division be asked to place J Hall, under appointment to China, in tent work during the summer, the General Conference to pay his salary.

J D BAKER:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to locate J D Baker, returned missionary from East Africa, in regular conference employ.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 24, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, M E Kern, Dr H W Miller; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, A N Allen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

RUTH MCCULLY TO CUBA:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Ruth McCully to make Cuba her field of labor.

W C JOHN, CUBA:

VOTED, That we pay the transportation of W C John to Cuba, to engage in the book work during the summer.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 7, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, W L Burgan, Mrss Edith Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

EMSLEY WILLIAMS TO CENTRAL AMERICA:

VOTED, That Emsley Williams, of Cuba, be invited to make the Central American Conference his field of labor, to t take the oversight of the book work after becoming familiar with conditions in his new field.

J G GJORDING, CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend J G Gjording, finishing his course at the Hutchinson Seminary, to spend the summer in aggressive tent work, holding himself in readiness for a call to some portion of the China mission field next autumn.

MRS A F PRIEGER:

It was agreed that Mrs A F Prieger should be allowed to spend the six weeks or more while waiting in Washington before going on to Haiti, where her husband is to precede her, in Bible work in the District of Columbia Conference, her furlough pay to be continued during this time.

W C JOHN, QUBA:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay the traveling expenses of Mrs W C John and daughter to Cuba, with the understanding that Brother John will remain in Cuba fifteen months; otherwise the expenses of his wife and shild shall be considered as a loan.

(1000 TO BRAZIL:

VOTED, That we favor the granting of \$1000 as a further appropriation to Brazil, in order that they may employ some very capable young workers who are prepared for aggressive work in that union; with the understanding that this action is subject to ratification by the full Committee later.

MRS B C HAAK, FURLOUGH RATE:

VOTED, That Mrs B C Haak be granted a furlough rate of \$12 on returning from South America, this rate to continue until such time as she may find regular employment, and that she be recommended to the Northefn Union Conference.

Afjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

St. Helena, Cal., June 12

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, F Griggs, W C White, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble, M E Kern, E E Andross; also Meade MacGuire, C L Benson, W E Howell.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

F C GLASCOCK, CHINA:

The question of sending F C Glascock and wife to China was considered. The chairman stated that special care should be used in selecting workers for the mission fields. We want to send young men and women who are willing to go for life. The heart of the wife should be in the work as well as that of her husband. We need men of refinement and tact, especially for India, who have the missionary spirit. These things are more important a even than a full college education. Every one must learn the language. A few with executive ability can be used who might not be able to learn the language, though they may learn it well enough for practical purposes.

VOTED, That we invite F C Glascock and wife to go

to China.

VOTED, To request A G Daniells, E E Andross, and Dr W A Ruble to look up the cases of Drs Donaldson, Santee, Davenport and Smith, and act on their findings in reference to sending them to India or China.

GEO F ENOCH:

VOTED, That in the case of Geo F Enoch and wife returning to India, we leave it to them to decide whether the health of their daughter will permit them to return. If they do not return to India we advise them to enter work here so as to relieve the General Conference pay-roll, till such time as they may be ready to return.

GEO HARLOW:

VOTED, To request Geo Harlow and family to return to China in the autumn at a suitable time.

> A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W E HOWELL, Sec'y pro tem.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 16,1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, Mrs, L F Plummer, Dr H W Miller; also Miss Edith Graham, W L Burgan, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

MILLIE SAUERWEIN TO SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That in view of the fact that Miss Millie Sauerwein does not feel competent to engage in German Bible work in Philadelphia, having had only one year's work in German, we rescind our action recommending her to the East Pennsylvania Conference, and invite her to make South America her field of labor.

CHAS M PADEN, CENTRAL AMERICA:

VOTED, That we ask Chas M Paden to make the Central American Conference his field of labor, with a view of answering their urgent call for a secretary and treasurer.

V D HAWLEY TO CUBA:

VOTED, That we invite V D Hawley, of the Chamberlain Sanitarium, South Dakota, to make Cuba his field of labor, and that we recommend him to the mission committee as secretary and treasurer of the Cuba Mission.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 28, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, E R Palmer; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

C P CRAGER'S FURLOUGH RATE:

VOTED, That the furlough rate of C P Grager, returned from South Africa, be fixed at \$14 per week.

FURLOUGH RATE OF MISS P TUNHEIM:

VOTED, That the furlough rate of Miss P Tunheim, returning from the West Java Mission, be \$6.

FLORENCE KIDDER TO PORTO RICC:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Florence Kidder, of South Lancaster, to make Porto Rico her field of labor.

HEADSTONE FOR MISS LOTHROP'S GRAVE:

VOTED, That L A Hansen and G B Thompson be a committee to gather in the funds already subscribed. and that we appropriate the balance, up to \$25, to provide a headstone for the grave of Miss Evelyn Lothrop, who was under appointment to South America at the time of her death at the Sanitarium in Washington, in August of 1913.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 14, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller; also W W Eastman, F W Paap, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by A G Daniells.

F E STAFFORD, FURLOUGH:

VOTED That we grant F E Stafford a furlough of six months, beginning July 1, at a furlough rate of 14, and urge him to do all he can to recover his health as quickly as possible; recommending that his family accompany him to a favorable climate, an extra appropriation of 50 being allowed for this expense.

J J IRELAND, WEST INDIAN UNION:

VOTED, That we recommend J J Ireland to visit the West Indian Union Conference as soon after the first of the year as possible, for the purpose of auditing their books and giving counsel in financial matters.

AGENT FROM AUSTRALIA TO CHINA:

VOTED, That we cable Australia the words, "Send agents," meaning that three book men should go on at once from Australia to China, to direct native colporteurs in the sale of vernacular literature.

SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUNAN:

VOTED, That the Chair appoint a committee of three, himself to be one, to select a superintendant for Hunan, China. Named: I H Evans, A G Daniells, W T Knox.

MAPS FOR G C COMMITTEE ROOM:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure as soon as possible sets of maps, mounted on rollers, covering the world field in which we are operating, for use in the General Conference Committee room.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 15,'15

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, J L Shaw; also F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

J HUENERGARDT AND FAMILY:

VOTED, That we pass Sister Huenergardt's letter on to the European Division, with the suggestion that the Division officers give consideration to the needs of Brother and Sister Huenergardt and ease their burdens by allowing them a little more financial aid, if possible; and if the Division can not do so, then we will cooperate with the officers in the transfer of Brother Huenergardt and family to America.

EUGENE LELAND TO BERMUDA:

VOTED, That we invite Eugene Leland to return to Bermuda, to make that his field of labor for a time, seeking to build up the interests of the cause there by winning other souls to the truth.

MRS M M QUANTOCK:

VOTED, That we invite the North American Division to provide work for Mrs M M Quantock, returned missionary from India.

ASIATIC DIVISION CALLS:

VOTED, That the special requests for help and such other actions passed at their recent council meeting calling for the expenditure of funds in the Asiatic Division be referred to a special committee consisting of A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, to be given careful study, with a view of selecting the most urgent to be given attention now, the remainder to be referred to the autumn council.

SENECA W MUNRO TO MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we invite Seneca W Munro and wife, of the Upper Columbia Conference, to make Malaysia their field of labor.

> A G DANIELLS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 18, 1915

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PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller; also L A Hansen T E Bowen.

MELVIN MUNSON TO JAVA:

VOTED, That we invite Melvin Munson to make Java his field of labor, with a view of taking the editorial work of the Malay paper.

MISSION HOME IN VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That we lock with favor upon the plan of providing sufficient funds for the erection of a plain mission home in Caracas, Venezuela, to enable our missionaries to live in that missionf field and properly carry forward their work.

BRAZIL UNION, RE BORROWING:

In view of letters raceived by the treasurer from the Brazil Union Conference, asking that they be permitted to borrow 66000 to start a school enterprise, the money having been offered by one of their laborers without interest, the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That we ask the treasurer and the secretary to notify the Brazil Union Conference that we can not break away from our policy of carrying forward our mission work, and allow the Board to be involved in debt by goung ahead with enterprises requiring the borrowing of funds; and that we recommend, and must require that the specifications for investments to be made shall be placed before the Committee in the regular way, so that they may be passed upon and voted before investments are made involving the Board financially.

L T HEATON TO HAWAII:

VOTED, That we invite L T Heaton, of Alberta, to make the Hawaiian Islands his field of labor.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 22, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson; also M C Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by M C Wilcox.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That H L Peden and wife, of the Chesapeake Conference, be recommended to come to the Washington Missionary College for two years, one year under provisional appointment and one year at their own expense.

VOTED, That Ethel L Brines, of the Melrose Sanitarium be invited to connect with the Washington Missionary College the coming year, under provisional appointment.

> I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-BIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 26, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller; also A F Prieger, C M Snow, C C Lewis, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

The time was used by Brother Daniells in giving a report of his tour through Australia, India, Malaysia, the Philippine Islands, Japan, Korea, Manchuria, and China. A careful review of the situation in each of these fields was given, this being the first opportunity Brother Daniells had to report officially to the home board. Progress was reported in each field, and also a multitude of needs outlined as a result of the rapidly growing work. Particularly in the Philippines is the Lord richly blessing. The membership has about doubled during the last year. The great need for better publishing facilities was made clear, this need having already been provided for by a vote of the Committee.

In closing, Brother Daniells outlined briefly how it had appealed to the brethren in the East as they had counseled concerning a little reorganization of the Orient in a way to strengthen the administration of that great mission field. These plans will be studied further and laid before the autumn council.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 27, 1915

PRESENT:

A GaDaniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M E Kern, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller; also F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, C M Snow, T E Bowen.

Prayer by M E Kern.

MRS S A NAGEL, CHINA:

VOTED, That we authorize the return of Mrs S A Nagel to China, with the party sailing from San Francisco, September 11.

QUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, That formal announcement of the time and place of the autumn council be sent to all members of the General Conference Committee throughout the world.

In view of the probability of study being given to plans for reorganization, it was thought that a larger representation of the Committee should attend the autumn council this year than in previous years. In giving careful study to the question of who should attend, the following recommendations were made:--

That R C Porter, J E Fulton and H R Salisbury be requested to be present.

That, while the formal notice would be sent to all members of the Committee in Europe, it be left with the European Division to decide what membersh should attend, with the suggestion from the Committee that if possible W J Fitzgerald, J C Raft and J T Boettcher be present if they find it possible to leave their fields while the war is still on.

. That in view of Brother Spicer's returning from South Africa just prior to the council, it will not be deemed necessary for W B White to come.

That J W Westphal and F W Spies be requested to be present, if in their judgment it is thought advisable to leave their fields.

That A J Haysmer, of the West Indian Union, be in-

That G W Caviness, of Mexico, be requested to be present, if he can get out of Mexico.

All members in the North American Division are expected to be present, including departmental secretaries, which was made to include also L A Hansen, assistant secretary of the Medical Department, and Miss Edith M Graham, in charge of the Home Missionary Department.

TREATMENT ROOMS, HAWAII:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to take up correspondence with the Hawaiian Mission, with a view of purchase ing the treatment rooms enterprise at Honolulu, conducted by Brother Bartholomew; the understanding being that the rooms shall be operated by nurses, a man and his wife, under pay of the Hawaiian Mission.

The committee appointed to bring in recommendations regarding the calls from China which should be responded to before the time of the autumn council reported, and after careful consideration the following actions were taken:--

DR J N LANDIS TO CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend Dr J N Landis to the Asiatic Division for the superintendency of the Hunan Province.

DR D E DAVENPORT FOR HUPEH:

VOTED, That we recommend Dr D E Davenport and wife for Hupeh, to take the superintendency of the work in that province, if thought advisable by the Asiatic Division Committee.

DR OLIVE SMITH:

VOTED, That we recommend Dr Olive Smith and her husband, who have volunteered for Burma, to wait for our final deceision until the time of the fall council.

GEO HARLOW, CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend Geo Harlow and wife, now on furlough, to return to China this autumn, and that we counsel the Asiatic Division Committee to locate them on their return in the Cantonese language area, instead of requiring them to learn another language.

R F COTTRELL:

VOTED, That we recommend R F Cottrell to attend the remaining camp meetings on the Pacific Coast, remaining in California until after the autumn council.

SOONAN SCHOOL:

VOTED, That A G Daniells, I H Evans and F Brgggs be a committee to select a man and his wife to take charge of the Soonan school in Korea.

R L HINER:

VOTED, That we advise R L Hiner and wife to remain in Jamaica, their support to be met by the Jamaica Conference springing its income, or by funds provided by the West Indian Union; they to be returned later if such support can not be provided.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONARY PREPARATION:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to purchase 75 copies of the Fourth Report of the Board of Missionary Preparation, for distribution among our leading missionaries and colleges and academies.

GEO F ENOCH:

VOTED, That I H Evans, W T Knox and A G Daniells be a committee to consider Geo F Enoch's future work.

H E ROGERS' VACATION:

VOTED, That the question of a vacation for H E Rogers be referred to the officers, with power to act.

J L BROWN TO SALVADOR:

VOTED, That we recommend J L Brown, returning from Spain, to make Salvador his field of labor.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That we place R G Schaffner, of Oregon, under provisional appointment in the Washington Missionary College for the coming year.

VOTED, That Ellis Howard, of Tennessee, be placed under provisional appointment in the Washington Missidnary College for the coming year.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 28, 1915

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PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern; A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern; A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern;

Prayer by G B Thompson.

EDITORIAL WORKERS FOR ORIENT:

Whereas, One of the most pressing needs in the Orient is for workers along editorial lines; and,--

Whereas, The Pacific Press Publishing Association has volunteered to assist by taking into their editorial wooms young men recommended to them by the General Conference Committee, for training in editorial work; it was--

VOTED, That we recommend J E Froom, of the Chesapeake Conference, as one adapted for this line of work in the East after some training, and that we request the North American Division to secure his release, to connect with the editorial department at the Pacific Press.

FUNERAL EXPENSES OF MRS E G WHITE:

VOTED, That we request the North American Division, the Review and Herald Publishing Association, and the Pacific Press Publishing Association to join equally with the General Conference in bearing the funeral expenses of Mrs E G White.

J G GJORDING TO CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite J G Gjording to make the Asiatic Division his field of labor, and recommend that he get off in time to enter upon language study this autumn.

\$7500 FROM AUSTRALASIA:

VOTED, That we comply with the request of the Australasian Union Conference Committee, that we receive \$7500 as their offering to the European War Relief Fund, appropriating \$2500 from our mission funds for the establishing of the Karen Mission in Burma, thus relieving Australasia from its obligation to provide funds for the work among the Karens.

CAROLINE BRUNSON, FURLOUGH RATE:

VOTED, That Miss Caroline M. Brunson, returned missionary from India, be placed upon a furlough rate of \$5.50 per week.

BELLE SHRYOCK, SUSTENTATION;

VOTED, That Miss Belle Shryock be placed upon the Sustentation Fund until H R Salisbury reaches America and it is determined whether or not she shall return to India.

PABIFIC PRESS MEMORANDUM:

VOTED, That T E Bowen be asked to look after providing statistics for the revision of the Pacific Press Memorandum book for 1916. MISSION HOME IN KWANGSI PROVINCE:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to provide funds to build a mission home in the Kwangsi Province of China.

INGATHERING SIGNS:

VOTED, That we allow the order for the Harvest Ingathering <u>Signs</u> to stand as already placed with the Pacific Press, assuring the Press that we will do all we can to encourage the use of at least 70C,000 copies of that issue; but that the risk as to whether this figure is reached or exceeded must necessarily be borne by the Pacific Press as the publishers of the Missions special, as has been done in preceding years.

TENTS FOR CHILE:

VOTED, That we provide five family tents for Chile, South America, to supplement an order they have already placed with a firm in the States, amounting approximately to \$100.

FRANK MILLS:

VOTED, That the transportation expenses of Frank Mills from Southern California to Colorado be met.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 2,1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs.

ROLAND LOASBY:

VOTED, That we rescind our former action, inviting Roland Loasby and wife to South America.

VOTED, That we invite Roland Loasby and wife to go to Korea, Brother Loasby to act as principal of the Korean school.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. G B THOMPSON, Sec'y pro tem.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 19, 1915.

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, N Z Town, M E Kern, F Griggs¢ also L A Hansen, Miss Edith Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by N Z Town.

PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That we ask the Medical Department to secure two .lady nurses for Porto Rico, to engage in self-supporting medical missionary work. VOTED, That we authonize the Porto Rican Mission to use \$300 of their book fund for procuring seats and equipment for their new school.

VOTED, That the name of D D Fitch be added to the Porto Rican Advisory Committee.

VOTED, That we authorize the Porto Rican Mission to procure a safe for their office, to secure their money, account books and files.

ROLAND LOASBY--KOREA:

VOTED, That I H Evans and W T Knox be asked to interview Roland Loasby regarding his going to Korea, reporting results to the Committee for final action.

C F NEUMANN--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That C F Neumann and wife, of the Upper Columbia Sonference, be invited to make South America their field of labor.

EDGAR BROOKS -- SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we authorize the transportation expenses of Edgar Brooks from England to South America, to connect with the publishing house in Argentine, for editorial work.

V D HAWLEY--OUTFITTING AND RATE:

VOTED, That \$50 outfitting fund be allowed V D Hawley, going to Cuba to connect with that mission as secretary and treasurer, and that his rate be \$15 per week.

MELVIN MUNSON:

VOTED, That we allow Melvin Munsion \$10 per week which he is working in the editorial department at the Pacific Press, before going on to Malaysia to take charge of the Malay paper.

L T HEATON:

VOTED, That the rate of L T Heaton, going out to Hawaii to take charge of the colporteur work, be fixed at \$16.

H P GARDNER:

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting H P Gardner of Portland, Oregon, to go to the British Union, as assistant manager of their publishing house, on account of his not being able at present to leave business interests.

> I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 22,1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, M E Kern, F Griggs, N Z Town; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

D D FITCH:

VOTED, That D D Fitch, of Porto Rico, be granted ministerial credentials.

S W MUNRO:

VOTED, That in view of a letter from C W Flaiz concerning the inexperience of Mrs Munro, and her unpreparedness for foreign work, we rescind our action inviting S W Munro and wife to make Malaysia their field of labor.

ROLAND LOASBY--INDIA:

VOTED, That in view of a query having been raised by members of the Committee concerning Roland Loasby's meeting the requirements of the Soonan school, we rescind the action appointing him to Korea, and he be invited to go to India instead, sailing according to present argangements.

DR D E DAVENPORT:

VOTED, That Dr D E Davenport's reservation be held open, and that he be left free to go on to China provided he is able to care for his financial obligations of about \$500; but that we can not assume the responsibility of meeting this large indebtedness.

L T HEATON:

VOTED, That we ask L T Heaton not to make the long trip to Kansas with his family, to visit relatives, before going to Hawaii, but advise him to go direct from Alberta to his port of sailing.

A F BURGOS:

VOTED, That Mrs A F Burgos, of Cuba, be allowed \$8 per week, or a raise of one dollar, in view of her having to pay a larger rent than she would if her home were not used for meeting purposes.

POWER OF ATTORNEY TO J E ANDERSON:

VOTED, That we ask the General Conference Corporation to give J E Anderson a limited power of attorney, to sell our property in Havana, Cuba.

HELEN V PRICE TO PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That in case medical examination is favorable, Miss Helen V Price be invited to make Porto Rico her field of labor, to enter upon self-supporting medical missionary work, it being understood that her transportation expenses will be refunded later.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 24,1915,10:30 A.M.

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, F Griggs, N Z Town, M E Kern, Dr H W Miller; also Miss Edith Graham, L A Hansen, W E Howell, T E Bowen.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

J L Shaw reported having corresponded with a number of candidates for provisional appointment, and recommended several names for favorable action. After consideration, the following were placed under provisional appointment in the Washington Missionary College for the coming year:-- Hubert K Martin, and his brother, Terence K Martin, of Ontario, Canada.

Sydney H Lindt, of Gaston, Oregon.

S G Jacques and wife, of Hagerstown, Md.

A J WEARNER:

Application for provisional appointment in the Washington Missionary College had been received from Brother and Sister A J Wearner, nurses of the St Helena Sanitarium, but in view of the few calls received from the fields for nurses at the present time, it was felt inadvisable to place Brother and Sister Wearner under provisional appointment at this time.

D D FITCH:

VOTED, That the family rate of D D Fitch, in Porto Rico, be placed at \$16.

The item of D D Eitch's expenses on account of rent in San Juan was referred to a committee consisting of W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, and T E Bowen, for further study and report to the Committee.

Adjourned to 4:30 P.M.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SECOND MEETING

GEMERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 24,1915, 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

I H Evmans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, N Z Town, F Griggs, J L Shaw, M E Kern, G B Thompson; also L A Hansen, Miss Edith Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by I H Evans.

N Z TOWN'S REPORT OF CENTRAL AMERICAN VISIT:

The meeting was called primarily to receive Brother Town's report of his recent trip to Central America. In his tour he visited Honduras, Salvador, Guatemala, Cuba, and Porto Rico.

At the meeting of the Central American Conference it was dedided to disband as a conference, and recommend to the General Conference Committee that that field be considered and operated as a mission field.

It was also recommended that Honduras be divided by a line running east and west, at about the center of the country, alon provincial lines, dividing the territory into two missions, north and south; that the headquarters of the southern mission be located at Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras. The larger part of the population being in the south, it was felt that if a mission bould be established in this section it would not be long before we had a thriving work in that territory. That the northern part, including the islands, and British Honduras, where most of our work has been done, be considered a separate mission field.

It was further recommended that Salvador be entered, by asking John L Brown, returning from Spain, to go there, to lead out first in the circulation of the literature, other colporteurs to be associated with him later, and he to work as an evangelist developing the interests which may arise from the sale of the literature.

It was felt that action on these recommendations should be deferred until a larger number of the Committee could be present, or possibly until the autumn council.

MRS PRIEGER--HAITI:

Report having been received from A F Prieger concerning the situation as he found it on reaching Haiti, it was--

VOTED, That we advise Mrs A F Prieger to return to Haiti at such time as she and her husband shall arrange.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 29,1915

PRESENT

W T Knox, M E Kern, E R Palmer, F.Grigge, J L Shaw; also L A Hansen, W E Howell, T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

CHAS M PADEN:

VOTED, That the rate of Chas M.^D. Paden joing to Central America, be placed at \$13 per weak.

C F INNIS TO GUATEMALA:

VOTED, That C F Innis and wife, of Cuba, make Guatemala their field of labor, with a view of leading out in the colporteur work, Mrs Innis to do the work of the mission office.

JOSEF HALL:

VOTED, That we postpone the sailing of Josef Hall to China, giving him opportunity to obtain a year's experience here in editorial and evangelistic work.

D D FITCH:

VOTED, That D D Fitch's family rate be \$17, and that \$2 per week additional be allowed to assist in meeting his rent while located in San Juan, Porto Rico.

H H VOTAW:

VOTED, That H H Votaw be recommended to come on to Washington, to be here at the opening of the Washington Missionary College, leaving the Ohio Conference officials to look after the interest developed by his summer's work in the city of Columbus.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chainman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 6, 1915

PRESENT:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, N Z Town, E R Palmer B G Wilkinson, M E Kern, Dr H W Miller, F Griggs; also W E Howell, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

H H VOTAW;

After listening to a letter from H H Votaw regarding his work in Columbus, Ohio, and after careful and lengthy consideration had been given to the suggestion that he be permitted to remain with the interest there until the second semester of the Washington Missionary College, it was--

VOTED, That we again earnestly request H H Votaw to come on to Washington at once, to begin his work with the ministerial class at the opening of the College year, leaving the Columbia Union and Ohio to provide for the interest in Columbus according to our previous action.

JOHN BROWN'S RATE:

VOTED, That John L Brown's rate in Salvador be \$15

per week.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 9, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, M E Kern, F Griggs, N Z Town, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson, J L Shaw, E R Palmer] also L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by M E Kern.

R L HINER:

VOTED, That the Medical Department be asked to arrange, if possible, for a place for R L Hiner and wife, nurses, in institutional work, on their return from Jamaica.

J F HUENERGARDT:

VOTED, That J F Huenergardt be furnished with an official statement to show that his appointment as a missionary in Hungary makes it necessary for him to remain in that country.

F E BELDEN--PRESENT TRUTH:

VOTED, That W A Spicer, W T Knox, E R Palmer be a committee to consider F E Belden's request for photographs of cero tain pages of <u>Present Truth</u>, on file inour office, to complete a set he has.

JOHN BROWN TO SALVADOR:

VOTED, That we advise John Brown to go on to Salvador, and suggest that A N Allen go to Santiago to develop the interest which has sprung up as a result of Brother Brown's labor in that city.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS? Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 20, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, F Griggs, C S Longacre, M E Kern, Mrs L Flora Plummer, E R Palmer, G B Thompson, N Z Town, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also Miss Edith M Graham, F W Paap, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, T E Bowen, L A Hansen, W E Howell.

The time was devoted to a report from the secretary of his visit to the South African Union, whose calls will be listed in the Agenda Paper for the autumn council, and need not be repeated here.

APPROPRIATION TO SOUTH AFRICAN COLLEGE:

Request was made for an emergency appropriation to assist the South African Union College in meeting some immediate necessities.

VOTED, That a special appropriation of \$300 be sent forward in aid of the South African Union College.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 21, 1915

PRESENT:

The same as in the previous meeting, with the adaition of B G Wilkinson; the meeting being called at the close of a North American Division session.

SPANISH SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS:

Mrs. Plummer reported the difficulty experienced by the Spanish fields generally in receiving the lesson quarterlies from the Mexican printing house, owing evidently to the breaking of connections on account of the war in Mexico.

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Press to print the Sabbath School Lesson Quarterlies and the Mission Quarterly temporarily, provided they are prepared to do quick work in translating and Assuing; and further, that in case this order is placed with the Pacific Press we cable Mexico the information.

REMUNERATION TO MRS TRUMMER:

It was agreed that W T Knox and N Z Town should determine the remuneration that should be given Mrs E M Trummer for the translation of one lesson quarterly into Spanish a quarter or two ago.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 23,1915

PRESENT:

The same as in the meetings of September 20 and 21.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

The time was devoted to hearing a report from Elder Daniells of his visit to the Hawaiian Islands, Australia and India. The calls from each one of these fields for further help were outlined, and the general conditions informally studied. The specific calls will be listed in the Agenda Paper for the autumn council

ASIATIC DIVISION REORGANIZATION:

Some time was devoted to study of the plan for the reorganization of the Asiatic Division, with the inclusion of the Australasian Union as recommended by the brethren in council at Shanghai, during Elder Daniells' visit.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 23, 1915

PRESENT:

The same as in former sessions, with the addition of C C Lewis.

Prayer by F Griggs.

FURTHER REPORT BY ELDER DANIELLS:

The time was devoted to a continuation of Elder Daniells' report, first taking up Malaysia, then the Philippines, and Japan and Korea, with Manchuria. Conditions and needs were discussed.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1916:

VOTED, That I H Evans, A G Daniells, and W A Spicer be a committee to work with the treasurer in reviewing the calls from the fields and making up the budget of appropriations to be submitted to the autumn council.

HONDURAS SCHOOL:

N Z Town presented a report from Brother Karl Snow, of the Siguatepeque school in Honduras, showing that local conditions had put the workers in the school in rather a hard place. It was agreed that a good work was being done, and that help should b be rendered. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to send \$100 special appropriation to assist the brethren at the Siguatepeque school through the hard season.

MISSES FRYE TO PORTO RICO:

N Z Town presented a call from Porto Rico for two additional nurses, and reported that by a visit of Dr. Morse to Melrose and through correspondence, the Misses Ethel and Edith Frye, nurses of the Melrose Sanitarium, had consented to listen to the call from Porto Rico.

VOTED, That we invite Misses Ethel and Edith Frye to make Porto Rico their field of labor, provided the brethren in the field where they are laboring consent to release them, these workers being added to the Porto Rico staff with the following understanding: That the Mission Board will ray transportation to the field, the nurses to work under the direction of the Porto Rican Mission Committee on the regular missionary basis, Miss Edith probably to connect with Dr. Morse, who will remit to the Mission the amount of her wage, Miss Ethel to work in Santurce, turning in to the Mission her receipts.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 26, 1915

PRESENT:

The same as in recent previous meetings.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

REPORT ON CHINA:

The time was devoted to hearing a report from Elder Daniells on the China situation, reviewing conditions and the calls for additional help which the great China field has made. The situation generally presented was that of one and possibly two missionaries in a field with from five to thirty millions of people, and with rapidly growing companies . of believers and increasing bands of canvassers to be led, requiring recruiting of the missionary staff as an absolute necessity. The definite calls remain to be listed in the autumn council Agenda Paper.

ASIATIC DIVISION REORGANIZATION:

VOTED, That A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, and W A Spicer be a committee to study in detail the proposed plan of reorganization.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 28, 1915

PRESENT:

The same as in former meetings, with the exception of Elders Evans and Thompson, who were absent from the city, having left for appointments.

ASIATIC DIVISION REORGANIZATION.

The committee appointed in a former meeting to give informal study to the question of the Asiatic Division reorganization made a report, and considerable time was given to studying the outline

Without any formal action, it was agreed that the plan of reorganization submitted by the brethren meeting at chan Shanghai, with some changes recommended, should be submitted to the autumn council, for consideration and action as may be judged advisable.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

The Sabbath School Department requested the assignment of an object for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the second quarter of 1916. The following action was taken:--

VOTED, That we ask the Sabbath School Department to make the work in Brazil the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the second quarter of 1916, aiming at a goal of \$20,000 and more, which amount will not only provide the funds required from outside to enable Brazil to keep its force going along its three-thousand-mile line of activities, but will authorize the Mission Board to encourage the Brazilian brethren in going forward at once with their long-cherished plan of establishing a union training school for workers so greatly needed in that country.

FOURTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

Mrs Plummer reported the fact that the last Sabbath of the third quarter of 1916 is a Fourteenth Sabbath, and asked counsel as to whether the offering should be taken up on the thirteenth Sabbath or upon the fourteenth Sabbath.

Without formal action it was unanimously agreed that in view of this unusual arrangement of the calendar coming to light, we should make the offering for that third quarter a Fourteenth Sabbath Offering, the department appealing for an extra good offering on account of the extra number of Sabbaths in the quarter.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 7, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, F Griggs, N Z Town, M E Kern, Dr H W Miller, Mrs L F Plummer, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, W W Eastman, T E Bowen, W E Howell, F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham.

LATE E F FORGA:

The treasurer presented an item from the Review and Herald, of an account against the late E F Forga, of Spain, to the amount of \$24. In view of his death in Spain, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference treasurer be authorized to meet this account, rather than to have it sent on to Brother Forga's widow at this time, the material involved in the account having been ordered for the general good of the work in Spain.

JOHN OSBORNE:

The treasurer asked counsel regarding the audit of the account of Brother John Osborne, who has returned from Ecuador with his family.

VOTED, That we allow four weeks' time to Brother Osborne on the return journey, but that the items in his account for board at hotels en route, and his account for loss on household goods be disallowed.

HONOLULU TREATMENT ROOMS:

The treasurer presented a letter from Honolulu, covering a proposition on the part of I N Bartholomew for the turning over of the treatment rooms in Honolulu to the Hawaiian Mission. It was--

VOTED, That W T Knox, A G Daniells, I H Evans, W W Prescott, W A Spicer be a committee to consider the proposition and report upon it.

C M SNOW:

VOTED, That before the departure of C M Snow for Australia he be ordained to the gospel ministry.

Recess was taken to 2 P.M.

On reassembling, prayer was offered by W E Howell.

C F NEUMANN:

Request was presented from C F Neuman, who has accepted the call to Argentine, that he be permitted to visit relatives in Brazil while en route to his field of labor.

VOTED, That C F Neumann be allowed two weeks' time under pay in Brazil, for the purpose of this visit, and his railway transportation to and from the Brazilian port.

OFFER OF PRINTING PRESS MATERIAL:

A letter was presented from H M J Richards, reporting that a brother in Pennsylvania offered to donate some printing machinery and various articles, for any mission field that could make good use of such material.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to W T Knox, E L Richmond, and H H Cobban as a committee to investigate.

J C BROWER:

The treasurer presented a letter from J C Brower, who has been making preparations to get off to South America in response to the call for him to take charge of the Chile school. He has been delayed owing to the very severe operations that have been required in the case of his little child.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow J C Brower \$75 outfitting expense, and that \$75 extra appropriation be allowed in view of the extraordinary expense to which Brother Brower has been put in the matter of medical and surgical fees in the necessity of getting the proper surgical attention before leaving for the field.

C U B A:

N Z Town, superintendent of the Northern Spanish Missions, presented a report from Cuba, regarding the proposition to purchase land for a school. VOTED, That we advise that the purchase of land for the school in Cuba be deferred for the present, until further counsel can be secured.

VOTED, That we encourage V D Hawley, secretary and treasurer of the Cuba Mission, to remain in Cuba, endeavoring to see whether his health will not suffer him to continue in the work there.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

On report of the committee onprovisional appointees, it was--

VOTED, That the following persons be placed under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College:--

Wayne Barto, formerly of Central America.

R.J.Brines, of Melrose, Mass., one half allowance.

C. Morris, of Ohio, one half allowance, provided the medical certificate of his fiance is satisfactory.

BLANKS FOR MISSIONARY CANDIDATES:

The question of medical examination and blanks was brought up, and it was--

VOTED, That the chairman, the secretary, and the treasurer be a committee on blanks for candidates for missionary appointment.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W.A.SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 12, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson, F Griggs, M E Kern, N Z Town, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, W E Howell, T E Bowen,

Prayer by E R Palmer.

H E ROGERS:

VOTED, That we ask H E Rogers, statistical secretary, to attend the autumn council, in order to give and receive help relating to matters in his department, also to assist in stenographic work at the council.

AGENDA PAPER:

The remainder of the time during the morning was devoted to making up the Agenda Paper for the coming council.

Recess was taken to 2 P.M.

On resuming, Dr H W Miller was present in addition, and W W Eastman offered prayer.

The study of the Agenda Paper was continued.

It was agreed that an evening each should be given to the Division Conference presidents for Divisional reports.

It was agreed that the secretaries of departments should prepare a written report for presentation to the council, the amount to come within ten to fifteen minutes.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 14, 1915

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PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs, N Z Town, Dr H W Miller, C S Longacre, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham.

PRESENT TRUTH:

The committee appointed in a former meeting on the request from F E Belden, that the first volume of the paper called <u>Present Truth</u> be reprinted, made its report, upon which it was--

VOTED, That we do not consider that it would be desirable to republish the first volume of <u>Present Truth</u>.

F E STAFFORD:

On receipt of information from F E Stafford, of China, that he would probably be in Loma Linda at the time of the autumn council, it was--

VOTED, That provided F E Stafford, attends the council, the treasurer be authorized to pay Mrs Stafford's transportation to that meeting and return

MESDAMES TARR AND GROENEWALD:

A request was presented by the secretary from Mrs D F Tarr and Mrs B Groenewald, wives of ministerial laborers in South Africa, for transportation to America, after twentv-two years in the South African field. The request was out of the ordinary, inasmuch as these are American women who have married colonial laborers, whose homes are in South Africa. After discussion, it was--

VOTED, That we allow transportation of Mrs D F Tarr and Mrs B Groenewald from South Africa to the home of their mother, in America, with return to South Africa.

Recess taken till afternoon.

On reassembling, W W Prescott and B G Wilkinson were present in addition. Prayer was offered by I H Evans.

The treasurer presented requests, on which actions were taken as follows, after discussion:--

EXTRA APPROPRIATION TO NYASALAND:

VOTED, That \$100 extra appropriation for 1915 be allowed South Africa, for Nyasaland, on account of changes in the mission staff involving extra salary allowances.

SOLUSI MISSION INDEBTEDNESS:

On account of overestimating receipts from the Solusi Mission farm during two or three years, Elder W C Walston found the mission in need of further appropriations in order to meet current expenses and indebtedness incurred on account of failure of crops through drought.

VOTED, That \$1000 addition appropriation be allowed South Africa for the Solusi Mission.

CLAREMONT UNION COLLEGE:

Request from the South African Union Conference was presented for assistance in handling the union school proposition. The school has a small constituency, and for several years the proposition of removing it from the suburbs of Cape Town to a country location has been under consideration. The people were rallying to do their best to help in the reconstruction of the school, but before anything could be done for handling the property, current indebtedness had to be lifted to the amount of \$3,500, and a mortgage of \$5000 taken care of. The South African Union requested an appropriation of \$1200 toward paying current indebtedness, and a loan from the General Conference Corporation of \$5000 in order to lift the mortgage and have matters in such shape that the union committee could handle them

After consideration of this request, it was--

VOTED, That we grant the South African Union Conference \$1200 extra appropriation, as a payment on the indebtedness of the South African Union training school.

The Committee did not see its way clear to grant the request for a loan.

MARVEST INGATHERING NUMBER:

In an informal way it was agreed that the Harvest Ingathering number for next year should contain the ordinary

features, and the following in addition: ---

Editorial pages to be devoted to short articles on Christian Experience, Bible Study, Christ's Second Coming, Home of the Saved, and a statement of the doctrinal belief of Seventh day Adventists.

A page devoted to the Inca Indian Mission, South America; also a department made up of renlies from field surerintendents to the question: "What fields lie just beyond, waiting only men and money to enter?"

A page devoted to home missions,--Work among foreigners, something on helping the sick and needy, and possibly something on work for the Indians in this country.

A department to be run under the heading, Health and Temperance, containing a variety of short articles.

It was agreed that we should plan for the second inside cover page a map of the world, showing the workers sent out since the last Harvest Ingathering number was planned.

The first three pages, it was agreed, should be devoted to general articles:--

A.G.Daniells: "How the Fields Look Toward the

Home Base."

I.H.Evans: "The Answer of the Home Fields to the Calls for Men and Means."

W.T.Knox: "Our Mission Funds" (with diagram illustrating growth of mission offerings in total and per capita).

L.R.Conradi: "Words from Europe."

DEVELOPMENT OF EDITORIAL WORKERS:

A statement from A O Tait was presented relative to the need of giving more attention to the development of editorial workers, and the development of general writers among all the workers, in order that our papers may be supplied constantly with a good variety of material.

VOTED, That we invite A O Tait to prepare a paper covering the need of increasing the editorial force and the development of writers, including cooperation of field laborers with our editors, with the understanding that this paper will form the basis for the discussion of the topic at the coming Loma Linda council.

MRS S A OBERG:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the account of \$32, expense involved in the visit of Mrs S A Oberg, formerly of Porto Rico, to Santo Domingo, in order to take counsel from our physicians there regarding the propriety of her transfer to a more tropical field.

SIGUATEPEQUE SCHOOL:

On information supplied through N Z Town, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to supply a special appropriation, not to exceed \$50, to enable the Siguatepeque school, in Honduras, to secure a picture projection machine and a small musical instrument.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

The following were placed under provisional aprointment in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College, for special training for the fields:--

Henry Brown and wife, each one half allowance, these workers having accepted a call to Honduras.

Milton Conger and wife, one half allowance each.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W.A.SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 17.

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, A H.Haysmer, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, M E Kern, J L Shaw, F Griggs, Dr H W Miller, N Z Town E R Palmer, B G Wilkinson, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, W W Eastman, W E Howell.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

W A COLCORD:

The chairman presented a letter from W A Colcord, not now connected with our work, stating that his boy, Charlie Colcord, years ago returned from Australia at his own expense, not being prepared to come with the family when they returned to this country. He asked that the this account be allowed.

It was agreed by all members of the Committee that this account was never before presented, but under the circumstances it was deemed advisable to ask that a statement of the transportation expense be made, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

VOTED, That I H Evans, E R Palmer, and W A Spicer take the matter of W A Colcord's letter under advisement and make reply,

MUSIC AT THE COUNCIL:

North Emerican Division Committees, it was--

VOTED, That Elders F Griggs and C S Longacre be asked to become responsible for taking charge of the formal opening of services during the autumn council, arranging for singing and opening exercises.

INVITATIONS TO THE COUNCIL:

VOTED, That J N Loughborough and A O Tait, both of whom are in California, be invited to attend the Loma Linda council.

It was stated that Henry Barrows, who is expected to unite with the auditing department in some of the mission fields would be in Southern California, associated with J J Ireland in auditing work, at the time of the council. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we invite Henry Barrows to attend the meetings of the council.

wife, en toute to Australia, would be in Southern California at the time of the council.

VOTED, That C M Snow and wife be invited to attend the council.

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MRS J T BOETTCHER:

Letter was received from Mrs J T Boettcher, speaking of her anxiety regarding Elder Boettcher, and her uncertainty as to just what she should plan for the winter, in case he should be held in Russia through failure to get passports. It was--

VOTED, That we invite Mrs J T Boettcher to come to Washington, to await the arrital of her husband, inasmuch as her daughter Olivia is attending school here, and it was agræd that her transportation from Ohio should be met and a room secured for her.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 18, 1915

PRESENT:

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I H Evans, G B Thompson, F Griggs, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, A J Haysmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

HENRY BARROWS:

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to Henry W Barrows, and to Mrs Barrows, under appointment to the Asiatic Division.

MRS J B STUYVESANT:

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to Mrs J B Stuyvesant, of Guatemala.

JOSEF HALL:

It was stated that Brother Josef Hall's formal appointment to the Far East had been rescinded, with a view that he would continue some time in the work in this country. The work planned for Brother Hall with the District Conference had come to a close in Virginia, and Brother Hall had come up for counsel with the Committee.

Under the circumstances it seemed impossible to decide the question of his possible future appointment until the autumn council at Loma Linda. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we ask the District of Columbia Conference to continue Brother Hall in service under the same arrangement as formerly.

MISSES FRYE--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That the salary rate of the Misses Frye, going to Porto Rico, be set at \$9 per week.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

BIENNIAL COUNCIL

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 7, 1915

The first meeting of the council was called by the President in the chapel at Loma Linda, Cal., Sunday morning, November 7, at 10 A.M. The council had gathered on the 5th for preliminary meetings, and the Sabbath was spent in earnest services of seeking God and the preaching of the Word.

PRESENT:

The following thirty-six members of the Committee were present at the opening sedsion:--

A G Daniells, I H Evans, L R Conradi, R C Porter, W A Spicer, W T Knox, R D Quinn, R A Undersood, B G Wilkinson, M N Campbell, L H Christian, Chas Thompson, C W Flaiz, E E Andross, O Montgomery, S E Wight, G F Watson, H S Shaw, W J Fitzgerald, J E Fulton, A J Haysmer, H R Salisbury, Mrs L Flora Plummer, N Z Town, F Griggs, M E Kern, G I Butler, W C White, S N Haskell, C H Jones, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, G B Thompson; H W Miller, C S Longacre, W W Prescott.

By invitation the following laborers were present to take part in the council:--

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

W W Eastman, C B Stephenson, G F Haffner, P E Broderson, S Mortenson, F W Paap, B E Miller, W L Burgan, 'F M Wilcox, A O Tait, P T Magan.

GENERAL CONFERENCE:

[^]L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham, R F Cottrell, G F Enoch, H E Rogers, Miss P Tunheim, G W Caviness, S A Nagel, J J Ireland, `H W Barrows.

ATLANTIC UNION:

Allen Moon, H C Hartwell, H W Carr, W R Andrews.

CENTRAL UNION:

A T Robinson, J S Rouse, E A Curtis, W D MacLay, D U Hale, N T Sutton, J H Morrison.

COLUMBIA UNION:

M C Kirkendall, E K Slade, F H Rebbins, R E Harter, A R Sandborn, W C Moffett, J W Hirlinger.

EASTERN CANADIAN UNION:

A V Olson.

LAKE UNION:

Wm Guthrie, W A Westworth, A J Clark, P A Hanson, E A Bristol, C F McVagh.

NORTHERN UNION:

A R Ogden, S E Jackson, G W Wells, E T Russell.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

U Bender, T G Bunch, H W Cottrell, L Johnson, H W Decker, J J Nethery, C A Burman.

PACIFIC UNION:

J E Bond, B E Beddoe, W F Martin, C L Taggart, "J L McElhany, J A Stevens, N P Neilsen, J O Corliss, J N Loughborough E W Farnsworth,

SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

J B Locken. W B Branson, N V Willess, J L Shuler, W H Heckman,

SOUTHERN UNION:

A L Miller, R W Parmele, W R Elliott, B W Brown,

SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

W E Baxter, J I Taylor, J A .beland, R B Coberly, John Isaac, C J Buhalts.

WESTERN CANADIAN UNION:

H H Humann, E M Chapman, J G Walker, A C Gilbert.

GENERAL AGENTS AND PUB. HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES:

V O Cole, I D Richardson, C E Weaks, F E Painter, J W Davis, I A Ford, H H Hall, L D Randall, L W Graham, J H McEachern, W R Beatty, D W Dillen, A F Harrison, J F Beatty.

Prayer was offered by Prof. G.W.Caviness, of Mexico.

FAR EASTERN FIELDS:

The chairman stated that the first order of business, as agreed upon in preliminary meeting, was the question of ther reorganization of the Far Eastern fields, as suggested in a memorial drawn up by the workers in those fields during the visit of Elder A G Daniells to Australasia and the Orient. The following resolution was moved for consideration:--

In view of the growth of our work in the Far East and Australasia, and recognizing that the many large, difficult problems of those fields can be best dealt with by those who are on the ground, and in response to the memorial sent to the General Conference Committee by the brethren of those fields:--

<u>Resolved</u>, That we effect the organization of an Asiatic Division, which shall include the present Asiatic Division and the India and Australasian Union fields.

In discussing the resolution, H R Salisbury, of India, presented the reasons why the India Union Mission favored this reorganization. In the magnitude of the work of evan-elizing the Indian Empire, with its one out of every five persons in the world, the workers felt it necessary to have more opportunity for frequent counsel, where councils are even more needed than in Christendom.

J L Shaw, formerly of India, stated that he believed the Far East had common problems, and that a common basis for counsel and cooperation between the fields would be to the advantage of all. All the fields have the common problem of Mohammedanism, Buddhusm, and the philosophic heathenism of Asia generally. He felt that this connection of the fields would be a great strength to the whole vast region

J E Fulton, of Australasia, read a memorial from the Australasian Union Committee favoring the plan. He also read from the Testamenies statements showing that Australia was to be one of the bases for the development of resources for the waste places of the earth. Australasia desires to fill its place in being a help to the great Asiatic and East Indian field lying near its borders. Elder Fulton read a resolution adopted in Australia, in 1897, recognizing this responsibility long ago, and proposing to lengthen Australasia's cords to touch the East Indian and Asiatic needs. The Australasian brethren feel that their connection with the great Asiatic field will be a missionary inspiration to the churches and young people, and lead to more liberal giving and greater interest in developing workers. Already he hears from Australia that these expectations begin to be realized, even with the suggestion of the reorganization. Apart from any help their union may give, it is believed that an organic connection with the Asiatic Division woll be a blessing to the union.

Further consideration of the recommendation was deferred to another session.

AUDITING COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following eight members be appointed, to serve as an Auditing Committee, in addition to the officers and union conference presidents:--

H W Cottrell, E K Slade, J E Jayne, E T Russell, A T Robinson, C H Jones, C F McVagh, W H Heckman.

Adjourned to 10 A M, November 8.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 8, 1915

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The second meeting of the council was called at 10 A M, November 8, with A G Daniells in the chair. Prayer was offered by J H Morrison, and minutes were read.

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W M Adams, R J Bryant, H G Childs, F F Byington, J W Mace, W J Stone, Dr N G Evans, R L Pierce, S N Curtiss, F E Stafford, Meade MacGuire.

FAR EASTERN FIELDS:

R F Cottrell, of China, spoke to the recommendation on the reorganization of the Far Eastern fields. Elder Cottrell spoke of the growth of the work in Central China. A training schodl has been established in Hankow, aldeady overflowing its student capacity, and a call is made for means to erect buildings. The field has about seventy-five paper colporteurs. As yet no book leader has been provided for the field. They believe that with an efficient general agent a force of several hundred colporteurs might be developed within two or three years. The Chinese <u>Signs of the Times</u> has a larger circulation than all the other religious papers in China combined. The Central China field, with a population of 138,000,000, has forty-seven outstations. The percentage coming from heathenism is as follows: In Hupeh 50%, Hunan, 83%, Honan, 80%.

In these provinces, with from forty to seventy workers each, counting colpotenrs, we have but one or possibly two foreign workers in each province available to direct the work. The field needs men to act as leaders for the work that is spreading beyond the power of the workers to follow. But as workers increase, and the financial budget enlarges, the brethren feel that more experienced general administrators are needed to direct operations and give counsel on the ground. Therefore they favor the plan of reorganization.

R C Porter, of the Asiatic Division, followed with a brief survey of the Far Eastern field, with its 879,000,000 souls. In Northern China, with 35,000,000 million people, there is not a worker. West China, with 95,000,000, has two foreign evangelists, Brethren Allum and Warren. It is as though two men had just settled in San Francisco, with the burden of warning all the United States. Other fields were surveyed, all alike undermanned. Workers must be increased. But along with all the growth and the call for laborers, there comes a call for strengthening the plan of organization so that prompt attention, with thorough counsel can be given to the problems constantly arising. Elder Porter made an earnest appeal for more helpers, or rather, said he would let the facts appeal, relating some of the embarrassments experienced.

Question was called on the recommendation, which was heartily adopted by rising vote.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 8,1915,3P.M.

During the time of the North American Division Conference, in the afternoon of November 8, the statistical secretary, H E Rogers, was asked to present his report. The chairman of the General Conference Committee therefore called the third meeting of that Committee, in joint session with the Division. The following are some of the main features of the statistical secretary's report:--

STATISTICAL REPORT:

The total number of church members throughout the world at the close of 1914 was 125,844, an increase of 11,887, or 9.85 per cent, during the year. Total tithes and offerings received during the year for all purposes was \$3,090.484.80, an increase over the amount received during the preceding year of \$23,757.40, or 7.80 per cent, and constituting a per capita of \$24.56. Including the increase in valuation of church buildings, and the support of, and investment in, institutional work during 1914, there is secured a grand total of \$4,461,802.86 as the expenditure for evangelistic and institutional work for the year 1914, an average of \$35.45 for every church member throughout the world. The average in the North American Division was \$45.81, in all other countries \$21.58. The report showed that since the organization of this work there has been contributed for evangelistic work alone, \$31,675,894.76.

Attention was also called to the Financial Statement for 1914. This shows the total investment in all the organizations, institutions, and church buildings of the denomination to be \$14,039,279.39, an increase during the year of \$1,226.495.78.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 8,1915, 10 A.M.

The fourth meeting of the council was called at 10 A.M., November 9. Prayer was offered by S.N.Haskell. Minutes of two previous meetings were read.

Present in addition to those already listed: J H Rogers, H M J Richards, C A Thorp, M C Wilcox.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The treasurer, W T Knox, was asked to present his report, as follows:--

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

REVENUE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 20, 1915

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INCOME

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the North American Division South American Union Review and Herald Individuals	1,498.40 214.29 2,030.69 891.42	\$	4,634.80
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Twenty-cent-a-week-Fund

Annual Offerings	46,275.42
Midsummer Offerings	15,066,71
Harvest Ingathering	57,598.73
Missions	158,415.37
Sabbath School Donations	274.877.59
Weekly Offerings	15,967.60
Miscellaneous	46,670.51

Special Funds	11,690.03
Legacies	2,289.50
Departmental Receipts	4,408.50
Interest	3,417.51
Appropriation Returned	932.84
Miscellaneous Items	1,310.62
TOTAL	643,556.03

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614,872.23

EXPENSE

APPROPRIATIONS -- Regular

\$308,233.67

Asia---\$193,393,46 Asiatic Division \$14,364.98 Central China Mission 20,776.12 n Ħ East 6,200.69 n Ħ South 26,645.97 ** West 9 813.49 China Union Mission 733.50 China Union Training School 2,476.94 China Publishing House 2,964.55 Manchuria Mission 1.870.00 Total for China 76,846.24 Japan Mission 13,993.41 Korea Ħ 18,481.67 Malaysian " 9,418.49 India Union Mission 62,688.94 Philippine Mission 11,964.71 South America 39,498.20 South American Union 28,434.55 Brazil Union 11,063.65 Mexico and West Indies 32,481.48 Mexico Mission 11,449.17 West Indian Union 15,439.26 Porto Rico Mission 1,168.08 Bahama Mission 395.10 Cuban Mission 3,145.65 Haitien Mission 812,26 Bermudas 71.96 South African Union 41,389.49 Hawaiian Mission 1,471.04 APPROPRIATIONS -- Special 27,009.27 2,424.25 FURLOUGHS MISSIONARY APPOINTEES 4,557.07 348,224.26 Footings forwarded

Footings brought forward

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

Total Office Departmental Salary T.Expense \$ 9,947.48 \$1,387.98 \$4,082.32 \$15,417.78 Executive 2,476,08 781.73 Home Miss. 1,574.00 120.35 Miss. Vol. 504,98 2,297.06 1,546.78 245.30 Publishing 1,437.84 463.79 217.24 2,118.87 Medical 54.63 118.58 1,645.21 1,472.00 1702.16 Sabbath School 2,240.77 114.91 4,057.84 Educational 346.43 1,958.68 1,410.84 201.41 Gen. Field Lab.4,160.15 5,173.55 1,013.40 Gen. Conf. Hist1,111.01 1,153.07 42.06 \$24,900.87 \$3,601.77 \$7,795.50 \$36,298.14 Totals Harvest Ingathering Work 21,589.71 General and Office Expense 2,457.35 \$60,345.20 SPECIAL FUNDS 209,853.71 Sustentation Fund 13,205.87 93,312.78 Gen. Conf. Corp. Special Fund Provision for Institutional Relief 103,335.06 EMERGENCY FUND 17,438.10 Provision for Doubtful Notes and Accounts .2,268,89 \$632.130.16 Total Expenses Total Income for the year \$643,556.03 Expense * 632,130.16 Net Income for the Year 11,425.87

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60,345.20

\$342,224.25

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS BALANCE SHEET JANUARY 20, 1915

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ASSETS

ADDEI	Q		%
Cash on Hand and in Bank		\$382.456.97	/
Notes and Accounts		39,426.16	9.21
Notes Receivable \$ 7,293.5	6		
Less Rsserve for Doubtful 300.0	0 \$ 6,993.56		
Conferences and Institutions	11,670.50		
Appropriation Advances for 1915	10.305.16		
Personal Accounts 7,136.9	6		
Less Reserve 2,269.8	6 4,867.10		
Loma Linda Hospital Don.Advance	5,589.84		
Interest Accrued	•	138.79	•032
Defense 1 Obe			
Deferred Charges	* • • •	e a cu	
On Gen. Field Laborers' Salary	1.29		
On Miss. Vol. Laborers' Expense	50.25		
On Miss. Vol. Expense	100.00		
Inventories		5,933.25	1.39
General Conference Library	1,544.64	•	
Fuel	37.00		
Stock Room	542.91		
Correspondence School	3,808.70		
		\$428,106.71	100 %
	S AND SURPLUS		
Treasurer's Credit Checks \$ 1,681.4			.808
Institutions 59,287.6			28.322
	1 \$206,388.88		69.961
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Provision for			
Deferred Expenses	1,889.66		.908
Field Laborers' Salary 229.1			
Field Laborers' Expenses 75.3			
Executive Labor Expense 338.2			
Duplicating Department 1.0			
Correspondence School 1,645.8	8 \$208,278.54		100.%
Total Liabilities			
Liabilities 48.556% of Total As	PLUS		
50R Surplus Jan. 20,1914 \$208,402.3			
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Balance of Income from Revenue			
Balance of Income from Revenue Statement for year ending			
Statement for year ending Jan. 20, 191511,425.8			
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The Auditor, J.J. Ireland, made the following

report:--

"To the General Conference Committee of Seventh-day Adventists:

"After making a careful examination of the books of account and the vouchers on file of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists covering the fiscal year ending January 20, 1915, I can certify to the correctness of the Revenue Statement and the Balance Sheet prepared showing the condition of the business as of January 20, 1915, as disclosed by the said books of account.

> "J.J.Ireland, Auditor."

VOTED, That the treasurer's report be accepted.

The report of the General Conference Corporation was next presented, and the auditor's report listened to. No formal action was taken, inasmuch as the legal board of trustees would be the body to accept the report.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

The secretary of the Educational Department, Professor F. Griggs, rendered his report. Some of the features may be summarized as follows:--

The report shows 928 schools of all grades, with an enrollment of 31,896, employing 1,731 teachers, and having property valuation of \$2,349,759. The increase during 1914 was 162 schools, in enrollment, 3,517, in teachers, 159, and \$11,533 in property value.

The mission schools in mission fields show encouraging growth. We have 248 mission schools and outschools. This is an increase of 57 schools. There is an enrollment of 11,156, an increase of 1,546. The General Conference Correspondence School works for students in all the world. Its enrollment is now 150, with a total enrollment since the school began of 1,056. The work done in this school is accepted by our other schools, and it enables busy workers in far separated fields to keep up definite courses of study.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

Mrs. L. Flora Plummer, the secretary of the Sabbath school Department, made a report. Some features may be summarized as follows:-- The report stated that there were, at the end of 1914, 4,936 schools, with a membership of 133,815; of these, 2,169 schools, and 57,064 members were in countries outside North America. During the two years there was a gain of 486 schools, and 18,918 members. The home department members 7,000.

As to the financial report, the following figures must suffice: In 1913, \$291,711. In 1914, \$344,390. Total, \$636,101. The total for the two preceding years was \$393,444.

As to growth of gifts for missions through the years, it was stated that it took twentyOfive years to get the first million dollars for missions. But the second million was gained in three years and one quarter. Now the Sabbath school secretaries are enthusiastically in favor of setting as the goal, "The third million in two years."

The council informally expressed its hearty accord with this proposed goal.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

The following standing committees were appointed:-

On Distribution of Laborers: General Conference Officers, North American Division Conference Officers, the North American Division Committee on Distribution of Laborers, and L.R.Conradi, R.C.Porter, W.J.Fitzgerald, J.E.Fulton, H.R.Salisbury, N.Z.Town, A.J.Haysmer.

On Appropriations: Officers of the General Conference Committee, the officers of the North American Division Conference Committee, and L.R.Conradi, the Presidents of union conferences, and the North American Division Committee on Finance (W.T.Knox, Chas. Thompson, R.A Underwood, C.W.Flaiz, E.R.Palmer, J.J.Ireland, H.S.Shaw, J.L.Shaw, Wm. Guthrie, L.R.Conradi, R.C. Porter, J.E.Fulton).

On Constitution of the Asiatic Division: R.C.Porter, J.E.Fulton, H.R.Salisbury, W.T.Knox, W.W.Prescott, L.R.Conradi.

<u>On Nominations for the Asiatic Division</u>: W.T.Knox, I.H.Evans, R.F.Cottrell, J.L.Shaw, E.E.Andross.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 10,1915

The fifth meeting of the council was called November 10, at 10 A.M. Prayer was offered by J N Loughborough. Minutes were read.

Present in addition: J E Jayne, Sydney Scott,

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A joint meeting was called of the General and North American Division Conferences for the adoption of a series of resolutions as follows:--

ON GIVING THANKS:

Inasmuch as "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord:--

<u>Resolved</u>, That we place on record our thanks and gratitude to God for the providential care and bountiful blessings bestowed upon this cause during the last biennial period, æ shown by a larger ingathering of souls than ever reported in a like period before, and by the faithfulness of the believers in bringing into the storehouse both tithes and offerings in large excess of any former biennial period; we acknowledge God's blessings with hearts confessing that it is all of his mercy and not of any worthiness of ours; and with gratitude we consecrate our lives anew to his service.

ON THE DEATH OF ELDER OLSEN:

Whereas, Since we last met in Committee Council, one of our Committee members, of life-long service in the cause of God, Elder O.A.Olsen, has been laid to rest in the blessed hope:

<u>Resolved</u>. That we place on record our sorrow in this personal loss to all of us, and our deepest sympathy with his bereaved companion, and with the family and relatives of our deceased brother; we further place on record our appreciation of the strong and efficient service which the Lord enabled Elder Olsen to render this cause, as minister and evangelist, as a missionary administrator, and leader in North America, Europe, South Africa, and Australasia, and for years as President of the General Conference, beloved and respected by all for his abounding faith and eminent personal Christian qualities, as well as for his gifts of leadership in the work of God.

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On the resolution on the loss to the cause in the death of Elder O A Olsen, the following brethren spoke, telling of personal regard for Elder Olsen, and of experiences in the work through the years: A G Daniells, R A Underwood, S N Haskell, Allen Moon, Lewis Johnson, L R Conradi, J N Loughborough, I H Evans G F Haffner, S Mortenson, and G B Starr. The resolution was adopted by rising vote.

ON THE DEATH OF SISTER WHITE:

The following further resolution was presented: --

Whereas, Death has removed from our church councils one who since the early beginnings of this movement has been closely identified with its growth and development, and who by voice and pen, in the spirit of sacrifice and devoted labor, through the exercise of the special gift of the spirit of prophecy bestowed upon her, has contributed much to the extension of the gospel message throughout the world; therefore,--

<u>Resolved</u>, That we express our sincere sorrow for the great loss which has come to us as individuals and to the entire church in the death of our beloved sister, Mrs. Ellen G. White; that we express anew our appreciation of her ministry to the church, and of the great value of the instruction which has come through her ministry as represented in her published works; and, further, we express to the family and relatives our deep sympathy in the loss of a faithful mother and kinswoman.

This resolution was spoken to by Brethren G I Butler, S N Haskell, J O Corliss, G B Starr, Bydney Scott, J N Loughborough, C H Jones, and A G Daniells. The resolution was adopted by rising vote.

Before final action was taken on the series of resolutions, E E Andross and A G Daniells spoke to the first resolution on thanks to God. The report was adopted.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 11, 1915

The sixth meeting of the council was called at 10 A.M., November 11. Prayer was offered by H W Cottrell. Minutes were read.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

The secretary, N Z Town, made a report, which show ed sales as follows: For 1913, \$1,869,000. For 1914, \$2,109,000. The further remarkable facts of progress in the report can not be incorporated here.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

The secretary, M E Kern, made a report. Some of the facts presented are as follows: Societies reporting, 1,053. Membership, 19,605. Missionary visits, 359,965. Tracts and papers distributed, 3,600,000. Offerings for home missions, \$22,319. Offerings for foreign missions, \$43,458.

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

Attention was given to an action taken at the last General Conference, as follows:--

"We recommend, That the General Conference Committee be authorized to reorganize the work in South America, and to provide for the organization of a South American Division Conference at such time and place as they may deem advisable." --General Conference Bulletin, p. 324.

The officers of the union organizations in South America have desired a strengthening of the ties between the field and the General Conference, and a common basis of cooperation and counsel. The map was hung up, and South America's splendid growth was reviewed. The field now has 4,500 Sabbath keepers. It was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five to make report regarding the question of organization. Named: L R Conradi, W A Spicer, N Z Town, W T Knox, H H Hall. COMMITTEES ON TREASURY ITEMS:

The treasurer presented items for consideration, on which the following actions were taken:--

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to make recommendation as to the handling of appropriation accounts with mission fields.

Named: W.T.Knox, L R Conradi, I H Evans, R C Porter, H R Salisbury.

VOTED, That a committee of seven be appointed by the chair to make recommendation regarding Sustentation Fund matters--the means of determining questionable cases drawing support, and the policy as to applicants who have been but a limited time in the work.

Named: W T Knox, C H Jones, G B Thompson, R A Underwood, C W Flaiz, E E Andross, Chas Thompson.

VOTED, That the following be a committee on the obligation of the Central Union and Iowa Conferences to the General Conference Association: I H Evans, R A Underwood, Chas Thompson, A R Ogden, E T Russell, M N Campbell, A T Robinson, W T Knox.

SPANISH PUBLISHING INTERESTS:

VOTED, That the following be a committee on Spanish publishing interests and the question of a branch depository in the Canal Zone: N Z Town, W T Knox, H H Hall, G W Caviness, A J Haysmer, L R Conradi, W A Spicer, W W Eastman, R L Pierce, W C White.

Adjourned,

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary. ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 12, 1915

The seventh meeting of the council was called at 10 A M, November 12. Prayer by H R Salisbury. Minutes were read.

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

The committee on on organization of a South American Division Conference made the following report, which was adopted:--

We recommend, 1. The organization of South America into a Division Conference, consisting of the South American Union Conference, the Brazilian Union Conference, and the Inca Union Mission.

2. That the organization be very simple, providing at first for only a Division president and a secretary-treasurer as additional laborers, and that the organization be effected on the ground.

To this end we hereby authorize the representatives of the South American Union Conference, the Brazilian Union Conference, and the Unca Union Mission, to meet together at such time and place as may be agreed upon, to organize a South American Division Conference.

In pursuance of this action, we recommend, --

3. That the General Conference Committee on Distribution of Labor bring in a nomination for these officers, president of the Division and secretary-treasurer.

4. That the General Conference Committee arrange for one of its members to accompany the new officers, who should leave New York, December 11.

ASIATIC DIVISION CONSTITUTION:

The Committee on Constitution for the new Division in the Far East made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF THE

ASIATIC DIVISION CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

ARTICLE 1.--NAME

This organization shall be known as the Asiatic Division Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

ARTICLE 2.--TERRITORY

The territory of this Division Conference shall consist of that portion of the world included within the following boundaries; viz., commencing at the Persian Gulf, thence north and east along the east side of Persia and the south side of Siberia to the Pacific Ocean, thence east to the International Day Lone, thence south and west so as to include Australasia and such islands of the Pacific as are under the supervision of the Australasian Union Conference, thence north to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE 3.--OBJECT

The object of this Division Conference is to teach all nations the everlasting gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE, 4. -- MEMBERSHIP

ference shall consist of--

(a) The Australasian Union Conference, the India Union Mission, the East India Union Mission, the South China Union Mission, the North China Union Mission, the Northeast Union Mission, and such other union conferences and union missions as shall be properly organized and accepted by vote.

(b) Missions not included in any union.

Section 2. The voters of this Division Conference shall be designated as follows:--

(a) Delegates at large.

(b) Regular delegates.

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Section 3. Delegates at large shall be--

(a) The members of the executive committees of the Asiatic Division Conference and of the General Conference.

(b) Such other persons as may be recommended by the executive committee, and accepted by the delegates in session.

Section 4. Regular delegates shall be such persons as are duly accredited by the union conferences and union missions, on the following basis:--

(a) Each union conference and union mission shall be represented in the Division Conference sessions by delegates chosen on the basis of one for each union conference and one for each union mission, and one for each two hundred members

(b) Delegates representing unorganized mission fields shall be appointed by the executive committee of the Division Conference.

ARTICLE 5.--OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The regular officers of this Division Conference shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, and an auditor.

Section 2. President: The president shall act as chairman of the executive committee, and labor in the general interests of the Division Conference, in counsel with the executive committee.

Section 3. Vice-president: It shall be the duty of the vice-president to assist the president in his work, as the executive committee may advise, and, in the absence of the president, to preside at the councils of the executive committee.

Section 4. Secretary: It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep the minutes of the Division Conference sessions, and of the meetings of the executive committee, and to collect such data from union conferences and union missions and other mission fields, as may be desired by the officers of the Division Conference, or by the executive committee; and to perform such duties as usually pertain to said office:

Section 5. Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all funds, disburse them by order of the president, and to render such financial statements at regular intervals as may be desired by the Division Conference, or by the executive committee.

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Section 6. All secretaries of departments of the Division Conference shall be appointed by its executive Committee.

ARTICLE 6.--EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The executive committee shall consist of the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, the presidents of union conferences and union missions, and such departmental secretaries as may be appointed by the executive committee of the Division Conference.

ARTICLE 7.--INCORPORATIONS, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENTS

Section 1. Such incorporations and departments may be created by this Division Conference as the development of the work requires.

Section 2. At each regular session of this Division Conference, the delegates shall nominate or elect such trustees of all corporate bodies connected with this organization as may be provided for in the statutory laws governing each.

Section 3. The Division Conference shall employ such committees, secretaries, treasurers, agents, ministers, missionaries, and other persons, and shall made such distribution of its laborers, as may be necessary to execute its work effectively, and shall also grant credentials and licenses to all its laborers.

ARTICLE 8.--SESSIONS

Section 1. This Division Conference shall hold biennial sessions at such time and place as the executive committee shall designate by written notice sent to the presidents of union conferences and union missions at least three months before the date of the session, the first session to be held in 1916.

Section 2. The executive committee may call a special session at such time and place as it deems proper, by a like notice, and the transactions of such special session shall have the same force as those of the regular sessions.

ARTICLE 9. -- BY-LAWS

The voters of this Division Conference may enact such By-Laws as are not inconsistent with the Constitution of this Division Conference; and may amend or repeal such By-Laws at any session.

ARTICLE 10. -- AMENDMENTS

This Constitution or its By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voters present at any session of the Division Conference, provided that such amendments shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution of the General Conference; and provided further that if it is proposed to amend the Constitution at a special session, notice of such purpose shall be given in the call for such special session.

BY * LAWS

ARTICLE 1.--EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. During the intervals between sessions of the Division Conference, the executive committee shall have full administrative power with authority to grant and withdraw credentials and licenses, and to fill for the current term any vacancies that may occur in its offices, boards, or committees, by death, resignation, or otherwise. The withdrawal of credentials or filling of vacancies on the executive committee, shall require the consent of two thirds of the members of the executive committee.

Section 2. Any three members of the executive committee, including the president or vice-president, shall be empowered to transact such executive business as is in harmony with the general plans outlined by the committee; but the concurrence of three members shall be necessary to pass any measure.

Section 3. Meetings of the executive committee may be called at any time or place by the president or vice-president, or such meeting may be called by the secretary upon the written request of any five members of the executive committee.

Section 4. Previous to each session of the Division Conference, the executive committee shall provide for such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the preliminary work of the session.

ARTICLE 2.--FINANCE

Section 1. The Division Conference shall receive a tithe of the income of all its union conferences, union missions, and local mission fields outside of any union.

Section 2. The treasurer of this Division Conference shall report monthly to the General Conference treasurer all funds received. Section 3. The executive committee of this Division Conference shall annually submit to the executive committee of the General Conference, an estimate of 1° its operating expenses for the ensuing year.

Section 4. This Division Conference shall receive appropriations from the General Conference to assist in carrying forward its work.

Section 5. This Division Conference shall pay to the General Conference a tithe of its tithe receipts.

ARTICLE 3.--AUDITS

Section 1. The officers shall have the accounts of the conference audited at least once each calendar year, and shall report upon the same to the executive committee, and to the conference at its biennial session.

Section 2. The executive committee shall appoint annually three persons not in its employ, who, with the president, the vice-president, the secretary, the treasurer, and not less than three presidents of union conferences or of union missions, shall constitute a committee for auditing the accounts of the laborers of the conference.

ASIATIC DIVISION OFFICERS:

The committee on nominations for officers of the new Division, made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

Your committee chosen to nominate officers for the Asiatic Division Conference respectfully submit the following for your consideration:---

For president, R.C.Porter. Vice-president and secretary, J.E.Fulton. Treasurer and auditor, H.W.Barrows.

RHODESIAN SUPERINTENDENT:

The call for a superintendent for the Rhodesian Union Mission was studied, from the map, and it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Committee on Distribution of Labor to list this call as among the first to be filled.

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EVANGELIST--CAPE PROVINCE:

The call for an experienced evangelist, with support, for the Cape Conference, South Africa, was considered. The situation was pointed out, and the splendid opportunity for the increase of the European constituency in the colonial fields.

VOTED, That this request be referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

H J EDMED:

Another item on the Agenda Paper was the suggestion which had come from Elder H J Edmed, that, in view of the very long service in the one South African field, he had felt that he would favorably consider a transfer to America if it can be arranged. In the discussion of the proposition, the calls came quickly from one union conference president after another, and from some of the local conference presidents, for Elder Edmed's services in the city evangelization work. It was explained that Elder Edmed could not be released from South Africa unless provision was made for the Cape Conference presidency. Elder J E Fulton, of Australasia, felt that they could supply a good man and that they would be glad to have Elder Edmed's services in that field. Elder W J Fitzgerald, of the British Union, suggested exchange.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

YOUNG AUSTRABASIAN EVANGELISTS:

Item 4 on the Agenda Paper under the South African Union was presented, with the suggestion that it would be wise to consider drawing workers for the mission fields more frequently from Australia in order to fill the calls in the African mission field by strong young evangelists from another British dominion. Under present conditions, young people might readily be drawn from America to China, and answer the need there just as well as Australasians, while there would be an advantage in drawing more workers for the South African field from one of the British dominions.

Elder J.E.Fulton, of Australasia, said that they would be very glad to cooperate in this; that they had often spoken about it; that they had young people of good experience in the evangelistic field whom he thought they could allow to be drawn to South Africa.

Without definite action, it was agreed that this matter would be kept in mind in responding to further calls from South Africa for help for the missions.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 14, 1915,9 A.M.

The eighth meeting of the council was called at 9 A.M., November 14. Prayer by J L Shaw. Minutes were read.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

The secretary of the Educational Department, F Griggs, presented the following resolutions from that department, which were adopted as follows:--

Whereas, It is highly important that each of our ministers pursue a regular course of reading and study, and to this end the General Conference at its last session established a Ministerial Reading Course; and,--

<u>Whereas</u>, Up to the present time only a little over one third of our ministers have taken this course; therefore,--

Resolved, That we urge anew upon our ministers the importance of their pursuing this course regularly from year to year for at least five years; also, that for this coming year we adopt the following books: Johnson's "Ideal Ministry;" Robinson's "History of Western Europe;" "Ministry of Angels," by I H Evans; and a book on the Orient, to be selected.

Whereas, The development of our church school work is dependent upon the education of our church members concerning its importance; and,--

 $\frac{\text{Whereas, The salvation of our children and the ex-}{\text{gospel in all lands is very materially affected by}}$ the number and strength of our schools; therefore,--

<u>Resolved</u>, That the plan which has been in effect in the North American Division Conference of observing two Sabbaths each year as Educational Days, be carried out in our churches in all dands.

NORTHERN LATIN AMERICAN MISSIONS:

N Z Town presented items from the Agenda Paper relating to the Northern Katin American fields. Actions were taken as follows:-- VOTED, That the request of the Central American Conference be granted, and that the conference organization be discontinued, the territory of the former conference to be constituted mission fields, as follows: The North Honduras Mission (to include British Honduras and the northern provinces of Spanish Honduras, viz.: Santa Barbara, Cortez, Yoro, Atlantida, Colon, the territory of Mosquitia, and the Bay Islands); and the South Honduras Mission comprising the remaining provinces of Honduras, these changes to go into effect January 1, 1916.

VOTED, That the Republic of Salvador be separated from the Guatemala Mission, becoming a mission field itself under a superintendent.

VOTED, That the request of the West Indian Union be granted, and that north and west Nicaragua be transferred to the South Honduras Mission, and that the exact coundary be fixed by the president of the West Indian Union and the superintendent of the Northern Latin fields.

VOTED, That the calls for workers from these missions be referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

BERMUDA:

The suggestion that had come from Bermuda that it be associated with some union conference was considered, and with the concurrence of the Atlantic Union officers, it was--

VOTED, That the Bermuda Islands be transferred to the territory of the Atlantic Union Conference.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS:

The advantages of having fragmentary island fields associated with some union organization having been discussed, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference Committee to take under consideration the acceptance of the Hawaiian Islands as a part of the Pacific Union territory.

CHURCH OFFICERS' MANUAL:

Material for a manual for church officers having been compiled, it was--

VOTED, That the chairman appoint a committee of five, himself to be one, with power to act, to prepare the manuscript and issue the work, and that before publication proofs be submitted to all members of the General Conference Committee in America, and to the North American Division Conference Committee, *Toppintel: a. J. Daniels, G. B. Thompson, F. M. Wilerf. C. P. Bollman*,

R. J. Dowest (BowsETT R. T.)

WRITING FOR OUR PERIODICALS:

The Committee had requested Elder A O Tait to prepare a paper on the strengthening of the contributions to our papers, and the training of workers to engage in editorial service and in preparing literature in various lines and languages.

Elder Tait read his paper, emphasizing the farreaching influence of our periodicals, and the need of having a flow of articles coming in from the fields laborers, so supplying a variety of matter on the various phases of the truth.

It was his suggestion that there might be a plan of world-wide organization by which events taking place inone part of the world having bearing on prophecy, might be reported by the workers in that region for our papers in other lands. The paper appealed for the strong team work which will bring many to cooperate in this work, both in contributing to and circulating our periodicals.

The paper was discussed by Brethren C H Jones, E R Palmèr, F M Wilcox, B G Wilkinson, L H Christian, E W Farnsworth R C Porter, F W Paap, S E Wight, A T Robinson, H M J Richards.

VOTED, That Elder Tait's paper by referred to the Publishing Departments of the General and North American Division Conferences, for consideration and permanent follow-up work, and ior such recommendations to this council as may be advisable.

MISSION FIELD ACCOUNTS:

The committee appointed to consider the handling of accounts with mission fields, made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

Your committee appointed to recommend a plan for handling the appropriations of the General Conference to mission fields, respectfully suggest the following:--

1. That those fields desiring financial assistance from the General Conference treasury shall, not later than the first of September of each year, place with the General Conference treasurer--

(a) A financial statement and balance sheet giving the correct financial standing of their previous fiscal year.

(b) A budget so prepared as to show the cost of their operations for the current year, and the desired expenditures in detail for the next year, together with a careful estimate of anticipated receipts and the probable cash on hand at the beginning of the year. (c) This budget shall include, as far as practical, a list of all proposed laborers, with their present and suggested salary, and an estimate of their expenses; all anticipated investments for the coming year, either in lands, buildings, or increased facilities of any character; the amount desired for emergency and operating funds.

2. Where the field is a part of a union mission conference or division, the budget is to be passed to the superior organization, by which a combined budget, as previously outlined, covering the needs of the entire field, shall be prepared for the General Conference Treasurer, to be delivered to him not later than September 1.

3. The amount appropriated by the General Conference, with the funds raised within the field under consideration, will constitute the operating fund for the year and may be expended at the discretion of the administration, in counsel with the Division or Union officers, under whom the field operates; except that no enterprise not revealed in the budget and involving any present or future considerable outlay of funds, shall be undertaken without counsel with the General Conference Committee. The support of any new laborers brought into the field, their transportation, any changes involved in furlough of laborers, and any and all expenses attached to the field for the year, are to be met by the field without additional appropriations from the General Conference, except in case of some major emergency.

4. The fields receiving financial assistance shall promptly at the end of each quarter render to the treasurer of the Union or Division Conference under which they are operating, and to the treasurer of the General Conference, such a report as will enable them to determine the condition of their operating, trust, and special funds.

5. No administration is to extend its operations beyond its ability to meet the expense from its regular funds. The special operating fund allowed is to be kept intact and not drawn upon for increased operations.

6. The emergency fund is to be preserved for emergencies that may arise, and not used for regular operating or for additional facilities. An emergency account shall be kept showing how and for what purposes expenditures from this fund have been made. Request may then be made at the next Autumn Council for appropriation to replenish this fund

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7. Any funds saved or accumulated during the year will be subject to the call of the Division or General Conference, or may be applied on the succeeding year's work.

8. The General Conference will make regular monthly remittances to the benefitted fields, in harmony with the instruction of the responsible officers.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 14,1915

The ninth meeting of the council was called at 4:30 P.M., November 14, in joint session with the North American Division, for the consideration of recommendations relating to the Sabbath school and Educational Departments.

The following recommendations were adopted: --

SABBATH SCHOOL GOAL:

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Whereas, The second million dollars to missions was given by our Sabbath schools in a little less than three years and one quarter; and,--

<u>Whereas</u>, The speedy finishing of the Lord's work in the earth requires more liberal giving; therefore,--

We recommend, That the new Sabbath school financial goal be: "The Third Million Dollars to Missions by the close of 1916." (It is understood that this gives a period of a little less than two years for the raising of the third million dollars.)

We recommend, That the Sabbath School Department be authorized to prepare a Sabbath School Manual, dealing with all phases of this part of the work.

'CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:"

The following resolution was presented:--

Whereas, The magazine "Christian Education" is of inestimable value and importance in the development and prosecution of our school work; and,--

Whereas, It is impossible to give proper representation to the various features of our work with the present size of the magazine; therefore,--

Resolved, That we look with favor upon increasing the size of the magazine from thirty-two to fortyDeight pages, if proper financial arrangements for the same can be effected.

On discussion, it was--

VOTED, That the question be referred to the General and North American Division Committees and the Review and yerald Board.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 15, 1915

The tenth meeting of the council was called at 9 A.M., November 15. Prayer by W.J.Fitzgerald. Minutes of the two previous meetings were read.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

The report of the Home Missionary Department was presented by Miss E M Graham. Stirring facts were given as to home missionary activity in the fields. A few items in the record are as follows:-- Number reporting, 19,180; missionary visits, 323,687 papers circulated, 4,031,065; tracts circulated, 3,710,943; offerings, \$38,660; conversions (coming through lay member effott) 1,920.

Miss Graham introducted recommendations dealing with matters listed under the department in the Agenda Paper, which were adopted as follows:--

Whereas, We find in the Testimonies the following definite statements: "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers;" and, "If every church member were a living missionary, the gospel would speedily be proclaimed in all countries, to every people and nation and tongue;" therefore,--

<u>We recommend</u>, 1. That every conference and mission field throughout the world, give attention to training their members in methods of soul-winning work, and that in all fields of sufficient membership, a secretary be appointed to give full or part time, according to the needs of the field, to organizing churches and companies for work and teaching members how to work.

2. That in all our colleges, academies, and training schools, some lessons on the various phases of church work and duties of church officers be made a part of the course for all field workers.

3. That in order to have uniformity in the reporting system, the different blanks in use in various parts of the world be brought into harmony as rapidly as is consistent.

MEXICO:

Professor G W Caviness was given time to present Mexico's progress and needs. Remarkable results for war-time are reported by the solicitors for subscriptions for the Mexicah paper, some 6,000 subscribers having been secured.

A good work has begun among the Indians of the Mexican far south. Appeal is made for an evangelist for this region. Other requirements were mentioned, which by previous vote on the whole call for the Northern Latin field, have already been referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

GREAT BRITAIN:

W J Fitzgerald spoke of the needs of laborers in Great Britain, the area of the Union being small, the population large. There has been a very encouraging growth in the staff of British laborers; yet more laborers are needed, and for the outlying African colonial mission fields there are calls for laborers.

Therefore it was felt that if about six students could be sent over yach year to finish their work at the Stanborough Park College, it would be very desirable, thus getting experience in the field as they study. It was also desired that seven evangelistis be sent to Britain, one for each division of the field, with appropriation to cover the expense for five years. Elder Fitzgerald suggested that it would be a great ocon to the work in London if not less than \$10,000 could be provided to assist the field in getting a meeting place of our own in London. Britain also needs a first-rate field agent to associate with Brother Joyce.

Chas. Thousson said the Northern Union would be one of ten to supply the call for a church building.

L R Conradi spoke of the British colonial missions in East and West Africa and Egypt, calling for workers from Britain. Yet the union has but forty-soven ministerial evangelists for 47,000,000 in the home field alone. One worker to a million is insufficient to meet home needs and supply the called for help in outlying fields.

J O Corliss, J N Loughborough, W T Knox, and H W Cottrell each expressed a desire to give \$100 for the church enterprise if an appeal is made.

Various members spoke, and it was stated that 520,000 would be needed to do what ought to be done.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to waine for this rurpose the arrangement we have made to make no special appeals aside from the regular mission funds, and that in case this arrangement is agreed to, we proceed to raise the funds required by calls appearing in the REVIEW, listing subscriptions also in the REVIEW.

VOTED, That the requests for laborers be referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

W J Fitzgerald asked if the secretary of the Saboath school Department could not visit the field to give them help in the organization of their work

SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That the calls for laborers for the Brazilian and South American Union fields, listed in the Agenda Paper, of referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY*FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE CONNITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 16,1915

The eleventh meeting of the council was called at 9 A.M., November 16.

WEST INDIAN UNION:

Elder A J Haysmer was asked to present the situation and needs in the West Indian Union. The war has affected the finances of the field very much. Yet in 1914 the field sold \$16,000 worth of publications. The Union has ninety church buildings, all free from debt. Four new ministerial laborers are called for, and several other workers. Elder Haysmer remarked that they did have down on their list the call for a worker for Nicaragua where there is no one; but when they saw the size of the budget, their courage failed, and they have not yet called for a worker there. The great Spanish fields in the Union are almost untouched.

Elder Haysmer explained the calls for workers as listed in the Agenda Paper, and it was--

VOTED, That the calls be referred t o the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

M E Kern, secretary, presented items relating to the Missionary Volunteer Department, on which the following action was taken:--

<u>Whereas</u>, We have thousands of young people in all parts of the world, ready and anxious to be organized for service; and,--

Whereas, Our young people who have come out from Catholic ism and heathenism are in great need of the help and direction which our Missionary Volunteer Department can give; Therefore,--

We recommend, That the Missionary Volunteer Department so arrange its work that adequate efforts in behalf of our young people outside of North America shall be put forth.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS; Chairman.

W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 17, 1915

The twelfth meeting of the council was called at 9 A.M., November 17. Prayer by A J Haysmer. Minutes were read.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES:

Departmental committees were appointed as follows:--

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

Secretary, Mrs. E. Flora Plummer; Assistant Secretary, Rosamond D. Ginther; other members: G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M C Wilcox, W A Spicer, Mrs Vesta J Farnsworth, F M Wilcox, Mrs Fannie D Chase, T E Bowen, W E Howell, C C Lewis.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

Secretary, N Z Town; Assistant Secretary; W W Eastman; General Members: W C White, R C Porter, L R Conradi, W B White, J C Raft, J T Boettcher, O E Reinke, F W Spies, J W Westphal, G W Caviness, A J Haysmer, H R Salisbury, A W Anderson; Publishing House Managers: E R Palmer, C H Jones, R L Pierce, F F Byington, W C Sisley, H E Meyers, W E Lanier, H Hartkop, C C Hall, Jens Olsen, E Lind, L E Borle, J Robert, W H B Miller, B Owen, A Pages, G E Hartman, C Parkinson, W E Gillis; Managers of Circulating Departments and Branches: H H Hall, Jas Combran, L W Graham, J W Mace, I A Ford, D W Reavis, S N Curtiss, J F Beatty, J M Rowsen L D Randall, J L McConaughey, J R Ferren; General Missionary Agents: V O Cole, I D Richards on, J B Blosser, J W Davis, A F Harrison, D W Dillon, J H McEachern, C E Weaks, W R Beatty, W L Manful, F E Painter, W W Fletcher, S Joyce, A R Sherman, G C Jenks, H A P Green, H A Robinson, H Boex; Home Missionary Secretaries: Miss E M Graham, F W Paap.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

Secretary, F Griggs; Assistant Secretary, W E Howell, Other Members: J L Shaw, C C Lewis, O J Graf, B F Machlan, C W Irwin, H R Salisbury, Paul Steiner, M E Kern, Erik Arnesen, H U Stevens, W E Straw, J E Shultz, H F Benson, I F Blue, F L Chaney, C L Benson, H A Morrison, E C Kellogg, Glen Wakeham, Dr E Meyer.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

The report of the Medical Department was made by L A Hansen, assistant secretary.

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The report showed very encouraging progress in the medical missionary work in other lands. Our sanitariums abroad show really strong growth in patronage, and many thousands are being helped and blessed by the ministry of simply equipped dispensaries and treatment rooms in the great mission fields.

G B Starr, and J N Loughbournugh.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 17,1915

The members of the Committee were called in Executive Session, November 17, at 11 A.M.

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, G I Butler, R A Underwood, W W Prescott, L R Conradi, W J Fitzgerald, N Z Town, G B Thompson, Mrs L Flora Plummer, C S Longacre, L A Hansen, Dr H W Miller, L H Christian, M N Campbell, A J Haysmer, G F Watson, J E Fulton, E R Palmer, O Montgomery, B G Wilkinson, F M Wilcox, M E Kern, C W Flaiz, E E Andross, Chas Thompson, W T Knox, H R Salisbury, H S Shaw, W A Spicer, F Griggs, A H Mason, R C Porter.

Prayer by J E Fulton.

MRS E G WHITE ESTATE:

The chair made a statement concerning the will of Mrs E G White, lately deceased. The liabilities of the estate were \$87,000, and assets \$63,000, including book plates, showing an insolvency of about \$25,000.

The will was read to the Committee. The chairman explained that, owing to the insolvency of the estate, it has been impossible for the trustees to proceed in the exact werms of the will. They had therefore drawn up a plan of settlement, asking the General Conference to bear a part in handling the matter, and wished to bring the proposition before the Committee.

The proposed plan was read, as follows: --

1. That the provisions of the will assigning to the ownership and control of the trustees the personal property, real estate, books, book plates, copyrights, manuscripts, etc., be recognized.

2. That the provisions of the will giving to W C White certain books and manuscripts, and to J E White and W C White jointly the household furniture, bedding, and small personal effects, be recognized.

3. That the General Conference assume responsibility for all debts of the estate, and that they give to the circulation of the **ppb**lished books of Mrs E G White their active, moral support.

4. That as security to the General Conference for assuming this financial responsibility, the trustees assign to the General Conference all the real and personal property of the estate, and until such time as the obligations are fully discharged, the published books of Mrs E G White which have been committed to the controll of the trustees, together with the book plates, and all royalties actruing from said book properties; it being understood, however, that reservation be made by the trustees of the general manuscript file and all indexes pertaining therefo, and of the offic e library.

5. That W C White assign to the General Conference the books, "Past, Present, and Future," and "Coming King," foreign, until such time as the debts of the estate have been fully discharged, when they shall revert to his ownership and control, as provided in the will.

6. That W C White release to the trustees any and all c laims on the book "Counsels to Tezchers," and on the manuscript, "The Captivity and Restoration of Israel."

7. That W C White release for all time any and all claims upon the estate of his mother and upon the royalties accruing from books willed and assigned to the trustees, excepting "Past, Present, and Future," and "Coming King," as provided above; and that in view of this relinquishment, he be paid the sum of ten thousand dollars, less the amount he owes the estate.

8. That the trustees retain the same rights in the books assigned to the General Conference as those of an author, holding copyrights, and arranging with the General Conference or with publishing houses for revisions, translations, etc., the same as would an author with his publisher.

9. That the i ndebtedness of J E White to the estate be canceled, and that in return for this, he relinquish all right and title t o his mother's estate, and to any and all royalties accruing from the sale of her books.

10. That W C White, Mrs W C White, and D E Robinson relin quish all right and title to the five per cent royalties vested in them as trustees for the education of their children.

11. That all other beneficiaries receive the sums provided under the will at such time as the accruing royalties will meet the same, after the payment of all creditors of the estate.

Voted, That we approve of the glan as outlined, and instruct the General Conference Corporation to enter into the nec essary legal arrangements to give effect to it, the Treasurer, W T Knox, to c omplete the legal arrangements, and H G Childs being invited to act with the Treasurer in handling the real and personal property.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 18, 1915

The thirteenth meeting of the council was called at 9 A M, November 18. Prayer by R A Underwood, Minutes were read.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

The departmental committee was appointed as follows:

Secretary, M E Kern; Other members: C L Benson, Matilda Erickson, E Arnesen, Guy Dail, J E Shultz, Mrs L Flora Plummer, Mrs Fannie D Chase, Miss E M Graham, Mrs Anna L Hindson, Frederick Griggs, W E Howell, The Union Missionary Volunteer Secretary for South America, H S Beckner, I F Blue, G Wakeham, B P Hoffman, H A Green.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. B A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 19, 1915, 2 P.M.

Prayer by C B Stephenson.

O MONTGOMERY TO SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we recommend O Montgomery to the South American Division as President, and that we ask the North American Division and the Southeastern Union to release him for this purpose.

NELS JOHNSON TO ARGENTINE:

VOTED, That we invite Nels Johnson, of the Pacific Union College, to go to Argentine as field agent, and ask the North American Division and Pacific Union to release him.

I C THEILIG TO SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we invite I C Theilig, of Pacific Union College, to the work in South America, and ask the North American Division and the Pacific Union to release him.

ELLIS HOWARD TO SOUTH AMERICA:

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VOTED, That Ellis Howard, of the Washington College, be recommended to South America.

LABORERS FOR INDIA UNION:

Your Committee on Distribution of Labor would respectfully recommend the following:--

That the North American Division secure the release of the following persons:--

Wm. G. Wirth, of New York City, to superintend the Bengal Mission.

Lyle Shepard, of Be rrien Springs, Mich., to labor among the Telegus in India.

Roy Copeland and wife, of Berrien Springs, Mich., to work in Central India.

Dr. Olive Smith and husband, of Loma Linda, Cal.,

to India.

for G arhwal. Floyd Smith, of Washington College, as teacher

Louis Ahrens, of South Lancaster, Mass., to teach an English school in Ind ia.

Miss Vera Shoff, of the Portland Sanitarium, as a nurse in India.

C E Weaks, of the Northern Union, to connect with the Asiatic Division as secretary of the Publishing Department, subject to medical examination.

Miss Belle Shryock, on furlough, to remain in America till the next cool season.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., November 20,1915

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A meeting of the Committee was called evening after the Sabbath, November 20. Prayer by S E Wight.

GEO F ENOCH:

REQUEST HAVING come from the Washington Missionary College for the scruices of Geo F Enoch, in this country, it was--

VOTED, That we release Elder Geo F Enoch for service in the North American Division.

WORKERS FOR ASIATIC DIVISION:

The following appointments were voted:--

Places suggested, and workers called for :--

Hankow, Central China, J.G. White, of Melrose, Mass.

Shanghai school, Geo L Wilkinson, of Pacific Union

College.

Honan, Dr Iner Ritchie, of California.

Hankow school, Alfred Petersen, of Ketchum, Okla. Kiangsi, Ernest Lloyd and R D Loveland, of Southern

California.

Anhaei, Lyle Wilcox, of Pacific Union College. Shantung, C E Andross, of Southern California. Manchuria, Steen Rasmussen, of Chicago. Teacher for Singapore school, Albert Munson. South Sea Islands, R W Smith, of Pacific Union

College.

MELVIN MUNSON:

VOTED, That we assure Melvin Munson of our sympathy with his earnest interest in the mission fields, and our deaire to see him go to the Malaysia Mission; but that our judgment convinces us that in the interests of his future service, we should discontinue his appointment, and advise him to delay going to the tropics for a year or more, and engage in work in this country, affording time for thoroughly establishing his health.

J A P GREEN:

J A P Green, of Mexico, to take the field secretaryship of the West Indian Union and the Northern Latin American field.

A L SHIDLER:

A L Shidler, of South Dakota, to the South Caribbean Conference, as field agent;

WORKERS FOR NORTHERN LATIN AMERICAN FIELD:

Henry Brown, of the Washington College, to South Honduras.

H D Casebeer, of Pacific Union College, to Porto Rico, as an evangelist.

C N Moulton (canvasser), of Porto Rico, to the evangelistic work.

E W Snyder, of California, to Mexico.

WORKERS FOR WEST INDIAN UNION:

G A Roberts, of Arizona, to Jamaica.

W E Neff, of Kansas, to Venezuela.

C J Cole, of Southern Oregon, to the West Indies.

V D Hawley to be released from Cuba, and S E Kellman sent from North Michigan.

SPANISH PAPERS:

We recommend, That, beginning with 1916, the Spanish papers now being published in Mexico be transferred to and issued from some point in the States; and that the future arrangements for these papers be left with the General Conference Executive Committee.

SPANISH S S QUARTERLIES AND THIRTEENTH SABBATH LEAFLET:

We recommend, That, beginning with the second quarter of 1916, the Spanish Sabbath school lesson quarterlies, now issued in Mexico, and the Spanish Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Leaflet be published in Barcelona, Spain.

S A OBERG:

VOTED, That S A Oberg, of Venezuela, be granted return to the States, on account of the health of Sister Oberg.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 21, 1915, 8 A.M.

Prayer by L H Christian, and minutes were read.

A committee appointed in an informal meeting to consider the plan to increase the staff of general workers in order to compass the work of keeping in touch with the fields, made the following report, which was adopted:---

That we provide a man to be known as Field Secretary, to assist the President in his work.

Appointed: W W Prescott.

That we select a man to act as assistant secretary of the General Conference.

Appointed: J L Shaw.

That we make such arrangements for the adequate staffing of the treasurer's office as to enable the treasurer to make occasional visits to the fields.

That we ask the North American Division to so arrange the administrative affairs as to enable the president and secretary of the Division to make occasional visits to foreign fields.

EUROPEAN DIVISION:

L R Conradi outlined the situation in Europe and the outlying fields, and the need of having some one to join in the general work of the Division, preferably to locate in Great Britain, and look after the English-speaking and allied side of the general work. This would leave Elder J T Boettcher in the great Russian field, with its 175,000,000 in Europe and Asia; a man for the 90,000,000 of Great Britain and British territories in Africa (with help also to give in French and other portions of the Division); and Elder Conradi himself in the central portion of the field.

VOTED, That the officers of the two conferences, with L R Conradi and W J Fitzgerald be a committee to consider this matter, and report.

Request was made for a laborer for Spain, also a man for Italy, the plan being to divide the field into North and South Italian missions.

Request was made for exchange of help with the Scandinavian Union, and possibly an exchange with the Danube Union.

W J Fitzgerald also entered request for counsel regarding workers for Great Britain.

VOTED, That these requests from Europe for further laborers be referred to the same committee just appointed on the requests for general help.

APPROPRIATIONS:

The following report was adopted: ---

The committee on appropriations recommend that the amounts requested by the various fields shall be allowed in full, with the provise that the General Conference officers shall carefully study the requests made, and eliminate anything that may be found questionable, and that proper deductions be made where new laborers are not in the field all the time covered by the appropriations. The amount called for in the Budget is w = \$525,000 for foreign fields.

CALLS FOR WORKERS:

It was agreed that all calls for workers should be understood as requests made upon the Division Conference and the local conferences fof release, so that this need not be specified in each case.

SOUTH AERICA:

VOTED, That the same committee take under considera-tion the request for a president for the Cape Conference, in place of H J Edmed.

U BENDER--RHOBESIAN SUPERINTENDENCY:

VOTED, That we ask U Bender to go to South Africa, to take the Rhodesian Mission superintendency.

CHAS A PARP TO CAPE CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That we invite Chas A Paap, of Australia, to go to South Africa as an evangelist for the Cape Conference.

H J EDMED TO ENGLAND:

VOTED, That on request of W J Fitzgerald, of the British Union, we invite H J Edmed, of South Africa, to labor in evangelistic work in England.

MEXICO:

VOTED, That H E Meyer take the place of Julius Paulson on the Mexican Advisory Committee.

SOUTH AMERICA:

O Montgomery stated that as yet no decision had been reached as to the secretary-treasurership of the South American Division. He asked that selection be made from among the following: C Conard, W H Williams, J W Mace. ASIATIC DIVISION:

VOTED, That Howard Lee, on furlough, be invited to return to Korea.

VOTED, That the call for a superintendent for the Northeast Mission and the Southeast Mission be referred to the officers of the two conferences.

The following memorial was presented from the officers of the Asiatic Division:--

Whereas, The requests of the Asiatic Division Mission for reorganization and for the strengthening and enlargement of missionary operations in the Far East have ruceived favorable consideration by the General Conference council; and,--

Mission for the year 1916 has been generously allowed; therefore,--

<u>Resolved</u>. That we express to the General Conference Council our sincere appreciation for their liberality in thus providing for the growth and extension of our work; and we further assure this council of our great relief and encouragement that these actions will bring to our hard pressed workers in the Asiatic Division Mission.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, Cal., Nov. 21, 1915, 12 M.

The sub-committee made a report, which was adopted

as follows:--

That W W Prescott be invited to go to South America as General Conference representative, in inaugurating the new Division.

That W J Fitzgerald be invited to take the field secretaryship for the British portion of the European Division. That M N Campbell, of Canada, be recommended to the British Union as President of the Union.

That J W Christian, of the Central Union, be invitad to the presidency of the Cape Conference, South Africa.

ASIATIC DIVISION:

The officers of the Asiatic Division reported as to the subdivision of the fields composing the Division. The report was adopted as follows, subject to such changes as the Asiatic Committee may wish to make in minor details as to boundaries:--

1. The Australasian Union Conference.

2. The Indian Union Mission.

3. The Northeastern Union Mission, to include Japan, Korea, and Manchuria.

4. The North China Union Mission, to include the provinces of Chihli, Shansi, Shensi, Kansu, Shantung, Kiangsu, Anhwei, Chekiang, Honan, Hupeh, Kiangsi, Hunan, Szechwan, Kweichow, Yunnan, and the Dependencies of Mongolia and Thibet.

5. The South China Union Mission, to include the provinces of Fukien, Kwantung, Kwangsi, the French Dependency of Annam, and the islands of Formosa and Hainan.

6. The East Indian Union Mission, to include the Straits Settlements, the Federated Malay States, the Island of Borneo, Siam, the Dutch East Indies, and the Philippine Islands.

R F COTTRELL--NORTH CHINA:

On report from the Asiatic Divison Committee, it was-

VOTED, That R F Cottrell be recommended to the presidency of the North China Union Mission.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., Dec. 6, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, N Z Town, E R Palmer; also T E Bowen.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

N Z TOWN TO SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we invite N Z Town to accompany W W Prescott and O Montgomery to South America, to assist in the organization of the South American Division Conference, and to labor in the general interests of the publishing department during his visit.

TYPEWRITER FOR W W PRESCOTT:

VOTED, That we instruct the treasury department to procure a Corona typewriter, for the use of W W Prescott on his South American tour.

In discussing the rate for the South American Division Conference president, it was agreed that it be left with the brethren in the field to decide at the time of the organization of the Division, the rate to be within the schedule of wage adopted at a recent autumn council.

J L BROWN:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to J L Brown, of Salvador, and missionary credentials to his wife.

MRS C F INNIS:

VOTED, That Mrs C F Innis, of Guatemala, be granted missionary credentials.

WEST INDIAN UNION APPROPRIATION.

VOTED, That we increase the appropriation for 1915 to the West Indian Union Conference sufficiently to enable the union to get through the year without indebtedness, the net increase to aggregate about \$1000.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 14, 1915

PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, M E Kern; also F M Wilcox, Dr H W Miller, C E Hammond,

H BROWN AND M CONGER:

VOTED, That Henry Brown and Milton Conger receive full allowance of \$12 per week while missionary appointees at the Washington College.

C O FOWLER:

VOTED, That W T Knox, M E Kern and T E Bowen constitute a committee, with power to act, to consider the question of C O Fowler going to Cuba.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman. G B THOMPSON, Sec'y pro tem.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE CONMITTEE

December 20, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, G B Thompson, Dr H W Miller, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by Dr Miller and Elder Daniells.

CCHALL:

A cable message was reported from Japan, announcing the death of C C Hall, secretary and treasurer. VOTED, That the secretary be instructed to express to Sister Hall the sympathy of the Committee in this sad affliction.

H C OLMSTEAD--SOUTH AFRICA:

Cable message was received from South Africa, reporting that H C Olmstead, of the Basuto Mission, desired to return to this country to take further school work

Inasmuch as Brother Olmstead is a married man with a family, and has been doing good service in Basutoland, the Committee felt that without further information they would not be free to accede to the request.

VOTED, That the secretary be instructed to write South Africa regarding this matter, expressing our hope that Brother Olmstead may be able to take the further studies he desires in the South African school or by correspondence course.

C E WEAKS--ASIATIC DIVISION:

with Dr Holden regarding the health of Mrs C E Weaks, and it was--

VOTED, That we confirm the action taken at Loma Linda, appointing C E Weaks as secretary of the publishing department of the Asiatic Division, agreeing to his plan of leaving Sister Weaks in this country until autumn while he goes on at an early date to the field.

J W McCORD:

VOTED, That the salary of J W McCord during the six months to be spent in Honolulu be continued the same as paid him in California, consideration to be given to the extra expense involved in arranging his affairs for this short term appointment; further, that Elder McCord be authorized to take up the question of securing the services of a Bible worker to join in the Honolulu effort.

TENT FOR HONOLULU:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to arrange for securing a tent for the Honolulu effort, suggesting a fiftyfoot circle with twenty-foot splice. VOTED, That we appoint as representatives **ab** the Missions Congress for Latin America, to be held at Panama in February:--

A J Haysmer, W G Kneeland, D E Wellman, F H Raley, Carlos S Nicolas.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 23, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, M E Kern, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

SONG BOOKS FOR HAWAII:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure a supply of song books for the Honolulu evangelistic effort.

FLOYD SMITH--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite Floyd Smith and his future wife, both of the Washington College, to go to India, planning to sail in February.

HAROLD L GRAHAM:

VOTED, That Harold L Graham, of Takoma Park, be placed under provisional appointment for the mission fields for a half year.

MISS BERTHA LOFTSTAD--HAWAII:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endelvor to secure the release of Miss Bertha Loftstad, of of British Columbia, and that we invite her to go to Hawaii ... to act as secretary and treasurer of the Mission, and assistant teacher in the school.

HAWAIIAN SCHOOL:

In reply to a request from the Hawaiian Mission for an appropriation to aid in enlarging their school premises, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to supply the Hawaiian Mission an amount equal to that which the friends of the school enterprise will raise, up to \$750.

HATAIIAN TREATMENT ROOMS:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to negotiate for the taking over from Brother I.N.Bartholomew the treatment rooms which he is conducting in Honolulu, provided the same can be secured for a cash consideration not to exceed the amount set forth in the proposition submitted to us in August last; with the understanding that the present manager, Brother Bartholomew leaves the field as soon as arrangements can be made to relieve him.

NET YORK OFFICE:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three to consider the matter of the share of expense which the General Conference bears at the New York office of the Review and Herald for services rendered the General Conference.

Named: U T Knox, U A Spicer, E R Palmer.

MISS GERTRUDE JOHNSTON:

VOTED, That the return fare of Miss Gertrude Johnston, nurse, from South America to Indiana be allowed.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 29, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thomrson, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, — A Spicer; also F M Wilwox, Miss E M Graham, H E Rogers.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit to the British Columbia Conference \$50, to aid in starting into the work a brother who has recently arrived in British Columbia from India, and who, it is hoped, may find it possible to succeed in the canvassing work.

MELVIN MUNSON:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to continue the salary of Melvin Munson through December and January, if necessary, in order to give time for him to make arrangements for work on the Pacific Coast.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That the object for the contributions on the Thirteenth Sabbath for the third quarter of 1916 be: Landing the 1916 recruits in the mission fields; and that the object for the Thirteenth Sabbath of the fourth quarter be: The Dispensary Missions of Asia.

J W CHRISTIAN RELEASED:

A letter was presented from Elder R A Underwood, setting forth the situation in the Central Union which made it difficult for the union at this time to consider favorably the release of Elder J W Christian, who had been invited to South Africa.

In view of the facts set forth in Elder Underwood's .letter, it was--

VOTED, That the invitation to Elder J.W.Christian be rescinded, and that we invite Elder A H Thite, of Australia, to go to South Africa, to take the presidency of the Cape Conference.

HOME MISSION INSTRUCTION:

Miss Graham presented the manuscript for a pamphlet of instruction for home missionary secretaries.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to pass upon the manuscript, and to bring in recommendation as to its publication and the form in which it shall be curculated. Named: W W Eastman, F W Paap, E R Palmer.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 30, 1915

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, R C Porter, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, M E Kern, E R Palmer, F Griggs, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham, F W Paap.

Prayer by R C Porter.

OBERHEISER ESTATE:

The treasurer presented a letter from the president of the Iowa Conference, advising the waiving of the claim of the General Conference in the Oberheiser estate in favor of the children, setting forth the circumstances on which his recommendation was based.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to notify the proper parties that the claim of the General Conference in this estate is waived in favor of the children.

JOSEF W HALL--CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend to the Asiatic Division Brother Josef V Hall and wife for evangelistic work in China, to proveed to the field this spring.

O F SEVRENS--PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That O F Sevrens, of California, be recommended to the Asiatic Division as assistant teacher in the Philippine school, to go forward in the autumn.

In making this appointment, it was understood that Brother Sevrens would take the place of the evangelist called for and included in the budget voted at the autumn council.

MRS L V LEE--KOREA:

A letter was received from Sistef L V Lee, mother of Howard Lee, on furlough from Korea, proposing that she go back to Korea with Howard to live with her children. She is willing to pay her transportation to the field, but felt that she could not go unless a daughter, Miss Myrna Lee, might find work in the mission fields so as to accompany her.

It was the mind of the Committee that as far as Sister Lee is concerned, her presence in Korea would be a blessing, and they would be glad to see her make her home with her children there if desirable, this being a matter that we would leave to herself and the children; but as to the question of providing work for Miss Lee, a nurse, in the mission fields, either in Korea or China, our Committee here would not be able to act, but would be glad to recommend Miss Lee to the Asiatic Division, the call for her services properly to come from the Asiatic side.

VOTED OF SYMPATHY:

Word was brought to the Committee that Miss Ginther, of the Sabbath school department, had received word of her mother's death.

VOTED, That the secretary be authorized to express to Miss Ginther the sympathy of the Committee in this affliction.

A L BAKER--CHIMA:

Letter was received from Elder R F Cottrell, reporting that on his return to the Pacific Union College from the autumn council, he had met Brother A L Baker and members of the faculty, and felt the conviction that we ought to invite Brother Baker to engage in the work in China.

VOTED, That we recommend A L Baker, of the Pacific Union College, to the Asiatic Division for work in China, and that we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure his release for this purpose.

E E MORROW--INDIA:

A letter was received from the mother of Mrs E E Morrow, of India, bringing the parents' plea that Brother and Sister Morrow return from India, in order to help care for the father whose health has given way, and who pleads continually for the return of the children. Under the circumstances, it was-

VOTED, To authorize the India Union Committee to return these workers from India, in case after counseling with them and taking the circumstances of the work into consideration it is felt by the local committee advisable to allow them to return.

This action was taken on the basis of information that it had been questioned whether Brother and Sister Morrow would be able to continue in the India field even before this information came from the parents.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE CONCITTEE

December 31, 1915.

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, R C Porter, W T Knox, G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, J L Shaw, F Griggs, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by B G Wilkinson.

HILO--HAWAII:

Consideration having been given to the proposition looking toward the establishment of a small treatment rooms in charge of nurses, on the island of Hilo, Hawaii, it was--

VOTED, That the Committee finds itself unable to add further to the appropriations for the Hawaiian Mission, to provide for treatment room helpers at Hilo.

SOUTH AFRICAN PRECEPTOR:

Professor Griggs, of the Educational Department, reported on his quest for a preceptor for Claremont Union College, South Africa. On his report, it was--

VOTED, To invite H H Howard, of Kansas, to accept the call to South Africa, to engage in preceptor's work, and that we ask the North American Division through its Educational Department, to arrange for the release of Brother Howard at the close of the present school year.

U M COOK--WEST CARIBBEAN:

On recommendation of W W Eastman, of the Publishing Department, it was--

VOTED, To ask the North American Division to secure U M Cook, student of Keene, Texas, to act as field agent for the West Waribbean Conference, going to the field at the close of the school year.

ROYALTY:

A communication was presented from the Review and Herald Board, as follows:--

"The question of our continuing to pay royalty to the General Conference on books which have paid for themselves in the past was considered, in view of the fact that the surplus of the institution over and above the payments of its debts and necessary expenses and up-keep and improvements, will be appropriated for missionary purposes, under the advice of the General and North American Division Committees. The particular books in question being 'Hymns and Tunes,' and 'Our Paradise Home." It was voted that we request the General Conference Committee to release us from the further payment of royalties upon these books."

The matter being considered, it was--

VOTED, That we comply with the request of the Review and Herald.

ASIATIC DIVISION MEETINGS:

R.C.Porter presented the following plan of local meetings for 1916 in the Orient:-- Japan, September 1 to 10; Korea, September 14 to 24; Honan, October 1 to 10; Nankow, October 12 to 22; Hunan, October 24 to 31; Shanghai, November 5 to 15; Manila, November 20 to 30.

Purpose of meetings: To instruct, build up and unify the believers. To give special instruction to ministers. To give special help to canvassers. To build up the educational and young people's work. To give attention to the Sabbath school and home missionary work.

Without formal action, the plan was approved.

Consideration was given to the question of attendance at the Division Conference session, to be held the latter part of 1916.

VOTED, That the following persons be asked to attend the Asiatic Division Conference session, some of the number planning to attend general meetings as may seem best to arrange:-

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, W A Spicer, F Griggs, N Z Town.

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Press to send H H Hall, to spend six months in the Asiatic Division, in the interests of the publishing work, it being understead that the managers at the autumn council expressed themselves as favorably inclined toward now and then sending some publishing house rep presentative to the Orient, under pay of the house, to give assistance to the new and growing publishing work in the mission fields.

VOTED, That the North American Division be requested to arrange for two union conference presidents of North America to attend the session of the Asiatic Division Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. W A SPICER, Secretary.