

TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 3, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, J L Shaw, G B Thompson, N Z Town, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

M M HARE--PHILIPPINES:

While the Committee had favorable word from the Pacific Union and Elder M M Hare regarding the latter's acceptance of the call to the Philippine Islands, to take the presidency of the Luzon Conference, a cable despatch had come in from the Philippines in the meantime saying that in the recent council meeting, the Philippine Union Conference had transferred Elder Finster to the Luzon Conference, making their call for a president for the Philippine Union Conference.

VOTED, That we advise Elder M M Hare to go on to the Philippines, and that we recommend him to the Asiatic Division Committee for the presidency of the Philippine Union Conference.

J G OBLANDER:

Information was given that Elder J G Oblander, president of one of the European Unions, had returned to this country, locating his family in Lincoln, Nebraska.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to utilize Elder Oblander's services in this country, so soon as he may be available for service.

V E TOPPENBERG:

In view of the call of the Scandinavian departments for Brother V E Toppenberg, on furlough from East Africa, to visit the churches in the interests of missions, it was--

VOTED, That inasmuch as Brother V E Toppenberg is planning to visit the Scandinavian churches in the interests of missions, we advise him that any specific giving that it may seem appropriate to call for be in behalf of the extra African fund of \$15,000 appropriated at Minneapolis, to care for the African missions formerly sustained by the European Division, including Brother Toppenberg's own field of the Victoria Nyanza, thus all funds given in response to his special appeal for Africa may count on the regular twenty-five cents a week.

W D MacLay:

Consideration was given to the financial report of Elder W D MacLay, covering his preparation to go to South Africa and his return from the Hawaiian Islands when it became evident that Sister MacLay's health would not permit them to go forward.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow an outfitting fund of \$150 only, and that the expense as reported be allowed; but that the treasurer be asked to write Elder MacLay regarding the unusually high expense reported.

VOTED, That Elder W D MacLay be placed on furlough allowance of \$15 per week for six months from the time of his return to California.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure a place for Elder W D MacLay in evangelistic work in some of the conferences.

E W SNYDER:

Correspondence was presented from Elder and Sister E W Snyder, suggesting the possibility of work in Monterey, Mexico, or of joining in self-supporting work in the South, provided the Sustentation Fund could be made available in the latter case until they could develop a work to the self-supporting point in the South.

VOTED, That the secretary be asked to write to Elder Snyder, discouraging the idea of making an effort at his time of life to remove to the South, and that he be placed permanently on the Sustentation Fund at \$10 per week, it being kept in mind that when the Mexican situation clears, we should study the possibility of utilizing the services of these workers again in Spanish fields, if Sister Snyder's condition of health permits.

W C HANKINS--SOUTH CHINA:

Consideration was given to the situation of Elder W C Hankins, of Amoy, whose house had been partially demolished by typhoon.

Inasmuch as Elder Hankins had saved expense to the mission in the earlier years by building his own dwelling house at Amoy, it was felt that the mission treasury should share with him the expense of restoration after this calamity.

VOTED, That we assure Elder W C Hankins of our desire to render help in the restoration of his Amoy home, but would like specific estimate and information before voting a definite amount, in the meantime authorizing the mission treasury to advance him an amount not to exceed \$250.

G H CLARK:

Word having come from G H Clark, of Vermont, formerly of South Africa, that he felt it would be profitable to attend the South Lancaster Home Missionary Convention in order to get acquainted with the workers and methods in this country, with a view to joining somewhere in that department of the work in the United States, it was

VOTED, That we recommend Brother G H Clark to attend the South Lancaster Home Missionary Convention, paying his transportation, and that furlough allowance of \$14 per week be granted him for sixty days, while the North American Division is continuing its endeavor to place him in the work.

N Z TOWN--ATLANTIC UNION BOOKMEN'S CONVENTION:

Brother V O Cole, of the Atlantic Union Conference, had requested that Elder N Z Town attend the bookmen's convention, opening in New England March 2.

VOTED, That we give consent to the acceptance of this invitation by Elder N Z Town, provided he is able to arrange to attend this meeting.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 8, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, N Z Town, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, Dr H W Miller, R D Quinn, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, L Ahnsen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

In joint session with the Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That R S Frieze be appointed a member of the local committee on arrangements for the General Conference, in place of C E Ford.

F W JOHNSON--BRITISH UNION:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we endeavor to secure Elder F W Johnson, of West Michigan, for the work in the British Union Conference, the Lake Union and the West Michigan Conferences being asked to release him for this purpose, with a view to his entering the field about May 1.

THOMAS VILMENAY:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That the General and the Division Conferences appropriate to the Greater New York Conference on account of Brother Thomas Vilmenay, formerly of Haiti, three months salary at \$15 per week, in order to allow the brethren in New York to try his gifts in the service.

D N WALL:

VOTED, That the time of Elder D N Wall during which he was in transit from Australia to New York be allowed at the rate which he was receiving in Australia.

E C SILSBEE:

VOTED, That we advise Brother E C Silsbee that in our judgment he would better plan to connect with the work in this country rather than to return to South Africa.

MRS JESSIE MOON:

VOTED, That we advise Mrs Jessie Moon, of Porto Rico, now in Connecticut, to go either to the Melrose Sanitarium or to the Washington Sanitarium for six weeks or two months, it being understood that the General Conference will assist her in the expense while thus seeking to regain health.

Recess was taken to 2 P M

Following the recess, N Z Town led in prayer.

J S McMULLEN:

On report from Brother J S McMullen, under appointment to Brazil as secretary and treasurer, it was--

VOTED, That we allow Brother J S McMullen one month's time before sailing, further time taken in preparation to be at his own expense.

GORDON MACKENZIE:

Word was received from Brother Gordon Mackenzie that the gentleman in Peru in whose family he was acting as tutor had declined to pay the expense for Sister Mackenzie's transportation, thus failing to keep the arrangement which one of our brethren reported when the Mission Board secured Brother Mackenzie to respond to this call. Under the circumstances it was thought best not to press this matter, and it was--

VOTED, That we write off the balance charged against Brother Gordon Mackenzie on this account, amounting to \$252.65.

VOTED, That we ask the South American Division and the Inca Union Mission to consider Brother and Sister Mackenzie for missionary service in the South American field as the way may open to enlist them in the work.

HONDURAS SCHOOL:

VOTED, That the appropriation for the purchase of additional land for the school at Siguatepeque be reduced from \$1000 to \$400, and that we make a special appropriation for the sawmill and other equipment needed in auxiliary departments to the amount of \$1000.

MISS MINNIE DAUPHINEE--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure the services of Miss Minnie Dauphinee, of the Western Pennsylvania Conference, to engage in stenographic work in Jamaica.

W H HOLDEN--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure Elder W H Holden, of Western New York, to take the pastorate of the Kingston (Jamaica) church.

NIGERIA:

Considering further the call that has come for some one to take Elder D C Babcock's work in Nigeria, it was--

VOTED, In joint session with the North American Division Committee, that we endeavor to secure a man to take charge of the work in Nigeria.

W H LEWIS--GOLD COAST:

Consideration was given to the medical opinion that there was good hope that Sister W H Lewis would be physically able

to return to the Gold Coast next autumn. Brother Lewis and Sister Lewis are both insistent upon returning to the mission. It was therefore--

VOTED, That Elder W H Lewis be placed on furlough allowance of \$16 per week, and that he be asked to prepare to return to West Africa next autumn.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 10, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, N Z Town, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, W E Howell.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

DEATH OF MRS WHEELER:

On receipt of a cable from Argentine, dated January 8, announcing the death of Sister Wheeler, wife of Elder W W Wheeler, of the Argentine school, the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That we express to Elder William W Wheeler and to the families of Sister Wheeler and Elder Wheeler our deep sympathy in this sad loss that has come to them, which we count also a sore loss to our work. Sister Wheeler has been an earnest Christian worker in this cause through the years, and we know that in her case applies the blessing of Rev. 14:13. May the Lord comfort and strengthen our brother thus left bereaved in Argentine, and all the bereaved families.

ROBERT McKEAGUE:

Correspondence was considered from Robert McKeague and his father-in-law, C F Marvin, raising the question as to whether Brother and Sister McKeague could plan to attend the General Conference.

VOTED, That inasmuch as Brother and Sister McKeague are just opening up new work in the island of Maui, we advise that they plan to continue in the field during the coming season.

MRS W H ANDERSON--DISPENSARY:

A letter was received from Elder W H Anderson, stating that while he is visiting his mother in Indiana, his wife much desires to take a month's work at the Washington city dispensary. He requested transportation allowance for the benefit of her future service in South Africa.

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to appropriate for the traveling expenses of Mrs W H Anderson from Indiana to Washington and return, and that we advise her to plan for six weeks or two months at the dispensary, if practicable.

HAITI--ORDINATIONS:

A letter was received from Elder A F Prieger, recommending the ordination of Brethren A G Roth, E A Curdy, and Nord Isaac, on the forthcoming visit of Elder R W Parmele.

VOTED, That we recommend to Elder R W Parmele the ordination of Brother A G Roth, of Haiti, and leave the question of the ordination of Brethren Curdy and Isaac to Elder Parmele's decision when he shall reach the field and meet these workers.

A G ROTH--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

A letter was received from A G Roth, stating that he had rather serious convictions that with the superintendency of the Haiti Mission coming to him just now, and with the need of getting among the churches and developing a band of colporteurs, it may not be best for him to plan to attend the General Conference. Moreover, he felt not too sure about his citizenship papers for times like these, holding, as he does, Swiss passports.

A letter was also received from Elder G G Roth, father of A G Roth, stating that he was desirous that his son should come on to the Conference, in order to make a visit to his mother, whose health is such that it is feared she may not live very long.

VOTED, That as far as the Committee is concerned, we concur in Brother Roth's suggestion that he remain to press the work in Haiti at this critical time, and we assure him that if at any time later it should be indicated that his mother's illness was taking an acute form, it is the mind of the Committee that he should have the privilege of running up to New England to visit his home people.

W E PATTERSON--LAKE TITICACA:

Attention was given to communications from various workers in the Southwestern Union and its conferences, relating to the application of W E Patterson, of South Carolina, for appointment to the mission fields.

VOTED, That with the expressed consent of all the conferences involved, we invite W E Patterson, of South Carolina, to engage in mission work in the Lake Titicaca Indian Mission field, provided health conditions and passport papers are found satisfactory.

J H SMITH'S RATE:

VOTED, That the salary rate of Elder J H Smith, of the Bahama Islands, be set at \$18.00 per week for 1918.

H E SCOLES--PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That we ask H E Scoles, of the Loma Linda medical school, and Mrs H E Scoles, of the Glendale Sanitarium, to consider themselves under provisional appointment to the mission fields, subject to arrangement when their courses of study are completed.

AUSTRALASIA--E H GATES:

A letter was presented from the secretary of the Australasian Union Conference, expressing the appreciation of the Union Committee of the services of Elder EH Gates, who had been for many years connected with the Australasian work. The Australasian Committee also wished in behalf of the brethren and sisters of their field to make their action the occasion of expressing the appreciation all felt for the services of workers from America who have labored with them during these years.

Without formal action, the members of the General Conference Committee expressed their appreciation of these words from the Australasian brethren, whose action we know expresses the warmhearted and brotherly spirit in which the Australasian field has ever cooperated in the one work that we have in hand.

AUSTRALASIAN HARVEST INGATHERING:

A letter was received from Australia, stating that it is their desire to issue a special Harvest Ingathering number, and making request for the granting, if possible, of shells of our last Ingathering illustrations.

VOTED, That the Australasian request be granted, provided we can secure special shells of the Watchman Magazine illustrations; and that we encourage our brethren in Australia to launch their Harvest Ingathering plan, we standing ready to supply such materials as they may need from us.

H M KELLEY RELEASED:

On medical report, showing Mrs. H M Kelley's health not satisfactory for service in India, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Elder H M Kelley, of North Michigan, to India, on account of Sister Kelley's health.

EVERET EVEREST RELEASED:

Consideration was given to the medical report regarding the health of Sister Everet Everest, Brother Everest, of the Pacific Press, having been invited to Malaysia as printing house manager.

VOTED, That on account of medical report regarding Sister Everest's health, we release Brother Everet Everest, from appointment to Malaysia as manager of the Singapore printing house.

C B SUTTON--SOUTH CARIBBEAN:

On request of the Publishing Department, in joint session with the North American Division, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the Publishing Department to endeavor to secure C B Sutton, of Kansas, as field missionary secretary for the South Caribbean Conference, and that we join in asking the Central Union and the Kansas Conference to release him for this purpose.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 14, 1918

P R E S E N T:

AG Daniels, I H Evans, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

GENERAL CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS:

The officers of the Division and General Conferences brought in a report, suggesting preliminary arrangements for the General Conference, which in joint session with the Division was adopted as follows:--

1. That in view of the pressure of present conditions, and because of the fact that the delegation from outside America will be limited to an extent restricting the range of General Conference business, the time of the Conference be reduced to seventeen days, from March 29 to April 14.

2. COMMITTEES--

Transportation: W T Knox, working through the regular denominational transportation agents.

Seating of Delegates: J E Jayne, A R Ogden,
J F Piper.

Conduct of Daily Program: C F McVagh, G W Wells
B E Beddoe.

To Study Spiritual Needs of Conference and Arrange for General Meetings, Appoint Leaders, etc.:

R D Quinn, K C Russell,
P E Broderson, J S Rouse,
W A Gosmer

Pastoral Committee: A G Daniells, I H Evans,
E E Andross, J E Fulton,
J T Boettcher.

Decorations: Pacific Union Conference
Executive Committee.

3. That we add to the Committee on Reception and Location of Delegates appointed at the Minneapolis Council, the name of L A Hansen; Brother Hansen, accompanied by a stenographer, to join the Committee in San Francisco two weeks prior to the opening of the meeting.

4. That an article be published in the Review and Herald, giving the names of the members of the Locating Committee, with such other general information as seems best.

5. That a list of the delegation be supplied to the Locating Committee by the General and Division Conference secretaries.

6. That the printed stationery be as follows:
"General and North American Division Conferences, March 29 to April 14, 1918. Exposition Auditorium, San Francisco, Cal."

7. That L A Hansen be asked to prepare a sample card index system for the Locating Committee, the same to be sent to Elder J L McElhany.

8. That the secretary of the North American Division Conference ascertain from the various union conference presidents their wishes concerning the grouping of their delegates in hotels and rooming houses.

9. That W L Burgan and Frank A Coffin have charge of the work of the Press Bureau.

10. DAILY BULLETIN

(a) Stenographic Help: That the stenographic force for the Bulletin be as follows: H E Rogers, Chester Rogers, H E Brockaway, Olyde Lowry, Myrtie Wheeler, B F Foote, Mrs J W Mace; it being understood that H E Rogers will ascertain whether or not all of these are available and capable of handling this work.

(b) Editor: W A Spicer.
Editorial Committee: W A Spicer,
 J L Shaw, G B Thompson.
Office Editor and other help to be supplied by the Pacific Press.

(c) Price of Bulletin to be 50 cents.

11. Musical Director: Elder A G Daniells to be asked to take up correspondence with the president of the Iowa Conference, with a view to securing Professor W I Morey.

12. As the General Conference Auditor must visit the Pacific Coast at an early date, that he be asked to time his work of auditing in order that he may attend the session of the Conference.

13. That H H Cobban and Miss Ethel Edwards attend the Conference, to look after the work of the treasury department.

14. That further attendance from the general office be arranged later.

J D BAKER:

VOTED, That J D Baker, on furlough from British East Africa, be granted ministerial license, and that Mrs J D Baker be granted missionary license.

H A W A I I:

A letter was received from the Pacific Union president stating that under circumstances of his wife's condition, Elder W M Adams felt that he must decline the call to Hawaii at this time.

VOTED, That Elder W M Adams be released from the call to Hawaii.

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to consider the possibility of securing Elder A C Gilbert, of British Columbia, for the Hawaiian superintendency, and that Elder Gilbert be invited to take this work.

PROFESSOR T W STEEN--BRAZIL:

A letter was received from Professor T W Steen, of Adelpian Academy, submitting medical report. As the medical report did not seem to the Committee unfavorable, it was agreed that Brother and Sister Steen would be accepted for Brazil, and that we would persevere in the plan to move them forward to the field as soon as may be arranged following the close of school.

SALVADOR:

The Division secretary had received a letter from the Southwestern Union Conference, reporting the name of E M Davis as a promising young man who might be available for work in Salvador if necessary, though the union would greatly regret to have to release him.

VOTED, That we await news from Guatemala, to learn whether Brother W F Hardt might be available for Salvador, and that failing this, we request the North American Division to arrange for Brother E M Davis to take the work in Salvador.

N I G E R I A:

Further consideration was given to the question of finding a man to take the place of Elder D C Babcock in Nigeria.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to pass on for us a circular to the fields, listing the important calls for help, in order to secure names of possible candidates.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 23, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, WA Spicer; also F W Paap, F M Wilcox, L A Hansen.

Prayer by F W Paap.

C J METZGER RELEASED:

Attention was given to a communication from Elder C J Metzger, of Iowa, invited to the Virgin Island Mission. Elder Metzger forwarded medical certificate showing a doubtful heart, and stated that he was forced to report that his heart difficulty had increased upon him in recent years. Under the circumstances, it was--

VOTED; That we release Elder C J Metzger from the invitation to the Virgin Islands, on account of his medical report.

E L COOK--JAMAICA:

Further consideration was given to the urgency of the call for a pastor for the Kingston (Jamaica) church, it being very desirable that the man should reach the field before the president of the Jamaica Conference leaves to attend the General Conference.

Inasmuch as Elder EL Cook, of Nebraska, has been a volunteer for the mission fields, and inasmuch as medical advice has suggested to him that he take his wife to the West Indies as a favorable climate for her health, it was--

VOTED, In Joint session with the North American Division Committee, that we invite Elder E L Cook, of Nebraska, to go to Jamaica to labor, the Central Union and the Nebraska Conference being asked to release him for this purpose.

NORA DAVIS:

Consideration was given to a letter from Miss Nora Davis, one of the South American nurses, at present on leave in this country. From her letter it appeared that a little financial assistance would be a help to her, she having had to undergo a surgical operation and not being able to continue nursing work for a time in California, where she is stopping.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$50 to Miss Nora Davis, of California.

H H VOTAW--FURLOUGH:

Consideration was given to the fact that Elder H H Votaw, formerly of Burma and India, now invalided in Ohio, ought to spend some time solely in recuperation of health. Inasmuch as during his former furlough period he was really engaged in heavy evangelistic work and has taken no rest since his return from India, it was--

VOTED, That H H Votaw be granted a furlough under the Mission Board for six months at a rate of \$15.00 per week.

DR RUBLE--ENGLAND:

Further consideration was given to the request of our brethren in Great Britain for some one to qualify for medical practice there. The Committee had suggested Dr. Haupt, of South Africa, but it was reported that Dr. Haupt felt that he must return to South Africa

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we take up negotiations looking toward securing Dr W A Ruble, secretary of the General Conference Medical Department and assistant at the New England Sanitarium, to take work in England, the Atlantic Union Conference and the New England Sanitarium brethren being invited to endeavor to arrange Dr Ruble's release for this purpose, provided he feels free to accept the call.

C R WEBSTER--HONOLULU TREATMENT ROOMS:

L A Hansen, of the Medical Department, reported the names of C R Webster and his wife, of Jackson, Michigan, as candidates for the Honolulu treatment rooms work. A letter was read from Elder W D Parkhurst, of Jackson, heartily recommending these workers, who have been conducting a private treatment room enterprise.

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Brother and Sister C R Webster to take charge of the Honolulu treatment rooms, under the employ of the Hawaiian Mission, and that the Lake Union and the local conference be asked to grant their release for this purpose.

SUSTENTATION WAR-TIME BONUS:

Counsel was asked by the Sustentation Committee regarding the application of the twenty per cent increase on account of the war in the cases of those receiving support from the Sustentation Fund. After consideration, it was--

VOTED, That the Sustentation Committee be advised, while holding the rates as already arranged, to grant to recipients of Sustentation allowance a twenty per cent increase as a war-time bonus, beginning January 1, 1918.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINETY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 30, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Danielis, W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

M E X I C O:

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to write off the overdraft of the Mexico Mission account, on account of past operations while the work has been disorganized on account of the revolution; allowing the mission to start afresh with January 1, 1918.

T H E Y D E:

The treasurer asked counsel regarding the request from T Heyde, of Russia, now in California, that he be paid \$500 more on account of funds which he has deposited with the Russian Union Conference.

Although the question of exchange makes the value of the ruble at present uncertain, under the circumstances it was--

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to advance \$500 more to Brother T Heyde, on account of deposits he has with the Russian Union Conference.

V E T O P P E N B E R G:

VOTED, That V E Toppenberg, on furlough from East Africa, be granted ministerial license, and that Mrs. Mine Toppenberg be granted missionary license.

S A L V A D O R:

VOTED, That we appoint W F Hardt, now in Guatemala, superintendent of the Salvador Mission; that we ask Elder E W Thurber to see to the ordination of Brother Hardt as local edder of the Santa Ana and San Salvador churches; further, that ministerial license be granted to W F Hardt.

W D MacLay:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to extend W D MacLay's furlough allowance six months further.

MRS S E WILLSON:

Consideration was given to the work of Sister S E Willson, formerly of South Africa, widow of Brother J V Willson, for many years connected with the work in that field. With the understanding that he would look with favor upon the proposition, it was--

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to endeavor to place Sister S E Willson in the Bible and visiting work, preferably in the Southern Union Conference, her sustentation allowance being continued and she allowed to work as her health may permit.

DELEGATE LOCATION--GENERAL AND DIVISION CONFERENCES:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, a report was received from the sub-committee and adopted as follows:--

"A letter was presented from C H Jones, reporting that the local committee on arrangements recommend the Hotel Whitcomb as headquarters for the delegates to the Conference. His description states:

"This hotel is first class in every respect, as good as any in the city. Seven stories, fire-proof, containing 400 rooms. While the regular rates are from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per person per day for room, the management have offered to provide 150 rooms, possibly 200 at a rate of \$1.00 per day per person, provided two or more occupy one room. Every room is an outside room and connected with bath. Two large committee rooms in the hotel are offered free of charge."

"Other hotels, the committee reports, have been visited, and while in some slightly lower rates could be secured, it was impossible to secure a guarantee of accommodations.

"After considering this matter, the sub-committee--

"Voted, That we accept the recommendation of the Locating Committee, and plan to make the Hotel Whitcomb the headquarters for the delegation to the Conferences."

A G Daniells
G B Thompson
W A Spicer Sub-committee
W T Knox
J L Shaw

VOTED, That we concur in the above recommendation of the sub-committee and of the Locating Committee, and that the secretary be instructed to correspond with each union conference and ascertain at once how many rooms they will require in this hotel for their delegation.

MISSION FIELD DELEGATES:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed delegates to the General Conference from the North Latin missions:--

R W Parmele	Wm Steele
F G Lane	E W Thurber
G W Uaviness	Isaac Baker
John L Brown	Henry Brown
J A P Green	Karl Snow

W.F. Meyers

VOTED, That we invite to attend the Conference the missionaries and missionary appointees who will be preparing to sail from Pacific Coast ports shortly after the Conference, as follows:--

Harold L Graham and wife, China.
A E Iverson and wife, Malaysia.
W E Strickland and wife, India.
O A Hall and wife, China.
W H Anderson and wife, Africa.
J C Klose and wife, Korea.
Mrs. E P Evans, China.

VOTED, That we invite to attend the General Conference the following missionaries on furlough, mostly located on the Pacific Coast, save for several whose attendance is desired for counsel regarding work, the list being as follows:--

E H Gates and wife, Australasia.
S A Wellman, India.
R H Beach and wife, India.
Geo F Enoch, India.
V E Toppenberg, East Africa.
Mrs Karl Snow, Honduras.

Adjourned.

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

THREE HUNDREDTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 5, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
J L Shaw, N Z Town, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, L A
Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

F W JOHNSON:

A reply having been received from Elder F W Johnson,
of West Michigan, declining the invitation to Ireland, it was--

VOTED, That the action inviting Elder F W Johnson
to make Ireland his field of labor be rescinded.

PETITION SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE:

A petition from the Southeastern Union was presented,
asking that the coming General Conference make arrangements for the
organization of an Evangelical Department.

VOTED, That we refer the petition from the South-
eastern Union to the Committee on Plans at the forthcoming General
Conference.

HONDURAS SCHOOL:

Information was received from Elder R W Parmele,
that students from the Bay Islands were leaving the last of January
for the Siguatepeque school. In view of the fact that Brother
E C Jacobson, of Iowa, who had accepted the call to Siguatepeque,
has been unable to get his military release, being somehow tied up
between his registration in Porto Rico and in Iowa, it was con-
sidered essential to withdraw his appointment, and endeavor to do
something immediately to provide for the school vacancy at
Siguatepeque, Honduras. The call of Brother W F Hardt, of
Guatemala, to Salvador was reconsidered, and it was--

VOTED, To cable Guatemala, inviting Brother Hardt
to take the Siguatepeque school, and to wire Brother Jacobson, with-
drawing his appointment.

VOTED, FURTHER, That in case Brother W F Hardt has left Guatemala for Salvador, or should decline the call to the school work, we recommend Brother W E Lanier, soon to sail for Honduras, to defer his evangelistic work and proceed to the school, in order to look after the interests there while waiting for a school head.

\$200 TO COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA:

A letter was received from Dr Robert Speer, of the Latin American Committee, inviting our Board to appropriate \$200 as a share in the expenses of the general work of the societies in Latin America.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to send this amount to the Committee on Cooperation in Latin American.

MRS ELIZABETH EVANS--ASIATIC DIVISION:

VOTED, That we invite Mrs Elizabeth Evans, of the Washington Sanitarium business office, to make the Asiatic Division her field of labor, with a view to engaging in accountant work in China.

J C KLOSE--KOREA:

N Z Town, of the Publishing Department, presented a letter from the field missionary secretary of the Lake Union, proposing that Brother J C Klose, under appointment to Korea, continue his work until March first, when he could be released without serious loss to the Northern Illinois Conference book work. Inasmuch as this would take him so close to the General Conference, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend that Brother J C Klose plan to remain with the Northern Illinois Conference until the middle of March, then make ready to proceed to his field, taking in the General Conference on his way.

COLON, PANAMA:

The treasurer reported that the West Caribbean brethren had found a property suitable for the building of homes for the workers, according to recommendations adopted at the autumn council, the Pacific Press planning to take over the present conference office quarters for the Branch office.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make available the \$1500 appropriated for this purpose at the autumn council, and that we ask the General Conference Corporation to advance the remainder of the purchase price, aside from the \$500 which the West Caribbean Conference has already paid as a deposit to seal the bargain, this amount advanced by the Corporation to be repaid later.

GUESTS OF GENERAL AND DIVISION CONFERENCES:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we invite the following persons to attend the Conference as guests of the General and Division Conferences, the General and Division to share equally the expense of entertainment, and transportation of such as are not under pay of conferences or institutions, with the understanding that in other cases the local conference or institution is invited to continue salary rate and meet railway transportation; the list is as follows:

J N Loughborough
R S Owen
W M Healey
Richard T Sisley
L A Hoopes
F D Starr

J O Corliss
Henry Shultz
R C Porter
J G Oblander--
Allen Moon
A J Breed.

Adjourned.

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

THREE HUNDRED FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 7, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, N Z Town, C S Longacre, E R Palmer,
W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

GENERAL CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee the report of the sub-committee on General Conference Arrangements was considered, and adopted as follows:--

1. Bulletin Arrangements:

VOTED, (a) That we ask the Pacific Press and the Pacific Union management to secure for use at the Conference such typewriting machines as may be required.

(b) That we ask the Pacific Press to arrange for a mimeograph and equipment.

(c) That the revised list of reporters for the Bulletin be as follows: H E Rogers, Miss Myrtie Wheeler, Chester Rogers, Mrs J W Mace, B F Foote, H E Brockaway; and that we make request of Union College for the release of Miss Wheeler, and of Loma Linda for the release of Brother Brockaway.

2. General and Division Office Helpers:

(a) That the following office helpers attend: H H Cobban, of the treasury department; Ethel Edwards, to assist the treasurer; S E McNeill to so arrange his auditing trip in the West that he shall be able to be present at the Conference.

(b) Stenographers to assist in Bulletin work, and to be available for service for the general officers and for committees: Miss E Zeidler, Miss T Sandberg (now in California).

3. Locating Work:

(a) That, as requested by the Locating Committee in California, Brother L A Hansen plan to reach San Francisco March 1, to assist the Locating Committee in assigning quarters for delegates and visitors.

(b) That A E Iverson, under appointment to Malaysia, go on to San Francisco by March 1, in order to act as stenographer and assistant to Brother Hansen.

4. Press Bureau:

(a) That we ask W L Burgan, F A Coffin, C B Haynes and Stemple White to act as Press Committee for the Conference.

(b) That we ask the North Pacific Union and the Western Oregon Conference to allow Brother Clyde Lowry to go to San Francisco, to assist the Press Bureau (or to take B F Foote's place on the Bulletin reporting staff, if found practicable, in order that Brother Foote may continue his work with the Press Bureau).

5. Attendance of assistants from General and Division Conference Offices:

That the following assistants in various departments be asked to attend: W E Howell, Matilda Erickson, Edith M Graham, Rosamond D Ginther, T E Bowen, C C Lewis, F C Gilbert, G G Roth, Maude MacQuinn.

6. That we invite Prof J I Beardsley, of the Oakwood school (Alabama), to attend the Conference, it being understood that in his case his transportation must be met by special appropriation, the Oakwood school itself being helped by special appropriations.

7. That Elder G E Nord be invited to attend the Conference, we to pay transportation and entertainment, the Massachusetts Conference being asked to continue salary.

8. That the officers of the General and Division Conferences plan to meet in San Francisco, Monday, March 25, at 2 P M , at the Civic Federation Building.

9. Special Evangelistic Campaign: The question of making the Conference the occasion of special evangelistic effort for the public was again brought up by correspondence from some especially interested in city work. After consideration, it was recommended,--

(a) That in view of the limited time of the session, and the circumstances under which the hall is granted to us free of charge, we do not feel it best to reverse the former decision of the Committee in council.

(b) That we invite Dr. Morgan, of Philadelphia, to attend the Conference, to preside at the pipe organ of the Auditorium.

(c) That the General and Division Conferences furnish Dr Morgan's transportation and such entertainment as it is planned to furnish delegates, and that we ask the Columbia Union to be responsible for salary allowance and any other expense that may be involved.

ARMENIAN-SYRIAN RELIEF:

The treasurer presented a letter from Elder F F Oster, of Persia, speaking of the need of relief work among refugees fleeing into the regions where he is located. Owing to prejudice in the missionary committees, it seemed difficult for him to secure relief in certain cases of people. It was therefore--

VOTED, That \$500 of the amount secured by donations for Syrian and Armenian Relief be sent to Elder F F Oster, for distribution on the Persian side as needs arise.

Adjourned.

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

THREE HUNDRED SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 14, 1918

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, M E Kern, C S Longacre, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, C S Wiest.

Prayer by N Z Town.

"BULLETIN" ARRANGEMENTS:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was agreed concerning the Bulletin as follows:

Name: General Conference Bulletin.

Thirteen issues,--April 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17.

Added to editorial staff: T E Bowen, M C Wilcox.

Office editors: M C Wilcox, F H Gage, Katherine B Wilcox.

REPORTS TO THE CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That we ask the secretaries of the General and Division Conference departments to prepare a report to be presented at the Conference.

That union conference presidents in the North American Division prepare a report for presentation.

That in fields abroad we ask the Division presidents to make Division reports, and to arrange for reports from union presidents and such local field representatives as may be thought best.

VOTED, That union fields not appearing in Divisions, as the West Indian Union, the North Latin Union, South African Union and the British Union be asked to plan a union report, with brief reports from local superintendents or representatives of distinct fields who may be in attendance.

STENOGRAPHIC HELPERS:

VOTED, That Miss M Stella Fleisher be invited to attend the General Conference as one of the stenographic helpers, also that Mrs F H Raley, on furlough in California, be invited to attend to assist in stenographic work.

MISSIONARY LICENSE:

Information was given that Miss Rosamond Ginther, assistant secretary in the Sabbath School Department, had not received papers from the General Conference.

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to Miss Rosamond Ginther, and that such papers be issued to other assistants in the different departments who are expected to engage in work requiring them to go into the field.

ENTERTAINMENT:

VOTED, That the basis of food allowance for delegates from fields abroad who may be accompanied by wife or children be as follows: One dollar per day for each adult, fifty cents for each child; it being understood that with this allowance the family pays the rate for gas used in cooking, where kitchenette apartments are secured.

BERTHA LOFSTAD:

A letter was received from Miss Bertha Lofstad, of Hawaii, suggesting her desire to return to this country for the purpose of getting normal school institute work, planning at the same time to attend the General Conference.

Under the circumstances and needs of the work in Hawaii it was felt that we should ask Sister Lofstad to remain in Hawaii through the summer.

G H CLARK:

Word was received from South Africa that among the delegates they had appointed Brother G H Clark, now in this country. The Home Missionary Department has arranged probably for him to act as home missionary secretary for the New Jersey Conference. It was the opinion of the Committee that he should accept this opening at once, and it was--

VOTED, That Brother G H Clark be advised to attend the General Conference as a delegate representing South Africa, provided this does not interfere with his acceptance of the work offered him.

M H WENTLAND:

Letter was received from Elder M H Wentland, now working in Buffalo, Brother Wentland having recently returned from Europe. He had thought to visit his people on his return last winter, but had agreed to take up work immediately in the East, deferring his visit to his people until he could at the same time attend the General Conference.

VOTED, That we supply transportation to Elder M H Wentland and wife, to visit Elder Wentland's parents in the West, and to proceed to any opening to which he may be assigned following the General Conference, meeting Elder Wentland's transportation to the General Conference, allowing Sister Wentland's transportation from the point of their home visit to the Conference to be paid by Elder Wentland personally.

ACCOUNTANT--SINGAPORE:

On information that the Malaysian Union was in urgent need of the help of an accountant, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest to the Asiatic Division that they assign Mrs Elizabeth P Evans, now under appointment to China, temporarily to Singapore, in order to give the help needed there, allowing time to select a man as permanent secretary-treasurer of Malaysia.

E C JACOBSON:

Word was received from Brother E C Jacobson, now in Iowa, that at last he had secured his permit for passport. In the meantime, however, the Committee had cabled Guatemala and secured Brother W F Hardt to take the Siguatepeque school in Honduras. Brother Jacobson had been appointed, when he was held up by the military regulations.

VOTED, That we recommend Brother E C Jacobson to the North American Division for school or evangelistic work as may be arranged.

Adjourned.

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

THREE HUNDRED THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 19, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, Mrs Plummer, J L Shaw, N Z Town, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen, Steen Rasmussen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

In joint session with the North American Division Committee various items of General Conference business were considered.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Secretaries of the departments present brought information that the action taken in the last meeting regarding two reports from departmental secretaries, one on General and one on North American Division progress and plans, would, in the minds of the secretaries be not for the best. Further consideration was given to the matter, and it was--

VOTED, That, where one person is secretary of both the General and the Division department, one report suffice, the plan being that this report should be presented in joint session of the two Conferences; and that where two secretaries are to report, one for the General and one for the Division, such reports be given in joint session, so that both reports may come together before the same meeting, reviewing the whole world progress in the department.

C B HUGHES--W I U SCHOOL:

Continuing in joint session, report was received from Prof Frederick Griggs, of the Educational Department, that Prof. C B Hughes felt free to accept the principalship of the new West Indian Union training school.

VOTED, That we invite Prof C B Hughes to make Jamaica his field of labor, to take the principalship of the West Indian Union training school, and that we thank the Western Canadian Union for their cooperation in making possible the release of Professor Hughes for this purpose.

Information was further given by the Educational Department that Professor Hughes felt that the work was so arranged that without detriment to the school he might be able to attend the General Conference and meet the West Indian Union representatives, whom it would not be possible to meet in any other place for a considerable length of time, possibly.

VOTED, That under the circumstances we endeavor to arrange with the Western Canadian Union for the release of Prof. C B Hughes in time to attend the General Conference, it being understood that this request is not pressed unless the matter can be satisfactorily arranged.

M E ANDERSON--VIRGIN ISLANDS:

Continuing in joint session, correspondence from Elder M E Anderson, of South Dakota, was presented, in which Elder Anderson volunteered for work in the Virgin Islands, West Indies, reporting conversations and correspondence he had had with Elders Charles Thompson and E T Russell.

VOTED, That we invite Elder M E Anderson to go to the Virgin Islands, to engage in evangelistic work, and that we ask the Northern Union Conference and the South Dakota Conference to release him for this purpose.

E M DAVIS--SALVADOR:

Still in joint session, the urgent need of a superintendent for the Salvador mission was further considered in the light of correspondence from Elder J W Christian, of the Southwestern Union. Elder Christian, replying to inquiries, gave information and particulars regarding the experience of Brother E M Davis, of North Texas, expressing also the regret with which the call for his release would be received on account of the local needs. However, as the situation in Salvador is a deplorable one, two companies and other interests being left with no shepherd other than a colporteur brother who is in the field, and in view of the fact that Brother E M Davis has a fair knowledge of the Spanish, it was--

VOTED, That we request the Southwestern Union Conference and the North Texas Conference to give earnest consideration to Salvador's need, and if practicable to pass on our invitation to Brother E M Davis to accept the superintendency of the Salvador Mission.

BIBLE SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE:

Still in joint session, it was--

VOTED, That we invite the American Bible Society to arrange for a representative of their work to present the Society's work before the united Conferences in San Francisco during the coming session.

The joint session terminated, and other items were passed upon as follows:--

UNION CHURCHES FOR ANGLO-AMERICAN PEOPLES:

A letter was received from Dr Robert E Spear, of the North American Missions Conference, inviting us to make an appropriate

to help in the maintenance of union churches for Anglo-American people in great centers, such as Shanghai, Peking, Panama, etc.

VOTED, That we make an appropriation of \$100 for this purpose.

ADDITIONAL MISSIONARIES AT GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That we list for attendance at the General Conference additional missionaries, as follows:

W R French with wife and children, of India, who will be landing in California shortly before the Conference.

Miss Olive Osborne, returning to China.

Mrs Edith E Bruce, returning to India.

Adjourned.

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

THREE HUNDRED FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 28, 1918

P R E S E N T:

AG Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
N Z Town, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, WA Spicer; also W W Eastman,
T E Bowen, F W Paap, W E Howell.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

A C GILBERT RELEASED:

A letter was received from Elder A C Gilbert, invited to the superintendency of the Hawaiian Mission, reporting that on account of his wife's health he would not feel free to accept the call.

VOTED, That we release Elder A C Gilbert from the appointment to Hawaii, leaving the question of the Hawaiian superintendency until the time of the General Conference.

ROBERT McKEAGUE--FURLOUGH:

A letter was received from Brother R J McKeague, of Hawaii, making the proposition that he would like to attend the General Conference and take four months furlough at his own charges. A letter was also received from R W Smith, acting superintendent of Hawaii, advising that Brother McKeague's request be granted.

VOTED, That we accept Brother McKeague's proposition.

CREDENTIALS:

Word was received that Brother R E Bowles, of Iowa, who was recommended at the autumn council to accept the invitation of the Pacific Press to connect with their Panama Branch, had accepted the call.

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to R E Bowles, and to Mrs R E Bowles, under appointment to Panama.

VOTED, That Miss Elnora Davis, on furlough from South America, be granted missionary license.

Joint Session

The two Committees went into joint session, in order to consider candidates for the mission fields.

EARNEST LUTZ TO SZECHWAN:

VOTED, That we invite Earnest Lutz and wife, students at the Mt Vernon Academy, to go to the Asiatic Division, with a view to connecting with the work in Szechwan.

DURWARD WILLIAMS TO SHANGTUNG:

VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union and the Northern Illinois Conference to consider the release of Brother Durward Williams and wife, of Fox River Academy, and that we invite Brother and Sister Williams to go to the Asiatic Division, with a view to working in the Shangtung Province of China.

HARRY COOPER--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite the Central Union and the Kansas Conference to consider the release of Brother Harry Cooper, of the Kansas Conference, and that we invite Brother and Sister Cooper to go to the Asiatic Division, with a view to taking up work in the Che Kiang Province of China.

S C ROCKWELL TO INDIA.:

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union and the Southern Oregon Conference to consider the release of S C Rockwell of Southern Oregon, and that we invite Brother and Sister Rockwell to go to India, with a view to taking up vernacular work in Ceylon.

R J SYPE TO WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we ask the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference to consider the release of Elder R J Sype, of Iowa, and that we invite Elder and Mrs Sype to make the West Caribbean Conference their field of labor.

BOOKLET ON CHRISTIANITY TO THE HINDUS:

It was agreed that the Committee should order 100 copies of a booklet on Preparation for Work among the Hindus, for circulation among workers in India and those who may be appointed to that field; the booklet being prepared by the Board of Missionary Preparation of the North American Foreign Mission Societies.

Recess was taken.

After recess, further business was considered in joint session.

C E KNIGHT--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

Information was given that Elder C E Knight, for years in South America, now on furlough, was in California, near San Francisco.

VOTED, That we include Elder C E Knight among the missionaries invited to attend the General Conference.

J B CARTER--INDIA:

Continuing in joint session, it was--

VOTED, That we invite J B Carter, of Keene, Texas, to make India his field of labor, to engage either in evangelistic work or to act as field missionary secretary in one of the provinces.

CONFERENCE SONG BOOK:

VOTED, That we adopt the book, "Songs of Zion" as the song book for the General and Division Conference sessions, and that the treasury be authorized to secure 1000 copies from the Review and Herald, for use at the Conference, the Pacific Press having reported no amount in stock.

The joint session with the Division Committee here terminated.

M E ANDERSON--VIRGIN ISLANDS:

Letters were received from Elder Chas Thompson, of the Northern Union, and Elder E T Russell, of South Dakota, granting the release of Elder M E Anderson to accept the call to the Virgin Islands.

NORTHERN UNION GIFT TO MISSIONS:

The treasurer reported receipt of \$5000 from the Northern Union Conference as a gift to the mission funds.

VOTED, That we express to the Northern Union and its local conferences our appreciation and thanks for the gift of \$5000 to missions; and further,--

VOTED, That \$3000 of this amount be appropriated to the Asiatic Division for homes for two missionary families in Shensi, China, and that the remainder of this gift from the Northern Union be turned into a fund from which to meet special appropriations that are not provided for.

EAST MICHIGAN GIFT TO MISSIONS:

The treasurer reported a gift from the East Michigan Conference of \$2000 for missions.

VOTED, That we express to the East Michigan Conference our hearty thanks for the gift of \$2000 for the mission fields.

Adjourned.

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

THREE HUNDRED FIFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 9, 1918

P R E S E N T:

I.H.Evans, W.T.Knox, G.B.Thompson, F.Griggs, M.E.Kern,
Mrs. L.F.Plummer, W.A.Spicer, O. Montgomery; also W.W.Eastman.

IN CHARGE OF OFFICE:

It was agreed informally that Brother Clarence Schofield should have charge of the General and Division Conference offices during the absence of the officers, acting under an advisory committee as follows: E.R.Palmer, Mrs. I.H.Evans, Dr. G.H.Heald.

W E PATTERSON RELEASED:

Medical certificate having been received from Mrs. W.E.Patterson, showing that she should not be sent to so high an altitude as Lake Titicaca, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother and Sister W.E.Patterson from the invitation to the Lake Titicaca field.

E M DAVIS RELEASED:

On receipt of a letter from E M Davis, of Texas, stating that his wife's health was very poor, and that he himself was subject to malaria, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother E M Davis from the invitation to Salvador.

TITICACA MISSION:

O Montgomery stated to the Committee that the audit of the Lake Titicaca Mission accounts showed that Brother F A Stahl had an overdraft in the mission accounts of \$900. He stated that during much of the time Brother Stahl had been alone at this station, carrying all lines of the work. When he entered that field he had upwards of \$3000 of his own money, which he had used up. Without a doubt very much of this amount had gone into the mission. Many times in making trips Brother Stahl had supplied from his own funds food for the Indians of the party and for the horses, not counting his own funds as personal. It was felt that evidently when his own funds ran out, Brother Stahl did not appreciate as sharply as he should the fact that further expenditures, unless carefully accounted for, would bring him a personal overdraft on the mission account.

Taking into consideration the exceptional circumstances of conducting work among the Indians, and with the conviction that Brother Stahl had put into the work of his own personal funds much more than his overdraft, it was--

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$900 be made to F A Stahl, to enable him to settle up a portion of this overdraft, leaving him with \$200 to pay back from ten per cent of his salary, as he had been setting this amount aside toward the settlement of his account.

A E IVERSON--SINGAPORE:

Word was received that Brother A E Iverson, of the Melrose Sanitarium, under invitation to Singapore as secretary and treasurer, had been classified in Class 2, of the military registration. Under this classification it was felt manifestly impossible to plan on his going to Singapore.

It was agreed that we would hold his case in abeyance until the close of the General Conference and the receipt of further information regarding his efforts to secure a different classification.

Adjourned.

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

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FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

San Francisco, Cal., April 14, 1918

The first meeting of the General Conference Committee was held in the Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, Cal., April 14, 1918.

I H Evans in the chair.

Prayer by G W Caviness.

PURCHASE OF STUYVESANT PROPERTY IN GUATEMALA CITY:

W T Knox stated that J B Stuyvesant, returned from Guatemala, had offered his house to the General Conference for \$1700. The General Conference had encouraged E W Thurber to negotiate with Brother Stuyvesant for the purchase of the house, with the understanding that he would advance \$1000, and the General Conference Corporation would make him a loan of the balance, taking an option on the house for one year.

VOTED, That the purchase of the property be authorized and title taken in the name of the General Conference Corporation.

NOTIFICATION AND TRANSFER OF WORKERS:

The secretary asked advice regarding the time of transfer of workers voted to new fields, also regarding notification of said workers.

It was agreed that the usual plan should be held to, of the General Conference notifying workers concerning their transfer.

Advice was asked as to whether in the case of foreign appointments of workers they should be notified through the union and local conferences, or dealt with direct by the Mission Board.

VOTED, That inasmuch as all arrangements have been made with the union and local conference presidents present, and the workers as well in most cases, the Mission Board deal directly with the individual.

VOTED, That in the case of transfers in the North American section of the field, the time of transfer be a matter of negotiation between the union conferences concerned.

SALARY WHILE WAITING FOR PERMIT:

The secretary asked regarding the work and salary of workers under appointment while waiting for the transfer to be effected. It is necessary for those going to British fields to wait five or six months for permit to enter the field.

The treasurer stated that all such workers ought to remain in the fields where they are, holding to their present work during the time of waiting, in order to save expense to the Mission Board.

VOTED, That all workers under appointment be advised to hold to their present work until notified by the secretary of the General Conference that the way is clear for them to go forward to the field.

The list of appointments was here taken up, and the approximate time of transfer agreed upon.

MISS MABEL EAZEL TO NEBRASKA:

R A Underwood stated that the General Conference had taken the secretary of the Sabbath School Department from the Nebraska Conference, and asked that Miss Mabel Eazel be appointed to fill the vacancy.

VOTED, That Miss Mabel Eazel be invited to take the Sabbath School secretaryship in the Nebraska Conference.

W S HOLBROOK TO SOUTH CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That W S Holbrook, superintendent of the Nevada Mission, be invited to take the presidency of the South Caribbean Conference.

SHANGHAI PROPERTY:

J E Fulton for the Asiatic field desired authorization to purchase land adjoining their property in Shanghai on which to erect some necessary headquarters buildings. The property can be purchased for \$20,000 Mexican. A cable received from Shanghai reads: "Can secure all land between school and compound gradually receding to hundred twenty feet deep at canal with entire Ningkuo frontage about twenty thousand Mexican. If we can proceed telegraph authority."

VOTED, That the Asiatic brethren be authorized to purchase the property in question.

SINGAPORE HEADQUARTERS:

J E Fulton stated that authority had already been given to purchase some property in Singapore, and that in their recent council request was made that authority be given to erect some buildings on the property purchased, to cost about \$10,000

VOTED, That we appropriate \$10,000 for the buildings asked for by the brethren in Singapore.

HELP FOR SUMATRA:

Urgent request was presented that the place made vacant by the return of Brother J S Yates from Sumatra be filled. The man sent should be able to take charge of the mission.

The request was lodged with the secretary.

FURTHER HELP FOR CHINA:

J E Fulton presented a request from the Asiatic Committee for a small appropriation to open up the work in unentered parts of China. It was felt that there should be a number of families in the field studying the language, so as to be ready to occupy new fields as the way opens. They presented a definite request that two families be called for to prepare for service in the unoccupied provinces of the northern part of China, and three families for other unoccupied parts. Brother Fulton wished something might be done at this meeting toward placing a few families in these provinces for language study at an early date.

He brought another recommendation from the Asiatic Committee, to the effect that the Asiatic officers and delegates take counsel with the General Conference officers in America, and see if financial assistance could not be given for opening the work in the province of Chili, where the city of Peking is located.

VOTED, That we express ourselves as favorable to this plan of increasing the number of workers to man these posts in China, and that we go as far as our means will permit in answering these requests.

T HEYDE:

Elder Daniells presented the case of Brother T Heyde, of Russia, who is in need of assistance, having exhausted his available resources. It was felt that some arrangement ought to be made to give Brother Heyde work that would enable him to support his family, in view of the special circumstances under which he is placed and the fact that he has been a large contributor to the cause in former times.

VOTED, That we refer the case of Brother T Heyde to J W Christian, J T Boettcher and E E Andross, with the suggestion that effort be made at once to provide some form of relief.

INFORMATION LEAFLET FOR MISSIONARIES:

W T Knox, the treasurer, introduced the question of the outfit missionaries should take with them in going to the field. He stated that it was desired to get out a leaflet, containing information of this character for the benefit of outgoing missionaries, and that the data for this leaflet should come from the heads of the fields.

VOTED, That we request the heads of the different fields to furnish the treasurer of the General Conference with the necessary data for getting out a leaflet containing information on what missionaries shall take with them to the different fields, this information to be furnished, if possible, while the heads of the fields are at this meeting.

OUTFITTING FUND FOR SOUTH AMERICAN WORKERS:

The treasurer spoke of the policy of the Board in allowing an outfitting fund of \$200 to outgoing missionaries, the missionaries to bear their own freight expenses, and asked if in view of the present excessive freight rates to South America, especially to the West Coast in these abnormal times, the outfitting allowance should not be increased to workers going to the West Coast of South America.

VOTED, That while present abnormal conditions exist, a double outfitting allowance be granted to those going to the West Coast of South America, and a proportionate amount to those going to the East Coast, according to freight rates prevailing on the East Coast, making the amount to West Coast workers \$400.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 14, 8:00 P.M.

A G Daniells in the chair.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed as members of the Publishing Departmental Committee:

Secretary: N Z Town. Assistant Secretary: W W Eastman. General Members: I H Evans, WC White, J E Fulton, C C Crisler, F A Detamore, L V Finster, J M Johanson, L R Conradi, W B White, J C Raft, O E Reinke, O Montgomery, G W Caviness, W W Fletcher, Steen Rasmussen. Publishing House Managers: E R Palmer, C H Jones, R L Pierce, W E Read, H Hartkop, Jens Olsen, E Lind, L E Borle, C N Woodward, J Robert, W H B Miller, A Pages, G E Hartman, W P Henderson, Lyman Bowers, W S Mead. Managers Circulating Departments and Branches: H H Hall, Jas Cochran, J D Snider, J W Mace, D W Reavis, G C Hoskin, J B Giddings, L D Randall, C E Hooper, J R Ferren, L W Graham, S N Curtiss, H H Rans, H R Gay. Superintendents: EL Richmond, W A Harvey. Foreign Department Secretary: L H Christian. General Field Missionary Secretaries: V O Cole, C V Leach, J B Blosser, M W Shidler, A F Harrison, D W Dillon, J H McEachern, E M Oberg, C E Weaks, J S James, E E Franklin, F E Painter, H E Loop, W L Manful, J W Davis, G S Joseph, A R Sherman, G C Jenks, J A P Green, H A Robinson, H Box, R M Carter, W Maudsley. Home Missionary Secretaries: Miss E M Graham, F W Paap.

PUBLISHING AND HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS:

The secretary of the Publishing Department presented recommendations from the Publishing and Home Missionary Departments, which were adopted as follows:--

1. That three conventions be held this winter as follows: One in the Pacific Press territory, January 17 to 27, 1919; one in the Southern Publishing Association territory, January 31 to February 10; one in the Review and Herald territory, February 14 to 24.

2. That field missionary, tract society, and home missionary secretaries be invited, and that programs for each group be arranged.

3. That railway expenses be pooled and that the publishing houses be requested to give free entertainment to and bear one half the railway fare of field missionary and tract society secretaries, and also such home missionary secretaries as are giving their exclusive time to the home missionary work.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the Medical Missionary Departmental Committee: Secretary, W A Ruble, M D. Assistant Secretaries: H W Millar, M D, L A Hansen. Other members: W E Bliss, M D, A C Selmon, M D, G H Heald, M D, A B Olsen, M D, W C Dunsbomb, M D, L M Bowen, J A Burden, D H Kress, M D, D H Habenicht, M D, Riley Russell, M D, Newton Evans, M D, V L Mann, M D, D D Comstock, M D, P T Magan, M D, Julia A White, M D, T A Sherwin C C Landis, M D, W E Howell, John Reith, M D, W B Holden, M D

J E JAYNE--SOUTHERN WATCHMAN:

S E Wight presented the need of an editor for the Watchman. He stated that J E Jayne had been approached on the subject of taking the editorship of the Watchman, and that he was willing, provided his place could be filled in Greater New York.

VOTED, That we request the Atlantic Union Conference to release J E Jayne, to take the editorial work in the Southern Publishing House, and that we earnestly request Brother Jayne to respond to this invitation.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the Sabbath School Departmental Committee: Secretary: Mrs L Flora Plummer; Field Secretary: B E Beddoe; Assistant Secretary: Rosamond D Ginther. Other Members: G B Thompson, M C Wilcox, J L Shaw, W A Spicer, E R Palmer, Mrs Fannie D Chase, T E Bowen, W E Howell.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the Foreign Department Literature Committees and Advisory Boards: Secretary of the Department: L H Christian. German: J T Boettcher, B E Miller, John Isaac, H Humann, J F Simon. Swedish: G E Nord, S Mortenson, S F Svensson, Aug Anderson, H O Olson. Danish-Norwegian: P E Broderson. M S Reppe, N P Neilsen, C A Thorp, James Johnson

SWEDISH SEMINARY BUILDING FUND:

L H Christian presented a request from the Swedish Seminary, that they be allowed to raise a fund of \$20,000 among the Swedish constituency in North America, for the purpose of erecting a new Seminary building. He stated that they would require \$24,000, but already have \$4000 on hand. The Lake Union has voted to give \$5000 toward the \$20,000, so that they will have to raise only \$15,000 among the Swedish people.

VOTED, That the request of the Swedish brethren be granted.

A J OLSON--FOREIGN DEPARTMENT:

L H Christian asked that A J Olson, of the Oshawa school, be appointed to take up home missionary and educational work among the foreign nationals in this country.

VOTED, That A J Olson, of Oshawa, be invited to take charge of the home missionary and educational work among the foreign nationals in this country, provided Prof H J Sheldon can be secured for the Oshawa school.

MEMORIAL FROM FOREIGN SCHOOLS:

L H Christian presented a memorial from the three foreign schools, regarding enlarging the scope of their work to include sixteen grades.

Inasmuch as so much is involved in the memorial, it was thought best to refer it to the Educational Department for thorough study and recommendation to the General Committee.

NORTH AMERICAN NEGRO DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the North American Negro Departmental Committee: Secretary: W H Green. S E Wight, W H Branson, M Lukens, R A Underwood, B G Wilkinson, R D Quinn, J K Humphrey, M C Strachan, Sydney Scott, W D Forde, U S Willis, G E Peters, J H Lawrence.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the Educational Departmental Committee: Secretary: W E Howell. Assistant Secretary, C L Benson. Other members: J L Shaw, C C Lewis, B F Machlan, President Emmanuel Missionary College, H A Morrison, C W Irwin, W I Smith, Newton G Evans, Glen Wakeham, Paul Steiner, Erik Arnesen, H U Stevens, Principal Argentine school, Principal South African school, H O Swartout, B P Hoffman, S L Frost, I F Blue, L D A Lemke, A W Anderson, E Meyer, M E Kern, C S Longacre, W A Ruble, L L Caviness, E G Salisbury, S M Butler, M E Olsen, W E Nelson, L H Wood, A J Olson, E D Dick, J I Beardsley,

H O Olson, N P Neilsen, F R Isaac, M E Cady, W C Flaiz, M B Van Kirk, W W Ruble, W L Adams, C A Russell, L O Machlan, Frederick Griggs, J A Tucker, John Thompson, J F Simon, C J Boyd, N S Ashton, H W Miller, H J Sheldon, A E Hall, W C John.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARIES:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments recommended at the General Conference:--

Field Secretaries of the General Conference:
W W Prescott, G B Thompson.

Field Secretary Missionary Volunteer Department:
Meade MacGuire.

Assistant Secretary Missionary Volunteer Department: Matilda Erickson.

Assistant Secretary Sabbath School Department :
Rosamond D Ginther.

VOTED, That we appoint the following secretaries:--

An Assistant Secretary of the Medical Department: L A Hansen.

Secretary of the Press Bureau, W L Burgan.

Statistical Secretary, H E Rogers.

Assistant in Secretaries' office, T E Bowen.

TRANSPORTATION OF BROTHER SVENSSON TO CONFERENCE:

Question was raised as to how the transportation of Brother Svensson in attending the General Conference should be met. He had been authorized by Elder Mortenson to attend, but apparently no provision had been made for meeting the expense.

VOTED, That the traveling expenses of Brother Svensson in attending the General Conference be met from a fund of \$450 in the treasury to the credit of the Swedish Department.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

San Francisco, Cal., April 15, 1918, 9:00 A.M.

A G Daniells in the chair.

Prayer by L H Christian.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the Home Missionary Departmental Committee:

Edith M Graham, secretary; F W Paap, Assistant secretary; V O Punches, J H McEachern, J W Hirlinger, J W Davis, J L McConaughy, S A Ruskjer, Elder Stevens, J B Locken, O R Staines, W L Adams, ER Potter, Guy Dail, F A Spearing, Erik Arnesen, A Vaucher, C E Weaks, Mrs C E Weaks, C K Meyers, H M Blundon, J M Johanson, R D Brisbin, Mrs H C Menkel, M E Mullinnex, J J Strahle, A A Cone, Max Rhode, F C Varney, Mrs W B White, N Z Town, W W Eastman, J W Mace, L W Graham, D W Reavis, H H Hall, Ernest Lloyd, Jas Cochran, R L Pierce, C E Hooper, M E Kern, W A Ruble, A J Olson, Miss Anna Knight.

INSTITUTES FOR FOREIGN WORKERS:

L H Christian, J T Boettcher, I H Evans, A G Daniells and R A Underwood spoke favorably of holding institutes for foreign workers in this country, to consider their common needs. No definite plans for holding such an institute had yet been considered. The secretary of the Foreign Department wished to know the attitude which the Committee would sustain to such a proposal.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan of holding an institute for foreign workers.

LARGE SABBATH OFFERING:

The treasurer spoke of the large Sabbath offering at the Conference, and said some question had arisen in cases where no instruction accompanied the offering, whether it should go direct to the mission treasury or be credited to the local twenty-five-cent-a-week fund.

VOTED, That the offering made Sabbath, April 13, go direct to the Mission Board Treasury, in all cases where no request was made otherwise.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed members of the Missionary Volunteer Departmental Committee: Secretary: M E Kern; Matilda Erickson, Meade MacGuire, Ella Iden, J F Simon, H O Olson, N P Nielsen, W E Howell, N Z Town, Mrs F D Chase, J L Shaw, Guy Dail, Miss E M Granam, Erik Arnesen, S L Frost, F Griggs, O K Butler, B E Beddoe, C K Meyers, I F Blue, F S Jackson, J A P Green, H U Stevens, L L Caviness, C L Stone, Mrs RD Quinn, Miss Anna Knight, W C Flaiz, N H Saunders, J J Reiswig, C A Russell, M B Vankirk, O J Graf, J A Tucker, John Thompson, W W Ruble, W L Adams, M N Helligso, Mrs L Flora Plummer.

LITERATURE FOR SOLDIERS:

M E Kern presented a recommendation from the Missionary Volunteer Department concerning literature for the soldiers, which was adopted as follows:--

Whereas, There is great need for suitable evangelical literature for the thousands of soldiers in camp and field,--

Resolved, That the Missionary Volunteer Department be authorized to publish an edition of 25,000 copies of "Steps to Christ," to be ready for distribution by the first of June, apportioning the amount of money to be raised for this purpose to the ten union conferences in the United States according to their constituency.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 15, 1918, 1:30 P.M.

Prayer by R D Quinn.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

W E Howell, secretary of the Educational Department, stated that the department had been considering requests from the fields regarding the Ministerial Course and the Correspondence School. There was a call for branch centers for these two lines of educational work.

VOTED, That the General Conference Committee take under consideration the desirability of establishing branch centers for the Ministerial Course and the Correspondence School.

BIBLE AND HISTORY TEACHERS' COUNCIL:

The following resolution was presented and adopted:--

1. That the council be held in Washington, D C , for six weeks, beginning July 1.

2. That the delegation be made up of the Bible and History teachers in our colleges and junior colleges, leading editors, and such other leading men as the General Conference Committee may designate; also that our twelve-grade academies be invited to send a delegate of their own selection.

3. That the union or local conferences allow the delegates their transportation, and seventy-five cents a day on board; that the General Conference provide for a small charge to cover water and light, and that we accept the offer of the Washington Missionary College to provide free room rent; and that the transportation expense be pooled.

EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN:

Prof W E Howell stated that the department advised that a week be set apart for the purpose of inaugurating a campaign to increase the attendance in our schools. The proposal included a campaign number of Christian Educator, and leaflets printed for the purpose.

VOTED, That we request the various union conferences in North America to undertake to place one copy of Christian Educator in each home of our people in such way as they may arrange.

RURAL TRAINING SCHOOL:

WH Branson set forth the need of a rural training school in the South, and suggested that the Mt. Pisgah School, conducted by EC Wallar and his associates, be used as a training center. He stated that Brother Wallar and his associates were willing that the school should do this line of work, and that they would finance it.

VOTED, That this proposal be referred to the Educational Department, to be brought before the General Conference Committee later, with a recommendation.

EDUCATIONAL WEEK:

The secretary of the Educational Department explained the advantages of a week being set apart in which to work for our schools, and the possibilities of such a plan.

VOTED, That each conference set apart an educational week as soon as possible, in which workers shall visit personally all the homes of our people, to assist in rallying our young people to enter our schools.

COWIE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL:

Statement was made by W H Branson that the Cowie Mountain School, of North Carolina, refuses to work in harmony with the denominational plans in education.

VOTED, To ask the Educational Department to prepare a proper statement to be brought to the Conference Committee, to be placed either in the Review and Herald or the union conference papers, as may seem advisable.

HUNTSVILLE SCHOOL:

S E Wight suggested the advisability of appointing a committee to study plans for the school, and bring in resolutions to the General Conference Committee.

Appointed: W E Howell, S E Wight, W H Branson, E H Andross, W H Green, J I Beardsley.

WEST INDIAN UNION SCHOOL:

G A Roberts presented a budget for the West Indian Union training school, amounting to \$8,449.00. The extent to which the school should be supported by mission funds was discussed.

VOTED, That the budget presented, amounting to \$8,449, be allowed from funds already in hand, with the understanding that in the future the Mission Board pay only for the teachers of the school, leaving other expenses to be met from the tuition or funds raised within the union.

SECRETARY-TREASURER. WEST INDIAN UNION:

VOTED, That the Mission Board undertake to supply a secretary-treasurer for the West Indian Union at as early a date as may be possible.

MISS JOHANNA DAW TO TRINIDAD:

VOTED, That \$160 be granted to the West Indian Union for the transportation of Miss Johanna Daw to Trinidad.

TEACHER, WEST INDIAN UNION SCHOOL:

VOTED, That we ask F A Lashier, or some other suitable teacher, to connect with the West Indian Union Training School.

NORTH LATIN MISSION HEADQUARTERS:

VOTED, That the headquarters for the North Latin Union Mission for the present be located in the city of New Orleans.

ALASKA MISSION:

VOTED, To concur in the plans of the North Pacific Union Conference for the conduct of the work in Alaska, and that the General Conference share equally with the North Pacific Union in the receipts and expenses.

SPANISH LITERATURE BUREAU:

The following named persons were appointed a committee on Spanish literature: O Montgomery, J W Westphal, G W Casebeer, H H Hall, E R Johnson, L E Borle, W C White, E L Maxwell, N Z Town.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTH MEETING**GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

April 16, 1918, 9 A.M.

A G Daniels in the chair.

Prayer by J E Fulton.

CAMP MEETING HELP:

The following general help for the early camp meetings was approved:--

ATLANTIC UNION:

Southern New England, F M Wilcox, W T Knox.
Massachusetts, F M Wilcox, W T Knox.

CENTRAL UNION:

Colorado, A G Daniells, R D Quinn.
Wyoming, R.D. Quinn.

COLUMBIA UNION:

Virginia, F W Paap, W W Eastman, F A Stahl, J L Shaw.
West Virginia, " " " "
W. Penna. " " " "
E. Penna. " " " "
New Jersey, " " " "

NORTHERN UNION:

South Dakota, E W Farnsworth, J G Oblander, M E Kern,
O A Johnson, N Z Town, J T Boettcher
Minnesota, " " " "
North Dakota, " " " "

EASTERN CANADIAN UNION:

Maritime, I H Evans, B E Beddoe.
Ontario, " " "
Quebec, " " "

WESTERN CANADIAN UNION:

Manitoba, L H Christian, G E Nord.
Saskatchewan, L H Christian, E W Farnsworth, J G
Oblander, Elder Jakevenko, G E Nord,
M Ostoich.
Alberta, L H Christian, E W Farnsworth, J G Oblander,
Elder Jakevenko, G E Nord.

SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

South Texas, I H Evans, B E Beddoe .
Arkansas, " " "

LAKE UNION:

East Michigan, E E Andross, O Montgomery, Dr W A Ruble,
Meade MacGuire.
West Michigan, " " "
Northern Illinois, " " "
South Wisconsin, " " "
North Wisconsin, " " "

A G Daniells to attend meetings in the Lake Union as
may seem advisable.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

Southern Idaho, G B Thompson, A O Tait, C E Weaks,
 P E Broderson, G A Grauer.
 Southern Oregon, W A Spicer, G B Thompson, A O Tait,
 C E Weaks, P E Broderson, G A Grauer.
 Western Oregon, " " "
 Western Washington, G B Thompson, A O Tait, C E Weaks,
 P E Broderson, G A Grauer.
 Montana, " " " "

PACIFIC UNION:

Central California, W A Spicer, C S Longacre, C L Benson
 Nevada, C S Longacre, C L Benson.
 Northern California, W A Spicer, C S Longacre, C L Benson
 California and
 Northwestern " " "
 Inter-Mountain, " " "

LATE CAMP MEETINGS:

PACIFIC UNION:

Southern California, A G Daniells.
 Southeastern California, A G Daniells.

SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

Texico, E E Andross, B E Beddoe.
 North Texas, " "
 Oklahoma, " "

JAMAICA CAMP MEETING:

VOTED, That E E Andross be requested to attend the
 camp meeting in Jamaica.

AUSTRALASIAN UNION, GEN CONF REPRESENTATIVES TO:

C H Watson, president of the Australasian Union
 Conference, made request that the General Conference send
 representatives to the Australasian field to attend the quad-
 rennial conference and the camp meetings following. The names
 of J L Shaw and M E Kern were suggested.

VOTED, That J L Shaw and M E Kern be invited to
 attend the Australasian Union Conference and the camp meet-
 ings following.

SOUTH AMERICA, GEN CONF REPRESENTATIVES TO:

O Montgomery, vice-president for South America, made request that A G Daniells and W E Howell visit South America. Brother Montgomery stated that the South American delegation urge strongly that Brother Daniells be permitted to visit South America in the general interests of the work, and the educational interests are such that they felt justified in requesting also that W E Howell visit the field.

VOTED, That A G Daniells and W E Howell be invited to visit South America the coming year.

NEGRO DEPARTMENT:

Matters were introduced by the secretary of the department, W H Green.

OAKWOOD JUNIOR COLLEGE:

A committee on the Oakwood Junior College made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

1. That articles of incorporation for the Oakwood Junior College be perfected by W H Green, S E Wight, and W H Branson, so as to meet the conditions created by the expansion of the school, these articles to be presented to the autumn council for approval.
2. That all vacancies on the board be filled from the following list: Morris Lukens, W H Green, J H Lawrence, E E Andross, W E Howell.
3. That the General Conference Committee be asked to secure the services of Mrs C C Lewis to assist in normal instruction at the Oakwood Summer School.
4. That the General Conference Committee be requested to advance \$10,000 toward the construction of the boys' dormitory at the Oakwood Junior College.

APPROPRIATION REQUESTS FOR DEPARTMENT:

Request was made for \$500 for New Jersey, \$1000 for Philadelphia, \$800 for Little Rock, Arkansas (to secure place of worship) and \$500 for Houston, Texas, for church building.

VOTED, To refer these requests to the officers for consideration in making up the budget.

LOCATION OF DEPARTMENT OFFICE:

VOTED, That we counsel W H Green, the secretary, to make Nashville, Tenn., the department center.

B E BEDDOE:

It was agreed that B E Beddoe should attend the Central California camp meeting before going east to take up work with the Sabbath School Department.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS:

R J McKeague presented the need of a superintendent, \$350 for further treatment room equipment, a school of academic grade, an automobile, and a Japanese worker.

The Pacific Union having been asked to take over Hawaii, as a part of its territory, the president, J W Christian, reported that the union wished to give its answer to this request at the time of the autumn council.

VOTED, That C W Flaiz, E E Andross, and J W Christian be a committee to select a superintendent for the Hawaiian Mission.

L T HEATON'S RETURN:

The request of L T Heaton to be allowed to return to the States on account of his wife's health was considered.

VOTED, That we leave the matter to the decision of the local committee and Brother Heaton, the Mission Board meeting the return expense, and standing ready to endeavor to find a place for Brother Heaton in colporteur or other work.

DR FRANKLIN RICHARDS--SOUTH AFRICA:

The call of South Africa for a physician was considered. Elder Watson, of Australia, could not tell us whether the South African brethren had taken up our suggestion of Dr Franklin Richards, of Australia; but he stated they could recommend Dr Richards with all confidence.

VOTED, That we suggest to South Africa again that they consider the possibility of securing Dr Franklin Richards, of Australia.

CLASS IV--MILITARY DRAFT:

VOTED, That we do not send abroad at this time men placed in Class IV of the draft registration, under ordinary circumstances.

EAST ASIA:

The East Asian Committee presented recommendations which were approved as follows:--

"We recommend, That L O Pattison make Padang, Sumatra, his field of labor, to fill the vacancy made by the departure of J S Yates for the States.

"That Mrs Elizabeth Evans take up work temporarily as treasurer of the Malaysian Union Conference.

"That the General Conference pass on to the Philippine Publishing House immediately, \$3000 on their 1918 appropriation, for use as a working fund.

"That the General Conference be requested to set aside the overflow on the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, subject to the call of the Eastern Asiatic and India fields in proportion of three fourths and one fourth.

"We recommend N J Waldorf, of Australia, to return to America to labor, with the understanding that Australia offers to pay transportation to the Pacific Coast.

"That Floyd Ashbaugh, of California, be invited to return to the Philippine Union Conference."

Recess was taken to 2 P.M.

(After recess)

MISS JOHANNA DAW TO JAMAICA:

By request of the West Indian Union president, G A Roberts, Miss Johanna Daw's appointment was made to Jamaica for school work, instead of to the South Caribbean for Bible work.

EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE ADDITION:

Wm Guthrie stated that the Lake Union had planned additions to Emmanuel Missionary College, to cost about \$75,000. The union asks, as a matter of counsel, the privilege of raising this amount in the union territory.

VOTED, That the Lake Union be granted the privilege requested.

BATTLE CREEK TABERNACLE:

Wm Guthrie stated that the local church now occupying the old Tabernacle building had left to them a burden they were unable to carry alone in keeping up the Tabernacle,

which in a sense was not a local enterprise, but originally a denominational affair. Now repairs costing heavily were necessary to save the structure. Request was made for assistance to the amount of \$2,000.

VOTED, That the request be granted.

TEMPORARY PAPERS TO MISSIONARIES:

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to grant temporary credentials and papers to missionary appointees and missionaries in this country on furlough; who receive their permanent papers from the organization to which they are appointed, or from which they come.

TRAINING COLORED NURSES:

W H Green asked for consideration of the following recommendations:--

"Whereas, We recognize the need of additional facilities for the sanitarium care of our colored brethren and sisters, and for the training of colored nurses,--

"We recommend, (a) That steps be taken at once to supply such facilities at Washington, D C, and that an appropriation be made through the Negro Department for the maintenance of such a work.

"(b) That the General Conference donate to the Negro Department 2,500 copies of 'Ministry of Healing,' to be sold by the constituents of the department, to help in meeting the expense of the establishment of the desired sanitarium."

VOTED, That this matter be referred to the minority committee, for investigation as to requirements financially, and for action.

CONFERENCE LINES, SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

W H Branson asked counsel regarding the territorial lines of certain conferences in the Southeastern Union. It was proposed to transfer a portion of the North Carolina Conference to the Cumberland Conference, and unite the two Carolina Conferences in one.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan to put the proposition before the conferences concerned, recommending its acceptance by those conferences.

TRANSFER OF C B HAYNES RESCINDED:

Request was made for help in getting evangelists for the Southeastern Union.

VOTED, That in view of the apparent impossibility of getting strong help for the Southeastern Union, we rescind the action recommending C B Haynes to make the Northern Union his field of labor.

HELP FOR CHURCH BUILDINGS IN SOUTH:

Request was made for \$1000 for a colored church in Wilmington, NC, in order to save a larger equity from being lost under mortgage.

Agreed that this request be placed with other similar requests for consideration as the budget is considered.

Church buildings have been erected in Columbia and Greenville, with obligations of \$2000 and \$2500, and a church is needed at Charleston. Help is asked in order that the work may be placed on vantage ground. The request is for \$3000 to aid these churches.

Agreed that the request should be considered together with other financial requests.

SUMMER CAMPAIGNS:

The Southeastern Union requests help for their union evangelistic campaigns, four efforts, amounting to \$1,500.

Agreed that this request go with others for consideration.

SOUTHERN UNION:

S E Wight stated that Elder R E Burke's health had been impaired in Mississippi, through malaria, and he should have a change; but a man is needed in his place.

EXCHANGE, KNOX-McLAY:

VOTED, That we request the Pacific Union to secure the release of John Knox for work in Nashville, offering in exchange W D McLay.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

J W Christian, formerly of the Southwestern Union, noted the long continued effort to find an evangelist for Little Rock, Arkansas. Now a man has been secured.

The union asks for \$1500 to assist in the effort, this amount having been agreed to by the North American Division.

This call was listed with others for consideration in connection with the budget.

CANTONMENT WORK:

The Southern Union has a man available for cantonment work. They ask an appropriation of \$1000 for this purpose.

J A TRAUGH--J S BELLINGER:

VOTED, That J A Traugh, of the Southeastern Union, be transferred to the Southern Union.

VOTED, That J S Bellinger, of the Southern Union, be transferred to the Southeastern Union.

JEWISH WORK:

L H Christian, of the Foreign Department, asked,-

An appropriation of \$2000 for the development of Jewish literature.

WAGE RATES:

That the wage rates of H H Dexter and E L Maxwell, who are to labor under the department, be fixed.

S A WELLMAN:

A V Olson asked for S A Wellman, of India, to act as Bible teacher at the Oshawa school.

The request was referred to the officers for favorable consideration if Brother Wellman is unable to return to India this year.

B G Wilkinson requested consideration of the needs of Columbus, Ohio, in case S A Wellman is removed.

OSHAWA SCHOOL:

The Eastern Canadian Union requests counsel regarding the enlargement of the Oshawa school, which is unable to take those who wish to attend. A college building is needed at a cost of \$20,000 or \$25,000. The field could be expected to raise but \$10,000.

The union asks for \$15,000 appropriation for this purpose.

N J WALDORF--PACIFIC UNION:

On request of the Pacific Union, it was--

VOTED, That we invite N J Waldorf, of Australia, returning to America, to make the Pacific Union his field of labor.

HONDURAS MISSION:

VOTED, That we recommend that Honduras be made one mission, with headquarters at San Pedro.

EUGENE LELAND TO NORTHERN UNION:

VOTED, To ask Eugene Leland to make the Northern Union his field of labor.

MANHATTAN CHURCH:

R D Quinn stated that the Manhattan church had no provision for meeting place, having to relinquish their present rented place. New York City needs some central place of meeting. The city has no place of its own for the English-speaking members. Request was made for \$50,000.

PRINTER, DANISH-NORWEGIAN SEMINARY:

VOTED, That we recommend Arti Haines, of the Pacific Press, to the Northern Union, as printer for the Danish-Norwegian Seminary,

HALIFAX CHURCH;

A V Olson asked for help for the Maritime Conference for the rebuilding of the Halifax church, destroyed by the great explosion.

The request was referred to the minority committee.

AMERICAN INDIAN MISSION;

VOTED, That the committee on the American Indian Mission be as follows: The presidents of the Southwestern Union, Pacific Union, and Texico and Arizona Conferences, and the superintendent of the mission; the president of the Southwestern Union to act as chairman of the committee.

HOTEL WHITCOMB:

Resolved, That we express our appreciation and sincere thanks to Mr J H Van Horn, manager of the Hotel Whitcomb for the splendid accommodation, and for the liberal concessions granted our delegates attending this Conference, also for the very kind and courteous treatment extended to all.

ELMSHAVEN PROPERTY:

The matter of the sale of Elmshaven, the home of Sister White, was introduced. This is part of the assets to be realized for settlement of obligations. The question was raised if the property could not be utilized for some purpose in our work, rather than to have it come into outside hands.

VOTED, That we refer this matter to the treasurer of the General Conference, president of the Pacific Union, manager of the St Helena Sanitarium, and J L McElhany and G W Wells, to consider if any plan is practicable to preserve the property for denominational use.

PERUVIAN SCHOOL--FORGA BEQUEST:

The following action was taken:--

Whereas, Our esteemed Brother Eduardo Forgo did by his will bequeath to the General Conference for the work in Peru the sum of \$13,400; and,--

Whereas, Members of the family in Peru have expressed a desire in harmony with our brother's wishes that this money may be devoted to the establishment of an educational institution in Peru; and,--

Whereas, Plans are already under way for the opening of a school in the Peruvian Republic; therefore,--

Resolved, That we express to the Forga family our appreciation of this gift, and the interest they have taken in the matter, assuring them that we will gladly comply with their expressed desire in the investment of this money, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the family of our esteemed brother, whose memory we shall ever cherish.

Whereas, There is urgent need of an educational institution in Peru, for the Inca Union Mission; and,--

Whereas, Steps have already been taken toward the establishment of the same; therefore,--

Resolved, That the General Conference treasurer be instructed to carry the Forga legacy as a trust fund for the South American field until they are prepared to establish this educational work in Peru, and that in the meantime the South American committee prepare and submit to the General Conference Committee plans and estimates for the buildings, and needed facilities for the proposed school, and that we plan to make this a strong agency in its field of service.

MIDSUMMER OFFERING:

VOTED, That the arrangements for the Midsummer Offering be as follows:

The date, July 20.

The three foreign vice-presidents to supply the appeal for the Midsummer Offering readings,--two to be read the Sabbath before, one on the Sabbath of the offering.

WEEK OF PRAYER:

VOTED, That the time of the week of prayer be December 14 to 21.

VOTED, That the following be a committee to report upon the readings for the week of prayer: F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, I H Evans, E E Andross, J E Fulton, C H Watson.

EDUCATIONAL SABBATH:

VOTED, That Sabbath, August 10, be set apart as Educational Day, the Educational Department, as heretofore, to provide means of turning the thoughts of the churches toward the training of the youth for service.

LEWIS JOHNSON--SCANDINAVIA:

Inasmuch as the State Department has declined to issue passports at this time for Lewis Johnson, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the action of the Conference inviting him to labor for a year in Scandinavia.

SUPERINTENDENT --HAWAII:

The committee to select a superintendent for Hawaii made a report, and it was--

VOTED, That we invite the Pacific Union Conference to nominate a superintendent for the Hawaiian Mission field.

CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be granted as follows: J B Stuyvesant, A F Prieger, E C Widgey, E L Maxwell, H H Dexter.

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to J G Jacques, of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium.

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to Mrs J B Stuyvesant, Mrs A F Prieger, Dr G B Replogle, Mrs J T Thompson, Mrs E C Widgey.

NEW BUDGET CALLS:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five including the treasurer, to work on the appropriation calls and to bring in recommendations regarding the requests.

Named: W T Knox, R A Underwood, Chas Thompson, C W Flaiz, Wm Guthrie.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW,
W A SPICER, Secretaries.

SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 17, 1918

Prayer by A V Olson.

COMMITTEE ON NEW APPROPRIATIONS:

W T Knox reported for the committee on new calls, and the following additional appropriations were voted:-

East Asia	\$47,350.00
Hawaii	350.00
India	22,750.00
North Latin American Union	23,456.70
South African Union	10,000.00
South America	56,430.15
West Indian Union	9,049.84
Columbia Union	2,500.00
Eastern Canadian Union	15,000.00
Southeastern Union	1,000.00
Southern Union	1,000.00
Southwestern Union	1,300.00
Jewish Work	1,000.00
Addition to Operating Fund	<u>25,000.00</u>
Total	216,186.69

VOTED, To recommend to South America that they endeavor to raise funds in the field to meet the requests that have been eliminated, amounting to \$13,000.

GREATER NEW YORK CHURCH:

VOTED, That W T Knox, L H Christian and A G Daniells act as a committee to study with the presidents of the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference the needs in New York City and bring a report to the fall council

OSHAWA SCHOOL:

VOTED, That W T Knox and L H Christian be a committee to counsel with the East Canadian Union regarding their school plan and buildings.

WEEK OF PRAYER:

The committee on Week of Prayer arrangements made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

Time, December 14 to 21.

The World Outlook and the Message Demanded.

--I H Evans.

Evidences of Our Hope.--O. Montgomery.

The General Missionary Situation, and the Gospel Message.--J.L. Shaw.

Finishing the Work.--J.E. Fulton.

Readings from the Testimonies.--R.D. Quinn.

The Macedonian Call.--W.A. Spicer.

Preparation for Service.--E.E. Andross.

Consecration the Call of the Hour.--A G Daniells.

Recess was taken to 2 P.M.

(After recess)

ELDER AND MRS G I BUTLER:

The matter of the health of Sister G I Butler was mentioned, and it was--

VOTED, That, on account of Sister Butler's health, and Elder G I Butler's advanced age, we advise that he close out his farm business, and locate with Sister Butler in a house in some suitable climate, the General Conference supplying necessary support.

H E MEYER:

A letter was received from H E Meyer asking regarding his return to Mexico.

VOTED, That, owing to the reconstruction of the field, we advise H E Meyer that no way seems to open calling for his return to service in Mexico.

HAROLD ROBINSON--MEXICO :

VOTED, That Harold Robinson, of Spain, be invited to take the secretary-treasurership of the Mexico Mission, and to act also as field missionary secretary.

BORDER MEXICAN INSTITUTE:

VOTED, That we encourage the Foreign Department to conduct an institute on this side the Mexican border for Mexican workers of suitable talent, for two or three months, with a view to training workers for service in Mexico.

VENEZUELA--W E BAXTER:

VOTED, That we recommend that Venezuela be a mission field, with W E Baxter in charge.

R LOPEZ TO VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That we advise the North Latin American Union to send Brother R Lopez, of Porto Rico, to Venezuela as colporteur.

W F MAYER:

VOTED, That we request the Publishing Department to arrange for W F Mayer to engage in the colporteur work, we to pay transportation to the field of service.

E C JACOBSON:

VOTED, That we recommend E C Jacobson to the Northern Union.

J L HUMBERT TO HAITI:

VOTED, That we invite J L Humbert to Haiti, as secretary and treasurer, the Latin American Union to provide by transfer for support.

M E ANDERSON:

VOTED, That we pay the transportation of M E Anderson and wife from California to Jamaica, and allow him his time from April 1.

AFRICAN MISSIONS:

VOTED, That we authorize the British Union to take over all the detached African missions.

VOTED, That the rates of H H Dexter and E L Maxwell be fixed by the minority quorum.

E C WIDGERY:

VOTED, That we ask the Eastern Canadian Union to consider the placing of E C Widgery.

C P LILLIE:

VOTED, That C P Lillie be recommended to go to Colorado, to locate at Boulder for the summer, we to continue furlough pay.

J E SHULTZ:

VOTED, That we advise the East Asian brethren that in case the return of Sister J E Shultz is to be postponed for an indefinite period, we recommend that Elder Shultz return to this country to join his family.

I A FORD TO LAKE UNION:

VOTED, That we recommend I A Ford to the Lake Union for use in such capacity as will utilize his gifts.

R C PORTER:

VOTED, That we advise R C Porter to follow medical counsel and go to Colorado for July and August, reporting the transportation expense to us.

VOTED, That we continue the present rate of R C Porter through 1918.

M C WILCOX--SOUTHERN WATCHMAN:

VOTED, That we recommend to the Southern Publishing House brethren M C Wilcox as editor of the Watchman.

W D BURDEN:

VOTED, That we place W D Burden on furlough pay, asking E E Andross and the secretary to arrange his work in the meantime with the Pacific and North Pacific Unions, and that we suggest to them a return in the autumn on account of the needs of Japan.

MISS OLIVE OSBORNE TO CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend Miss Olive Osborne to plan to return to China at an early date, to work as the Asiatic committee may arrange.

Recess was taken till evening.

After recess.

R H LEACH--INDIA:

VOTED, That we recommend to the India Committee that R H Leach resume his work in India, planning to return the coming autumn.

S A WELLMAN--INDIA:

VOTED, That we advise S A Wellman to plan to return to India this year.

Adjourned.

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

SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 18, 1918

R H LEACH--SUMMER'S WORK:

VOTED, That we ask R H Leach and wife to spend some months this summer in Los Angeles, to get some further dispensary and evangelistic experience.

G F ENOCH:

VOTED, That we invite G F Enoch to return to India for city evangelistic work in case he feels clear to engage in this line of work, and that in the meantime we grant him a vacation of two or three months in the North Pacific Union.

MISS BELLE SHRYOCK:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Belle Shryock to return to India.

MISS ELNORA REID:

VOTED, That we encourage Miss Elnora Reid to engage in nursing work on her own account for a year, for the climatic advantages, with a view then to returning to India.

MISS BERTHA KURTZ:

VOTED, That we counsel Miss Bertha Kurtz to engage in work for a year further in this country, for climatic advantages, allowing the question of returning to India to be decided then.

A G KELSEY:

VOTED, That we advise A G Kelsey that it seems to us that his gifts do not suggest a call to ministerial work; our counsel therefore is that he turn to other lines of activity, and on this account we do not advise his return to India.

CHESTER HOLT:

VOTED, That we invite Chester Holt to plan to go to India in 1919, provided Sister Holt's physical condition warrants.

N C NELSON:

VOTED, That N C Nelson spend six months at the Pacific Press on a satisfactory wage to be arranged.

W E STRICKLAND--ORDINATION:

VOTED, That we arrange for the ordination of W E Strickland before his departure for India.

STEMPLE WHITE:

VOTED, That we ask the Northern Union to release Stemple White, and that he be invited to make India his field of labor, for English evangelistic work, beginning in Calcutta.

P C POHLE--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we favor granting P C Pohle a furlough in 1919.

A J DENOYER:

VOTED, That A J Denoyer, of India, be granted a short furlough to America, transportation to and from the field to be an extra item in the budget.

W W FLETCHER--ITINERARY:

VOTED, That we advise W W Fletcher to make his itinerary in America about the Pacific Coast, in the Pacific and North Pacific Unions.

INDIA HEADQUARTERS:

As to changing the location of the India headquarters, it was counseled that J L Shaw and M E Kern go over after the Australasian meetings, to join Elders Fulton and Fletcher and others in settling the matter; in the meantime we shall endeavor to raise \$10,000 for the purpose.

Adjourned.

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

EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., May 7, '18

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw,
C S Longacre, and T E Bowen.

I H EVANS TO CLINTON SEMINARY:

VOTED, That we concur in the request of the Clinton Seminary that I H Evans deliver the Commencement Address at the close of school.

C S LONGACRE TO UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That we concur in the request of Union College that C S Longacre deliver the Commencement Address.

DURWARD WILLIAMS--CHINA:

A telegram was received from J H Schilling, asking that the appointment of Durward Williams and wife to China be deferred one year.

In view of the urgent need of workers in China, it was--

VOTED, That Durward Williams and wife be advised to proceed to China this summer, in time to enter the language school in the fall.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 12, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, G B Thompson, N Z Town,
G A Roberts, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, L A Hansen; also C B
Hughes, W R White, T E Bowen.

Prayer by G A Roberts.

WEST INDIAN UNION:

G A Roberts, C B Hughes and WRWhite met with
the Committee to consider West Indian affairs.

SCREENING HOMES:

VOTED, To recommend to our brethren in Jamaica
that as a health measure the foreign workers screen their
houses as soon as funds make it possible for them to do so.

L.L. HUTCHINSON TO JAMAICA:

VOTED, That inasmuch as E C Boger, returning
from the West Indian Union, is to make Arizona his field of
labor, we request the Pacific Union Conference to release
L.L. Hutchinson and wife, of Arizona, to take up work in Jamaica.

1919 MEETINGS:

G A Roberts spoke of the union conference and
camp meetings for 1919, and asked that general help be sent
for these meetings. The name of A G Daniells was mentioned.

VOTED, That this request be filed with the
Committee for future consideration.

MOTORCYCLE FOR J A APPLGATE:

VOTED, That the Publishing Department be re-
quested to take up with the Pacific Press Publishing Associa-
tion the suggestion of supplying a motorcycle for J A
Applegate's use in Jamaica.

WEST INDIAN TRAINING SCHOOL BOARD:

In starting the training school for the West Indian Union, no board had been appointed, and the union conference committee does not meet until 1919.

VOTED, That we recommend to the West Indian Union Committee the following named persons as a board for the training school, to act until the next session of the union conference:

G A Roberts, C B Hughes, J G Pettey, N J Aalborg, H N Wright, J A Applegate, M C McCatty, M E Anderson, W S Holbrook, D E Wellman, the superintendent of the Guiana Mission, and the superintendent of the North Caribbean Mission.

FUNDS FOR SCHOOL:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to advance \$1500 for the West Indian Training School, the same to come from funds of the Pacific Press owing to the West Indian Union Conference.

COMMITTEE ON FORMS FOR CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES:

VOTED, That the following be a committee authorized to get out blanks for credentials and licenses: J L Shaw, G B Thompson, T E Bowen.

GLEN RUSSELL TO MINNESOTA:

G B Thompson presented a letter asking that Glen Russell of New York be transferred to Minnesota.

VOTED, That we request the Atlantic Union Conference to release Glen Russell to take up work in Minnesota.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 14, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern, N Z Town,
Mrs L F Plummer, W E Howell, G S Longacre, J L Shaw.

E F PETERSON--INCA UNION:

Medical statements from E F Peterson and wife, under appointment to the Inca Union Mission, were presented.

VOTED, That the medical statements for E F Peterson and wife be accepted, and that they be advised to proceed with arrangements to answer the call to the Inca Union Mission.

A J OLSON--INDIA:

N Z Town spoke of his interview with A J Olson, who still has a desire to go to India, and is not favorable to the recommendation that he take up home missionary and educational work among the foreign young people in this country.

VOTED, That in view of the attitude of A J Olson toward the foreign work in this country, and his desire to go to India, we recommend that he be appointed to India as field missionary agent of that field.

COMMITTEE ON THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer and J L Shaw be a committee to suggest fields as the objects of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the coming year.

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESSES:

VOTED, That J L Shaw be asked to go to Berrien Springs, to deliver the Commencement Address for Emmanuel Missionary College.

VOTED, That M E Kern be asked to go to Mt Vernon, to deliver the Commencement Address for the Mt Vernon Academy.

VOTED, That in case A G Daniells is not available, W E Howell be asked to deliver the Commencement Address for the Ooltewah and Huntsville schools.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 30, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, C S Longacre, N Z Town,
F M Wilcox, I H Evans, W E Howell, E R Palmer; also W W Eastman,
F W Paap, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

SOUTH AMERICAN GENERAL MEETING POSTPONED:

Careful consideration was given to the question of the time for holding the next general meeting in South America. Inasmuch as the time proposed, early next year, would give delegates returning from the General Conference but little time to work in their respective fields before beginning preparations for this meeting; also in view of the fact that Elder Daniells, who has been invited to attend this meeting, has just returned from a long trip abroad,--

VOTED, That the South American general meeting be postponed one year.

VISIT TO AUSTRALIA:

In view of the long-standing request that W A Spicer visit Australia, it was--

VOTED, That the action inviting J L Shaw and M E Kern to attend the general meetings in Australia, India and other portions of the Asiatic field be changed to W A Spicer and M E Kern.

DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER:

VOTED, That arrangements be made for holding services in the Takoma Park church May 30, in harmony with the President's proclamation that this be a day of prayer; also that the General Conference Office be closed on that day.

VOTED, That a committee of three, consisting of W T Knox, I H Evans, F M Wilcox, give consideration to several cases referred to the treasury, involving summer work and salaries, also the getting out of General Conference stationery.

INGATHERING WATCHMAN--ENGLAND:

VOTED, That we authorize sending 25,000 copies of the 1918 Ingathering number, English edition, to the British Union, provided the contents of the paper are proper for circulation in England at the present time.

INGATHERING NUMBER--FOREIGN:

VOTED, That the question of the publication of foreign editions of Harvest Ingathering numbers, also the publication of German week of prayer readings, be referred to a committee consisting of W T Knox, I H Evans, F M Wilcox, C S Longacre, N Z Town.

S E JACKSON--PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That we urge S E Jackson, under appointment to the Philippine Union, to go on to that field, there being no serious objection offered in the health report submitted, he being advised, however, to secure another medical examination if considered necessary.

C L BENSON:

VOTED, That C L Benson be released from attending the Pacific Union camp meetings, in order that he may come on to Washington without delay, where his help is greatly needed in the Educational Department.

BIBLE TEACHERS' COUNCIL:

VOTED, That the date for the Bible and History Teachers' Institute be fixed for July 7.

FOREIGN SEMINARIES--SIXTEEN GRADES:

VOTED, That we recognize the Danish-Norwegian Seminary, the Clinton Theological Seminary, and the Broadview Swedish Seminary among the schools doing sixteen-grade work.

VOTED, That AO Tait be released from attending camp meetings in the North Pacific Union.

W E HOWELL--EDITOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR:

VOTED, That W E Howell be appointed editor of Christian Educator, and C L Benson associate editor, this change to be made in the forthcoming campaign number.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER LESSONS:

VOTED, That the set of eight lessons on Junior Missionary Volunteer Methods be got out by the Missionary Volunteer Department, being printed, if possible, in time for use in the summer schools.

STENOGRAPHER--COLUMBIA UNION:

VOTED, That in view of the heavy demand for stenographic help, the request of the Columbia Union for a stenographer from the General Conference office can not be granted.

T M FRENCH--BERRIEN SPRINGS:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union be asked to release T M French, to connect with the Lake Union in school work at Berrien Springs.

BIBLE AND HISTORY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE:

VOTED, That the attendance at the Bible and History Teachers' Institute be limited to Bible and History teachers only.

CAMP MEETING HELP:

VOTED, That we release C S Longacre from attending camp meetings in the Pacific Union, as it seems impossible for him to leave Washington at the present time for so long an absence.

VOTED, To ask C S Longacre to attend the latter part of the Massachusetts camp meeting.

VOTED, That N Z Town be released from attending the Northern Union camp meetings

VOTED, That the name of J L Shaw be suggested to the Columbia Union for some of the camp meetings F A Stahl planned to attend.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

TENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 21, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, I H Evans, N Z Town,
Dr W A Ruble, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, C S Longacre; also
W W Eastman, L A Hansen, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

Prayer by Dr Ruble and A G Daniells.

E B SUTTON:

VOTED, That if the Central Union cannot secure
a man to take the place of C B Sutton, of Kansas, he be re-
leased from the appointment to the South Caribbean Conference.

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE:

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to give
study to our literature, especially to the small books which
are being circulated at the present time.

Named: E R Palmer, A G Daniells, F M Wilcox,
W E Howell, N Z Town.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 26, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, M E Kern, J L Shaw; also
L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

OOLTEWAH SCHOOL:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to advance \$5000 to the Ooltewah school, in order that they may employ students for work on the buildings, it being understood that the treasury will be reimbursed by appropriations from certain conferences that have undertaken to raise funds for the Ooltewah school.

STEEN RASMUSSEN:

VOTED, That we allow Steen Rasmussen one month's vacation on full pay.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

ELEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 28, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town, M E Kern, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer, Mrs. L F Plummer; also T E Bowen, J O Corliss.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

N C NELSON--MINISTERIAL LICENSE:

VOTED, That we grant ministerial license to N C Nelson, under appointment to India.

GUS YOUNGBERG--CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend that Gus Youngberg, under appointment to Borneo, be transferred to China.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL REPORTS:

VOTED, That a committee consisting of W T Knox, E E Andross and J L Shaw be appointed to examine the medical reports received from appointees, and make recommendation concerning the same.

ROY M COSENTINE--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite R M Cossentine to go to East Asia.

VOTED, That R M Cossentine, under appointment to East Asia, be granted ministerial license.

A C HANSON--SINGAPORE:

VOTED, That we invite A C Hanson to go to Singapore, to act as secretary-treasurer of the Malaysian Union.

COMMITTEE ON NAGEL BROTHERS:

VOTED, That a committee of five take under consideration correspondence from the Nagel brothers, in China.

Named: A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, E E Andross, J L Shaw.

F A STAHL--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we advise Brother F A Stahl to remain in this country on furlough until both he and the committee shall feel that he is physically fit to return to his work at Lake Titicaca.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

TWELFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 29, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town, M E Kern, J L Shaw; also T E Bowen and L A Hansen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

RELEASE OF B P FOOTE:

A request was presented that B P Foote be released from the General Conference Office, to take up work in educational lines at the Washington Missionary College.

VOTED, That we release B P Foote for work in connection with the College.

APPROPRIATION TO COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL:

VOTED, That we appropriate \$250 to the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

W F MAYERS:

Statement was presented regarding the transportation of W F Mayers and wife from Guatemala to the United States.

VOTED, That we allow the transportation of Brother and Sister W F Mayers from Guatemala to California, amounting to \$151.

C E KNIGHT:

A letter was presented from C E Knight, telling of the large expense caused by the medical treatment necessary for Sister Knight.

VOTED, That we allow C E Knight his regular wage while on furlough, and that the treasurer be requested to make further inquiry regarding the expense incurred by the illness of Sister Knight.

F C GILBERT'S WORK:

A statement was made in reference to F C Gilbert's work, and suggestion was made that his work be placed under the direction of the General Conference.

VOTED, That inasmuch as F C Gilbert's work has been under the supervision of the Atlantic Union during the past year, that he continue under direction of that union for the remainder of the year 1918.

D P GAEDE:

VOTED, That \$100 be allowed from the Sustentation Fund towards defraying the funeral expenses of Mrs D P Gaede.

W C HANKINS:

VOTED, That the total appropriation to assist W C Hankins in repairing his house which was damaged by storm, be increased to make a total of \$500.

H H DEXTER'S WAGE RATE:

VOTED, That the wage rate of H H Dexter be \$18.00 per week.

E L MAXWELL'S WAGE RATE:

VOTED, That the wage rate of E L Maxwell be \$20.00 per week.

TOM CULHANE:

A statement was made by the treasurer regarding the transportation of Tom Culhane in returning from China,

VOTED, That \$100 be allowed toward meeting the present financial needs of Tom Culhane, on condition that the Pacific Press make a like appropriation for that purpose.

LULU GREGORY--EXPENSE OF OPERATION:

VOTED, That we pay the expense of operation of Mrs Lulu Gregory, amounting to \$52.60, it being understood that this amount will be taken from the note which she holds against G I Butler.

H A B ROBINSON:

VOTED, That owing to the situation in Mexico, we recommend that H A B Robinson be advised to remain in Spain, continuing in Spanish work in that field until such time as it shall seem advisable for him to change his field of labor.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

THIRTEENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 29, 1918, 3 P M

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw,
N Z Town, W E Howell, M E Kern; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

CAMP MEETING HELP:

VOTED, That we invite J O Corliss to attend the
early camp meetings in the Columbia Union Conference.

VOTED, That, owing to plans for leaving for
the Far East, Elder I H Evans be released from attending the
camp meetings in the Southwestern Union.

VOTED, That Chas Thompson be invited to attend
the camp meetings in the Southwestern Union, in place of I H
Evans, who has been released owing to his contemplated de-
parture for the Far East.

Owing to the fact that W A Spicer is expecting
to sail for Australia, making it necessary for him to change
his plans for attending camp meetings in California and return
to Washington at an early date, it was--

VOTED, That W H Anderson be invited to attend
the North California and Northwestern California camp meetings
while waiting for his permit to return to South Africa.

VOTED, That G B Thompson be invited to attend
the camp meetings in the Northwestern California Conference.

VOTED, That L A Hansen be invited to attend
the camp meeting in Arkansas, and the meetings in the Southern
and Southeastern Union Conferences, giving what time is avail-
able between meetings to visiting rural sanitariums in the south.

MINISTERIAL READING COURSE:

The following names persons were asked to constitute a committee on Ministerial Reading Course: W E Howell, E E Andross, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, M E Kern.

W A SCHARFFENBERG--LICENSE:

VOTED, That W A Scharffenberg be granted ministerial license.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FOURTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 5, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town, W E Howell, M E Kern, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, C L Benson, F W Paap.

Prayer by C L Benson.

GERMAN HARVEST INGATHERING:

Consideration was given to the advisability of issuing a German Harvest Ingathering number for this year. Stringent regulations are being made in some of the States regarding the circulation of German literature.

VOTED, That we cancel the order for publishing a Harvest Ingathering number in German.

INGATHERING NUMBER FOR GREAT BRITAIN:

VOTED, That we accede to the request of the brethren in Great Britain, and place an order for 25,000 copies of the Harvest Ingathering Watchman, for use in Great Britain.

PHYSICIAN FOR THE PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That we request the Medical Department to recommend a suitable physician for the Philippine Islands.

T OSWALD--BORNEO:

VOTED, That we ask the Central Union Conference to secure the release of T Oswald, a graduate of Union College, and that he be invited to go to Borneo.

V L LOVELL--EAST ASIA:

VOTED, That we ask the Central Union to secure the release of V L Lovell, graduate of Union College, and that he be invited to answer the call for mission work in East Asia.

ROMAIN DIXON: EAST ASIA:

VOTED, That we ask the Central Union to secure the release of Romain Dixon, to take up mission work in Eastern Asia.

JOHN HOTTEL--SINGAPORE:

VOTED, That we ask the Atlantic Union to secure the release of John Hottel for educational work in Singapore.

CLAYTON KEISER:

VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union to secure the release of Clayton Keiser, and that he be invited to Eastern Asia.

STUART THOMPSON:

VOTED, That we ask the Southwestern Union to secure the release of Stuart Thompson for Eastern Asia.

CHAS W MARSH:

VOTED, That we request the Lake Union to secure the release of Chas W Marsh to answer the call as secretary and treasurer of the Honan Mission, Eastern Asia.

EDWIN R THIELE:

VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union to release Edwin R Thiele, to accept a call to East Asia, and that before going he spend some time at the Pacific Press.

OSCAR OLSON:

VOTED, That we ask the Atlantic Union to secure the release of Oscar Olson, to answer the call to Eastern Asia.

ELLIS COLSON:

VOTED, That we invite Ellis Colson to accept the call to mission work in Eastern Asia.

MISS EVA HOWE--SANITARIUM:

Since Mrs E P Evans left the Sanitarium, no one has been appointed to take her place, and the institution requests that Miss Eva Howe be released to take up accounting work at the Washington Sanitarium.

VOTED, That we grant the request of the Washington Sanitarium, and release Miss Eva Howe to take up accounting work in that institution.

A PAUL HEFLIN:

VOTED, That we request the Lake Union to secure the release of A Paul Heflin for mission work in Eastern Asia.

LYMAN BOWERS--MINISTERIAL LICENSE:

VOTED, That we grant ministerial license to Lyman Bowers, who is working under the direction of the Mission Board in Korea.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING--OBJECTS:

The committee appointed to suggest objects for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings for 1919, made a report which was adopted as follows:

First quarter, 1919, North Latin Union.
 Second quarter, The Philippine Islands.
 Third quarter, Korea and Japan.
 Fourth quarter, Homes for our missionaries where needed in foreign fields.

C P BOLLMAN--SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That we appoint C P Bollman a member of the Sabbath School Departmental Committee.

WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS FOR CHILDREN:

VOTED, That we request the Sabbath School Department to arrange for readings for the children during the week of prayer.

BIBLE AND HISTORY TEACHERS' COUNCIL POSTPONED:

The chairman placed before the Committee suggestions which he had received from the field, recommending that the Bible and History Teachers' Council be postponed. Several reasons were given, among them the situation caused by the war and the fact that the government is discouraging travel as much as possible; the increased cost of travel, thus increasing the cost of holding the council at this time; and further, the fact that during the summer the Bible teachers are needed to work up the attendance for the coming school year, especially since owing to the draft situation and the increased rates of tuition, there is some question about the attendance next year.

After discussion, it was--

VOTED, That the Bible and History Teachers' Council be postponed.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 6, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, M E Kern,
W E Howell; also C L Benson, L A Hansen, W W Eastman.

E A CURDY:

Letters from Brother and Sister Curdy, telling of the condition of Brother Curdy's health, and the recommendation of the doctor that Brother Curdy leave the tropics, were presented.

VOTED, That we recommend that if the superintendent

VOTED, That we recommend that if the superintendent of the North Latin Union and the committee in Haiti deem it advisable, we recommend the return of E A Cudry to the States.

COMMITTEE COUNCIL ON WAR PROBLEMS:

Consideration was given to the advisability of holding a council to consider various problems arising from the war situation.

VOTED, That we appoint a council to convene July 9 to 16.

VOTED, That C S Longacre, M E Kern and J L Shaw be a committee to recommend names of those who should attend the council, and to get information preparatory to holding the council.

OSHAWA BIBLE TEACHER:

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union to release W R French, to take the Bible work at the Oshawa school, and request the Educational Department to take up correspondence regarding this transfer.

COMMITTEE ON EDITORIAL MATTER FOR OUR PAPERS:

VOTED, That N Z Town, W E Howell, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw and C L Benson be a committee to consider editorial matter for our papers.

FOREST PRATT AND EZRA LONGWAY TO SIAM:

VOTED, That Forest Pratt and Ezra Longway be invited to take up work in Siam.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTEENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 11, 1918

P R E S E N T:

AG Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer,
M E Kern, C S Longacre, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, N Z Town,
W E Howell; also T E Bowen and L A Hansen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

LULU V GREGORY:

A letter from Mrs Lulu V Gregory, recovering from an operation at the Glendale Sanitarium, raised the question of her return to Cuba to join her husband.

VOTED, That we recall Dr and Mrs Gregory from Cuba, and that the Cuban allowance to Sister Gregory be continued six months.

D C BABCOCK:

Brother Babcock asked counsel in reference to his work while on furlough.

VOTED, That we invite Elder D C Babcock to attend the West Virginia camp meeting, and allow him to visit his people in Ohio, leaving his family in the meantime at Arlington, Va., or such other location as may be agreed upon in counsel with the Committee.

WEST INDIAN TRAINING SCHOOL:

Consideration was given to the question of the opening of the West Indian Training School in a permanent location, that the available funds for the school may be conserved as much as possible, and the school start under conditions most favorable to its success.

VOTED, That we advise the West Indian Union Committee to delay, if necessary, the opening of the training school until it can be opened in a permanent way on the final location agreed upon in counsel with the Mission Board.

J S YATES:

A letter from J S Yates, on furlough from Sumatra, made inquiry concerning his work during the coming summer. Sister Yates' health requires that he remain at home.

VOTED, That a furlough of three months be granted to J S Yates, and that we ask him to report at the end of that time whether it seems advisable, in view of Sister Yates' condition of health, for him to engage in labor in the Kansas Conference.

S A NAGEL ACCOUNT:

The committee appointed to consider correspondence dealing with the account of S A Nagel, in mission work in Wai Chow, China, made a report, which was adopted as follows:

1. That we express regret at the failure of P V Thomas to give full information regarding the statement of S A Nagel's account for broom machinery before reporting to B R Owen, secretary and treasurer of the South China Union. Further, we regret the failure of B R Owen to take up with S A Nagel in a thorough manner the full facts regarding his account, and also his failure to place data before the president of the South China Union and the treasurer of the General Conference.

These failures and the direct instruction of the secretary and treasurer of the South China Union to the treasurer of the General Conference to hold up shipment of broom machinery ordered by S A Nagel entirely misled the treasurer of the General Conference as to the facts, and caused delay and loss to the Nagel Brothers which could not be avoided, as the treasurer had no other instruction to act upon save the order of B R Owen.

2. That we recommend to the South China Union that a just settlement be made with the Nagel Brothers for the loss sustained by the mishandling of their order for broom machinery.

In view of the perplexities which we have had with S A Nagel and the unfavorable conditions which have developed,--

3. We recommend to the East Asian Committee that arrangements be made for the return of S A Nagel and family to the United States.

SHANGHAI CHURCH:

In view of the delay in deciding on a location for the Shanghai church, and the divided sentiment which has sprung up,--

VOTED, That we advise that the purchase of land for the Shanghai church be deferred until the arrival of I H Evans, and a general agreement is obtained to report back to the Mission Board.

ASIATIC ORGANIZATION:

At the General Conference action was taken recommending that Division Conferences be discontinued, and that India and Australasia be separated from the East Asian field.

VOTED, That we recommend the Australasian Union and the India Union Committees to consider this proposed change of organization of the work in the Far East, and forward their approval to Shanghai for final consideration by the East Asian Committee.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 11, 1918, 3 P.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, W E Howell, M E Kern, N Z Town, C S Longacre, E R Palmer; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen, C L Benson.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

MIDSUMMER OFFERING:

VOTED, That A G Daniells be requested to prepare the principal article for the Midsummer Offering program, July 20.

NEW YORK CHURCH:

A G Daniells, W T Knox and E E Andross went to New York to counsel with the Atlantic Union regarding a church building in Brooklyn. They found a good building for sale, at \$25,000.

VOTED, That we make a loan of \$5,000 to the Atlantic Union, to assist them in purchasing a church building in Brooklyn.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT--GOAL:

A letter from L H Christian, secretary of the Foreign Department, requests on behalf of the Department that a mission fund goal be set for the department, not for the purpose of creating a separate fund, but in order to set before our people of the foreign nationalities the great needs of the foreign mission fields in a more definite manner.

VOTED, That we set a goal for the Foreign Department of \$150,000, to be divided as follows: Germans, \$70,000; Danish-Norwegian, \$40,000; Swedish, \$30,000; other nationalities, \$10,000; with the understanding that the money raised will be sent in the regular way from the local church to the conference.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT--NAME:

The Foreign Department finds itself embarrassed by its name during this war time, and they desire a change, suggesting the name, Department of Home Missions.

VOTED, That N Z Town, E R Palmer, M E Kern constitute a committee to suggest a more suitable name for the Foreign Department.

T M FRENCH--BERRIEN SPRINGS:

The call for T M French as Bible teacher at Emmanuel Missionary College was again considered.

VOTED, That we renew the request to the Columbia Union to release T M French, of West Virginia, to act as Bible teacher at Emmanuel Missionary College.

PACIFIC UNION CAMP MEETINGS:

A telegram from G B Thompson stated the inadvisability of his attending the camp meetings in California.

VOTED, That we ask G F Enoch to attend the camp meetings in Northern California and Northwestern California.

STENOGRAPHERS--RATES:

VOTED, That the following increases to workers in the General Conference office be allowed:

Edith Mamby, from \$9.00 to \$10.00. Mrs. Blanche Jones, \$8.00 to \$9.00. Roger Altman, \$12.50 to \$14.00. Edith Gregg, \$9.00 to \$11.00. Lela Wilcox, \$10.00 to \$11.00. Ella Iden, \$12.00 to \$13.00. Helen Miller, \$10.00 to \$11.00.

BONUS INCREASE TO WORKERS IN GENERAL CONFERENCE OFFICE:

The large number of people brought to Washington because of the war has greatly over-crowded the city and suburbs. Rents have become abnormal. The Government has recognized this in the statistics giving the cost of food supplies in Washington as compared with other cities in the country. With remarkable loyalty workers in and about the city have held to their work when it has been wholly impossible to live on their income.

VOTED, That the bonus allowance to General Conference workers in Washington, which is now 20% of the salary be increased to 25%.

G B WALKER'S RATE:

VOTED, That the rate of G B Walker, the General Conference janitor, be increased from \$14.00 to \$15.00.

PAMPHLET FOR MINISTERS:

Matter for a pamphlet containing sermons and addresses for use by our ministers has been prepared by W L Burgan.

VOTED, That this manuscript be referred for further consideration to the following committee: L A Hansen, C S Longacre, F M Wilcox.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

EIGHTEENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 12, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, M E Kern,
E R Palmer, W E Howell, N Z Town, J L Shaw; also T E Bowen,
C L Benson.

Prayer by A G Daniells.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT--NAME:

The committee appointed to suggest a change of name for the Foreign Department recommended that the Foreign Department be known as the Department of Home Missions, and that the Home Missionary Department be known as the Church Missionary Department.

VOTED, That the name of the Home Missionary Department be changed to Church Missionary Department, and that the name of the Foreign Department be changed to Department of Home Missions.

A E ZYTKOSKEE:

VOTED, That \$100 be appropriated from the Sustentation Fund, to assist in defraying the funeral expenses of Mrs A E Zytoskee.

H McWHINNY'S SALARY:

During the time that Harry McWhinny was under appointment to India, work was given him in the Southeastern California Conference. Request is now made that the salary advanced to him be refunded.

VOTED, That the salary advanced to Harry McWhinny, amounting to \$306.62, be refunded to the Southeastern California Conference.

ADDRESSOGRAPH STENCIL-CUTTING MACHINE:

The treasurer stated that the difficulty in obtaining stencils seemed to make it necessary that a stencil-cutting machine be purchased.

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to purchase a stencil-cutting machine for the Addressograph.

"LIFE AND HEALTH" AND "CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR":

Life and Health is now edited in the General Conference office, and the question of the salary of Dr G H Heald was given consideration. This led to a discussion of questions connected with the publishing of Life and Health and Christian Educator.

VOTED, That we refer questions connected with the publishing of Life and Health and Christian Educator to a committee consisting of the officers of the General Conference and the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

ROBERT McKEAGUE--FURLOUGH ALLOWANCE:

VOTED, That a furlough allowance be granted to Robert McKeague while he is in America.

W L BURGAN--PORTLAND:

VOTED, That we ask W L Burgan to attend Brother P C Hayward's meetings in Portland, Oregon, rendering such assistance as may seem necessary.

SINGAPORE PROPERTY:

A letter from F A Detamore stated that the brethren in Singapore were unable to get the property that was first desired, and that other land available would increase their call for funds for purchasing land.

VOTED, That we appropriate to the Malaysian Union for their headquarters property a sum amounting in all to \$8,500.

JEWISH WORK:

VOTED, That the Jewish work be under the direction of the Department of Home Missions, and that F C Gilbert continue his work under the direction of L H Christian, the secretary of that department.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

NINETEENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 13, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A B Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, W E Howell,
F M Wilcox, J L Shaw; also T E Bowen, C L Benson.

Prayer by W E Howell.

G C HOSKIN TO INDIA:

The publishing department presented the name of G C Hoskin, of the Pacific Press, as an available candidate for the publishing house in India.

VOTED, That we request the Pacific Press Publishing Association to release G C Hoskin to answer the call as promotion manager of the publishing house in Lucknow, India.

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT SECRETARIES:

VOTED, That the salary rate of the men who are acting as assistant secretaries be \$22.00 per week.

L H CHRISTIAN--SALARY:

VOTED, That the salary rate of L H Christian be \$23.00 per week.

DR P T MAGAN TO ATTEND JULY COUNCIL:

Inasmuch as Dr P T Magan is in the East in the interests of the Loma Linda medical work,

VOTED, That we invite Dr P T Magan to attend the General Conference Committee council to be held in July.

SWEDISH WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS:

The week of prayer readings are being published this year in Sweden. The question arose as to the advisability of the readings for the week of prayer being published this year in the Swedish paper in this country. Question was also raised about the week of prayer readings in other languages.

VOTED, That the question of the publication of the week of prayer readings in the foreign papers be referred to the following committee: W T Knox, J L Shaw, M E Kern.

R H TERRELL--RETURN FROM CUBA:

VOTED, That we authorize the return of R H Terrell from Cuba to the United States.

C B STEPHENSON'S SUPPORT AND SALARY:

VOTED, That the support of C B Stephenson be referred to the Southeastern Union Conference for the months of May and June, asking them to establish his rate of wage and report the same to the General Conference treasurer.

M N CAMPBELL:

The treasurer stated that the expenses of Brother Campbell, president of the British Union Conference, had been largely increased during the past year, inasmuch as he was compelled to leave his family in America while being under heavy additional expense in England.

VOTED, That in view of the heavy expenses of M N Campbell during the past year, we make a special appropriation to him of \$200.

JESSIE BUTLER--RETURN TO PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That we allow Miss Jessie Butler's transportation back to Porto Rico.

J E WHITE--SUSTENTATION:

VOTED, That we grant J E White a Sustentation allowance of \$8.00 per week.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

TWENTIETH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 13, 1918, 3 P.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, F M Wilcox, N Z Town, M E Kern,
W E Howell, J L Shaw; also C L Benson.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

COLORED COLLECTION:

VOTED, That the date of the colored collection be set for Sabbath, September 14.

RURAL SCHOOL COLLECTION:

Inasmuch as the midsummer offering, the thirteenth Sabbath offering and the offering for the colored work come so close together, we recommend,--

1. That we do not take up a special collection for the self-supporting schools this year.

2. That the various self-supporting schools be asked to submit such special needs as cannot be otherwise met to the union conferences, to be passed on to the treasurer of the General Conference.

STUDENTS FOR RURAL TRAINING SCHOOL:

VOTED, That we furnish the training school for rural workers at Madison with the names of the Educational and Missionary Volunteer secretaries, they to acquaint the secretaries with the class of people wanted to attend the school, with the understanding that the secretaries before recommending names counsel with the conference officials.

RURAL SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES AT CAMP MEETINGS:

VOTED, That we refer the question of representatives from the self-supporting schools attending the various camp meetings to the council to be held in July.

PISGAH SCHOOL:

W E Howell presented articles of agreement prepared by the Southeastern Union Conference for the proposed training school at Pisgah.

VOTED, That the question of the operation of a training school at Pisgah be referred to the July council.

COWIE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL:

In a previous meeting of the Committee the ^{Cowie} Mountain school was given consideration, and the Educational Department was asked to prepare a proper statement to be brought before the Committee and published in the Review.

The secretary of the Department presented the statement.

VOTED, That the statement regarding the Cowie Mountain school, prepared by the secretary of the Educational Department, be published in the Review.

T R FLAIZ TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite T R Flaiz to respond to the call to India.

EARL R REYNOLDS TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite Earl R Reynolds, of Loma Linda, to respond to the call to India.

C E HOLT TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite C E Holt to answer the call to India in 1919.

JOHN WEAVER TO BENGAL:

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union to secure the release of John Weaver, and that we invite him to go to Bengal.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT LOCATION:

The chairman made a statement on behalf of Dr W A Ruble regarding the advisability of locating the Medical Department at Melrose, Mass.

VOTED, That we advise Dr Ruble that the Medical Department requires his whole time, and the coordination of that department with other work makes it advisable that he should live in Washington.

H G ROWLAND'S RETURN:

VOTED, That we appropriate for the transportation of H G Rowland the equivalent of the second class fare of himself and wife from Hawaii to California.

SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

The secretary of the Educational Department presented the statement of the improvements for the Southwestern Junior College, asking for the approval of the Committee.

VOTED, That we approve of the improvements planned for the Southwestern Junior College, provided they do not incur indebtedness.

GUS YOUNGBERG:

VOTED, That we rescind the action changing the appointment of Gus Youngberg from Borneo to China, thus allowing the first action to stand, that he make Borneo his field of labor.

E E ANDROSS--TOUR:

VOTED, That we ask E E Andross to spend the coming fall and winter in the Far East, leaving with the officers of the General Conference to arrange his field of work.

OTTO M JOHN--M V D :

The secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department stated that an assistant secretary was greatly needed in the department, to be associated with him and to take his work in his absence.

VOTED, That we request the Washington Missionary College to release Prof Otto M John, to take the position of assistant secretary in the Missionary Volunteer Department.

M E KERN--TOUR:

The committee gave consideration to the previous action, asking Prof M E Kern to go to Australia and India. The large amount of work in the department, and present conditions in this country indicate that it would be inadvisable for Professor Kern to make this trip at the present time.

VOTED, That we rescind the previous action inviting M E Kern to visit Australia and India the coming year.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

TWENTY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 14, 1918, 9 A M

P R E S E N T S:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, M E Kern, W E Howell,
N Z Town, J L Shaw; also L-A Hansen, C L Benson.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE COUNCIL:

In considering the special council to be held in July, for the purpose of dealing with questions arising from the war situation, it was suggested that the regular Fall Council be held in July instead of holding it at a later date, as is customary. It was thought that a meeting held at an earlier date would serve the purpose of the regular Fall Council, and also give opportunity to give special thought and study to the pressing questions brought up by the present developments resulting from the war situation. It was therefore,--

VOTED, That we appoint a council of the General Conference Committee, to convene in Washington, D.C., July 9 to 16.

ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL:

VOTED, That we express to the union conference presidents in this country our approval of the following persons also attending the council, leaving it to them and their committees to make such changes as may seem advisable: P F Bicknell, J E Jayne, C L Stone, H K Christman, H B Lundquist, B M Butterfield, W M Ostrander, W W Ruble, C A Purdom, J A Stevens, N H Conway, A N Allen, W McMahan, T E Pavey, B W Spire.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 19, 1919

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town, M E Kern,
E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, W E Howell, W A Spicer; also C L Benson,
L A Hansen, T E Bowen, and C S Longacre.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

SHIRO OGURA:

VOTED, That we advise Shiro Ogura, of Great Britain, to continue in school another year, then to proceed to Japan.

N C NELSON--REVIEW AND HERALD:

The question of training N C Nelson for the India publishing house was considered. The following action from the Review and Herald Board was presented:

"Voted, That we invite the General Conference to place with us for special training any young men they may be able to find for printing work in foreign fields, for additional training along manufacturing lines, and that the Review and Herald pay their salaries while they are in our employ."

On this, it was--

VOTED, That we place N C Nelson with the Review and Herald for further preparation to take charge of the India publishing house.

W E STRICKLAND--CHINA:

VOTED, That we transfer W E Strickland to China, and that furlough allowance be granted him.

L O PATTISON--LOAN:

VOTED, To authorize the treasury to make a loan to L O Pattison, to enable him to purchase a stereopticon.

ST HELENA--CHARGE FOR EXAMINATIONS:

VOTED, That we ask the St. Helena Sanitarium to follow the policy of our other sanitariums, and of our doctors generally, in making the medical examinations for prospective missionaries free of charge.

J M COMER:

VOTED, That we allow J M Comer his regular India rate of salary until the middle of July.

Adjourned.

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

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 20, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, M E Kern, W E Howell; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

CAMP MEETING HELP:

VOTED, That I H Evans be invited to attend the West Pennsylvania camp meeting at Homestead, June 20 to 30, releasing W W Eastman from that appointment.

VOTED, That we ask W W Eastman to attend the Massachusetts camp meeting, beginning June 20; also the Eastern New York meeting, in connection with a portion of the New Jersey meeting.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

TWENTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 27, 1918

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, J L Shaw, N Z Town, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

MRS GREEN--PANAMA:

N Z Town reported that it had been decided that J A P Green, of the North Latin field, would be located on the Canal Zone, and that Sister Green was prepared to join him there.

VOTED, That we instruct Mrs J A P Green to proceed to Panama.

W R FRENCH--OSHAWA SCHOOL:

Information was given that the Educational Department desired to arrange with W R French to engage in teaching at the Oshawa (Ontario) school. At the General Conference Elder French was assigned to the North Pacific field. The North Pacific Union gives information that it is willing to release Elder French for Oshawa, if desired, but that in that case they would not expect to pay his transportation from Texas to the North Pacific, which they had assumed.

VOTED, That we invite Elder W R French to accept the call to the Oshawa school, the Eastern Canadian Union to assume his transportation from Oregon to Ontario, also his time, the General Conference assuming his transportation from Texas to the North Pacific.

DANIEL ISAAC--RETURN FROM RUSSIA:

By cable from Moscow, Elder Daniel Isaac reports that he was leaving to return to America, and desired \$600 sent to him at Yokohama, Japan.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit \$600 to Japan as requested by Elder Isaac.

Adjourned.

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

MIDSUMMER COUNCIL

TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., July 9, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, E E Andross, O Montgomery,
 W T Knox, J L Shaw, R A Underwood, B G Wilkinson, S E Wight,
 Chas Thompson, C W Flaiz, J W Westphal, J W Christian, M Lukens,
 C H Jones, R D Quinn, Wm Guthrie, L H Christian, M E Kern,
 M N Campbell, G B Thompson, A V Olson, C S Longacre, E R Palmer,
 W H Green, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, Dr H W Miller, F M Wilcox,
 E F Peterson, W A Spicer; J T Boettcher, B E Beddoe, P E Pavey,
 R E Harter, H E Rogers, W E Howell, B F Machlan, H H Cobban,
 E G Fulton, H C Lacey, F W Paap, C L Benson, A W Spaulding,
 J W Hirlinger, R L Pierce, S N Curtiss, Meade MacGuire, R T
 Dowsett, M E Olsen, F A Stahl, T E Bowen, W F McMahan, W W
 Eastman, Dr P T Magan, L A Hansen, Dr D H Kress, K C Russell,
 J K Jones, H C Hartwell, C P Bollman, L L Caviness, E L Richmond,
 Dr G H Heald, B M Butterfield, M B Vankirk, J W Mace, W B Walters,
 C A Purdom, A N Allen, W J Stone, P F Bicknell, W W Ruble,
 S E Jackson, J E Jayne, Dr E A Sutherland, J O Corliss, T B
 Westbrook, W C Moffett, C B Haynes, S B Horton, B W Spire,
 N H Conway, H K Christman, Wade Young, C L Leach.

Prayer was offered at the opening of the session
 by I H Evans, R A Underwood and A G Daniells.

It was agreed that the program of the council
 should be as follows:

8:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.
 2:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.
 7:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

VOTED, That the plan of the council be to conclude
 business by Monday evening, July 15.

E. W SNYDER:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be issued
 to Elder E. W. Snyder, for years with the Board in Spanish fields
 now on the Sustentation Fund, and that missionary credentials be
 issued to Mrs E W Snyder.

Inasmuch as in connection with the General Conference Committee council camp pastors have come in from cantonments in America, who have been engaged in looking after the spiritual interests of members of the various churches, the time was given to American representatives for informal discussion of their problems.

Meeting adjourned.

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

TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 10, 1918

Prayer by F A Stahl and W J Stone.

The council listened to a paper by M E Kern on the work of the camp pastors in behalf of the spiritual interests of the young men. This paper was discussed by the camp pastors and others.

L A Hansen and Drs G H Heald and H W Miller presented statements relating to the work which had been done to rally the churches to the program of food conservation and economy in dress; also dealing with the question of health instruction and institute work.

COMMITTEES:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three to bring in resolutions on this department of work.

Named: L A Hansen, Dr E A Sutherland, Dr G H Heald.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three to act as a nominating committee for a War Commission, to give counsel to young men called to the service.

Named: W.T.Knox, J L Shaw, M E Kern.

VOTED, That the secretary of the General Conference, the secretaries of the Educational, Missionary Volunteer, Religious Liberty and Medical Departments be a committee to prepare for publication such recommendations and reports and papers as it may see best to bring out in published form.

Following further reports of work in behalf of the young men, it was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee to bring in recommendations regarding religious and educational work for young men of military age.

Named: M E Kern, L H Christian, C L Benson, C A Purdom, W W Ruble, H K Christman, W F McMahan, N H Conway, P F Bicknell, Meade MacGuire, S B Horton, W E Howell.

The question of literature, and the revision of books and publications was considered, having relation to the changed conditions brought about by the war, and the need of carefulness in expression in the literature circulated.

In connection with this also considerable time was given to the matter of public evangelistic effort, the feeling being expressed that in gospel work there had been a tendency on the part of some to advertise sensational subjects, which it was felt called for counsel.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee on literature revision and issue.

Named: N Z Town, C H Jones, R L Pierce, E R Palmer, S N Curtiss, J E Jayne, A W Spaulding, F M Wilcox.

VOTED, That the union conference presidents, under the chairmanship of E E Andross, be a committee to make recommendations regarding the giving of counsel to evangelistic and other workers as to the spirit that should characterize their advertising and public statements in these times of strain and anxiety, especially with a view to avoiding sensationalism.

Adjourned.

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

TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 11, 1918

The morning hour was given to the camp pastors, who were present, to report upon their work among the young men. Many interesting experiences were related, and discussion had of the best means of working. All gave expression to the wonderful field for religious work in the cantonments, and the uniform courtesy and even encouragement which camp authorities had given to all lines of gospel work which are legitimate in mixed bodies of men, and particularly of the facilities afforded our own young men as regards places of meeting and opportunity for helpful work in their behalf.

B W Spire presented a list of questions which he felt should be dealt with by resolution.

VOTED, That the questions be referred to the committee on Religious and Educational work in behalf of the young men.

Further time of the morning session was devoted to the medical side of the war work. Dr Heald presented a statement regarding ways of cooperating with the Red Cross, and Dr P T Magan reported upon conferences with the medical authorities regarding the work which the Loma Linda Medical College was doing regarding the call for special training of young men in thorough Red Cross methods, also in cooking for the sick, and laboratory work. It was his suggestion that this intensive training could not be done in our colleges so well, nor even in many of the sanitarium centers. It was suggested that three of our larger sanitariums might undertake this line of work, say in the East, the Middle West, and the Far West.

Recess was taken until 2 P.M.

On resuming at 2 P.M., O. Montgomery in the chair, Dr. Magan continued the topic of the morning session.

Dr W N Ruble followed with a paper on the work of our sanitariums in the training of nurses, and the work which our churches could do in the general care of the sick.

MISS E M GRAHAM:

At this point Elder A G Daniells read a telegram just received from Miss Sandberg, reporting that Miss E M Graham

was suffering from heart failure, and that the physicians felt that she could not recover.

VOTED, That Elder Daniells be authorized to send in reply a message to Miss Graham, containing assurance of the regard and high esteem of her fellow workers.

The council then kelt in prayer, led by Dr D H Kress and Elder Daniells. The burden of these prayers was that if Sister Graham should still be living, she might have peace and assurance, and that if her work was not done, even yet the Lord might stay the hand of death.

A further paper relating to the medical work was presented by Dr Ruble, and was discussed for a short time.

Elder Daniells returned from the telephone room, and reported that as he went to send the message to California, he received another message from Miss Sandberg reporting that Miss Graham had passed away.

Expressions of appreciation of her life and service were made by different brethren.

A few minutes' recess was taken.

On resuming, prayer was offered by Dr Kress and Elder Daniells.

Elder D A Parsons was invited to sit with the council.

MEDICAL WORK:

Dr Ruble read papers on Training of Nurses, on Red Cross activities, and on measures for looking after our young men in service in France.

VOTED, That these papers be referred to a committee to be appointed on Medical Relief Work.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of seven to bring in recommendations regarding medical work.

Named, Drs W A Ruble, P T Magan, H W Miller, D H Kress, and R D Quinn, W T Knox, Chas Thompson.

G I MACKENZIE--PERU:

The representatives from South America made request that their call for the return to South America of G I Mackenzie be concurred in.

VOTED, That we approve the call, and invite G I Mackenzie to respond to the same.

VOTED, That we grant ministerial license to G I Mackenzie, and missionary credentials to Mrs Mackenzie.

Recess was taken till 7:30 P.M.

On resuming in the evening prayer was offered by J W Christian, F M Wilcox, A G Daniells.

FOOD CONSERVATION:

The Committee on Food Conservation made a report, which was adopted as follows:

Whereas, The United States Government, through its Food Administration, has adopted various measures of food conservation in order to help supply the needs of other nations and at the same time safeguard the food supply of our own country;--

We recommend, That our people be urged to give the fullest possible cooperation in carrying out these measures, giving loyal support in the conscientious observance of regulatory provisions for the saving of wheat, meats, fats, sugar and other food-stuffs, and to prevent the hoarding of restricted foods, and to this end we suggest the following:

(a) Encourage the production of food products and their preservation.

(b) Assist others in adapting themselves to food emergency conditions.

(c) Give liberal space in our periodicals, especially the Review and Herald, Signs of the Times both weekly and monthly, the Watchman, and Life and Health, to the consideration of food topics.

(d) Use suitable time in our camp meetings for presenting food conservation, and take special pains to make the camp meeting menu one in keeping with food conservation principles.

(e) Present food and health topics in connection with tent meetings as may seem opportune.

(f) Utilize sanitarium workers and other suitable help to give lectures and demonstrations in schools of health, in our own churches and others and elsewhere as may be suitable.

(g) Provide for proper instruction in food economy to be given in our schools, academies and colleges, beginning as far as possible with the coming school year.

We recommend, That economy be exercised in the use of clothing, utilizing fully such clothing as we may possess instead of discarding it because of change in styles, observing a simplicity and care in the making of clothing in order to conserve cloth, labor and money.

We recommend, That careful consideration and support be given the requirements of the Government covering the conservation of leather in the making of shoes with low heels and uppers and resoling the shoes as long as the uppers last.

We recommend, The support of fuel conservation measures covering the use of fuel for unnecessary laundry work such as the ironing of sheets, underwear and so forth, and the cooking of a large variety of foods.

We recommend, That our conference leaders, various departments, and our membership in general give earnest and active attention to making the present situation of world need an opportunity for rendering every possible help through our knowledge and experience in health and food principles, utilizing especially our medical and church missionary departments for carrying forward their work in an organized way.

WORK FOR YOUTH IN CAMPS:

The Committee on Religious and Educational Work for young men in service made a partial report which was adopted as follows:

In view of the rapidly increasing importance of the work for our young men who are being called into service, and who are being gathered into the large army cantonments,--

We recommend,--

(a) That the work of the War Commission shall be under direction of a secretary who shall give his whole time to the Commission, and that such assistance be provided as may be required for the strong conduct of the work.

(b) That the soldiers' work in each union conference be greatly strengthened, by placing a strong leader in charge of the work, and by assigning camp pastors to each of the large camps just as far as possible.

Adjourned.

O MONTGOMERY,
I H EVANS, Chairmen.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

July 12, 1918

Prayer by B E Beddoe and Wm. Guthrie.

It was agreed that on Sabbath the members should gather at 10 A M and 5 P M, for consideration of our spiritual needs.

VOTED, That the night following the Sabbath be devoted to committee work.

COMMITTEES:

VOTED, That each departmental committee be a committee to present recommendations regarding departmental work.

VOTED, That the Committee on Distribution of Labor consist of the union conference presidents and the officers, E E Andross to act as chairman, L H Christian being asked to meet with the committee.

VOTED, That the time Sunday morning, from 7:30 to 9 A.M. be given to the auditing work.

WORK FOR YOUNG MEN IN CAMPS:

Continuing the discussion pending at former adjournment, the following recommendation was adopted:

We further recommend. That conference administrations and all our people throughout our conferences be urged to respond to appeals in behalf of funds to support the work carried on by these laboring for the spiritual interests of young men in the camps.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS AUDITING COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following be the additional members of the Auditing Committee, acting with the officers and union presidents: C H Jones, S N Curtiss, E R Palmer, R T Dowsett, R L Pierce, B F Machlan, C B Hagnes, F M Wilcox.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

W. E Howell, secretary of the Educational Department, read a paper on modifications of educational curricula and methods suggested by educational authorities to increase the practical efficiency of students--physical education,

the learning of some trade, character education, medical and nursing training, etc.

WORK FOR YOUNG MEN IN CAMPS:

After the mid-day recess, further resolutions from the Committee on Religious and Educational Work were presented and adopted as follows:

In order to aid in Christian work for men in the army,--

We recommend, that there be a series of short leaflets prepared on topics vital to the soldier's life, for free distribution.

Recognizing the wide-extended and very helpful work of the Y.M.C.A. in our army camps,--

We recommend, That our camp pastors cooperate in their work.

We recommend to our people that any questions concerning the experiences of our young men in relation to all army matters be taken up directly with the camp pastors and Army Commission.

We recommend, That churches located near camps be encouraged to cooperate with the camp pastors in their work for the soldiers.

Whereas, A measure under the pension law has been enacted by the Government, termed War Insurance, to provide a pension for injured soldiers and their dependents,--

We recommend, That our young men be advised to avail themselves of this plan.

LITERATURE:

The Committee on Literature made a report which was adopted as follows:

Your committee appointed to make recommendations respecting the character of our literature, especially in view of the present national crisis, respectfully submit the following:

1. That we approve of the steps already taken by our publishing houses in revising publications dealing with current events, so as to remove as far as possible all cause of criticism by either the general public or by the Government.

2. That steps be taken immediately by our publishing houses to make a general survey of our literature, each house dealing with the publications of which it is the original publisher, and that careful revision be made of such matter as might cause embarrassment to our agents or to the Government.

3. That every reasonable effort be made to avoid complications; and to this end we suggest,--

(a) That if any publishing house receives intimation from its agencies, or from the civil authorities, that any statements in its literature or any of its methods of work are creating friction, prompt action be taken to remove the difficulty.

(b) That all agents and agencies handling our literature exercise the greatest care in this matter, avoiding all agitations or methods of work which might in any way create difficulty, and that they promptly comply with the rulings of local authorities regarding their work.

4. Whereas, In recent years there has crept into our publishing work a very regrettable tendency toward sensationalism,--

- (a) In the selection of themes.
- (b) In literary style.
- (c) In head-lines, titles of illustrations, etc.
- (d) In the choice of illustrations, cartoons and cover designs.
- (e) In the method of dealing with error.
- (f) In the discussion of political and partisan questions; and,--

Whereas, We believe that the solemn message of the hour should be set before the world with all seriousness and dignity, free from all forms of sensationalism; we therefore,--

Recommend, That our writers, editors, and publishers all join in an effort to eliminate these sensational features which have crept into our literature, and with this object in view, the following suggestions are offered:

- (a) That sensational themes, unnecessary to the preaching of the gospel, be avoided.

(b) That we cultivate plainness, clearness, and dignity in writing, the style best suited to gospel themes, avoiding hyperbole, irony, and excessive literary coloring, and all forms of expression which are undignified in the presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

(c) That in writing head-lines and titles of illustrations, everything savoring of sensationalism be avoided.

(d) That themes be illustrated with dignified appropriate cuts, avoiding all cartoons and characterizations which might give offense.

(e) That we carefully avoid attacking error in the person of its advocates, either as individuals or organizations.

(f) That our literature be kept free from the discussion of political and partisan questions, except as it may appear necessary to set before the public in a dignified unpartisan spirit the signs of the times as they may appear in the social and political world.

MEDICAL WORK:

The Committee on Medical Work made a report, which was considered. The first and seventh recommendations were referred to a joint committee of the Educational and Medical Department workers. The other recommendations were adopted as follows:

2. We recommend,--

(a) That we establish two Nurses' Volunteer Corps of intensive training in field, hospital nursing, and sanitary corps work.

(b) That they be located at Washington and Loma Linda.

(c) That this course be given for six months' duration, and that there be two courses each year.

(d) That to these schools we recommend only graduate nurses of mature years and of recognized stability of character and Christian experience.

3. That our Sanitarium Training Schools be encouraged to admit into their regular nurses' course the largest possible number of applicants, and that special effort be put forth to secure women of mature experience.

4. We recommend,--

(a) That there be associated with the Medical Department, in field medical evangelistic work, a lady physician, whose duty it shall be to conduct schools of health in connection with sanitariums and public meetings; also to interest young women in the medical course, nurses' training course, and other medical missionary service.

(b) That there be associated with the Medical Department a well-qualified nurse, to visit our sanitarium training schools, to organize and improve our training courses, assist in field work, and encourage young women to enter medical missionary lines of service.

(c) That an additional assistant secretary to the Medical Department be chosen who shall be located in the West.

5. We recommend, That special effort be put forth to influence young women of suitable adaptability to enter the Loma Linda Medical College, to qualify as physicians.

6. We recommend,--

(a) That immediate steps be taken to establish a Soldiers' Rest Home in France, where our soldiers, when on furlough or sick, may come for rest and recuperation.

(b) That a man be despatched to France as soon as passport can be obtained with full authority to establish a Soldiers' Rest Home for our boys, and that a man and woman be secured as soon as possible to take charge of the home, and to labor in the spiritual interests of our young people in service abroad.

EVANGELISTIC WORK:

The Committee on Evangelistic Work presented a report which was adopted as follows:

Believing that our great desire to attract and hold the attention of the multitudes in this supreme crisis may lead us to adopt sensational methods that would not be in keeping with the sacred character and the solemnity of the message of life and death that God has committed to his church to carry to a dying world in this last hour of probation,--

We urge upon our ministers, Bible workers, and all others who take part in this sacred work a careful study of the methods employed by the One who spoke with authority and power that we may catch the same Spirit that actuated Him in his labors, remembering that we have the promise that as we

do this we shall be able to attract and hold large multitudes as Christ did in his day.

We further urge a careful and systematic study of the counsel given us through the spirit of prophecy touching this matter, calling special attention to the following passages:

"We have no time for dwelling on matters that are of no importance. Our time should be given to proclaiming the last message of mercy to a guilty world. Men are needed who move under the inspiration of the Spirit of God. The sermons preached by some of our ministers will have to be much more powerful than they are now, or many backsliders will carry a tame, pointless message, which lulls people to sleep. Every discourse should be given under a sense of the awful judgments soon to fall on the world. The message of truth is to be proclaimed by lips touched with a live coal from the divine altar."

--Test. for the Church, Vol. 8, pp. 36, 37.

"The minister must remember that favorable or unfavorable impressions are made upon his hearers by his deportment in the pulpit, his attitude, his manner of speaking, his dress. He should cultivate courtesy and refinement of manner, and should carry himself with a quiet dignity becoming to his high calling. Solemnity and a certain godly authority mingled with meekness, should characterize his demeanor. Coarseness and rudeness are not to be tolerated in the common walks of life, much less should they be permitted in the work of the ministry. The minister's attitude should be in harmony with the holy truths he proclaims. His words should be in every respect earnest and well chosen." -- "Gospel Workers," p. 172.

"Those who do the work of the Lord in the cities must put forth calm, steady, devoted effort for the education of the people. While they are to labor earnestly to interest the hearers, and to hold this interest, yet at the same time they must carefully guard against anything that borders on sensationalism. In this age of extravagance and outward show, when men think it is necessary to make a display in order to gain success, God's chosen messengers are to show the fallacy of spending means needlessly for effect. As they labor with simplicity, humility, and graceful dignity, abiding everything of a theatrical nature, their work will make a lasting impression for good." -- Test. for the Church, Vol. 9, pp. 109, 110.

For the purpose of giving careful study to this entire question, thus making more effective our public efforts,

We recommend, That the officers of the General Conference give careful study to the advisability of holding one or more councils, at such times and places as may be most suitable, to which our leading city evangelists may be called.

O MONTGOMERY, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 14, 1918

Prayer by Dr D H Kress.

Consideration was given to treasury matters.

B U D G E T :

VOTED, That the fixing of the Budget for 1919 be referred to the members of the Committee resident in Washington and near-by points.

RAISING FUNDS--LOMA LINDA:

Money had been advanced to Loma Linda, amounting to \$20,000, with the understanding that the fund was to be raised later.

VOTED, That in consideration of the many calls now made upon our people and their liberal response, we deem it advisable not to make an additional call for this purpose, and therefore we instruct the treasurer to cancel the LomaLinda notes making the \$20,000 an appropriation to the Medical College.

RAISING MISSION FUNDS:

VOTED, That in view of the nearness of the end, and the great work yet to be accomplished, that our people everywhere be urged to curtail their expenses and to contribute most liberally to the work of God.

OAKWOOD SCHOOL:

The Oakwood School Board have placed a request that they be enabled to purchase a tract of land immediately adjoining the school, about 620 acres, which would be of great benefit to their work. The investment would be about \$25,000. In case they could secure this, they would place their new buildings on it, and therefore the matter comes up for consideration. The land has timber for building, stone, and a spring of water that would supply the great need of the school.

VOTED, That we recommend the purchase of this land, and the General Conference be authorized to advance the money, endeavor being made to gather the amount through the

regular collection for the colored work, to be taken the second Sabbath in September, the General Conference officers to promote this special offering; further, in view of this action, we recommend that the building projects be deferred to meet this new expansion.

TRAVELING EXPENSES:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee to bring in recommendations regarding economizing in the expense of traveling by workers.

Named: W T Knox and the union presidents, with the secretaries of the Foreign Departments.

SCHOOL RELIEF:

The treasurer asked instruction as to the apportionment of the portion of the Twenty-five-Cent-a-Week Fund that is to go to the Senior and Junior Colleges.

VOTED, That this question be referred to a committee of three for recommendation.

Named: W E Howell, E E Andross, E R Palmer.

WORKING CAPITAL FOR LOCAL CONFERENCES:

The treasurer asked that counsel be given as to what amount of working capital a local conference should plan to keep in reserve.

VOTED, To refer this matter to a committee of five for recommendation.

Named: E E Andross, A G Daniells, W T Knox, R A Underwood, J W Christian.

FORGA BEQUEST:

The treasurer stated that action had been taken to invest the Forga Bequest in school work in Peru; but later information comes to the effect that Brother Forga had left instruction as to his desires as follows: one third to go to the general work in Peru; one third to the Indian work; one third to the work in Arequipa.

VOTED, That we rescind the former action appropriating the bequest to school work in Peru.

VOTED, That the money coming to us from the estate of E Forga be expended as suggested in the instruction left with his executor in England, as specified above.

Noon recess.

After recess, prayer was offered by E F Peterson.

Frank Isaac, D C Babcock and H E Robinson were invited to sit with the council.

MEDICAL WORK:

The joint committee of Medical and Educational workers to whom was referred Nos. 1 and 7 of the Medical resolutions, made a report which was adopted as follows:

1. We recommend,--

(a) That the Washington Sanitarium and the Loma Linda Medical College be authorized to conduct a training course for young men in which they may receive intensive instruction in field and hospital nursing and sanitary corps work, such course to be of sufficient length to prepare them for military medical service.

(b) That the General Conference Committee take under advisement the erection of temporary wooden structures to provide quarters for conducting these intensive courses to accommodate fifty or more students in each of the two places named in No. 1 (a).

(c) That the necessary means for the erection of the temporary wooden structures, provided the same shall be deemed advisable, be appropriated from the general camp fund.

7. We recommend,--

(a) That our colleges and other schools, as far as practicable, conduct a medical missionary course of training, to include practical nursing, hydrotherapy, first aid, and such other subjects as may be of assistance to our students in preparing for missionary service, and in gaining entrance to the medical service of the army; and that the Educational Department determine the proper amount of credit to be given to this work.

(b) That our colleges and academies secure a physician or graduate nurse, or both, as regular members of the Faculty.

EDUCATIONAL WORK:

The report from the Educational Department was presented and adopted as follows:

In harmony with instruction of long standing in the spirit of prophecy, with aggressive steps being taken by the nation's leading educators, and with the needs of the times and of our own work intensified by the war, we recommend the following measures:

1. That our conferences and schools cooperate in establishing a definite system of health inspection, and health development in all our schools from the elementary to the college, and that we request the Medical Department to assist in arranging for persons and plans to make this work effective.
2. That our school boards and faculties study more earnestly the needs of facilities and teachers, for industrial education, and put plans into operation for more efficient instruction and training.
3. That the boards of our local elementary schools make serious effort,--
 - (a) To provide suitable living quarters for teachers, including a teacher's cottage or apartment, wherever possible.
 - (b) To stabilize their tenure of office.
 - (c) To help constitute the local board a community center for church and neighborhood service.
4. That we encourage the employment of more men in our elementary schools and normal departments.
5. That we encourage the promoters of the present educational campaign among our churches and homes, to continue their work faithfully until the summer's goal, of visiting every home, is accomplished, and that this initial campaign be followed up vigorously until our perpetual goal of every Seventh-day Adventist boy and girl in our own schools is reached.
6. That the faculties of our colleges make earnest effort to carry on well formulated extensive work among our churches and homes, during both the school year and the summer vacation, and that we ask the conferences to bear the necessary expense of this work.

7. That we request the Educational Department to make careful study of better adaptation of our school curricula to the actual needs of the denomination and of these times, especially in those features whose importance has been intensified by the war situation.

8. We recommend the establishment of a department in the Swedish Seminary for the foreign-speaking peoples not otherwise provided for.

9. We recommend the establishment of a school or department for the Spanish-speaking people. The course of studies, time and place, and other details to be worked out later by the Home Missions and Educational Departments.

10. That we conduct a spiritual revival in all our schools the coming year, in harmony with the proposed revival throughout our churches.

HARVEST INGATHERING NUMBER--1919:

VOTED, That the secretaries be authorized to gather material for the 1919 Harvest Ingathering number.

VOTED, That the Southern Publishing House be requested to issue the Ingathering number for 1919.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE INGATHERING NUMBERS:

VOTED, That we do not deem it advisable to issue foreign-language editions of the 1918 Ingathering number.

TIME OF INGATHERING CAMPAIGN:

VOTED, That the Ingathering Campaign open the first week in September.

Adjourned.

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

TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 14, 7:30 P.M.

1918

Prayer by C H Jones.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

N Z Town presented items of Publishing Department business.

VOTED, That the bookmen's conventions be held as usual the coming winter.

In view of the present unprecedented opportunities for circulating our literature, and the unparalleled success that is attending this department of our work,--

We recommend, That our colporteurs be encouraged to press forward in their work with renewed vigor and constancy.

VOTED, That on account of keeping up regular transportation with Spain, the publishing of the Sabbath school lessons, the Morning Watch, and the Spanish Missions Quarterly be transferred to Argentine, beginning in 1919. ✓

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

M E Kern introduced a series of resolutions which were adopted as follows:

We recommend, That the Missionary Volunteer Department undertake to raise funds from our children and young people for the relief of war-stricken peoples of the world, in addition to their regular gifts for home and foreign missions.

We recommend, That the Missionary Volunteer Department at once undertake to carry forward an earnest soul-winning campaign in behalf of our youth.

(a) That to assist in this work the department secretaries arrange, as far as possible, to join with the Missionary Volunteer secretaries of the various union conferences in their councils, in an earnest study of how to win our youth to Christ.

(b) That special efforts be made by Missionary Volunteer workers to hold or to assist in holding revival meetings where there are large numbers of young people.

Whereas, The conditions in the world and in the church, and the needs of a deeper Christian experience in the lives of all, constitute a most insistent call to the prayer life,--

Resolved, That we endeavor to educate all our people to form the habit of daily Bible study and prayer, and that to this end we recommend that in our schools, and in our camp meetings and other gatherings of our people, a definite place on the program be given to the Morning Watch.

VOTED, That the Missionary Volunteer goal for 1919 be fixed at a later date by the members of the committee resident in Washington, on recommendation of the Department.

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT:

L H Christian, secretary, spoke of the encouraging work among people of other tongues in America.

VOTED, That we encourage the workers engaged in the Home Missions Department to press on with their work, and that we approve of the efforts to increase the circulation of the literature in the various languages.

Elder Christian spoke of loss in the Italian and Slavic work in New York owing to lack of supervision.

VOTED, That a superintendent for such supervision be secured for the East.

S G BURLEY:

Elder Christian asked that S G Burley, of South Dakota, be appointed to Chicago, to engage in work for the Russians, under pay of the General Conference, the expense amounting to \$1000.

VOTED, That the request be granted.

G LANGE:

It was requested that G Lange, of Chicago, be asked to take up Italian work in Chicago, under General Conference pay at \$15 a week.

VOTED, That the request be granted.

2. That the principal of the Madison school be placed on our regular list of camp meeting laborers, and accorded the same privileges of meeting our people in a personal and public way.

3. That the Pisgah Industrial Institute be recognized as a training school for rural teachers and workers.

L L CAVINESS--SOUTH AMERICA:

O Montgomery made motion that the Review and Herald be asked to release L L Caviness, and that the latter be requested to go to South America to take the principalship of the River Plate Academy.

The motion was adopted.

V O PUNCHES--BRAZIL:

VOTED. That V O Punches, missionary secretary of the Atlantic Union, be invited to the Brazil Union for the same work, the Atlantic Union being asked to release him for this purpose.

WAR COMMISSION:

The Committee on War Commission made report as follows:

1. That O B Haynes take the secretaryship of the War Commission.

2. That other members of the Commission be O S Longacre, A G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, M E Kern, W E Howell, and Dr W A Ruble.

Adjourned.

E B ANDROSS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

THIRTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 15, 1918

Prayer by F A Stahl.

BIBLE SOCIETY OFFERING:

VOTED, That we recommend that at each camp meeting an hour be devoted to the history of the Bible and Bible Society work, and that an offering be taken for the Bible Society.

OAKWOOD JUNIOR COLLEGE:

W H Green submitted the proposed Articles of Incorporation for the Oakwood Junior College. Amendments of phrase were suggested, and it was--

VOTED, That we approve of the proposed Articles as amended.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

F W Paap presented the matter of the proposed change of the name of the Home Missionary Department. Discussion was had.

VOTED, That the former action relating to the change of the name of this department be rescinded, and that the department continue the old name.

It was agreed that some other name than Home Missions Department should be chosen for the foreign-language department of work in North America.

VOTED, That the question of securing a secretary for the Home Missionary Department be referred to the officers and the Minority Committee.

SPANISH S S LESSON QUARTERLY:

VOTED, That the Sabbath School Department, in counsel with the treasurer, arrange for the quick production of the Spanish Sabbath School Lesson Quarterly for the first quarter of 1919, either at the Review and Herald or the Pacific Press.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

The Committee on Distribution of Labor made a report which was adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Distribution of Labor report the following recommendations, it being understood in each case that proper arrangements will be made with the union and local conferences involved in the transfer:

1. That L L Hutchinson, of Arizona, take the superintendency of the Hawaiian Islands.
2. That A V Morrison, of the East Michigan Conference, be released to take the presidency of the South Caribbean Conference.
3. That we request the North Latin Union to ordain W E Lanier, and appoint him superintendent of the Honduras Mission.
4. That G G Roth make Haiti his field of labor.
5. That Archie H Field, of the Hinsdale Sanitarium make the Lake Titicaca Mission his field of labor, if upon further investigation his case seems clear.
6. That Fred Young, of Kansas, be asked to connect with the Lake Titicaca Mission.
7. That William Voth, of the Oklahoma Conference, be recommended to go to the North ~~Carolina~~ *California* Conference, to act as secretary-treasurer.
8. That Adolph Johnson, of the Northern Illinois Conference, connect with the North California Conference, to work among the Swedes.
9. That J J Jutzy, of the North Dakota Conference, go to the Oklahoma Conference, to act as secretary-treasurer.
10. That Glen C Russell, of the Western New York Conference, make the Southern Union Conference his field of labor.
11. That T G Bunch, of the Western Washington Conference, make the Southern Union Conference his field of labor.
12. That E C Jacobson, of Iowa, connect with the Oakwood Junior College as teacher.
13. That Lambert Parrish, of New Jersey, connect with the Oshawa school as preceptor and teacher.

14. That T B Buckner, of Alabama, connect with the work in the East Michigan Conference, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made with the Alabama Conference.

15. That Eli M Lane, of Southern Illinois, take up work in the Southern Union Conference.

16. That D J C Barrett, of the Newfoundland Mission make Ireland his field of labor.

17. That Virgil P Hulse, of the Western Oregon Conference, work in Honduras.

18. That Ernest C Hansen, of the Arkansas Conference, go to Guatemala for colporteur work.

19. That the Central Union Conference secure the release of S J Abegg, of Colorado, to take charge of the Pacific Press Branch at Portland, Oregon, provided G C Hoskins accepts the call to India.

20. That George Appel, of the Western Oregon Conference, connect with the work in the South African Union.

21. That Leslie Rice, of the Central California Conference take up work in the South African Union.

22. That George Enoch take up field work in the North Pacific Union Conference, pending call abroad.

23. That V E Toppenberg, returned missionary, connect with the Danish-Norwegian Seminary as teacher.

24. That J W Hirlinger be released by the Columbia Union to connect with the Home Missions Department, to take up the work of the circulation of foreign literature.

25. That Joseph Capman, of the Ontario Conference, connect with the Western New York Conference as Home Missionary Secretary.

CAMP MEETING HELP:

The Committee on Distribution of Labor presented recommendations as to camp meeting help which were adopted as follows:

ATLANTIC UNION:

Northern New England, W W Eastman and either
W T Knox, J L Shaw or C S Longacre.

Maine, W W Eastman and either W T Knox, J L Shaw
or C S Longacre.

Western New York, W W Eastman, B G Wilkinson,
F M Wilcox, T B Westbrook.

Southern New England, W W Eastman, and wither
W T Knox, J L Shaw or C S Longacre.

CENTRAL UNION:

Kansas, R D Quinn, L H Christian, W E Howell,
E A Sutherland, J T Boettcher.

Nebraska, A G Daniells, L H Christian, E A
Sutherland, W E Howell.

Missouri, L H Christian, W E Howell, J T Boettcher.

COLUMBIA UNION:

Ohio, F W Paap, C L Benson, F A Stahl, G B Thompson.
Chesapeake, F W Paap, F A Stahl.
District of Columbia, F W Paap, F A Stahl.

EASTERN CANADIAN UNION:

Newfoundland, M N Campbell.

L A K E U N I O N:

Indiana, Southern Illinois and North Michigan,
B G Thompson, M N Campbell, C L Benson.

NORTHERN UNION:

Iowa, E W Farnsworth, M E Kern, E A Sutherland.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

Southern Idaho, Chas Thompson.

PACIFIC UNION:

Inter-Mountain
 California, A G Daniells, Meade MacGuire.
 Southern California, A G Daniells, Meade MacGuire.
 Northeastern California, A G Daniells, Meade MacGuire.
 Arizona.

SOUTHERN UNION:

F C Gilbert and L A Hansen to attend all meetings.

SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

E E Andross and L A Hansen to attend all meetings

SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

South Texas
 Arkansas, J O Corliss, B E Beddoe.
 Texico, J O Corliss, B E Beddoe.
 North Texas, R D Quinn, B E Beddoe.
 Oklahoma, R D Quinn, B E Beddoe, J T Boettcher.

LONDON EVANGELISTIC EFFORT:

M N Campbell asked that \$2,500 be appropriated to assist in financing an evangelistic effort in London.

VOTED, That the request be granted, from an emergency fund available for work in Great Britain.

VOTED, That the call for a physician in England be referred to the Minority Committee.

W H GREEN--BOOK:

VOTED, That the manuscript of a book prepared by W H Green, having in mind circulation by his department workers especially, be referred to the Southern Publishing House for consideration.

SOUTHERN UNION OBLIGATION:

S E Wight presented the old financial obligation of the Southern Union Conference, asking counsel as to the matter, the insolvency amounting to \$47,100.

VOTED, That we ask the General Conference Corporation to advance \$40,000 from its funds, to assist in the liquidation of the Southern Union Conference obligations, the union to raise the balance; and that appeals be made to the unions in North America for gifts to refund the \$40,000 advanced by the Corporation.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
 WA SPICER, Secretary.

THIRTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 15, ¹⁹¹⁸ 2:30 P.M.

BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

VOTED, That we call the foreign-language department the Bureau of Home Missions for North America.

BOOK CLASSIFICATION:

VOTED, That the question of re-classification of books, as between trade books and canvassing books be referred to the minority quorum.

ECONOMIZING IN EXPENSES:

The Committee on Economizing Expenses made a report which was adopted as follows:

Your Committee appointed to make some suggestions in the matter of economy in travel, while finding it somewhat difficult to specify in detail the specific items in which they feel that economy should be exercised, are agreed that owing to the present increased expense in travel, the General, Union and local conferences give careful study to this question in their respective fields, and so plan their work that the heavy expenses entailed by the increased cost of transportation will be greatly abridged.

We suggest that study be given to the question as to how all unnecessary travel can be dispensed with, advising laborers to make only such trips as are necessary for the proper conduct of the work.

That the use of sleepers be greatly restricted, being confined, as a rule, to those whose long service, heavy responsibilities in the work, and somewhat advanced age make their use necessary.

That the attendance of general laborers at our large gatherings be studied, and minimized as far as consistent.

That the calling of laborers to give baccalaureate and commencement addresses by our colleges be in the hands of the Board, and that they arrange so far as possible that the addresses be given by those who can be secured at a minimum expense.

That telegrams and telephones be used only when absolutely necessary to the proper carrying forward of the work. That along all lines of expenditures the most rigid economy consistent with a strong administration of the work be exercised.

That the use of automobiles be authorized only where their use will be of benefit, and that auditing committees be advised to carefully consider allowances for expense, so that this service shall not exceed the expense of railway fare, save under circumstances where the use of railways is not practicable.

C W FLAIZ TO INDIA AND EAST ASIA:

VOTED, That we invite C W Flaiz, of the North Pacific Union, to make a visit with Elder Andross to the Asiatic fields, taking in such portion of the field as may be deemed advisable; and that Mrs Flaiz be invited to accompany him, this action being passed on to the North Pacific Union.

ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three to act with himself, to prepare a manual leaflet of regulations and instruction regarding the administrative side of department work.

J A LELAND--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we approve of Elder J A Leland's call for a brief furlough from Mexico, on account of health conditions.

R N STUDD:

VOTED, That we release R N Studd from Cuba, and recommend him to the Northern Union Conference for employment, the General Conference to land him in the field.

Adjourned.

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

THIRTY-SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 15, 1918, 7 P.M.

Prayer by M N Campbell.

INDIA APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we invite George Butler, of the Maritime Conference, to go to India, as union field missionary secretary.

VOTED, That we invite L W Melendy and wife, nurses of Columbus, Ohio, to go to India, to connect with the Simla treatment rooms.

VOTED, That we agree to H J Jewell's proposition that he return to India as a self-supporting worker.

VOTED, That we invite Harold N Quade, of Colorado, to go to India, for vernacular work in Bengal.

VOTED, That we invite W M Mhandeen, of the Upper Columbia Conference, to go to India, for vernacular work in Bengal.

VOTED, That we invite David Hartman, of California, to go to India, for vernacular work on the Bombay side.

VOTED, That we invite Hubert Martin, of the Maritime Conference, to go to North India, for vernacular work.

VOTED, That we invite R A Hubley, of Newfoundland, to go to India, for English evangelistic work in Calcutta.

VOTED, That we invite L K Dickson, of Oregon, to go to India, for evangelistic work in Bombay.

EAST ASIA APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we invite Oscar D Cardey, of Ontario, to go to Eastern Asia, for the book work in the province of Hupeh.

VOTED, That we invite F W Griffin, of California, to go to Eastern Asia.

VOTED, That we invite Guy Crary, of Berrien Springs, to go to Eastern Asia, to act as secretary-treasurer of one of the local fields.

VOTED, That we invite Miss Ida Thompson to return to China, to take charge of the Bethel Girls' School.

VOTED, That we invite L B Ragsdale, of Arizona, to go to Eastern Asia, for school work in Hankow.

VOTED, That we invite Ernest Kaufman, of the Missouri Conference, to go to Eastern Asia, to answer the call for a worker for the Celebes.

VOTED, That we invite Harry Westermeyer, of Clinton, Missouri, to go to Eastern Asia, to answer their call for a worker for ~~Amam~~ the Celebes.

VOTED, That we invite V E Hendershot, of Oakland, California, to go to Eastern Asia, for school work in Singapore.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

THIRTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 17, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, E E Andross, W T Knox,
J L Shaw, M E Kern, N Z Town, F M Wilcox, G B Thompson, Dr Ruble,
Mrs L F Plummer, C S Longacre, F W Paap, W W Eastman; also
L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

LICENSE TO E M TRUMMER:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to
E M Trummer.

A E HORN--CUBA:

VOTED, That we pass the proposition from Cuba to
A E Horn, with our approval.

S E JACKSON--HOUSE IN PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That we approve of the proposal of S E
Jackson to use his own money for the erection of a home on his
arrival in the Philippines, we to refund later.

HOUSE AT YENCHENG:

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to arrange by
cable for a house at Yencheng, China.

RETURN OF J E SHULTZ:

VOTED, That we advise J E Shultz that a three
months' furlough is granted him, dating from his arrival in
San Francisco.

W D BURDEN--JAPAN:

VOTED, That we advise W D Burden to plan to ex-
tend his furlough to next spring.

MISS SCOTT--KOREA:

VOTED, That we advise Miss Helen M Scott to take
a full year's furlough.

J A APPLGATE--SCUTH CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That in view of the fact that Brother Sutton is going to the South Caribbean as field missionary secretary, we do not think it advisable that Brother J A Applegate go to that field for counsel and help at this time.

AMY ROBINSON--PACIFIC PRESS BRANCH:

VOTED, That we approve of the call of the Pacific Press Branch and the West Caribbean Conference, for Miss Amy Robinson of South Lancaster, as stenographer at Panama.

I H EVANS:

VOTED, That we advise Elder Evans that when he has finished his personal business arrangements, he plan to take several weeks of thorough rest, and that he feel free to attend such camp meetings as may be in session in his vicinity.

GUS YOUNGBERG:

VOTED, That the secretary correspond with Dr Holden, to see if arrangements cannot be made for Brother and Sister Gus Youngberg to get some work in hospital or dispensary in Portland or Seattle while waiting for sailing date.

J B STUYVESANT:

VOTED, That we grant \$100 to Elder J B Stuyvesant and family for transportation to Arizona from California.

W W EASTMAN--CAMP MEETINGS:

VOTED, That inasmuch as only tentative arrangements are made for the Northern New England and Maine camp meetings, W W Eastman be asked to attend those meetings.

C L BENSON--CONVENTION:

VOTED, That C L Benson be advised to attend the convention in College View in July.

F M WILCOX--WESTERN NEW YORK MEETING:

VOTED, That we release F M Wilcox from the appointment to attend the Western New York camp meeting.

F W PAAP--HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTION:

VOTED, That F W Paap be advised to attend the Home Missionary Convention at Berrien Springs, July 26 to 29.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS,
E E ANDROSS, Chairmen.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 18, 1918

P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town,
F M Wilcox, M E Kern, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also
T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

R C PORTER--HOUSE:

VOTED, That in response to a request from R C Porter for a loan to complete his house property, we suggest that the treasurer ascertain if it will not be possible to raise the amount needed by mortgage.

D C BABCOCK:

VOTED, That we appropriate \$400 to D C Babcock as a share in the financial losses he has suffered by the submerging of the ship on which he came to England from Nigeria, sinking all his possessions.

C U B A--F G LANE'S ACCOUNT:

The Cuban Committee wrote regarding a debit of \$90.81 held against Elder F G Lane on account of the Melrose Sanitarium debt, and in addition an overdraft making a total of \$183.91.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow the \$90.81, but not the overdraft.

S E KELLMAN:

VOTED, That the treasurer appropriate \$150 to the account of S E Kellman as an extra allowance on rate.

\$75 TO LAKE UNION--ACCOUNT E F PETERSON:

VOTED, That we appropriate \$75 to the Lake Union Conference as our share in arranging with Southern Illinois for the expense involved in the quick release of their president, E F Peterson, to proceed to the Inca Union Mission.

W B MIRAMONTEZ:

VOTED, That we counsel the North Latin Union that we do not feel it advisable that they plan to keep Brother Miramontez in general work at the first, but that he should be located where needed in evangelistic work to get an experience in service in the Catholic field.

L L CAVINESS RELEASED:

On information that L L Caviness had decided against accepting the call to South America, made at the council, it was--

VOTED, That we release L L Caviness from the invitation to the principalship of the River Plate College, Argentine.

EDUCATIONAL WORK--SOUTH AMERICA:

In view of the fact that strong educational help has been provided for the different schools in the various unions, we recommend that the South American field endeavor to strengthen the work within the unions, and defer until a later time in the development of the work the appointment of a general educational secretary.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 20, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble, F M Wilcox, G B Thompson, M E Kern, N Z Town, W A Spicer, W E Howell, C L Benson, F W Paap; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by C L Benson.

A G KELSEY:

VOTED, That AG Kelsey be granted a three months' furlough.

MISS ERICKSON--RESIGNATION:

Resignation was presented from Miss Matilda Erickson, assistant secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department.

VOTED, That we express to Miss Erickson our appreciation, regret and sympathy, and ask her to defer resignation, requesting W T Knox and M E Kern to talk with her about taking some months off in the effort to build up.

L K DICKSON--COLUMBIA UNION CALL:

Inasmuch as there is question concerning the health of his wife, which may make it impossible for him to accept the call to Bombay, India,--

VOTED, That we place before L K Dickson the call from the Columbia Union Conference for him to take up work in Pittsburgh, while considering the call to India.

O J GRAF--M V D:

VOTED, That we invite Otto Graf to take the assistant secretaryship of the Missionary Volunteer Department, and the field secretaryship for the East, as soon as he is able to resume work.

C L BENSON RELEASED FROM CAMP MEETINGS:

VOTED, That C L Benson be released from attending the convention in College View and camp meetings in the Lake Union Conference.

W E HOWELL RELEASED FROM CAMP MEETINGS.:

VOTED, That W E Howell be released from attending camp meetings in Nebraska and Missouri.

BERTHA LOFSTAD---RETURN:

VOTED, That we approve of the return of Bertha Lofstad from Hawaii, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay her transportation to this country.

PROCEDURE IN MOVING WORKERS:

The secretary placed before the Committee an outline of procedure in moving workers, and after consideration it was adopted as follows:

1. General and Department secretaries to be alert in gathering information re possible candidates to fill calls.

2. While inquiries may be made to secure information, no definite proposition or negotiations for movement of a worker should be initiated, save on action of the General Conference Committee.

3. When the appointee is engaged in general work, or not solely in one department of service, the General Secretaries' department shall conduct the correspondence.

4. Procedure after Committee action in cases of departmental workers:

(a) The General and Department secretaries to confer in each case as to best course.

(b) It is recognized that in cases where the call is to specific lines of departmental work, as in case of a book leader, teacher, nurse, etc., the department that has been in touch with the worker in his former position and which will continue more or less in touch in the new work should negotiate with the candidate, both because of having to give counsel re the special line of work, and because of the prestige given the department in the handling of workers.

(c) In each case, however, the General Secretaries' department should write to the candidate, giving official notice of the Committee's action, calling attention to the procedure as to medical examination, any special conditions, needs, such letter being enclosed with that from the Department, so that the appointee shall have full information on which to base his decision when first he learns of the call.

(d) No call to a worker employed in a conference or institution is to go to the worker direct, such communication being sent to the local conference president, or head of union institution; to pass on to the worker, a carbon copy being sent to the union president, with instruction to the local president or manager, that he is to await the concurrence of the union president before passing the letter to the candidate. (In case of a state institution three persons are to be recognized, the union and local presidents, and the head of the institution.)

N.B.--In practice it is found a good plan generally to write the local and union presidents by joint letter in carbon duplicate; thus but one dictation is necessary and each knows exactly what the other has before him.

(e) The departments should keep the General Secretary informed as to progress of negotiations, so that united effort may be made in case of need.

(f) Arrangements as to time of actually beginning the new service, beginning journeys, sailing, passports, etc., should be made only by the General Secretaries' department, in counsel with the Treasurer.

(g) The Treasurer to give candidate all detail instruction as to finances, modes of travel, baggage, wages, or any features liable to involve expense or calls upon the treasury, and to take sole charge of ship reservation, and embarkation instructions.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary

THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 28, 1918

P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W A Spicer, G B Thompson, N Z Town, F M Wilcox, Dr W A Ruble, J L Shaw, F W Paap, C L Benson; also B L Anderson, from China.

B L ANDERSON--CAMP MEETINGS:

Brother B L Anderson, on furlough from China, met with the Committee while his work was being considered and plans laid for him during the camp meeting season.

VOTED, That B L Anderson be invited to visit camp meetings in Indiana, Iowa, and Southern Illinois.

SOUTHEASTERN CAMP MEETINGS:

Elder Andross stated that it would be impossible for him, owing to his contemplated trip to the Far East, to attend all the camp meetings in the Southeastern Union Conference.

VOTED, That E E Andross, W T Knox and G B Thompson be a committee to arrange for additional help for the Southeastern Union camp meetings.

OHIO MEETING:

Owing to the number of workers expecting to attend the Ohio camp meeting, it was--

VOTED, That G B Thompson be released from attending that meeting.

VICTOR HANSON--LICENSE:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to Victor Hanson, now laboring in Hankow, China.

J D BAKER:

A letter from J D Baker spoke of his connection with a tent effort in the Southern California Conference, this effort to continue until the middle of August.

VOTED, That the General Conference provide for the salary of J D Baker until the middle of August.

GLEN S LUTHER--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Glen S Luther and wife to go to Eastern Asia, with a view to taking up work in China.

MRS LESTER--EAST PENNSYLVANIA:

A recommendation from the Columbia Union requested that Mrs Lester, of California, be transferred to the East Pennsylvania Conference, provided the California Conference pays expense of transportation.

VOTED, That we approve of this transfer, provided it is agreeable to the California Conference.

N V WILLESS:

A letter from N T Sutton spoke of the condition N V Willess' health, making it advisable that he spend a few weeks at the Boulder Sanitarium. In the interests of his recovery the Wyoming Conference expressed themselves as willing to pay his salary, and the Boulder Sanitarium to pay one half the expense of his treatment, provided the General Conference would pay the other half.

VOTED, That we share with the Boulder Sanitarium the expense of treatment for N V Willess, so far as needed, for two or three months.

B A MEEKER--CHINESE INGATHERING:

Letters from B A Meeker made inquiry regarding his work while on furlough in this country. He spoke of his experience in the Harvest Ingathering campaign in China, and of his desire to solicit with the Chinese Ingathering paper among the Chinese in this country.

VOTED, That we propose to the Pacific Union Conference that B A Meeker solicit with the Chinese Ingathering paper among the Chinese in that union, the proceeds to go to the Foochow school and the medical work in Canton.

W D BURDEN:

VOTED, That in view of his expenses in visiting churches in California and Oregon, the equivalent of his fare to Southern California and return, and to Oregon and return be allowed to W D Burden.

L AURA DAVIDSON:

VOTED, That we recommend Laura E Davidson to go to Porto Rico, to connect with Bible or school work.

VOTED, That we accept Sister Laura Davidson's offer of \$2000, to be held in trust by the General Conference, for school work either in Porto Rico or some other Spanish field, as shall be mutually agreed upon.

DEATH OF ELDER G I BUTLER:

Word came to the Committee while in session, of the death of Elder G I Butler, at Healdsburg, Friday, July 26.

VOTED, That we express our deep regret at the death of our beloved brother and aged pioneer, Elder G I Butler, who for many years in early days amidst many difficulties stood loyally by the message and carried heavy responsibilities for a long period of time, serving in all eleven years as president of the General Conference. And that we also convey to his sorrowing companion, Sister Butler, and other relatives our sympathy in this trying hour of bereavement, and at the same time we express our confident hope of his sure reward when the Life-giver shall appear.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman,
J L SHAW, Secretary

THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 30, 1918

P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Eastman,
J L Shaw; also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

CAMP-MEETING HELP:

VOTED, That E E Andross attend the North Texas
and Oklahoma camp-meetings;

VOTED, That G B Thompson attend the meetings in
the Cumberland Conference, North and South Carolina, and Florida.

VOTED, That W W Eastman attend the camp-meetings
in Indiana and Ohio.

"CHURCH ORGANIZATION":

Inquiry has been made by the Review and Herald
regarding the book, "Church Organization," by J N Loughborough.
The publishing house desires to put out another edition, and
wishes to know whether there is any revision.

VOTED, That a committee of three examine the
book and report.

Named: G B Thompson, W A Spicer, T E Bowen.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 4, 1918

P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W A Spicer, J L Shaw,
G B Thompson, F M Wilcox, N Z Town, W W Eastman, F W Paap; also
T E Bowen.

Prayer by N Z Town.

HARRY COOPER--CHINA APPOINTMENT POSTPONED:

A letter from R A Underwood made request that Harry Cooper, of Kansas, under appointment to China, be allowed to remain in Kansas for a time, to act as camp pastor.

VOTED, That in harmony with the request of the Central Union Conference, we defer the appointment of Harry Cooper to China, one year.

SAMUEL COWLEY:

Samuel G Cowley, having been disfellowshipped from the Liverpool church, England, and having had considerable correspondence with brethren in England, appealed his case to the General Conference Committee.

VOTED, That we inform Brother Cowley that the General Conference Committee is not in possession of the facts on both sides of the question sufficiently to give him counsel, and that we advise that he try to make peace with the local church, and if not successful in that, that he place his case before the local conference committee.

ERNEST HANSON RELEASED:

A letter from Elder Lukens, president of the Southwestern Union, suggested that Brother Hansen's wife would not be strong enough to endure the tropical climate of Guatemala. It was therefore,--

VOTED, That we release Ernest Hansen from the appointment to Guatemala.

JOHN SIDNEY SEAL--GUATEMALA:

VOTED, That we invite John Sidney Seal to go to Guatemala, to engage in the colporteur work.

CLARENCE LAWRY--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That we request the Columbia Union Conference to secure the release of Clarence Lawry, of New Jersey, and that we invite him to go to Porto Rico, to act as secretary-treasurer of that mission; suggesting to fill his place in New Jersey the name of F N Johnson.

RAFAEL LOPEZ:

VOTED, That the transportation of Rafael Lopez and family to Venezuela be allowed on the basis of intermediate steamship accommodations.

W A SWEANY--BAHAMAS:

A letter from J H Smith set forth the desirability of a boarding school for the children of Adventist families in the Bahamas, and suggested the advisability of inviting W A Sweany to the Bahamas for that work.

VOTED, That we request the Southwestern Union to secure the release of W A Sweany and wife, to go to the Bahama Islands, to engage in evangelistic and educational work as the way may open.

WALTER MEAD--FURLOUGH:

The Committee gave consideration to the difficulty of sending a printer to India, owing to the draft situation, and the requirements of the government for the service of men not engaged in evangelical lines of work.

VOTED, That owing to the difficulty of getting workers for mechanical lines of work for the mission fields, we recommend Walter Mead and wife not to take their furlough during the year 1919.

INDIA FURLOUGH:

The need of men for the army is causing the government to change the draft age limit, and is calling an increasingly large number of men to France, making it continually harder to get workers for different lines of mission work in India. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we recommend that workers in India anticipating furloughs during 1919 be asked to defer their furlough, if health conditions make it at all possible.

G F ENOCH--SOLICITATION OF FUNDS:

VOTED, That the secretary be instructed to send a memorandum to Elder G F Enoch, regarding the solicitation of funds for an auto for India, in view of the counsel formerly given by the Committee that such solicitation be not made, renewing this counsel, especially in view of the uncertainty as to whether Brother Enoch shall return to India or not.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 5, 1918

P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W A Spicer, J L Shaw, G B Thompson,
N Z Town.

CHURCH OFFICERS' GAZETTE:

VOTED, That for the next few issues, until more definite plans can be made, T E Bowen be asked to look after the editorial work on the Church Officers' Gazette; E E Andross and G B Thompson being asked to bear the burden of preparing articles for the paper.

Recess.

After recess, W W Eastman and F W Paap were present in addition.

A telegram was presented from R D Quinn, stating that he would attend camp-meetings in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

VOTED, That inasmuch as R D Quinn purposes attending the Texas meeting, and E E Andross requires the time to prepare for his trip to the Far East, the latter be released from attending the Texas camp-meeting.

ELMER WHELPLEY TO NEWFOUNDLAND:

VOTED, That we ask the Atlantic Union Conference to secure the release of Elmer Whelpley, to answer the call to Newfoundland as bookman for that field.

ADJOURNED.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 11, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W A Spicer, J L Shaw, N Z Town, C S Longacre, C L Benson, F M Wilcox, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

CAMP PASTOR--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

A request was presented from the Southeastern Union for another camp pastor. The large number of camps in the union make it impossible for two men to meet the needs.

VOTED, That \$1500 be appropriated to the Southeastern Union for a camp pastor, with the understanding that they set the wage of the worker employed in harmony with the regular wage scale for such workers.

ALLEN MOON--CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be granted to Elder Allen Moon.

B E CONNERLY--TRANSPORTATION:

VOTED, That we allow the transportation of B E Connerly from Colon to New Orleans, or to Cuba in case he and his wife elect to remain in Cuba.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 14, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, C S Longacre, F W Paap,
J L Shaw, C L Benson.

Prayer by C L Benson.

I A FORD TO EASTERN CANADA:

VOTED, That we request the Lake Union to secure the release of I A Ford, to take the secretary-treasurership of the Eastern Canadian Union Conference, provided health conditions in the family make it advisable for him to take up this work.

DENTON REBOK--LICENSE:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to Denton E Rebok, who is now laboring in the South China Union Conference.

CLARENCE LAWRY--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Clarence Lawry, of New Jersey, to go to Porto Rico, and recommend that he be transferred to the Southeastern Union Conference.

T L OSWALD TO CHINA:

A letter was presented, stating the desire of Brother Oswald and wife to go to East Asia as soon as conditions make it possible.

VOTED, That we urge Union College and the conference in which Brother Oswald is working to release him to go to Eastern Asia; and recommend that the College allow him to complete the one remaining subject in his college course by correspondence.

W B PARKINS TO CUBA:

VOTED, That we invite W B Parkins to go to Cuba, to engage in the colporteur work.

HARVEST INGATHERING--1919:

A letter from R L Pierce, manager of the Southern Publishing Association, was presented by the treasurer, setting forth the basis of agreement for the printing of the 1919 Harvest Ingathering number of the WATCHMAN.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to enter into agreement with the Southern Publishing Association for a million copies of the 1919 Harvest Ingathering WATCHMAN, to be delivered at a date to be settled later, possibly as early as August 1; that the copy be in hand April 1, 1919; the price of the paper to be at cost. If more than one million copies are ordered, the amount over that number to be furnished free of initial cost.

\$5000 TO BARCELONA PRINTING OFFICE:

A letter from L E Borle, of the Barcelona Publishing House, stated that they were short of funds with which to go forward in their publishing work. Money due them would not be in hand in time to meet their needs.

VOTED, That the treasurer be instructed to advance \$5000 to the Barcelona Publishing House.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 15, 1918.

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, N Z Town.

MINISTERIAL LICENSE TO C HAMER:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to
Clemen Hamer.

ROY FROOM--EDITOR CHINESE " SIGNS":

A telegram from A G Daniells stated that Roy Froom
was willing to answer the call to China, as editor of the
Chinese Signs of the Times.

VOTED, That we invite Roy Froom to go to China,
to take the editorship of the Chinese Signs of the Times.

OSCAR CARDEY RELEASED:

N Z Town presented a letter from Oscar D Cardey,
stating that he did not feel clear in responding to the call
to Eastern Asia.

VOTED, That we release Oscar D Cardey from the
invitation to Eastern Asia.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 18, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, C S Longacre, J L Shaw.

ELMER WHELPLEY RELEASED:

VOTED, That the action inviting Elmer Whelpley to Newfoundland be rescinded.

WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS--FOREIGN:

A statement was presented by the treasurer regarding the cost of printing the week of prayer readings in the German, Swedish, and Danish-Norwegian papers.

VOTED, That we allow for these papers respectively, \$178.80, \$135.90, \$200.21.

INDIAN SCHOOL:

The treasurer presented a need of the North American Indian school for funds.

VOTED, That we allow to the North American Indian school, on the 1918 appropriation, \$1050.

F W GRIFFIN--LICENSE:

VOTED, That F W Griffin, under appointment to Eastern Asia, be granted ministerial license.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTIETH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 20, 1918

P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town, C S Longacre, Dr W A Ruble, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by N Z Town.

H C KEPHART--BRAZIL:

VOTED, That we ask the North Latin Union and the West Caribbean Conference to release H C Kephart to go to Brazil to act as secretary-treasurer of the Brazil Union, with the understanding that W R White take the secretary-treasurership of the West Caribbean Conference, and act as treasurer or auditor of the West Indian Union, as may seem advisable.

W H LEWIS:

VOTED, That owing to the uncertainty as to the time when Brother Lewis and family will be able to return to the Gold Coast, because of the war situation and the condition of Sister Lewis' health, we recommend W H Lewis to settle definitely for the present to remain in America and turn his attention to such labor as will make it possible for him to support his family and educate his children.

SOLDIERS' EDITION "STEPS TO CHRIST":

VOTED, That we place an order with the Review and Herald for 20,000 copies of the Soldiers' edition of "Steps to Christ."

B P FOOTE--SPECIAL APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That we grant B P Foote, in addition to his salary, a special appropriation of \$100.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 22, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, F M Wilcox, C S Longacre, J L Shaw,
N Z Town, W W Eastman; also C B Haynes.

VOTED, That we ask F M Wilcox to attend the
Western New York camp-meeting, if his work makes it possible
for him to do so.

H H DEXTER'S SALARY:

VOTED, That H H Dexter's rate of \$20.00 per week
begin with the close of the General Conference,

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 26, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, C S Longacre, J L Shaw,
C L Benson; also C B Haynes.

WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS IN RUSSIAN:

VOTED, That the General Conference pay the
additional cost for a sufficient number of the week of prayer
readings in Russian to supply the Russian members in this
country.

MEDICAL EVANGELIST FOR THE PHILIPPINES:

A cablegram was presented from the Philippine Union Committee, telling of Dr. Fattedert's condition of health, and requesting some one to take his place.

VOTED, That we ask the Medical Department to endeavor to secure a medical evangelist for the Cebu Mission, in the Philippines.

H M KELLEY--SOUTH TEXAS:

A letter from M Lukens, president of the Southwestern Union, was presented regarding the release of Elder W W A Sweany, of South Texas, to answer the call to the Bahamas. Owing to the shortage of workers in the South Texas Conference, he made request that in case they released Elder Sweany, Elder H M Kelley, of North Michigan, be transferred to South Texas.

VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union to secure the release of H M Kelley, of North Michigan, to go to South Texas, provided the conferences concerned are agreeable to this transfer.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 8, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, C L Benson,
W E Howell, N Z Town, B E Beddoe; also C Hamer.

Prayer by B E Beddoe.

Consideration was given to a request from the Oklahoma Conference that B E Beddoe be released from the Sabbath School Department to take the presidency of that conference.

No action was taken.

INSTITUTE OF WAR-TIME NURSING:

Dr Ruble brought before the Committee plans for treatment rooms and barracks for the Institute of War-Time Nursing.

VOTED, That we provide for 100 students within the draft age, for intensive medical training.

VOTED, That we ask the Washington Missionary College to unite with us in providing for the medical training of young men of draft age, and release that part of the basement of the new College building which was to be used as a gymnasium.

VOTED, That to provide living accommodations, we advise that a two-story dormitory, large enough to accommodate 100 men, be erected.

VOTED, That the following persons constitute a committee on the location and building of the proposed barracks: Dr WA Ruble, Dr H W Miller, Prof B F Machlan, W T Knox, Elihu Wood, C S Longacre, E G Fulton.

Recess was taken till afternoon.

After recess.

MISS SARAH PECK:

VOTED, That we ask Miss Sarah Peck to connect with the Educational Department, at Washington, at as early a date as she is able to do so.

MISS HENRY--WASHINGTON COLLEGE:

VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union Conference to secure the release of Miss Henry, to take the preceptress work at the Washington Missionary College.

O J GRAF RELEASED:

Statement was made by A G Daniells that Professor Graf's health does not make it advisable for him to take up any appointment in the work at the present time, and when able he would prefer to labor directly in educational lines.

VOTED, That owing to Prof O J Graf's condition of health and his desire to take up educational work when able, we release him from the appointment as assistant secretary of the Young People's Department.

W H ANDERSON:

The chairman stated that a proposal had been made by W H Anderson that inasmuch as the time of his going to South Africa is uncertain, he connect with the medical college at Loma Linda.

VOTED, That W H Anderson be recommended to remain in this country to teach in the Medical College at Loma Linda until such time as it shall seem advisable for him to proceed to South Africa.

H A B ROBINSON--LICENSE:

VOTED, That temporary ministerial license be granted to H A B Robinson, of Spain.

J S SEAL--LICENSE:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to J S Seal, under appointment to Guatemala.

G E NORD:

A letter from G E Nord, secretary of the Swedish Department, stated that he was now living in Worcester, Mass., but was considering the advisability of moving to Chicago, where he would be near the Swedish Seminary and better situated for his work.

VOTED, That we favor G E Nord locating in or near Chicago.

F R EASTMAN--EASTERN CANADIAN UNION:

VOTED, That we request the Lake Union to release F R Eastman, of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, to take the secretary-treasurership of the Eastern Canadian Union.

LEE SUFFICOOL:

VOTED, That we recommend Lee Sufficool to the Lake Union Conference for ministerial work.

MISSION HOME FOR WILLIAM STEELE:

The treasurer presented a letter from William Steele, of Porto Rico, who desired to obtain money for a mission home in Porto Rico.

VOTED, That the General Conference Corporation be authorized to advance \$1500 to William Steele for a house in Porto Rico, receiving as security a mortgage to cover the same.

FOREIGN INGATHERING AND
WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS FOR 1917:

A letter was presented from the Pacific Press, mentioning the cost of the foreign Harvest Ingathering papers, and the Week of Prayer Readings for 1917.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay to the Pacific Press, for the foreign Harvest Ingathering papers for 1917, \$614.39, and for the Week of Prayer Readings, \$345.52.

A J DENOYER--OUTFITTING:

VOTED, That the regular outfitting allowance of \$200 be granted to A J Denoyer, who is under appointment to return to Burma.

EXCHANGE LOSS IN KOREA:

VOTED, That an additional appropriation be made to the Asiatic Division field, to reimburse Korea for the loss in exchange during 1918.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 9, 1918, 10 A M

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, Dr W A Ruble,
J L Shaw, W E Howell, C S Longacre, C L Benson; also J A Leland.

Prayer by J A Leland.

WORK IN MEXICO:

Elder J A Leland, who has been working in Mexico, being in Washington, met with the Committee and outlined conditions in Mexico at the present time. He spoke of the present law, requiring that ministers of churches should be Mexican-born, and of the perplexities which this law brings to the work in the republic of Mexico.

He spoke of the work of other denominations, and how it was being interfered with. Various societies in Mexico are not at the present time undertaking to strongly advance their work. He thought the way to advance our work in that field would be to endeavor to train native Mexicans and send them into the country, depending upon them, with such American supervision as we shall be able to give, to carry forward the work.

MRS EMMA W STERLING

TRANSPORTATION TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we favor Mrs Emma W Sterling accompanying her son-in-law, George Butler, and his wife to India, and that we pay her transportation.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 9, 1918, 3 P M

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, Dr W A Ruble,
J L Shaw, C S Longacre, C L Benson, W E Howell.

J G OBLANDER:

VOTED, That owing to reports which have been received regarding Brother Oblander's work, we recommend that he take a rest of three months from the ministry, his rate during that time to be determined.

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be granted to J G Oblander.

PLAN FOR DEVELOPING MINISTERIAL TRAINING:

The Educational Department presented the following recommendations regarding ministerial training in our colleges:

In view of the need of organizing on a better basis the ministerial training in our colleges for the double purpose of producing better recruits for the ministry and of better defining the status of our schools from the military viewpoint,--

We recommend: That the ministerial and evangelistic training in our colleges and junior colleges be re-organized on the following plan:

1. That the various lines of instruction and training which contribute to the qualification of recruits for the ministry, and the Bible work, as well as the various lines of denominational endeavor, be organized into a department to be known as "The School of Theology."

2. That a definite faculty unit be organized, with one member as dean.

3. That this faculty include specialists in our various conference departmental lines of work, as well as denominational and church organization, finance, and foreign missionary endeavor, who shall give lectures to the theological

students on the same basis as any other kind of instruction in the college, such as assigned work for preparation, examinations, and so forth.

4. That the instruction and training in this school be put on a strongly laboratory basis, so that the students may have actual experiences in soul-winning during their course of preparation.

5. That a complete curriculum, embracing the courses of study, lectures, and laboratory work required for graduation, be prepared and published; that this curriculum include lectures in the following departmental lines: Educational, Missionary Volunteer, Sabbath School, Home Missionary, Publishing, Religious Liberty, Press Bureau, Medical; also in the following lines: Denominational Organization and Administration, Church Organization, Foreign Missions, Denominational Finance.

6. That credits for the lecture courses be made up on the hour basis, totaling about , and that credits for the laboratory work be on the same general basis of double time as other kinds of laboratory work.

7. That a curriculum of four years' length be given in our senior colleges, and of two years' length in our junior colleges.

8. That on completion of the four-year course, the degree of S.T.B. (Bachelor of Sacred Theology) be granted, and on the completion of the junior college course, a diploma be issued, recognizing the completion of the junior ministerial or Bible workers' course.

9. That on completion of any course in the School of Theology, in addition to the regular diploma or certificate, confidential information on each graduate be supplied to conference presidents in the territory of each respective college, with a duplicate to the General Department of Education and the Mission Board; this information to take the form of a recommendation for ministerial license, missionary license or such other statement as the faculty may deem it suitable to submit.

10. That in this plan of reorganization, our standard twelve-grade academies be recognized as pre-theological schools in affiliation with the college of their district.

11. That for the school year 1918-19, our colleges and junior colleges issue supplements to their calendars in the form of a bulletin, embodying a complete outline of the theological curriculum and faculty, and include a list of the affiliated junior colleges and academies, with the specification that they are junior theological and pre-theological schools respectively, in affiliation with-----College

SUGGESTIONS:

1. We suggest that in the case of young men of draft age in our academies who are bona fide candidates for a theological course, a certified statement be issued by the president of the college with which the academy is affiliated, to the effect that ----- is a pre-theological student, and that the statement be signed by the college president, and countersigned by the academy principal, this statement to be furnished to local military boards or such other bodies as may be concerned.

2. It is hoped that this plan of reorganization will have two distinct results, (a) a clearer differentiation between the theological curriculum and the other curricula, with as clear a distinction among the graduates as candidates for missionary service; and (b) that it will greatly facilitate the recognition of our colleges as theological schools by the government, and the determination of bona fide theological students by the faculty.

3. It is hoped also that this new plan will result in bringing a much stronger field flavor into the school work, and assure to the field a much better product for denominational service than the old plan of too little and too vague distinction between the theological and the general curricula. It will strongly encourage, if not necessitate, the definite and serious choice of the ministry or other kind of evangelistic effort, at least as long as two years before graduation.

C HAMER--RATE:

VOTED, That the wage rate of C Hamer be set at \$20.00 a week.

MRS SARAH PECK--RATE:

VOTED, That the salary rate of Miss Sarah Peck be set at \$16.00 a week.

MRS PLUMMER--RATE:

VOTED, That Mrs L F Plummer's rate be increased to \$20.00 a week.

W R WHITE--OUTFITTING:

The treasurer presented a letter from W R White requesting that he be given an outfitting allowance in going from Colon to Brazil.

Voted, That we allow W. R. White the usual outfitting allowance to workers going to Brazil.

WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we grant to the West Caribbean Conference an added appropriation of \$566.07, to provide for the increase in salaries and the bonus for 1918.

INSTITUTE OF WAR-TIME NURSING:

The committee appointed to locate the barracks for the Institute of War-Time Nursing recommended that the lots to the rear of the General Conference and Review and Herald buildings be used for the erection of the Barracks.

VOTED, That we accept the report of the committee, and ask the Review and Herald for the use of the lots needed in carrying out the plan of the committee.

VOTED, That a Prospectus of the Institute of War-Time Nursing, giving an outline of the course of study, be prepared at the earliest possible date.

VOTED, That we ask Dr W A Ruble to act as Director of the Institute of War-Time Nursing.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 19, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W E Howell, C S Longacre
Dr W A Ruble, N Z Town, L H Christian, J L Shaw, B E Beddoe,
E R Palmer.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

E WORKMAN--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That we ask the Washington Sanitarium to release E Workman, to answer the call to Porto Rico as secretary-treasurer of that mission.

J VINTON SCOTT--TRANSPORTATION:

VOTED, That we pay the transportation of Dr J Vinton Scott and family to India, to engage in self-supporting work as a dentist in the city of Bombay.

ORNO FOLLETT:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to Orno Follett.

GEO S BELLEAU TO HAITI:

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union to secure the release of George S Belleau to answer the call to Haiti, to engage in French work in that island.

DR GREGORY'S RETURN:

VOTED, That the return expenses of Dr A L Gregory from Cuba be allowed, and that the wages of Sister Gregory end with the month of August.

E A CURDY'S RETURN:

VOTED, That in harmony with our previous action, we invite E A Curdy to return to America, owing to the condition of his health and that of his family, and that we recommend him to take up French work in the Eastern Canadian Union.

J H SCHILLING--BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

L H Christian, secretary of the Bureau of Home Missions, met with the Committee, and placed before them the need of an assistant secretary, to superintend the work among the miscellaneous languages east of the Mississippi River. The large number of people speaking these miscellaneous languages require supervision. Some of the churches that began keeping the Sabbath have been lost because of not having proper leadership. It was felt that the work among these people offered favorable possibilities if leadership can be supplied.

VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union Conference to secure the release of J H Schilling, to take the work of assistant secretary of the Bureau of Home Missions in the eastern part of the United States, to give supervision to the work among the miscellaneous languages.

BROADVIEW SEMINARY:

L H Christian spoke of the need of a teacher to take the oversight of the department at the Broadview Seminary to be conducted for foreigners of miscellaneous languages.

VOTED, That we provide the salary of a teacher for one year for the department of miscellaneous languages at the Broadview Seminary.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 12, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, B E Beddoe,
C L Benson, Dr H W Miller, J L Shaw; also C B Haynes and
T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY SECRETARY

PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE:

The secretary of the Religious Liberty Department, Elder C S Longacre, placed before the Committee the need of a Religious Liberty secretary for the Pacific Union Conference. The needs of the work indicate the importance of appointing a secretary to look after the religious liberty interests in that union.

VOTED, That we recommend to the Pacific Union Conference the appointment of a Religious Liberty secretary, and suggest to them the name of W F Martin to take that work.

JOHN ISAAC--CLINTON SEMINARY:

VOTED, That we ask the Southwestern Union Conference to secure the release of Elder John Isaac, to accept the position of Bible teacher at the Clinton Seminary, provided the union is willing to release him.

"STEPS TO CHRIST" FOR SOLDIERS:

Inquiry was made regarding the circulation of the soldiers' edition of "Steps to Christ."

VOTED, That we supply our own brethren in the camps with "Steps to Christ" free, and encourage them and all others who wish to circulate the book to sell it at the regular subscription price; copies for our soldier boys to be obtained through the War Service Commission, those for others through the tract societies.

WASHINGTON CITY EFFORT:

Some consideration was given to the suggestion of a public effort in the city of Washington this winter. Brother C B Haynes spoke of the large influx of people into the city as an opportune time to present our message.

VOTED, That we express to the Columbia Union and the District Conference the favorable attitude of the General Conference Committee toward the holding of an effort in the city of Washington, and appoint the following committee to meet with representatives of the Columbia Union and District Conference committees, to give consideration to such a proposal: W T Knox, C S Longacre, J L Shaw, C B Haynes, T E Bowen.

INSTITUTE OF WAR-TIME NURSING:

VOTED, That after further consideration of the needs of the Institute of War-Time Nursing, we advise that the Barracks be located at or near the Sanitarium or College grounds.

VOTED, To ask E G Fulton to act as business manager of the Institute of War-Time Nursing.

C B HAYNES--CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That C B Haynes be granted ministerial credentials.

B E BEDDOE--HOUSE:

VOTED, That we authorize the General Conference Corporation to purchase either the house known as the Cross property, or the one known as the Miller property, and if either property is purchased to enter into sale for the same with Elder B E Beddoe on conditions of \$40.00 a month, and receive from him notes for the same bearing interest at 6%.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 19, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, Dr W A Ruble, F W Paap,
J L Shaw; also T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

H H VOTAW--CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That we request the Columbia Union Conference to grant ministerial credentials to H H Votaw.

D M TWIGGS--CHINA:

VOTED,, That we invite D M Twiggs to go to China, to engage in the colporteur work.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

JOINT MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE & REVIEW AND HERALD BOARD

September 22, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, E R Palmer, N Z Town, F M Wilcox,
 W W Eastman, F W Paap, M E Kern, R T Dowsett, L M Graham,
 T E Bowen, C L Benson, J W Mace, Dr W A Ruble, C B Haynes.

Prayer by R T Dowsett.

CAFETERIA:

The purpose of calling the joint meeting of the two committees was to consider the establishment of a cafeteria in Takoma Park for the benefit of workers at the Review and Herald and the General Conference, the crowded condition of Takoma Park making it difficult for workers to get housing accommodations and places to board.

Consideration was given to the suggestion of using the second story of the church school building for a cafeteria.

VOTED, That we do not favor using a part of the church school building as a cafeteria.

VOTED, That we favor the erection of a building to be used as a cafeteria, and ask the following persons to constitute a committee to prepare and submit plans: W T Knox, E R Palmer, E G Fulton; the same committee also to give consideration to securing a suitable person to take charge of the cafeteria.

ROOMING AND BOARDING:

The following resolutions, considered and favorably recommended by Takoma Park brethren, were in a general way considered by the joint committees:

"Your committee appointed to make suggestions pertaining to the rooming and boarding problems of employees connected with the General Conference and Review and Herald offices, respectfully submit the following:

*1. That careful consideration be given to the wage rates of apprentices and others who are working at less than the maximum standard of the regular schedule, and that adjustments be made as necessary so that no one shall suffer from too great privations, and also to enable these institutions

to bring needed employees to Takoma Park with assurance that they will be able to live on a reasonably satisfactory basis.

"2. That arrangements be made to obtain possession of suitable rooms and flats in the neighborhood as they become available at reasonable prices, and that these be rented to employees at a rate per month which shall not exceed the employee's weekly salary, the institutions sustaining whatever loss may be involved in the transaction.

"3. That a movement be started among all our members living within a radius of from one to two miles of our institutions, having as its object the conservation of rooms and flats for our employees at prices consistent with the denominational schedule of wages; and that all our members be urged to limit their own needs and conveniences in every reasonable way in order that rooms may be available. We also suggest further that the lonely, unsatisfactory, and improperly-cared-for condition of many of our employees, some of them young and away from home for the first time, should appeal to the sympathy of our Sabbath-keeping families, and lead them to open their homes as far as possible to these young people, furnishing them with board and room and the social warmth of a Christian home.

"4. That a cafeteria on a plain and simple plan be opened as soon as possible."

VOTED, That W T Knox, E R Palmer and E G Fulton be a committee to work out a plan for securing rooms and flats at suitable rents, establish rates, and submit the same at a later meeting.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 22, 1918

The meeting followed the joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Review and Herald Board, and the same members were present.

F. P. GREINER TO EASTERN ASIA:

VOTED, That we invite F P Greiner and wife to go to Eastern Asia.

PROPORTION OF TWENTY-FIVE-CENT-A-WEEK FUND TO SCHOOLS:

The committee appointed to make recommendation as to the manner in which the one twenty-fifth of the mission offerings for 1918 should be distributed among the colleges and junior colleges and academies, made the following report, which was adopted:

Whereas, At the Fall Council held in Minneapolis the following action was taken:

"1. That beginning with 1918, the twenty-cent-a-week fund be raised to a twenty-five cent-a-week fund per member in all the territory of the North American Division Conference, with exceptions hereinafter specified; and, further,--

"2. That this fund be distributed as follows: one fifth to home missions, and four fifths to foreign missions until the full twenty-five cents a week is raised, all overflow thereafter to go to foreign missions; the one fifth for home missions being distributed as follows:

"(a) One fifth to the missionary training schools.

"(b) One fifth to the liquidation of the indebtedness of the Loma Linda Medical Missionary training institution.

"(c) Three fifths to the union conferences for institutional relief; union conferences not requiring this measure of relief being free to make appropriation of any amounts to the mission funds, it being our united aim to hasten the time when the conference institutions shall be fully freed from indebtedness, and this portion of the fund be no longer needed.

*3. That having in view proportionate resources, exceptions to this plan of raising twenty-five cents per week per member be made as follows:

"(a) Twenty cents a week per member to be raised by the white membership in the Souther, Southeastern, and Southwestern Unions (save for the Florida and Oklahoma Conferences, which are listed for the full twenty-five cents), it being understood that the Southeastern and Southern Unions are excepted from payment of any portion on the Loma Linda indebtedness.

"(b) That the goal be set at ten cents a week per member for the colored and Mexican membership in the Southern Southeastern and Southwestern Union Conferences, and in the Virginia, West Virginia, and Arizona Conferences, all of this amount to go to missions."

And, Whereas. At the General Conference in San Francisco action was taken as follows:

"That the one cent a week from our general fund set aside for colleges be held intact for improvement of facilities, and be disbursed to our colleges and junior colleges on the ratio of three to two."

Therefore, We would recommend. That the five senior colleges, Washington Missionary College, Union College, Walla Walla College, Emmanuel Missionary College, and Pacific Union College, receive from this fund at the rate of 3/33, and that the nine junior colleges and academies, namely, Oakwood Junior College, Southern Junior College, South Lancaster Academy, Clinton Theological Seminary, Danish-Norwegian Seminary, Broadview Swedish Seminary, Keene Academy, Alberta Academy, and the Eastern Canadian Missionary Seminary, at the rate of 2/33 each.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 24, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, W E Howell,
E R Palmer, F M Wilcox; also C B Haynes, R T Dowsett, L A Hansen.

DR FRANKLIN BRYAN:

Elder Daniells reported on the matter concern-
ing Dr Franklin Bryan, who had been invited to come to Takoma
Park, but whose coming is held up on account of inability to
secure a house in which to live.

VOTED, To refer Dr Franklin Bryan's case to
the Pacific Union Conference for consideration.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
L A HANSEN, Secretary.

FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 26, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, Dr W A Ruble, M E Kern,
F W Paap, W W Eastman, J L Shaw, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer,
W E Howell, C L Benson; also C Hamer, T E Bowen, L A Hansen,
E G Fulton.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

PAPERS AND MAGAZINES FOR
GENERAL CONFERENCE WORKERS:

Owing to the government restriction, asking
publishing houses to discontinue sending free copies of papers
and magazines, the Review and Herald, which has been furnishing

copies of their papers and magazines to the workers in the General Conference office, advised that the General Conference subscribe for the papers desired for their workers, with the understanding that the publishing house would turn over to the General Conference for mission funds an amount equivalent to the subscription price of the papers.

VOTED, That the question of supplying papers and magazines to General Conference workers be referred to a committee of three, who shall be authorized to subscribe for such papers for General Conference workers as they think advisable. Named: W T Knox, W E Howell, J L Shaw.

BROTHER GULICK:

The treasurer rehearsed the experience of Brother Gulick, of the New Jersey Conference, who has been ill in a hospital and at considerable expense.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay the hospital expense of Brother Gulick, including everything up to the present, and that the New Jersey Conference be requested to make arrangements for the care of Brother Gulick in the future.

W I MONTAYNE:

Brother W I Montayne, who was under appointment to Porto Rico, had made all arrangements and sold his furniture when the draft prevented his going to the field.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to settle for the loss incurred by Brother W I Montayne in disposing of his furniture in order to go to Porto Rico, to an amount not exceeding the usual outfitting allowance.

OSHAWA SCHOOL:

W T Knox spoke of his visit to the Oshawa school, and the need of a school building. The original plan agreed upon at the time of the General Conference, of appropriating \$15,000 for the erection of a building did not seem adequate to meet the needs.

VOTED, That dollar for dollar raised in the field be appropriated for the Oshawa school, up to \$40,000, with the understanding that in the addition proposed no debt be incurred.

LAUREL AVENUE PAVEMENT:

A bill was presented from the Takoma Park Council, assessing the General Conference for the pavement of Laurel Avenue.

VOTED, That owing to the fact that the side of the street adjoining the General Conference property is not paved, we protest to the Town Council against being assessed for the paving of Laurel Avenue until the street is fully paved.

LOS ANGELES HOSPITAL SERVICE BUILDING:

The chairman stated that the continued increased cost of building and the need of further accommodations made it advisable to complete the building planned for the Los Angeles Hospital. The conferences of the Pacific Union, inasmuch as they are increasing their percent of tithe to the General Conference, request \$13,000 with which to complete the hospital building.

VOTED, That in view of the urgent necessity for the completion of the Hospital Service Building, and the fact that the local conferences of the Pacific Union are increasing their percent of tithe to the General Conference above the rate set, we appropriate \$13,000 for the Los Angeles Hospital Service Building.

M OSTOICH:

The chairman stated that Brother Ostoich, working for the Servians at Akron, Ohio, was unable to secure a house in which to live at a reasonable rent.

VOTED, That while present conditions continue at Akron an allowance of \$12.50 a month be made to Brother M Ostoich to meet his increased rent.

MEDICAL WORK IN CANTON:

The treasurer stated the conditions on which the St Helena Sanitarium agreed to assist in the medical work at Canton, China, their desire being to pay for the operation of the medical work of Dr James after his preliminary work in learning the language, requesting that during that time the General Conference meet his salary and expense.

VOTED, That we ask the office at Shanghai to segregate from the Cantonese account those items having to do with the equipment of the medical work at Canton, and make out

a statement of the salary and expenses of Dr James while studying the language, with the understanding that an appropriation will be made to cover the amount.

INDIA EXCHANGE:

As a result of the war, exchange in India has very much increased, being several thousand dollars more than in previous years.

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$5,000 be made to cover the increased cost of exchange in sending money to India.

INSTITUTE OF WAR-TIME NURSING:

VOTED, That the General Conference treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$25,000 for the erection of barracks for the Institute of War-Time Nursing.

At the July council it was agreed to set aside a day for the purpose of raising funds with which to provide facilities for the Institute of War-Time Nursing at Washington and Loma Linda.

VOTED, That Sabbath, November 2, be set as the day for raising funds to provide facilities for the Institute of War-Time Nursing at Washington and Loma Linda, and that the officers develop plans and suggest persons to write appeals for the Review, to be used on that day in the effect to raise the funds required.

VOTED, That the accounts of the Institute of War-Time Nursing be kept at the Sanitarium, statements of expense being rendered to the treasury department of the General Conference at such times as may seem advisable.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS--PERCENT OF TITHE:

A letter from the president of the Northern Illinois Conference presented the heavy expense of the conference in carrying on their foreign work, and asked for a special concession on release of tithe.

VOTED, That we grant the request of the Northern Illinois Conference for a special concession on their percent of tithe up to July 1, 1918, requiring for the first six months 10% and afterward the regular percent agreed upon at the General Conference in San Francisco

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-EIGHTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 27, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, N Z Town, W W Eastman, J L Shaw,
F W Paap, C S Longacre, F M Wilcox, C L Benson, W E Howell;
also L A Hansen, T E Bowen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

G F ENOCH:

A letter was read to the Committee from G F Enoch, in which he stated his strong desire to work in full harmony and accord with the General Conference Committee in the direction of his work, and asked counsel about returning to India.

VOTED, That in harmony with the action taken at the council in San Francisco, we recommend that G F Enoch return to India, to engage in city evangelistic work, either in English or the vernacular, the India Union Committee to take the immediate oversight and direction of his work.

PRINTING PRESS--SCEZHWAN:

A letter was presented by the chairman, from Dr J N Andrews, requesting a printing outfit to print literature for the Tibetan people in western Szechwan. Having been connected with the Review and Herald, and learning of their prosperity, he asked if the Review and Herald Publishing House would not donate a small printing outfit.

VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald to appropriate \$1000 for a printing press for western Szechwan.

W A SCHARFFENBERG--LOS ANGELES:

Request was made that W A Scharffenberg be permitted to spend a few weeks at Los Angeles, in dispensary work, en route to China.

VOTED, That W. A Scharffenberg be advised to spend such available time as possible prior to sailing for China at the Los Angeles Dispensary, and that during that time he be granted the usual furlough allowance.

E C SILSBEE--LICENSE:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to
E C Silsbee.

STUDENT ARMY TRAINING CORPS:

Consideration was given to the proposed plan of forming a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps at Loma Linda, and the bearing which the formation of such a unit would have upon the denominational position of non-combatancy.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed, to make inquiry of the Government to ascertain what bearing the formation of a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps at Loma Linda would have upon the non-combatancy position of the denomination. Named: A G Daniells, C S Longacre, Dr W A Ruble

C L BENSON--RESIGNATION:

C L Benson stated to the Committee that because of financial conditions and home affairs, it seemed best for him to tender his resignation as assistant secretary of the Educational Department.

VOTED, That we reluctantly accept the resignation of C L Benson, and that his salary allowance be continued until other employment is obtained.

OTTO M JOHN--EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

The secretary of the Educational Department requested that Otto M John be appointed as assistant secretary of the department.

VOTED, That we ask Otto M John to take the position of assistant secretary of the General Conference Educational Department.

CLINTON SEMINARY:

The Committee learned with regret that Prof John Isaac, of the Clinton Seminary, was ill with typhoid fever and in a serious condition.

VOTED, That we ask Elder J F Simon to take Professor Isaac's work as president of the Clinton Seminary temporarily.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FORTY-NINTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 29, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, W W Eastman,
F W Paap, Chas Thompson, E R Palmer, M E Kern, Dr W A Ruble,
B E Beddoe, J L Shaw; also C B Haynes, L A Hansen.

1919 BUDGET:

The treasurer made a preliminary statement regarding the appropriations for 1919, a large increase of calls, totaling \$1,615,923.12. This is by far the largest budget the Committee has ever been called to consider. After general features were discussed, detailed consideration item by item was entered into by the officers and such other members of the Committee as were not called away by other duties.

AUDIT OF OFFICERS ACCOUNTS:

Owing to the change of organization, eliminating the Divisions, it seemed advisable to change the plan of auditing the wages and expenses of officers and departmental secretaries in the large sections of the field previously under divisional organization.

VOTED, That vice-presidents, secretaries, sub-treasurers and departmental secretaries of sections of the field previously known as Division Conferences be regarded as General Conference workers, and their accounts audited by the General Conference auditing committee.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTIETH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 30, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, R D Quinn,
M E Kern, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble, N Z Town, W W Eastman, C S
Longacre; also C B Haynes, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

W W RUBLE--OKLAHOMA:

VOTED, That in response to a request from
Oklahoma, we ask the Central Union Conference to release W W
Ruble, if they can see their way clear to do so, to take the
presidency of the Oklahoma Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS; Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 1, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble,
M E Kern, N Z Town, R D Quinn, W E Howell; also T E Bowen,

Prayer by J L Shaw.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1919:

The appropriations for the fields for 1919, as
worked out and voted are as follows:

Estimated Receipts

Proceeds from 25-Cent-a-Week Fund		
on 20 cent basis	909,108.00	
Tithe	25,000.00	
Surplus Tithe	290,000.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>32,000.00</u>	1,256,108.00

Appropriations

East Asia	162,205.83
India Union Mission	61,684.81
North Latin American Union Conf.	
Union Conference	7,847.84
Cuban Mission	11,329.61
Guatemala Mission	4,503.20
Haitien Mission	4,531.51
Mexican Mission	12,015.28
Honduras Mission	11,247.17
Porto Rican Mission	14,791.07
Salvador Mission	4,711.90
Venezuela Mission	4,279.24
West Caribbean Conference	4,812.49
South African Union Conference	62,838.61
South America	92,119.71
West Indian Union Conference:	
General	5,338.12
Jamaica Conference	5,899.46
South Caribbean Conference	12,428.75
Temporary Relief European Missions	15,000.00
Exchange for China	128,000.00
Atlantic Union Conference	6,500.00
Eastern Canadian Union Conference	16,837.40
Columbia Union Conference	5,355.80
Southeastern Union Conference	21,981.71
Southern Union Conference	28,500.00
Southwestern Union Conference	11,000.00
North American Negro Dept.:	
General	2,261.00
Southeastern Union Mission	14,000.00
Southern Union Mission	19,000.00
Southwestern Union Mission	7,500.00
Virginia Conference	2,216.30
Oakwood Junior College	17,652.80
Bureau of Home Missions	40,102.43
Christian Record	4,000.00
College of Medical Evangelists	10,000.00
Lake Grove Indian Mission	1,898.00

Executive Department	27,000.00
Educational Department	7,500.00
Home Missionary Department	3,000.00
Medical Department	5,500.00
Missionary Volunteer Department	9,500.00
Press Bureau	3,000.00
Publishing Department	4,150.00
Religious Liberty Department	2,750.00
Sabbath School Department	10,000.00
General Expense	5,500.00
War Service Commission	3,000.00
General Field Laborers	7,500.00
Special Appropriations	75,000.00
Sustentation Fund	15,000.00
Harvest Ingathering Expense	55,000.00
Employees' Bonus	12,500.00
Division Officials' salary and Exp.	15,000.00
Deficit in Operating Fund	<u>164,027.00</u>

Total Appropriations

1,259,514.13

W T KNOX RELEASED FROM WESTERN TRIP:

VOTED, That owing to the general interests of the work in Washington, W T Knox be released from attending the Pacific Union Conference Committee meeting.

W T KNOX--VACATION:

R D Quinn made earnest request that W T Knox be given a vacation at the Melrose Sanitarium.

VOTED, That W T Knox be given a two weeks' vacation at the Melrose Sanitarium, at such time as he can arrange his work to leave Washington.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 2, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, R D Quinn, Chas Thompson
J L Shaw, F M Wilcox, M E Kern; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen,
C B Haynes.

Prayer by Chas Thompson.

E W WOLFE TO IOWA:

Chas Thompson, president of the Northern Union
Conference, made request for the transfer of E W Wolfe to take
up work in the Iowa Conference.

VOTED, That we ask the Southeastern Union
Conference to release E W Wolfe to take up ministerial work
in Iowa.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 4, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, F W Paap, M E
Kern, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, J L Shaw; also C B Haynes.

Prayer by M E Kern.

OTTO JOHN--SALARY:

VOTED, That the salary rate of Otto John as
assistant secretary of the Educational Department be \$22.00
per week.

DOROTHY WHEELER--SHANGHAI:

VOTED, That we ask the West Michigan Conference to release Miss Dorothy Wheeler, to answer the call to Shanghai for stenographic and office work.

CHINESE INGATHERING--B MEEKER:

VOTED, That in view of the few copies of the Chinese Harvest Ingathering paper which will be available for circulation among the Chinese people in this country, we rescind the action authorizing Byron Meeker to solicit with the paper among the Chinese in San Francisco.

CHAS DEGERING--PORTO RICO.

VOTED, That we invite Chas Degering to accept the call to Porto Rico as secretary-treasurer of the mission.

MINISTERIAL READING COURSE:

The committee on Ministerial Reading Course books recommended the following books for the Reading Course for 1919:

"Testimonies for the Church, Vol. I,"--
Mrs. E. G. White.
"Q. E. D."--Geo. McCreedy Price.
"Modern Missionary Century,"--Arthur T. Pierson.
"Europe since 1815,"--Hazen.
Christian Educator, magazine.

A L MILLER--SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

A letter was presented from A L Miller, of the Southern Union, requesting a change of field.

VOTED, That we recommend A L Miller to take up work in the Southwestern Union Conference.

R W PARMELE--RESIGNATION:

The resignation of Elder R W Parmele, to take effect December 1, 1918, was presented to the Committee.

VOTED, That we accept the resignation of Elder R W Parmele as president of the North Latin Union Conference.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY FROM AUSTRALASIA:

A letter was read to the Committee from the secretary of the Australasian Union Conference, incorporating

a resolution of sympathy for the loss which the General Conference has sustained in the death of Miss Edith M Graham.

VOTED, That the resolution of sympathy from the Australasian Union Conference over the death of Miss Graham be placed in the minutes. The resolution is as follows:

"That we express to the General Conference our deep regret that it has been deprived by death of the valued and faithful service of our late esteemed Sister Edith M Graham, and that we take this opportunity of placing on record our appreciation of the capable and faithful service rendered by Sister Graham during the many years she labored as an officer of this union conference."

C M PEDEN:

VOTED, That owing to the difficulty which C M Peden is experiencing in finding a suitable location for his family in Takoma Park, and also in view of the advisability of his doing physical work to regain his health, we recommend that he seek other employment, his allowance being continued until he finds work, to the extent of three months if necessary

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 6, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, C S Longacre, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, W W Eastman, R D Quinn, B G Wilkinson, M E Kern, Dr W A Ruble, N Z Town, Otto John; also T E Bowen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

F W GRIFFIN:

On presentation of a letter from F W Griffin, under appointment to Eastern Asia to assist in building operations in that field, making request for reimbursement for loss in accepting the appointment, his proposed work in the Far East was considered. The shortage of funds for buildings in all mission fields in 1919 was considered.

VOTED, That in view of the fact that the prospective income of the Mission Board for 1919 will be inadequate to provide more than very limited building operations during the ensuing year, we rescind the action inviting F W Griffin to Eastern Asia, and ask him for a statement of his loss in preparing to go to China, with the understanding that reimbursement will be made.

STUDENTS' ARMY TRAINING CORPS:

The committee appointed to make inquiry of the Government as to whether our young men who are drafted would forfeit their claim of non-combatancy in joining the Students' Army Training Corps, reported that from their investigation there is an evident difference of opinion between the civil and military members of the committee having the direction and oversight of the S.A.T.C.

In view of this difference of opinion between the civil and military authorities, the prevailing opinion was that we should pass no action favoring the formation of a unit of the S.A.T.C. at Loma Linda.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed, of which the chairman shall be one, to draft a resolution explaining the attitude of the Committee toward the formation of a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps at the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda.

Committee named: A G Daniells, M E Kern, C S Longacre, C B Haynes, Dr W A Ruble.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 8, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw,
Otto John, M E Kern, C S Longacre; also T E Bowen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

STUDENTS' ARMY TRAINING CORPS:

The committee appointed to prepare resolutions giving counsel to the trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists regarding the formation of a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps at Loma Linda, made the following report, which was adopted:

Whereas, Having been given assurances and promises by various representatives of the government that the students joining the Students' Army Training Corps at the College of Medical Evangelists could do so as non-combatants; and,--

Whereas, As a result of several interviews with authorities in the War Department at Washington, it appears there is much uncertainty regarding the accuracy of these assurances, due to the fact that a decision has not been rendered covering this point; and,--

Whereas, It appears to us from our present information that students joining the Students' Army Training Corps do so as volunteers and thereby lose their non-combatant standing; and,--

Whereas, In the light of this information it appears that the General Conference Committee might compromise the non-combatant position of the denomination by sanctioning the formation of a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps at Loma Linda, and therefore place in jeopardy the historical non-combatant standing of Seventh-day Adventists; therefore,--

Resolved, That we advise the Board of Trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists that with our present information, and until we can obtain more definite assurances, we do not authorize or sanction the formation of a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps in connection with the College of Medical Evangelists.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 10, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, M E Kern,
WW Eastman, J L Shaw, Otto John, C S Longacre; also C Hamer
and T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

MEDA KERR:

A letter from Meda Kerr, returned worker from
South America, asked counsel of the Committee regarding going
to Southern California to regain her health.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to
meet the transportation of Meda Kerr to Southern California,
and endeavor to secure rates at Glendale within Sister Kerr's
furlough allowance.

AUGUST ANDERSON--LAKE UNION:

A letter from William Guthrie stated that the
North Pacific Union were agreeable to the transfer of August
Anderson to the Lake Union Conference.

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union to
secure the release of August Anderson, of Spokane, Washington,
to take up work in the Lake Union Conference.

\$200 TO COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION:

A letter was presented from the Committee on
Cooperation in Latin America, asking for an allowance for their
work similar to the one granted last year.

VOTED, That a warrant be drawn on the special
appropriations for \$200, and this amount forwarded to the
Committee on Cooperation in Latin America.

H J HURLLOW:

The South African Union Committee referred the
case of Brother and Sister H J Hurlow, who desire to return to
England, to the General Conference Committee for consideration,
as to the advisability of allowing transportation from South
Africa to England.

VOTED, That we agree to pay the transportation of H J Hurlow and wife from South Africa to England, with the understanding that before they leave the field the South African Union Committee decide as to whether they desire them to labor in South Africa in the future.

H N QUADE--PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That H N Quade, under appointment to India, be transferred to the Philippines.

VIRGIL HULSE:

VOTED, That transportation for Virgil Hulse, under appointment to Honduras, be arranged by way of the West Coast to Tegucigalpa.

PRINTING PLANT--SZECHWAN:

The following recommendation from the Review and Herald Publishing Association was presented:

"Voted, That we express to the General Conference our appreciation of the need of a printing plant in Szechwan, and our desire that money from our reserve fund be appropriated to the extent of \$1000 for this purpose, but as such appropriations are, according to our By-Laws, made by the General Conference Committee at the autumn council, we place the matter in the hands of the General Conference Committee for definite action."

VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald Publishing Association to pay \$1000 from the reserve funds available for a printing plant in Szechwan, China.

GEORGE BUTLER:

VOTED, That in view of the recent increase in transportation rates to India, in recommending George Butler to take up work in that field it be with the understanding that his mother-in-law, Mrs. Sterling, will not go to the field at this time, while transportation expenses are so heavy.

H H VOTAW--CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That in view of the fact that H H Votaw's credentials from the General Conference expired June 9, 1917, he be granted credentials covering the time from June 9, 1917, to April 14, 1919.

G B THOMPSON--EDITOR "PRESENT TRUTH":

A letter was presented from the Review and Herald, stating that Elder E R Palmer, editor of "Present Truth," finds it necessary to be relieved from the editorship of that paper, and suggesting that G B Thompson be appointed as editor.

VOTED, That in harmony with the request of the Review and Herald, Elder G B Thompson be asked to take the editorship of "Present Truth."

J A LELAND--SALARY:

VOTED, That the salary of J A Leland be continued until October 15.

DRS SELMON--FURLOUGH ALLOWANCE:

The treasurer asked that the salary rate of the Drs. Selmon, of China, in this country taking post-graduate work, be set, their present rate being \$25.00 a week.

VOTED, That we allow Dr A C Selmon and wife \$25.00 a week while in this country, on the ground that they are taking post-graduate work where living expenses are high, and are not in America primarily for furlough, but to better fit themselves for medical work in Shanghai.

J W HIRLINGER--SALARY RATE:

VOTED, That the salary rate of J W Hirlinger be set at \$20.00 a week.

CAMP PASTORS FOR THE SOUTH:

Whereas, The government has established in the southern States a large number of cantonments, to which hundreds of the young men from the North are taken; and,--

Whereas, All these cantonments ought to have the help of an experienced pastor; and,--

Whereas, The constituency in the South is small, and neither men nor means are available to provide camp pastors for these different cantonments in the Southern Union,--

VOTED, That we request the strong conferences in the North to release some of their men suited for this kind of work, to act as welfare workers for the present in the cantonments in the South, with the understanding that the conferences from which they come will pay the salary of the men sent, and the General Conference meet the transportation expense.

RURAL SCHOOLS:

The treasurer presented a request from the rural schools of the South for an appropriation for the coming year, and stated that no collection has been taken this year for the benefit of these rural schools.

VOTED, That the request of the rural schools of the South be placed in the hands of a committee of three, and that such appropriation be made as shall seem advisable.

Named: W T Knox, H E Howell, G B Thompson.

PRESIDENT NORTH LATIN UNION:

Owing to the resignation of R W Parmele, to take effect December 1, it was necessary to appoint some one to take his work.

VOTED, That we ask E L Maxwell to take the presidency of the North Latin Union Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING**GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

October 14, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W T Knox, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, M E Kern, N Z Town, F W Paap, W W Eastman; also C B Haynes.

HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTION:

The chairman presented a letter from H H Hall, embodying recommendations from the brethren at the Pacific Press regarding the Home Missionary work. This communication favored holding a general Home Missionary Convention separate from the Bookmen's Conventions, where the leading issues involved in the home missionary work could be considered. Chicago was suggested as the place for holding the convention.

VOTED, That we recommend the holding of a general Home Missionary Convention for the United States and Canada, in the city of Chicago, November 25 to 28.

VOTED, That the union conference Home Missionary secretaries be invited to attend the general Home Missionary Convention in Chicago, November 25 to 28.

VOTED, That the chair appoint three persons to act as a program committee, to prepare a program for the Home Missionary Convention.

SECRETARY HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

The chair stated that since the death of Sister Edith M Graham, he had been giving consideration to the appointment of some one to take the secretaryship of the Home Missionary Department. Various names were given consideration.

VOTED, That the chair be asked to appoint a committee of three, he himself to be one, to give consideration to the selection of a secretary for the Home Missionary Department.

Named: A-G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox.

W W EASTMAN--APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$75 to the account of W W Eastman.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman,
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 15, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer,
J L Shaw, C S Longacre, M E Kern, N Z Town, F W Paap, W W
Eastman; also C B Haynes, T E Bowen.

ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK IN EUROPE:

The following recommendations regarding the organization of the work in Europe, prepared by the officers of the General Conference, were adopted:

At the regular quadrennial session of the General Conference, held March 29 to April 14, 1918, in San Francisco, California, the following resolutions providing for the discontinuance of organizations known as Division Conferences were adopted:

"In order that the unity of our work may be maintained; that economy of administration may best be preserved; that the largest possible amount of funds may be made available for the prosecution of our work in all parts of the field; that all believers everywhere may be constant contributors of their means to the regions beyond; that the General Conference may have direct control and management of its bases of supplies, both of men and of means; that we may meet, and as far as possible overcome the unfortunate international conditions thrust upon large sections of our constituency by this world war, we would--

"Recommend, 1. That the organizations known as Division Conferences be discontinued.

"2. That union conference and union mission field organizations be preserved, and made responsible directly to the General Conference in the carrying forward of the work in their respective territories."

Whereas, The great war that has been going on now for four years has made it impossible for the European Division to carry on administrative work in its territory, and in order that large divisions of that territory may receive the fostering care they need and desire--

Therefore, in harmony with the above resolutions--

We recommend, 1. That the European Division be discontinued, and that all conferences and missions within the territory of the allies, and such as are under the control of neutral powers, namely, the British Union Conference, the Latin Union Conference, the Scandinavian Union Conference, the East Russian Union Conference, the West Russian Union Conference, the Siberian Union Mission, the German-Swiss Conference, the Holland Mission, the Belgian Mission, and the following missions in Africa and the Near East,--British East Africa, Gold Coast, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Lower Egypt, Upper Egypt, Abyssinian, Arabic-Syrian, Victoria Nyanza, South Pare, Persia, Maritius-Madagascar, Trans-Caucasian and Turkestan, be made responsible directly to the General Conference in the carrying forward of the work in their respective territories.

2. That in view of the impossibility of holding a general representative meeting in Europe at the present time, the above recommendation providing for the termination of the European Division Conference take effect at once.

3. That during the continuance of the war, conferences, missions and institutions in allied territory do not correspond or communicate directly or indirectly with any organizations, officials or workers of the former Division Conference within the territory of the central powers.

4. That in view of these actions, the union conferences and missions mentioned above are urged to use all diligence in the raising of funds for the support of these mission fields made responsible to the General Conference

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

FIFTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 21, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, M E Kern, F W Paap,
N Z Town, G B Thompson, W W Eastman, B E Beddoe, Otto John,
J L Shaw, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer; also T E Bowen.

Prayer by F W Paap.

J A P GREEN--OUTFITTING:

VOTED, That the usual outfitting allowance be granted to J A P Green.

S A WELLMAN--BONUS:

VOTED, That S A Wellman be allowed a 20% bonus for two months previous to sailing for India.

BONUS INCREASE AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE:

The treasurer presented letters from union conference presidents, asking that counsel be given to auditing committees relative to the advisability of increasing the bonus

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MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 16, 1918

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, M E Kern, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, B E Beddoe, J L Shaw, F W Paap, O M John, C S Longacre, E R Palmer; also L A Hansen, F H Robbins.

Prayer by F H Robbins.

NAVAJO INDIAN SCHOOL:

The treasurer presented a letter from Elder Lukens, stating that \$1500 was yet required to complete the buildings and equipment for the school among the Navajo Indians.

VOTED, That \$1500 be appropriated to the Navajo Indian Mission.

SOUTHEASTERN UNION--CITY WORK:

At the General Conference in San Francisco, the Southeastern Union made request for \$1500 for city work. This request was not allowed. Through a misunderstanding the city work in the Southeastern Union has been conducted during the past summer, anticipating the receipt of the \$1500 requested. The chairman stated that the work in the cities in the Southeastern Union had been very successful, and a goodly number of people had accepted the truth.

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$1000 from the Special Appropriations account be made to the Southeastern Union, toward meeting the expense of the city work during the past summer.

COLTEWAH SCHOOL:

The treasurer stated that funds for the Coltewah school were not coming in from the various union conferences rapidly enough to provide for the continuance of the building operations. The General Conference has already advanced \$10,000 to the Southeastern Union in anticipation of funds being sent in from the various union conferences. Some of this has already been received. He further stated that it is now contemplated to make a special effort to put up a dormitory for the young men. During the past two years they have been living in tents, which is unsatisfactory during the cold weather. The union conference workers are being called in to spend several days in working on the dormitory. It is desired that funds be¹hand to provide materials for roof and windows. The treasurer favored an advance of another \$5000.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to advance \$5000 to the Colteawah school.

MRS QUANTOCK:

A letter was presented from Professor Machlan, requesting the General Conference to pay the traveling expenses of Mrs. Quantock, to visit her brother, Elder C.L. Taylor, who is seriously ill at the Hinsdale Sanitarium.

VOTED, That owing to the inadvisability of the General Conference meeting this account, we recommend that the Washington Missionary College pay the transportation of Mrs. Quantock to visit her brother in Chicago.

F D WELLS--CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE:

A recommendation from the Columbia Union asked that F D Wells, of Western New York, be released to take the educational secretaryship of the Chesapeake Conference.

VOTED, That owing to the present need of his services in the book work in Western New York, we do not favor the release of F D Wells to take up another line of work in the Chesapeake Conference.

NAVAJO INDIAN SCHOOL--TEACHER:

A letter from Elder Lukens stated that Brother Nystel who had accepted the invitation to teach at the Indian Mission school, was suddenly taken with Spanish influenza, resulting in pneumonia, which has caused his death. This leaves the school without a teacher. The name of B W Lowry was suggested to take his place.

VOTED, That we ask B W Lowry to connect with the Navajo Indian school as teacher.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND STEREOPTICON SLIDES:

Consideration was given to the best methods of making available slides and photographs which come into the General Conference office.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair, to suggest plans for the filing and handling of photographs and stereopticon slides.

Named: L A Hansen, M E Kern, T E Bowen.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman,
J L SHAW, Secretary.

allowance, and suggesting that provision should be made to meet the increased expenses of workers while traveling.

It was pointed out by the chairman and others that whatever rate is decided upon should be held to, and not exceeded by one or more unions working independent of others.

VOTED, That owing to the high cost of living, and the probability of a still greater increase in the cost of food and other necessities, we recommend,--

1. That auditing committees for the future allow a maximum bonus of 30% of the salary of workers in sections of the country where the cost of living may make it seem necessary, but suggest to the auditing committees the advisability of making the bonus allowance less where living conditions are more favorable.

2. That auditing committees allow one dollar a day for food to workers while traveling long distances, or where they are unable to enjoy the hospitality of others, the opinion of the Committee being that workers traveling long distances are generally at greater expense than workers laboring among the churches; and that in making the allowance of one dollar a day it should be to meet the actual expense of workers engaged in labor where no other suitable provision can be made.

BONUS TO GENERAL CONFERENCE EMPLOYEES:

VOTED, That a bonus of 30% of the salary be allowed to General Conference employees in America, beginning with the forthcoming payment.

EXPENSE ALLOWANCE TO GENERAL CONFERENCE WORKERS:

VOTED, That one dollar a day be granted to General Conference workers while at extra expense in traveling in America.

READING COURSE BOOK:

VOTED, That the book, "Modern Contemporary European History," by Shapiro, be substituted for "Europe since 1815," by Hazen, previously recommended for the Reading Course for 1919.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTIETH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 22, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F M Wilcox,
N Z Town, F W Paap, W W Eastman, B E Beddoe, C S Longacre,
M E Kern, J L Shaw.

FRANK HOWARD TO SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite Frank Howard and wife to go to South Africa to labor in such part of the field as the South African Union Committee may advise.

J N ANDREWS--HOME:

VOTED, That \$2000 be taken from the Special Appropriations account, for the building of a home for Dr J N Andrews and family at Tatsienlu, western Szechwan, China.

DR MAGAN--MEDICAL SECRETARY IN WEST:

VOTED, That we appoint Dr P T Magan an assistant secretary of the Medical Department, to act as field secretary for the Department on the Pacific Coast, with the understanding that this does not interfere with his responsibilities in the Los Angeles Hospital, and that the appointment does not entail any financial responsibility for support, other than legitimate traveling expenses on the Coast.

JOHN WELCH HOME:

C S Longacre stated that Brother John Welch was receiving assistance from the Takoma Park church, his property having been deeded to trustees who are holding the same for the church. It is necessary to make an addition to the house, in order to provide room for some one to care for Brother Welch in his infirm condition. About \$1200 is necessary for this enlargement.

VOTED, That we instruct the officers of the Corporation to make a loan to E L Richmond, L M Spear, and Lloyd Fisher, not to exceed \$1200, to be secured by trust deeds which these men hold on behalf of the church for the property of John Welch.

U D PICKARD TO WEST VIRGINIA:

Request was presented from the Columbia Union Conference that U D Pickard be released to take up work in the West Virginia Conference. It was pointed out on the Committee that when Brother Pickard leaves the Cumberland Conference they are without a minister except the president of the conference, and ministerial help is greatly needed.

VOTED, That we ask the Southwestern Union Conference to release U D Pickard, to take up work in West Virginia, with the understanding that the Columbia Union Conference select a minister to go to the Cumberland Conference.

DR DONALDSON TO CHINA:

A letter was presented from Dr Donaldson, renewing his offer to go to a foreign field. In 1915 he was appointed to Hunan, China, but owing to health conditions did not accept the call.

VOTED, That we renew the invitation to Dr Arthur H Donaldson and wife, of Loma Linda, to make China their field of labor, to be located in such part of the field as may seem advisable to the East Asian committee.

G W WELLS TO NORTHERN ILLINOIS:

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to secure the release of G W Wells, to take the presidency of the Northern Illinois Conference.

MRS M D WOOD:

A letter was presented from Mrs Wood, telling of the illness of their son, owing to the bite of a mad dog, and requesting that she and the two children be allowed to return to America, while Brother Wood remains in India.

VOTED, That we express to Brother and Sister M D Wood our regret at the serious and prolonged illness of their son, and request the India Union Committee to make such recommendations regarding the return of Sister Wood and the two children to America as the health conditions of their son and the present war situation may make advisable.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

In Joint Session with the Review and Herald Board

October 23, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, E R Palmer, G B Thompson, J L Shaw,
M E Kern, L W Graham, E L Richmond, R T Dowsett, N Z Town,
Otto John, J W Mace, Dr W A Ruble, L A Hansen, E G Fulton,
Dr H W Miller, T E Bowen, C S Longacre.

A joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Review and Herald Board was held in order to make appropriation from the reserve fund of the Review and Herald for a printing plant at Tatsienlu, western Szechwan, China.

VOTED, That we appropriate \$1000, made available by the Review and Herald, for a printing plant at Tatsienlu, western Szechwan, China.

Close of joint session.

INSTITUTE OF WAR-TIME NURSING:

VOTED, That we rescind the action placing the treatment rooms for the Institute of War-Time Nursing in the College Building, and refer the location of the treatment rooms to the committee appointed on the building of the barracks with power to act.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman,
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 27, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, W W Eastman; also L A Hansen.

J B BLOSSER--CENTRAL UNION:

A request having been received from the Central Union Conference that J.B.Blosser be secured to take charge of the book work in that union, it was--

VOTED, That, in harmony with the request from the Central Union Conference, we ask the Lake Union to release J B Blosser to take the field missionary secretaryship of the Central Union Conference,

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
G B THOMPSON, Sec'y pro tem.

SIXTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 31, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, G B Thompson, W E Howell, N Z Town, M E Kern, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, Dr W A Ruble, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, C S Longacre; also T E Bowen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by Dr W A Ruble.

DAVID RAYNER--WESTERN CANADA:

VOTED, That we ask the Southwestern Union to secure the release of David Rayner to take up the Young People's work in the Western Canadian Union Conference.

ROBERT WHEELER---OAK PARK:

VOTED, That we ask the Washington Missionary College to release Robert Wheeler to fill the vacancy in the teaching staff at the Oak Park Academy.

DR H W MILLER:

VOTED, That we express ourselves as unfavorable to the Washington Sanitarium releasing Dr H W Miller to go to St Helena.

GENERAL MEN FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AND OTHER
APPOINTMENTS:

Different members of the Committee mentioned requests that they were receiving for appointment for the Week of Prayer.

VOTED, That the chairman appoint a committee of three to take these requests under consideration, and recommend men for responding to the same.

Named: W T Knox, J L Shaw, M E Kern.

HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTION:

The committee appointed to arrange program for the Home Missionary convention placed before the Committee the program which they had prepared.

Owing to the epidemic of influenza, it does not seem advisable to hold the Home Missionary Convention in Chicago.

VOTED, That if suitable arrangements can be made, the Home Missionary Convention be held at College View, Nebraska, November 25 to 28.

F W GRIFFIN REIMBURSED:

A letter was presented by the treasurer from F W Griffin, stating the loss which he had sustained owing to change of plan in regard to going to the Far East.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay F W Griffin \$150, to meet the loss he sustained in preparing to go to the Far East.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 7, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox,
B Z Town, G B Thompson, W W Eastman, Dr W A Ruble, Otto John;
also C B Haynes and T E Bowen.

Prayer by Otto John.

LETTER TO THE SECRETARY OF WAR RE
STUDENTS' ARMY TRAINING CORPS:

VOTED, That the following letter to Hon. Newton
D Baker, Secretary of War, be spread on the minutes:

"November 6, 1918.

"Hon. Newton D. Baker,
Secretary of War,
Washington, D.C.

"Dear Mr. Baker:

"We, the Executive Committee of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, desire to bring before you a matter which concerns our young men who are in our colleges, especially our Medical College at Loma Linda, Cal.

"Being noncombatants by religious conviction, and especially interested in medical work for the relief of suffering humanity, the majority of our young men now in the service have sought to serve in the Medical Department of the Army.

"When arrangements were made for the Medical Enlisted Reserve Corps, our young men in training at Loma Linda promptly enlisted in it, with the assurance that in so doing they did not lose their noncombatant status.

"When we came to investigate the arrangements made for the formation of the Students' Army Training Corps, we were informed that no provision had been made for noncombatants. It appeared, therefore, that our young men, including our medical students, could not enter the Students' Army Training Corps as noncombatants, and that our schools could not ask for the formation of Students' Army Training Corps units.

"It is our desire to continue, in our own Medical College, the preparation of our young men for efficient service in the Medical Department of the Army. Even if they could enter the Students' Army Training Corps in other colleges as noncombatants, they and their officers would be confronted by another difficulty,--the fact that these young men observe the seventh day as the Sabbath, and would not desire to pursue their studies or drill on Saturday.

"We now face the proposition of all the young men of our Medical College being transferred, thus breaking up the school. In view of this situation, we make the following requests:

"1. That the transfer of the young men in the Loma Linda Medical College who are members of the Medical Enlisted Reserve Corps be deferred, allowing them to complete their work in the school.

"2. That the call of the members of the freshman class who are not in the Medical Enlisted Corps, but are in the draft, be also deferred.

"While this petition involves only a few men, comparatively, it means much to us, involving as it does the continuance of our one Medical College. We assure you that favorable consideration will be greatly appreciated.

"Respectfully submitted,

"A.G. Daniells,
President.

J.L. Shaw,
Secretary."

APPEAL FROM FRENCH BRETHREN:

The following earnest appeal, signed by various brethren in France, was presented to the Committee:

"Dear Brethren in America: The little that we learned concerning the General Conference that was held March 29 to April 14, in San Francisco, filled our hearts with

unspeakable joy, and with you we exclaim, Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God! But when we turn to our beloved fatherland, France, and to our churches, our hearts become heavy, and tears fill our eyes. As did the Macedonians in the days of the apostles, we appeal to you, Come over and help us. The demands made on us are beyond our power. We need help. Help us! We appeal to you in full confidence, for you will pray for us, you will pray much for us, and we know in advance the answer of our Heavenly Father. We call ourselves your brethren, in the blessed hope and in the message and in the expectation of the speedy return of our blessed Lord, who is even at the door."

VOTED, That we express to our brethren in France our willing response to the appeal which they have made to us regarding the work in that field, and assure them of our desire to assist them. We are thankful the war is drawing to a close. It is the purpose of the Committee to send representatives to Europe at as early a date as shall seem advisable, probably in the spring. At that time we hope that a delegation from America can join with workers in France and other European fields in planning for the reorganization and development of the work.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to consider the interests of the work in Europe, and to suggest plans for appeals and the names of those who should write such appeals.

Named: J L Shaw, W T Knox, G B Thompson.

H L WALLACE TO BRITISH GUIANA:

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to secure the release of H L Wallace, to take the superintendency of the work in British Guiana.

MRS SNOW--HONDURAS:

VOTED, That \$50 be allowed to Karl Snow to meet his transportation in coming to New Orleans to assist his wife in returning to Honduras.

SIGUATEPEQUE SCHOOL:

Correspondence regarding the Siguatepeque school was presented to the Committee.

VOTED, That this correspondence be referred to J L Shaw, N Z Town and G B Thompson, with the request that they make such recommendation to the Committee as may seem advisable.

MRS MARTIN'S TRANSPORTATION:

A letter was presented from Mrs Elizabeth Martin, speaking of her desire to return to Mexico, her fare being provided from San Antonio to Mexico City by the Mexican Mission.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay the transportation of Mrs Elizabeth Martin from Michigan to San Antonio, Texas.

W F HILLS TO SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

A letter was presented from Morris Lukens, stating that satisfactory arrangements had been made with the Pacific Union Conference for the transfer of W F Hills to the Southwestern Union.

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to release W F Hills to take up work in South Texas.

W L BURGAN'S MANUSCRIPT:

The report of the committee on manuscript prepared by W L Burgan for a book to be used by our evangelists was discussed. The manuscript was referred to a committee of three, with instruction to prepare matter for a manual for the ministry which shall contain instruction for our ministers in advertising meetings, helpful suggestions to evangelists in the conduct of efforts, and such other instruction relating to the duties of the ministry as will be helpful and serve to unify the work of ministers in various phases of evangelical work.

Committee named: G B Thompson, C B Haynes,
W L Burgan.

BYRON MEEKER'S RATE:

VOTED, That the wage rate of Byron Meeker, engaged in the Harvest Ingathering work among the Chinese, be placed at \$18.00 a week, with bonus added, this rate to be continued for a period not to exceed six months.

G G ROTH'S RATE:

VOTED, That G G Roth, of Haiti, be granted a wage rate sufficient for a single worker, and if his daughters desire to engage in service, we recommend that such employment be provided them as may be for the best interests of the work in the field.

INDIAN SCHOOL:

VOTED, That the Navajo Indian school be placed under the direction of the Southwestern Union Conference, all titles to the property to be passed to the Southwestern Union Conference Corporation.

BARRACKS FOR LOMA LINDA:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to forward \$5000 to Loma Linda, for the rection of barracks for the Institute of War-Time Nursing.

SALVADOR HOMES:

A letter was presented from R W Parmele, requesting an added appropriation for homes in Salvador to the amount of \$500.

VOTED, That we add \$500 to the appropriation for homes in Salvador.

OSHAWA SCHOOL:

The treasurer stated that plans were going forward for the building of an addition to the Oshawa school, the entire amount of the contract calling for \$40,000. At San Francisco \$15,000 was appropriated to provide added facilities for the school.

VOTED, That an additional \$5,000 be granted to the Oshawa school, with the understanding that \$20,000 will be raised in the field.

MARY MORRIS ESTATE:

VOTED, That we donate the available resources from the Mary Mosris Estate to the Orlando Sanitarium.

DATES OF OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That the treasurer and the secretaries of departments be a committee to recommend dates for offerings to be taken in our churches during the ensuing year.

R A HUBLEY --LOS ANGELES:

R A Hubley, under appointment to India, has been delayed in securing passage, and wishes to spend the intervening time at Los Angeles.

VOTED, That we reoommend R A Hubley to spend the intervening time before sailing for India at Los Angeles, and that during that time he be granted furlough allowance.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman. J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 8, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, M E Kern, N Z Town, B G Wilkinson,
C S Longacre, Otto John, J L Shaw; also C B Haynes, T E Bowen.

Prayer by N Z Town.

F D WELLS TO CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That we request the Atlantic Union Conference to release F D Wells, of the Western New York Conference, to take the secretaryship of the Educational Department in the Chesapeake Conference.

LOREN SHEPARD TO ATLANTIC UNION:

VOTED, That in response to a request from the Atlantic Union Conference, we recommend Loren Shepard to take up work in that union while waiting for his permit to enter India, with the understanding that his transportation be arranged by the Atlantic Union.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

VOTED, That the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the first quarter of 1920 be set apart for the West Coast of Africa.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 14, 1918, 10 A.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, M E Kern,
J L Shaw, W W Eastman, G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson, Dr W A Ruble
C S Longacre, W E Howell, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer; also C B Haynes,
R E Harter, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by B G Wilkinson.

MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON:

Brethren Wilkinson and Harter met with the Committee to discuss the advisability of having meetings in one of the theaters in the city. The chairman stated that Elder Haynes, now connected with the General Conference, would be able to render splendid service in a city effort in Washington. Richmond and other cities are requesting him to take up evangelistic work. It seemed to the Committee that he could work to better advantage in Washington, as his duties require him to be here most of the time.

No definite action was taken, the Columbia Union and the District Conference being left to work out plans for a theater effort.

"SIGNS" CAMPAIGN:

The chairman presented a letter from C H Jones, requesting that January 25 be Campaign Day for the Signs of the Times.

It was agreed that on Sabbath, January 25, the Signs of the Times be given special consideration in our churches.

NEW YEAR'S NUMBER REVIEW AND HERALD:

The editor of the Review, F M Wilcox, presented an outline for a special symposium number of the Review and Herald, to be published January 2, 1919. The outline met with favor by members of the Committee. It was felt in view of the times to which we have come, and the great openings for the advance of the message, that a special symposium number of the Review and Herald, setting forth the present situation, the open doors, and the great possibilities before us, would be timely.

ASSISTANCE TO OUR WORK AND PEOPLE IN EUROPE:

The committee appointed to make recommendations regarding relief for our work and people in Europe, made the following report, which was adopted:

Whereas, The conditions which prevail as the result of the long-continued war have impeded the advancement of the message in Europe and the connecting mission fields, the work in many places having become disorganized, the homes of some of our missionaries in Africa having been taken and mission work greatly hindered, both in Africa and the Near East; and,--

Whereas, Our people, especially in Europe, have been brought into great want and need, in Belgium and France refugees returning to their homes only to find in many instances their home destroyed and their personal effects gone; and,--

Whereas, Our brethren in those countries are looking to us for aid and urgently appeal to us, sending in their Macedonian calls for help; therefore,---

We recommend. 1. That at as early a date as possible (probably in the spring) representatives of the General Conference from America visit Europe, to examine into the needs of our work, and the condition of our brethren and sisters who have suffered from loss and privation during the war, and to counsel with them in the rebuilding and reshaping of the work.

2. That we undertake to raise a fund in our churches in the United States and Canada, to assist our people and our work in European fields, which shall be known as the European Relief Fund.

3. That this fund be made available to assist in the organized work in Europe, the mission stations in Africa and the Near East, and to help our brethren and sisters in these lands who have become homeless or are in want and need.

4. That to start the raising of this fund we set aside Sabbath, February 22, 1919, asking our people on that day to come to the assistance of our people and work in Europe with a liberal offering.

5. That a Second Sabbath Reading be devoted to presenting the needs of our people and our work in Europe.

6. That the officers of the General Conference with G B Thompson, be asked to prepare appeals setting forth the needs of the work, and the condition of our people in war-stricken countries, for publication in the Review and Herald.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 14, 1918, 3 P.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town,
B G Wilkinson, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W E Howell, F W Paap, F M
Wilcox; also T E Bowen, C B Haynes, L A Hansen.

Prayer by C B Haynes.

W T Knox in the chair.

H O N D U R A S:

The committee appointed to give consideration to correspondence concerning the Honduras school and the work in general in Honduras, made the following report, which was adopted:

In view of the attacks of malaria which Brother Karl Snow is reported to be having since returning to Honduras, and in view of the fact that Mrs Snow's health is not yet such as to warrant her leaving this country to join her husband in Honduras,--

We recommend, 1. That instead of Mrs Snow going to her husband, Brother Snow return to this country, and that they locate where the climate is favorable to the recuperation of their health.

As one of the greatest needs in the Honduras Mission, evidently, is a larger constituency of members,--

We recommend, 2. That the workers in that field be encouraged to make special efforts along evangelistic lines.

In view of the present condition of the school at Siguatepeque, and also in view of the difference in opinion of the brethren who have visited the places regarding the advisability of establishing a training school there,--

We recommend, 3. That further action regarding the purchase of property be deferred until it is clear to the Mission Board, the North Latin Union, and the Honduras Mission, as to what course is best to pursue.

CLAYTON KEISER RELEASED:

VOTED, That owing to the condition of health of Brother and Sister Clayton Keiser, we rescind the action appointing them to Eastern Asia, requesting that they endeavor to build up their health, with the hope that at some future time it may seem advisable to send them to the mission field.

M B BUTTERFIELD--RETURN:

A letter was presented from M B Butterfield, of Port of Spain, Trinidad, requesting that owing to the condition of his wife's health, his desire to educate his daughter, and the condition of his own health, the Board arrange for his return to America in time to put his daughter in school in the fall of 1919.

VOTED, That we recommend the return of M B Butterfield to this country in the fall of 1919, and endeavor to arrange an exchange whereby an evangelist may be made available to take his work in the West Indies.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR 1919:

VOTED, That the following be the special offerings, and the dates for taking the same, during 1919:

Intensive Training	January 18
European Relief	February 22
Thirteenth Sabbath	March 29
Rural Schools	April 5
Religious Liberty	May 24
Thirteenth Sabbath	June 28
Midsummer	July 12
Thirteenth Sabbath	September 27
Colored Work	October 11
Annual Offering	December 20
Thirteenth Sabbath	December 27

SPECIAL SABBATHS:

VOTED, That the following Sabbaths be set apart for the consideration of the work of special departments:

Missionary Volunteer Day	January 4
Medical Day	January 18
Educational Days	April 8 and August 9
Sabbath School Rally	June 7.

PROPHETIC CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That C B Haynes be requested to attend the Prophetic Conference, to be held in New York, November 25-28, and to write a report of the same for the Review.

CONFERENCE OF ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE:

VOTED, That Dr W A Ruble be asked to attend the conference of the Anti-Saloon League of America, to be held at Columbus, Ohio, November 19 to 21.

INTENSIVE TRAINING:

The Medical Department presented recommendations pertaining to the training of young men in medical lines at Washington and Loma Linda, and also other recommendations relating to the training of our people for medical missionary work.

VOTED, That these recommendations be referred to a committee of three, consisting of W A Ruble, W E Howell, J L Shaw, with the request that they consider them and submit definite plans for the training of our people for church-wide medical missionary work.

METHODS OF RAISING MONEY:

A G Daniells spoke of the methods adopted in our various churches for raising funds. It seemed to him and other members of the Committee that our leaders, as well as our people in general, should be more fully instructed, that such methods be used as shall be in harmony with the character of our work and prove a means of spiritual uplift to our people.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of three, with power to act, to place before union and local conference presidents the proper methods of raising funds, and that instruction appear in the Review and Herald setting forth the principles which should control our people in donating to worthy enterprises.

Named: J L Shaw, G B Thompson, A G Daniells.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 18, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, E R Palmer, G B Thompson
C S Longacre, J L Shaw, F W Paap, Dr H W Miller, F M Wilcox, Mrs
L Flora Plummer, N Z Town; also E G Fulton, C B Haynes.

Prayer by E G Fulton.

BARRACKS--INSTITUTE OF WAR-TIME NURSING:

Owing to the change in conditions brought about
by the signing of the armistice, making it unnecessary to carry
out plans contemplated for the special training of men for the
army, it was--

VOTED, That the second floor of the building
erected for a barracks be partitioned off into rooms for dormitory
purposes.

VOTED, That the building erected as a barracks
for the Institute of War-Time Nursing be allowed to revert to the
control of the Washington Sanitarium, its future use in medical
missionary lines to be determined as shall hereafter seem advisable.

M C STURDEVANT--RATE:

VOTED, That in the audit of the account of
M C Sturdevant, of South Africa, for the year 1918, his rate be
changed from three pounds a week to four pounds a week.

FRANK HOWARD--TRANSPORTATION:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay
the transportation of Frank Howard and wife from Wisconsin to
Los Angeles.

EASTWOOD ESTATE:

VOTED, That we release our claim to the estate
of James Eastwood, in Western Canada.

G G ROTH--OUTFITTING:

VOTED, That we grant an outfitting allowance
to G G Roth, with the understanding that he pay all freight charges
to Haiti.

S A OBERG--COLLEGE DEBT:

VOTED, That we ask the Washington Missionary College to cancel the account of S A Cberg, charging the same to the Educational Fund provided by the General Conference.

MISS EDITH CROOKS--INDIA:

A cable was presented from India, asking that Miss Crooks be sent out to take up work in the treatment rooms at Simla.

VOTED, That we ask Miss Edith Crooks to go to India, to engage in medical work in the Simla treatment rooms.

TRAINING EDITORS:

The chairman spoke of the need of editors in our work both in this country and in the mission fields, and pointed out the need of training men of editorial talent for this important line of work.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five to draft recommendations looking to the selection and training of men for editorial work.

Named: W T Knox, J L Shaw, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer, C B Haynes.

BIBLE TEACHERS:

In this connection the need of special training for Bible teachers was set forth by the chairman and also by the secretary of the Educational Department. It was the opinion of the Committee that the important relation of Bible teaching to the advancement of our work required thorough training of men for this line of work.

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to bring in recommendations looking to the selection and training of men as Bible teachers.

Named: W E Howell, C S Longacre, G B Thompson, M E Kern, J L Shaw.

PONY PRESS FOR SHANGHAI:

VOTED, That we secure the Pony Press of the White Estate for the publishing house at Shanghai.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That J J Reiswig and N H Saunders be appointed members of the Educational Department Committee.

C A HANSEN TO MINNESOTA:

A letter from Chas Thompson presented a request from the Minnesota Conference for Elder C A Hansen, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, to take up work in Minneapolis, Minn.

VOTED, That we request the Western Canadian Union to secure the release of Elder C A Hansen, of the Manitoba Conference, to take up evangelistic work in Minneapolis, Minn., provided the Western Canadian Union and Manitoba Conference are agreeable to this transfer.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 20, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, F M Wilcox, N Z Town, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, W E Howell, C S Longacre, G B Thompson, Dr W A Ruble; also C B Haynes, T E Bowen.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

PRINTER FOR MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to recommend a printer for Malaysia.

HARVEST INGATHERING DAY:

VOTED, That the following committee arrange for a day for the General Conference workers to engage in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign: W T Knox, F W Paap, N Z Town.

BIBLE TEACHERS:

The committee appointed to bring in a report on the training of Bible teachers made a report, which, being amended, was adopted as follows:

"Your committee appointed on Bible teaching in our colleges respectfully submits the following statement and recommendations:

Bible Department

"We look upon the Bible Department in our colleges as one of leading importance in our denominational work. Properly conducted, this department puts a strong spiritual mold upon the rising generation of our young people in school both as believers and as workers. It should also be preeminent in its influence on the entire school polity and spirit. Our colleges ought to be emphatically Bible schools.

Bible Teacher

"The teacher who heads the Bible Department will serve best the purpose of our conducting denominational schools if he possesses these essential qualifications:

"1. A thorough knowledge of the Bible in its ancestry, by books, and in detail, based when possible on a knowledge of its original languages.

"2. A broad, well-seasoned experience in soul winning, and desirably in conference or other administrative responsibility, including time spent in a foreign field.

"3. A genuine heart interest in young people, and a vision of the fact that the preparation of workers implies an active training in, as well as study of, some definite kind of denominational work during the school period.

"4. A true sense of educational values applied to the Bible in comparison with other subjects, especially from the viewpoint of thorough study and research and of recitation and laboratory standards.

"5. A discriminative judgment on what is essential and less essential in Bible study.

"6. A spirit to keep abreast of important movements in the denomination and in the world, and judicious interpretation of their significance in connection with his teaching.

"7. A devotion to his work implied in Paul's exhortation to Timothy: 'Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them.'

Recommendations

"Looking upon the Bible Department and the Bible Teacher in this way, we desire to make the following . . . recommendations:

"1. That our college boards see that the Bible teacher has at least equal opportunity for self-improvement and aggressive study with any other department head; and that to this end he be not too heavily loaded with teaching during the school year, and be assisted in attending some special school during vacation or furlough that will help to give him a wider vision of his work and some contact with Bible men of power both in and outside the denomination.

"2. That a Bible and History Teachers' Council of six weeks be provided the coming summer for our college Bible and history teachers, and such other representatives as the Department of Education shall invite, looking toward the establishment of a permanent Institute for Biblical and Historical Research, to assist in strengthening our present teaching force and in developing new teachers.

"3. That the Educational Department carry on an aggressive plan for selecting, encouraging and developing young men for Bible and history teaching.

"4. That we give earnest study to the question of maintaining in our six senior colleges especially, men of high qualifications to head the Bible Department, even if it becomes necessary to draw men from other leading positions to secure them."

MEDICAL MISSIONARY WORK:

The Medical Department presented a series of recommendations, which were adopted as follows:

"In pursuance of the General Conference action at the Council in July, 1918, that our colleges and academies provide instruction in Medical Missionary work, and that a physician or a nurse be employed on each faculty,--

"We recommend, 1. That the Medical Department request the Loma Linda Medical College to provide suitable instruction for Medical Missionary and Health Inspection and Development Workers in our schools, and assist us in finding qualified physicians and nurses to connect with our faculties to direct this work and teach in the sciences.

"2. That the Medical Department be requested to prepare as soon as possible, a suitable syllabus for the guidance of the teacher, and either prepare or recommend a suitable textbook for the Medical Missionary student.

"3. That the Medical Department be requested to provide, through union and local medical secretaries, for suitable assistance in the Health Inspection and Development work in all our schools, in cooperation with the Educational Department

"4. That a course in Physical Education, covering four years in our academies and colleges, be introduced as soon as possible; that this course include two years in Health Development and Personal Hygiene, and two years in Hydrotherapy and Emergency Nursing; and that suitable credit be given this work on the same educational basis as other subjects.

"5. That provision be made through the General Conference whereby appointees to foreign fields and other mission workers, may avail themselves of the training in one of the two schools at Washington or Loma Linda before entering upon their mission work, support to be arranged for by the General Conference for foreign workers and by the union conferences for workers in this country; this plan to be carried out in these two schools until such time as it can be properly developed in our regular schools."

MRS PLUMMER--SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION:

VOTED, That we request Mrs L Flora Plummer to attend the Sabbath School Convention, to be held in Sioux City, Iowa.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 21, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern, N Z Town, W E Howell, C S Longacre, F W Paap, W W Eastman, J L Shaw; also T E Bowen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

SELECTION AND TRAINING OF EDITORIAL TALENT:

The committee appointed to make recommendations looking to the selection and training of editorial talent made a report, which was adopted as follows:

Whereas, In the advance of the message urgent calls press in upon us for men of editorial ability to connect with our publishing houses in this country, and to respond to the call from the mission fields for men of editorial talent; and,--

Whereas, There are comparatively few skillful editors among us to meet the growing needs which the world-wide work in many different languages requires; and,--

Whereas, No adequate plan for the selection and training of men who give promise of possessing editorial talent has ever been made; therefore,--

We recommend, 1. That the presidents of our colleges and junior colleges, and also the Bible and English teachers in these schools, as well as other members of the faculty, be encouraged to seek out young people who give indication of having editorial ability.

2. That as far as possible and practicable, such young people be given opportunity to exercise this talent in connection with editorial work done in the college.

3. That these young people also be encouraged to develop their editorial talent by contributing articles to the Review, Instructor, Little Friend, and other papers.

4. That the secretary of the General Conference list such prospective editors and keep in touch with them.

5. That the secretary of the General Conference also obtain a list from the conferences and unions of such field workers as may be thought might become editors.

6. That in view of the fact that four of the periodicals published by the Review and Herald, are edited by General Conference Department Secretaries, we recommend that in securing stenographic help for such departments, efforts be made to get young men who give promise of developing into editors, and that they be encouraged to come with this in view.

7. That the Review and Herald, Pacific Press, Southern Publishing Association, and the Brookfield Branch, be asked to receive into their editorial departments one or more prospective editors whom the General Conference may select, and that they be given the best opportunity possible for developing in editorial lines.

8. That the financial arrangements for persons thus selected and put in training be left for adjustment between each publishing house and the General Conference Committee.

9. That we ask all our leading publishing houses in other lands to cooperate with us in carrying out the intent and purpose of these recommendations.

10. That early in 1919 an Editorial Convention be held at such time and place as the General Conference Committee may designate, which all the editors and associate editors, and others who may be designated by the Committee, connected with our large publishing houses in North America, be invited to attend.

WEST INDIAN UNION TRAINING SCHOOL:

A letter from Prof C B Hughes, regarding the location of the school in Jamaica, was read to the Committee.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to advance \$9,000 to the West Indian Union Training School, with the understanding that the West Indian Union and the Jamaica Conference will use all despatch in the sale of the Kingston and Riversdale properties, and from the returns from these sales and other resources available will reimburse the General Conference treasury for the moneys now advanced.

W I MONTAYNE--OUTFITTING:

VOTED, To allow W I Montayne the usual outfitting allowance of \$200.

H H HALL TO THE ORIENT:

The secretary of the Publishing Department presented the following recommendations relative to H H Hall's proposed trip to the Orient, which were adopted:

Whereas, Word has come that H H Hall is planning to sail for the Orient in February to visit our mission publishing centers in those fields in the interests of the Foreign Department of the Pacific Press; and,--

Whereas, Brother Hall's long experience in connection with our publishing work will enable him to give valuable counsel and advice to our publishing boards in the Far East,--

We recommend, That as Brother Hall visits these publishing houses, he give special study to the matter of their equipment, stocks, personnel, operating funds, cost accounting, methods of billing, nature of literature being issued, etc., etc., and that he report his findings to the secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department.

That he also send a statement of what he considers the most urgent needs of the publishing work in those fields.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SIXTY-NINTH MEETING .

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

College View, Nebraska, November 24, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, R A Underwood, M Lukens, J W Christian, F W Paap, L H Christian, Wm Guthrie, W W Eastman, M E Kern.

H S SHAW TO OKLAHOMA:

VOTED, That we invite the Pacific Union Conference to release H S Shaw, to take the presidency of the Oklahoma Conference.

D W DILLON TO LAKE UNION:

VOTED, That we request the Southeastern Union to release D W Dillon to take the field secretaryship of the Lake Union Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
M E KERN, Sec'y pro tem.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., November 25, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble, W E Howell, Otto John, C S Longacre, N Z Town, Mrs L Flora Plummer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by Dr W A Ruble.

W I MONTAYNE TO POTO RICO:

A letter was presented from W I Montayne, stating that he expected soon to be released from the army, and would

then be ready to take up work somewhere in the cause. He was previously under appointment to Porto Rico, but owing to his place in the draft his appointment was canceled.

VOTED, That in view of the probable early release of W I Montayne from the army, we recommend that he go to Porto Rico as secretary-treasurer of that mission.

Letters from W A Spicer to the treasurer and secretary were read to the Committee. These letters spoke of the good meetings being held in Australia, and of the encouraging advancement of the work in various lines. Recommendations were made of workers to answer calls in India. Frank S Butler was recommended to go to India as assistant secretary-treasurer of the union, and Nelson Burns to take evangelistic work.

FRANK S BUTLER TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we authorize the appointment of Frank S Butler, of Australia, to India, as assistant secretary-treasurer.

NELSON BURNS TO INDIA:

VOTED, That we authorize the appointment of Nelson Burns as evangelist for city work in India.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 27, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble, N Z Town, G B Thompson, Mrs L Flora Plummer, C S Longacre, Otto John; also L A Hansen.

INTENSIVE TRAINING AND EUROPEAN RELIEF:

VOTED, That the two offerings, one for the Intensive Training work and the other for European Relief, be combined and taken on February 22, the date set for the offering for European Relief.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

College View, Nebr., November 28, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A C Daniels, L H Christian, J W Christian,
R A Underwood, Wm Guthrie, W W Eastman, F W Paap, M E Kern;
also J W Mace, J S James, W C Raley, W L Adams, J L McConaughy,
H K Chrisman, V O Panches, E R Pctter, J A Stevens, H H Hall,
R L Pierce, J W Herlinger, Rollo Terren, J B Locken, O R Staines.

HOME MISSIONARY SECRETARY:

The meeting of the Committee was called, together with union home missionary secretaries and representatives of the publishing work, for the purpose of considering the question of a general secretary for the Home Missionary Department, and such assistants as may be thought necessary. Various suggestions were made, but it was found that practically all present were agreed on selecting Elder L H Christian as general secretary. Favorable consideration was also given to the name of W I. Adams as field secretary for the western half of the United States and Canada.

The members of the General Conference Committee present gave further consideration to the question and reported favorably, and it was therefore--

VOTED, That L H Christian be invited to take the secretaryship of the Home Missionary Department.

VOTED, That W L Adams be appointed field secretary for the Home Missionary Department for the western part of the United States and Canada.

GEORGE BELLEAU TO CANADA:

VOTED, That George Belleau be asked to labor in the French work in the Eastern Canadian Union Conference.

JOHN KNOX TO SOUTH TEXAS:

VOTED, To ask the Southeastern California Conference to release Elder John Knox, for work in the South Texas Conference.

W F MARTIN:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union be requested to release W F Martin, to take the assistant secretaryship of the Religious Liberty Department, for the western part of the United States and Canada.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
M E KERN, Sec'y pro tem.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., December 2, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, G B Thompson,
W E Howell, C S Longacre; also L A Hansen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

F H RALEY TO EASTERN ASIA:

A letter was presented from C C Crisler, containing a recommendation from the Eastern Asia Committee, requesting that F H Raley, of the Pacific Press, be secured as secretary-treasurer of the Japan-Chosen-Manchuria Union Conference.

VOTED, That we request the Pacific Press to release F H Raley, to answer the call to Eastern Asia, to act as secretary-treasurer of the Japan-Chosen-Manchuria Union Conference.

L W MELENDY TO INDIA:

A letter was presented from L W Melendy, who was previously under appointment to India for treatment room work, but was detained from going owing to his classification in the draft. He offered himself again for appointment.

VOTED, That we renew the invitation to L W Melendy and wife to go to India for treatment room work.

C A HANSEN--STEMPLE WHITE:

Letters from C F McVagh and G H Skinner told of the need for Brother Hansen's services in Winnipeg, and of their willingness to release him if some one was found to take his place. The name of Stemple White, of Minneapolis, was suggested.

VOTED, That in view of the need of an evangelist in the city of Winnipeg, we are agreeable to the transfer of C A Hansen to the Minnesota Conference, in exchange for Stemple White or such other evangelistic help as shall be acceptable to the Western Canadian Union and the Manitoba Conference.

A E IVERSON TO MALAYSIA:

A letter was presented from A E Iverson, again offering his services for work in Malaysia, his previous appointment having been taken up owing to his classification in the draft.

VOTED, That we request the Southeastern Union Conference to release A E Iverson to answer the call to Eastern Asia, as secretary-treasurer of Malaysia.

VOTED, That Miss Sarah E Peck be added to the Educational Department Committee.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 5, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, Dr W A Ruble, W E Howell,
W W Eastman; also C B Haynes, T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

COMMITTEE ON MISSION ESTIMATES:

A letter was presented from the Committee of Reference and Counsel, stating that the government had asked that a statement concerning the missionary activities and investments in each of the areas to be considered at the Peace Table be made available. This information is to be available to the official representatives of the United States. Similar action has been taken by the Federation of Mission Boards in Great Britain. Each board is requested to gather actual figures dealing with the financial investment in the lands to be considered, that is, throughout eastern Europe and the whole non-Christian world.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to gather such information regarding our mission work as shall seem advisable,

Named: J L Shaw, W T Knox, H E Rogers.

COLORED WORKER FOR PACIFIC COAST:

The secretary of the Negro Department, W H Green, met with the Committee, and placed before them the need of a strong colored worker for the Pacific Coast. The president of the Pacific Union, he stated, urged that suitable help be provided. The name of G P Rodgers was mentioned as being a suitable man to take this work, but no action was taken.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 6, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, B G Wilkinson, J L Shaw, N Z Town,
W E Howell, C S Longacre, W W Eastman; also C B Haynes.

Prayer by B G Wilkinson.

LE ROY B DYE--REVIEW AND HERALD:

The secretary of the Publishing Department brought before the Committee the name of Le Roy B Dye as a suitable candidate for printing work in a mission field. He stated that the Review and Herald were agreeable to giving Brother Dye employment preparatory to answering a call for his services in a mission field.

VOTED, That we ask Le Roy B Dye to connect with the Review and Herald Publishing House, for the purpose of receiving further training with a view to appointment to a mission field.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING**GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

December 12, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, J L Shaw,
Dr W A Ruble, Otto John, G A Roberts, F W Paap, F M Wilcox;
also L A Hansen, T E Bowen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by G A Roberts.

G A Roberts, president of the West Indian Union Conference, met with the Committee to consider items pertaining to the work in the West Indies.

W R WHITE--SECRETARY W I U:

VOTED, That we recommend that W R White continue to act as secretary-treasurer of the West Indian Union Conference, locating in Jamaica, with the understanding that the West Indian Union will arrange such other work for him in addition as he may be able to do.

TEACHER FOR W I U TRAINING SCHOOL:

In the development of the plans for the conduct of the West Indian Union training school, it has been found that another teacher will be necessary to carry on the work.

Two policies were outlined, one to give primary consideration to the development of the farm, the other to making the training of young people for the work the first consideration.

VOTED, That we recommend that the West Indian Union training school be conducted primarily as a training school to educate and train young people for the work, and that the development of the farm and other industries be a secondary consideration; further, that the equivalent of the salary of a teacher be appropriated to the school.

WEST INDIAN UNION CONFERENCE SESSION:

G A Roberts stated that owing to the difficulty in getting about in the West Indian Union, and the fact that several men were new in their work, it seemed inadvisable to hold a union conference session this coming year, as recommended at the time of the General Conference in San Francisco.

VOTED, That owing to the likelihood of its being impossible to provide general help for the West Indian Union Conference meeting, we recommend that the session of the West Indian Union Conference, the Jamaica Conference, and the South Caribbean be postponed one year.

LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

A letter was received from the War Department, in reply to a letter addressed to the Secretary of War, regarding the formation of a Non-combatant Unit of the S.A.T.C.

VOTED, That this letter from the War Department be spread on the Minutes.

"War Department,
Washington.

November 9, 1918.

"Office of the
Third Assistant Secretary.

"President A.G. Daniells,
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists,
Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.

"My dear Sir:

"Replying to your letter of November 6, addressed to the Secretary of War, I beg to say that there is no provision for non-combatant units of the Students' Army Training Corps,

nor could any provision be made for deferring the call of members of the freshman class in the Loma Linda Medical College under the present Selective Service Regulations.

"Owing to the uncertainty of the present situation it has been deemed advisable to undertake no new construction at this time for the purpose of housing members of the Students' Army Training Corps. Members of the Medical Enlisted Reserve Corps in attendance at the Loma Linda Medical College will, therefore, not be transferred for the present.

"The number of students at the Loma Linda Medical College, especially in view of the fact that members of the Medical Enlisted Reserve are not at present to be transferred, is insufficient to warrant the establishment of a unit of the Students' Army Training Corps at that institution.

"Yours very truly,
 Albert A. Henry,
 Captain U.S.A. Unassigned,
 for the Third Assistant Secretary
 of War."

V E TOPPENBERG TO SOUTH AFRICA:

VCTED, That we invite V E Toppenberg to go to South Africa at the close of the present school year, immediate application to be made for permit for him to enter that country, it being understood that he will take up work in South Africa until such time as it shall seem advisable for him to go on to East Africa.

TEACHERS FOR SOUTH AFRICA:

A letter was presented from W B White, asking for two men for South Africa, one to take charge of a training school in Kaffirland, the other for the Belgian Congo.

VCTED, To ask the Educational Department to recommend two teachers suitable for the work in South Africa.

DR JOHN REITH TO SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we renew our invitation to Dr John Reith to go to South Africa, to take charge of the Sanitarium at Plumstead.

G L GULBRANDSON TO MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we ask the Northern Union to secure the release of G L Gulbrandson, and that we invite him to go to Malaysia to take charge of the printing house there.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
 J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 18, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, Dr W A Ruble,
C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, Otto John; also L A Hansen.

FREE TUITION AT LOS ANGELES:

VOTED, That we request the Board of the Loma
Linda College of Medical Evangelists to give free tuition in the
Hospital Dispensary at Los Angeles to such persons as are under
appointment to foreign fields, until further definite arrangements
are made.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
L A HANSEN, Sec'y pro tem.

SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 19, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, N Z Town,
C S Longacre, Otto John, Dr W A Ruble, G A Roberts, W E Howell,
Dr H W Miller; also C B Haynes.

VOTED, That L H Christian be asked to attend
the workers' meeting at Toronto, Canada, December 27 to January 5.

APPROPRIATION TO INDIAN SCHOOL:

VOTED, To appropriate \$750 for the Navajo Indian
work, to provide a dining room for the Navajo Indian Mission.

DANISH-NORWEGIAN CHURCH:

VOTED, To ratify the action taken by members of
the Committee in Chicago, December 10, relating to the sale of the
Danish-Norwegian church in Brooklyn, which action reads as
follows:

"Voted, That we advise that the question of the sale of the Danish-Norwegian church in Brooklyn be left to the Greater New York Conference, in counsel with W T Knox or some representative from the General Conference, and that if sold the money and interest be deposited with the General Conference, to be held for investment in another church building."

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
C B HAYNES, Sec'y pro tem

SEVENTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 19, 1918, 2;30 P.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, F M Wilcox, C S Longacre, Dr W A Ruble, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, Dr H W Miller, G A Roberts, W E Howell, W W Eastman; also C B Haynes, E G Fulton.

REST HOME FOR INCA UNION MISSION:

A request was presented from South America for means with which to establish a rest home at a lower altitude for our workers in the Inca Union Mission.

VOTED, That word be sent to O Montgomery authorizing the immediate construction of a rest home for the workers of the Inca Union Mission, the cost to be approximately \$2,000; and that an extra appropriation covering this amount be allowed the South American field.

W H ANDERSON--LOS ANGELES:

VOTED, That W H Anderson be advised to remain in Los Angeles in connection with the Hospital and Dispensary until definite word is received regarding his booking for Africa.

BONUS TO WORKERS IN ASIATIC FIELD:

A request was presented in the form of an action taken by the Asiatic brethren in Shanghai in formal committee,

asking us to appropriate to Korea and Japan a sufficient amount to give their workers a bonus of twenty per cent,

VOTED, That we appropriate to Korea and Japan a sufficient amount of money to give to their foreign workers a bonus of 20% from July 1, 1918 on, and a like amount for all of 1919; and 25% for the native workers, covering the same period; and that to the Malaysian and Philippine Unions there be for the same period extra appropriations allowed equivalent to 10% for their foreign and native workers; the same to be taken from a special trust fund.

SWEDISH SEMINARY:

A request was presented from L H Christian, that the General Conference provide dollar for dollar as the Swedish brethren may provide, for their Seminary building, up to the amount of \$15,000 each. It was pointed out that this money would have to be obtained by appeals to individuals.

VOTED, That the request be granted.

SOUTH AFRICAN GENERAL MEETING:

A cable was received from W B White, asking for help at their union conference meeting.

VOTED, That E E Andross be requested to arrange to go from India to attend the session of the South African Union Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
C HAMER, Sec'y pro tem.

SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 23, 1918

P R E S E N T L

A G Daniells, W T Knox, E L Maxwell, J L Shaw,
N Z Town, G B Thompson, Dr W A Ruble, C S Longacre, G A Roberts,
O M John, F M Wilcox; also J W MacNeil.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

DELEGATION TO EUROPE:

VOTED, That the officers constitute a committee to recommend the names of representatives to visit Europe this coming spring.

DATE OF VISIT TO EUROPE:

VOTED, That we notify the brethren in Europe that the delegation from the General Conference will not be able to leave this country before the first of May, and request them not to appoint definite dates for meetings until the exact date of leaving the States is decided upon.

W F MARTIN--FIELD SECRETARY

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That W F Martin be appointed field secretary of the Religious Liberty Department for the western part of the United States and Western Canada, with the understanding that the Pacific and the North Pacific Unions will pay his salary and the General Conference his expenses.

VOTED, That inasmuch as W F Martin will give a large share of his time to the work west of the Rocky Mountains, we ask the Pacific and North Pacific Unions to advise him as to where to locate.

VOTED, That the salary rate of W F Martin be \$22.00 a week.

TWENTY-FIVE-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

SOUTHERN AND SOUTHEASTERN UNIONS:

Inasmuch as the Southern and Southeastern Unions desire to raise their standard of foreign mission offerings from twenty to twenty-five cents a week,

VOTED, That we recommend that the standard of foreign mission offerings for the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences be raised to the same standard as other union conferences, namely, twenty-five cents a week per capita, with the understanding that this standard be maintained for the future, the same as other union conferences; and further, that we suggest to these unions the advisability of a change of the goal for the weekly offerings of the colored people to such an amount as it may be possible for them to reach.

SOUTH AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS:

The treasurer presented a letter from the brethren in South America, setting forth the advisability of

purchasing land at this time for the headquarters of the South American division of the field, inasmuch as property values are down in Buenos Aires. Request was made that permission be granted them to use trust funds for the purchase of such land.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to state to the South American brethren our willingness that they should purchase land for a headquarters, provided the money is raised in the field and that no trust funds are used for the purpose.

"REVIEW AND HERALD" FOR WEST INDIES:

G A Roberts, president of the West Indian Union Conference, presented to the Committee the importance of placing the Review in the churches in the West Indian Union Conference. He stated that previous efforts to get the paper in the different churches had not succeeded, and suggested the advisability of the West Indian Union appropriating from their funds for this purpose.

VOTED, That we place the suggestion of G A Roberts regarding the Review for the brethren in the West Indies in the hands of a committee to bring in recommendation.

Named: N Z Town, G A Roberts, L W Graham.

EVANGELIST FOR CAROLINA:

J V MacNeil, president of the Carolina Conference, laid before the Committee the need of evangelists for city work in his conference. It was his opinion that funds were available for the support of two ministers if two men adapted to evangelistic work in the cities could be secured. The names of R S Fries, of California, and W K Smith, of Iowa, were mentioned.

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to secure the release of R S Fries, for city work in the Carolina Conference, if they are agreeable to his release.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 24, 1918

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, F M Wilcox, N Z Town, G B Thompson,
J L Shaw, W T Knox, W W Eastman, Mrs L F Plummer, G A Roberts,
E L Maxwell, E R Palmer; also H E Rogers, C B Haynes, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

WEST INDIAN UNION--BOOKS:

G A Roberts, of the West Indian Union, presented a request that various chapters of "Great Controversy" and "Early Writings" be published in separate form, so that they may be handled singly in order that families in the West Indies may be able to purchase them and have the messages which these chapters contain.

VOTED, That we request the trustees of the Ellen G White Estate to give favorable consideration to the publication of certain chapters of "Great Controversy" and "Early Writings" as desired by the West Indian Union Conference.

HELEN KNIGHT TO ARGENTINA:

A letter was presented from South America, requesting that Miss Helen Knight be sent to act as preceptress of the Camarero school, and that Miss Nora Davis, formerly of that field, be returned to take up Bible work.

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to secure the release of Miss Helen Knight, to respond to the call from South America to act as preceptress of the Camarero school.

VOTED, That we invite Miss Nora Davis to return to South America to engage in Bible work.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add sufficient to the appropriation to South America to provide for the transportation of Misses Knight and Davis to their respective fields.

SPANISH SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS:

The secretary of the Sabbath School Department presented a request from the South American Division Committee for the manuscript for the Sabbath school lessons to be provided in time for the publishing house in Buenos Aires to publish the

lessons in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, and get them to the various fields so that they could be studied at the same time the lessons are used in the English-speaking fields. The request stated that it would be necessary for the manuscript to be in the hands of the printers at least six or eight months before the lessons are to be used.

Voted, That in view of the practical impossibility of the Sabbath School Department furnishing the manuscript for the Sabbath School Lesson Quarterly at a longer time in advance of its use than they are now doing, we recommend to the Buenos Aires publishing house that the lessons be printed for use in outlying Spanish and Portuguese fields not less than three months after they are used in the English-speaking fields; and that in case the lessons can not be ready for use in all Spanish and Portuguese fields not later than three months after they are used in the English fields, we recommend that the Spanish lesson quarterlies be published in North America.

SPANISH MISSIONS QUARTERLY:

The Sabbath School Department finds it difficult to get up-to-date matter for the Missions Quarterly out a sufficient time in advance to be sent on to Buenos Aires to be published for the Spanish fields.

VOTED, That in view of the Sabbath School Department's inability to get up-to-date matter for the Missions Quarterly long enough in advance to send to South America for publication, we recommend that the Missions Quarterly in Spanish be published in North America.

YEAR BOOK MATTER:

The Statistical Secretary placed before the Committee the material which had been prepared, representing different sections of the field, and asked counsel as to how the matter should appear in the Year Book.

VOTED, That the officers, with E R Palmer and N Z Town be a committee to give consideration to the question as to how the material representing different divisions of the field should appear in the Year Book.

RAISING SPECIAL FUNDS:

Recommendations were presented from the Northern Union Conference relative to the raising of funds for work outside the fields in which the money is raised. The chairman stated the difficulty and perplexity in which some of the unions find themselves owing to the demands made upon them for men to enter their conferences to raise special funds for use in other conferences.

VOTED, That the recommendations relative to the raising of funds in the Northern Union Conference be referred to a committee of three for further consideration.

Named: W T Knox, E R Palmer, AG Daniells.

A letter was presented from W H Branson, speaking of plans of the Southeastern Union relative to the raising of funds in the unions in the north for the Ooltewah school.

VOTED, That owing to the present world situation and the heavy demands which have been made for funds, we request the Southern and Southeastern union conferences to defer entering conferences in the North to raise funds for the Ooltewah school until after the time of the spring council.

LITERATURE BY PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS:

Recommendations from the Northern Union Conference relative to the preparation and circulation of literature by private individuals were given consideration, and referred to the following committee: F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, G B Thompson.

DOLLAR A DAY EXPENSE:

Recommendations from the Northern Union were presented relative to the expense allowance to workers of one dollar a day while traveling, and consideration was given to the same. After discussion it was--

VOTED, That the recommendations of the Northern Union be referred to the treasurer and E R Palmer for the purpose of amplifying the recommendations passed by the General Conference Committee, and making them adaptable to meet the needs of workers in different lines of work.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 26, 1918, 10 A M

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town,
W W Eastman, G A Roberts, F M Wilcox, M E Kern, G B Thompson,
Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, L H Christian, C S Longacre, E L
Maxwell; also C B Haynes, T E Bowen, L A Hansen, W C Sisley.

Prayer by W C Sisley;

GILBERT L KNOX TO INDIA:

A letter was presented from Walter Mead, setting forth the necessity of his returning to America at as early a date as possible, and urging that some one be secured to take his place in the publishing house in Lucknow.

VOTED, To invite Gilbert L Knox, of Berrien Springs, to go to India, to take charge of the printing office at Lucknow, provided further investigation makes it seem advisable.

E G FRANKLIN TO ONTARIO:

Request was presented from the president of the Ontario Conference for E G Franklin to engage in work among the Indian people.

VOTED, To ask E G Franklin to respond to the call to work among the Indians in Ontario.

FLOYD ASHBAUGH RELEASED:

A letter was presented from Brother Ashbaugh, telling of the unfavorable medical report in the case of his wife, and passing on the doctor's recommendation that she should not go to the tropics at least for the present.

VOTED, That Floyd Ashbaugh and wife be released from the appointment to the Philippines.

E T WILSON TO THE SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

VOTED, That in view of the inadvisability of E T Wilson's remaining in Cuba, owing to the condition of his wife's health, we recommend him to take up work in the Southeastern Union Conference.

MISSIONARY CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That missionary credentials be granted to Miss Sarah Peck.

VOTED, That missionary credentials be granted to Dr J Vinton Scott and wife.

EDITORS CHURCH OFFICERS' GAZETTE:

A recommendation was presented from the Review and Herald Board that T E Bowen be appointed editor of the Church Officers' Gazette, and L H Christian and M E Kern associate editors.

VOTED, That we concur in the recommendation of the Review and Herald Board, and appoint T E Bowen editor of the Church Officers' Gazette, and L H Christian and M E Kern associate editors.

SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY FOR COLORADO:

The secretary of the Sabbath School Department presented a request for a Sabbath School and Educational Secretary for the Colorado Conference.

VOTED, That the selection of a secretary for the Sabbath School and Educational work of the Colorado Conference be referred to a committee consisting of Mrs Plummer, M E Kern, and Otto John.

. Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 26, 1918, 2:30 P M

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, M E Kern, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, N Z Town, F W Paap, W W Eastman, Mrs L F Plummer, G A Roberts, C S Longacre, L H Christian, B G Wilkinson, E L Maxwell; also L A Hansen, C B Haynes.

Prayer by L H Christian.

MORTGAGE ON PROPERTY:

VOTED, That the General Conference Corporation be authorized to take a mortgage on the Lot 11 and the west half of Lot 12 in Block 8 of Lipscomb & Earnest, Trustees, Addition to Takoma Park, to the amount of \$4,500.

DANISH-NORWEGIAN CHURCH:

Further consideration was given to the question of disposing of the Danish-Norwegian church building in New York City. The treasurer stated to the Committee that this church is located in an Italian community, and that while there is no Italian constituency at the present time in that section, Brother Schilling has plans in view for the opening of an effort among the Italian people, and this church would make a suitable center for such an effort. It was suggested that it might be well to retain the Danish-Norwegian church building at least for the present, and allow it to be used by the Scandinavian brethren and for the Italian work as well.

VOTED, That we recommend that the Danish-Norwegian church building in Brooklyn be retained at least for the present.

M E OLSEN TO WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

B G Wilkinson, president of the Columbia Union Conference, stated that at a meeting of the Washington College Board it had seemed advisable to make some changes in the College for the coming year, and the Board wished to make request that Prof M E Olsen, of South Lancaster Junior College, be invited to take the presidency of the College.

VOTED, That we ask the Atlantic Union Conference and the South Lancaster Junior College Board to release Prof M E Olsen, to take the presidency of the Washington Missionary College for the year 1919--20.

W B PARKINS TO CUBA:

VOTED, That we renew the invitation to W B Parkins to engage in the colporteur work in Cuba.

"REVIEW" FOR WEST INDIES:

The committee on the Review and Herald for the church elders in the West Indian Union made the following report, which was adopted:

"Your sub-committee appointed to devise means of placing the Review and Herald in possession of each church and company in the West Indian Union Conference respectfully submit the following:

"1. That the Review and Herald Publishing Association open an account with the West Indian Union Conference covering subscriptions to the churches and organized companies in the West Indian Union.

"2. That the conferences and mission fields of the Union open a 'Review' fund, and that it be given place on the weekly collection envelop used in the union, and that campaigns be conducted in its behalf.

"3. That any deficit at the end of the year be handled by the union, in consultation with the General Conference Committee."

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 27, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, L H Christian, J L Shaw, W W Eastman,
N Z Town, O M John, E L Maxwell, F M Wilcox, B G Wilkinson,
C S Longacre, M E Kern; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by M E Kern.

S J RUSKJER--FIELD SECRETARY HOME MISSIONARY DEPT:

VOTED, That we ask the Northern Union Conference to release S J Ruskjer, to take the field secretaryship of the Home Missionary Department for the western part of the United States and Canada.

D D FITCH TO VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That we ask D D Fitch and wife, of Porto Rico, to make Venezuela their field of labor, with the understanding that the appropriation for Venezuela will be increased sufficiently to pay their transportation and salary.

COLPORTEUR FOR HONDURAS:

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to secure a colporteur to take charge of the book work in Honduras.

S C HANNON TO HAITI:

VOTED, To ask the Lake Union Conference to secure the release of S C Hannon, to answer the call to Haiti, if after investigation family and other conditions make it seem advisable to send him.

E L MAXWELL--SALARY RATE:

VOTED, That the salary rate of E L Maxwell be \$23 a week, with a 20% bonus.

L A HANSEN:

VOTED, That L A Hansen be appointed a member of the General Conference Committee.

VOTED, That L A Hansen be ordained to the gospel ministry, and granted ministerial credentials.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That L H Christian, J W Mace and Sarah E Peck be appointed members of the Missionary Volunteer Department Committee.

S E KELLMAN--ORDINATION:

VOTED, That we recommend that S E Kellman be ordained to the gospel ministry.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
December 29, 1918

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, L H Christian, J L Shaw, F M Wilcox,
M E Kern, O M John, G A Roberts; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen.
Prayer by O M John.

MAX TRUMMER TO SPANISH WORK:

VOTED, To ask Max Trummer and wife to take up work among the Spanish-speaking people in the United States.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.