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MINUTES OF MEETINGS  
OF THE  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
January 2--29, 1920

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## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 2, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, M E Kern, C V Leach, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer, R D Quinn, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

## REPORT OF EUROPEAN COUNCIL:

Report of conditions in Europe, of actions at the council, and of general European observations were made by Brethren Daniells, Knox and Spicer.

VOTED, That we approve of the calls for help made by the council in Europe.

## CONFERENCE RE CALLS FROM EUROPE:

VOTED, That we invite Elders L H Christian, A V Olson, P E Broderson and G E Nord to meet in Washington, Thursday morning, January 8, for conference regarding the calls from Europe for their services.

It was agreed that wires should be sent to E E Andros and W E Howell, just leaving California, so that they may come straight through and be able to attend this special Committee meeting.

## W H BRANSON AND S E WIGHT:

It was stated that both Brethren Wight and Branson of the Southern and Southeastern Unions, had desired to see the Committee at the office on various matters.

It was therefore agreed to invite them to bring on their questions at this week-end session of the Committee.

Adjourned.

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



## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 4, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman, M E Kern, C V Leach, J L Shaw, L A Hansen, R D Quinn, C B Thompson, W A Spicer, F H Robbins, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, also T E Bowen and H H Cobban.

Prayer by R D Quinn.

## J SIMON--LAKE UNION SESSION:

By request of the Missionary Volunteer Department, it was--

VOTED, That we invite J Simon, of that department, to be the representative of the department at the Lake Union session instead of Elder Meade MacGuire.

## J S JAMES--SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That we ask the Central Union Conference to release Elder J S James, and that he be invited to connect with the Sabbath School Department as field secretary of the department, and that we ask the Central Union to grant as a special favor, if possible, that Brother James may attend the Lake Union Conference session, it being understood otherwise that he continues with the Central Union until the union conference session.

## MRS PLUMMER--LAKE UNION SESSION:

VOTED, That we ask Mrs L F Plummer to attend the Lake Union Conference meeting.

## C V LEACH--CAROLINA MEETING:

VOTED, That we approve of the acceptance by C V Leach, of the Home Missionary Department, of the invitation to attend the church officers' and conference workers' meeting in the Carolina Conference in January.

## W W EASTMAN--CONVENTIONS:

VOTED, That we advise W W Eastman to attend the Lake, Southeastern and Southwestern Union bookmen's convention.



## FAMILY STRANDED IN PITTSBURGH:

F H Robbins, of the Columbia Union, asked counsel regarding a family which had started from California as self-supporting workers on the way to South America. The family had been stranded in Pittsburgh, and were without means, and apparently, with one aged member and others physically disabled, are not able to care for themselves. Inasmuch as they brought recommendations from their church in California, it was--

VOTED, To advise the Columbia Union to arrange transportation for the family to return to California, to the church from which they came, and that we ask the Pacific Union, under the circumstances, to share with the Columbia Union in the expense of returning this family to their former community, where evidently they were able to care for themselves.

## INDIA ORGANIZATION:

By request of Elder J E Fulton, of the India Division, reply to questions submitted in his letter was made by cable, as follows: "James declines. Proceed organization. Approve arrangements Wellman."

## F A ALLUM--FURLOUGH:

On receipt of information from Eastern Asia that Elder F A Allum and family had gone to Australia for the regular furlough, Elder Allum furthermore being in rather a poor state of health, the Committee felt to join the East Asian brethren in urging Brother Allum to use every occasion of the furlough for regaining health and strength, in order that his so greatly needed services may be continued in China, and it was--

VOTED, That we continue F A Allum his regular salary during the time of his furlough period in Australia.

## C P LILLIE:

On report of the Far Eastern Division that C P Lillie, returning to China, was robbed of \$190 en route, it was--

VOTED, That owing to the fact that in returning to China with his family, C P Lillie has no margin of resources by which to make up this extraordinary loss, a special appropriation be made of this amount to Elder Lillie.

## F H RALEY AND C PETERSON:

VOTED, That the rate of F H Raley, recently connecting with the accounting department in the General Conference office, be placed at \$23.40 a week.



VOTED, That the rate of Chris Peterson, appointed treasurer for the European sub-treasury, be \$23.40 a week while in the United States doing special work in preparation for his duties in Europe.

# REVIEW AND HERALD CANADIAN BRANCH:

Time was given to representatives of the Review and Herald to submit their findings regarding location of the Canadian Branch of the Review and Herald. By means of maps the location on a portion of the Oshawa school farm was pointed out. The office had found, however, that future development would be cramped unless certain pieces of land adjoining were secured. Moreover, it was well understood that the moment the printing work was begun, land prices immediately adjoining would greatly increase. In counsel with the brethren in Canada, the Review and Herald had therefore expended something over \$20,000 in purchasing adjoining lands, portions of which will be available for school industries, and which all were agreed would be very valuable for the future of the work in Canada.

VOTED, That we approve of the decision of the brethren in Canada to locate the Review and Herald plant on a portion of the Oshawa school property, and that we believe the brethren were well advised in securing more land for the united enterprise which is expected to grow with the growth of the work in the Dominion.

Adjourned.

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

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## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 5, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson,  
J L Shaw, M E Kern, W W Eastman, F H Robbins, C V Leach, C S  
Longacre, L A Hansen, R D Quinn, W A Spicer, E R Palmer, W W  
Prescott.

Prayer by L A Hansen.



## NEW YORK CHURCH ENTERPRISE:

Time was given to the consideration of a proposition which the Greater New York Conference and the Atlantic Union were desirous of bringing to the attention of the Committee. It has long been known that much loss to the evangelistic work in Greater New York has come from the lack hitherto of any permanent place of meeting. The New York brethren submitted the proposition of entering negotiations for a church building, with large meeting hall attached, which they feel would fit their needs, and which seems in the market at a price within their ultimate reach, provided loans could be secured from those having means to meet initial payments in binding contracts.

While negotiations have not as yet been entered into, and the last facts as to the best terms have not been submitted, it was agreed informally on information presented that the members of the Committee in Washington are friendly to the enterprise, and feel that our brethren are warranted in entering upon the matter in the hope that this may be a solution of the years-long problem of a place of meeting of our own for Manhattan and the Bronx.

## OFFICE ROOMS:

The treasurer brought up the question of assigning office rooms to new workers in the General Conference, and adjusting places of work generally, and it was--

VOTED, To appoint as a committee, W T Knox, A G Daniells and W A Spicer, to make recommendations regarding arrangement of office rooms between the different departments.

## C C MATTISON RELEASED:

Report was presented, with a letter from C C Mattison, of Oklahoma, invited to China, showing that the medical certificate was not favorable to Sister Mattison's appointment to such a field.

VOTED, To release C C Mattison from the appointment to secretary and treasurer work in China.

## J D LESLIE--MEXICO:

Letters were received from N Z Town, stating that he had information that J D Leslie, of Corpus Christi, Texas, near the Mexican border, had been in correspondence with G W Caviness, of Mexico, with reference to taking charge of the book work in Mexico, and had expressed his readiness to do so. While thus Professor Caviness had gone the correspondence personally, without waiting for the usual method of procedure, Brother Town advised that we concur and take the matter up with the Southwestern Union, owing to the great need in Mexico.



VOTED, That we ask the Southwestern Union to arrange for the release, if possible, of J D Leslie, of Corpus Christi, Texas, and that he be invited to respond to the call from Mexico to connect with the work in that field as field missionary secretary.

R W PARMELE--CARIBBEAN MISSION:

VOTED, That we suggest to R W Parmele possible appointment to the oversight of the Caribbean Spanish missions, subject to arrangement with C E Knight to go to Europe, according to the invitation of the European council.

L E WELLMAN:

On receipt of information from the Carolina Conference that they were discontinuing the services of L E Wellman, on account of financial inability, it was--

VOTED, That we place L E Wellman for the immediate present on the sustentation fund at the maximum rate, endeavoring to secure place for him in school work.

VOTED, That in view of the call from the West Caribbean Conference for a school teacher on San Andres Island, we present this opening before Brother L E Wellman.

MISS WAKEHAM--ENGLAND:

VOTED, That we meet the transportation of Miss Lois Wakeham, of Michigan, to England, she being under appointment by the British Union to East Africa on expiration of the furlough period of the young man to whom she is engaged.

MRS R W PAUL--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, That we authorize Mrs R W Paul, of California, under appointment to China, to make a visit to her mother in Michigan before proceeding to the field.

EDITORIAL HELP--REVIEW AND HERALD:

On suggestion of an action by the Review and Herald Board concerning the possibility of securing Walter Mead's services in the Review and Herald, it was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five on editorial help in the Review and Herald office, himself to be one.

Appointed: F M Wilcox, A G Daniells, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer.



## WALTER MEAD--MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

On information from the Missionary Volunteer Department that they had had Walter Mead under consideration for secretary work in some of the conferences, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend Walter Mead, formerly of India, to the Missionary Volunteer Department for appointment as Missionary Volunteer secretary at some important point.

## STENOGRAPHER--INDIA:

On receipt of a letter from J E Fulton, of India, that he had been in communication with Australia regarding stenographic help, it was--

VOTED, That we cable Australia to supply a stenographer to India, if possible.

## "OUR DAY"--SOUTH AMERICA:

The Committee had before it an appeal from South America to be allowed to bring out "Our Day" in Spanish in South America.

VOTED, That the South American Division be authorized to go forward with "Our Day" in the Spanish language, as desired.

## MOTORCYCLE--HONDURAS:

On request of Karl Snow, under appointment to Honduras, for the use of a motorcycle, it was--

VOTED, That we ask that all such applications be deferred and included in the call for next year's budget from the fields.

## PUBLISHING HOUSES AND WAGE SCALES:

The treasurer reported communications from the southern Publishing House and the Review and Herald regarding the necessity of revising wage scales under pressure of the high cost of living, and raising the question if in the field any changes were contemplated.

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to give consideration to and make recommendation regarding the request from these houses.

Named: W T Knox, Chas Thompson, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, W A Spicer.

Adjourned.

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



## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 6, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, Chas Thompson,  
W W Prescott, R D Quinn, W W Eastman, G B Thompson, C S Longacre  
F H Robbins, W A Spicer, L A Hansen, W H Green, F M Wilcox,  
C V Leach, E R Palmer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

## MRS BAHARIAN:

On information concerning Mrs Baharian, widow of  
Elder Z G Baharian, it was--

VOTED, That the rate of Mrs Baharian on the sus-  
tentation fund be \$9.60, plus bonus, this amount to be a charge  
against Europe, as agreed in the recent council there.

## H J SHELDON RELEASED:

Letter was presented from Prof H J Sheldon, ex-  
plaining conditions which make it impossible for him to accept  
a call to foreign fields at this time; however assuring the  
Committee that the South African call appealed strongly to him,  
and that he did not wish to be counted off the list of foreign  
field candidates when his present circumstances shall change.

VOTED, That we release H J Sheldon from the appoint-  
ment to the South African school work.

## WM PHILLIPS--SOUTH AMERICA:

The South American office having cabled for the  
delegation going to South America to bring with them the  
stenographic assistant under consideration, it was--

VOTED, That we feel the candidate should be con-  
tinued for further experience in the homeland before appoint-  
ment.

## I THEILIG DECLINES:

Letter was received from Prof. I Theilig, of Union  
College, explaining that he felt compelled to decline the call  
to the River Plate school on account of his wife's condition  
of health at the present time.



VOTED, That while we can not press Brother Theilig to accept at this time against his judgment, we urge him to keep the call of the fields in mind, in readiness to respond whenever at all consistent.

R F COTTRELL--FURLOUGH:

On receipt of information that R F Cottrell, of China, has arrived in this country and plans to locate in Southern California for the winter, it was--

VOTED, That a furlough rate of \$18.00 a week be granted to Brother Cottrell for the present.

GEO J APPEL--LOMA LINDA:

Letter was received from Geo J Appel, of College Place, under appointment to India, asking concerning the advisability of taking the six weeks' dispensary course at Loma Linda before going to the field.

VOTED, That while we do not wish Brother Appel to break connections with his present work until it is assured that permit is granted for India, we approve of arranging for the six weeks' dispensary course at Loma Linda before his departure for the field.

DOCTORS' EQUIPMENT:

In the case of three physicians and an experienced nurse under appointment to the mission field, communications were received from Dr P T Magan concerning some special appropriation for medical instruments.

VOTED, That W T Knox, L A Hansen and W A Spicer be a committee, with power to act, in the matter of arranging special appropriations needed for instrument equipment in such cases, and that they be asked to draw up a statement in such cases, making it clear that such equipment is the property of the mission field to which the appointees are sent, and not a personal matter.

S T JOHNSTON:

VOTED, That from November 1, Dr S T Johnston, of Loma Linda, be provided a waiting rate of \$18.00 a week for a reasonable time, while arrangements are being made for his departure to the Lake Titicaca field.

WAGE SCALE:

The committee appointed to give consideration to the requests from the Southern Publishing House and the



Review and Herald made a report, which was adopted as follows:

With reference to the appeals from these institutions for readjustment of wage rates, we advise that it does not seem possible at present to disturb the wage scale as adopted in full council in 1919, and therefore advise the Southern Publishing House and the Review and Herald to bring up lower rates in cases requiring consideration to meet the present requirements, taking care that the rates set shall not be out of harmony with the General Conference schedule.

J HERBOLTZHEIMER:

A letter was received from J Herbolztzheimer, formerly of Japan, stating that he was planning now to go on to Southern California. Inasmuch as Brother Herboltzheimer has been engaged in treatment room work, which work has been discontinued in Japan, and inasmuch as we find no record of any call from the Far East for Brother Herboltzheimer's return,--

VOTED, That we advise Brother J Herboltzheimer to plan to connect with institutional or treatment room work in this country rather than to return to Japan.

R A CALDWELL:

On receipt of information from S E Jackson, of the Philippine Union, that R A Caldwell, of the Philippines, was compelled to return to Australia without waiting for counsel, in view of the doctor's orders that his wife should return at once, it was--

VOTED, That R A Caldwell be granted in Australia six months furlough at \$18 a week.

Adjourned.

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

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## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 7, 1920

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## PRESENT:

Same as in previous meeting, with L H Christian, P E Broderson, G E Nord and A V Olson in addition.

Prayer by F H Robbins.

## HONDURAS BOOKMAN:

In response to an appeal from W E Lanier, it was--

VOTED, That under the circumstances of the need of a bookman in Honduras, we authorize the Publishing Department to secure such a man, allowing the Honduras treasury to retain such portion of their surplus for 1919 as may be required to meet this additional expense.

## VENEZUELA TREASURER:

In response to the call from Venezuela for a secretary-treasurer for the Caracas headquarters, it was--

VOTED, That inasmuch as J G Pettey, of Jamaica, has already a knowledge of the Spanish language, we ask the Jamaica Conference to release him, and invite him to proceed to Venezuela to take the secretary-treasurership of that field.

## CHAS DEGERING--JAMAICA:

In view of the fact that Chas Degering is now in Jamaica auditing their books, under appointment to proceed later to Trinidad, to take the secretary-treasurership of the South Caribbean Conference, and in view of the report from Brother Degering that he feels his wife would not endure the climate in the South Caribbean field, it was--

VOTED, That we release Chas Degering from appointment to Trinidad, and recommend him to the Jamaica Conference as secretary and treasurer, provided J G Pettey accepts the call to Venezuela.

## G D RAFF:

Action had been taken asking G D Raff, of Venezuela, to take general charge of the book work in the East Caribbean Spanish field. In view, however, of the needs in Venezuela, it was--



VOTED, That we advise G D Raff to continue his work in Venezuela until other provision can be made for that field.

#### C J BOYD--HUNTSVILLE:

The treasurer reported that arrangements had been made for C J Boyd to take the principalship of the Oakwood school for the colored people. In planning for this, Brother Boyd has felt it essential that he complete his college course this year, in order to be qualified for the work to which he is called. In view of his long service in the South, and the importance of this appointment to the colored training school, it was--

VOTED, That suitable furlough allowance be arranged for C J Boyd for the time necessary to enable him to complete his college work during this school year.

#### PORTO RICO HOME:

The treasurer presented the need of a cottage home in Porto Rico, at present to house the secretary and treasurer.

VOTED, That steps be taken to provide a home for the secretary-treasurer in Santurce, Porto Rico, the cost not to exceed \$3000, this amount to be provided from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for homes for workers.

#### M E X I C O:

The treasurer presented a recommendation from G W Caviness, as to several changes in the rating of workers in Mexico.

VOTED, That these changes suggested be authorized, the same being within the limits of the Mexican budget.

#### MEXICAN SCHOOL ENTERPRISE:

The treasurer presented communication from G W Caviness, as to their desire to establish a Mexican training school, beginning on the institute plan. For this they will require an expenditure of \$2000 or more for a building. From surpluses accumulated in the field, however, in the publishing house and otherwise, Professor Caviness reported that he believe Mexico could finance the enterprise.

VOTED, That in view of the need of facilities for the training of workers in Mexico, the Mexican Mission be authorized to begin this institute and school work, provided they find their surpluses suggested are sufficient to finance the same.



MRS HENRY BROWN:

Following the loss of their home and goods in the flood region of Southern Texas, Mrs Henry Brown, formerly of Central America, had gone to visit her people in the State of Washington.

VOTED, That inasmuch as Brother and Sister Brown were heavy losers in the disaster in Texas, we allow the transportation of Sister Henry Brown from College Place, Wash., to Texas.

"SIGNS OF THE TIMES" AND MISSION FUNDS:

In response to a letter written by A O Tait, to the treasurer, regarding the use of the "Signs" as an agency to appeal for money for missions, it was--

VOTED, That W W Prescott, W A Spicer and J L Shaw be a committee to give the matter consideration and to report.

MALAYSIA BUDGET:

The treasurer presented a statement from C C Crisler, secretary of the Far Eastern Division, to the effect that by error one item of regular school expense had been omitted in the budget submitted for Malaysia.

VOTED, That in view of the error in the Malaysia budget, we restore by special appropriation to the Malaysia estimates \$42 per month for the Singapore teacher, with \$40 allowance for expenses for the year.

SASKATCHEWAN APPROPRIATION:

The treasurer recounted the fact that at the Boulder Council, on information that Saskatchewan had suffered loss of harvests it was proposed to advance that conference a loan of \$10,000 to tide them through this abnormal year. Now, however, the treasurer presented a letter from the president of the conference, Elder J G Walker, expressing the feeling of his committee that they would regret going into debt in order to carry their current work. It was felt, he reported, that they should shape their work according to their means, and stand ready whenever they do have good times and good income to help with their means as in the past. Consideration to this plea was given by the Committee, and it was--

VOTED, That an emergency appropriation of \$5,000 be made to Saskatchewan as aid to that conference following a year of practically total failure of crops, in order to help the conference carry its work through the coming year. Saskatchewan always having been faithful and liberal in giving of its resources.



## WHEATLEAFE--HUNTSVILLE:

W H Green presented the case of a former Methodist minister, Brother Wheatleafe, now converted to this truth, who was encouraged to proceed to the Oakwood school at Huntsville, in order to qualify for service in our work. By some omission in the field from which he came failure had been made to provide for his tuition and expenses. Professor Beardsley of Oakwood, reported that the brother was in attendance at the school, and that all felt he was promising to make a strong worker in the cause. His expenses would be about \$40 for each six weeks term, \$240 in all. Under the circumstances it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make special appropriation in the case of Brother Wheatleafe, Brother Green suggesting that he has in hand some special funds for the General Conference which would more than make up this appropriation.

Adjourned.

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

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## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 8, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

Same as preceding day, with S E Wight and W H Branson in addition.

Prayer by S E Wight.

## MISS STAHL--SOUTH AMERICA:

The treasurer reported from Panama a charge of \$225, money advanced to Miss Stahl on her return to South America, owing to loss of tickets. Under the circumstances, with Miss Stahl a trained nurse, probably able to earn good wages in South America, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer accept this bill from Panama, and pass on the charge to Miss Stahl through South America.



DR FELDKAMP:

On receipt of a telegram from Dr Irving Feldkamp, that the provisions made in former actions by the Board were not sufficient to enable him to clear up his obligations and said as scheduled for Korea, it was--

VOTED, To wire Dr Feldkamp as follows: "Appointment deferred for present. Sailing reservation canceled. Let us keep in touch."

P E R S I A:

On receipt of information regarding Brother Oster's plans for a medical worker in Persia when he shall return, it was--

VOTED, That we secure information regarding a physician recommended as interested in Persia, with a view to action at some future time as plans for Persia are considered in European council.

C W LEE--KOREA:

Consideration was given to the reply of C W Lee, of Oklahoma, to the invitation to go to Korea.

It was agreed that he should be counseled to continue in his present work without a break until satisfied that his sister's condition of health will not interfere with unconditional acceptance.

W B AMMUNDSEN--PHILIPPINES :

Letter was received from W B Ammundsen, under appointment to the Philippines, enclosing good medical report for himself and wife.

VOTED, That the appointment be confirmed, and that Brother and Sister W B Ammundsen go forward when released from their present work.

H O BUTLER RELEASED:

Letter was received from H O Butler, of Emmanuel Missionary College, enclosing medical certificates which showed unfavorable report in Sister Butler's case.

VOTED, That on account of the health of Sister H O Butler, we release them from appointment to China.



## JONES AND SCOTT--INDIA:

The treasurer presented a letter from Brethren Jones and Scott, now in India, reporting that by accepting an invitation to visit an intermediate point on the journey, they were involved in extra expense through mis-information regarding the expense, information being given by the friends asking them to call. They greatly regretted this added expense.

VOTED, That in view of all the circumstances, we propose to Brethren Jones and Scott that they bear with us one half the extra expenditure in fare between San Francisco and Hongkong involved by routing over the China Coast Service.

## MEXICO APPROPRIATION:

On appeal from Mexico, in which G W Caviness presented the urgency of facilities to enable Dr Ralph Smith, recently arrived, to develop dispensary work, it was--

VOTED, That appropriation be allowed to Mexico to cover dispensary rent of \$50.00 a month, with \$500 for equipment and furnishings, also an amount to include two additional nurses, man and wife, the total estimate being \$2500 from the Special Appropriations fund.

## HOME MISSIONS LEAFLET:

VOTED, That C V Leach, E R Palmer, G B Thompson be a committee to give counsel to the Home Missionary Department regarding a series of leaflets prepared by the Pacific Press.

## J L SHULER RELEASED:

Letter was received from J L Shuler, giving his decision not to accept the call to the South African Union Conference.

VOTED, That we regretfully accept Brother Shuler's declining of the invitation.

Recess was taken to the afternoon.

On resuming, prayer was offered by F H Robbins.

## JOHN SHULTZ--FURLOUGH:

On receipt of information from H C Kephart, secretary of the West Caribbean Conference, it was--

VOTED, That a furlough to America, after seven years service in Central America, be granted to Elder J W Shultz, and family.



## MILES COON--COLUMBIA UNION:

Elder F H Robbins, of the Columbia Union, made request for the services of Elder Miles Coon, of Springfield, Mass., to take the pastorate of one of the churches in Cleveland, Ohio.

VOTED, That the request of the Columbia Union be passed on to the Atlantic Union and the Massachusetts Conference.

## ADDING MACHINE---PORTO RICO:

On information from Porto Rico, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the Porto Rican Mission to secure an adding machine for their office work.

## KINGSTON PASTOR:

In response to a call from Jamaica for a pastor for the Kingston church, it was--

VOTED, That we endeavor to secure an ordained man for the Jamaica Conference, provided this addition will mean no addition to the budget for that field.

## SOUTH AMERICAN WORKERS:

Correspondence was received from South America, asking that five new workers be added to their list, transportation and outfitting only being required, inasmuch as that Division and the conferences involved have surplus funds to meet the salary. Request was also made for the services of a sixth worker, transportation and salary to be provided by an extra allowance, this sixth worker being Prof H T Halverson, urgently needed to assist in the Inca Union training school.

In considering this call, the Committee felt that this sixth worker, whose full expense is asked for, could readily be substituted for an appointment in the 1920 budget allowance which apparently we are unable to fill. It was found that about one half the surplus in the South American treasury, or \$5,000, would be consumed by the support of these additional workers.

Appeal was also before the Committee from Brazil for \$10,000 for an operating fund, considered absolutely essential to enable their publishing house to operate, with raw materials at so high a figure.

VOTED, That we concur in the call of the South American Division for these additional workers, the General Conference to provide transportation and outfitting for such as may not be transferred to the 1920 budget in place of calls we can not fill, the South American Division to meet the



additional salary from one half their surplus for 1919; this action being taken with the provision that \$5000 from the surplus in the sub-treasury be devoted to the Brazilian publishing house as an operating fund.

#### UNION CONFERENCE SESSIONS:

With changes in dates of some of the union conference sessions, a tentative re-distribution of general help was made, providing as follows:

A G Daniells to attend the Lake, Southeastern (three days), Central and Pacific Union sessions.

R D Quinn, the Lake, Central, Southwestern and Pacific Unions.

W T Knox, the Pacific and North Pacific Unions.

G B Thompson, Southwestern and Central.

W W Prescott, Southeastern and Southern, including conventions.

E E Andross, Lake, Southeastern, Southern, Pacific and North Pacific.

L A Hansen, Lake, Central, Southwestern and Pacific.

W W Eastman, the Southeastern bookmen's convention.

N Z Town, the Southwestern bookmen's convention.

C A Russell, of the Missionary Volunteer Department, the Southern and Southeastern Unions.

#### NEGRO DEPARTMENT:

W H Green asked counsel and decision regarding the proposed workers' convention in this department.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to a committee to give counsel regarding arrangements and attendance.

Named. W T Knox, Chas Thompson, S E Wight, W H Branson, W H Green, F H Robbins.

Adjourned.

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



## ONE HUNDRED NINETIETH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 9, 1930

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## P R E S E N T:

Same as in preceding meeting, with Dr H W Miller and W E Howell in addition.

Prayer by A V Olson.

## E U R O P E:

The chairman presented the report of the European council and the calls for help for Europe. Others spoke of the outlook and situation and calls. W W Prescott stated that he felt that under the circumstances even more than has been asked should be done for Europe, and suggested a yet larger appeal for special means for hastening to meet the situation and openings there.

L H Christian spoke of being in touch through the Home Missions Bureau with believers who speak various languages of Europe, as the Greek, Belgian, Holland, Finnish, Croatian, French, Hungarian, Rumanian, Ukrainian, Russian, Portuguese, Esthonian, Lettish, among them people of bright promise, some doing good work already in the English.

Study was given to the work of the administrative helper called for to join Brother Conradi. After discussion of the two general lines of work called for by the Skodsborg council, it was--

VOTED, That we concur in the call by the council in Europe for the services of two more general workers, one to join the European vice-president in the general administrative work in Europe, the other to give special attention to all departmental lines of work. In studying the nature of the work assigned with a view of designating the offices and work of these laborers in harmony with the constitution and our general practice, we find that the general field man for all departments would be designated as one of the field secretaries of the General Conference, thus being a member of the General Conference Committee by constitutional provision. The work of the other laborer called for, to associate in the general administrative responsibilities, would be that of a vice-president of the General Conference in our usage and constitutional provision; therefore the appointment of this laborer would be as one of the vice-presidents of the General Conference, and in this case as associate vice-president in Europe, recognizing in this additional provision for Europe the same principle of seniority and associate service that we have in



the secretarial department of the General Conference in appointing a secretary and associate secretary, ranking together in responsibilities, to carry the enlarging work.

Brother L H Christian felt that he was entirely willing to respond to the call for his services if duty led, and suggested that as a part of the decision consideration be given to the adjustment of the work of the Bureau of Home Missions, which was rapidly growing on their hands.

Brother A V Olson expressed his appreciation of the call, and a sense of the responsibility involved. He felt that in Eastern Canada he had just begun to get institutional and other matters under way, and of course found himself very deeply attached to the Canadian work. He asked for a little further time in which to consider the matter.

Brethren Broderson and Nord expressed themselves certainly willing to go wherever it was clear that they might be led by the call of duty, feeling, however, that the Scandinavian work on this side should be carefully considered in connection with the call.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of seven, himself to be one, to study the question of the Bureau of Home Missions arrangements, and report.

Named: A G Daniells, L H Christian, W W Prescott, F M Wilcox, F H Robbins, A V Olson, S E Wight.

This committee withdrew from the Committee room to do its work, while the remainder of the Committee continued business.

#### OAKWOOD SCHOOL:

The situation at the Oakwood school, the Southern training college for colored workers, was presented by S E Wight and W H Green.

VOTED, That Karl Ambs, student at Emmanuel Missionary College, be invited to connect with the Oakwood school as office man and assistant business manager, the Lake Union being requested to arrange for his release.

VOTED, That Leonard Allen, student of Emmanuel Missionary College, be invited to connect with the Oakwood school as office assistant, the Lake Union being requested to arrange for his release.

Giving details of the development of the work at Oakwood, Brother Wight stated that in the effort to develop facilities and equipment since the purchase of adjoining land, the management had overdrawn their account \$4300. So soon as this was learned by the union conferences in the South, the expenditures were stopped. The materials and equipment, however,



represented by this overdraft, are on the ground and no loss is represented. It was stated that should a portion of the farm newly purchased be sold to make up this deficit and provide further current funds for development little would be gained from the timber standing on that portion of the land. It is planned ultimately to sell this portion in order to reduce the investment by the General Conference Corporation in the Oakwood property, but first it is essential that the timber be cut and buildings erected for the school.

In order to do this, further immediate funds are absolutely essential in order to get such things as a stone crusher, iron piping to bring water from the new water supply, saw-mill equipment for turning the standing timber into building material, and altogether \$8,510 is needed, this amount to include the \$4,300 overdraft already spent on development. The brethren from the South urged the necessity of somehow accomplishing this thing. The dormitory situation at the school, they stated, was known by all who have been there to be a real disgrace to us. Buildings already up are requiring repairs, not a roof being sound. Heavy insurance is exacted because there are no escapes and the doors are not properly arranged.

It was believed that if the amount named could be secured to cover the overdraft and supply something over \$4000 to go on with, the equipment could be properly shaped for the attendance next year, which promises to be much larger, and for which increase no provision is made. It was believed the colored people would rally to raise funds for two cottages, a store and an office, if work could be gone forward with on the general school equipment.

After thorough discussion, it was--

VOTED, That \$3000 be appropriated from the Special Appropriations account, for the Oakwood school.

#### BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

At this point the sub-committee on Bureau of Home Missions arrangements joined the Committee and presented a report, which was discussed, and adopted as follows:

Secretary of the Bureau, P E Broderson.

Superintendent of the Danish-Norwegian Department, N.P. Neilsen, principal of the Danish-Norwegian Seminary.

Suggestion to the Danish-Norwegian Seminary, to take Professor Neilsen's place, H M Johnson.

That more time be given to the consideration as to whether G E Nord should accept the call to connect with the work in Sweden.



## L H CHRISTIAN TO EUROPE:

VOTED, That L H Christian, secretary of the Bureau of Home Missions, be appointed a vice-president of the General Conference, to act as associate vice-president for Europe.

Adjourned.

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

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## ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 10, 7:30 P M

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Prayer by S E Wight.

## LATIN UNION:

VOTED, That we accept the call made by the European council in behalf of the Latin Union field, with its hundred millions of people in Southern Europe and Northern Africa, and assure our brethren that we will cooperate with them in securing more laborers and giving financial assistance for making a stronger effort to evangelize these Latin countries which have received less labor than other portions of Europe. We believe with our European brethren that the present situation constitutes a providential call to this endeavor just now.

## WORKERS FOR EUROPE:

VOTED, That we ask the Bureau of Home Missions to give earnest attention to the call from Europe for workers particularly in the languages of Southern and Eastern Europe, with a view to securing from time to time tried recruits for the European field from among the believers in North America who speak these languages or have such partial knowledge of them that they could readily qualify to work in these needy fields.

## LEWIS JOHNSON\*\*EUROPEAN MEETINGS:

VOTED, That we invite Elder Lewis Johnson to respond to the invitation of the Scandinavian Union to attend the full round of their summer meetings the coming season,



and that we ask the North Pacific Union and the Western Washington Conference to arrange, if possible, for him to have the summer free in order to accept this call.

STEEN RASMUSSEN--HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT, EUROPE:

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Press to release Steen Rasmussen from the International Branch, and that he be invited to respond to the call from Europe to return to that field, to take the secretaryship of the Home Missionary Department.

O S LEE--NORWAY:

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union and the Western Washington Conference to release O S Lee, and that he be invited to respond to the call from Europe to engage in evangelistic work in Norway.

M H WENTLAND--NORTH BOHEMIA:

VOTED; That we ask the North Pacific Union and the Western Oregon Conference to release M H Wentland, and that he be invited to respond to the call from Europe to take the presidency of the North Bohemian Conference.

C B HAYNES--LONDON:

VOTED, That we record ourselves as in sympathy with the call from Europe for the services of C B Haynes for evangelistic work in London, and submit the call to the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference, and to Brother Haynes, realizing, however, that in case the present enterprise of securing a central meeting place of our own in New York City should promise realization, it might be necessary for Brother Haynes to delay his response to the call.

V E TOPPENBERG--ABYSSINIA:

VOTED, That we invite V E Toppenberg, of the faculty of the Danish-Norwegian Seminary, to respond to the call from Europe to take the superintendency of the Abyssinian Mission, provided it is found that his wife's health is satisfactory at the present time.

VOTED, That in case Sister Toppenberg's health does not warrant his responding to this call, we ask the Danish-Norwegian Department to nominate a worker for the Abyssinian Mission, such nomination to be submitted to the Scandinavian Union Conference.



## AFRICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five, himself to be one, on South African Union Conference president and a Division field secretary.

Named: W H Branson, W E Howell, J L Shaw, W T Knox, A G Daniells.

## APPOINTEES TO SOUTH AFRICA:

The following appointments were voted, with requests to the conferences involved for release:

Robert Wood, of Georgia, now at Emmanuel Missionary College, to South Africa for evangelistic work.

F E Thompson, Educational Secretary of the Kentucky Conference, to South Africa for mission station work.

W S Boynton, of Georgia, to South Africa for mission station work.

Walter Walker, of Florida, now at Ooltewah, to South Africa for mission work.

## A V OLSON--LATIN UNION:

Elder A V Olson having been considering the call to the Latin Union, spoke of his feeling that the call was to a very responsible work, and he felt his inexperience, his own experience in the French Catholic field of Eastern Canada leading him to understand somewhat the difficulties of the work in thoroughly Catholic countries.

However, he expressed himself as willing to accept the call if the brethren felt clear that he should. However, realizing the needs, he felt that both himself and his wife are willing to work wherever most needed, and he felt that it would be helpful at this meeting to give his decision. Therefore, if the Committee will stand by the Latin Union in this new program of giving greater help and assistance to it, he would accept the call.

VOTED, That we ask the Eastern Canadian Union to release its president, A V Olson, to respond to the call from Europe to take the presidency of the Latin Union Conference, assuring our brethren in Eastern Canada of our earnest cooperation in supplying some one to take the work which Brother Olson is laying down.



## EASTERN CANADIAN INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

W T Knox stated that he knew that Brother A V Olson in coming to his decision must have been exercised concerning the Eastern Canadian Union school enterprises, on which he was raising funds according to the vote of the General Conference to supply dollar for dollar according to what was raised. He felt that with a new man coming into that field, attention should be given to these enterprises.

VOTED, That W T Knox, W W Prescott, Chas Thompson be a committee to make recommendation.

## EUROPEAN CALLS:

On request of L H Christian, it was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five, himself to be one, to consider the needs of Europe.

Named: A G Daniells, W A Spicer, L H Christian, F M Wilcox, W T Knox.

Adjourned.

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

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## ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 11, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

The same as in preceding meetings, with the addition of E E Andross, and the absence of S E Wight and W H Green, who had left Washington.

## SCHOOL FOR MISCELLANEOUS LANGUAGE STUDENTS:

L H Christian spoke of the need of a school in America for students of the miscellaneous language divisions.

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to meet with the Bureau of Home Missions, to consider what shall be done to provide a school for students of the miscellaneous languages in America.

Named: A G Daniells, W T Knox, W E Howell, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, P E Broderson, G E Nord, L H Christian.



## EUROPEAN SUMMER DELEGATION:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of seven to consider provision for European delegation and arrangement for general work in the headquarters office during the summer.

Named: W T Knox, W W Prescott, E E Andross, E R Palmer, W A Spicer, L H Christian, A G Daniells.

## INSTITUTE FOR COLORED WORKERS:

The committee appointed on the institute for the colored workers, to be held in Nashville, March 30 to April 7, made a report, which was adopted as follows:

1. In view of the calling of the Workers' meeting in March at Nashville, we recommend the calling off of the present meetings for colored workers that have been appointed in the various union conferences.

2. Such ordained ministers, licensed ministers, and Bible workers as the conferences may arrange, east of the Rocky Mountains, to attend this meeting, but that the workers on the Sustentation Fund be not invited. It is estimated that there will be about seventy-five in attendance.

3. That the transportation and entertainment be provided by the conferences sending workers.

4. That room rent, with one dollar per day for board to each worker be provided by conferences or institutions sending workers.

5. That the Huntsville constituency meeting, which is now called for February 5, be postponed until Thursday, April 1.

6. That in addition to the help provided by the General Conference, the Southern Union be requested to secure the services of Mrs Ellen Keat, of Louisville, Ky., to conduct a Bible workers' class during one hour each day.

## INDIA HEADQUARTERS:

Consideration was given to the request from India that they be authorized to take seriously into consideration the matter of providing for their future headquarters, either by enlargement where they are or by moving the headquarters of the India Division.



VOTED, That we remove any restrictions on our India brethren by past counsels regarding deferring this matter of enlarging their headquarters, and that we cable them as follows: "Heartily leave question headquarters your judgment. Report findings finances involved before acting."

Recess was taken to afternoon, to allow committees to work.

On resuming, in the afternoon, report was received from committees which had been appointed on various matters of help and arrangements for Europe, Africa, South America, etc., these various committees having combined as one. The report was adopted as follows:

#### EUROPEAN SUMMER DELEGATION:

A G Daniells to Europe for the summer, beginning with the Scandinavian meetings, May 7.

The secretary and treasurer to remain at Washington until midsummer, planning to attend the July council in Europe.

R D Quinn to attend the European meetings, beginning with the Scandinavian Union.

F M Wilcox to attend the meetings in Europe during the coming summer, provided arrangements can be made for his release from his office duties.

In balancing the needs of Europe and South America in the way of general help, we feel that the situation calls for special attention to be given the organization of young people's work in Europe just now, while the visit of the Educational Secretary would be a special help in the South American situation. Therefore it was agreed that W E Howell, of the Educational Department, should join the delegation to South America, while M E Kern, of the Missionary Volunteer Department, should join the delegation to Europe for the full series of meetings.

That the question of a visit to Europe by the Educational Secretary in the early part of 1921 be referred to the July council in Europe.

#### ADDITIONAL APPOINTEES TO AFRICA:

William Miller, of Central California, for evangelistic work.

C S Prout, of Southern California, to South Africa for evangelistic work.



I C Pound, of Washington Missionary College, to South Africa for native mission work.

C J Boyd, of Ooltewah, to South Africa for native school work, this appointment canceling our former invitation to him to prepare to take the principalship of the Oakwood school next year.

A E Lastinger, of Florida and Ooltewah, to South Africa for mission work.

Prof Lynn Wood, principal of the Southern Junior College, Ooltewah, to the African Division as field secretary for the Division, and assistant secretary of the General Conference for the Educational and Missionary Volunteer Departments for Africa.

B E Beddoe, of California, to South Africa for the presidency of the South African Union Conference.

N S Ashton, of Mt Vernon Academy and New Jersey, to the principalship of the South African Union College.

N E Nelson, of the Review and Herald, to South Africa as manager of the South African printing office.

The actions above having concluded the work of the committees so far as reported, in Committee of the whole further appointments were made as follows:

H H DEXTER:

VOTED, That we ask L H Christian to interview H H Dexter with reference to the action of the brethren in Europe inviting him to return to the Latin field in case he feels clear that he should do so.

WILFRED BELLEAU--FRANCE:

VOTED, That Wilfred Belleau, of Quebec and Walla Walla College, be invited to go to France, to study for one year, preparatory to engaging in evangelistic work in the Latin Union Conference.

H J KLOOSTER--CONSTANTINOPLE:

VOTED, That we invite Prof H J Klooster, of Lacombe Academy, to respond to the call from Europe for an evangelist with teaching ability for the Constantinople district, and that we ask the Western Canadian Union and the Lacombe Academy to release him at the close of the school year for this purpose.



STEEN RASMUSSEN:

VOTED, That we invite the Pacific Press to allow Steen Rasmussen to unite for a time in work with the Home Missionary Department in this country before his departure for Europe.

MINA PANASUK--HARBIN:

In response to a request from the Far East for a Russian worker for Harbin, Manchuria, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Brother Mina Panasuk, of North Dakota, to respond to the call for a Russian worker to labor in Harbin, the Northern Union and the North Dakota Conference being asked to arrange for his release.

FRENCH WORK IN CANADA:

VOTED, That on the suggestion of the Bureau of Home Missions, we ask Elder Louis Passebois, of Quebec, to give himself to the French work in Quebec.

PAUL STUYVESANT---HONDURAS:

VOTED, That we invite Paul Stuyvesant, of the Southern Junior College, to go to Honduras, in response to the call for an assistant to Professor Hardt in the Honduras school.

Recess was taken to 7 P M.

On resuming, prayer was offered by Chas Thompson.

F W STRAY--EASTERN CANADA:

VOTED, That we request the Central Union Conference to secure the release of Elder F W Stray, president of the Kansas Conference, and that we recommend him to the Eastern Canadian Union Conference for the presidency.

MAURICE TIECHE:

The brethren returning from Europe reported that following the council there they had discussed with Elder L P Tieche the desirability of having his son, Maurice Tieche, now teaching in Nimes, spend a few months in our schools in America, getting acquainted with our school methods, in order that he might be a help in the proposed school work to be done in the French field, Brother Maurice Tieche having completed his university work and having a desire to give himself to work in the cause.



VOTED, That we concur in the plan suggested by the officers in Europe, in order that Brother Maurice Tieche may, if possible, get opportunity to study for a few months in this country.

DR NUSSBAUM:

Brethren visiting Europe gave information that Dr Nussbaum, son of one of our workers, has completed the medical course in France, being in private practice there, but that he is contemplating going on to Servia, of which country his wife is a national.

In view of the study that is to be given the French work in Europe during the coming summer, it was agreed that we should make the suggestion that if practicable we would like to have Brother Nussbaum continue his practice in France until the summer meetings, when counsel could be had regarding general plans for the French work, although we are unable to suggest with any assurance how those plans might call for his services.

FRANK BOND--FURLOUGH:

Inasmuch as Brother Frank Bond, of Spain, was contemplating a furlough at the end of 1914, but has continued in Spain through the war time and onward at our special request, it was--

VOTED, That we express our appreciation of this continuance of his term in Spain, and that we now advise the Latin Union that his furlough be granted as soon as some one can be secured to take his work in Spain, which we trust will be in early summer.

C E KNIGHT--SPAIN:

VOTED, That we invite Elder C E Knight, superintendent of the East Caribbean missions, to go to Spain, to take the superintendency of that field on the release of Elder Frank Bond.

WEST INDIAN UNION MEETINGS:

VOTED, That we invite G B Thompson to plan to attend the annual meetings in the Jamaica and South Caribbean Conferences.

HELP FOR FAR EASTERN INSTITUTES:

Information was given that Elder I H Evans had made a call for help for a series of institutes this autumn and



winter, and called for Elder MacGuire, and for some school man, such as Professor Lacey or Professor Sorenson, to give special attention to class work in Bible teaching.

As the matter was discussed, it seemed impossible to call from the regular faculties of our colleges for this help which would require the teacher to be released practically for the whole school year. It was, however, ascertained that Elder F M Burg, who has been Bible teacher for years at the Loma Linda College, had severed his connection with school work in order to go into evangelistic work.

Further information was given by Elder Andross, of an interview with Brother MacGuire recently, bringing also the report that the doctors had ordered complete rest for a year from any strain of work.

However, action was taken as follows:

VOTED, That we submit to Elder Evans the following proposition: That we express our desire that Elder Meade MacGuire might be able to respond, but in consideration of the positive medical judgment, we ask the Missionary Volunteer Department to hold itself in readiness to allow C A Russell to respond to this call in Brother MacGuire's place, unless clear indications show that Brother MacGuire could consistently respond; and that we submit the proposition that F M Burg, now in the Upper Columbia Conference, be asked to make the rounds of these institutes as Bible teacher.

#### EASTERN CANADIAN SCHOOL ENTERPRISE:

The committee appointed to give consideration to the promoting work for the Eastern Canadian school enterprise, in view of Elder Olson's call to Europe, made recommendation, which was adopted as follows:

That the General Conference Corporation loan to the Eastern Canadian Union, for its school enterprise, \$10,000, with the understanding that \$3,000 per year from the Eastern Canadian Union "come-back" on the weekly mission funds be applied in the return of this loan to the General Conference Corporation until the full amount is repaid to the Corporation.

Adjourned.

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



## ONE HUNDRED NINETY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 12, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W T Knox, F H Robbins,  
A V Olson, R D Quinn, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson, W A Spicer,  
L A Hansen, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, W E Howell, F M Wilcox,  
also T E Bowen and N S Ashton.

Prayer by F H Robbins.

## DR FELDKAMP--KOREA:

A wire was received from Dr Feldkamp, saying that it would be possible for him to get off to Korea February 27, and expressing his desire to go.

VOTED, That we go forward with his sailing.

## REVIEW AND HERALD CANADIAN BRANCH:

E R Palmer for the Review and Herald Board made a statement of the plans that had been formed regarding the establishment of a branch in Eastern Canada, and the investment that had been proposed to make there. The Review and Herald asked counsel from the General Conference Committee regarding these plans, inasmuch as they consider this not so much an institutional matter for the Review and Herald as a missionary enterprise that should be planned for with reference to the future of the work in the Dominion.

VOTED, That we approve in a general way of the plans for the establishment of a publishing plant in Eastern Canada by the Review and Herald, involving according to their plans about \$50,000; and that we further concur in the proposition of the Review and Herald that they be allowed to use as required for the establishing of this plant such portions as may be necessary from their reserve fund of profits dedicated to missions for the years 1919--1922.

A V Olson assured the Committee and the Review and Herald of the appreciation which the brethren in Eastern Canada felt toward this enterprise. It had brought new courage and confidence, and a revival of spirit among the people, and it had made a very favorable impression on the people not of our faith, giving them a feeling that Seventh-day Adventists were permanently in the Dominion.



## SOUTHERN PUBLISHING HOUSE:

As the Committee discussed this proposition, and also the work which the Pacific Press is doing in Panama and in the International Branch, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest to the Southern Publishing House that at their forthcoming annual meeting they give consideration to the plan of setting apart a definite portion of their profits for mission field extension.

In discussing the proposition as to what our publishing houses could do, mention was made of the plans for the strengthening of the publishing work in the great Latin field in Europe and also in South America.

## SOUTHERN PUBLISHING HOUSE AND LATIN UNION:

On motion of A V Olson, the newly appointed president of the Latin Union, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest to the Southern Publishing House that a portion of their profits for 1919, as they consider this proposition, be devoted to aiding in establishing work in France and the Latin Union field generally

## SOUTH AFRICAN UNION COLLEGE--N S ASHTON:

N S Ashton, who had been invited to come in from New Jersey, in order to confer with the Committee concerning the invitation to accept the principalship of the training school in South Africa, listened to a presentation of the needs, and spoke briefly of his feeling regarding school work.

Recess was taken to 1:30 P M

On resuming, prayer was offered by L A Hansen.

Elder Ashton explained that both he and his wife had felt the conviction and burden that they should leave the school work, and go back into the evangelistic field. It was on this account that he had given over the plan of school work as he left Mount Vernon Academy. He had given thought to the appeal from South Africa, which of course appealed to him as a school enterprise, but gave his decision that still it was the settled conviction that he should give himself to evangelistic work.

VOTED, That we release Elder N S Ashton from the appointment to the South African Union training school.



A J CLARK--D A PARSONS--N S ASHTON:

Elder F H Robbins, of the Columbia Union, set before the Committee a plan which had been tentatively discussed with all parties concerned. He made request that A J Clark, of the Chicago Conference, be invited to take the Ohio presidency, that D A Parsons, of East Pennsylvania, be recommended to the Chicago Conference, Elder Parsons being advised to change his field on account of Sister Parsons' health, and that N S Ashton be invited to take the presidency of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference.

VOTED, That the Committee looks with favor on the plan suggested.

R S FRIES--WESTERN NEW YORK:

In response to a call from the president of the Atlantic Union Conference for suggestions regarding Western New York, the presidency of which is made vacant by the death of Elder K C Russell, it was --

VOTED, That we recommend to the Atlantic Union Conference Elder R S Fries, of Pennsylvania, for the presidency of the Western New York Conference.

DR CARR -- SOUTH AMERICA:

Elder G B Thompson, who attended the funeral of Sister H W Carr a few days before, reported as to his interview with both Elder H W Carr and Dr Earl Carr, regarding the call which has come from South America, for the latter to connect with the medical work in Argentina, qualifying for service there.

Naturally, under the circumstances of the brief contact on such an occasion, details could not be gone into fully, but Brother Thompson reported that he felt that only the question of his duty toward his father would stand in the way of Dr Carr's acceptance of the call. It was--

VOTED, That we extend to Dr Earl Carr the call from South America, and invite him if consistent to respond to this call.

L L CAVINESS--LATIN UNION:

L L Caviness met with the Committee, and made a statement regarding his feeling of real burden to respond to the suggestion which brethren appointed to Europe had made to him regarding going to the Latin Union. Following the statement, it was--



VOTED, That L L Caviness be invited to go to Europe, to engage in work in the Latin Union field.

JULIAN GANT--NORTH AFRICA:

A V Olson reported that Julian Gant, a student of the Washington Missionary College, had a deep desire to engage in work in the Mohammedan field of Northern Africa. He has still another year to finish his college work after this year, but Brother Olson urged that encouragement be given to Brother Gant to keep his mind upon this plan.

VOTED, That we encourage Brother Julian Gant, of the Washington Missionary College, to keep under consideration possible further appointment to the Latin Union field for service in Northern Africa.

VICTOR DIETEL--SPAIN:

On report of A V Olson of his interview with Victor Dietel, of the Washington Missionary College, it was --

VOTED, That we invite Victor Dietel, of the Washington Missionary College, to go to Europe, to engage in work in Spain, following his graduation at the close of this school year.

Recess was taken to 7 P M.

On resuming, prayer was offered by Chas Thompson.

S J LASHIER RELEASED:

A letter was presented from S J Lashier, secretary-treasurer of the North Pacific Union, enclosing medical reports for himself and family, and submitting his case for counsel, being willing if thought best to accept the call to the Far East as assistant sub-treasurer and auditor, but asking counsel regarding his family circumstances.

The Committee discussed the difficult problem of sending a man into the Far East just at this juncture with four children, two of them in their teens requiring academic work. Under the circumstances, it was felt that it would not be wise to send a family with four children at such advanced ages into the Far East.

VOTED, That we release S J Lashier from the appointment to the Far East.

VOTED, That the treasury department continue its search for a man to take the work of assistant sub-treasurer and auditor in the Far East.



## MALAYSIA--F A DETAMORE:

The Committee had before it information as to the necessity of the return to this country of Sister Detamore and her children in the spring, and of the suggestions that had been made at Shanghai that Elder Detamore endeavor to continue on alone in the field, deferring his furlough until it is seen how the family situation develops. The chairman reported, however, that he had had a letter from Brother Detamore, stating that he has found with regret that he feels that he should leave the field.

In view of all the information, and in view of the experience of the Committee in endeavoring to work out plans with a divided family, far separated, it was--

VOTED, That we advise the committee in the Far East and Brother Detamore that it would seem wiser for him to accompany his family, and that we ask the brethren attending the union conference meetings to search earnestly for a strong ordained minister of executive promise to take the superintendency of the Malaysian Union Mission when Elder Detamore must leave the field.

## SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN OF MISSIONARIES:

VOTED, That we recommend the establishment of a school for children of our missionaries in the Far East, and ask the Committee for the Far Eastern Division to submit a statement of plans for operating such a school, with estimates of the expenditure required for the beginning of the enterprise.

## SINGAPORE EDITOR--FRANK COFFIN:

VOTED, That we invite Frank Coffin, of California, to go to Singapore to engage in editorial work for the Malaysian Publishing House, asking the Pacific Union and the California Conference for his release.

## MAINTAINING HEALTH:

Counsel having been asked as to how the field committee shall deal with emergency needs in the case of threatened breakdown in health of workers, it was--

VOTED, That we advise that the Divisional committee take responsibility for prompt action in each individual case, according to financial circumstances of the individual and according to the need, keeping in mind the fact that the interests of the cause are bound up with the interests of the missionary in saving life or preventing disablement and the forced abandonment of the field. Next to the spiritual



equipment, the health and vigor of the worker for strong service is the greatest missionary asset, and we should act aggressively in giving counsel and taking steps to prevent failures of health that are so costly to the mission and so disappointing to the worker. To supply financial aid in these emergencies, in cases where the worker is financially unable to provide the needed care, is one of the purposes of the emergency fund, and this should be drawn upon as necessary.

STENOGRAPHER--SHANGHAI:

VOTED, That we invite Fred Williams, of Camp Mead, to respond to the urgent call for a stenographic assistant in the Shanghai Publishing House.

CHINA SANITARIUM WORK:

On information that it is believed that funds can be secured from philanthropic Chinese to build and equip a sanitarium in China, and in response to a request for counsel as to sanitarium policy in that field, it was--

VOTED, That we give counsel as follows: (1) It is the judgment of the Committee, from all the information it has, that it would be best to adopt for China the policy of having one main institution, as an educational training center, and as a representative of our sanitarium methods.

(2) Aside from this main institution, we suggest that it be the policy to extend our medical missionary work by the plan of the simply equipped dispensary, looking toward the ultimate establishment of many such small plants, close in among the people in needy centers in China, with the strong evangelistic effort combined. It would seem that with the main institution, as a trainer of missionary nurses, and with the smaller dispensaries among the people, we would have a system of medical missionary effort that would be a great blessing to multitudes and would be capable of continual expansion.

(3) We encourage our brethren in China, as plans are matured which in their judgment are practicable, to make solicitation for funds to erect a sanitarium, due care being taken that we do not become financially involved, and that we are not entangled in any way with the donors as to future conditions or bound by any restrictions to hinder operating the institution according to the plans which have made our sanitariums work a success and a blessing in other lands.

(4) On the information before us, we favor the plan of putting up a building adapted to our needs, rather than the plan of endeavoring to continue indefinitely with the Chinese Red Cross, involving enlargement of their facilities,



unless something very satisfactory can be secured from the Chinese Red Cross Society.

#### CHINA TRAINING SCHOOL:

After study of a proposition for enlarging the China Training School, involving soliciting from Chinese who are interested in education the sum of \$200,000 (it being proposed that Elder H M Blunden, who has been successful in securing gifts for such purposes, devote two years or more to this work), it was--

VOTED, That the Committee advise as follows:

(1) We assure the brethren of the Far Eastern committee of our keen interest in the proposition submitted. While the amount seems a large sum to receive from non-Christians, we are led to believe, by what they have already done in soliciting, that the plan submitted by Brother Blunden may be practicable.

(2) We are in sympathy with the idea advanced that China should have a school well equipped and strongly manned, for the training of hundreds of young men and women for service in this cause, with industrial features attached. We agree that our hope for carrying the message through China is bound up in training these workers.

(3) But as we study the proposition, we ask the Far Eastern committee, at its spring council, to give earnest study to the question of school location, in the light of this plan to add \$200,000 to the equipment of the plant, with industrial features. We have had before us the outline of the plat of land and surroundings, and are impressed that the present location seems to afford no opportunity for the development of such a school as is planned, warranting the investment of \$200,000 in addition to the present buildings. We ask the committee to give yet further consideration to this feature, feeling that we should move surely in planning so large an investment which must fix the plans of our educational work in China for all time, perhaps. Our brethren in China will appreciate that to us, as we study the location, it seems that our experience and our instruction as regards school locations, make it difficult to advise so large an extension on a small plat of ground, with factory-site prices to pay for any additional land adjoining, surrounded by villages and factories. The proposition to strengthen the training school appeals to our judgment, but we ask consideration of the possibility of securing the ends sought and the industrial features proposed, in the present location, before launching an appeal which must make the location permanent.



(4) In connection with this, we ask the spring council to give study, also, to the question as to whether, in planning to invest \$200,000 additional in training school work, it is wise to plan definitely to put all into the one school, or whether, as our work develops a constituency north and south in China, it may not be advisable at some later time to have a second training school in South China, which would have some bearing on plans for enlarging the present plant.

Adjourned.

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

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# ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 13, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, E E Andross, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, W E Howell, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, W A Spicer, O M John, C V Leach, also R S Fries.

Prayer by R S Fries.

### R S FRIES--WESTERN NEW YORK:

Elder R S Fries having come to Washington in response to a telegram, he was asked to allow his name to be sent on to the Atlantic Union Conference Committee, with recommendation that he take the Western New York Conference presidency. After brief discussion, Brother Fries and several members of the Committee left the Committee meeting, for conference regarding this call. Returning later, Brother Fries reported that while his own inclination would be to hold on with the evangelistic city work in which he was engaged, he could not feel free to refuse the call.

VOTED, That we confirm the recommendation of Elder R S Fries to the Atlantic Union Conference for the presidency of the Western New York Conference.



## FAR EASTERN RENTALS:

The Committee continued its consideration of matters connected with the Far East, submitted by Elder I H Evans and C C Crisler.

On request that counsel be given regarding the basis of rent charges on mission-owned homes, in view of the much higher cost of the recently built homes as compared with those built under pre-war prices, the Committee considered principles of adjustment set forth by the treasurer in a letter to S E Jackson, of the Philippines, written in September.

VOTED? That the treasurer, the assistant treasurer, E R Palmer, W A Spicer, W W Prescott be a committee to prepare a statement regarding equalization of rentals, for submission to all the mission fields.

## NANKING COMPOUND WALL:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add to the China budget \$375 (to be sent 2 for 1) for the Nanking Compound Wall, the same to be taken from the Special Appropriations reserve.

## J G GJORDING--PUBLISHING HOUSE:

VOTED, That inasmuch as we have not been able to supply a manager for the Shanghai Publishing House from this side as yet, we concur in the counsel of the brethren of the Far East that Brother J G Gjording, who has been acting, be definitely appointed manager.

## CREDENTIALS:

Request having come that foreign workers in the Far East be granted papers from the General Conference in Washington, showing their appointment from outside the Asiatic field, it was--

VOTED, That the minority Committee to remain at the office during the next fortnight give study to the question of the form of credential that should be used, with power to act.

## SINGAPORE SCHOOL:

The Educational Department reported prospects of a favorable answer coming soon to an invitation to Brother Vernon Hendershot, of Arizona, to take the principalship of the Singapore school, Arizona possibly receiving K M Adams to allow immediate release.



PAUL WILLIAMS--NANNING:

VOTED, That we invite Paul H and Dollie Williams, nurses of the White Memorial Hospital, to accompany Dr Falconer to China, to assist in the Nanning Dispensary, the treasury adding this to the Far Eastern budget.

REVIEW AND HERALD EDITORIAL STAFF:

The committee appointed by request of the Review and Herald Board on editorial workers, made a report as follows:

1. That in view of the need of editors both at home and abroad, we invite Kenneth Gant, of the Washington Missionary College, to connect with the Review and Herald office for one or two years, as assistant editor of the Review, having in mind the possibility of future appointment to the mission fields.

2. For associate editor of the Review, to assist as needed, C.P Bollman.

3. That we recommend L L Caviness to continue his work with the Review until the autumn of 1920, after the return of Elder F M Wilcox from Europe.

4. That T E Bowen be invited to connect with the Review and Herald, as secretary of the Book Committee.

5. For Present Truth: E R Palmer, editor; C P Bollman, associate editor.

6. For editor of periodicals in Canada: Elder W C Moffett.

The report was discussed. No. 4 was referred to the officers for consideration. No. 6 was referred to a committee, as follows, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, W A Spicer.

VOTED, That the remainder of the report be adopted.

H H VOTAW:

On report that H H Votaw, formerly of the India Mission, was recovering from an illness that threatened death, and it was felt that he should go to a Pacific Coast climate, it was--

VOTED, That transportation to California be supplied Brother and Sister H H Votaw, and that we advise the Sustentation Fund committee that he be placed on the maximum sustentation allowance.



# MIMI SCHARFFENBERG--FUNERAL EXPENSES:

VOTED, That the treasurer be instructed to meet the funeral expenses of Sister Mimi Scharffenberg, formerly of Korea, including provision of a memorial stone.

## I N D I A:

Items relating to the India Division were considered.

## AURANGABAD:

VOTED, That we approve of the proposition submitted by the India brethren, asking that a portion of the appropriation for the Bombay work be transferred to Aurangabad, adding to the amount available \$1000 from the Special Appropriations fund.

## EDITH AYRES:

VOTED, That we concur in the request of the India Division, and that we invite Miss Edith Ayres, of the Review and Herald office to respond to the call to go to India to engage in girls' school work in Bengal, requesting the Review and Herald to release her.

## M D WOOD:

VOTED, That on account of the large family expense to which Elder M D and Sister Wood are subjected on their return to this country, we continue them on furlough as the India rate. Further, that we request Brother and Sister Wood to remain on the Coast until the arrival of some of the General Conference officers to attend the Pacific Union meeting.

## DAY OF INTERCESSION:

An appeal from the India Division was presented, asking in view of the openings in India and the difficulty of securing workers, that a special day of prayer and intercession be appointed in the churches here, sufficiently ahead so that the workers and believers in India may join on the same day.

It was felt that with all the fields under the same pressure, this day of special prayer should be set in behalf of all the fields, and it was--

VOTED, That we appoint the Sabbath of the Midsummer offering, July 19, a day of special prayer to God for laborers to enter the great mission fields.



L R ANDERSON--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite Prof L R Anderson, of the Maplewood Academy, to go to South Africa, to take the principalship of the South African Union College, requesting the Northern Union and the Minnesota Conference to release him for this purpose at the close of the present school year.

L E WELLMAN:

On receipt of a letter from L E Wellman, it was--

VOTED, That we release L E Wellman from the appointment to the San Andres school, and that we ask the Educational Department to endeavor to place Brother Wellman in one of our academies in this country.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY:

In response to an appeal of the American Bible Society, that mission boards place them on the regular appropriation list in view of their work for the mission fields, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to make from the Special Appropriations account for 1920 a remittance of \$1000 to the American Bible Society.

Adjourned.

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

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ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 14, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson, L A Hansen, W E Howell, R D Quinn, W W Prescott, F M Wilcox, W H Heckman, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by A G Daniells.



## MRS S N HASKELL--FUNERAL EXPENSES:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay as a special appropriation the remaining bills connected with the sickness and death of Sister S N Haskell.

## VERNON HENDERSHOT--SINGAPORE:

VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to secure the immediate release of Vernon Hendershot, to take the principalship of the Singapore school, accepting in his place K M Adams, returned from that field.

## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

The Secretary of the Educational Department presented facts and figures showing that the student capacity of our schools in North America is overtaxed this year, with prospect of greater increase in the near future. Our five senior colleges range in enrollment from 300 to 420 in academic and college grades. Adding to these the elementary grades the range is from 350 to nearly 600. The foreign seminaries and junior colleges range from 150 to 250 above the elementary grades. The academies range from 75 to 150. In case of the colleges especially, the numbers seem as large as should be gathered into one place if the spiritual tone and educational efficiency for the individual are maintained.

The secretary then asked counsel on what policy of expansion should be pursued from now on. Shall we enlarge our college plants, build more college centers, or provide for relief by establishing more secondary schools. The following measures were adopted:

1. That the colleges progressively turn back ninth and tenth grade students, then eleventh and twelfth grade students, to the secondary schools, thus making room for their capacity to be filled with college students, and at the same time bringing educational opportunity closer to the homes of the people during the tender age of our boys and girls.

2. That to care for the surplus of secondary students, we encourage the establishment (a) of more non-boarding junior and senior academies, locally maintained like the elementary schools; (b) of more boarding academies, starting generally with ten grades and growing to twelve, and being maintained by the local conference.

3. That to assure the establishment of these secondary schools on an efficient basis, no non-boarding academy be started without the approval of the union conference committee on recommendation of its educational department, and that no boarding academy be started without the approval of both the union and the General Conference Committees, on recommendation of their respective educational departments.



4. That in the establishment of both types of secondary school, careful attention be given (a) to securing a piece of productive land in a healthful and otherwise suitable environment, (b) to making provision for physical and vocational education on a par with the literary, (c) to securing good counsel on the architecture and economy of the building plan, (d) to seeing that each school is established in harmony with our adopted standards of teaching and equipment.

5. That in locating academies in the union conference, they be placed where they will serve the interests best in the local conference on a permanent basis rather than in a location designed to favor two or more conferences.

6. That when the junior colleges approximate a capacity and enrolment of 200 to 250, they begin to turn back ninth and tenth grade students to the academies.

7. That when the boarding academies approximate 150 to 200 student capacity and enrolment they begin to limit their ninth and tenth grade attendance by turning back students to the non-boarding academies or to new boarding academies.

#### TEXT BOOKS:

VOTED, That the expenses for bringing out needed text books recommended by the Educational Department be provided by the treasury, and that definite amounts be suggested by the department in each case requiring such financial assistance.

VOTED, That W W Prescott be requested to prepare a text book for use in our colleges and academies to be known as "History of Missions."

VOTED, That F M Wilcox be invited to prepare a text book for use in our schools upon the early rise and development of the spirit of prophecy in connection with this advent movement.

VOTED, That the head of each department of the General Conference be asked to prepare a brief history of its department, with a general outline of the plan and scope of its work, to supply instruction literature for use in our schools.

Adjourned.

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



## ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 15, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw, Chas Thompson,  
G B Thompson, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, A G Daniells, also T E  
Bowen.

Prayer by G B Thompson;

## MISSION PROPERTY IN SALVADOR:

The treasurer reported on appropriations made to Salvador for a mission home. He read from a letter from C F Staben, reporting what disposition had been made of the funds sent for the purchase of a mission property. He acknowledged regretfully that the investment had not been a wise one.

VOTED, That the question of further appropriation for a mission home in Salvador be deferred until a superintendent for the Central American Missions is appointed and gets to the field, and is able to counsel with the committee in Salvador.

## S O MARTIN:

A letter from J E Fulton stated that Brother S O Martin, formerly a missionary of the Campbellite Church, and who has accepted the truth, desires to study further in one of our colleges in America.

VOTED, That we inform J E Fulton of the willingness of the Committee to support Brother S O Martin for one year in this country while attending one of our colleges.

## PHYSICIAN FOR INDIA:

The need of a physician for India, to be associated with the work at Chuharkana, was presented to the Committee.

VOTED, That the officers, together with the secretary of the Medical Department, be a committee while on the Coast to recommend a physician for appointment to India.



## SOUTH CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE:

A letter from W S Holbrook made request for increased appropriation to the amount of \$820, \$200 to cover additional cost of traveling expenses of W S Holbrook in supervising the work in British Guiana, the remainder to make it possible to place an American worker in the northern islands. Brother Holbrook stated that the addition of \$620, provided the white Bible worker asked for in the budget is not sent, would give them sufficient funds to support a worker in the northern islands.

VOTED, That an added appropriation of \$820 be made to the South Caribbean Conference.

## R F COTTRELL--\$600:

A letter from R F Cottrell asked for an advance from the General Conference treasury on property which he owns in China, sold to the mission, but for which he has not received payment.

VOTED, That a loan of \$600 without interest be made to R F Cottrell, and that correspondence be taken up with Shanghai regarding the sale of Brother Cottrell's property, and if they reply favorably the \$600 be taken from the appropriation on the purchase of this property.

## LAKE UNION:

In response to the request of the Lake Union for 25% of the overflow of their mission offerings, we feel again obliged to express to the Lake Union our inability to comply with their request.

## THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING ENVELOPES:

A letter from Mrs Plummer was presented by the treasurer, telling of the high cost of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Envelopes.

VOTED, That a committee of three, Mrs. L F Plummer, H H Cobban, and L W Graham take under consideration the cost of supplying the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Envelopes.

## HOUSE IN HONDURAS:

The treasurer presented a letter from W E Lanier, asking for a mission house in San Pedro. The treasurer stated that there was something over \$1700 still left from last year out of the appropriation for homes for workers in the North Latin Union.



VOTED, That \$300 be added to the \$1700, making an appropriation of \$2500 for a mission home in San Pedro.

S G WHITE--WESTERN CANADA:

VOTED, That the period of support for S G White in Western Canada be extended to six months.

S T JOHNSTON:

A telegram from Dr Magan stated that Dr S T Johnston would require an advance of \$250 on a high frequency machine, in order to meet a note at the bank before sailing for South America.

VOTED, That an advance of \$250 be made to Dr S T Johnston for his high frequency machine, with the understanding that this machine will be disposed of and the proceeds returned to the General treasury.

S E McNEILL--SALARY RATE:

VOTED, That the salary rate of S E McNeill be \$26.00 a week from January 1, 1920.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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# ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 10, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, L A Hansen, W W Prescott, W E Howell, E R Palmer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by Chas Thompson.

DR F W GOODMAN--ENGLAND:

The chairman spoke of a conversation he had had with Dr F W Goodman, who recently accepted the truth in New York City, and is at present stopping at the Washington Sanitarium.



After carefully investigating the truth he now feels clear in identifying himself with our people on all points of the message, and desires to take up work in England.

VOTED, That we recommend Dr F W Goodman to the British Union Conference for ministerial work, and that the chairman be asked to take up correspondence with the president of that union, Elder M N Campbell, relative to the matter.

A J MEIKLEJOHN--SOUTHERN UNION:

VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union to secure the release of A J Meiklejohn, to take up work in the Southern Union.

IRA R SHEIRICH--SOUTHERN UNION:

VOTED, That we ask the Columbia Union Conference to secure the release of Ira R Sheirich, of the District Conference, to take the Home Missionary work in the Tennessee River Conference.

W A WOODRUFF--CHICAGO:

VOTED, To ask the North Pacific Union to secure the release of W A Woodruff, of the Montana Conference, to take up work in the Chicago Conference.

D N WALL--CHICAGO:

VOTED, To ask the Atlantic Union Conference to secure the release of D N Wall, to take up work in the Chicago Conference.

H J MILLER--OKLAHOMA:

VOTED, To ask the Central Union to secure the release of H J Miller, of Kansas, to take up work in the Oklahoma Conference.

CHAS THOMPSON--CHICAGO:

VOTED, That Chas Thompson be requested to go to Chicago, to join the committee there in locating the new branch of the Pacific Press.

Adjourned.

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



## ONE HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 19, 1920

## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W A Spicer, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson, W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, W E Howell, C V Leach, L A Hansen, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

## PUBLISHING HOUSES AND MISSION FIELDS:

Appeals from South America having brought up again the question of the work our leading publishing houses desire to do for missions, it was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five to bring in a recommendation regarding this matter.

Named: F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, W T Knox, E R Palmer, W A Spicer.

## DECLARATION FOR BRITISH AUTHORITIES

Consideration was given to the action of the British government, requesting mission boards by their legal associations to adopt a form of minute regarding work in British territories and the attitude of missionaries toward teaching loyalty to the powers that be, etc., it being the plan of the British government to receive applications for India, and probably for all British mission fields henceforth through the Continuation Committee, representing all the Protestant mission societies in America.

VOTED, That in our unincorporated Committee we adopt this minute as follows, and that we authorize the General Conference Corporation to adopt in full the declaration form submitted:

Whereas, The British Government has announced regulations in regard to the work of missionary societies and of missionaries, employees, and agents of missionary societies conducting work in British territory; and,--

Whereas, These regulations require each Society to file with the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America a declaration of its willingness to give all due obedience and respect to the



lawfully constituted Government, etc., etc., the General Conference Committee of Seventh-day Adventists hereby declares:

1. That the General Conference Committee of Seventh-day Adventists recognizes that all due obedience and respect should be given to the lawfully constituted Government of the country where it is conducting missionary work;

2. That, while carefully abstaining from political affairs, it is the desire and purpose of this Board or Society, that the influence of the Board or Society, in so far as it may be properly exerted, should be so exerted in loyal co-operation with the Government of the country concerned;

3. That this Board or society will exercise the greatest care in selecting its missionaries with a view to employing only those who will work in this spirit;

4. That this Board or society will make every effort to facilitate the efforts of its missionaries to work in this spirit; and

5. That this Board or Society authorizes its officers to take such steps as may be necessary to co-operate with the officers of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America in carrying out the regulations issued by the British Government in regard to the work of this Society and its missionaries in British territory.

EARL SHIDLER--HONDURAS:

VOTED, That we ask Earl Shidler, of South Texas, to respond to the call from Honduras for a field missionary secretary, and that we ask the Southwestern Union and the South Texas Conference to release him for this purpose.

M V TUCKER--REVIEW AND HERALD:

On request of the Review and Herald Board, it was--

VOTED, That we invite M V Tucker to respond to the call of the Review and Herald to engage in work in their main office, inviting the Northern Union and the North Dakota Conference to release him for this purpose, the Review and Herald stating that if desired in the future they would gladly count him as one of those gaining a larger experience preparatory to going on to the mission fields.



## UPPER COLUMBIA:

On receipt of information from J J Nethery, president of the Upper Columbia Conference, that they had had appeals through Elder Enoch, of India, for help on new work in West India, from the Swedish Department for \$500 for the Swedish school, and from the Danish-Norwegian Department for \$500 for literature fund, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to respond to the Upper Columbia Conference, stating that if they desire that a portion of the gift of their surplus be devoted as suggested, the treasury will cooperate, leaving the matter of the thousand dollars for India to be handled as an extra for that field, to be allotted under the direction of the India Division Committee for West India.

## ROBERT TREIBLE--SAN ANDRES:

VOTED, That we invite Robert Treible, teacher in the Maryland Military Academy, to respond to the call from San Andres for a teacher.

## C N SORENSON--SOUTHERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

A request from the Educational Department was presented in behalf of the Southern Junior College, asking for the services of Prof C N Sorenson, of the Washington Missionary College.

VOTED, That the request of the Southern Junior College be presented to the Washington Missionary College Board for consideration and action.

## H B WESCOTT--BRAZIL:

VOTED, That we invite Elder H B Wescott, now in Michigan, though formerly a worker in the East, to go to Brazil in response to the call for an ordained minister for Minas.

Adjourned.

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



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 21, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, L A Hansen, E R Palmer, W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, W A Spicer, W E Howell, also H E Rogers.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

HAITI--TENT, AND MEETING EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make special appropriation on the 1919 account of \$250 for the tent fund for Haiti, and \$250 for the expense of the general meeting in Haiti.

MRS A G ROTH:

On information concerning the health of Mrs A G Roth, it was --

VOTED, That we instruct the Haiti Mission that in case Sister Roth evidently needs a change from the Haitien climate in order to avoid a breakdown in health, we authorize her to make a visit to her people in New York at the expense of the Mission Board.

MISS PECK:

VOTED, That we designate the office of Miss Peck in connection with the Educational Department as that of Assistant in Elementary Education.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following changes be made in the Educational Departmental Committee:

Assistant in Elementary Education, Sarah E. Peck; L A Hansen for W A Ruble; D D Rees for C L Benson; A F Schmidt for M B Van Kirk; C L Stone for N S Ashton; J S Marshall for H U Stevens; S L Frost for H O Swartout; P A Webber for B P Hoffman; H C Lacey for S M Butler; C Sorenson for W C John.



## I P DILLON--HAWAII:

Communication was presented from L L Hutfhinson, superintendent of the Hawaiian Mission, calling for Brother and Sister I P Dillon, of Arizona, to assist during the present school year, Sister Dillon especially taking the teaching work, and calling for stronger teaching help another year, when Brother and Sister Dillon would be assigned field work.

VOTED, That we invite Brother and Sister I P Dillon to respond to the call from Hawaii, to aid in school work this year, and that we ask the Pacific Union and the Arizona Conference to release them for this purpose.

## DOCTOR FOR SOONAN:

VOTED, That inasmuch as Dr Feldkamp has been released from the appointment to Korea as assistant to Dr Riley Russell, in Soonan, we ask the Medical Department to make recommendation regarding a doctor for Soonan at the earliest possible date.

## PAUL WILLIAMS:

VOTED, That we place Paul Williams and wife, nurses under appointment to Nanning, China, on a waiting salary rate of \$10 per week while taking special work in preparation for the field, preparatory to sailing in March.

## INDIA SCHOOL:

Consideration was given to a request from India regarding plans for the school for children of missionaries and others in Mussoorie.

VOTED, That we grant the request of the India Division that \$3500 formerly appropriated for hill cottages be transferred to their foreign school, and that we further approve of the devotion from their rent fund of \$6400, and the accumulation of \$3000 tithe from estimated receipts for the purpose of reestablishing their English school in a new location at Mussoorie.

## "ELMSHAVEN":

VOTED, That we recommend to the General Conference Corporation the sale of "Elmhaven," formerly the home of Sister E G White, to Iram James, for \$12,000.



W K SMITH--KENTUCKY:

On request from S E Wight, it was--

VOTED, That we pass on to the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference, and to Elder W K Smith, of Iowa, the request of the Kentucky Conference that Elder Smith connect with the work in Kentucky as State evangelist.

Adjourned.

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

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# INFORMAL MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 22, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, Chas Thompson, W W Eastman, C S Longacre, L A Hansen, O M John, W A Spicer, F M Wilcox, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

## SOUTH AMERICAN DELEGATION:

In reply to a cable from South America asking the visiting delegation to arrive via the East Coast, if possible, it was agreed that the following cable should be sent: "Shaw, Thompson, Howell, due Valparaiso, February 23. Final."

## BOOK LEADER--MALASYAI:

Communication from the Far East was received stating that on account of breaking health of his wife, who had been ordered out by the physicians, Brother M E Mullinnex had gone to China, endeavoring by change of climate to hold to the Far Eastern field, thus leaving Malaysia without a general book leader.

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to secure a field missionary secretary for the Malaysian Union.



## INCA UNION BOOKMEN:

In view of the heavy calls coming in from every side for experienced bookmen, the calls from the Inca Union were reconsidered, that union having called for a union book leader, a leader for Peru, a leader for Ecuador, also a bookman and home missionary secretary for the Lake Titicaca section.

In order that the Publishing Department may work hopefully in getting experienced leaders, it was felt that with all the other calls we should plan on only two men at this time for the Inca Union.

VOTED, That we notify the South American Division that on account of the heavy calls for experienced book leaders this year, we feel we must authorize the Publishing Department this year to plan only to secure the field missionary secretary for the Inca Union, who shall also oversee the work in Peru, and another field missionary secretary of experience for Ecuador.

## EAST CARIBBEAN--G D RAFF:

VOTED, That in view of the pressing calls for bookmen, we instruct the Publishing Department not to press the matter of a field missionary secretary for Venezuela just at the present time, allowing Brother G D Raff to continue there in charge until we are able to properly man each local field, then planning for him to take the general direction of the book work in the East Caribbean field.

## W H SMITH--FOOD FACTORY:

On counsel being asked from India regarding a suggestion that Brother W H Smith proceed to Australia for further food factory experience before engaging in this work in India, it was--

VOTED, That inasmuch as Brother Smith is connected with the food factory in England, serving there under Brother H Camp, and inasmuch as Brother H Camp is on the way to Australia now to take charge of the food factory in Australia, it would seem to us that Brother Smith's experience in England ought to be sufficient to qualify him for service in India in this department without further training in Australia.

## SOUTH AMERICAN PUBLISHING CALLS:

VOTED, That we refer the appeal from the Argentina publishing house for \$5000 for linotype and equipment to the Pacific Press Publishing House, in hope that they may be able to respond, recognizing, however, that the new Panama plant, and the extensions of the International Branch, place



the Press under heavy pressure this year.

On appeal from Argentine to the Review and Herald, for \$5000 for a working capital for their publishing house, it was--

VOTED, That we pass on the appeal from the Argentine publishing house to the Review and Herald, with the request that they give it sympathetic consideration, recognizing that with the new Eastern Canadian Branch they will be under heavy pressure this year.

B R A Z I L:

Brazil's appeal for a greater working capital was received, but provision had already been made in a former action for Brazil to receive \$5000 working capital from the 1919 surplus of the South American Division.

SOUTH CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we allow the Request of the South Caribbean Conference to substitute three native workers for the evangelist called for in the budget.

CALLICOTT--SOUTH CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we invite C R Callicott, of Tennessee, to the South Caribbean Conference, to act as secretary and treasurer.

VIRGIN ISLANDS ACCOUNTS:

VOTED, That we ask the Porto Rico Mission to take over the Virgin Islands accounts from January 1, 1920, assuming the balance due the South Caribbean Conference on tract society accounts.

WEST INDIAN UNION INVENTORY:

VOTED, That we ask the brethren in Jamaica to make an inventory of any property belonging to the West Indian Union, so that consideration may be given to its distribution now that the union is dissolved.

DUTCH GUIANA:

VOTED, That we suggest to the brethren in Europe the possibility of an opening for work through Holland in behalf of the Indians of the interior of Dutch Guiana.



## FOREST L ABBOTT:

VOTED, That we ask the brethren of the General Conference office attending the Central Union Conference to make inquiry regarding Forest L Abbott, and to arrange to secure him for Jamaica or other fields, if so indicated.

## EDUCATIONAL SCHOOL HOMES:

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Consideration was given to a letter from H C Kephart, of the West Caribbean Conference, presenting the urgent necessity of providing some place of meeting for Panama City, and stating that Elder Sype felt confident that a good sum of money could be raised locally if the enterprise could now be launched.

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## C WRIGLEY--INDIA:

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W A SPICER, Secretary.



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 25, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw,  
W A Spicer, L A Hansen, O M John, W E Howell, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W E Howell.

ARIZONA--SINGAPORE:

A telegram was presented bringing protest of the students of the Arizona school against change of school head, as proposed in the suggestion that K M Adams take the Arizona school, releasing V Hendershot for Singapore. It was agreed to leave the question of the possibility of making this change to the Arizona brethren, keeping in mind Singapore's need.

C F BOOTH--KOREA:

Considering the medical report in the case of sister C F Booth, under appointment to India, and considering that there was some doubt as to whether she was physically fit for an extreme tropical climate, it was--

VOTED, That we release C F Booth and Mrs Booth, of Pennsylvania, from appointment to India, and invite them to go to Korea.

CANVASSERS--ORIENTAL CITIES:

On information from the second brother appointed to the canvassing work in the cities of the Orient, that he had thought some of marriage, whereas the call had been for single men, the Committee gave consideration to the whole question of the call, and inasmuch as both men selected are intending to be married before going, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the committee for the Far East to arrange that the two canvassers for the cities of the Orient work on salary, under direction the same as other workers, and that a special appropriation will be made to cover any deficit remaining should their book sales not bring in sufficient returns to meet this extra addition to the Far Eastern staff.



HAROLD LEWIS--ARTHUR KRETSCHMAR:

On information from Dr Magan concerning graduates from the medical college this spring, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the delegation attending the Pacific Union meeting to arrange, if practicable, to place Dr Harold Lewis under appointment for India, in case Dr Mann does not return, and to place Dr Arthur Kretschmar under appointment for Soconan, Korea.

ARTHUR GIBBS--TRINIDAD:

VOTED, That we invite Arthur Gibbs, of the Review and Herald office, to respond to the call for a teacher in Port of Spain, Trinidad.

BRYAN ROBISON:

Information was given that the British government had reported itself unable to issue permit for Bryan Robison to enter the Rhodesian field.

VOTED, That we release Bryan Robison and wife from appointment to South Africa, and that we invite them to respond to one of the calls from the Far Eastern field.

GUATEMALA:

VOTED, That in case J A P Green's plans of work allow, we ask him to visit Guatemala, to give help in that field regarding the work of the field missionary secretary.

R A PRICKETT:

On information from Porto Rico that R A Prichett, a nurse in a Corporation hospital in Porto Rico, desired to engage in our work, otherwise to return to America, it was--

VOTED, That we ask Porto Rico to keep in touch with Brother R A Prichett, to see how his services can be used in Porto Rico or elsewhere, assuring him of our desire to see him continue in Spanish fields, if he has made a beginning in the Spanish language.

WM STEELE--SANTO DOMINGO:

Consideration was given to the delay which Elder Steele found necessary in responding to the call to the Central American Mission. Under the circumstances, it was--



VOTED, That we recommend to the Porto Rico Mission that Elder Wm Steele locate in Santo Domingo, to engage in evangelistic work, and that such special provision be made in the budget as will allow for this to be done, it being understood that Brother Steele will locate with his family in Santo Domingo.

M E ANDERSON:

On word from Jamaica that Elder M E Anderson feels that he should return to a northern field, in order to regain health and engage in the work, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend M E Anderson to return to the States on sick leave, recommending him to the Educational Department as Bible teacher in one of our schools.

F M BURG:

VOTED, That we rescind the invitation to F M Burg to go to Madison, Tenn, to join the Rural School center as Bible teacher.

W B TAYLOR--TITICACA:

VOTED, That we invite Prof W B Taylor, of Pacific Union College, to respond to the call from South America for a teacher to take charge of the Plateria training school on Lake Titicaca.

DELLA CHAPMAN--HANKOW:

VOTED, That in case the call for a church school teacher at Hankow, China, still continues, we invite Miss Della Chapman, of Seattle, to go to China for this purpose at the conclusion of the school year.

Recess was taken to 2:30 P M.

On resuming, J L Shaw led in prayer.

PUBLISHING HOUSES AND MISSION FIELDS:

The committee appointed to make recommendation regarding publishing interests in the mission fields, made a report which was adopted as follows:

Recognizing the great blessing that our publishing houses at the home bases have been in fostering publishing interests in mission fields, and realizing that the prosperity attending our older houses may make possible yet stronger and more systematic effort in this direction, we recommend,---



1. That the General Conference assign to our denominational publishing houses a definite five-year program for the extension of the publishing work in foreign fields, this program to be sufficiently aggressive and extensive to put to the utmost stretch every resource and facility of these institutions in the missionary advance.

2. That the General Conference undertake to arrange with each publishing house connected with the movement for such provisions in their by-laws pertaining to funds as will place the disposition of a substantial share of all net earnings upon a permanent, dependable basis which will enable the General Conference to rely upon such funds for foreign work as definitely as upon other mission resources, such as tithes and offerings.

### THE PROGRAM

We recommend the following outline of publishing house activity in behalf of the fields:

1. That the Review and Herald be assigned especially the promotion of the publishing work in Canada, Great Britain, and South Africa.

2. That the Pacific Press provide for the extension of the publishing work in the Far East; namely, in India, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and Malaysia this to be in addition to its present missionary projects in its International Branch and in Panama.

3. That the Southern Publishing Association provide for the extension of the publishing work in Latin Europe and South America.

4. That the Scandinavian publishing houses take on especially a burden for Northern Russia and the Scandinavian Union mission territory.

5. That the Hamburg Publishing House provide for the extension of the publishing work in countries within the range of its special missionary field, such as Eastern Europe, Southern Europe, and Turkey.

6. That we recognize that the Australasian Union Conference publishing houses have part in this program by carrying the burden for the publishing work in their own island fields.

7. That other needs not provided for definitely in the above program be met by General Conference appropriations from its regular mission funds.



8. That all appropriations anticipated in the above program for publishing house extension be made by the General Conference Committee in counsel with the Board of the publishing house from which the money is to be drawn, all requests coming into consideration at the time of making appropriations, at the Autumn Council, and to be included in the field budgets.

9. That adjustments in the above program be made by the General Conference from year to year according to the development and needs of the fields.

H L SHULL:

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to meet the expense for medical examination and operation of H L Shull, under appointment to India, amounting to \$26.60.

G F FURNIVAL--FURLOUGH:

On receipt of information from G F Furnival, seeking to regain his health after his return from India, that with the medical care he requires he needs more than the usual furlough rate, it was--

VOTED, That G F Furnival, returned from India, be allowed a furlough rate of \$21.00 and that he be allowed the \$35 item of extra expense reported.

CHINA--RATE:

The treasurer presented correspondence from H W Barrows, sub-treasurer for the Far East, asking counsel regarding the action of the auditing committee at Boulder, in making the rate of remittance \$1.65 Mex. for \$1.00, instead of \$2.00 for \$1.00, which had been the exchange maintained by special appropriation until the rising price of silver led to the change. He stated that this would work a hardship to the natives, whose wage had been paid in silver. It was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to reply in these terms: (1) That the auditing committee contemplated no change in the rating of the native workers, understanding that their wages had been fixed in the local currency, and that this same rate of 1.65 Mexican silver to 1.00 of gold is our understanding of the action of the auditing committee; this rate as fixed by the committee should stand while silver is so high (at this time being worth more than gold), and that where this rate of 1.65 silver for each dollar of salary to the foreign worker in China does not provide a living wage, we ask the Far Eastern Committee to fix and recommend such rate of foreign wage in China that the 1.65 silver to one of gold will suffice to provide such living wage.



W E PERRIN--INDIA:

On receipt of a call from India for the return of W E Perrin to act as auditor in that division, it was--

VOTED, That we pass the request of India to the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference, asking counsel, knowing as we do that Brother Perrin has just removed to New York to look after corporation interests there.

SOLDIERS' FUND:

VOTED, That the \$3,300 remaining in the Soldiers' Literature Fund be transferred to the General Emergency Fund.

DR LITTLE ISBELL BLAKE:

VOTED, That we suggest to the Oakwood school board that they consider Dr Lottie Isbell Blake, of Charleston, W Va, as a worker in the Oakwood school, the Sustentation Fund committee being recommended to continue her allowance provided she engages in work with the colored school; further, that special appropriation be allowed her for six weeks' post-graduate work in Philadelphia.

MAX TRUMMER:

On information that Brother Max Trummer, under appointment to the presidency of the West Caribbean Conference, felt it essential that Sister Trummer should visit her people in Uruguay, it was--

VOTED, That under the circumstances the Committee does not see its way clear to grant Sister Trummer's transportation for this purpose, and that in case her return to her old home is felt necessary, we advise that Brother Trummer make the South American Division his field of labor, responding to the earnest calls which have come from that Division for him to return.

LEW GREENWOOD RELEASED:

VOTED, That we rescind the action taken at the Boulder Council, inviting Lew Greenwood, of the North Pacific, to engage in work in Cuba.

Adjourned.

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



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 27, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, L A Hansen, W A Spicer,  
O M John, W E Howell, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

S F HARRIS--MEXICO:

VOTED, That S F Harris and wife, nurses of the Washington Sanitarium, be invited to join the dispensary work in Mexico City.

VERNON HENDERSHOT--SINGAPORE:

A letter was received from A R Sandborn, of Arizona, stating that it seemed impracticable to release Professor Hendershot, of the Arizona school to go at once to Singapore.

VOTED, That we release Prof Vernon Hendershot from immediate appointment, asking, however, that the Pacific Union and the Arizona Conference endeavor to release him at the end of the school year, and renewing our invitation to him to take the principalship of the Malaysian school.

L H GARDINER--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite L H Gardiner, of the Lancaster Junior College, to make South Africa his field of labor, to engage in mission work, asking the Atlantic Union and any conference concerned to release him for this purpose.

H B WESCOTT RELEASED:

On information from H B Wescott, invited to Brazil, that his wife is just recovering from typhoid, and that he was not able to give answer, it was--

VOTED, That we release Elder H B Wescott from appointment to Brazil for the immediate present, but ask him to consider himself under consideration for Brazil or other fields as soon as his wife's full recovery is assured.



H U STEVENS:

On request of the South American Division, it was

VOTED, That Prof H U Stevens be appointed assistant secretary for the Sabbath School Department in the South American Division, in addition to his other duties.

O B CRARY--INDIA:

VOTED, That O B Crary, of Georgia, be invited to make India his field of labor, the Southeastern Union and the Georgia Conference being requested to release him for this purpose.

E MOORE--INDIA:

VOTED, That E Moore, of East Michigan, be invited to make India his field of labor, the Lake Union and the East Michigan Conference being asked to release him for this purpose.

F S CHOLLAR--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That F S Chollar, of the Inter-Mountain Conference, be recommended to make Jamaica or South America his field of labor; provided he can be properly ordained before proceeding to the field, his support, if in Jamaica, to come from the appropriation made for M E Anderson, who is returning on account of breaking health; inasmuch as the delegation at the Central Union will have opportunity of meeting the workers there, it was agreed that counsel regarding assignment should be given by the brethren at the Central Union Conference session.

BYRD BULLARD--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Byrd Bullard, of Oklahoma, to make China his field of labor, as secretary-treasurer of some mission, requesting the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference to release him for this purpose.

ROGER ALTMAN:

Consideration was given to the desire of Roger Altman, stenographer and helper in the Educational Department, to devote himself to editorial work.

VOTED, That we recommend to the Review and Herald that they keep Brother Roger Altman's desire and gifts in mind in connection with the development of editorial helpers.



J C NIXON--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite J C Nixon, of Illinois, to make India his field of labor, and that the Lake Union and the Illinois Conference be requested to release him for this purpose.

-- -- KNOX--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Brother Knox, of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, to make China his field of labor, as secretary-treasurer of a mission field.

STEPHEN W PALMER--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite Stephen W Palmer, of Walla Walla College, to make India his field of labor, asking the North Pacific Union to release him.

WM MILLER--CHINA:

VOTED, That we rescind the call to William Miller, of Central California, to go to South Africa, transferring his appointment to China, requesting the representatives from Washington who attend the Pacific Union meeting to talk with Brother and Sister Miller regarding the calls for help in Szechwan.

EDWIN THIELE--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Edwin Thiele, of East Michigan, to make China his field of labor, asking the Lake Union and the East Michigan Conference to release him for this purpose.

O H SHREWSBURY:

VOTED, That we invite O H Shrewsbury, of Southern Oregon, to India for evangelistic work in any case, but recommending him to the consideration of Brethren Town and Eastman of the Publishing Department as a possible field missionary secretary for India.

A P POUND--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite A P Pound, of the White Memorial Hospital, to make South Africa his field of labor, to engage in mission work.



C W FULLER--SOUTH CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we invite C. W Fuller, of the Nevada Mission, to respond to the call from the South Caribbean Conference for a worker in the Northern Islands, asking the Pacific Union and the Nevada Mission to release him for this purpose.

RAY CORDER--BRAZIL:

VOTED, That we invite Ray Corder, of West Virginia, to respond to the call from Brazil for a union Home Missionary secretary, asking the Columbia Union and the West Virginia Conference to release him for this purpose.

H BLACKENBURG--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite H Blackenburg, of Walla Walla College and Western Oregon, to make India his field of labor, asking the North Pacific Union and the Western Oregon Conference to release him for this purpose.

OSCAR HUETTER--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Oscar Huetter, of Walla Walla College and Western Oregon, to make China his field of labor, asking the North Pacific Union and the Western Oregon Conference to release him for this purpose.

J B CARTER--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we invite J B Carter, of North Texas, to make South America his field of labor, provided his experience would warrant his ordination, asking the Southwestern Union and the North Texas Conference to release him for this purpose.

T M BEEM--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite T M Beem, of the Washington Missionary College, to make India his field of labor.

W B TAYLOR--LAKE TITICACA:

VOTED, That we invite Prof W B Taylor, of Pacific Union College, to respond to the call from the Lake Titicaca Mission for a principal of the Platería Indian training school, asking the Pacific Union and the Union College Board to release him for this purpose.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX. Chairman.



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 29, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, L A Hansen, Mrs L F Plummer,  
F M Wilcox, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

J S JAMES--CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be granted to Elder J S James, who has accepted appointment in the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

NURSE--HAWAII:

VOTED, That we request L A Hansen, in counsel with the members on the Pacific Coast, to secure a lady nurse for the Hawaiian treatment rooms, and arrange for her immediate transportation.

C W LEE:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be issued to Elder C W Lee, and missionary credentials to Mrs Lee, under appointment to Korea.

EDITH AYRES--INDIA:

Consideration was given to a statement from Sister Edith Ayres regarding the call to India, and it was--

VOTED, That we encourage Sister Edith Ayres to continue her course in nursing and dispensary work, and that we continue her appointment to India, subject to call to service as zenana worker or as a teacher, as the calls come for such helpers in India.

ROGER PAUL:

Brother and Sister Roger Paul, of Loma Linda, having been under appointment to China, Sister Paul as head nurse in the Sanitarium, Brother Paul to engage in evangelistic work, consideration was given to a statement that Brother Paul would not finish his medical course before next autumn.



VOTED, That we defer plans for the immediate present, resubmitting the matter to the Far Eastern Committee for counsel, and allowing time for Brother Paul to complete his medical course,

ALICE READ--SOUTH DAKOTA:

VOTED, In response to a call from South Dakota, we ask the Central Union and the Wyoming Conference to allow the transfer of Miss Alice Read, from Wyoming, to take the Sabbath School secretaryship of the South Dakota Conference.

DR EARL CARR--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That in case Dr Earl Carr responds to this call to join the South American medical staff in Argentina, we take the responsibility of assuring him that South America will give him reasonable support while qualifying for medical practice in Argentina, and that in case of favorable response, we authorize him to take postgraduate work in this country before sailing, not to exceed three months' duration, this expense to be charged to South America.

SIAMESE LITERATURE--MALAYSIA:

In response to a request from the Malaysian Union for \$500 for type and the production of literature in the Siamese, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Far Eastern Division Committee at Shanghai to confer with the Philippine Committee and publishing house concerning this matter, and if possible allot \$500 extra to Malaysia, in view of the overflow of \$18,000 for the work in the Philippine Union from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

ANDERSON AND WRIGLEY:

On receipt of cable from Australia that they had sent a stenographer to India, but could not release Brethren A W Anderson and C Wrigley, it was--

VOTED, That we thank Australia for supplying India's great need for a stenographic helper in the Division office, and that we release Brethren Anderson and Wrigley from the invitations to England and India.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY:

Recognizing the Bible Society as one of the great missionary agencies, and its work in the production and distribution of the Word of God in the various languages as fundamental in all missionary endeavor, it is--



VOTED, That appropriation to the work of the American Bible Society be provided regularly in the annual budget of appropriations made by the General Conference for missionary work.

JOHN R STICKLE--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite John R Stickle, of the Lacombe Academy, to make India his field of labor, asking the Western Canadian Union and the Academy Board to release him for this purpose.

CLAUDE CONARD: FAR EAST:

VOTED, That we invite Claude Conard, of the Pacific Union College, to respond to the call from the Far East for an auditor, the invitation being subject to interviews by the delegation attending the Pacific Union meetings, the Pacific Union and the College Board being asked to release him for this purpose, provided this action is confirmed.

WESTERN CANADIAN SANITARIUM:

In response to the call for a visit from the General Conference office in connection with the Western Canadian Sanitarium enterprise, presented by Elder A C Gilbert, it was--

VOTED, That we ask E E Andross and L A Hansen to respond to this call from Western Canada on their way to the Pacific Coast meetings, if possible.

PORTO RICO PROPERTIES:

On report from Wm Steele that cottages could be secured at what they consider a bargain in Guanica and Aguadilla where we have churches, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the Porto Rico Mission to purchase the Guanica property at \$550, and the Aguadilla property at \$1000, provided it is felt by the committee that either foreign or Porto Rican evangelistic laborers will be maintained at these two points, the money for these purchases to be provided from the expected overflow from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for mission homes.

SHANGHAI SANITARIUM:

Communication was received from C C Crisler, presenting the findings of the brethren at Shanghai regarding the future of the sanitarium work in China.



VOTED, That we refer this letter regarding the future of the sanitarium work in China to the brethren of the General Conference Committee who will be together on the Pacific Coast during the union conference and the Loma Linda meetings.

G F ENOCH:

VOTED, That we authorize the appropriation of \$121.92 through the South Asia Division for G F Enoch, on account of loss on goods stored in India during furlough.

F M LARSEN--RATE:

VOTED, That the basic rate of F M Larsen, of the Bureau of Home Missions, be fixed at \$13.00 a week.

F CINGOLANI --RATE:

VOTED, That we approve of the suggestion of the Bureau of Home Missions, that a rate be established for F Cingolani, Italian minister in Chicago, which will approximate \$25.00 a week, including bonus.

Adjourned.

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

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MINUTES OF MEETINGS  
OF THE  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
Feb. 8 to Mar. 21, '20

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## ONE HUNDRED NINETY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 8, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, C S Longacre, Q M John,  
W A Spicer, E R Palmer, Mrs Plummer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

## V E TOPPENBERG--ABYSSINIA:

Letter was received from V E Toppenberg, stating that he and his family had passed satisfactory medical examination, and that the Danish-Norwegian Seminary had released them on their desire to accept.

It was agreed that we should go forward with the arrangement for Brother Toppenberg to go on to Abyssinia following the close of the present school year, under direction of the Scandinavian Union Conference.

## PROF C SORENSON:

Further consideration was given to the request from I H Evans that Professor Sorenson be secured to assist in special institutes for native workers for six or eight months, beginning next autumn.

Without formal action it was agreed that in view of the call from the Far East for Professor Sorenson, we ask the Washington Missionary College to consider whether it is possible for them to give Professor Sorenson nine months' leave of absence in order to respond to this call.

## M H WENTLAND--BOHEMIA:

A letter was received from H W Cottrell, stating that Western Oregon would release Elder M H Wentland to respond to the call to Bohemia.

VOTED, That in case Elder M H Wentland accepts the call to Bohemia, we refund to the Western Oregon Conference the expense of the recent removal from Dakota to Oregon, and the expense of Elder Wentland's transportation to the German institute, Western Oregon having paid his time through all these changes, but having as yet but little service.



## W K SMITH RELEASED:

On receipt of information that the Iowa Conference Committee did not feel itself able to release Elder W K Smith, to accept the call to Kentucky, it was--

VOTED, That the invitation to W K Smith be rescinded.

## C R CALLICOTT RELEASED:

Study was given to the medical report in the case of C R Callicott, invited to Trinidad to act as secretary-treasurer. With the question raised in the report as to how he would be affected by a tropical climate, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the invitation to C R Callicott to make Trinidad his field of labor.

## COOPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA:

VOTED, That the treasurer be instructed to accept the allotment of \$250 made to our society by the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America.

## PAUL STUYVESANT:

VOTED, That Paul Stuyvesant be allowed two months preparation allowance at \$18 a week, dating from the close of his school work at Ooltewah, in order that he may make special preparation desired to go on at an early date to Honduras.

## M R COON RELEASED:

On information that Mrs Coon's health required her to be under medical care for a considerable period, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the action taken on request of the Columbia Union Conference, inviting M R Coon, of Massachusetts, to Ohio.

## DR W C DALBEY--CHINA:

Attention was given to correspondence from Dr W C Dalbey regarding his plans and conviction as to taking up dental work on his own account in China, his aim being to make his business a means of helping with his efforts and influence in the work in China.

VOTED, That we express to Dr W C Dalbey our appreciation of his plans with reference to engaging in dental practice in China, with a view to helping in the work while supporting himself in business, assuring Dr Dalbey of our moral support and hearty cooperation with his plans, all being with the understanding that he



takes all responsibility of the enterprise as far as the financial and business arrangements are concerned.

# DETROIT COLORED CHURCH:

VOTED, That owing to the critical situation in Detroit, due to the destruction of the colored church by storm November 29, the treasurer be authorized to make to them an apportionment of \$2500 from the October Colored Collection, recognizing that this is a disproportionate amount to be allotted to one enterprise, but feeling that the calamity overtaking the Detroit church is one justifying this immediate action as an emergency measure.

# ERIC JOHANSON:

VOTED, That the treasurer authorize the Far Eastern Committee to allow Eric Johanson, of China, \$200 outfitting allowance, deducting the \$75 allowance granted him previously as a single man.

# C E BOYNTON:

VOTED, That we recommend Elder C E Boynton, on six months furlough from the West Caribbean, to return to the Canal Zone to labor on expiration of the furlough period.

# L H WOOD RELEASED:

On receipt of letter from Prof L H Wood, stating that on account of the school situation at Ooltewah, he did not feel free to accept the call to the field secretaryship at this time in South Africa, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Prof L H Wood to South Africa.

# "OUTLINE OF MISSION FIELDS":

On report from the Review and Herald and the Missionary Volunteer Department that the supply of the book, "Outline of Mission Fields," was nearly exhausted, it was--

VOTED, That we bring out another edition of 10,000, adding the annual surveys which have appeared in the Year Book since the "Outline" history was closed.



## SOUTH CARIBBEAN BUDGET:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add \$530 to the South Caribbean budget from the Special Appropriations account, to cover the extra expense of a general meeting of the South Caribbean Conference.

## W B WHITE:

VOTED, That we ask W B White, if it is at all consistent, to remain in South Africa until Elder Branson arrives, in order that he may aid Brother Branson in taking up the work in that field, suggesting at the same time the possibility of his continuing for some time further in the work in South Africa if it seems advisable.

## W E BOYNTON--AFRICA:

On information that W E Boynton desires to accept the appointment to Africa, but to defer going forward to the field until a year later, it was--

VOTED, That we confirm the appointment, but urge Brother Boynton to counsel with his brethren to see if there may not be some way by which he could go forward to the field this year.

## J L SHULER--AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite J L Shuler, of the Southeastern Union, to respond to the call from South Africa for a minister to engage in city evangelistic work.

## L R ANDERSON RELEASED:

A letter was received from L R Anderson, invited to the principalship of the South African Union Training School.

VOTED, That on account of health conditions, we release Prof L R Anderson from appointment to the South African Union Training School.

## JOHN HOTTEL--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite Prof John Hottel, of Lancaster Junior College, to go to South Africa, to accept the principalship of the South African Union Training School.

## KOREA--TEACHER:

On request of Korea, it was--

VOTED, That one of the calls for evangelists provided for in the new budget be changed to a call for a teacher for the Soonan school.



ARTHUR GIBBS RELEASED:

VOTED, That we release Arthur Gibbs from the invitation to go to Trinidad for school work.

NANNIE MAY SMITH--GUATEMALA:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Nannie May Smith, of Mississippi, to make Guatemala her field of labor, to engage in Bible work, asking the Southern Union and the Mississippi Conference to release her for this purpose.

A G YOUNGBERG--INDIANA:

VOTED, That we invite A G Youngberg, of South Dakota, to respond to the call from Indiana to make that conference his field of labor, asking the Northern Union and the South Dakota Conference to release him for this purpose.

ROBERT MORRIS--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to supply transportation by the most economical route for Robert Morris, of California, to Jamaica, charging the same to the Jamaica Conference appropriation.

WEST INDIANS SABBATH SCHOOL QUARTERLIES:

VOTED, That we authorize the Sabbath School Department to arrange for primary lessons for the West Indian children to be issued by quarterlies, arranging for the work to be done at the Washington Missionary College Press, with the understanding that as soon as transportation facilities make it possible, this work be transferred to the Panama Branch of the Pacific Press.

J D LESLIE--MEXICO:

W W Eastman reported having met J D Leslie at the Southwestern Union meeting, where he accepted the call to Mexico, the conferences concerned releasing him.

It was agreed that we would arrange for him to go forward to the field as soon as proper conditions could be secured.

C G PARKINS--HAITI:

On information from W W Eastman, of the Publishing Department, it was--

VOTED, That we invite C G Parkins, of Keene, Texas, to make Haiti his field of labor, as field missionary secretary.



## S E WIGHT--CENTRAL UNION:

Consideration was given to the call which had been issued by the Central Union Conference and the members of the Committee attending the Kansas City meeting, and it was--

VOTED, That a wire be sent to Elder S E Wight, that we concur in the invitation extended to S E Wight by the Central Union Conference, in session, endorsed by members of the General Conference Committee who were present at the Kansas City meeting, and that we advise that he accept the invitation, if possible, the General Conference Committee asking the Southern Union Conference to release him for this purpose, and suggesting to the Southern Union the name of Elder C W Flaiz for the presidency of the Southern Union.

## R W PARMELE--CENTRAL AMERICA:

On information from C E Knight that he was not clear just at present in accepting the call to Spain, wishing further time, it was--

VOTED, That we review the invitation to R W Parmele to take the superintendency of the East Caribbean Missions, and invite him to take the superintendency of the Central American Missions leaving the question of Mexico's relationship to the Central American Missions as a matter for future consideration.

## I C POUND RELEASED:

On report of an interview with Brother and Sister I C Pound, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother I C Pound from the appointment to South Africa for the present, on account of Sister Pound's health.

## ROBERT WOOD RELEASED:

On receipt of a letter from Robert Wood, of Emmanuel Missionary College, explaining that he was obliged to decline the invitation to South Africa, it was--

VOTED, That we release Robert Wood from the appointment to South Africa to engage in English work.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



TWO HUNDREDTH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 17, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, G B Thompson, M E Kern, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Prescott, F H Robbins, O M John; also T E Bowen, J S James, H H Cobban, and C E Knight and H D Casebeer, en route to Porto Rico.

Prayer by C E Knight.

E R CORDER RELEASED:

A letter was received from E R Corder, declining the call to Brazil.

VOTED, That we release E R Corder from the appointment to Brazil.

ROCHELLE PHILMON--EAST CANADIAN SCHOOL:

VOTED, That on request of the East Canadian Union Conference, we invite Rochelle Philmon, of Union College, to respond to their call to take the head of the English Department in the East Canadian Union school, asking the Central Union and Union College to release her for this purpose.

EARL HACKMAN--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

VOTED, That we invite <sup>E</sup>Earl Hackman, of Ohio, to respond to the call from the Southeastern Union, to act as Union Home Missionary Secretary, asking the Ohio Conference and the Columbia Union to release him.

BRUCE WATTS--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

VOTED, That we invite Bruce Watts, of Iowa, to labor in the Southeastern Union Conference, asking the Iowa Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

W M HEIDENREICH & DAN OCHS:

VOTED, That in response to the call from the German Department, we invite Prof. W M Heidenreich, of Walla Walla College, to respond to the invitation of the Clinton Theological Seminary that he take the principalship of that school; also that we invite Dan Ochs, of Walla Walla College, to connect



with the Clinton Theological Seminary as assistant history or Bible teacher, asking the Walla Walla College and the North Pacific Union to release these brethren for this purpose.

#### COLUMBIA UNION CONFERENCE SESSION:

The question of attendance at the Columbia Union Conference session coming up, it was agreed that C V Leach, J S James, M E Kern, H H Cobban should attend, representing departments; that W W Prescott should attend from first to last, A G Daniells the first part, E E Andross the last part, F M Wilcox also planning to attend the first part.

#### F W GOODMAN--LONDON:

On receipt of a cable from England, inviting F W Goodman to take work in the London District, it was--

VOTED, That arrangements be made for the ordination of Brother F W Goodman to the ministry, ministerial credentials being granted him for the journey.

#### A N DURRANT:

Request was received from the Southern Union for the services of Elder A N Durrant in the colored work.

VOTED, That inasmuch as we have information that Elder Durrant has just visited New Jersey and made arrangement for his new work and location there, we recommend to the Southern Union that they do not call him just at this time.

#### H J CAPMAN--SOUTHERN UNION:

VOTED, That we refer to the East Canadian Union the request of the Southern Union for the services of H J Capman, of Ontario, in the Tennessee River Conference.

#### C S LONGACRE--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

Request was received from the Washington Missionary College Board that Elder C S Longacre be allowed to teach two classes, requiring two evenings a week.

VOTED, That we concur in the request, provided Elder Longacre feels that he can so arrange his work as to devote two evenings to work at the College.

#### WM LEWSADDER:

On information from the Columbia Union and from Elder Wm Lewsadder, of Ohio, that the doctors had advised Sis



Lewsadder to seek a change of climate in order to ward off pulmonary difficulties, it was--

VOTED, That we refer this request to the Pacific, Central and Southwestern Union Conferences, asking these unions to endeavor to open the way for the transfer of Elder Lewsadder to work in one of the regions where climatic conditions would be favorable.

I P DILLON RELEASED:

On information from I P Dillon that the education of his three children would be a problem should they respond to the proposition of accepting work on one of the outer islands in Hawaii, it was--

VOTED, That we release I P Dillon from the appointment to Hawaii.

EVELYN MELEEN--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite Evelyn Meleen, of the Chicago Conference, to make India her field of labor, asking the Chicago Conference and the Lake Union to release her.

D E ROBINSON--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite D E Robinson, of the Watchman staff, to labor in South Africa, in editorial work, if necessary making some substitution in the budget in order to cover this expense, the estimates making no provision for an editor; this action being taken with the request that the Southern Publishing Association and the Southern Union Conference are requested to release Brother Robinson for this purpose.

J B CARTER RELEASED--E M DAVIS INVITED:

VOTED, That we release J B Carter from the appointment to South America, and that instead we invite E M Davis, of Texas, to go to Brazil, asking the North Texas Conference and the Southwestern Union to release him for this purpose.

HENRY BROWN--INCA UNION:

In response to a call from South American for an ordained minister to take Elder Achenbach's place in Peru, it was

VOTED, To invite Henry Brown, of the Spanish Department of the Bureau of Home Missions, to respond to this call from Peru, asking the Bureau and the Southwestern Union to release him for this purpose.



J H LINDSAY--SHANGHAI:

VOTED, That we invite J H Lindsay and wife, of Illinois, to respond to the call for stenographic and office helpers in the Shanghai publishing house, asking the Illinois Conference and the Lake Union to release them for this purpose.

BYRD BULLARD RELEASED:

VOTED, That we release Byrd Bullard from the invitation to go to China, on account of his desire and burden to work in Spanish fields, he having studied Spanish.

RENTALS IN MISSION FIELDS:

The sub-committee on giving counsel regarding rental rates in the East, brought in a report, which was adopted, as follows:

In view of the fact that the pre-war plan of fixing 10% of the cost of a mission-owned house as the basis of rent for the worker occupying the same has become unsatisfactory to workers in the field, owing to the fact that houses of the same class recently built cost much more than those built several years ago, thus creating inequality of rental charge among workers occupying homes equal in accommodation; and,--

In view of the fact that with all else in living expense, the rates of rent generally have increased in recent years, corresponding with increased cost of living, so that naturally every house occupier expects to pay a higher rent than formerly,--

We recommend, That while maintaining the rule of 10% of cost as the proper rental under normal conditions, the general committee in divisional sections give study to equalizing and adjusting rents on mission-owned houses on the following basis:

(a) Let it be considered that the mission should receive in rent for the upkeep and development of properties an average of 10% per annum on the total combined investment in homes, excluding value of land.

(b) Let an equalized rental charge be arrived at on houses of equal accommodation by pooling the cost of similar houses (those built in pre-war times and later, and those recently built), and fixing an average of 10%, this to be the rent charge to the occupier; thus bringing the present rent of the house built in pre-war times up somewhat above 10%, and making the rent of the more expensive house below 10%.



M V WILLESS--MEXICO:

VOTED, That we invite Elder M V Willess, of Wyoming, to Mexico, asking that conference and the Central Union to release him for this purpose.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIRST MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 18, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, G B Thompson, M E Kern, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer, W A Spicer, W W Prescott, C V Leach, F H Robbins, O M John, W W Eastman, Mrs L F Plummer; also T E Bowen, C E Knight, H D Casebeer.

### JOINT SESSION

A joint meeting was called with the Review and Herald Board to listen to a report on editorial appointments for the Review and Herald publications. The report was adopted as follows:

### E D I T O R S:

Review and Herald: F M Wilcox; Associates, W A Spicer, G B Thompson, L L Caviness, C P Bollman; Assistant, Kenneth Gant; Special Contributors, A G Daniells, I H Evans, L R Conradi, W T Knox, J L Shaw, E E Andross.

Youth's Instructor: Mrs Fannie D Chase; Associates, Miss Matilda Erickson, Miss Lora E Clement; Special Contributors, M E Kern, Meade MacGuire, C A Russell.

Life and Health: L A Hansen and G H Heald, M.D. editors.

Liberty: C S Longacre; Associate, W F Martin; Managing Editor, C P Bollman.

Sabbath School Worker: Mrs L Flora Plummer; Associate, Rosamond D Ginther; Assistant, M Stella Fleisher.



(c) By thus fixing a standard rent on houses of similar accommodations, this standard may be used in fixing a proper rent on houses that may not be in a class with any others, in which case the plan of pooling investment on old and new houses and striking an average can not be applied.

(d) It is recognized that with minor differences of location and construction and desirability, absolute equality can not be arrived at by any committee, but that brethren will do their best to make rents fairly equal in proportion to accommodations. It is recognized that no family's rent should exceed one fifth of the family income, whether occupying mission houses or renting outside.

(e) Where a worker rents from outside parties and wishes consideration given for excess rent above the rate of one fifth of the income, he should take counsel with the committee of the field so that there may be understanding as to the necessity of paying rental which involves excess rent allowance by the mission.

(f) While dealing with rents and the increased cost of building, we urge all the fields to give earnest study to economy in building, so that investments of means for this purpose may be no higher than essential for the health and comfort of workers.

J E ANDERSON--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we approve of the recommendation of the Cuba Mission that Elder J E Anderson and family be granted a year's furlough, after eleven years service in the field.

R B STAUFFER--CUBA:

VOTED, That we invite Elder R B Stauffer, of Kansas, to make Cuba his field of labor, asking the Kansas Conference and the Central Union to release him for this purpose.

F S CHOLLAR--BRAZIL:

VOTED, That we invite F S Chollar, of the Inter-Mountain Conference, to make Brazil his field of labor, asking the Inter-Mountain Conference and the Central Union to release him for this purpose.

M B BUTTERFIELD--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we invite M B Butterfield, on furlough from the South Caribbean Conference, to plan to return to the West Indies at the close of his furlough, making Jamaica his field of labor, having first in mind the pastorate of the Kingston church.



Christian Educator: W E Howell; Associate, O M John.

Church Officers' Gazette: T E Bowen; Associates,  
M E Kern, C V Leach.

Present Truth: E R Palmer; Associate, C P Bollman.

Editorial stenographer for Canadian publishing house:  
Roger Altman.

The following recommendation was adopted in addition:

VOTED, That in this joint session of the Review and Herald Board and the General Conference Committee, we appoint F M Wilcox, Mrs Fannie D Chase, Miss Matilda Erickson, M E Kern, G B Thompson, and W W Prescott a committee to consider the question of the policy of the Youth's Instructor, in order to see if it can not be brought more fully in touch with the field work of the young people's movement.

The joint session terminated.

#### NEGRO DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:

VOTED, That E E Andross plan to attend the institute to be held at Nashville for workers in the Negro Department, leaving further appointments for later consideration.

#### EAST CANADIAN MEETING:

It was agreed that A G Daniells and E E Andross should plan to attend the East Canadian Union meeting, with such other help as may be arranged, also that Miss Erickson and C A Russell represent the Missionary Volunteer Department at the Canadian meeting, J S James representing the Sabbath School Department.

#### MRS J W MACE-- COLUMBIA UNION:

VOTED, That provided it may be possible for the Home Missionary Department to arrange the matter, we invite Mrs J W Mace, of the department, to attend the Home Missionary Convention which precedes the Columbia Union meeting at Columbus, Ohio.

#### ISADORO MARTINEZ--MEXICO:

VOTED, That we invite Brother Isadoro Martinez, of the Washington Missionary College, to go to Mexico to engage in colporteur work, the General Conference to pay his fare one way to Mexico City.



J L HOLDER--WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we invite J L Holder, on furlough from the West Caribbean, to plan to return to that field, sailing March 17 with Elder Trummer.

W I MONTANYE--INCREASED SALARY:

VOTED, That we ask the treasury department to make special appropriation of \$135.94 to Porto Rico on 1919 to meet the increase in the salary rate of Brother W I Montanye, secretary-treasurer of that mission.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED SECOND MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Glendale, Cal., February 18, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, R D Quinn, J W Christian, C H Jones, W C White, L A Hansen, and the Pacific Union Committee members.

Prayer by C H Jones.

### I P DILLON RELEASED:

VOTED, To rescind the action calling I P Dillon to Honolulu, the special needs of his children making it impossible for him to accept the call.

### C W FULLER RELEASED:

VOTED, To rescind the action calling C W Fuller to the South Caribbean Conference, on account of the health of Sister Fuller, with the understanding, however, that we should keep in touch with Brother Fuller relative to some other field where his wife's condition would not prevent their working.



F A COFFIN:

VOTED, To rescind the action calling F A Coffin to Singapore, on account of Mrs Coffin's health.

WM MILLER--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, To invite Wm Miller and wife, of the Central California Conference, to go to South America, the definite field to be decided by the brethren there.

C S PROUT:

VOTED, To ratify the action calling C S Prout, of Southern California, to South Africa, to engage in evangelistic work.

M L RICE--INDIA:

VOTED, To ask M L Rice and wife to labor in India, the definite field to be determined by the brethren there.

E H ABBOTT--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, To ask E H Abbott and wife, of the California Conference, to labor in the South African Union, as field missionary secretary of the Cape Conference.

GEO T VORE:

VOTED, To ask Geo T Vore and wife, of the Central California Conference, to labor in a Spanish-speaking field, the definite field to be determined by the Foreign Mission Board.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.  
L A HANSEN, Sec'y pro tem.

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TWO HUNDRED THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., February 19, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, G B Thompson, W W Eastman, O H John,  
M E Kern, W W Prescott, C V Leach, W A Spicer; also H E Cobban,  
T E Bowen, J S James.



Prayer by M E Kern.

VOTED, That G B Thompson and C V Leach respond to the invitation to attend the Greater New York Conference.

F F OSTER--NORTH PACIFIC UNION SESSION:

VOTED, That we authorize F F Oster and wife, on furlough from Persia, to attend the North Pacific Union meeting.

C R CALLICOTT--TRINIDAD:

On further discussion of the need of securing a secretary-treasurer for Trinidad, and on report of brethren who had recently met Brother Callicott, it was--

VOTED, That we reverse the release of Brother and Sister C R Callicott from the invitation to Trinidad, and that we go forward with his appointment, notwithstanding the one question in the medical certificate, those knowing Brother Callicott believing him thoroughly strong for the work in the West Indies.

BYRD BULLARD--VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That we invite Byrd Bullard, of Oklahoma, to make Venezuela his field of labor, as secretary-treasurer, asking the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference to release him for this purpose.

W E PERRIN--INDIA:

A letter was received from W E Perrin, accepting the call to South Asia Division as auditor.

FLOYD A STEPHENSON--CUBA:

VOTED, That we invite Floyd A Stephenson, of Keene, Texas, to respond to the call of the Cuba Mission to go to Cuba for one year or more of colporteur work, the Cuban Mission paying transportation to and fro.

J H WILHELM--INCA UNION:

VOTED, That we invite J H Wilhelm, of the Carolina Conference, to go to the Inca Union, as union field missionary secretary, asking the Southeastern Union and the Carolina Conference to release him for this purpose.

W C LOVELESS--HONDURAS:

VOTED, That we invite W C Loveless, of Keene, Texas, to go to Honduras, as field missionary secretary, asking the North Texas Conference and the southwestern Union to release him for this purpose.



C G MAYS--ECUADOR:

VOTED, That we invite C G Mays, of West Virginia, to Ecuador, as field missionary secretary, asking the Columbia Union and the West Virginia Conference to release him for this purpose.

L C SHEPARD--FIELD MISSIONARY SECRETARY SOUTH ASIA DIVISION:

VOTED, That we recommend L C Shepard, of India, to take the field missionary secretaryship of the South Asia Division.

O O MATTISON--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite O O Mattison, of Texas, to go to India, to take the work laid down by L C Shepard.

A E LUTHER--FIELD MISS. SEC. WEST CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite A E Luther, of Oklahoma, to go to the Far East, to act as field missionary secretary of the West China Union, asking the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference to release him for this purpose.

R R SWEANY--SALVADOR:

VOTED, That we invite R R Sweany, of Texas, to Salvador, as field missionary secretary.

J W CHRISMAN--MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we invite J W Chrisman, of New Jersey, to Malaysia, as field missionary secretary, asking the Columbia Union and the New Jersey Conference to release him for this purpose.

E C STILES--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite E C Stiles, of Southern Oregon, to China, to act as secretary-treasurer of one of the provinces, the Southern Oregon Conference and the North Pacific Union being requested to release him for this purpose.

ORVIN W MORGAN--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Orvin W Morgan, in private business in Oregon, to go to China as secretary-treasurer, this action being subject to approval of the brethren at the Pacific Union meeting, as they interview Brother Morgan.



CHAS SISSON:

VOTED, That we ask counsel from the Western Canadian brethren regarding Brother Chas Sisson, of Vancouver, as a possible candidate for secretary-treasurer work in China.

H K HALVORSEN--PERU:

VOTED, That we invite Prof H K Halvorsen, of Indiana, to respond to the invitation to work in Peru, asking the Lake Union and the Indiana Conference to release him for this purpose.

R D LOVELAND--INDIANA:

VOTED, That we recommend R D Loveland, of China, to the Missionary Volunteer Department, for Missionary Volunteer work in Indiana, if acceptable to all parties, on his return from China.

HENRY GRUNDSET--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Henry Grundset, of Minnesota, to make Malaysia his field of labor, asking the Minnesota Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

W W WALKER--SOUTH AFRICA:

A letter of acceptance from W W Walker was received, accepting the call to South Africa, and stating that his medical examination had been satisfactory.

H W PERRIN--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite H W Perrin, of Emmanuel Missionary College, to India, asking the Lake Union Conference to release him for this purpose, at the same time advising that he counsel with his brethren regarding giving special attention to preparation for evangelistic work, while we still hold him under appointment as a possible office or departmental worker in India, though hoping that he may be led into evangelistic lines of service.

LA CEIBA PROPERTY:

H H Cobban presented correspondence from the treasury department relating to the proposition of the Honduras Mission to purchase the Isaac Baker house in La Ceiba. The terms are \$500, purchaser to pay cost of transfer, and \$75 of the purchase price to be paid to parties in La Ceiba for release of any claim in order to clear title.



VOTED, That in case title can be secured, we authorize the Honduras Mission to purchase the Isaac Baker house at \$500, the treasury being authorized to make special appropriation if required to this amount.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FOURTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., February 20, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, G B Thompson, H E Kern, C S Longacre,  
W A Spicer, W W Eastman; also T E Bowen, J S James.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

#### J W CHRISMAN RELEASED:

The secretary reported the result of an interview with Dr Miller regarding the invitation to J W Chrisman to make Malaysia his field of labor. It was very clear by the medical counsel that while Sister Chrisman is making good progress, it would be inadvisable so soon after her illness for her to go to Malaysia.

VOTED, That in view of the medical counsel we release J W Chrisman from the appointment to Malaysia as field missionary secretary.

#### V L BEECHMAN--MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we invite V L Beecham, of Southern California, to Malaysia, as union field missionary secretary, asking the Southern California Conference and the Pacific Union to release him for this purpose.

#### MAURICE TIECHE--SALARY RATE:

VOTED, That Maurice Tieche be granted a \$23.00 flat rate during the time of his visit to America on invitation of the General Conference to study school methods, and that we encourage him to visit Emmanuel Missionary College while in this country, ministerial license being granted him while engaged in this work for the General Conference.



## PITCAIRN ORGAN:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make a special appropriation of \$75 to add to the fund partially raised to provide an organ for Pitcairn Island, opportunity being offered to send it by ship soon to sail.

## M C WILCOX--CAMP-MEETINGS:

VOTED, That we invite M C Wilcox to take part in summer camp-meeting work, provided arrangements can be made for his leave of absence from the Coast.

## J C ROGERS' SALARY:

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make special appropriation to cover the salary and expenses of J C Rogers in 1919, from August 1 to December 31, amounting to £128, the Committee having authorized the South African Union to utilize his services in Swayziland, and provision not having been made in the 1919 budget.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Glendale, Cal., February 23, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J W Christian, S E Wight,  
Wm Guthrie, L A Hansen; also B E Beddoe, M A Hollister, G W Wells,  
G W Reaser.

Prayer by S E Wight.

## CLAUD CONARD:

A personal interview by Elders Daniells and Knox with Claud Conard revealed the fact that the health of Sister Conard would not permit their accepting the call to the Far East.



## CREDENTIALS TO PHYSICIANS:

VOTED, To grant ministerial credentials to Drs. Newton Evans, P T Magan and Geo Thomason, and to E L Maxwell.

## M D WOOD:

VOTED, To authorize M D Wood and wife to visit their people in the East, and to request them to visit prominent churches and schools en route, planning the trip as economically as possible.

## A P POND--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, To ratify the action inviting A P Pond and wife, of the White Memorial Hospital, to go to South Africa.

## NORMAN BRAYSHAW:

VOTED, To invite Norman Brayshaw and wife to labor in a foreign field as evangelists, the definite field to be determined by the home office.

## ARTHUR H KRETSCHMAR:

VOTED, To place Dr Arthur Kretschmar under appointment, detailed arrangement to be made later.

## J E SAUNDERS--CHINA:

VOTED, To ask J E Saunders and wife, of Loma Linda, to labor in China.

## K M ADAMS--ARIZONA:

VOTED, To request K M Adams to take the principalship of the Arizona Academy.

## H H DEXTER--CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, That we secure the release of H H Dexter to work in the California Conference.

## STEMPLE WHITE--CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, That we concur in the request of the Pacific Union for the release of Stemple White, of the Northern Union, to work in Southern California, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made.

## ALBERT MADSEN--ARIZONA:

VOTED, To request the Central Union Conference to secure the release of Albert Madsen, of Missouri, to take



departmental work in Arizona.

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WAGE SCALE:

VOTED, That we revise our wage scale by adding 10% to the 1919 basic rate, this action being taken with full concurrence of those present, and on the sentiment expressed in correspondence with the treasury by several other union conference presidents.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.  
L A HANSEN, Secretary pro tem.

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INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., February 29, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W W Prescott, W W Eastman, O M John, W A Spicer,  
G B Thompson, M E Kern; also T E Bowen, H H Cobban, E M Trummer,  
J S James.

Prayer by W W Eastman. W.W.Prescott in the chair.

C E BOYNTON'S RETURN:

VOTED, That we advise the West Caribbean Conference to place C E Boynton in Bocas rather than Bluefields, and that cable be sent conveying this counsel.

E M TRUMMER--ORDINATION:

VOTED, That we authorize the ordination of E M Trummer, who leaves to take the presidency of the West Caribbean Conference.

E M TRUMMER--EXPENSES AND TIME:

VOTED, That we allow E M Trummer's report of expenses connected with correspondence with his field and the hastening of his citizenship papers, amounting to \$29.00; allowing also sixteen days' time, the same to be charged to the West Caribbean Conference.



HELEN WALDE--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That in response to a request from the South African Union, we invite Miss Helen E Walde to make South Africa her field of labor.

CANADIAN UNION MEETING:

It was agreed that G B Thompson should go to the Canadian Union meeting, to remain throughout, Elder W W Eastman to attend the union and the bookmen's institute following.

J H LINDSAY RELEASED:

On receipt of communication from J H Lindsay, of Illinois, declining the call to China, it was--

VOTED, That J H Lindsay be released from the invitation to China.

GRACE RAWSON--SHANGHAI:

VOTED, That we wire the North Pacific meeting, to see if Miss Grace Rawson, of Oregon, can be secured for Shanghai.

C G PARKINS--HAITI:

A letter was received from C G Parkins, of Texas, accepting the call to take the field missionary secretaryship of Haiti.

W B TAYLOR RELEASED:

A letter was received from W B Taylor, of Pacific Union College, declining the call to the Lake Titicaca training school.

VOTED, That W B Taylor be released from the invitation to Peru, to connect with the Lake Titicaca training school.

G W WHITE--OKLAHOMA:

VOTED, That on request of the Southwestern Union we invite G W White, of Iowa, to make Oklahoma his field of labor, passing this request on to the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference.



## GLEN RUSSELL--SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND:

On receipt of a request from the Atlantic Union that Glen Russell, of Kentucky, be secured for service in Southern New England, it was--

VOTED, That the request be passed to the Southern Union and to Brother Russell, but that in view of the fact that the South has been drawn upon strongly for workers of late, we are loath to call further help from the South into the North, though recognizing that there may be reasons why this request should be granted.

## GEORGE HALVORSEN--MANCHURIA:

VOTED, That we invite George Halvorsen, of North Wisconsin, to go to the Far East, as secretary-treasurer of the Manchuria Mission, asking the North Wisconsin Conference and the Lake Union to release him for this purpose.

## C S PROUT--SOUTH AFRICA:

A letter was received from C S Prout, accepting the call to South Africa for English evangelistic work.

## WILFRED E BELLEAU RELEASED:

On receipt of a letter from Wilfred E Belleau, declining the call to France at this time, it was--

VOTED, That we release Wilfred E Belleau, of Walla Walla College, from the invitation to France.

## PEARL REES--UNION COLLEGE:

On information from the Educational Department that Union College is calling for Sister Pearl Rees, of the Atlantic Union, to act as preceptress at Union College, it was--

VOTED, That we pass on to the Atlantic Union the request from the Union College Board, asking that it be given due consideration.

## GLADYS ROBINSON--OOLTEWAH:

On information from the Educational Department that the Southern Junior College makes request for Miss Gladys Robinson, of Pacific Union College, as normal director at Ooltewah, it was--

VOTED, That we pass on to the Pacific Union College this request for the services of Miss Gladys Robinson, asking due consideration and the granting of the request, if possible.

W W PRESCOTT, Chairman.

W A SPICER, Secretary.



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 1, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

G B Thompson, C S Longacre, W W Eastman, W A Spicer,  
Mrs L F Plummer.

It was agreed that W W Prescott should respond to  
the invitation to spend a week at Emmanuel Missionary College,  
following the Columbia Union meeting.

G B THOMPSON, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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TWO HUNDRED SIXTH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Walla Walla, Wash., March 2, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, R D Quinn, Wm Guthrie,  
L A Hansen, A C Gilbert, A R Ogden.

G W WELLS--SOUTHERN UNION:

VOTED, That inasmuch as the North Pacific Union  
has elected A R Ogden to its presidency, and he is therefore not  
available to fill the call of the Southern Union, that we re-  
lease Brother Ogden, and ask the Pacific Union Conference to  
release G W Wells to take the presidency of the Southern Union  
Conference should an invitation be extended.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.  
L A HANSEN, Secretary pro tem.



TWO HUNDRED SEVENTH MEETING  
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
 Columbus, Ohio, March 10, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W H Heckman, E H Robbins,  
 W H Green, W W Prescott.

SPRING COUNCIL:

VOTED, That a spring council of the General Conference Committee be held in Washington, March 25 to April 1.

COLORED WORKERS' CONVENTION:

VOTED, That the Evangelistic Convention for Colored Workers be held at Nashville, Tenn., April 7 to 14, instead of March 30 to April 7.

VOTED, That E E Andross be released from attending the Eastern Canadian Union Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, chairman.  
 W W PRESCOTT, Secretary pro tem.

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TWO HUNDRED EIGHTH MEETING  
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
 Takoma Park, D.C., March 16, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W T Knox, M E Kern, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, W A Spicer, O M John, L A Hansen, E R Palmer, F H Robbins, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by M E Kern.



## G W WELLS--SOUTHERN UNION:

On information that the Committee of the Southern Union Conference had decided to call for Elder G W Wells, as president of the union, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Elder G W Wells to respond to the call to the presidency of the Southern Union, asking the Pacific Union and the California Conference to release him for this purpose.

## MRS ROWEN:

VOTED, That E E Andross, F M Wilcox, M E Kern be a committee to give consideration to a statement regarding the claims of Mrs Rowen, of Southern California.

## H H HALL--PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

On report of interviews with Pacific Coast brethren and H H Hall, it was--

VOTED, That we invite H H Hall to connect with the General Conference, and appoint him associate secretary of the Publishing Department, asking the Pacific Union and the Pacific Press to release him for this purpose.

## PUBLISHING WORK:

In view of the problems connected with foreign publishing, and the part the larger houses are acting in assisting the fields, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Brethren N Z Town, H H Hall, C H Jones, and R L Pierce to attend the limited spring council which has been called.

## EUGENIA DOUGLAS:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the expenses connected with the funeral of Eugenia Douglas, whose will provides for means to come to the general cause.

## MISS HOFFMAN:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Hoffman, of the North Pacific Union, to connect with the General Conference office for stenographic work, asking the North Pacific Union and the Western Washington Conference to release her for this purpose.



## ENTERTAINMENT--SPRING COUNCIL:

VOTED, That C S Longacre, H E Rogers, T E Bowen be a committee on arrangements for entertainment of delegates at the spring council.

## B L HOUSE--PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE:

On request of the Pacific Union, it was--

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union the call for Elder B L House, of Keene Academy, to connect with the Pacific Union College as Bible teacher.

## W M ADAMS--WASHINGTON SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That on request of the Washington Sanitarium Board, we invite Elder W M Adams, of California, to connect with the Washington Sanitarium as chaplain, asking the Pacific Union and the California Conference, to release him for this purpose.

## AMY DU BOIS--SHERIDAN:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Amy DuBois, of Redfield, S.Dak., to connect with the work in the Illinois Conference, to act as preceptress at the Sheridan school, asking the Northern Union and the South Dakota Conference to release her for this purpose.

## GRAND RAPIDS MEETING:

VOTED, That we ask Elder A G Daniells to endeavor to spend the twenty-second at the Grand Rapids mission rally on his way to a Chicago appointment.

Recess was taken.

## C E KNIGHT--SPAIN:

VOTED, That we confirm the appointment of Elder C E Knight to the superintendency of the Spanish field, as called for by the European council, taking responsibility of arranging matters which had stood in Elder Knight's way.

## E V MOORE--LOS ANGELES:

VOTED, That we recommend E V Moore and wife, under appointment to India, to spend some time at the Los Angeles dispensary while awaiting permit.



EDWIN THIELE:

VOTED, That we agree to the proposition that E R Thiele and wife, under appointment to China, shall spend a little time on the Coast before sailing, Sister Thiele to get special work at the Los Angeles dispensary, Brother Thiele to spend a short time in the Pacific Press editorial rooms, it being understood that Brother Thiele goes to China for evangelistic work, but that we encourage him to get this brief touch with editorial work also before going.

MISS COLLISON--INDIA:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Collison, nurse at the Washington Sanitarium, to respond to the call from India, asking the Washington Sanitarium Board to release her for this purpose.

ROSS PEDAN--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we invite Brother and Sister Ross Pedan, of the Washington Sanitarium, to go to South America at once, he to take charge of the men's bathroom, Sister Pedan to act as matron, asking the Sanitarium Board to release them for this purpose.

NASHVILLE COLORED CONVENTION:

VOTED, That Elder A G Daniells be asked to spend as much time as possible at the Colored Convention before sailing for Europe.

VOTED, That W W Prescott be invited to attend the Colored Workers' Convention, April 7 to 14, in Nashville.

O M JOHN--OAKWOOD:

VOTED, That O M John, of the Educational Department, be advised to plan his work so that he may visit the Oakwood school while in the South to inspect the Southern Junior College.

MRS HELEN WILLIAMS:

After considering a suggestion from the Washington College as to division of support for Sister Helen Williams, it was--

VOTED, That instead of joining in a mixed support on the plan suggested, we ask the Columbia Union Conference to consider the possibility of placing Sister Williams in the regular Bible work in some part of its field.



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W M HEIDENREICH & DAN OCHS:

Report was given by members who had attended the North Pacific Union meeting that Brethren Heidenreich and Ochs, invited to the Clinton Seminary, had declined the call.

VOTED, That we release Brethren W M Heidenreich and Dan Ochs from the invitation to the Clinton Seminary.

O W MORGAN--SHANGHAI:

VOTED, That we invite O W Morgan, of the North Pacific Union, to go to Shanghai, to act as stenographic and office assistant in the Shanghai Publishing House, provided the North Pacific Union brethren can recommend him.

SHANGHAI SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That E E Andross, W T Knox, W A Spicer, Dr H W Miller and L A Hansen be a committee to consider the propositions submitted regarding the Shanghai Sanitarium plans, and to give counsel.

DR ARTHUR KRETSCHMAR--EDINBURGH:

VOTED, That in harmony with the action of the Committee on the Coast, placing Dr Arthur Kretschmar under appointment, it is agreed that we arrange for him to enter Edinburgh to qualify for practice in British fields, he to receive approximately an appointee's allowance, to meet expenses in Edinburgh.

RUTH TYRRELL--NEW YORK:

VOTED, That on request of the Atlantic Union Conference, we release Miss Ruth Tyrrell, stenographic assistant in the Medical Department, to act as secretary to Elder C B Haynes, of the Greater New York Conference, as soon as arrangements can be made for her release.

M M MATTISON--SPECIAL APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That M M Mattison, on furlough from India, receive special appropriations to cover his overdraft, due to expenses to which he has been put, and that inquiry be made as to the necessity of an operation for Sister Mattison, preparatory to her return to India, the treasurer being authorized to render what help may be necessary in this case.

H E WIDMER:

VOTED, That we invite H E Widmer, of New Jersey, and Sister Widmer, to come to Washington for an interview with the Treasury Department regarding possible work in mission fields.



O U GIDDINGS:

VOTED, That we wire Elder C F McVagh to see O U Giddings, of Alexandria, Minn., if possible, on his way to the spring council, reporting as to his availability for secretary-treasurer work.

WM PHILLIPS--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald to release Brother Wm Phillips, under appointment to South America, and that we utilize his services in the General Conference office until time of his departure.

Adjourned.

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

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# TWO HUNDRED NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 17, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, E E Andross, W T Knox, F M Wilcox,  
C S Longacre, F H Robbins, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John,  
W A Spicer, W H Green, Dr H W Miller.

Prayer by F H Robbins.

OTTO SCHUBERTH--CLINTON:

VOTED, That in response to a communication from Elder J T Boettcher, we invite Otto Schubert, student in the Washington Missionary College, to accept a call to the Clinton Seminary as a member of the faculty.

DR W C DALBEY--CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That missionary credentials be granted to Dr W C Dalbey and Mrs Dalbey, self-supporting missionaries planning to go to Shanghai, China, as dentists.

COLORED WORKERS' CONVENTION:

VOTED, That the Negro Department be authorized to invite H E Ford, of Hinsdale, and Mrs W H Green, of Detroit, to attend the Nashville Convention.



## CHAS WOLOHON--RATE:

VOTED, That the rate of Chas Wolohon, in the Sabbath School Department, be \$17.16 plus.

## MRS K C RUSSELL:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet one half the funeral and burial expenses incurred in behalf of the late K C Russell, and that it is the sense of the Committee that other adjustments with Sister Russell should be taken up by the Atlantic Union and the Western New York Conference.

## HOMES--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That the treasurer be instructed to authorize the erection at Santurce, Porto Rico, of a double concrete house on mission property, cost not to exceed \$5800.

## DAN FITCH--HOUSE IN CARACAS:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make a loan to Elder Dan Fitch, to assist him in erecting a dwelling house in Caracas, the loan to be not above sixty per cent of the investment in house and land, and being limited to \$2000, Elder Fitch to give option to the mission to purchase the property at any time at cost, with any proper allowance for depreciation.

## JAMAICA WAGE:

VOTED, That G A Roberts and the committee of Jamaica be authorized to submit a new rate of wage in keeping with the purchasing power of the circulating currency.

## WEST INDIAN UNION SURPLUS:

VOTED, That any surplus reported in the audit of the West Indian Union accounts be held in Jamaica available for such British countries as use sterling currency.

## CHRISTIANIA PUBLISHING HOUSE:

The Christiania publishing house having made request that consideration be given to the loss that would occur should they settle at present rates of exchange with the Pacific Press, and requesting that the General Conference carry these accounts until exchange is better, it was--

VOTED, That inasmuch as this is a matter that other houses abroad and in America are concerned with, we request the publishing house representatives who will be present at the spring council to give consideration to the best way of meeting this situation.



## W H GREEN--PACIFIC COAST:

VOTED, That the secretary of the Negro Department be authorized to plan a visit to the Pacific Coast following the Nashville convention.

## DR J G SMALLEY:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the expenses of Dr J G Smalley at the Melrose Sanitarium for such time as may be necessary for him to remain there, Dr Smalley having been engaged in self-supporting work in Central America.

## S DONALDSON--NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

VOTED, That we invite S Donaldson, of the Inter-Mountain Conference, to accept the call of the North Pacific Union to act as their Union Home Missionary Secretary, asking the Inter-Mountain Conference and the Central Union to release him for this purpose.

## W L ADAMS--NORTH PACIFIC:

VOTED, That we invite W L Adams, of the Southwestern Union, to accept the call of the North Pacific Union to take the Union Missionary Volunteer secretaryship, asking the Southwestern Union to release him for this purpose.

## H L GARDINER RELEASED:

On receipt of medical report regarding the case of Mrs Gardiner, it was--

VOTED, That we withdraw the invitation to L H Gardiner, of South Lancaster, to go to South Africa.

## ROGER ALTMAN--MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we invite Roger Altman, assistant in the General Conference Educational Department, to go to Malaysia, to engage in editorial work.

## H D CASEBEER--SALARY:

VOTED, That the salary of H D Casebeer be continued on furlough basis to within two weeks of the date of his sailing for Porto Rico, from that time he to receive the allowance of the superintendent of the Porto Rico Mission.



## LOMA LINDA APPROPRIATION:

The treasurer having called attention to a clerical error in the listing of the 1919 appropriation to Loma Linda, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add \$6342.83 to the Loma Linda appropriation for 1919.

## FOREIGN INGATHERING ISSUES:

On report of the International House at Brookfield, to the treasury department, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to place an order with the Brookfield House for foreign Ingathering papers for 1920, as follows:

German, 60,000, Yiddish, 30,000, Swedish, 21,000, Danish-Norwegian, 21,000, Italian, 20,000, Polish, 12,500, French, 11,000, Russian, 8,000, Hungarian, 7,500, Bohemian, 5,000, Finnish, 4,000, Rumanian, 5,000, Servian, 3,000, Slovakian, 5,000, Portuguese, 4,000; total, 217,000.

Further, That the treasurer authorize at our expense the publication of two tracts of 24 pages each in Syriac, also similar tracts of 16 to 20 pages in the Persian, cost to be met out of the Literature Fund.

Adjourned.

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

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TWO HUNDRED TENTH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 18, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, E E Andross, W T Knox, M E Kern,  
W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, W A Spicer, F H Robbins, O M John,  
C S Longacre, E R Palmer.

Prayer by M E Kern.



## V L BEECHAM--MALAYSIA:

Letter was received from V L Beecham, of Southern California, accepting the call to Malaysia, release, however, not having yet been secured.

VOTED, That on the release of V L Beecham, we plan to send him forward to the field, spending the time of waiting for his permit in the Dutch East Indies, owing to the urgent need of a field missionary secretary being on the ground.

## E A MOON--PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That we invite E A Moon, of California, to accept the secretary-treasurership of the Philippine Union Conference, asking the Pacific Union and the Central California Conference to release him for this purpose.

## M DEMIDOV--MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be granted to M Demidov, of Vladivostok, Siberia.

## W F HILLS--CALIFORNIA:

On information from the Northern Union as to the health of Elder W F Hills, recently arriving in South Dakota, but requiring a change of climate, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference bear the removal expenses of W F Hills to Southern California, granting three months' wage at present rate, recommending to Brother Hills that he seek to find some business opening where he can work without aggravating his throat difficulty.

## FRENCH MEDICAL BOOK:

VOTED, That we refer the inquiry of the International Publishing House regarding a French medical book to L A Hansen, W W Eastman, and F M Wilcox for report to the Committee.

## LOLITA HALL:

VOTED, That we authorize the Treasury Department to meet the transportation of Miss Lolita Hall, of China, to this country, it being the desire of the family that she return to America for her education.

## MEDICAL AID--C P LILLIE:

VOTED, That in response to the statement from the Far Eastern Committee regarding the financial situation of



Elder C P Lillie, of Central China, and his inability to personally meet the expense of necessary dental work, we call the attention of the Far Eastern Committee to the former action by the General Conference Committee, urging the committees in the mission fields in all cases of emergency sick need to act promptly and aggressively in such cases to prevent breakdowns, using their judgment as to what help should be rendered from the Emergency Fund placed in their hands for such and other emergency purposes.

#### WEST CARIBBEAN--OFFICE HELP:

On request of the West Caribbean Conference that the appropriation for half time of an office assistant be extended to full time, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to double the appropriation to the West Caribbean Conference for office help.

#### K O R E A:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to secure two typewriters for the Korea Mission, to be paid for from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit \$500 additional to the Soonan school from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit \$1500 additional to Korea for the house being erected for Brother J C Klose, the same to be met from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make an additional appropriation of \$1000 to the Seoul Press from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure for the Seoul Press, Korea, a stereotyping and bindery outfit, the expense to be from \$1500 to \$2000, the same to be met from the tithe paid to the General Conference by the Pacific Press.

#### MANILA PRESS--PAPER-CUTTER:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure for the Manila Publishing House a paper-cutter, expense of the same to be met from the tithe paid to the General Conference by the Pacific Press.



M L RICE--INDIA:

Acceptance of the call to India was reported by  
M L Rice.

VOTED, That M L Rice be assigned to the superintendency of the Northeast India Union.

BRYAN ROBISON RELEASED:

On information from Bryan D Robison, invited to China, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the call to Brother Bryan D Robison to go to China.

GEO HALVORSEN:

Medical report was received from Geo Halvorsen, and being satisfactory, it was agreed that he should go forward, to act as secretary-treasurer of the Manchuria Mission.

MANUAL FOR MISSIONARY APPOINTEES:

Consideration was given to copy which had been prepared for a Manual for appointees, the same being adopted and ordered printed.

MINA PANASUK:

Satisfactory medical report being received from Mina Panasuk, it was--

VOTED, To ask the North Dakota Conference to arrange for Brother Panasuk's ordination, if they feel free to do so, before his departure for Manchuria.

Recess was taken.

Consideration was given to actions taken in an informal meeting without quorum, held March 3, and the proceedings of that meeting were adopted as follows:

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOOL:

The Committee advises that it feels in hearty sympathy with the proposition that provision should be made for a school for the miscellaneous foreign language speaking peoples in the United States. At the same time, the call for \$24,000 appropriation for this purpose seems to the members of the Committee to involve a decision which ought really to be made in council when appropriations are made. The Committee feels that it would really not be proper for a minority to take so large a step in the interim between council meetings,



especially in view of the fact that appropriations have been made close to the entire sum that it is proposed to raise during 1920. The Committee advises that information be gathered and facts formulated, ready for presentation at the Fall Council, when appropriations for 1921 will be under consideration.

#### SETTLING WORKERS IN EUROPE:

In view of the fact that several of the brethren called to take responsible posts in Europe are going across in post-war times, without definite knowledge of location of place or conditions, the brethren felt that the treasury should advance to these brethren \$300 each, outfitting fund, and that \$2000 should be appropriated, to be disbursed by the European sub-treasury in meeting the exceptional expense of transporting outfit and settling homes in whatever part of Europe may finally be decided upon.

#### P E BRODERSON'S WAGE:

VOTED, That P E Broderson's wage as secretary of the Bureau of Home Missions begin from March 1, 1920.

#### CHAS DEGERING--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That Chas Degering be advised to accept the call of the Jamaica Conference to connect with them as Home Missionary Secretary, provision for this being made by substituting him for some other worker called for in the budget.

#### A H WILLIAMS--FURLOUGH RATE:

VOTED, That the secretary-treasurer of the Southern Asia Division, Brother A H Williams, be granted a furlough rate equivalent to his regular wage during his furlough, inasmuch as he proposes to spend the time in the study of language and accounting, in order to strengthen his hands in our work

#### WAGE SCHEDULE:

VOTED, That in harmony with the action of the Committee at its recent meeting in Glendale, we appoint the following as a committee to work out a wage schedule in detail, for submission: W T Knox, W A Spicer, E R Palmer.

#### M H MATTISON--APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That M H Mattison, on furlough from India be granted a special appropriation of \$100 for special family equipment.



E M DAVIS:

Medical report of E M Davis and Mrs Davis was presented, and it was--

VOTED, To go forward with arrangements to send them to Brazil, asking the North Texas Conference to arrange to ordain Brother Davis before his departure, if they feel clear in doing so.

GEO B TAYLOR:

Medical report of Geo B Taylor and Mrs Taylor was considered, and it was agreed their departure for Brazil should be arranged.

W B TAYLOR RELEASED:

Letter was received from Prof W B Taylor, of Pacific Union College, declining the call to the Lake Titicaca school.

VOTED, That the invitation to Prof W B Taylor be rescinded.

ALONZO EDWARDS:

Medical report for Alonzo Edwards and Mrs. Edwards was submitted, and it was agreed that we should continue planning for them to go to the Canal Zone at the close of the school year.

BYRD BULLARD:

Medical report was submitted, and it was agreed that Brother and Sister Byrd Bullard should go forward to Venezuela in midsummer.

R R SWEANY RELEASED:

Considering a letter from R R Sweany, who had been invited to Salvador, it was--

VOTED, To rescind the call, advising Brother Sweany to go on further with his education, not planning to go to the field a single man at this time.

H J CAPIAN RELEASED:

A letter was received from the president of the Ontario Conference, stating that H J Capman, invited to go to the Kentucky Conference, did not wish to leave the Ontario field.

VOTED, That we rescind the invitation to H J Capman to go to Kentucky.



## GLEN RUSSELL RELEASED:

On information from the Tennessee River Conference that Glen Russell declines the call to the Southern New England Conference, it was--

VOTED, That the invitation to Glen Russell to connect with the Southern New England Conference be rescinded.

## JOHN HOTTEL RELEASED:

On receipt of communication from Prof John Hottel, of South Lancaster, declining the call to the South African Union College, it was--

VOTED, That the invitation to John Hottel to go to South Africa be rescinded.

## J C NIXON RELEASED:

Consideration was given to a letter from Elder Holden, of Illinois, stating that that conference would not stand in the way of Brother J C Nixon's responding to the call to India, but that he was the only licensed minister in the white work in the Illinois Conference, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Brother J C Nixon to go to India.

## J W WILHELM RELEASED:

On receipt of a communication from the president of the Carolina Conference, explaining the difficulty of releasing Brother J W Wilhelm to go to South America, it was--

VOTED, That we withdraw the invitation to Brother J W Wilhelm to go to the Inca Union as book leader.

## R A SMITHWICK--INDIA:

Medical report having been considered, it was--

VOTED, That R A Smithwick, of Southern Oregon, be invited to go to India, to work in the Bombay District, the North Pacific Union and the Southern Oregon Conference being asked to release him for this purpose.

## O H SHREWSBURY:

Medical report was submitted for Brother and Sister O H Shrewsbury, and it was agreed that we should go forward with their application for permit, and that they should be assigned to the Northeast India field.



O O MATTISON--INDIA:

Medical report was considered for O O Mattison, and it was agreed that he should be listed as one of the colporteur leaders to be under the direction of the Lucknow publishing house.

O B GRARY RELEASED:

VOTED, That we release O B Grary from appointment to India at this time.

J D BAKER--RHODESIA:

VOTED, That we invite J D Baker, of California, to go to South Africa, applying for permit to enter the North-eastern Rhodesia Mission, and that the treasurer be authorized to turn to Brother J D Baker's account the amount which his father deposited toward his return to Africa, the same to be available for special preparation at Loma Linda while waiting for permit.

L J BARROWDALE--SOUTH AFRICA:

Consideration was given to the need of workers in South Africa, and the delay in securing permits, and it was felt that we should consider turning Brother L J Barrowdale, formerly of the Lake Titicaca Mission and now on furlough, toward the South African field, inasmuch as he has British citizenship.

VOTED, That we invite L J Barrowdale, of Ohio, to make South Africa his field of labor, asking the Columbia Union and the Ohio Conference to release him for this purpose.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to set aside in a Trust Fund to meet special appropriations, the sum of \$300,000.

A P POND--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we ask the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists to release Brother and Sister A P Pond, at once, if practicable, in order that they may go on to the South African field, Brother Pond having British citizenship.

J L SHULER RELEASED:

On receipt of information from Elder J L Shuler, it was--



VOTED, That we release J L Shuler from the invitation to go to South Africa for English evangelistic work.

C S PROUT--TRANSPORTATION AND OUTFITTING:

VOTED, That inasmuch as C S Prout has accepted the call to South Africa to engage in English evangelistic work, the treasurer be authorized to increase South Africa's budget to meet the transportation and outfitting expense of this additional worker.

VICTOR DIETEL--MISS HOLDER:

Approval was given to the medical reports for Victor Dietel and Miss Mary Holder, of the Washington Missionary College, under appointment to Spain.

G F KNOX RELEASED:

On receipt of information regarding the health of Mrs G F Knox, it was--

VOTED, That we release G F Knox, of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, from appointment to Secretary-treasurer work in China, on account of his wife's health.

H K HALVORSEN RELEASED:

On information from Elder C S Wiest, of Indiana, it was--

VOTED, That we release H K Halvorsen, of Indiana, from appointment to the Peru school, South America.

FRED C PHIPPS--WEST AFRICA:

VOTED, That we refer the application of Elder Fred C Phipps, of the British West Indies, to the British Union Conference Committee, asking them to give consideration to his desire to engage in work in West Africa.

T SUMMERVILLE--AREQUIPA:

In response to a call from South America for Elder T Summerville, of Michigan, to locate at the Arequipa station, it was--

VOTED, That we invite T Summerville to make Peru his field of labor, asking the Lake Union and the local conference involved to release him for this purpose.



## LLORENS MIRA--MEXICO:

VOTED, That we agree to the proposition of Llorens Mira, of the Washington Missionary College, to pay his fare one way to Mexico City, to engage in canvassing work.

## SALVADOR WORKERS:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow Maria Valladaries to take the place and allowance of Pablo Melendex in the Salvador budget.

## HERBERT WHITE--JAPAN:

VOTED, That we invite Herbert White, of California, to make Japan his field of labor for evangelistic work, asking the Pacific Union and the local conference involved to release him for this purpose.

## A E HOLLENBECK--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite A E Hollenbeck, of the Pacific Union College, to go to South Africa, to engage in mission work, asking the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College to release him if practicable.

## SOUTH AFRICAN INGATHERING:

In reply to a question regarding an Ingathering annual in the Dutch language, it was--

VOTED, That we propose to the South African Union brethren as follows:

1. That they issue an Ingathering Number in the Dutch language.
2. The General Conference offer to bear the expense at cost of production of any reasonable quantity that can be profitably used, the mission funds gathered through this agency to be applied on our budget of appropriations.
3. The General Conference would in this case supply electros in whole or in part as ordered.
4. It is understood that this suggestion would require a different Ingathering season in South Africa, it being impossible to get the material far enough in advance to allow the brethren there to bring out the issue simultaneously with the issue here.



MRS HOLT--MISS VOL DEPT:

VOTED, That we authorize H E Kern, of the Missionary Volunteer Department, to engage the services of Mrs Chester Holt, of Takoma Park, as helper in the Missionary Volunteer Department for the summer.

Adjourned.

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

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# TWO HUNDRED ELEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 19, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, C V Leach, W A Spicer, H E Kern, also H H Cobban.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

### GRAND RAPIDS MEETING:

On information that Professor Prescott was unable to meet the appointment at Grand Rapids, it was--

VOTED, That we request G B Thompson to go on to the Grand Rapids meeting at the close of the Eastern Canadian Union meeting.

### MRS MEYERS--BRAZIL:

On information that Sister Henry Meyers, on furlough from Brazil, is found to require an operation before her return, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the expense of the operation and care of Mrs. Henry Meyers, asking her, if possible, to place her children with friends in Philadelphia.

### MINA PANASUK RELEASED:

On information that the Manchuria Mission does not consider it wise for a Russian citizen to attempt work in Harbin at this time, it was--



VOTED, That we withdraw the invitation to Mina Panasuk, of North Dakota, to go to Harbin, Manchuria.

# STENOGRAPHIC RATES:

VOTED, That the rate of Misses Howell, Bartlet, and Sevren, of the General Conference stenographic force be fixed at \$10.50 as the 1914 basic rate, beginning with current time.

VOTED, That Miss Esther Howard, mailing room assistant, be given \$10.00 as a basic rate from January 1, 1920.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED TWELFTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 21, 1920

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# P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, Dr H W Miller, W W Prescott,  
H E Kern, W A Spicer.

# ROGER ALTMAN--MALAYSIA:

On medical report that Mrs. Altman, under appointment to Malaysia, should have a minor operation before beginning the journey, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to provide the necessary means in case Brother and Sister Altman accept the appointment and wish the operation done before going to the field.

# NURSE--SIMLA:

On information that Miss Collison, British nurse, invited to India, may be somewhat delayed in giving final answer it was--

VOTED, That while holding to Miss Collison, we cable Australia, to ascertain if it is not possible for our brethren there to meet India's needs by sending a lady nurse to the Simla Sanitarium, British citizenship being essential for hastening help forward in this time when to secure permit takes six months or more.

E E ANDROSS, chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



SPRING COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETINGS

OF THE

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 25 to April 2, 1920

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## SPRING COUNCIL

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## TWO HUNDRED THIRTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., March 25, 1920

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The first meeting of the Council was called at  
10:00 A M, March 25.

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, E E Andross, W A Spicer,  
Wm Guthrie, F H Robbins, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, R D Quinn,  
L A Hansen, O M John, C S Longacre, G B Thompson, C V Leach,  
A V Olson, J H Schilling, S E Wight, M E Kern, E K Slade, J T  
Doettcher, N Z Town, F M Wilcox, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman,  
M Lukens, W H Heckman, F W Stray, J W Christian, C F McVagh,  
A C Gilbert, P E Broderson, N P Neilsen, H E Nord, A R Ogden.  
Dr H W Miller.

A G Daniells in the chair.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

## DAILY PROGRAM:

9:30 A M to 11:45 A M  
2:30 P M to 5:00 P M  
7:00 P M to 9:00 P M

## SUB-COMMITTEE HOURS:

8:00 A M to 9:30 A M  
1:00 P M to 2:15 P M

## INVITED TO ATTEND:

L L Caviness, J S James, H H Cobban, H K Christman,  
J J Ireland, Miss M Erickson, S E McNeill, C C Lewis, R L Pierce,  
D F Machlan, S N Curtiss, H E Rogers, Dr G H Heald, H W Carr,  
Dr Earl Carr, T E Downen, R E Harter, B F Bryan, J W Mace, L W  
Graham, R T Dowsett, G W Wells, J L McElhany, C A Russell,  
C H Mayer, Miss S Peck, G H Curtis.



## SUMMER CAMP-MEETINGS:

The morning session was given to discussion of spiritual and other interests of the camp-meetings.

Committee on time, general help, objectives, and program: Vice-president, union presidents, with F M Wilcox, R D Quinn, P E Broderson, with L A Hansen as secretary.

Recess to 2:30 P M.

Following recess, the meeting was opened with prayer by E E Andross.

## EUROPEAN DELEGATION:

The question of the delegation to Europe was considered, no alteration in the general arrangements being suggested

## WEEK OF PRAYER:

VOTED, That the following be a committee on Week of Prayer Readings: G B Thompson, Wm Guthrie, H H Hall, W W Prescott.

## MIDSUMMER APPEAL:

Referred to the same committee above.

## UNRECOGNIZED RURAL SCHOOLS:

In response to repeated appeals from victims of unrecognized rural schools that our people receive warning, it was--

VOTED, That a committee be appointed by the chair to prepare a statement.

Named: H E Kern, S E Wight, W H Heckman.

## MRS ROWAN'S CLAIMS:

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to make recommendation as to the best way of dealing with Mrs. Rowan's claims.

Named: E E Andross, F M Wilcox, J W Christian, F W Stray, J L McElhany.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

W T Knox presented the financial report of the General Conference for the year ending Jan. 20, 1920, which, with the auditor's report, was adopted as follows:

(See pages 618 to 622)



## 618

For Year Ending January 20, 1920

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Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 520,187.94
Securities	157,480.00
Notes Receivable	113,325.00
Accounts Receivable	398,257.17
Inventories	7,589.25
Trust Funds Overpaid	8,504.75
Accrued Interest Receivable	3,751.93
Deferred Appropriation Accounts	<u>260,750.72</u>
Total Assets	1,469,846.76

Accounts Payable	13,184.78
Trust Funds	146,401.50
Sustentation Fund	87,168.39
Treasurers' Credit Checks	5,787.31
Correspondence School Liab. Inv.	2,872.10
Promotion Liability Inventory	<u>738.74</u>
Total Liabilities	256,152.82

Total Assets	1,469,846.76
Less Liabilities	<u>256,152.82</u>
PRESENT WORTH January 20, 1920	1,213,693.94
Present Worth January 20, 1919	715,714.52
Add Net Income for Year 1919	<u>497,979.42</u>
	1,213,693.94



## 619

For Year Ending January 20, 1920

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Twenty-five-cent-a-week Fund	1,508,801.32
Surplus Tithe from Conferences	498,857.89
Tithe	69,769.93
Mission Funds	182,424.18
Home Mission Funds	2,267.12
Colored Work	9,852.83
Legacies	2,526.12
Interest	27,736.15
Exchange	44,551.85
Appropriations Reclaimed	37,721.51
Old Accounts	2,034.69
Correspondence School	7,822.64
Missions Quarterly	2,965.83
Missionary Readings	2,090.91
Purchasing Bureau	<u>4,840.35</u>
Total Income	2,404,263.32



## REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT - Cont'd

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EXPENSES

## APPROPRIATIONS (Regular Foreign)

Asiatic Division	333,462.28
" " Exchange	128,473.19
India Union Mission	170,102.50
Latin Union	20,000.00
North Latin Union	76,465.09
South African Union	76,614.31
South American Division	125,510.80
West Indian Union	19,448.67

950,076.84

## APPROPRIATIONS (Regular Home)

Atlantic Union	6,833.33
Columbia Union	5,355.80
East Canadian Union	19,809.27
Southeastern Union	23,013.85
Southern Union	30,855.87
Southwestern Union	13,388.55

99,256.67

## Institutions:

Christian Record	4,666.67
Indiana Academy	6,000.00
Loma Linda College	10,000.00
Oakwood Junior College	4,500.00
Oshawa School	13,500.00

38,666.67

## Departments:

Foreign Department	25,217.79
Negro "	66,632.18
Indian "	4,658.22

96,508.19

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

145,635.12

## INSTITUTIONAL RELIEF

228,309.85

## FURLOUGH ACCOUNT

39,392.01

## HARVEST INGATHERING

59,984.54

## DEPRECIATION ON SECURITIES

1,452.53

## MISSIONARY APPOINTEES

2,823.31

Amount Carried Forward

1,662,105.73



## REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT - Cont'd

EXPENSES - Cont'd

Footings Brought Forward	1,662,105.73
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## GENERAL EXPENSES

Alterations and Repairs	2,421.63	
Expense Account	2,501.95	
Fuel	514.18	
Mission Fund Promotion	5,018.44	
Telephone Expense	832.37	
Telegrams and Cables	850.47	
Taxes, Depreciations, etc.	2,309.47	
Year Book (loss )	<u>354.72</u>	
		14,803.23

## DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES

Salary	Divisional	18,535.20	
"	Miscellaneous	6,633.74	
"	Department	86,604.34	
Traveling	Divisional	5,329.90	
"	Miscellaneous	870.70	
"	Department	25,086.80	
Operating		<u>12,698.04</u>	
Stock Room Loss		583.23	
Mailing Department Loss		469.29	
Duplicating Department loss		70.74	
Purchasing Bureau		<u>4,348.92</u>	
			161,230.90

Sustentation Fund (per cent, tithe & Missions)	37,324.71
Philippine Unionn (13th Sabbath Overflow)	18,812.02
1918 Appropriation Adjustments	2,278.50
Missions Quarterly	1,444.50
Missionary Readings	1,947.60
Sanitarium Quarterly	3.04
Unexpired Insurance	45.67
Correspondence School	<u>6,294.00</u>
Total Expenses	1,906,283.90

S U M M A R Y

Total Income	2,404,263.32
Less Total Expenses	<u>1,906,283.90</u>
Net Income to Surplus Account	497,979.42



## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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## ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Travel</u>	<u>Operate</u>	<u>Total</u>
Asiatic Division Laborers	11877.24	2816.36		14693.60
European Division "		19.75		19.75
South American Div. "	5809.94	1826.18		7636.12
South Asian " "	848.02	667.61		1515.63
Teachers	2585.76			2585.76
Field Laborers	4047.98	870.70		4918.68
Educational Laborers	7083.01	1533.54	1207.52	9823.07
Executive Department	29507.50	11029.87	3698.39	44235.76
Foreign Department	18387.08	5493.50	2336.90	26217.48
Home Missionary Dept.	3276.67	1193.81	626.37	5096.85
Medical Department	3185.62	793.89	267.05	4246.56
Missionary Volunteer Dept.	6687.65	1079.18	209.64	7976.47
Press Bureau	1800.62	154.41	236.37	2181.40
Publicizing Dept.	4161.98	1241.45	190.08	5593.51
Negro Department	1841.85	583.34	230.06	2655.25
Religious Liberty	3746.41	1189.44	380.95	5316.80
Sabbath School Department	6237.01	755.89	3298.90	10291.80
War Service Commission	689.94	38.48	25.81	754.23

Salary 111,773.28

Traveling Expense 31,287.40

Operating Expense 12,698.04

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TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE LABORERS' EXPENSE

155758.72



It was stated that the large surplus shown, coming in at the end of the year, was being whittled down by carrying the work through the first part of this current year.

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION:

The treasurer, W T Knox, presented the financial statement of the General Conference Corporation for the year ending December 31, 1919, which, after auditor's statement, was adopted as follows:

(Pages 623 and 624)

#### SABBATH MEETINGS:

VOTED, That F H Robbins, C S Longacre, R E Harter and E E Andross arrange for distribution of workers for Sabbath services.

Council to meet at 4:00 P M, Sabbath. Committee to arrange the subject matter: A G Daniells, E E Andross, W A Spicer.

Recess to 7:00 P M.

On resuming at 7:00 P M, C F McVagh offered prayer.

#### STATISTICAL REPORT--FINANCIAL:

H E Rogers presented the financial statement of the denominational organizations for 1918.

The report showed the relation of liabilities to assets being reduced steadily from 53.60 per cent in 1910 to 38.03 per cent in 1918. Assets increased from \$8,000,000 in 1914, to 16,000,000 in 1918. Liabilities increased from \$4,000,000 to \$6,000,000. The increase in liabilities, however, was in the group of conferences and conference associations, all groups of institutions showing reduction of liabilities.

In his analysis of the report the statistical secretary stated that there was no question whatever but that there is a constant improvement in the matter of actually reducing indebtedness. While liabilities show an increase, the real situation as regards actual indebtedness can not be determined by the column listing liabilities, as a large portion reported as liabilities is often made up of trust funds and other cash in hand at the time when a conference reports. This is not a debt at all, as it may be canceled by the next remittance of mission funds or other funds, or it may be covered by cash or securities equal to cash.



GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION  
REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT  
for year ending December 31, 1919.

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INCOME

Interest Earned	20,641.32
Washington Sanitarium Gain	65,489.80
From Annuity Contracts	8,126.11
From Depositors' Accounts	627.97
Gain on Typewriter Sales	5.84
Gain on Furniture Sales	6.10
Donations	16,000.00
Rents	<u>609.05</u>

Total Income.....	111,506.19
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EXPENSES

Interest Paid (Corporation)	12,430.28
Annuities Paid (Sanitarium)	560.00
Annuities Paid (Corporation)	3,766.09
Salary	384.15
General Expense	81.19
Harvey, Dak., Real Estate to N.Dak.Con.	1,787.88
Repairs to Waterloo Property	38.47
Taxes	75.60
Loss on Sales of Securities	1,746.00
Takoma S. D. A. Church Equity	<u>5,358.22</u>

Total Expenses.....	<u>26,227.88</u>
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Net Income to Present Worth Account	\$ 85,278.31
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## GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION

## BALANCE SHEET

For year ending December 31, 1919.

ASSETS

Cash on hand and in Bank		36,316.49
Notes and Securities		397,289.04
Accrued Interest Receivable	5,152.61	
Less Reserve	<u>760.87</u>	4,391.74
Unexpired Insurance Premiums		148.50
Inventories		8,217.76
Royalty Account (J. E. White)		3,480.30
Copyright Account (J. E. White)		500.00
Washington Sanitarium Assets		106,072.01
E. G. White Estate		62,938.28
Real Estate		61,683.34
Buildings		256,355.25
Equity in "Coming King" Plates		<u>2,000.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS as of December 31, 1919		\$ 939,392.71

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	141,093.06
Notes and Contracts	309,613.45
Deposits	89,255.73
Washington Sanitarium Liabilities	19,635.70
Provisions for Accrued Interest and Annuities	<u>5,025.19</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	\$ 564,623.13

PRESENT WORTH

Present Worth January 1, 1919	289,491.27
Add Net Income for year 1919	<u>85,278.31</u>
Present Worth for year ending December 31, 1919	<u>374,769.58</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PRESENT WORTH	\$ 939,392.71



## REPORT OF ACTUAL INDEBTEDNESS:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of which the treasurer shall be chairman, to make such recommendation and prepare such blanks as will enable the statistical report to show what portion of liabilities is actual indebtedness and what is cash or securities in hand.

Named: W T Knox, J J Ireland, H E Rogers, H H Hall,  
E R Palmer.

## EUROPEANS PUBLISHING HOUSE ACCOUNTS:

The treasurer presented the question of handling European publishing house obligations to American houses in this time of abnormal exchange.

VOTED, That this question of how the European and foreign houses accounts shall be handled during abnormal exchange, be referred to the Publishing Department and representatives of the publishing houses present.

## COLORADO SCHOOL:

Letter was presented, asking counsel regarding the re-location of the Campion Academy, which had its main building burned in October. After discussion it was--

VOTED, That the chairman and S E Wight select a committee to make recommendation.

## FOREIGN INGATHERING:

VOTED, That S N Curtiss, P E Broderson and W A Spicer be a committee on Foreign Ingathering issues.

## INGATHERING FOR 1921:

VOTED, That an order for the 1921 Ingathering issue be placed with the Watchman, the number to be determined later.

## F R EASTMAN--BOULDER:

VOTED, That we ask the Eastern Canadian Union to release F R Eastman to act as business manager of the Boulder Sanitarium.

## R T EMERY--CANADA:

VOTED, That we ask R T Emery, of Colorado, to act as secretary-treasurer and auditor of the Eastern Canadian Union, asking the Colorado Conference to release him.

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



## TWO HUNDRED FOURTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 26, 1920, 9:30 AM

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The second meeting of the council was called at 9:30 A M, March 26. Prayer was offered by J T Boettcher.

J A Leland, E A Bristol, N S Ashton were invited to sit with the council.

## SOUTHERN UNION PRESIDENCY:

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to give consideration to filling the call for a president of the Southern Union.

Named: W W Prescott, J W Christian, S E Wight, W H Heckman, C F McVagh.

Publishing Department items were considered.

## BIG WEEKS:

VOTED, That we approve of the plan of Big Weeks for the sale of our literature each year, and that we appoint July 11-17 as the week for the Northern Hemisphere, and January ~~16-22~~ as the week for the Southern Hemisphere, with the understanding that where these dates are not considered the best for any local territory that they may be adjusted to meet their convenience.

## TERRITORY FOR PUBLISHING EXTENSION WORK:

In harmony with the request of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, and with the suggestion made by the Manager of the Southern Publishing Association, it was--

VOTED, That India be transferred from the territory assigned to the Pacific Press Publishing Association for publishing work extension, as outlined by the General Conference recommendation of January 25, 1920, to the Review and Herald Publishing Association; and that the action of that date be amended to read "the Latin Union territory," as assigned to the Southern Publishing Association, instead of reading, "Latin Europe".



## TRACT SOCIETY DISCOUNTS:

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to consider requests that the discount to tract societies from publishing houses be increased:

Named: N Z Town, H H Hall, J W Christian, H Lukens, A G Daniells, E R Palmer, R L Pierce.

## MAGAZINE PROMOTION:

VOTED, That a committee representative of Publishing, Home Missionary, and Bureau of Home Missions departments, the publishing houses, and the field be appointed to consider policy of magazine publishing and promotion, to report at the Autumn Council.

Named: N Z Town, C V Leach, P E Broderson, C H Jones, R L Pierce, L W Graham, S E Wight, Wm Guthrie, W T Knox.

## FIELD SECRETARIES:

Appointments were made as follows:

## JOSEPH McWILLIAM--PERU:

Joseph MC William, of the Carolina Conference, for Peru, as field missionary secretary.

## W H ENGLAND--HONDURAS:

W H England, of Wabash Valley Sanitarium, for Honduras, as field missionary secretary.

## R R SWEANY--SALVADOR:

R R Sweany, of Keene, for Salvador, as field missionary secretary.

## R M BARNHARDT--CENTRAL CHINA:

R M Barnhardt, of Eastern New York Conference, for Central China, as union field missionary secretary.

## B E WAGNER--INCA UNION:

B E Wagner, of the Louisiana Conference, to South America, as Inca Union field missionary secretary.



Medical Department items were considered.

#### CONSERVING NURSES:

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to make recommendation regarding the conserving of our graduate nurses for conference and mission field service.

Named: L A Hanson, E K Slade, A C Gilbert, Dr H W Miller, Dr Earl Carr, G W Wells, H E Kern.

Recess was taken to 2:30 P M.

On resuming, E E Andross took the chair, Wm. Guthrie leading in prayer.

Medical Department items were continued.

#### FRANKE COBBAN--MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That Miss Franke Cobban, of Ohio, be appointed as assistant secretary of the department, to take special oversight of Nurses' Training Schools.

#### LIFE AND HEALTH:

A request was presented from the Loma Linda constituency meeting, asking that Life and Health be published by the medical college.

Consideration was given to the heavy expense involved in handling the promotion and circulating of a magazine, requiring accounts and business with many agencies, for the doing of which the circulating departments of our publishing houses alone seem equipped.

VOTED, That we feel that it would not be best to assign the publishing and circulating of the magazine Life and Health to the medical college.

#### SCHOOL HOMES COUNCIL:

VOTED, That we request the sanitarium boards as far as consistent to arrange for their sanitarium preceptress or other person acting as such, to attend the School Homes Educational Council arranged for by the Educational Department, to meet some time in August, at the Danish-Norwegian Seminary, Hutchinson, Minn.

#### MEDICAL WORKERS' CONVENTION:

VOTED, That we request the secretary of the department to counsel with his committee, and to bring to the Autumn Council a suggestion as to time, place, and program for a departmental medical convention at some time next winter.



## MISS JAMIESON--WABASH VALLEY:

VOTED, That Miss Bossie Jamieson, of Loma Linda, be invited to connect with the Wabash Valley Sanitarium as head nurse.

## J L McELHANY--SOUTHERN UNION:

The committee on the Southern Union presidency reported that G W Wells, who had been invited to the Southern Union, had not felt free to accept, on account of health conditions. The committee recommended that J L McElhany, of the Southeastern California Conference, be invited to accept the call to the presidency of the Southern Union.

VOTED, That the report be adopted, and that the Pacific Union and the Southeastern California Conference be invited to release Elder McElhany to accept this call to the presidency of the Southern Union.

## DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

VOTED, That the officers of the General Conference, union conference presidents, and secretaries of departments, and superintendents of Bureau of Home Missions divisions be a committee on distribution of labor.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to give consideration to an opening for a sanitarium enterprise in Victoria, B.C.

Named: W T Knox, L A Hansen, A C Gilbert, C F McVagh, E E Andross.

## CHAMBERLAIN SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That the same committee consider the proposition regarding the Chamberlain (Dakota) Sanitarium.

## MRS ROWAN CLAIMS:

The committee on the Rowan claims made a report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, 1. That suitable articles be prepared and published in the Review dealing with the general principles underlying the gift of the spirit of prophecy and its counterfeit manifestations at the present time. And that these articles be prepared or secured by the editor of the Review.



2. That articles dealing in a definite way with the Rowan Movement be prepared and furnished to all our union conference papers.

3. That a pamphlet dealing fully with the deceptive features of the Rowan Movement be prepared, and that a supply of these be placed in the hands of the conference officers for such distribution as may be desired.

4. That a committee consisting of W A Spicer, E E Andross and W W Prescott be asked to prepare the matter for the union conference papers and the pamphlet.

#### RUSSIAN RELIEF:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure Russian rubles with funds in hand of a Russian Relief Fund, and to send through Sweden or otherwise for relief of our brethren in the Baltic States of Russia.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS,  
E E ANDROSS, Chairmen.

W A SPICER, Secretary.

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#### TWO HUNDRED FIFTEENTH MEETING

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 27, 1920, 7:00 P M

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The third meeting of the council was called at 7:00 P.M., March 27, 1920. Prayer was offered by G W Wells. Minutes were read.

Dr Kress and J I Beardsley were present, and were invited to sit with the council.

Educational Department items were taken up.

#### SCHOOL HOMES COUNCIL:

VOTED, That the Department be authorized to invite union conferences to arrange for heads and managers of colleges and larger academies to attend the School Homes Council in August.



## GEORGIA ACADEMY:

Request was presented from Georgia that they be permitted to establish an academy.

VOTED, That the request be referred to a committee of three to look into and to report whether it is a matter for union action alone, or whether the Committee should give counsel.

Named: W W Prescott, O H John, W H Heckman.

## J F SIMON--MISS VOL DEPT:

VOTED, That J F Simon be transferred from the Home Missions Bureau to the Missionary Volunteer Department as one of the general field workers.

Far Eastern Division items were considered.

## TOKYO CHURCH &amp; BICYCLE LOAN FUND:

VOTED, That the request for \$5000 for meeting place in Tokyo, and a bicycle loan fund of \$305 be granted by making available that amount from the Thirteenth Sabbath overflow fund for Japan, this appropriation for Tokyo being subject to approval of the Far Eastern Committee.

## TEACHERS--CHINA:

VOTED, That the items of appropriation temporarily withheld from the East China budget, covering teachers for Chekiang and Anhwei intermediate schools be restored to the budget.

## H GRUNDSET RELEASED:

Letter was presented from the president of the Minnesota Conference, stating the shortage of Danish-Norwegian workers, and the difficulty of releasing H Grundset at this time.

VOTED, That we release H Grundset from the appointment to Malaysia.

## M T BROUWER--JAVA:

VOTED, That in response to East Java's call for a Dutch worker, we submit the name of M T Brouwer, of California, to the Java Mission, Brother Brouwer having once lived and worked there, and being desirous of returning.



## B E BEDDOE RELEASED:

On receipt of a telegram from B E Beddoe, withdrawing his acceptance of the South African Union presidency, on account of his child's health, it was--

VOTED, That B E Beddoe be released from appointment to South Africa.

## SOUTH AFRICAN PRINTER:

VOTED, That the call for a printer for South Africa be referred to the Publishing Department for recommendation.

## MEXICO--CENTRAL AMERICA:

VOTED, That Mexico be added to the Central American Missions territory.

## MEXICAN BORDER:

VOTED, That we authorize the Bureau of Home Missions to include the border territory beyond the Mexican line in the field of operations of the Spanish Department of the Bureau.

## A N ALLEN--MEXICO:

VOTED, That we invite A N Allen to make Mexico his field of labor, asking the Southern Union and the Tennessee River Conference to release him for this purpose.

## COSTA RICA HOME:

VOTED, That we restore the \$1500 cut from the West Caribbean budget for a mountain rest home in Costa Rica, and that we authorize the treasury to correspond with the Pacific Press, presenting the request that they join in the rest home enterprise to the extent of \$1000.

## NASHVILLE CONVENTION:

VOTED, That we make a special appropriation of \$50 to meet the transportation expense of two sisters to the Nashville Colored Workers' Convention.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED SIXTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 28, 1920, 9:30 A M

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The fourth meeting of the council was called at 9:30 A M, March 28. Prayer by W J Stone.

R L PIERCE--GEN CONF COM:

Attention was called to the fact that L A Hansen's appointment to the secretaryship of the Medical Department, making him ex-officio a member of the Committee, left a vacancy that might be filled, as he is on the Committee also as one of the eight elective members.

VOTED, That we elect R L Pierce, of the Southern Publishing Association, a member of the General Conference Committee, to fill the vacancy as one of the elective members, so long as L A Hansen is ex-officio a member by virtue of departmental appointment.

C EDWARDSON--DANISH-NORWEGIAN COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That C Edwardson be appointed a member of the Danish-Norwegian advisory committee in place of P E Broderson.

SHANGHAI SANITARIUM:

A sub-committee, appointed by the Committee before the council, to consider propositions regarding sanitarium work in Shanghai, presented a report which was adopted as follows:

1. We confirm the action of January 12, advising erection of a sanitarium plant in Shanghai, the necessary funds to be derived by solicitation, the institution to develop according to funds received.

2. We approve of the suggestion that the Division Committee in Shanghai and medical staff form a corporation for the holding of the property and operating of the institution.

3. In the initial stages of development the General Conference will plan to give necessary support for foreign workers as in the past, but with the expectation that with such patronage as will be available in Shanghai, the institution should at an early date be able to care for foreign salaries also.

E E Andross,            W T Knox,  
L A Hansen,            Dr H W Miller  
W A Spicer, Committee.



Statement was made that it was proposed to solicit the funds for the sanitarium from wealthy Chinese business men who may give help to such an enterprise, some of whom are expressing warm interest in the enterprise.

#### A REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENT:

W T Knox called attention to the fact that the Mission fields to which appropriations are made had raised within their own fields \$260,800 for the work the last year. This, he stated, was a third of the entire General Conference funds when he came into the treasury in 1910. In 1909 the entire gifts for foreign missions were \$268,000.

#### APPRECIATION:

VOTED, That in view of the call of the General Conference to the fields abroad to join in raising the level of giving for missions in the mission fields themselves, we express appreciation and thankfulness for this report, regarding it as a wonderful testimony to the growing strength of our work in the fields where not many years ago we had nothing.

Attention was called to Korea's aim to raise more than ten cents a week per member.

The chairman stated that he had had word from Australia that Australasian has adopted the new Fifty-cent-a-week plan.

#### CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL:

C C Lewis presented a report of the Fireside Correspondence School. The report showed new students, in 1917, 344; in 1918, 457; in 1919, 632; old students, 1918, 310; in 1919, 455; present total enrolment, 1087. We quote from the report:

"Every item indicates a doubling of our work during the past three years. And this increased volume of business has been handled without increase of office help. We have, however, reached the limit of possibility in this respect, and must make some provision for additional help the coming year.

"The financial showing for the year is even better than the other items; for the expenses barely doubled, while the receipts and excess of receipts have practically trebled. The excess for the year is \$2,164.17, while the total excess for the ten years of the life of the school is \$4516.51.



Another record shows where our students live, according to union conferences: Southeastern 15, Southern 17, Eastern Canadian, 21, Western Canadian 27, Southwestern 52, Atlantic 77, Lake 128, Central 131, Northern 133, Columbia 138, North Pacific 142, Pacific 141, Foreign 45. Total 1087."

#### BRANCH CENTERS:

The following report was presented, being the plan adopted by the Educational Department:

1. That a Branch of the Fireside Correspondence School be established in any Division Conference or Union Conference outside of North America that may be at any time desirous of having such a Branch in their territory.
2. That the name of the Branch be, The Fireside Correspondence School, \_\_\_\_\_ Branch, and that it be under the management of the \_\_\_\_\_ Conference Educational Department.
3. That this Department choose a faculty for the examination of lessons, who shall be paid a certain amount a lesson for correcting and grading the same, as may be determined by the Educational Board of the \_\_\_\_\_ Conference.
4. That the Central School furnish the Branch at cost full sets of their lessons to use, adapt, or substitute for, as their Educational Department may deem best.
5. That the Central School furnish the Branch at cost with samples of advertising matter, record cards, methods of keeping accounts, etc., to be adapted and printed by the Branch School.
6. That the Credit Certificates be prepared and signed by the Principal of the Central School, furnished at cost to the Branch School, and be countersigned by the Principal of the Branch School.
7. That the Branch School report quarterly to the Central School on blanks sent out to them by the Central School.

VOTED, That the plan be adopted.

Home Missionary Department items were considered.

#### HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTION:

VOTED, That we approve of the plan to hold a mid-summer Home Missionary Convention, time, place and arrangements to be referred to the Department.



Brethren discussed for some time the importance of leading the whole body of believers into service. Various unions invited the convention.

References were made to the official warnings of the Red Cross that the gravest danger to the world "since the deluge" was threatening in the spread of plague and pestilence in Eastern Europe and Asia.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee to draft a statement of a call to our people to throw themselves into service, especially in view of the world situation.

Named: F M Wilcox, W W Prescott, L A Hansen, C V Leach.

Dr. Kross described the work of the Greater New York Churches in connection with the influenza epidemic, after schools of instruction had been held, the work winning the very appreciative recognition of the city health authorities. Other workers reported similar experiences in other parts.

Recess was taken to 2:30 P M.

On resuming, E E Andross occupied the chair, and prayer was offered by J L McElhany.

Further time was given to the Home Missionary Department.

#### HARVEST INGATHERING:

VOTED, That we ask each union and local conference, church and institution to take steps to make sure that no solicitor of mission funds by the Ingathering plan shall be allowed, even in isolated cases, to use any portion of the funds gathered for expense of solicitation, it being our pledge, under honor as a denomination, that none of the gifts made shall be so used, or be drawn upon to pay expenses connected with Harvest Ingathering efforts.

Sabbath School Department items were considered.

#### THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

The last thirteenth Sabbath (September) the call was for \$46,530 for Japan and Korea. The offering received was \$66,664, or over \$20,000 overflow for those fields.

VOTED, That W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer, and G B Thompson be a committee to set the enterprises for three thirteenth Sabbath offerings in 1921, with power to act, not necessarily reporting to the council, inasmuch as there may not be time for this.



## AUSTRALASIAN THIRTEENTH SABBATHS:

VOTED, That we express regret that it seemed to the Australasian Union that they could not join other fields in the recommendation of the San Francisco General Conference that all our world fields join in giving to the same objects on the thirteenth Sabbath, thus making one world-wide united gift to the enterprises set before us four times a year.

## UNION SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTIONS:

VOTED, That we approve of the plan of the Sabbath School Department to hold union conference Sabbath School Conventions in our union conferences during the fall and winter of 1920-21, and that we ask the officers of union conferences to arrange for a full attendance of conference Sabbath School Secretaries, together with nearby local officers and others especially interested in the Sabbath School work.

## F E STAFFORD--HAWAII:

VOTED, That we authorize the Hawaiian Mission to arrange with F E Stafford to engage in evangelistic work.

## HENRY BROWN RELEASED:

VOTED, That in response to the request of Henry Brown, we release him from the call to Lake Titicaca, in order to continue his effort in southern Texas.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS,  
E E ANDROSS, Chairmen.

W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 29, 1920, 9:30 A M

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The fifth meeting of the council was called at 9:30 A M, March 29, 1920. A G Daniells in the chair. Prayer by L H Christian.

## ESTIMATING ACTUAL INDEBTEDNESS:

The committee appointed to make recommendation of such change in the statistical reports as shall enable us to know the difference between actual indebtedness and liabilities in the denomination, made a report which was adopted as follows:

We recommend. 1. That in addition to the reports furnished the Treasury Department, all our conferences and institutions throughout the world submit to the statistical secretary their most complete form of annual statement, in which shall be given an analysis with respect to liabilities, segregating such as pertain to trust funds and reservations from those representing bills and accounts payable.

2. That a supplementary report be added to the financial statement, in which shall be presented a segregation of liabilities as above designated, in order that the actual amount of bills and accounts payable may be distinguished from trust funds being regularly handled in the conduct of the work.

## CAMP-MEETINGS:

The committee on camp-meetings made a partial report as to laborers, which was adopted as follows:

We request the release of R.D. Quinn from the European visit to attend camp-meetings in this country this season.

We recommend the following assignments:

E E Andross to Massachusetts, such of the meetings in the Columbia Union as he can attend, and if possible the Iowa, Colorado, Oklahoma and North Texas meetings.

G B Thompson to attend all the Pacific Union camp-meetings.

S N Haskell to the Atlantic Union.



Mrs L F Plummer to the Oklahoma and Pacific Union meetings.

W W Prescott to the West Canadian and the later Central Union meetings, and the first three meetings of the Northern Union.

E W Farnsworth to the East Canadian and Atlantic Unions.

F C Gilbert to the Central Union.

M C Wilcox to the Kentucky and Tennessee River Conferences and the Atlantic Union.

R D Quinn to the North Pacific and the later Southeastern Union meetings.

C S Longacre the first four of the Lake Union meetings, and such of the Columbia Union meetings as he can attend.

C A Russell to the Atlantic and Columbia Unions.

A O Tait to the North Pacific Union.

R A Underwood to the Columbia Union.

W F Martin to the first three meetings of the Northern Union, North and South Wisconsin, New Jersey and Ohio, and the first three meetings of the Southeastern Union.

Dr. D H Kress to the East Canadian and Southern Unions.

W W Eastman to the North Pacific Union and the first three meetings in the Southeastern Union.

C W Flaiz to British Columbia and the Southwestern Union.

Morris Lukens to the Wyoming and Intermountain meetings.

M O Panches to the Atlantic and Columbia Unions.

M D Wood to such of the Southern Union meetings as he can attend.

G W Pottit to the West Canadian.

J T Boettcher to the Pacific, West Canadian, Central and Southwestern Unions.



Unions. J H Schilling to the Northern, Atlantic, and Columbia

P E Broderson to the East Canadian and West Canadian.

N P Neilsen to the Northern and Lake Unions.

G E Nord to the Northern and West Canadian Unions.

O M John to the Lake Union.

J F Simon to the North Pacific Union.

J W Mace to the Lake Union.

L A Hansen to the Western Canadian Union.

That assignments for C V Leach, H K Christman, J S James and any other unassigned general workers, as well as assignments for later camp-meetings, be left to the Minority Committee to arrange.

#### DISCOUNTS TO TRACT SOCIETIES:

The committee on discounts to tract societies made a report as follows:

In reply to the memorials from the North Pacific Union Conference Committee and the Pacific Union Bookmen's Convention, requesting larger discounts to tract societies, we suggest the following:

In view of the importance of the questions involved in these memorials as related to the great program outlined for the publishing houses in this country by the General Conference committee, and accepted by the publishing house boards and constituencies; and,--

In view of the limited representation at this meeting,--

We recommend, That this matter be referred to the following committee, to report at the next Autumn Council: W T Knox, E E Andross, J J Ireland, J W Christian, Wm Guthrie, S E Wight, A R Ogden, E R Palmer, N Z Town.

#### BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS--MEMBERS:

VOTED, That F W Stray be a member of the French Advisory Committee in the place of A V Olson.

VOTED, That E C Witzke be a member of the German Advisory Committee in place of John Isaac.



## WAGE SCALE:

The treasurer stated that the full Committee at Glendale had taken action raising the wage scale 10% for all fields where needed. A sub-committee had been appointed to work out a more complete wage schedule statement, based on this 10% increase. The committee made its report, which, with several changes made by the council, was adopted as follows:

The following wage scale as prevailing in 1919 and recommended for 1920 is subject to an additional maximum allowance in the form of a War Bonus of 25%, varying according to the conditions existing in the different territories. It is suggested that the new rates be retroactive to January 1, 1920.

	1919 Rate	New Rate
GENERAL CONFERENCE:		
President	29.90 to 32.50	32.89 to 35.75
Vice-Presidents	27.30 to 29.90	30.03 to 32.89
Treasurer	27.30 to 29.90	30.03 to 34.60
Secretary	27.30 to 29.90	30.03 to 34.60
Asso. Sec., Asst. Treas., and Field Secretaries		29.00 to 31.46
Department Heads	26.00 to 27.30	28.60 to 31.46
Auditors, 2nd Asst. Treas. & Asst. Dept. Secretaries	26.00 to 27.30	27.50 to 30.40
Ordained ministers	18.20 to 23.40	20.02 to 25.74
Licensed ministers	10.40 to 16.90	11.44 to 20.02
Licensed Bible workers	7.80 to 15.60	10.00 to 17.16
Sec. & Treas. Div. Sections	22.10 to 26.00	26.00 to 30.40
Departmental men in Div. Sec.	24.70	25.00 to 28.60
Stenographers	13.00 to 15.60	14.30 to 17.30
Office assistants (men)		14.30 to 20.00
UNION CONFERENCE:		
President	23.40 to 28.60	25.74 to 31.46
Sec.-Treas.	26.00	25.00 to 28.60
Department heads	25.00	25.00 to 28.60
Ordained ministers	18.20 to 23.40	20.02 to 25.74
Licensed ministers	10.40 to 16.90	11.44 to 20.02
Licensed Bible workers	7.80 to 15.60	10.00 to 17.16
Stenographers	10.00 to 14.00	10.00 to 15.40
LOCAL CONFERENCE:		
President	19.50 to 26.00	21.45 to 28.60
Sec.-Treas.	18.00 to 23.40	19.80 to 25.74
Sec. Tract Society	19.50 to 23.40	19.45 to 25.74
Department heads	14.00 to 23.40	15.40 to 25.74
Ordained ministers	18.20 to 23.40	20.02 to 25.74
Licensed ministers	10.40 to 16.90	11.44 to 20.02
Licensed Bible workers	7.80 to 15.60	10.00 to 17.16
Stenographers	10.00 to 14.00	10.00 to 15.40



We recognize the fact that in exceptional cases the requirements of city work may call for the employment in a conference of an evangelist who is expected to take responsibilities and bear burdens of a special nature, in which case the rate of wage might rightly be equal to that of the president of the conference.

SCHOOLS:	1919 Rate	New Rate
President of 16 and 14 grade schools	20.80 to 28.60	22.88 to 31.46
Business manager	19.50 to 26.00	21.45 to 28.60
Heads of various depts.	13.00 to 23.40	14.30 to 28.60
Assistant teachers	12.00 to 18.20	13.20 to 20.02
Prin. 12 and 10 grade school	15.60 to 23.40	17.16 to 25.74
Instructors	12.00 to 20.00	13.20 to 22.00

Full financial support should be supplied to teachers heading the various departments of the colleges from the beginning of the first semester to the end of the vacation period. Boards should plan, however, in conjunction with the conference committees within their territories to utilize the services of such teachers for the best interests of the college.

PUBLISHING HOUSES:	1919 Rate	New Rate
Manager	23.40 to 28.60	25.74 to 31.46
Secretary & Treasurer	25.46 to 27.64	28.00 to 30.40
Superintendents, department heads (including book and periodical managers) and leading editors	25.46 to 27.64	28.00 to 30.40
Branch managers	24.73 to 26.91	27.20 to 28.60
Cashier	18.19 to 21.82	20.00 to 28.60
Stenographers	10.91 to 15.28	12.00 to 17.30
Factory foremen	23.28 to 25.46	24.00 to 28.00
Journeyman (including assistant foremen and linotype operators per hour .40 to .48		.44 to .52

SANITARIUMS:	1919 Rate	New Rate
Medical superintendent	25.74 to 31.46	28.31 to 34.60
Business manager	19.50 to 28.60	21.45 to 31.46
Assistant physicians	17.16 to 28.60	18.87 to 31.46
Head bathroom nurse (men)	18.00 to 22.00	19.80 to 24.20
Supt. of nurses	16.00 to 18.00	17.60 to 19.80
Lady head nurses	14.00 to 16.00	15.40 to 17.60
Matron	14.00 to 16.00	15.40 to 17.60
Preceptress	14.00 to 16.00	15.40 to 17.60
Cook	16.00 to 22.00	17.60 to 24.20
Graduate nurses per hour	.20 to .24	.22 to .28



The basis for fixing the rates including bonus for training school nurses, shall be, first year 18 cents per hour; second year 20 cents; third year 22 cents. The nurses are expected to put in 52 hours a week, and are charged for board at the rate of \$4 a week, room \$1.25, tuition \$1.50 a week for forty weeks; they themselves to furnish their uniforms, books, other incidentals, as laundry. In case of sickness the nurse should receive free surgery and a reasonable amount of sick room care without charge.

The rates for physicians include the extra 10% allowed in the schedule of 1914.

In the case of physicians, the institution is to meet expenses for such post-graduate work, medical fees, and medical literature as may be agreed upon, said post-graduate allowance to be in return for work already performed, and not as giving an institution a claim on future service.

Wherever institutions or conferences have adopted the plan of combining the bonus allowance with the basic rate, it should in no case exceed the maximum amount recommended above.

The recommendation heretofore made by the General Conference Committee concerning extra allowances above the wage scale is earnestly renewed, with the hope that these will be entirely discontinued or only granted in most exceptional cases.

Where workers are located in cities where rent is exorbitant, it will be proper to make an extra allowance to such workers for rent where it exceeds 20% of their income, but in such cases the selection of the home should always be made in consultation with the administering committee or board.

VOTED, That this schedule be adopted as applying to our conferences, mission fields and institutions, and as obtaining from January 1, 1920.

#### COMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN ITEMS:

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of nine on European items, the chair to be one.

Named: L H Christian, A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, A V Olson, R L Pierce, P E Broderson, H H Hall, W A Spicer.

Recess was taken to 2:30 P M.

On resuming, E E Andross took the chair.

Prayer was offered by E R Palmer.



✓ WEEK OF PRAYER:

The committee on Week of Prayer Readings and the Midsummer Offering Appeal made report, which was adopted as follows:

Date of Week of Prayer: December 11 to 18, 1920.

A Call to Prayer.-- G.B. Thompson.

Some Essential Features of the Advent Message.

--H.C. Lacey.

The Final Call of this Message.--I.H. Evans.

This Message an Answer to the World's Need.

--L.H. Christian.

Evidences of the Extension and Triumphs of  
this Movement.

--W.A. Spicer.

Self-sacrifice and Service in this Movement.

--W.H. Branson.

The Victorious Life: How to Attain It.

--Meade MacGuire.

Facing the Climax of the Advent Movement.

--A.G. Daniells.

We ask the Sabbath School Department to secure the lessons for the children.

✓ MIDSUMMER OFFERING APPEAL:

We suggest that the India Committee prepare the Appeal for the Midsummer Offering, and that Elder W.T. Knox supply supplementary matter from the Treasury Department.

SPECIAL DAYS FOR 1921:

VOTED, That the setting of special days of services or offerings for 1921 be referred to the officers, with such other members as they may call into council.

NEXT GENERAL CONFERENCE:

After discussion, it was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of nine to consider the question of the time and place of the next General Conference.

Named: W T Knox, C F McVagh, J W Christian, W H Heckman, W W Prescott, F H Robbins, G B Thompson, S E Wight, M E Kern.

The treasurer introduced financial items.



## PHILIPPINE PUBLISHING HOUSE:

VOTED, That the Philippine Publishing House be granted \$5000 operating fund for paper-cutter, these funds to come, as far as possible, from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the Philippines.

## LOMA LINDA OPERATING:

VOTED, That we provide from special appropriations as may be required an amount not exceeding \$12,000 operating shortage for the Loma Linda Medical College for 1920, and a similar amount for 1921.

VOTED, That all other items be eliminated except \$19,750 for the heating plant and equipment, Loma Linda being authorized to provide this amount out of the come-back to the medical college.

## HOUSING HOSPITAL WORKERS:

VOTED, That we make to the Loma Linda College the following proposition in the matter of the Bungalow Court buildings needed for housing employees of the Hospital in Los Angeles:

We advise the General Conference Corporation to make the investment necessary to secure these buildings, understood to be available at a purchase price of \$17,000, provided the Medical College desires to enter into a renting contract with the Corporation to pay the Corporation \$2,100 a year for the property, derived from rent receipts from those occupying the bungalows, this being at the rate of \$20 per month a bungalow.

Further, We recommend to the corporation that when this rental income, in excess of upkeep, shall have returned to the Corporation its investment, the property shall be deeded to the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists.

Recess was taken to 7:00 P M.

On resuming, S E Wight led in prayer.

## LEXINGTON APPEAL:

The Committee noted an appeal from the "minority" of the Lexington (colored) church against the decision of the majority of the church, in the matter of disposition of a church property, also an appeal against the decision of the Kentucky Conference and Southern Union which had given decision in the matter.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to go into the matter and to report.

Named: Wm Guthrie, W H Green, C S Longacre.



## COLORED SANITARIUM:

The question of a sanitarium for colored people was briefly considered, and by vote referred to a committee consisting of L A Hansen, W H Green, G B Thompson, Dr H W Miller and E G Fulton.

## OCTOBER OFFERING:

VOTED, That E E Andross, G B Thompson, and W H Green prepare a general appeal in behalf of the October collection for colored people, the union conference presidents to write for union papers.

## GLADYS ROBINSON RELEASED:

VOTED, That we releasse Miss Gladys Robinson, of the Pacific Union College, from the invitation to the Southern Junior College.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS,  
E E ANDROSS, Chairmen.

W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 30, 1920, 9:30 A M

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The sixth meeting of the council was called at 9:30 A M, March 30, 1920. A.G. Daniels in the chair. A C Gilbert offered prayer. Minutes were read.

J Huenergardt, F C Gilbert, V O Panches, and A T Robinson were invited to sit with the council.

## RURAL SCHOOLS REPORT:

The committee on Rural Schools statemant made a report, which was adopted as follows :



Your committee asked to prepare a statement regarding the Cowee Mountain school, recommend that the following statement be published in the union conference papers, in North America and signed by the General Conference Committee:

#### A STATEMENT REGARDING THE COWEE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

In 1915 at Loma Linda, Cal., and again in 1917 at Minneapolis, Minn., the North American Division Committee in Council passed recommendations outlining plans for fostering and cooperating with the rural school work being done by our brethren in the South. These plans were the result of conferences and agreements with these rural school workers. The schools that have entered into these agreements are recognized as a part of our organized work, and are beneficiaries of the rural school offering made each year by our people in North America.

Provision has been made for the yearly inspection of these schools by the Educational Departments of the union conferences in the South and the active cooperation of the officials of our Northern and Southern conferences in securing properly qualified individuals and families to engage in this work.

The carrying out of these plans has brought a spirit of unity into our work in the South and a better understanding on the part of all our people in regard to the rural school work. The old plan of solicitation resulted in an unequal distribution of funds; for the schools having the most able solicitors were not always the ones which were in greatest need or most worthy.

If all those who desire to help in this work either financially or as workers, would first correspond with the presidents of our conferences in the South, many misunderstandings and difficulties would be avoided. These brethren are in hearty sympathy with the rural school work and with every proper effort to bring the truth to the people of the South; and they naturally have information that those not on the ground do not have. We invite those who desire to assist these schools financially to send their offerings through the regular channels or to the Treasurer of the General Conference, to be distributed in the regular way.

In the Review and Herald of July 4, 1918, the Educational Secretary of the General Conference set forth the facts that the Cowee Mountain School, located at Franklin, North Carolina, had persistently refused to join with the other rural schools in cooperation with our organized work. We are sorry that it ever becomes necessary to make such a statement, but we do it only for the protection of our people and the good of the work.



The General and local conferences are now receiving so many questions and complaints about the Cowee Mountain school that it seems necessary to again reiterate the fact that this school, under the leadership of H B Allen, is no part of the organized work of Seventh-day Adventists. Several who have been connected with the work there have requested that some public statement be made. The following is a signed statement by former workers in this school:

"We, the undersigned, left our homes and various places in the work in the North and West, and came to this place expecting to engage in the work of soul saving for the neglected mountaineers. After sacrificing much for this work we find that a gross misrepresentation of conditions has been made.

"We find that the Cowee Mountain School is not a Seventh-day Adventist school, and its managers and immediate sympathizers are not in harmony with the organized work.

"Realizing that we have been misguided and deceived in the alluring promises made to us, we, and others, have felt that we could not continue under existing conditions, and therefore have severed our connection with the school.

"Fearing that others will be influenced to come to the Cowee Mountain school, and knowing that they will certainly come to sorrow, disappointment and financial loss, we, the undersigned, feel that this statement should be made public, and a warning given in all our churches.

Mr. George I Stevens  
Mrs George I Stevens  
Miss Allene L White  
Frank A White  
Mr C R Hallifax  
Mrs C R Hallifax  
Mrs S W Brooks

Mr. J G Burdick  
Mrs J G Burdick  
Mr Golt  
Mrs Golt  
W P Warren  
Miss Anna H Engen  
Mr Hartmann C Engen  
Mrs Hartmann C Engen."

#### FOREIGN INGATHERING:

The committee on issue of foreign Harvest Ingathering papers made a report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend that the printing orders on the following foreign Harvest Ingathering papers be made to conform to the suggestions of the Bureau of Home Missions as follows:

Danish-Norwegian 25,000, Swedish 25,000, Italian 50,000, Polish 25,000, Yiddish 25,000, Spanish 30,000.

In regard to the request for a special English edition for use among the Reformed Jews, we recommend the printing of an edition of 15,000 copies, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made with the Southern Publishing Association



and the expense is not too great.

# COMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN ITEMS:

The committee on European items made a report, the consideration of which continued to the recess period.

Recess to 2:30 P M/

On resuming, E E Andross took the chair.

The report on Europe was continued, the report being adopted as follows:

- We recommend, 1. Elder C V Anderson, of the Northern Union Conference, to the Scandinavian Union, for work in the Swedish Conference.
2. That the Northern Union Conference be requested to secure the release of Professor Goode, principal of the Sheyenne River Academy, for work in the Constantinople District.
3. That the Lake Union Conference be requested to release H P Herman, of Chicago, for work in Rumania, subject to entrance provisions.
4. That we ask the Bureau of Home Missions to keep in close touch with Nicolas Oances, of Ohio, that he may be prepared to go to Rumania as soon as his papers are in order.
5. That we request our delegation proceeding this month to Denmark to arrange for a delegation to go at once into Jugoslavia to look into matters there and give counsel concerning the help needed.
6. That the Lake Union Conference be requested to secure the release of Elder T H French, now of Barrien Springs, for Bible teacher at Stanborough Park, England.
7. That the Atlantic Union be requested to secure the release of Elder J C Stevens for evangelistic work in England.
8. That we request our delegation going to Europe to suggest to our brethren there that consideration be given to the possible advantages of forming two Division Conferences for the administration of the work in Europe, instead of one as at present.
9. That L A Hansen, of the Medical Department, be one of the delegation to Europe.



## BIBLE TEACHERS:

W W Prescott asked the privilege of making a statement regarding the developing of Bible teachers for our schools, for the training of evangelistic workers, the discussion of the morning having called attention to the many calls for Bible teachers.

VOTED, That a committee of nine be appointed to give consideration to this matter.

Named: H E Kern, O H John, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, A G Daniells, E E Andross, L H Christian, Wm Guthrie, J W Christian.

## EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY--COLUMBIA UNION:

On the Columbia Union's inquiry regarding a union Educational Secretary, it was--

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to give consideration to the matter.

Named: A G Daniells, J W Christian, F H Robbins, O H John, J L McElhany.

## REVIEW AND HERALD--MISSION FIELD REQUESTS:

The treasurer introduced a request from the Review and Herald for consideration of calls made upon them in the interests of publishing work in Great Britain and South Africa, calling for possibly \$25,000, which, with the Canadian Branch enterprise on hand, the Review and Herald could not compass without borrowing against the next two or three years earnings dedicated to mission fields.

VOTED, That the council advise the Review and Herald to arrange to accommodate the fields on the basis suggested.

## SOUTHERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

In the matter of the advance a year or two ago by the General Conference of \$17,000 against solicitation of this amount from the Northern unions for the Southern Junior College, which amount has not been raised by such solicitation, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference should hold the charge as an obligation against the College, but allowing a reasonable extension of the period within which it shall be returned out of the institutional relief fund allotted to the Southern and Southeastern Unions, subject to a workable plan to be submitted by the two unions.



## FOREIGN (MISCELLANEOUS) LANGUAGE SCHOOL:

The following memorial was presented by L H Christian formerly secretary of the Home Missions Bureau:

"Chicago, Ill., Mar. 24, 1920.

"To the General Conference Committee  
of Seventh-day Adventists,  
Elder A G Daniells, President.

"Dear Brethren:

"On March 8 the Broadview Theological Seminary Board of Managers held an important meeting in Chicago with Elders A G Daniells, W T Knox, C F McVagh and other members of the General Conference Committee present. Elder Guthrie, the president of the Lake Union, is chairman of the Swedish Seminary Board, and several conference presidents of the Lake Union, as well as leading Swedish brethren are members. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the great need of a new building at the Broadview Seminary. At the suggestion of Elders Daniells and Knox it was voted to appoint a committee to draw up a memorial to the General Conference Committee. The undersigned being later selected to do this beg to submit to you on behalf of the Broadview Theological Seminary the following facts and request:

"1. There are in this country a large number of Adventist young men and women of various nationalities outside of the Germans and Scandinavians. These young people desire an education to fit themselves for the cause of the Lord. While we have a small French Department at the Oshawa school, and a Russian Department at the Saskatchewan and North Dakota Academies, these can only accommodate a limited number of students in their vicinity, and do not provide educational advantages for the many Latin-Slav youth in our midst.

"2. Two years ago the General Conference voted to establish a Miscellaneous Foreign Language Department in connection with the Swedish Seminary for the education of young Italians, Russians, Poles, Bohemians, Hungarians, Finns, Rumanians, Serbians, and various other Latin-Slavs in this country. At the present time there are 34 of these students at the Broadview Seminary. We could easily have had 50 this year, but the school could not accommodate them. The prospects are at least 60 of these miscellaneous foreign language youth will apply for admission to the Seminary next year. Not to train these youth would be a great loss to our work.



"3. The Swedish Seminary is overcrowded with students this year. The enrolment at the present time is 162. The institution is not large and we are not able to care even for those present as we should. In about one third of the rooms there are now three students. In rooms large enough to accommodate three students we have four. Six young men are sleeping in a class room of the new building, four in an unfinished attic in the farm house. In addition to this the girls are crowded in with families wherever possible. About twelve of the students are living in Broadview, two miles from the school, and eighteen of the young ladies are compelled to live in La Grange, four miles from the school. The school has had this year to turn away a number of students because of lack of room.

"4. The members of the Swedish Seminary Board and our Swedish brethren through the country are willing to have this miscellaneous language department connect with the school permanently if sufficient room for it can be provided. They desire to build a girls' dormitory for 80 students with dining room facilities. If this building can not be provided for next year our Swedish brethren desire that this foreign language department shall be moved from the school, as they will need every inch of room to take care of the Swedish students themselves, and they do not think that it is justice to the Swedish brethren, who have contributed by far the largest share to get the school, to turn away Swedish students to accommodate these others.

"5. The new building will cost between \$55,000 and \$60,000. It is proposed to secure this money in the following manner: The Lake Union to give \$5,000; the Bureau of Home Mission to raise \$6,000; the General Conference to appropriate \$24,000, or a total of \$35,000. If this money can be provided, the Swedish brethren agree to raise the remainder, which will be somewhere from \$20,000 to \$30,000.

"6. We bring to you this memorial to request that the General Conference Committee at this Spring Council appropriate the sum of \$24,000 to this new building at the Swedish Seminary, with the understanding that the miscellaneous foreign language department will then remain with that school. It was freely expressed by the members of the board present, as well as our leading brethren, that it would be a very great loss to our foreign language work in this country if we failed to provide facilities for the training of these bright young men of various nationalities, who should become prepared for the Lord's work not only in this country but in Europe.

"Hoping that you will see your way clear to give favorable consideration to this request from the Swedish Seminary Board for \$24,000, we remain,

"Very sincerely yours,

L H Christian,  
G E Nord,  
A J Clark."



P E Broderson presented a request from the Danish-Norwegian Seminary for an appropriation of \$6000 in aid of additions and improvements essential there, for which the Danish-Norwegian brethren and the Northern Union are raising a much larger sum.

VOTED, That this memorial and the requests be referred to a committee of seven to report.

Named: L H Christian, P E Broderson, J H Schilling, C F McVagh, W T Knox, Wm Guthrie, S E Wight.

#### NORMAL TEACHERS:

VOTED, That a committee consisting of presidents of the unions, Miss Peck, and O H John, give consideration to the securing of normal teachers called for.

Recess was taken to 7:00 P M.

#### HOUSING OF CITY WORKERS:

On the question of increasing difficulties and often impossibility of securing living quarters in the cities, it was--

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to give consideration to the question of housing workers in the cities.

Named: S N Curtiss, W T Knox, Wm Guthrie, E K Slade, A R Ogden.

#### M JONES TO JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we recommend that M Jones be returned to Jamaica to live, under our sustentation fund support, after sixteen years service in America.

#### PACIFIC AND NORTH PACIFIC LINES:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference be asked to give consideration to the transfer of the three northern counties of the State of California to the North Pacific Union, to be included within the territory of the Southern Oregon Conference.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to the work of the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

A G DANIELLS,  
E E ANDROSS, Chairmen.

W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED NINETEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 31, 9:30 A M

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The seventh meeting of the council was called at 9:30 A M March 31, 1920. A G Daniells in the chair. Prayer by F M Wilcox. Minutes were read.

J E Jayne and C B Haynes were invited to sit with the council.

The first time of the morning was given to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOOLS:

The committee on provision for foreign language schools in connection with the Bureau of Home Missions made the following report:

We recommend. 1. That the General Conference appropriate \$6,000 to the Hutchinson Theological Seminary towards the erection of a boiler house and laundry and equipment, the Northern Union and the Danish-Norwegian Department agreeing to raise about \$23,000 of the remainder, the investment to include a normal school building.

2. That the General Conference appropriate \$24,000 to the Broadview Theological Seminary towards the erection of a dormitory in order that the very foreign language department may be retained there.

3. That the General Conference appropriate towards the erection of a dormitory for Mexican or Spanish speaking students in connection with the Phoenix (Arizona) school dollar for dollar with the Pacific Union Conference, but not to exceed the amount of \$4,000 on the part of the General Conference; and further, that the Pacific Union Conference be responsible for the operating expenses of the school, with the understanding that the salary of one teacher be furnished from the appropriations to the Bureau of Home Missions.

Whereas. It has been proved impracticable to have the very foreign language workers in Chicago do editorial work with their evangelistic efforts, inasmuch as it greatly weakens their evangelistic work; and,--

Whereas. The Chicago Conference, in whose conference the very foreign language school department is located, is quite adverse to said arrangement and earnestly requests that it be changed; therefore,--



We recommend, 4. That the teachers of the miscellaneous foreign language school be men who can divide their time between the school work and editorial work, their salaries to be provided jointly by the school and the publishing house where these men are employed.

The report was considered.

VOTED, That recommendation 3, relating to the Phoenix (Arizona) school, be referred to the Pacific Union Conference, the Home Missions Bureau, and the Minority Committee in session at the General Conference office, for the purpose of counseling and working out a definite plan.

Regarding recommendations 1 and 2, it was--

VOTED, That appropriation of \$15,000 be made from Special Appropriations, for the purposes designated, and that we ask the Home Missions Bureau to secure the balance required from the \$80,000 appropriated to the work of the Bureau, such saving to be effected by restrictions and economies in the foreign work under Bureau direction.

VOTED, That recommendation 4 be adopted.

#### BROADVIEW FUNDS:

In connection with the plans at the Broadview Swedish Seminary, it was stated that \$25,000 or \$30,000 would be needed to make provision for the enlarging demands of the Swedish school work.

VOTED, That the secretary of the Swedish Department be granted full liberty to solicit for the \$25,000 or \$30,000 needed for the Broadview enterprise among the Swedish people throughout North America.

VOTED, That the Bureau of Home Missions be accorded full liberty to raise \$6,000 for the Miscellaneous Language School enterprise among the people of these miscellaneous languages throughout North America.

Recess was taken to 2:30 P M.

On resuming, W H Heckman led in prayer.

#### CALL TO SERVICE:

The committee appointed to make a statement regarding the call to service, in view of the present situation, made a report as follows:



## THE SITUATION AND THE CALL TO SERVICE

Viewing the present world situation as a challenge for a fresh statement of our position, and for a clear definition of our attitude toward the dire need of many peoples, we, the General Conference Committee of the Seventh-day Adventists in Council assembled, do hereby make the following response:

We note with deep regret, and with a solemn sense of its inevitable consequences, the wide departure in the religious world from the vital principles of the gospel of Christ as clearly taught in the Holy Scriptures, involving as it does the denial in part or altogether of those foundation truths which constitute genuine Christianity as brought to us in the scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments, all of which grow out of that personal relation to Christ as the object of adoration and the Lord of Life, involved in the exercise of faith in him as the crucified, risen and ascended Saviour.

In the face of destructive criticism which substitutes naturalism for supernaturalism, and evolution in religion in the place of the miraculous, we again declare our adherence to the living Christ of the prophecies and of the gospels and reaffirm our faith in him as the one and only Head of the church, present with his followers through the Holy Spirit, the third person of the godhead, according to his promise. We pledge our unswerving loyalty to the message of reform which, in the providence of God and in fulfilment of the prophetic word, we have been called upon to proclaim to "every nation and tribe and tongue and people," which will restore to his rightful place both in doctrine and in experience Christ Jesus our Lord as the only hope of the world, and prepare the way for his speedy return to reap the fruit of his atoning sacrifice for a lost race by re-establishing in the earth the kingdom of God in righteousness and everlasting peace.

In view of the present drift away from that simple, personal faith in Jesus Christ which characterized primitive Christianity and which has been preserved by some of his faithful followers through the centuries, we call upon all believers in this threefold message, and especially upon those who represent it in any public capacity, to adorn the doctrine by a godly life, and in all their teaching to present Christ in his fulness as the sum and the substance of the gospel of salvation, and to seek to lead the people for whom they labor not simply to yield an intellectual assent to a system of doctrines but to a personal acceptance of Christ, for all that such an experience may mean in the light of this message of reform both in doctrine and in life. To such work as this we do personally and collectively consecrate ourselves anew, with the fullest confidence that as "laborers together with God" we press forward in the final conflict, knowing our God will supply every need of ours "according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."



We have noted with painful interest the report of Mr Henry P Davison, the head of the American Red Cross, who, after a visit to Europe, speaks earnestly of the anxiety "Of the peoples of the world" concerning "their safety from the scourges now sweeping eastern Europe and Asia, and which constitute the mightiest danger to all humanity since the deluge." We observe further that this danger is not limited to those countries which have been included in a general way in the war zone, but that, according to Mr Davison, "America is just as unsafe as Europe from typhus and the white plague now spreading over the world with lightning rapidity." With a vivid recollection of the scenes of sorrow, suffering, and death which attended the recent epidemics in this country, and with some sense of what the future may have in store, according to the statements just quoted, we recognize our obligation to disseminate the light upon the preservation of health and upon the rational methods in the treatment of disease which have been imparted to us in this message of reform, and to act the part of the good Samaritan toward those who may be in need of help. We therefore earnestly urge our people everywhere to guard against any tendency to apostatize from the real principles of healthful living which are found in the Scriptures and in the spirit of prophecy, and we sound a rally call to our fellow-believers throughout the world to bear their full share of the burden imposed upon Christians and other philanthropists to minister to the needs of suffering peoples. In order that this call may be made as practical as possible we make the following suggestions concerning organization and methods:

That the following general plan which in its medical features the Medical Department is already seeking to put into operation, be followed in carrying an adequate Medical Missionary program to our people through the Home Missionary and Medical Departments:

1. Each Church a Unit

That each church in the denomination be considered a unit, and that immediate steps be taken to put each unit under a system of training that will make it an efficient agency for the uplift of humanity, special attention being given to the development of thousands of home nurses, competent not only to care for their own families, but who, in time of plague or distress can give assistance to those about them.

2. Efficient Training

That the training in physical relief methods may be such as to insure efficiency and command respect and confidence, courses of training to be given, under the direction of the Medical Department, by competent instructors in as many of our churches as possible, in home hygiene, simple treatments, and home care of the sick; these courses to cover at least twenty class periods of two hours each,



with eighteen hours of recitation, eighteen hours of demonstration and two hours of final examinations. Where conditions may demand and will warrant it, more time may be given to the course, for further instruction.

### 3. Program

That plans be laid to conduct a strong Home Missionary-Christian-help Institute of nine days in every church, and that leadership in the Home Missionary and Medical Departments in our conferences be provided to make this a possibility, to aid our people in doing home missionary and Christian-help work among their neighbors.

### 4. Instruction

That the instruction given in these church institutes be such as will train actual workers; that great care be exercised in outlining this instruction, making it intensely practical, preventive measures being taught preeminently. The nature and length of the course of instruction be worked out by the Home Missionary and Medical Departments.

### 5. Leadership

Recognizing at once the need of nurses to join our Home Missionary secretaries in the Home Missionary conventions in our churches, and that our sanitariums in the main should furnish the instructors for this work, we appeal to the faculties of our nurses' training schools to give special attention to the training of nurses who will be qualified to lead out in this work, maintaining in these training centers a spiritual atmosphere which will give the proper mold to those who are to engage in this important service.

Discussion of the report was left to a later hour.

### NEXT GENERAL CONFERENCE:

The committee on next General Conference made a report, which was adopted as follows:

Time: May 11 - 31, 1922.

Place: That a committee consisting of W T Knox, C F McVagh, J W Christian, S E Wight, F H Robbins, and William Guthrie be appointed to ascertain the accommodations which can be secured for the Conference in Minneapolis, Denver, Chicago and other cities, and report their findings, the definite location to be determined after this committee has had time for investigation.

### CAMPION SCHOOL:

The committee on the request for counsel as to location of the Campion school made a report which was adopted as follows:



We recommend. 1. That a committee be appointed by the Colorado Conference Committee to give careful study to the question of locating the Colorado Conference school in a place that will best serve the educational interests of the whole conference.

2. That the final decision of this question be made at the time of the Colorado camp-meeting. We suggest that the camp-meeting be held early in June, to give as much time as possible to prepare for the fall term.

#### CLINTON SEMINARY:

The report of a committee on the Clinton Seminary was presented and adopted as follows:

In reply to the request for counsel by members of the Clinton Seminary Board,

We recommend to the Clinton Theological Seminary Board of Trustees Elder J H Schilling for the presidency of the Seminary for the coming year.

#### CAMP-MEETINGS:

The committee on camp-meetings made a further report, which was presented and approved in the main, being then referred to a committee to make minor additions and changes.

Named: E E Andross, A G Daniells, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, H E Kern, L A Hanson.

#### CONSERVING NURSES:

The committee on conserving nurses presented a report, which was adopted as follows:

##### Study of Principles

We recommend. 1. That those constituting our sanitarium boards and otherwise connected with the management of sanitariums give earnest study to the principles recognized by us as underlying the conduct of sanitarium work, and that immediate attention be given to placing this work as far as possible on a basis in harmony with our recognized principles.

##### Reporting to Boards

2. That such representatives of sanitarium boards as are present at this Council shall make it a point to present to their respective boards as fully as possible the sentiment expressed in the discussions in this Council regarding the character of the medical work which we should maintain.



### Missionary objective

3. That in our sanitarium training schools the missionary objective of the training course be so constantly affirmed and followed that every possible influence shall operate to developing workers who are wholly missionary.

### Two Nurses from Each Institution

4. That while the objective of the training school shall be to make missionary nurses of all its graduates, that each sanitarium training school be asked to supply at least two graduate nurses annually as subject to call for field service either at home or abroad.

### Keeping in Touch with Graduates

5. That sanitariums operating training schools endeavor to maintain a definite contact with such of its graduates as do not find conference employment, by either employing them for institutional or outside nursing, or by operating a nurse's registry through which a suitable fostering oversight of the nurse may be maintained. Terms of employment in either case should, of course, be of mutual satisfaction.

### Home Influences, and Working Conditions

6. That our sanitariums give careful attention to providing the most favorable home influences and working conditions for their workers.

### Presiding Officer of Faculty

7. That the presiding officer of the faculty, whether he be the superintendent, business manager, chaplain or other officer, shall be chosen with a view to his qualifications for giving special attention to maintaining the general family welfare and missionary spirit of the institution.

### Matrons, Preceptresses, Head Nurses and Superintendents of Nurses

8. That in the appointment of matrons, preceptresses, head nurses and superintendents of nurses special consideration be given to the qualifications of such workers for exerting a wholesome spiritual influence.

### Chaplains

9. That our larger sanitariums especially be provided with chaplains who shall be men of health, tact and judgment and able to deal with the religious work of the institution in the best possible manner.



### Registration and Affiliation

10. That due caution be observed in dealing with the question of registration lest undue importance be given it and a wrong objective be instilled in the minds of student nurses. With this caution we favor securing registration for our training schools and our graduates when it can be done without endangering the distinctive missionary objectives of their training. We do not favor, for the sake of such registration affiliation with other training schools where there would be any danger of our students losing their missionary objective.

### Standardizing of Training Schools

11. We strongly advise that our sanitarium boards see that their respective training schools are standardized in harmony with the regulations already adopted by the General Conference Medical Department, and that the secretaries of the General Conference Medical Department, the union conference president and the union conference medical secretary be an accrediting committee for each union conference and institution, and that the Department be authorized to publish the list of accredited Nurse's Training Schools.

### Instruction of Workers

12. That suitable steps be taken to instruct and train the workers in our sanitariums in medical and evangelistic work as well as make these institutions centers of community missionary endeavor.

### BIBLE AND HISTORY TEACHERS:

The following report was presented:

Your committee appointed to make recommendations regarding Bible and History teachers in our schools, and the giving of help to students in choosing their life work, submit the following:

Resolved, 1. That presidents of union conferences in whose territory training schools are located, arrange for visits to their schools by field men, especially those having a knowledge of mission fields, who shall seek to come into close touch with our schools, taking time to meet with teachers and students, not only in public service but in class room and by personal association, bringing into the schools such a missionary influence as shall charge the hearts of teachers and students with the spirit of missionary evangelism, and giving counsel to students as to their choice of life work and their field of operation.



2. That the union conference president and the president of the training school arrange during each school year to spend two weeks or more as necessary in personal touch with students, interviewing each separately, making a record of his qualifications and plans, and counseling with each one as to his life aims and service in the Lord's work, including employment during vacation periods.

3. That in view of the importance attaching to the selection of the Presidents and instructors in the Bible and History in our Colleges, Seminaries, and Junior Colleges, we recommend that the governing boards counsel with the General Conference Committee, through the Educational Department before they elect men to these positions, it being the purpose of this recommendation to bring about such cooperation in the choice of these teachers as will result in the best possible preparation of candidates for our work in both the home and foreign fields.

4. That a permanent summer school, with special reference to the needs of acting and prospective Bible and History teachers be established, commencing in the summer of 1921, the details to be worked out by the Educational Department in counsel with the General Conference Committee.

5. That a quarterly magazine be established for the special benefit of Bible and History teachers and ministers.

VOTED, That item 5 of the report be favorably referred to a committee of five for study and report as to detail plans for such a magazine, the chair to be a member.

VOTED, That the report be adopted.

#### GEORGIA ACADEMY:

The committee appointed to consider whether Georgia's request for the inauguration of an academy in that conference belonged to the Southeastern Union or to this Committee to give counsel reported that after further consideration of the matter it had been decided to give further study to the whole question before bringing it to the General Conference Committee.

#### H E CADY--COLUMBIA UNION:

VOTED, That in harmony with the request of the Columbia Union Conference, we ask the Pacific Union to release Prof H E Cady, to act as Educational Secretary of the Columbia Union.



## ATLANTIC ACADEMIES:

VOTED, That in harmony with a recommendation of the Educational Department, we authorize the Atlantic Union Conference to establish two ten-grade academies, one in Maine and the other in Eastern New York.

## INSTITUTIONAL RELIEF--CORRECTION:

The treasurer called attention to the action at Boulder (reported on page 444 of the minutes) which did not make clear the distribution of the "come-back" to the educational institutions, and it was--

VOTED, That the record be made clear that of the one fifth of the Fifty-cent-a-week Fund which is a "come-back" to the unions, two fifths is allotted to the colleges and training schools, one fifth to Loma Linda, and two fifths as a relief fund to be disbursed by the union conferences.

## RESOLUTIONS IN LEAFLET FORM:

VOTED, That the resolutions and recommendations of the council dealing with general plans be issued in leaflet form.

## E C SILSBEE--AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite E C Silsbee to return to South Africa, to engage in mission station work.

## C C KING:

On receipt of a letter from the lady engaged to C C King, under appointment to the Far East for colporteur work in Oriental cities, explaining her perplexity regarding going abroad now, it was--

VOTED, That we leave the question of going to the Far East to Miss Robertson and C C King to decide for themselves.

Recess was taken to 7 P M.

On resuming, J E Jayne led in prayer.

## MT PISGAH BIBLE TEACHER:

VOTED, That we supply the support of a Bible teacher at the Mt Pisgah school, in the South.



## FAR EAST INSTITUTES:

In the matter of the call from the Far East for help for institutes next winter, it was--

VOTED, That we advise the Far Eastern Division that with Elder MacGuire's physical condition not now favorable, and with the uncertainty as to whether he should by next autumn undertake so strenuous a work as that required, and with the difficulty of drawing out strong teaching help from our schools this year, we ask the Far Eastern brethren to postpone this institute work until a later date.

## H C LACEY--AUSTRALIA:

VOTED, That we invite Prof H C Lacey to respond to the call for his services in the Australasian Union College as Bible teacher, asking the Columbia Union and the Washington Missionary College to release him for this purpose.

## MISS LACEY--ENGLAND:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Gwendolyn Lacey, of the Washington Missionary College, to respond to the call from Stanborough Park College, England, as music teacher.

## HELEN KNIGHT--SPAIN:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Helen Knight, of Southern California, to go to Spain to engage in work as a teacher or Bible worker.

## P F DIEFFENBACHER--PACIFIC UNION:

On reviewing information blanks sent in by P F Dieffenbacher, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest his name to the Pacific Union, feeling that he has gifts for mission service abroad if he could first have experience in the conference evangelistic work.

## C V ACHENBACH--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

On consideration of a letter from Elder Achenbach, returned from Peru on account of Sister Achenbach's health, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend Elder C V Achenbach to the Southeastern Union for temporary service, the General Conference continuing his support for six months.

## E W MYERS:

On receipt of medical certificate showing that Mrs E W Myers' health is not yet sufficiently restored to make



return to Sierra Leone reasonable now.

VOTED, That we advise Dr E W Myers to wait another six months before returning, notifying the British Union Committee of this counsel to one of their workers.

A P POND--OUTFIT:

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$150 be made for medical evangelistic outfit for A P Pond, under appointment to South Africa.

JAPAN--ADDITIONAL HELP:

Attention was given to a statement from B P Hoffman, of Japan, as to furloughs in the next few years from Japan, and difficulty of covering the field divisions.

VOTED, That another evangelist be sought for Japan in addition to the two already listed, this additional expense to be provided for from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for Japan and Chosen; further, that in the same way provision be made to return to the field the Japanese brother who has been studying in England, and called for by Japan, providing those visiting Europe this summer find that his appointment would be warranted.

T T BABIENKO --HARBIN:

VOTED, That we ask T T Babienko, of New Jersey, to go to Harbin, for Russian work, with a view to entering Siberia when the way opens; in the meantime his transportation and expense being added to the Far Eastern budget.

KATHRYN JENSEN--HUTCHINSON:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Kathryn Jensen, of the Washington Sanitarium, to respond to the call from the Hutchinson Seminary, asking the Washington Sanitarium and the Columbia Union to release her.

WM LEWSADDER--PACIFIC UNION:

VOTED, That we recommend Elder Wm Lewsadder, of Ohio, to the Pacific Union, suggesting Arizona, inasmuch as Sister Lewsadder needs a dry climate.

FOURTH SABBATH SERVICE:

C V Leach, of the Home Missionary Department asked counsel re the suggestions that have been made that the Home Missions service be the first or the third Sabbaths of the month.



VOTED, That this matter be referred to the same committee that is to make recommendation as to the Special Days and Collections.

#### EAST CANADIAN APPROPRIATIONS:

VOTED, That \$2,500 be added to the East Canadian appropriations, \$1000 on account of the French work, the balance for wage increase, etc.

#### GREATER NEW YORK CHURCH PROPOSITION:

W T Knox introduced the matter of a New York City church. The Committee had last winter advised the Corporation to lend \$100,000 to the Greater New York Conference on the proposition to purchase an Episcopal Church in New York City. That proposition had fallen through.

The brethren in New York are spending \$125,000 in their work each year. But they are losing much by having no place in the city where the believers can be built up and their work welded together. They move from hall to hall, sometimes amidst conditions most unfavorable, as dance halls etc. round about.

The treasurer further described a building that was available, a Jewish synagogue, 120th St. and Lenox, seating 2000, a stone building. The proposition that he brought before the Committee was this:

To encourage the Greater New York Conference to negotiate for the building, held at \$375,000, it being hoped that \$300,000 would secure it.

To arrange terms as follows:

The Greater New York Conference to care for the mortgage of \$145,000 and interest.

The Atlantic Union to supply \$50,000.

The General Conference Corporation to advance \$105,000, the same to be repaid by General Conference appropriations, spread over five years.

J E Jayne spoke of the work in New York, the great need of a place for shepherding and instructing believers. He reviewed the great gain that had come to the colored work by the purchase of a property some years ago. It has been a good investment financially, to say nothing of spiritual fruit.

C B Haynes spoke of New York experiences. The largest Sunday night congregations in New York are those at our meetings. The theater costs \$125 a night. But after these large meetings there is no way of shepherding the people through the week. For



week nights the halls cost \$35 a night and are unsuitable, and hard to get, as they are in demand for banquets and dances. On Sabbath the same class of halls are used, odorous with stale tobacco. There is no way of developing the gains won. He felt that fifty or seventy-five per cent of the energy put into the work for the city is neutralized by having no way of shepherding the flock.

VOTED, That we approve of the proposition submitted, and instruct the General Conference Corporation to go forward with the enterprise on the basis stated by the treasurer; and that in case the negotiations on this property fail, we advise our brethren and the Corporation to continue effort to secure a meeting place in New York City, the financial part to be handled after the general plan here laid down.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION:

VOTED, That a committee of seven be appointed by the chair, himself to be one, to draft a plan to be reported at the Autumn Council for the raising of a church extension fund for the great cities of the world.

#### EAST CANADIAN INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to give consideration to the requirements for equipment and enlargement of Eastern Canadian educational institutions, to report at the Autumn Council.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

The report of the Committee on Distribution of Labor was adopted as follows:

The following actions were taken respecting assignment of laborers, it being understood in each case that the action is a recommendation to the conference or organization employing the laborer named:

1. That the request of the Alabama Conference for the services of T S Tate, of Georgia, be referred to the presidents of the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences.
2. That C W Rubendall, of Manitoba, make the Northern Union Conference his field of labor.
3. That H H Dexter be transferred to the California Conference.
4. That the conditional invitation to Stemple White to go to Southern California, be rescinded.
5. That the recent recommendation that Albert Hadsen, of Missouri, go to Arizona, be rescinded.



6. That Herbert White, of Pacific Union College, be recommended to take up evangelistic work in Japan.

7. That A E Hollenbeck, of Pacific Union College, be recommended to work in South Africa.

8. That A E Moon, of the California Conference, be recommended as secretary-treasurer of the Philippine Union.

9. That the North Pacific Union be asked to consider the release of S Donaldson, to act as secretary, treasurer, and auditor of the Eastern Canadian Union Conference.

10. That E C Boger, of Arizona, be recommended to the North Pacific Union as Home Missionary Secretary.

11. That W L Adams, of the Southwestern Union, act as Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the North Pacific Union.

12. That W H Adams, of California, be recommended to the Washington Sanitarium as chaplain.

13. That A V Cotton, of the Lake Union, be released to the Pacific Union.

14. That N H Conway, of California, act as Field Missionary Secretary of the North Pacific Union.

15. That L R Anderson, of the Northern Union, connect with the Southwestern Junior College.

16. That F E Wilson, now in Ohio, take the secretaryship of the Home Missionary Department of the Eastern New York Conference.

17. That C F Cole, of Montana, be asked to take up work in Colombia, South America.

18. That R L Denton, of Minnesota, be recommended to the Pacific Union.

19. That A L Beazley, of Ontario, be recommended to the Manitoba Conference.

20. That W R Andrews, of Greater New York Conference act as Home Missionary Secretary of the Ohio Conference.

21. That P C Hayward, of the North Pacific Union make the Lake Union his field of labor.

22. That John Knox, of the Pacific Union, labor in the Lake Union.

23. That Dr D D Coffin, of Loma Linda, connect with sanitarium work in the Lake Union.



24. That Wm. Landeen, of the North Pacific Union, connect with the Broadview Theological Seminary.

25. That Miss Violet E Morgan, of Northern New England, connect with Bethel Academy.

26. That J C Dimock, of Washington Missionary College, take up work in the Lake Union Conference.

27. That the following requested changes in laborers be referred for action to such members of the General Conference Committee as shall meet in Europe:

(a) A Wasli, of Denmark, suggested for Danish-Norwegian work in the Western Oregon Conference, with necessary appropriation for transportation.

(b) H Mikkonen, of Finland, for Finnish work in the United States, with transportation.

(c) S C Hannon, of Michigan, suggested for French work in Belgium.

(d) Nicolas Oancea, a Rumanian now in work in Ohio, suggested for work in Europe.

(e) G G Roth, Miss Ruth I Roth, and Hermine L Roth, of Haiti, recommended for work in France, with suggestion that the sustentation allowance of Elder G G Roth be continued in Europe.

(Pending action on above, it was recommended that Miss H L Roth be asked to assist the Pacific Press at Brookfield, Ill., for a time in French work.)

28. That O J Dahl, of Minnesota, take up Danish-Norwegian work in Wisconsin.

29. That we release Miss Gladys Robinson from the call to the Southern Junior College.

30. That Clarence Dortch, of the Southern Oregon Academy, return to the Pacific Union College.

Action in the two following cases was taken so far as listing the calls, with the understanding that the matter would be left for further consultation and adjustment between all the parties interested:

31. That B L House be recommended as head of the Bible department of Pacific Union College.

32. That H E Edwards, of Graysville Academy, connect with Emmanuel Missionary College.



33. That H Jones, of Arkansas, labor in the Jamaica Conference, his sustentation allowance to be continued.
34. That R J Bryant, of Northern New England Conference, be recommended to the Southwestern or the Southern Union as arrangements may be made.
35. That L S Wheeler, chaplain of the New England Sanitarium, act as Bible teacher in the Canadian Junior College (Alberta), provided Professor Stickle accepts the call to another position.
36. That H C J Walleker take up work in the southeastern Union.
37. That F Bralliar, of the Madison (Tenn.) school, connect with Lancaster Junior College.
38. That Dr V L Mann take the superintendency of the La Fayette Sanitarium, in case he is not clear to return to India.
39. That Dr Nelson, of the La Fayette Sanitarium, take up work at the New England Sanitarium.
40. That Myron Lysinger, of Loma Linda, act as business manager of the New England Sanitarium.
41. That Mrs F B Moran, of Texas, take the matronship of the New England Sanitarium.
42. That Mrs. Helen M Williams, of Washington Missionary College, act as preceptress of the New England Sanitarium.
43. That R F Cottrell act as chaplain of the New England Sanitarium.
44. That C H Castle act as principal of Fernwood Academy, it being understood that the call for him to act as teacher of the commercial department in the Canadian Junior College (Alberta) be also placed before him, he being free to accept the work of his choice.
45. That J S Barrows be recommended to the Atlantic Union.
46. That W C Moffett take up editorial work in connection with the Canadian Publishing House.
47. That Dr D H Kress act as medical secretary of the Eastern Canadian Union Conference.
48. That H H Howard, of Union College, act as principal of the Maritime Academy.



49. That Olmstead, of Emmanuel Missionary College, connect with Oakwood Junior College.

50. That B F Kneeland, of Ohio, take the presidency of the Cumberland Conference.

51. That W E Cubley, of the North Pacific Union, labor in the Carolina Conference.

52. That Dan Ochs, of Walla Walla, act as preceptor and Bible teacher in the Clinton Theological Seminary.

53. That G H Winslow, of South Lancaster, connect with the Clinton Theological Seminary as normal teacher.

54. That W A Westworth, of the Lake Union, take up evangelistic work in Minneapolis, Minn.

55. That C A Hansen, of the Southern Union, connect with city work in the Northern Union.

56. That John Isaac take the presidency of the Montana Conference.

57. That Geo F Watson act as president of the North Dakota Conference.

58. That Martha Katterand, of Western Washington, act as preceptress of the Hutchinson Seminary.

59. That A W Coon be asked to labor in the Columbia Union Conference.

60. That A E Schuster, of Wisconsin, take up labor in Buffalo, New York.

61. That John D Neufeld, of Clinton Seminary, labor in the Saskatchewan Conference.

62. That G G Dollinger, of Clinton Seminary, accept work at Lodi (Cal.) Academy, if desired by that school; otherwise, that he labor in ministerial work in the South Dakota Conference.

63. That the Southwestern Union secure the release of D D Ehrhardt, of Clinton Seminary, to labor in the Chicago Conference.

64. That John Miller, of Wisconsin, take up work in the Oklahoma Conference.

65. That Miss Libau, of the Clinton Seminary, labor in the Chicago Conference.



66. That David Wasemiller labor in the Kansas Conference.

67. That Mrs W H Wagner, of Wisconsin, labor in the Massachusetts Conference.

68. That Stutz, of the Clinton Seminary, be recommended to labor in the Nebraska Conference.

69. That Titus Kurtichanov, of the North Pacific Union, engage in work for Russians in the city of Chicago.

70. That E J Lorntz, of Minnesota, take up ministerial work in the North Dakota Conference.

71. That F W Miller, of California, be recommended to labor in Tatsienly, Tibet.

72. That S C Schneider, of Lodi, take up work in Chengtu, China.

73. That Leroy I Shinn, of Loma Linda, take up evangelistic work at Kweichow, China.

74. That Harold G Bogar, and his wife, of Ohio, labor in Anhwei, China.

75. That S H Lindt, of California, be asked to take up evangelistic work in South Chekiang, China.

76. That Max Popo, of Alberta, engage in work for Russians, in Harbin, Manchuria.

77. That Jacob E Riffel, of Clinton Seminary, act as principal of the Soonan (Chosen) school.

78. That A A Rupert be asked to take up evangelistic work in the Malaysian Union Conference.

79. That F D Nichol, of Pacific Union College, act as assistant superintendent of the Northeast India Union.

80. That the Drs. Campbell, of St. Helena, take up work in India.

81. That R J Borrowdale, of Fresno, Cal., engage in evangelistic work in India.

82. That G W Pettit be recommended to the Pacific Union Conference, in case he does not return to India.



83. That George E Shankel, of Canada, be recommended to Ceylon, as evangelist.

84. That Frank R Smith, of Glendale, Cal., engage in evangelistic work in Travancore, India.

85. That Arthur N Nelson, of Pacific Union College, take up evangelistic work in Assam.

86. That James B Nelson, of Pacific Union College, accept work as an evangelist in Orissa.

87. That Wm Miller, of Central California, be recommended to labor in the Lake Titicaca Mission.

88. That Timothy Summerville, of Michigan, be asked to labor in Arequipa, Peru.

89. That R E French, of Ohio, make Bolivia his field of labor.

90. That Ross Padon and wife be asked to connect with the River Plate Sanitarium, Argentine.

91. That F M Dutterfield act as Home Missionary Secretary of the Brazil Union, in case E V Moore declines the appointment.

92. That E L Maxwell take the superintendency of the East Caribbean Missions if circumstances permit.

93. That Robert Hare, of California, be recommended as principal of the South African Training School.

94. That M M Hare, of Southern California, be recommended to the presidency of the South African Union Conference.

95. That F H Raley, of the General Conference office, act as assistant treasurer and auditor of the Far Eastern Division.

96. That Charles Sisson, of Vancouver, B C, act as secretary-treasurer in China.

97. That Elmer G Becker, of Walla Walla, act as secretary-treasurer in China.

98. That Arnold Christianson, of Iowa, go to China to act as secretary-treasurer.

99. That C B Caldwell, of Louisiana, take up work in China as secretary-treasurer.



100. That E A Von Pohle, of Wisconsin, be the head of the Plateria school in the Lake Titicaca Mission.

101. That Millard Ackley act as office assistant in Lima, Peru.

102. That George T Vore, of Central California, take up evangelistic work in Cuba.

103. That Otto E Schnepfer, of Walla Walla College, go to Honduras, for school work.

104. That Norman Brayshaw, of Loma Linda, take up work in Nicaragua.

105. That Ella B Miller, of Walla Walla College, engage in office work in Colon.

106. That H J Hurdon, of Ontario, be recommended to work in the British West Indies.

107. That Stephen Hare, of California, work in the Hawaiian Mission, with additional appropriation in case F E Stafford accepts position offered him.

108. That D A Wolcott and wife go to the Hawaiian Mission as teachers in the Honolulu school.

109. That Clarence Voris, of California, connect with the school in Peru.

110. That the name of Werner Lagger, planning to return to Switzerland, be referred to members of the Committee in Europe for final action.

111. That F M Butterfield, of California, be recommended to work in Korea, in case C F Booth does not go there.

112. That P J Laird, of Hinsdale, Ill., be recommended for service in China.

113. That H E Widmer, of Paterson, New Jersey, be invited to take charge of the commercial department of the Canadian Junior College, Alberta.

114. That Mrs Emma R Brown, of Washington Sanitarium act as preceptress of Lancaster Junior College.

115. That the Southeastern California Conference, be asked to release R S Owen to take the Bible work at Loma Linda Medical School for the remainder of the school year.



VOTED, That Elder L F Passebois be appointed to take charge of the French work in the Eastern Canadian Union.

The chairman spoke of items which it had been hoped to give more time to, especially the matter of conferences with presidents of regarding union conference work and problems, but which had been crowded out in the pressure of other matters.

Adjourned.

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

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## TWO HUNDRED TWENTIETH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 2, 1920

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The eighth meeting of the council was held April 2, though members who had been in attendance at the previous meeting had left the place.

Prayer by H H Hall.

C V LEACH--KANSAS INSTITUTE:

VOTED, That we advise C V Leach to respond to the call from Kansas to attend a Home Missionary Institute.

LEXINGTON CHURCH:

The committee to whom was referred the appeal of the minority of the Lexington, Kentucky, colored church, presented a report as follows:

To the "Minority" Portion of the First Seventh-day Adventist Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

Response by the General Conference Committee, assembled in the Spring Council Session at Washington, D.C., March 25 to April 2, 1920, to the appeal of the aforesaid "Minority" from the decision of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Nashville, Tennessee.

We, the General Conference Committee of Seventh-day Adventists, have given deliberate consideration to the claims set forth in the appeal by the minority with respect to the decision of the majority portion of the First Seventh-day



Adventist Church of Lexington, Kentucky, which decision after proper appeal was affirmed both by the legally constituted bodies of the Kentucky Conference and the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists according to the alleged facts set forth in the appeal by the minority.

We believe that the minority portion of the aforesaid church had a legal right to differ from the decision of the majority, and also that they had a right to offer an appeal to the superior bodies and call for a review of the evidence, and after this has been done in proper order and judgment rendered by the highest tribunal in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, that the appeal ought to rest and the case be closed.

The General Conference Committee in reviewing this case can only take cognizance of the written evidence and recommendations to which the appellants and defendants mutually agreed and which were officially passed upon by the legally constituted body when the two churches were one body and known as the First Seventh-day Adventist Church of Lexington, Kentucky, at the time the official actions were taken with respect to the matters set forth in the appeal. Verbal agreements and conversations between parties presented by one party without an opportunity for rebuttal by the other are not admissible as evidence. We must strictly hold to the written official actions passed by the whole body when both churches constituted one body.

The General Conference Committee wishes to state that its denominational government is based on the principle of majority rule. The voice of the majority is the final and absolute rule in all matters of church discipline, and administrative policy. The majority of the denomination may alter or change their form of church government or administrative policies at their own pleasure. In these matters the will of the majority is supreme. The minority have a right to contend for their views in matters of administration, until official action has been taken, and then the minority ought to submit their differences of opinion to the decision of the majority. Unless this principle were recognized it would be impossible practically to proceed with the functions of government, since otherwise the minority would have the power to stay action and nullify the will of the majority.

We hold that the legal propositions involved in this case were rightfully vested in the majority rule of the local church at the time the action was taken; it was wholly within the province and jurisdiction of the local church to adjust this matter as the majority deemed advisable for the good of the church and its prosperity in that locality. A change of circumstances may frequently lead the majority to change matters of church policy to meet new conditions which have arisen and to which they are compelled to adjust themselves.



Majority decisions relative to church administration are final and conclusive, unless their proceedings could be impeached for fraud. But no charges of fraud in the proceedings of the majority are alleged in this appeal of the minority. Every proceeding of this transaction was done openly, publicly, with the full knowledge of what was contemplated, and the church as a whole took part in the transaction.

In our judgment, in the present case, the proper tribunal to decide this matter either one way or the other way, was the First Church of Seventh-day Adventists at the time the title of the deed was vested in the Kentucky Conference (Incorporated). They had the absolute right to sell the property or to keep, or use it for other purposes, if the majority so willed it.

Good faith and a full knowledge of existing local conditions on the part of the local church is to be presumed, as the basis of the action of the majority and the reason for a change in the original plans of local church administration. It is not the prerogative of the General Conference Committee to reverse the action of the majority in this matter, unless there was evidence presented of corrupt practices and fraud in the proceedings themselves. The action itself taken by the majority members of the local church in vesting the title of the deed in the Kentucky Conference Corporation was valid.

We have complied with the request of the appellants and have given due consideration to the whole appeal and its claims set forth, and we are of the opinion that the action of the majority members of the First Church of Seventh-day Adventists of Lexington, Kentucky, with respect to vesting the title of the deed in the Kentucky Conference Corporation, was absolutely within their jurisdiction and is valid, and that the minority members who voted on the proposition ought to abide by the decision of the majority. Previous decisions are affirmed by the General Conference Committee in its Spring Session, March 25 to April 2, 1920, Washington, D.C.

The report was considered, and it was voted that the report be adopted.

#### PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT ITEMS:

VOTED, That the general policy in carrying forward the program for extension of the publishing work in the mission fields be as follows:

The general plan is that the Publishing Department makes recommendation regarding things abroad as developed by study and correspondence with the field. The home base publishing house taking a fostering oversight of any field requiring additional helpers shall be given opportunity to supply the demand from the publishing house staff, it being understood that



when any house is not able to supply the need, the General Conference Committee will search elsewhere, all appointments to be made by the General Conference Committee.

The following further items were adopted on report from the Department:

- We recommend, 1. That the Southern Publishing Association be asked to secure and train a man to act as manager of the printing work which may be established in the Latin Union.
2. That the Pacific Press be asked to supply a man to go on early to the Philippines as secretary-treasurer, and to take Brother Woodward's place with the publishing house while he is away on furlough.
3. That Brother E A Moon, of Central California, be advised to take training at the Pacific Press for foreign publishing work.
4. That the following itinerary for the associate secretary's general trip be approved: Leave here in November or early December for India via Europe (spending such time there as consistent) and back via Singapore and Shanghai, attending as many meetings as possible, and especially the bookmen's convention and spring council in the latter place.
5. That the Publishing Department be authorized to arrange a meeting previous to the Fall Council, to which shall be invited the union field secretaries, and at which plans shall be laid for the winter conventions, prices, and for men to fill calls from abroad.

Adjourned.

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



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MINUTES OF MEETINGS  
OF THE  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
April 5--June 14, 1920

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## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 5, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, Mrs L F Plummer, L A Hansen, W A Spicer, G B Thompson,

Prayer by W W Eastman.

## R W HUBBELL RELEASED:

1. VOTED, That we release R W Hubbell, of Nashville, from the invitation to go to Lima, Peru, on medical report.

Satisfactory medical report was presented for Frank E Thompson, appointed to South Africa.

## DR EARL CARR RELEASED:

2. VOTED, That we release Dr. Earl Carr, of Melrose, from the appointment to Argentine.

## ROSS PADEN RELEASED:

3. VOTED, That we release Ross Paden and wife, of the Washington Sanitarium, from the call to Argentine.

## R M BAKER--ARGENTINE:

4. VOTED, That we invite R M Baker and wife, of Glendale, to go to Argentine, Sister Baker to act as matron, Brother Baker as head nurse of the men's department of the River Plate Sanitarium..

## DR J G SMALLEY:

Dr. J G Smalley, for years self-supporting worker in the Bay Islands, presented request that aid be given for the establishment of dispensary work in that field, outlining the needs as follows: \$1500 building, \$200 fare of nurses, \$1400 salary of nurses, \$100 Dr. Smalley's return fare, \$100 incidentals; total, \$3300.

5. VOTED, That we accept Dr. Smalley's proposition, subject to approval of the Honduras Mission.



## M M MATTISON:

6. VOTED, That we encourage M M Mattison and wife to plan to return to India this autumn, advising Sister Mattison to go at once to Los Angeles for surgical care in order to be prepared again for service in India.

## FURLOUGH RATE:

7. VOTED, That the 25% bonus be added to the regular furlough rate of missionaries who are on furlough at the home base.

## RATE FOR MISSIONARIES' WIVES:

8. VOTED, That we authorize the mission fields employing wives of workers to make the rate of pay from \$4.00 to \$7.00, instead of from \$3.00 to \$5.00 as heretofore, according to the services requested of such workers by mission committees

## NELLIE WESTON--INDIA:

9. VOTED, That on request from India we ask Miss Nellie Weston, of England, to make India her field of labor, asking the British Union to release her in case our British brethren find that they can recommend her for service in South Asia.

## C K MEYERS--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

10. VOTED, That we invite Elder C.K. Meyers, secretary of the Australasian Union, to connect with the General Conference as an assistant secretary, asking the Australasian Union to release him for this purpose.

## ANNIE PAGET--INDIA:

11. VOTED, That we invite Miss Annie Paget, nurse of the St. Helena Sanitarium, to make India her field of labor, to engage in mission station work, but if possible to go forward at once in order to supply for the summer season the call for a nurse at the Simla Sanitarium.

## F S HARRIS--MEXICO:

12. VOTED, That we defer the appointment of F S Harris and wife, nurses, to Mexico until next autumn.

## CAMP-MEETING WORK:

13. The committee on camp-meeting work appointed at the council presented a statement, entitled, "Importance of the Camp-meeting Season," which was adopted.



(This Statement appears in the Review of April 29, 1920, as part of the report of the Spring Council. It is also included in the leaflet reprinting the report of the Council.)

#### COMMITTEES NAMED:

The chairman announced committees which had been ordered by the council as follows:

#### CHURCH EXTENSION FUND:

Committee of seven to draft plan for raising a Church Extension Fund for the great cities of the world, to report at the autumn council:

Named: W T Knox, E R Palmer, E K Slade, W W Prescott, F M Wilcox, G B Thompson, J S James.

#### QUARTERLY MAGAZINE FOR TEACHERS:

Committee of five to arrange and report on plans for a Quarterly Magazine for Bible and History Teachers and Ministers:

Named: W T Knox, F M Wilcox, M E Kern, E R Palmer, A G Daniells.

#### EAST CANADIAN INSTITUTIONS:

Committee of five on requirements for equipment and enlargement of East Canadian institutions, to report at the autumn council:

Named: W E Howell, F W Stray, W T Knox, B M Heald, E R Palmer.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 7, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Eastman,  
Mrs L F Plummer, L A Hansen, W A Spicer, C S Longacre.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

## B HOFFIZ:

14. VOTED, That in order to aid him in preparing for the work in Syria, the Committee undertake to provide the necessary expense to enable Brother Benjamin Hoffiz to take two years of school work, the provision to be made out of the Special Enterprise Fund, the place of getting the instruction to be determined by the officers.

## MRS MEYER--BRAZIL:

Consideration was given to the case of Sister Meyer, wife of Elder Henry Meyer, of Brazil, who has been visiting in this country and is about to return.

15. VOTED, That the treasurer and secretary be a committee, with power to act, to arrange to give whatever financial help may be required in securing medical attention and meeting expenses beyond the funds Sister Meyer has available.

## DR H E HERMAN:

16. VOTED, That the secretary be authorized to take up correspondence with Dr H E Herman, of Loma Linda, setting before him the call for a physician to qualify in Argentina.

## R F COTTRELL:

17. VOTED, That in response to an appeal from Loma Linda that R F Cottrell be allowed to take the Bible Department for the next school year, we ask the Melrose Sanitarium to allow Elder Cottrell to make the decision according to his convictions of duty, having regard to the fact that he will be required to do rather strenuous work in Loma Linda, whereas the Melrose chaplaincy might not be so taxing.



## PRESS BUREAU COMMITTEE:

18. VOTED, That we appoint as a Press Bureau Advisory Committee the follow: W L Burgan, C S Longacre, L A Smith, G B Thompson, L A Hansen, C P Bollman, and that we employ L A Smith as literary editor for the Press Bureau, to give his entire time to the work, his salary beginning April 1, 1920.

## AMANDA TRUEBLOOD--TAKOMA PARK:

19. VOTED, That on request of the Takoma Park Church School Board, we invite Amanda Trueblood, of Illinois, to take the school work at Takoma Park, asking the Illinois Conference and the Lake Union to release her for this purpose.

## THIRTEENTH SABBATH OVERFLOW--JAPAN AND KOREA:

20. VOTED, That requests from Japan and Korea for additional appropriations be met from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow as follows:

## For Korea

Two typewriters at a cost of \$200; additional appropriation for a home for one of our workers, \$1,500; Soonan school for equipment, \$500; increased appropriation to the Seoul Press, \$1,000; bindery and stereotyping outfit for Seoul Press, \$2,479; operating fund, \$3,000; motorcycle, \$350; total, \$9,029.

## For Japan

Power paper cutter, \$1,500; stereotyping outfit, \$500; operating fund, \$2,500; church building in Tokio, \$5,000; bicycle loan fund for the native workers, \$305; total, \$9,805.

Leaving a balance of the \$20,134.19 overflow of \$1,300.19, which was reserved for freight and such disposition as the Asiatic Committee might order.

## MIEHLE PRESS--KOREA:

21. VOTED, That in case a call comes from the Far Eastern Committee authorizing the purchase of a Miehle press for Korea, we authorize the treasurer to order the same through the Pacific Press, taking the amount in payment out of the tithe fund paid in by the Pacific Press for mission purposes.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 8, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern,  
F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, L A Hansen,  
O M John, W A Spicer, Mrs L F Plummer, Dr H W Miller; also  
T E Bowen, F H Raley, E G Fulton.

Prayer by E G Fulton.

## NURSES' REMUNERATION:

Dr Miller and E G Fulton were given time to present before the Committee their convictions as regards the wage scale for student nurses as adopted in the council, their study having led to the impression that many of our sanitariums would be unable to follow the schedule for student nurses.

22. VOTED, That on representation from sanitarium managers as to the difficulty involved in the schedule of wage adopted in the recent council as relates to nurses' remuneration, we advise that the operation of the clause relating to undergraduate nurses be suspended for further consideration, and that the Medical Department be requested to take this matter up with the sanitariums, gathering exact data for presentation at the autumn council, recommending to the sanitariums in the meantime that they make increases in undergraduate wage as nearly as practicable approaching the rate adopted in the schedule.

## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT--TRANSFERS:

23. The following report from the Educational Department was adopted, being the result of counsels with those present at the spring council:

Transfers and Appointments of  
Normal Directors and Critic Teachers

Mrs L M Stafford, of Oakwood Junior College, to Emmanuel Missionary College as Grammar grade Critic.

Miss Hazel Gordon of South Lancaster Normal to Emmanuel Missionary College as Primary Critic.

Miss Myrtle Maxwell of Southern Junior College to Oakwood Junior College as Primary Critic.



Mrs H K Tetzlaff of Clinton Normal to Oakwood Junior College as Normal Director.

Mrs C N Sanders, Educational Superintendent of Louisiana Conference, to South Lancaster as Primary Critic.

Miss Rochelle Philmon student at Union College to South Lancaster as Grammar grade Critic.

Miss Gladys Robinson of Pacific Union College to Southern Junior College as Normal Director.

Miss Rena Curtis of Battleford Academy to Southern Junior College as Primary Critic.

Mr E M Christiansen of Hutchinson Theological Seminary to Battleford Academy as Science teacher.

Miss Madge Moore, Critic teacher of Walla Walla College, to Pacific Union College as Assistant Normal Director.

Prof. and Mrs B B Davis of California Conference to Walla Walla Normal as Director and Critic teacher.

Mrs. Gertrude Johnson (colored) Graduate Student of E M C, to Oakwood Junior College as preceptress, releasing Miss Baugh (colored) to attend Emmanuel Missionary College one school year and two summer schools, to prepare for critic teacher in Oakwood Junior College.

Miss Rose Herr of Battle Creek Academy, to Takoma Park Church School as special primary teacher, if necessary.

DR SWAYZE--MEXICO:

24. VOTED, That we encourage Dr W S Swayze to return to Mexico, continuing sustentation support and meeting transportation to whatever part of the field he may wish to go.

G B THOMPSON--VENEZUELA:

25. VOTED, That we request Elder G B Thompson on his visit to the South Caribbean Conference to plan also to visit Caracas, to counsel with the brethren there, bringing back to us definite information and recommendation concerning needed investments for homes and meeting place in Caracas.



# NEED OF SECRETARY-TREASURERS:

26. VOTED, That we call the attention of union and local conferences and institutions to the frequent difficulty experienced in securing secretary-treasurers for the fields, and that we invite the home organizations to give earnest attention to the possibility of taking graduates from the commercial courses in our schools into service as assistants, in order to give them experience in our work.

# HARVEST MISSION ENTERPRISE:

In response to an appeal from the committee of various mission societies having charge of evangelistic work among the harvesters during the busy season in the West, it was-

27 VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$50.00 to the Harvest Mission for 1920.

Adjourned.

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

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# TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING

# GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 14, 1920

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# P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, M E Kern, E R Palmer,  
W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, O M John, G B Thompson,  
W A Spicer, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by M E Kern.

# FRANK HALL:

28. VOTED, That we authorize the Porto Rico Mission to deal with the request from Frank Hall, of the Virgin Islands for an advance to enable him to send his daughter to South Lancaster as they may decide advisable under the circumstances.



## LANGUAGE STUDENT RATE--JAPAN:

29. VOTED, That on information from Japan, the beginning rate for the experienced evangelistic couples in the language school in Japan be \$18.20.

## INDIA BUDGET:

30. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make appropriation to the South Asia budget of \$750 for church building at Nazareth, the local company to raise the remainder required, this item having been omitted from the budget submitted from India through some oversight.

## EGYPT--\$500:

31. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to forward to Elder George Keough, \$500 out of the Syrian-Armenian Relief Fund, to be used in relief work among these peoples in Egypt.

## PORTO RICO--APPROPRIATION:

32. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make the following additional appropriations to the Porto Rico Mission: \$169.90 on account salary of the secretary; \$175.00 expense (extra) of the superintendent; \$193 required for the increased salary of the superintendent.

## B L ANDERSON--FREIGHT ALLOWANCE:

33. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make to B L Anderson freight and expense allowance on goods being taken with him to China, as reported in his letter of February 9, the amount not to exceed \$200.

## K H WOOD:

34. VOTED, That on the return of Elder K H Wood to China the treasurer be authorized to make reasonable freight allowance on household items.

## AUTOMOBILES:

In response to an inquiry from the treasury department, in order that answer might be given to Elder K H Wood, action was taken as follows:

35. VOTED, That it be the policy of the General Conference not to pay freight allowance on an automobile where the worker on his own responsibility takes a car to the field, the worker in such case being expected to meet the freight; further, that it be our policy to ask the mission fields to take precautions that the field is not involved in heavy expense for the use of automobiles in the work.



## MRS H W BARROWS:

36. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow the expense of Mrs H W Barrows from Shanghai to Manila and return, amounting to \$234.60.

## HONDURAS BUDGET:

37. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add to the Honduras budget \$1539.50, on account of salary and expenses of Karl Snow, evangelist, for the year 1920.

## "SATAN" ILLUSTRATIONS:

38. VOTED, That we ask the Southern Publishing Association to consider whether the style of illustrating their book "Satan" does not contradict the printed matter setting forth the truth about Satan and his fall and work, and whether such illustrations will not bring injury to our work, this being the judgment of the brethren of the Committee available here, and suggesting that a different style of illustrating be adapted for future editions of the book.

## HAROLD LUKENS--LAKE UNION:

39. VOTED, On request of the Lake Union Conference, that we ask the Australasian Union and the New Zealand Conference to release Harold Lukens for service in the Lake Union.

## B HOFFIZ--DISTRICT CONFERENCE:

40. VOTED, That we recommend Benjamin Hoffiz, Syrian, to the District Conference for assignment for summer's work in connection with English efforts, the treasurer being authorized to arrange partial support if necessary.

## OTTO SCHUBERTH--SUMMER WORK :

41. VOTED, That we request the Missionary Volunteer and Home Missionary Departments to arrange for summer work for Otto Schubert, of Europe, now in this country, the General Conference to provide support through the summer from special appropriations, this action being taken in order to give Brother Schubert acquaintance with the departmental methods in view of his probable return to Europe at a later date.

## DEAF WORK:

42. VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union to look into the matter of special work in behalf of deaf people, advising with Brother J F Tolson, of Oregon, regarding his plans for special work in behalf of this class, suggesting that it might be possible to try out the matter locally in order to determine the feasibility of working on a larger scale for this class of people.



## F O FOWLER:

43. VOTED, That the name of F O Fowler, volunteer for the mission fields at Loma Linda, be referred to the Pacific Union Committee, with the suggestion that efforts be made to arrange for Brother Fowler to get experience in connection with conference work.

## J G JACQUES:

44. VOTED, That we ask the Bureau of Home Missions to give consideration to associating J G Jacques, formerly of Russia, with the Russian evangelical or educational work in this country, Brother Jacques completing the college work at Pacific Union this spring, and having in mind eventually returning to Russia.

## E KOTZ AND W C ISING--BOOKS:

Communications were presented from E Kotz and W C Ising, of Germany, formerly of German East Africa and Syria, stating that they had lost all their books during the time of their removal from the mission fields and internment in prison camps.

45. VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to take up with our publishing houses the matter of supplying some of our standard books to these brethren.

## DRS CAMPBELL--MOSLEM WORK:

46. VOTED, That we ask the Drs Campbell, of St Helena, to consider appointment to the Moslem fields of North Africa or the Levant.

## WERNER LAGER--SWITZERLAND:

47. VOTED, That we supply transportation to Werner Lager, of Clinton Theological Seminary, to his former home in Switzerland, Brother Lager to refund the money thus advanced in case he does not connect with the work in Europe.

## BECHUANALAND FUNDS:

48. VOTED, That we authorize the South African brethren to draw as necessary on the Bechuanaland appropriation for 1920 for developing work which requires doing in related fields while the Bechuanaland enterprise awaits further consideration.



A E HOLLENBECK RELEASED:

49. VOTED, That we release A E Hollenbeck from invitation to Africa, on account of medical report.

ROBERT MORRIS--JAMAICA:

50. VOTED, That we invite Robert Morris, of Pacific Union College, to return to Jamaica to labor.

Adjourned.

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

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## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 15, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, L A Hansen,  
O M John, W W Eastman, W A Spicer, Mrs L F Plummer, F M Wilcox,  
W W Prescott, E E Andross, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

JOHN R STICKLE:

51. VOTED, That reply be made to J R Stickle, of Lacombe, under appointment to India but expressing preference for Africa, that we will leave the question of the field to his decision.

HOWARD PEEBLES--GUATEMALA:

52. VOTED, That provided the Southwestern Junior College can release Prof. Howard Peebles, we invite him to connect with the work in Guatemala or Cuba, in accordance with his desire to get further experience in the Spanish fields.

ORGAN--VIRGIN ISLANDS:

53. VOTED, That special appropriation be made to Porto Rico in order to provide a folding organ for the Virgin Island Mission.



Information was given that W H England accepts the call to Honduras as book leader.

CARLOS NICOLAS:

On report from Elder J E Bond that Carlos Nicolas, of Mexico, desired to change his field for a time, wishing to come to the Spanish work in the Southwest, it was--

54. VOTED, That we express our sympathy with Brother Carlos Nicolas in his desire to change his field after these many years in Mexico, but we urge him to remain until more workers can be supplied to the Mexican field, suggesting to Brother Bond Brother Moreno, of Cuba, or Cunill, of Washington, as possible helpers.

BURT BRAY--CUBA:

55. VOTED, That we invite Burt Bray, of the Texico Conference, to make Cuba his field of labor, asking the Southwestern Union and the Texico Conference to release him for this purpose.

B A WOLCOTT--PORTO RICO:

56. VOTED, That we invite B A Wolcott, of Iowa, to take the principalship of the Porto Rico school, asking the Iowa Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose

J C FOSTER--CUBA:

57. VOTED, That we invite C J Foster, of Southern California, not engaged in conference work, to make Cuba his field of labor, in connection with the proposed Cuban school.

CUBAN SCHOOL:

58. VOTED, That we encourage the Cuba Mission to go forward with its school enterprise, purchasing necessary land in the vicinity of Santiago, not to involve a greater outlay than \$21,000 for the school enterprise and the Santiago meeting place and home, asking them to push the sale of the Havana property, making the receipts available on the school enterprise.

W K KNEELAND--BAY ISLANDS:

59. VOTED, That the Honduras Mission be instructed to inquire into the condition of W G Kneeland's health, and to supply such means as may be necessary to give him further hospital care if required.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 18, 1920

## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Prescott, E R Palmer,  
F M Wilcox, G B Thompson, O M John, L A Hansen, M E Kern, also  
J S James and T E Bowen.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

## W A REIBER RELEASED:

60. VOTED, That on report from W A Reiber, he be released from the invitation to school work in Honolulu, H.T..

## H P WALDO--HONOLULU:

61. VOTED, That H P Waldo and wife, of Berrien Springs, be invited to Hawaii, to take the school work at Honolulu.

## J G SLATE--SOUTH AFRICA:

## N C NELSON--CANADA:

62. VOTED, That J.G.Slate, of the Review and Herald, be invited to South Africa, to connect with the printing office there, leaving N C Nelson, formerly recommended for that post free to accept the invitation to the Canadian Publishing House.

## M L RICE RELEASED:

63. VOTED, That on report of unfavorable conditions in his family, we release M L Rice from the invitation to India.

## W G KNEELAND--FURLOUGH:

64. VOTED, That immediate furlough be granted to W G Kneeland and wife, of Honduras, in view of Brother Kneeland's very serious illness.

## QUARTERLY MAGAZINE

65. The committee appointed during the Spring Council to give consideration to the issuance of a magazine in the interest of Bible study and evangelism, this question being discussed by the Council and favorably referred to this committee to report to the minority Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted:



1. That a quarterly magazine dealing with the fundamentals of our faith and work be issued as soon as arrangements can be made to do so.

2. That the primary object of this quarterly be to stimulate Bible study and to serve as a medium of exchange on methods of evangelism and Bible teaching.

3. That the policy of the magazine be shaped especially for the benefit of ministers, licentiates, Bible workers, editors, teachers, college students, and all other Bible students and conference workers.

4. That editors be appointed as follows:  
Editor, W.W. Prescott; Associate Editors, W E Howell, W Aspicer, F M Wilcox, H C Lacey, M E Kern, J L Shuler, C L Benson

5. That the subscription price be \$1.00 per year.

6. That the Review and Herald Publishing Association be the publishers.

W.T. Knox  
F M Wilcox  
M E Kern  
E R Palmer, Committee.

Recess was taken to 2 P M

On resuming, prayer was offered by T E Bowen.

DR W A RUBLE--SALARY:

66. VOTED, That in arranging for Dr W A Ruble's transfer to the British Union, the treasury be authorized to pay the rate of wage given by the Melrose Sanitarium, from the time the Sanitarium ceased paying him until he reaches the field, also that the usual outfitting allowance of \$300 be granted.

NEGRO DEPARTMENT--SOLICITATION OF FUNDS:

67. VOTED, That we approve of the efforts of the Negro Department in arranging for a special issue of Gospel Herald, to be used in soliciting funds among their own people, in the effort to secure the \$10,000 which the Negro Department assumed toward meeting the obligations incurred at the Oakwood Training School in providing new buildings, facilities, etc., with the understanding that this campaign shall close by the last of July, so as not to interfere with the regular Harvest Ingathering campaign for missions.



## GRACE EVANS--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

68. VOTED, That Grace Evans, of the Lake Union, be invited to the Southeastern Union, with a view to taking the Educational and Young People's Missionary Volunteer secretaryship in the Florida Conference.

## COMMITTEE ON FAMILY WAGE RATE:

69. VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair, of which W T Knox shall be chairman, to give study to the family wage rate of General Conference workers.

Named: W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
T. E BOWEN, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 20, 1920.

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, M E Kern, O M John, L A Hansen, W H Green, C V Leach, W W Eastman, also J S James and T E Bowen.

Prayer by W H Green.

## TUBERCULOSIS SANITARIUM:

70. VOTED, That the communication from H M J Richards, regarding the purchase of the tuberculosis sanitarium located in the Texico Conference be referred to the Southwestern Union Conference without recommendation.



## HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

71. VOTED, That we recommend that the midsummer Home Missionary Convention be held west of the Mississippi River and east of the Rockies, definite location to be arranged later, and that general help to attend the convention be arranged near the close of the early camp-meeting season, in counsel with the officers of the General Conference.

72. VOTED, That we approve of issuing a calendar by the Home Missionary Department for 1921.

73. VOTED, That a committee be appointed to study and recommend special departmental days for 1921, that the data may be had for use in the Home Missionary Calendar.

Named: W T Knox, C V Leach, O M John, W H Green.

## WEST CARIBBEAN--HOMES:

74. VOTED, That the appropriation for the building of mission homes for the Canal Zone be increased to a maximum of \$10,000.

## CENTRAL AMERICAN MISSIONS--APPROPRIATION:

75.

VOTED, That an extra appropriation of \$160 be allowed the Central American Missions for traveling expenses of C F Staben of Salvador and E W Thurber of Guatemala to attend the Honduras camp-meeting at La Ceiba.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
T E BOWEN, Secretary.



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 25, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, R D Quinn,  
W W Eastman, O M John, Mrs L F Plummer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by R D Quinn.

76. VOTED, That we ask G B Thompson to attend a workers' meeting at Hastings, Nebraska, May 2, the brethren there having requested that counsel from the General Conference be furnished them.

MANAGEMENT LOMA LINDA INSTITUTIONS:

Consideration being given to matters connected with the business management of the Loma Linda Medical College and associate institutions, the following action was taken:

77. In view of the growth of the work at Loma Linda, with its many allied interests, medical, educational and evangelistic, and in view of the heavy obligations resting upon the institution, requiring large appropriations to meet operating expenses; and further in view of the fact that with many departments of work, it can not be expected that the financial interests of the whole enterprise can be safeguarded and properly looked after unless such interests head up under one general supervision; it is--

VOTED, That we ask the Loma Linda Board to revise in a measure the functions of the Advisory Committee of three so far as relates to the financial management, constituting the business manager the chairman of the Advisory Committee for the consideration of all matters involving finance, it being understood that this in no wise subordinates the direction of the medical and educational features of the work to the business management, those features being directed the same as heretofore; but this counsel being given to safeguard the interests of the whole institution, believing that those in charge of medical features will recognize the fact that with the heavy investment already made, any additional features involving expenditure, and any plans of operating which might involve expense beyond budget provisions, should come to the Committee with the business manager responsible fully to the Board for decisions which may be made.



MRS J N ANDERSON:

78. VOTED, That the General Conference share equally with the Central Union and Union College in the expense for the medical care of Mrs J N Anderson, formerly of China.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNION:

79. VOTED, That the South African Union Conference be authorized to use L 1199-8-7 out of their operating fund for special work designated by them, under the arrangement that they restore the operating fund from surplus moneys raised in the field and by saving on the appropriation from the General Conference during their last year's work.

JAMES B NELSON RELEASED:

80. VOTED, That we release James B Nelson, of Pacific Union College, from the call to India.

W M ADAMS:

81. VOTED, That W M Adams, of the Pacific Union, be released from the call to the Washington Sanitarium chaplaincy.

Adjourned.

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

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# INFORMAL MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 26, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, G B Thompson,  
E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman, W H Green, O M John,  
also C A Russell, E L Richmond, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.



82. VOTED, That on medical advice we release C W Flaiz from the invitation to attend camp-meetings this season.

T M FRENCH RELEASED:

83. VOTED, That on failure to hear from England and in view of the need at Emmanuel Missionary College, we release T M French from the invitation to the British Union as Bible teacher at Watford.

Roy M Baker accepts the call to Argentina, his appointment is confirmed, and sailing arrangements to proceed.

E A VON POHLE RELEASED:

84. VOTED, That we release E A von Pohle and wife from appointment to the Lake Titicaca Mission, on unfavorable medical report in the case of their little boy.

H M COLBURN AND L L CLARK TO LAKE TITICACA:

85. VOTED, That we invite H M Colburn and wife, of Hinsdale, to go to the Lake Titicaca Mission, with a view to taking charge of the Indian training school at Plateria, the Hinsdale Sanitarium and the Lake Union being requested to release them for this purpose.

86. VOTED, That L L Clark and wife, of Hinsdale, be invited to make the Lake Titicaca Mission their field of labor, the Hinsdale Sanitarium and the Lake Union being requested to release them for this purpose.

PHOENIX SPANISH DEPARTMENT:

87. VOTED, That we ask G B Thompson to plan to reach Phoenix, Arizona, two or three days prior to the opening of the camp-meeting, to counsel with P E Broderson regarding the Spanish department of the Phoenix school.

ANNA J OLSEN--CLINTON:

88. VOTED. That we pass on the request that Anna J Olsen, of the Upper Columbia Conference, connect with the Clinton German Seminary as Normal teacher.

F W Miller and wife, of Los Angeles, accept call to the plains of West China, the altitude of Tatsienlu being too high for Mrs Miller.

Leroy I Shinn and wife accept call to China.



## CLAYTON PALMER AND OTTO JOHNSON:

89. VOTED, That we recommend to the Review and Herald that they invite Clayton Palmer and Otto Johnson, of Emmanuel Missionary College, to connect with their factory, with a view to giving these brethren an experience in the publishing work that will enable them to accept a call abroad.

H E Widmer, of New Jersey, not now in conference employ, accepts the call to connect with the Lacombe Academy as business manager.

90. VOTED, That we request W W Prescott to plan to deliver the commencement address at Mt Vernon Academy, May 24, on his way to attend western camp-meetings.

Jacob E Riffel and wife, of Clinton, accept the call to Korea.

Joseph Phillipa and wife, of College View, accept the call to India.

R J Barrowdale and wife, of California, accept the call to India.

A N Allen, of Tennessee, accepts call to evangelistic work in Mexico, but in view of present conditions in Mexico, we advise that he remain in the States during the summer.

## HAROLD McCUMBER--PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE:

91. VOTED, That we pass to the Northern Union and to Harold McCumber, of the South Dakota Conference, the call from the Pacific Union for Brother McCumber to connect with Pacific Union College as assistant history teacher.

## R F COTTRELL:

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VOTED, That in view of his condition of health we release R F Cottrell from the invitation to the Melrose Sanitarium chaplaincy.

## R J SYPE--VACATION:

93. VOTED, That we authorize the West Caribbean Conference to allow the amount of vacation expenses of R J Sype and wife to Costa Rica, to apply on their vacation to the States if they so elect.



## LEE S WHEELER RELEASED:

94. VOTED, That Lee S Wheeler be released from the call to the Lacombe Academy, Western Canada.

## E L MAXWELL:

95. VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union to give study to the question of E L Maxwell's taking up work among the Spanish along the Mexican border, where his family could live, suggesting also the possibility of his connecting with the Spanish department of the Phoenix, Arizona, school.

Jesse C Stevens, in evangelistic work in Brooklyn, accepts call to like service in London.

## J W CHRISMAN--SOUTH LANCASTER:

96. VOTED, That we invite J W Chrisman, of the Columbia Union, to accept the call of the Atlantic Union to take the business management of the South Lancaster Junior College.

## A V WARD--CHINA:

97. VOTED, That A V Ward, of Georgia, be invited to China, provided the union and local conferences recommend this appointment.

## L V ROBERSON--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

98. VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference and the St Helena Sanitarium to release Brother L V Roberson, assistant manager of the St. Helena Sanitarium, to accept work in the Treasury Department of the General Conference.

Adjourned.

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



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 27, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, G B Thompson,  
W W Eastman, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, W H Green, also T E Bowen

Prayer by O M John.

HOME MISSIONARY CALENDAR:

99. The committee appointed to make recommendation regarding special Sabbath programs for 1921, for publication in the Home Missionary Calendar, made a report which was adopted as follows:

1. That the Home Missionary Department program in the Gazette be changed from the fourth to the first Sabbath in each month.
2. That the Foreign Mission program contained in the Missionary Readings be conducted on the third Sabbath in each month, instead of the second.
3. That the special offerings and departmental Sabbaths for 1921 be,--

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Religious Liberty-----	March 5
Rural Schools-----	April 9
Midsummer-----	July 16
Colored Work-----	Oct. 8
Annual Offering-----	Dec. 17

SPECIAL DAYS

Missionary Volunteer Day-----	Jan. 8
Medical Day-----	June 11
Educational Day-----	Aug. 13

4. That the October offering for the Negro Department in North America be included in the general fifty-cent-a-week fund.



DR E W MYERS:

100. VOTED, To ask the Iowa Conference to endeavor to arrange work for Dr E W Myers, on furlough from West Africa, so that during the summer he may connect with some evangelistic effort, Dr. Myers being obliged to remain in the States until autumn on account of his wife's health.

NICARAGUA--WEST CARIBBEAN:

101. VOTED, That we concur in the request of the West Caribbean Conference to assign that conference the remaining west coast of Nicaragua, thus making the whole of Nicaragua a part of the West Caribbean Conference.

W C LOVELESS, HAROLD BROWN, SALVADOR SALAZAR:

102. VOTED, To ask the Publishing Department to take up with J E Bond and the South Texas Conference the question of W C Loveless and Harold Brown, of Southwestern Junior College, and Salvador Salazar, of South Texas, who desire to go into Mexico as colporteurs, we to pay transportation if arrangements are agreeable.

Adjourned.

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

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# INFORMAL MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 29, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, W W Eastman, O M John,  
W A Spicer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

C M SORENSON--BERRIEN SPRINGS:

On receipt of a telegraphic request from Berrien Springs, it was--

103. VOTED, That in response to the request of the Emmanuel Missionary College Board, we invite Prof C M Sorenson,



of Washington Missionary College, to connect with Emmanuel Missionary College as head of the History department, asking the Columbia Union and the Washington Missionary College Board to release him for this purpose.

#### WISCONSIN SCHOOLS:

On receipt of correspondence regarding the destruction by fire of the Walderly school in Northern Wisconsin, it was--

104. VOTED, That we suggest to the Wisconsin Conferences and the Lake Union to consider the advisability of uniting the school interests in Wisconsin under one institution if found practicable, thus saving the large investment in re-establishing Walderly, as well as the continuous expense of maintaining two complete school faculties.

#### MILES COON--OHIO:

105. VOTED, That we pass to the Atlantic Union and the Massachusetts Conference the request of the Columbia Union, that Elder Miles Coon, of Springfield, connect with the Ohio Conference, asking the conferences involved to release him for this purpose.

#### J R OSBORNE:

106. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to send J R Osborne, returned on sick leave from Panama, \$100 to apply on his furlough allowance, and to make the usual arrangements for furlough assistance when the settlement of the West Caribbean Conference with Brother Osborne has been ascertained.

Report was given of medical findings in the case of E H Abbott and wife for South Africa.

#### V E TOPPENBERG:

107. VOTED, That we encourage Brother V E Toppenberg, under appointment to Abyssinia for the Scandinavian Union, to spend his time of waiting in language study, recommending to the Scandinavian Union that they allow him so to do, we taking the responsibility for the expense, however, subject to approval by the Scandinavian Union.

#### R B STAUFFER RELEASED:

108. VOTED, That R B Stauffer, of Kansas, be released from the invitation to Cuba, on account of obligations involved in the care of his mother.



F W MILLER--CUBA:

109. VOTED, That on account of medical findings in the case of Mrs F W Miller, we rescind their appointment to China, and invite them to make Cuba their field of labor.

V L HULSE--RETURN:

110. VOTED, That we authorize the Honduras Mission to return V L Hulse and wife, on account of health conditions.

Report was given that medical findings in the case of C J Foster and family, appointed to Cuba, are satisfactory.

WEST CARIBBEAN INCORPORATION:

111. VOTED, That we ask the West Caribbean Conference to incorporate for the holding of its properties, taking good legal counsel in the matter of Articles of Incorporation.

Adjourned.

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

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## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 30, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Prescott, W W Eastman, O M John, W A Spicer, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

### PRESS BUREAU--TYPEWRITER:

112. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to purchase a typewriter for the Press Bureau, for the use of L A Smith.



## C C KING--APPOINTMENT DEFERRED:

On information from C C King, under appointment to colporteur work in the Oriental cities, it was--

113. VOTED, That we give his intended further time to decide concerning leaving the care of her father, and that in view of the fact that she has a knowledge of Spanish, we take up with Brother King the propriety of transferring him to a Spanish field.

## DR KRETSCHMAR--EDINBURGH:

114. VOTED, That Dr Arthur Kretschmar, of Loma Linda, be placed on a salary of five pounds per week while qualifying in Edinburgh for South Africa, he to report in addition tuition and fees.

## MILLARD ACKLEY--CHINA:

115. VOTED, That Millard Ackley and wife, under appointment to Lima, Peru, be transferred to China for office work.

## R M MILNE--CHINA:

116. VOTED, That we invite R M Milne, of Newfoundland, to China for educational or evangelistic work, asking the Newfoundland Mission and the East Canadian Union to release him for this purpose.

## R D LOVELAND--RETURN:

117. VOTED, That R D Loveland, returning from China, be granted three months' furlough rate, with fare direct to their Carolina home.

## F F OSTER:

118. VOTED, That the secretary and treasurer be a committee to arrange relief for F F Oster, having power to act up to the amount of \$200.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPIKER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 9, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, G B Thompson,  
W W Prescott, W A Spicer, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, also T E  
Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

## CHINA EXCHANGE:

119. VOTED, That on information that the price of silver in China is receding from the high point which placed it above gold in value, and in harmony with the action on page 561 of the Minutes, fixing 1.65 silver to 1.00 gold as the basis of payment of foreign salaries while silver was so high, we recommend the following sliding scale of exchange in the effort to maintain a fairly even standard in the face of changing values of silver:

Whn	1.00	Mex.	sil.	is	wrth.	.40-.45	gld,	salary	rte	to	be	2.10	Mex.	to	1.00	gld
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## E G BECKER RELEASED:

120. VOTED, That we release E G Becker from the call to secretary-treasurer work in China.

Satisfactory medical report was sent in by Dr H E Herman, under appointment to Argentina.

## C G MAYS RELEASED:

121. VOTED, That on account of medical report we release C G Mays from appointment as book leader for Ecuador.



## HERBERT WHITE RELEASED:

122. VOTED, That on information from Herbert C White, of Pacific Union College, that he desires to finish his college work, we release him from invitation to Japan.

## A E LASTINGER RELEASED:

123. VOTED, That on account of medical report in the case of his wife, we release A E Lastinger from appointment to South Africa.

Satisfactory medical report was presented for Elder George T Vore and family, under appointment to Cuba.

## GEORGE E CLARKE--CHINA:

124. VOTED, That we invite George E Clarke, of West Michigan, to China as secretary-treasurer, asking the West Michigan Conference and the Lake Union to release him for this purpose.

## N Z TOWN'S FURLOUGH:

125. VOTED, That we extend N Z Town's furlough to September or to the autumn council.

## W W EASTMAN:

126. VOTED, That we ask W W Eastman's release from the earlier camp-meetings in order that he may attend to the office work, increased by the absence of N Z Town.

## R HOOK, Jr.--MELROSE:

127. VOTED, That we invite R Hook, Jr., of the Review and Herald, to respond to the call of the New England Sanitarium to act as business manager, asking the Review and Herald to release him for this purpose.

## G W REASER--ATLANTIC UNION:

128. VOTED, That on request of the Atlantic Union Conference, we invite G W Reaser to accept the financial secretaryship of the Atlantic Union, asking the Pacific Union to release him for this purpose.

## M R COON RELEASED:

129. VOTED, That on receipt of letter from M R Coon, declining the call to Ohio, we release him from the invitation.



F R SMITH RELEASED:

130. VOTED, That on medical report as to Sister Smith's health, we release F R Smith, of Glendale, from appointment to India.

Letter was presented from BA Wolcott, of Iowa, accepting the call to Porto Rico, and presenting satisfactory medical report.

H E GIDDINGS--HONOLULU:

131. VOTED, That we invite H E Giddings and wife, of Dinuba, Cal., to accept the call from Honolulu to take charge of the intermediate school in that place, asking the California Conference and the Pacific Union to release them for this purpose.

F W CAMPBELL--NEW YORK:

132. VOTED, That on request of the Atlantic Union Conference, we invite F W Campbell, of Oklahoma, to connect with the work in New York City, assisting Elder C B Haynes, asking the Oklahoma Conference and the Southwestern Union to release him for this purpose.

HAROLD ISAAC--CHINA:

133. VOTED, That we invite Harold Isaac, of the Upper Columbia Conference, to make China his field of labor, asking the local conference and the union to release him for this purpose.

H Z DAVIS--CHINA:

134. VOTED, That we invite H Z Davis, of Western Washington, to make China his field of labor, asking the local conference and the union to release him for this purpose.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED THIRTIETH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 10, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Eastman,  
F H Robbins, O M John, E R Palmer, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

## F A COFFIN--REVIEW AND HERALD:

135. VOTED, That on request of the Review and Herald, we invite F A Coffin to connect with the Review and Herald editorial staff, asking the Pacific Union to release him for this purpose.

## DEATH OF RICHARD SISLEY:

On receipt of word that Richard Sisley, of Java, had died after a short illness, it was--

136. VOTED, That we express to the relatives of Brother Richard Sisley our sorrow in the loss to the family and to the cause in Java of this faithful brother, expressing our appreciation of his services throughout a long life of consecration to the message, the later years of this service being devoted to pioneer work in Java.

## R A CALDWELL--AUSTRALIA:

On request of the Australasian Union, it was--

137. VOTED, That we release to them Brother R A Caldwell formerly of the Philippines, to take service under the Australasian Union, it being understood that medical advice is against the return of Sister Caldwell to the Far East.

## H M BLUNDON--AUSTRALIA:

138 VOTED, That on information from Australia that H M Blundon feels he should not return to the Far East on account of the health of Sister Blundon and the education of the children, we release H M Blundon to accept the field missionary secretaryship of the Australasian Union, expressing our regret that the Far East must lose his labors, and asking the family to keep in mind the needs of that mission field as circumstances may change.



## F C Phipps--WEST PENNSYLVANIA:

139. VOTED, That we pass on the request of the Columbia Union that F C Phipps connect with the West Pennsylvania Conference, asking the Illinois Conference and the Lake Union to release him for this purpose.

## CARLOS NICOLAS:

140. VOTED, That on receipt of medical certificate that Carlos Nicolas, of Mexico City, should have a change for a time in order to ward off threatened tubercular trouble, we ask the Mexico Mission, if possible, to arrange for his release, and invite him to connect with the work in Arizona for a time in order to make recovery of health.

## A N ALLEN:

141. VOTED, That A N Allen, under appointment to Mexico, begin his work under mission employ June 1, taking such time as may be necessary in special preparation while waiting for conditions to settle in Mexico.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 11, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, W W Prescott,  
O M John, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen, H E Rogers.

Prayer by H E Rogers.

## F D NICHOL--APPOINTMENT DEFERRED:

142. VOTED, That on medical advice that Mrs Nichol's health required another year at least in this country, we release F D Nichol from immediate appointment, asking him to consider himself under invitation to India, to proceed as soon as medical counsel allows.



## J E SAUNDERS TRANSFERRED:

Letter was received from J E Saunders, accepting the call to China, but asking that it be deferred until 1921. On learning that Brother Saunders is a British citizen, it was--

143. VOTED, That we continue the call to the mission fields to J E Saunders and wife, but suggest transfer to British fields in view of citizenship.

## LEROY I SHINN--CHINA:

144. VOTED, That in view of more favorable medical report, we renew the call to Leroy I Shinn and wife to labor in China.

## V P HULSE:

145. VOTED, That on report of surgical work required by V P Hulse, returned from Honduras, the General Conference treasurer be authorized to provide for the necessary care at the Loma Linda Sanitarium, continuing Brother Hulse on furlough allowance for such time as may be required to make recovery, with the understanding that Sister Hulse will so far as consistent provide nursing help.

## L C SHEPARD--CHINA:

146. VOTED, That we invite L C Shepard, of Western Washington, to go to China, as principal of an intermediate school, asking the Western Washington Conference and the North Pacific Union to release him for this purpose.

## CANTON TREATMENT ROOMS:

On report from Elder A L Ham, of Canton, regarding counsels with the St Helena Sanitarium managers, whose interest to supply help for the Canton treatment rooms still continues, it was--

147. VOTED, That we ask the St Helena Sanitarium management, in consultation with Elder Ham, to make suggestions regarding the personnel for the Canton treatment rooms.

## R F FARLEY RELEASED:

148. VOTED, That on account of changed circumstances, requiring him to care for an aged father, we release R F Farley from appointment to India, he having long waited for permit.



## SUPERINTENDENT HAKKA FIELD:

149. VOTED, That on request of Elder F H DeVinney, of the South China Union, the budget call for one of the evangelists be changed to that of a superintendent for the Hakka field.

## SPANISH SONG BOOK:

150. VOTED, That in view of the estimated investment required for the Spanish song book, involving initial expense of \$3000, we suggest a somewhat smaller compilation to begin with; we further advise that the Pacific Press conduct all negotiations for copyright songs and music; further, in the matter of the request for the services of Elder E L Maxwell for a short time in preparation of the matter, we refer the Spanish department to the Pacific Union, who have been requested to place Elder Maxwell in service, it being the understanding that the General Conference will bear the expense of the time required on the Spanish song book.

## MRS FIELD--TITICACA:

151. VOTED, That in view of the circumstances the treasury be authorized to pay the transportation of Mother Field, mother of Mrs H M Colburn, to the Lake Titicaca Mission.

## GEORGIA SCHOOL:

152. VOTED, That on recommendation by the Southeastern Union and the Georgia Conference, the General Conference approves of the plan of establishing a ten-grade school in Georgia.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 12, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, G B Thompson, Mrs L F Plummer, C V Leach, W W Eastman, O M John, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by C V Leach.

## PROFESSOR WERLEIN RELEASED:

153. VOTED, That on receipt of a message from Professor Werlein, of Berrien Springs, declining the call to head an intermediate school in China, we release him from the invitation.

## JOHN R STICKLE--SOUTH AFRICA:

154. VOTED, That on receipt of report from Prof John R Stickle, of Lacombe, Canada, expressing a preference for Africa rather than Burma, we invite him definitely to Africa.

## GEORGE E SHANKEL--INDIA:

155. VOTED, On information from George E Shankel, of Walla Walla College, that he and his wife feel clear in accepting a call to India, but wish to spend the remainder of the year in allowing Sister Shankel to recuperate from teaching work, we continue the appointment to India, asking Brother and Sister Shankel to report as soon as they can determine an approximate date of sailing.

## STEPHEN HARE--HONOLULU:

156. VOTED, That we register acceptance by Elder Stephen Hare of the invitation to Honolulu, subject to medical report, agreeing that his two daughters shall accompany him to the field.

Favorable medical report from Elder R E French and family, of Ohio, invited to the Inca Union, was reported.

## C J VORIS RELEASED:

On medical report that Mrs Clarence J Voris requires medical attention for another year before leaving for a field, it was--



157. VOTED, That we release Brother C J Voris from invitation to connect with the Lima school, Peru, but ask him to consider the Spanish fields with hope of appointment at some future time.

BURT BRAY RELEASED:

158. VOTED, That on report from Elder Burt Bray that his health would not permit acceptance of the call to Cuba, we release him, but suggest that he keep Mexico in mind for possible future service in the Spanish tongue.

WAGE OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER:

The treasurer and secretary called the attention of the Committee to the action on the floor at the time of the spring council, making an increase in the wage rate for these two offices. They stated that this change made the schedule uneven, and requested that it be not effective, allowing the rates for these offices to remain as originally reported.

159. VOTED, That the request of the treasurer and secretary be granted.

PAULINE SCHILBERG:

160. VOTED, That furlough allowance for Miss Pauline Schilberg, of China, be discontinued, and that she be placed on the Sustentation Fund at proper allowance for herself and adopted child.

ADVANCE TO CUBA:

161. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make a loan to the Cuba Mission of \$8,000, to enable that mission to begin its school building operations, but with the understanding that the return of this loan is not to depend entirely on the sale of the Marianao property, but that in case of failure to realize in full on this property, any deficit is to be made up from funds accumulating in the tract society.

KALAMAZOO PROPERTY:

The treasurer reported that the proposition had been made that the West Michigan Conference purchase the Bourdeau property in Kalamazoo, belonging to the General Conference, for \$1600, or 20% off the \$2000 at which it had been held.

162. VOTED, That we advise the officers of the General Conference Corporation to dispose of the property for \$1600 to the West Michigan Conference, they to bear expense of transfer and search of title.



## SASKATCHEWAN--APPROPRIATION:

163. VOTED, That on report from the Saskatchewan Conference of the protracted drought during the last three years, making it impossible to sustain their workers, the General Conference make a further appropriation of \$5000 to the Saskatchewan Conference.

## J H REAGAN--FURLOUGH:

164. VOTED, That in view of the fact that Brother and Sister Reagan were appointed to India from the United States, they be granted furlough to this country, asking the South Asia Division to counsel with these faithful workers regarding the needs in India, and their future plans, in view of the expense involved in the transportation of the family to this country being so great that careful plans should be laid regarding the arrangement for the desired educational privileges for the children.

## F H LOASBY--FURLOUGH:

165. VOTED, That F H Loasby and wife, of India, be granted furlough to the United States, from which place they were appointed to India, the General Conference being agreeable to their making the journey by whatever route they may choose, the Board to meet, however, only the amount required for the direct trip between India and the United States, and return.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



INFORMAL MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 13, 1930

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Eastman, C S Longacre,  
O M John, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, C V Leach,  
also T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S. Longacre.

Letter was reported from F W Miller, of California,  
accepting appointment to Cuba.

Letter was reported from Max Popow, accepting the  
call to Harbin, Manchuria, sending satisfactory medical report.

A P CHRISTIANSEN--APPOINTMENT DEFERRED:

166. VOTED, That we defer the call of A P Christiansen,  
of Iowa, to secretary-treasurer work in China until later in the  
season, asking him to keep this call in mind.

ANGLO-AMERICAN FUND:

167. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to send from  
special appropriations \$150 to the Committee of missionary  
societies having charge of work among the Anglo-American foreign  
communities in port cities.

AMANDA SLOAN--HONOLULU:

168. VOTED, That we invite Miss Amanda Sloan, of New  
Hampshire, to go to Honolulu for work in the women's treatment  
rooms, asking the Atlantic Union and the Northern New England  
Conference to release her for this purpose.

H P HERMANN---RUMANIA:

169. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to purchase  
from H P Hermann the typewriter and stereopticon outfits which  
he has been using in his work, at \$238, with the understanding  
that this outfit is to become the property of the field to which  
he goes.



## DR SMALLEY--LOSS:

On report from J G Smalley, proceeding to the Bay Islands, Honduras, that he had been robbed of a considerable sum of money, it was--

170. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to reimburse Dr Smalley for the robbery of goods and money to the extent of \$200.

## HAROLD JOHNSON--JAMAICA:

171. VOTED, That in response to the call from Jamaica, we invite Harold Johnson, of South Lancaster, to return to Jamaica to labor, no outfit being allowed, inasmuch as he is returning to his home.

## ANNIE PAGET--INDIA:

172. VOTED, That in response to the request of Mrs M D Wood, we recommend to the India Mission Committee to give consideration to her desire that Miss Paget be assigned to assist her in the work in Kalyan, although we appoint Miss Paget to India with the understanding that her work is subject to the call of the India Mission Committee.

## HONDURAS SCHOOL:

173. VOTED, That the Honduras Mission be authorized to apply to their school enterprise the \$470 voted in their budget for the support of a native teacher.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 16, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, C S Longacre,  
C V Leach, H K Chrisman, W A Spicer, O M John, R D Quinn,  
W W Prescott, F H Robbins, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by C V Leach.

## J A STEVENS--HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

174. VOTED, That we invite Elder J A Stevens, of the Pacific Union Conference, to connect with the General Conference as one of the assistant secretaries of the Home Missionary Department, asking the Pacific Union to release him for this purpose.

Report was received from the Washington Missionary College, releasing Professor Sorenson to respond to the call to Berrien Springs.

## H F SAXTON--SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

175. VOTED, That we invite H F Saxton, of the Campion Academy, to connect with the Southwestern Junior College, asking the Colorado Conference and the Central Union to release him for this purpose.

## E T OAKES--CHINA:

176. VOTED, That we invite E T Oakes, of Lodi Academy, to China as head of an intermediate school.

## L C SHEPARD RELEASED:

On wire from Western Washington that L C Shepard declined the call to school work in China, it was--

177. VOTED, That we release him from appointment.

## J W SALISBURY--CHINA:

178. VOTED, That we invite Prof J W Salisbury, of Battleford Academy, to China, to take charge of an intermediate school.



## AUSTRALIAN HELP:

Cable from Australia was reported, showing that in response to a call from India Brother Dowling had been released for that field, while Brother Simpson declined the call to Burma.

## J B CARTER--INDIA:

179. VOTED, That we invite Elder J B Carter, of North Texas, to India, asking the Southwestern Union and the North Texas Conference to release him, permit having been received as a result of former application.

## NORMAN BRAYSHAW--NURSES' OUTFITTING:

180. VOTED, That Norman Brayshaw, under appointment to Nicaragua, be allowed \$100 nurses' outfitting.

## W W MILLER--BERRIEN SPRINGS:

181. VOTED, That we invite Elder W W Miller, of Ohio, to connect with the College at Berrien Springs, asking the Ohio Conference and the Columbia Union to release him for this purpose.

## J H BEHRENS--OOLTEWAH:

182. VOTED, That we invite Elder J H Behrens, of Ohio, to connect with the College at Ooltewah, Tenn., Sister Behrens being desired in the normal work, Elder Behrens in the Bible department, the Ohio Conference and the Columbia Union being requested to release them for this purpose.

## JOHN SHULTZ--OHIO:

183. VOTED, That we recommend to Ohio Elder John L Shultz, returning from the West Caribbean on furlough with the plan to continue laboring for some time in this country.

## R J BRYANT--OHIO:

184. VOTED, That we recommend to Ohio Elder R J Bryant of Northern New England, asking the Northern New England Conference and the Atlantic Union to release him for this purpose.

## RUTH ROBERTS--JAMAICA:

185. VOTED, That on report of Sister L A Hansen, the treasurer be authorized to provide the return fare for Miss Ruth Roberts to Jamaica, on account of the illness of her mother.



## WILBUR HOLBROOK &amp; F A JOHNSON--FAR EAST:

186. VOTED, That we invite Wilbur Holbrook and F A Johnson, of the Pacific Union, to the Far East, for Japan or China, asking the Pacific Union and the conferences involved to release them for this purpose.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 17, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, C V Leach, W W Prescott,  
O M John, W A Spicer, W W Eastman, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

## F M BURG--CAMP-MEETINGS:

187. VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union and the Western Washington Conference to allow Elder F M Burg to attend the British Columbia camp-meetings.

## OSCAR HUETTER RELEASED:

188. VOTED, That on receipt of information from H W Cottrell that Brother Oscar Huetter, invited to China, has declined the call, we release him from the appointment.

Medical reports were received from Mr and Mrs R M Baker, showing physical fitness to accept the Argentine Sanitarium work.

## A N ALLEN--MEXICO:

189. VOTED, That we authorize A N Allen to expend on Mexico's appropriation to the amount of \$275, on lanterns and charts, and in time in preparation for evangelistic work in Mexico as conditions settle.



## F C PHIPPS--WEST PENNSYLVANIA:

190. VOTED, That on report from Illinois that they cannot see their way clear to release Elder F C Phipps, we rescind the call for him to go to West Pennsylvania at this time.

Word was received from Elder M Lukens that the Southwestern Union had arranged the release of F W Campbell, to accept the call to work in Greater New York.

Word was received that south Dakota had released H O McCumber, to accept the call to the Pacific Union College.

## ELLA MILLER RELEASED:

191. VOTED, That we release Miss Ella Miller, of Walla Walla, from appointment as office assistant on the Canal Zone.

## SOUTH ASIA--AUSTRALASIA:

Consideration was given to the fact that with the long delay involved in securing permits for non-British workers to enter India, it is desirable to draw workers from Australia whenever possible, but experience shows the delay and expense of waiting for the calls to pass through the Washington office. Under the circumstances, it was--

192. VOTED, That we suggest to the brethren in South Asia and Australia the advantage of close cooperation, and that we authorize the South Asia Division and the Australasian Union to negotiate between themselves such transfers of laborers as may be needed by the South Asia Division within the power of the Australasian Union to supply, and that we ask the South Asia Division to keep us posted as to workers drawn, so that the laborers may be kept within the budget of appropriations, having in mind, however, the fact that an excess number drawn one year, if such should be possible, could readily be adjusted in plans for a succeeding year.

## J IRVIN BUTCHER--CHINA:

193. VOTED, That we invite J Irvin Butcher, of Washington Missionary College, to go to China, to engage in evangelistic, school, or field missionary secretaryship work.

## STEWART KIME--NEW JERSEY:

194. VOTED, That we recommend to the Columbia Union the name of Elder Stewart Kime, of the Washington Sanitarium, for consideration as a possible president for the New Jersey Conference.



## LESTER BOND--GUATEMALA:

195. VOTED, That we invite C Lester Bond, of the Pacific Union, to engage in work in Guatemala.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 18, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Prescott, Mrs L F Plummer, C V Leach, W W Eastman, O M John; also J W MacNeil, E A Little.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

Word was received from Elder J W Christian, reporting the acceptance by Elder M M Hare of their invitation to the South African Union presidency.

## W E ROBBINS--CHINA:

196. VOTED, That we invite W E Robbins, of Pacific Union College, to China, for the principalship of the Hankow or Foochow school, asking the Pacific Union and the College to release him for this purpose.

Word was received that Miss Della Chapman, of Seattle, accepts the call to China as church school teacher for missionaries' children.

## HOMER J PERKINS:

197. VOTED, That we invite Homer J Perkins, of Idaho, to go to the Far East as secretary-treasurer.

## PROFESSOR LACEY--FAR EAST:

Consideration was given to the fact that the Far Eastern union sessions will be held the coming winter, Elder



Evans emphasizing the need of assistance in the general meetings.

198. VOTED, That in response to the call from the Far East for assistance in a series of union conference meetings and institutes, naming Prof. H.C.Lacey as one whose labors would be appreciated, we ask the Washington Missionary College Board to grant, if possible, a furlough from the school for Professor Lacey in order that he may respond to this call, requiring nine or ten months leave of absence from August 1, further, in case the school board under this arrangement does not require Professor Lacey's services for special work during the early summer, the General Conference would assume Brother Lacey's employment for one year from July 1.

199. VOTED, That while in field service for the General Conference, Professor Lacey receive the same salary as department secretaries of the General Conference, on account of the extra expense involved in traveling.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 19, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, C V Leach, O M John, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, C S Longacre, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by O M John.

#### ANNA OLSON RELEASED:

200. VOTED, That we release Miss Anna Olson from the invitation to the Clinton Theological Seminary.

#### H Z DAVIS RELEASED:

201. VOTED, That we release H Z Davis, of Western Washington, from the invitation to China.



## C F COLE--COLOMBIA:

It was reported that C F Cole, of Montana, accepts the call to Colombia, requesting a few months for recuperation before beginning the journey.

## L HARLAN OLSON--INDIA:

Receipt of permit for L Harlan Olson to go to India was reported.

202. VOTED, That we allow Brother Olson and wife some time at the Los Angeles dispensary, to take whatever special work the dispensary is able to give him before sailing.

## HELEN KNIGHT RELEASED:

203. VOTED, That on receiving word that Miss Helen Knight declines the call to Spain, we release her from the invitation.

Acceptance of the call to China was received from George E Clarke, invited to secretary-treasurer work.

## STEPHEN HARE--HAWAII:

Somewhat mixed medical report was submitted in two statements regarding physical fitness of Elder Stephen Hare, but it was agreed to go forward with the appointment.

## MEDICAL EXAMINERS:

204. VOTED, That we ask the Loma Linda Medical College brethren to appoint one physician as examiner for the Mission Board cases at Loma Linda, and one at Los Angeles, so that appointees at either place may know where to apply for examination.

## C A COLE--SOUTH AFRICA:

205. VOTED, That we pass on to the Loma Linda Sanitarium the request from the Plumstead Sanitarium, Cape Town, South Africa, for the services of C A Cole as chef, asking the Loma Linda Sanitarium to arrange with Brother Cole to respond, if possible, advancing him passage money, the General Conference guaranteeing that the Plumstead Sanitarium will accept the account.



## WILLIAM OSTRANDER--DISTRICT CONFERENCE:

206. VOTED, On request of the Columbia Union, that we invite Elder William Ostrander, of Iowa, to labor in the District of Columbia, asking the Iowa Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

## ARTHUR NELSON RELEASED:

207. VOTED, That on receipt of word that Arthur N Nelson declines the call to India, we release him from the appointment.

## R BRESEE--FAR EAST:

Telegram was received from South Dakota, reading: "Raymond Bresee and wife best we have for service. Ours is yours."

208. VOTED, That the secretary be instructed to correspond with Raymond Bresee, and that we invite him to the Far East.

## LOLA FRENCH--ARGENTINA:

209. VOTED, That we invite Miss Lola French, of Colorado, to respond to the call from the Argentina Sanitarium for a head nurse, and that failing favorable response, we invite Miss Estella Voris, of Loma Linda.

## W F MAYERS--MEXICO:

210. VOTED, That we invite W F Mayers to go to Mexico as colporteur, the General Conference paying his transportation to any point designated.

## KEITH BURKE--JAMAICA:

211. VOTED, That we invite Keith Burke, of Lancaster Junior College, to respond to the call from Jamaica to engage in school or evangelistic work as that conference may be able to arrange.

## HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT--CHARTS:

212. VOTED, That we authorize the Home Missionary Department, in counsel with the treasurer, to secure necessary devices for preserving charts which exhibit features of service in the work of the department.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 20, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, C V Leach, W W Eastman, C S Longacre, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, E R Palmer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

## EDYTHE AYRES--INDIA:

213. VOTED, That we invite Miss Edythe Ayres, of the Review and Herald, to respond to the call from India to connect with the South Asia publishing house in proof reading and literary work.

## MIDSUMMER OFFERING DATE:

Attention was called to the fact that by error the minutes of the spring council listed the Midsummer Offering day as July 19, whereas the date fixed is July 10.

## G W PETTIT:

On receipt of information from the brethren in India that it does not seem wise to call Elder Pettit back to India, he not having the language, it was--

214. VOTED, That we recommend Elder George W Pettit to plan not to return to India, asking the North Pacific Union to place him in work on this side.

Letter was received from Elder C E Knight, accepting appointment to Spain.

## JAMES D REAVIS--SPANISH FIELDS:

215. VOTED, That we invite James D Reavis, of Emmanuel Missionary College, to go to the Spanish fields in the autumn, for educational or evangelistic work, asking the Lake Union to release him for this purpose.



## KENNETH GANT--JAPAN:

It was agreed that we would ask the Review and Herald to release Kenneth Gant, in view of the special importance of the call to Japan for evangelistic work, provided Brother Gant is able to arrange to go forward at once.

## STENOGRAPHER--SHANGHAI:

216. VOTED, That we look with favor on selecting some young woman, if necessary, to go to Shanghai as stenographic helper on a three-year arrangement, the secretary being authorized to endeavor to secure such help.

## STEREOPTICON--FAR EAST:

217. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure a lantern outfit and slides for the Far Eastern Division.

## CHESTER ROGERS--SALARY RATE:

The treasurer presented a request from H W Barrows, sub-treasurer at Shanghai, that a salary rate be fixed for Chester Rogers, stenographic assistant to Elder Evans.

218. VOTED, That we suggest that Chester Rogers' salary basic rate be \$20.00 for the present, this arrangement to be reported on later if not satisfactory.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 24, 1920.

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, C V Leach, W W Eastman, C S Longacre, O M John, W A Spicer, also S E McNeill and H H Cobban.

Prayer by H H Cobban.



Brethren H H Cobban and S E McNeill reported on a set of blanks which they recommend for use in making calls for appropriations to the fields.

219. VOTED, That we approve and adopt the system of budget making submitted to us by the auditors, and request all the fields drawing support wholly or in part from the general treasury to adopt the system, the same to be put in use for the appropriations for 1922.

JUAN REY--MEXICO:

220. VOTED, That we pay the transportation to Mexico City of Juan Rey, of Washington Missionary College, to engage in colporteur work.

Acceptance was received from H J Perkins, of Idaho, to secretary-treasurer work in China.

LOLA FRENCH RELEASED:

221. VOTED, On information from Miss French that we release Lola N French from the call to the Argentine Sanitarium.

ESTELLA VORIS--ARGENTINA:

222. VOTED, That we invite Miss Estella Voris, of Loma Linda, to respond to the call for a head nurse at the Argentina Sanitarium.

E C STILES RELEASED:

On medical report submitted, it was--

223. VOTED, That we release E C Stiles from appointment to China as secretary-treasurer.

JOHN MITCHELL--ALABAMA:

224. VOTED, On request of the Southern Union and the Alabama Conference, that we ask the Review and Herald to release John Mitchell, and that he be invited to assist in tent work in Alabama.

C A HOLT--REVIEW AND HERALD:

225. VOTED, That on request of the Review and Herald, we invite C A Holt to connect with the editorial staff of the Review and Herald, asking the District Conference and the Columbia Union to release him for this purpose.



## J S BARROWS--FURLOUGH:

226. VOTED, That J S Barrows, returned from the Philippines be granted three months furlough from the time of his arrival in America, at usual furlough allowance.

## CHAS E DEGERING--AUDITOR:

227. VOTED, That we invite Chas E Degering, formerly of the West Indian Union, to connect with the Treasury Department, to engage in auditing work, devoting first attention to the West Indian and North Latin fields.

## L E WELLMAN:

228. VOTED, That we ask the Southern Union to endeavor to locate L E Wellman, of Carolina, in educational or departmental work.

## COLORED CHURCHES--FIFTY-CENT-A-WEEK:

229. VOTED, That we approve of the action of the Nashville Colored Workers' Convention, recommending their churches to aim at the full fifty cents a week per member for missions.

## LOUIS HARTIN--INDIA:

230. VOTED, That we invite Louis Hartin to India or Burma, asking the Maritime Conference and the East Canadian Union to release him for this purpose.

## J E SAUNDERS--BRITISH FIELDS:

231. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the transportation of J E Saunders and wife to the Maritime Conference, allowing them to remain in the employ of the Maritime until we are able to send them forward to India or Africa, Brother Saunders being a British citizen.

## ELLEN KNUDSON--LOUISIANA:

232. VOTED, On request of the Southern Union, that we invite Ellen Knudson, of Chicago, to accept the Educational and Young People's secretaryship in Louisiana, asking the Chicago Conference and the Lake Union to release her for this purpose.

## G H WINSLOW--CLINTON:

233. VOTED, That we invite G H Winslow, of South Lancaster, to head the normal department at the Clinton Theological Seminary, understanding that South Lancaster has already released him.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 25, 1920.

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer, W H Green,  
C V Leach, W W Eastman, C S Longacre, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

Satisfactory medical report was received from  
R M Milne, under appointment to China.

Satisfactory medical reports were presented from  
R J and Mrs Borrowdale and family, under appointment to India.

## GEORGE SORSENSEN--CHINA:

234. VOTED, That subject to medical counsel, we appoint  
George Sorenson either to China or the Latin fields, asking  
the Lake Union to endeavor to give Brother Sorenson some ex-  
perience in conference work this summer.

## G W REASER RELEASED:

On receipt of correspondence from Elder G W  
Reaser, of the Pacific Union, it was--

235. VOTED, That we release Elder G W Reaser from the  
invitation to connect with the Atlantic Union as financial  
agent.

## CANAL ZONE BUILDING:

236. VOTED, That a committee be appointed to give con-  
sideration to requests regarding building propositions on the  
Canal Zone.

Named: E E Andross, W T Knox, H H Cobban, W W  
Eastman.

## M D WOOD:

237. VOTED, That the rate of Elder M D Wood and wife,  
on furlough from India, be his rate with 25% bonus, the same  
to be retroactive from the time of their arrival in this  
country.



## WEST INDIAN EXCHANGE:

238. VOTED, That in addition to the basic rate and the regular bonus, the West Indian fields be authorized in payment of workers to make allowance for sterling exchange on a sliding scale as follows:

Buying rate for currency	Sterling	Bonus
4.87	1.0.6	0
4.76	1.1.0	0
4.65	1.1.6	5
4.54	1.2.0	5
4.44	1.2.6	10
4.34	1.3.0	10
4.25	1.3.6	15
4.16	1.4.0	15
4.08	1.4.6	20
4.00	1.5.0	20
3.92	1.5.6	25
3.84	1.6.0	25
3.77	1.6.6	30
3.70	1.7.0	30
3.63	1.7.6	35
3.57	1.8.0	35
3.51	1.8.6	40
3.45	1.9.0	40

## HAITI--TENT:

239. VOTED, That the tent belonging to the General Conference, held in the Atlantic Union for French work, be sent to Haiti, to replace their tent which was destroyed.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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TWO HUNDRED FORTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 27, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andorss, W T Knox, W W Eastman, O M John, C V Leach, C S Longacre, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.



## WINIFRED HOLMDEN--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

240. VOTED, That on request of the Washington Missionary College, we invite Miss Winifred Holmden, of Walla Walla College to connect with the Washington College as head of the Ancient and Modern Language department, asking the North Pacific Union and Walla Walla College Board to release her for this purpose.

Satisfactory medical reports were presented from J R McWilliam and wife, under appointment as book leader in Ecuador or Peru.

## IDA THOMASON--FURLOUGH:

241. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to arrange furlough allowance for Miss Ida Thomason, of South Africa, if it is found that the Cape Sanitarium or the South African Union have not made arrangements.

## C S SISSONS--FAR EAST:

242. VOTED, That we invite C S Sissons, of Vancouver, British Columbia, to the Far East as secretary-treasurer.

## M OSTOICH--RENT:

Letter was presented from Elder M Ostoich, Servian worker, stating that he had been paying \$60 a month for a five room house in Akron, Ohio, and was notified that beginning July 1 \$75 would be the rent. It seemed impossible to secure other quarters.

243. VOTED, That the matter of rent allowance for Elder M Ostoich be referred to the treasurer and the Home Missions Bureau.

## DR HETHERINGTON--HONDURAS:

On receipt of information from R W Parmele that Dr A J Hetherington, formerly of the Bay Islands, had suggested returning on his own account to the Honduras interior, it was--

244. VOTED, That the Committee feels friendly to the suggestion that Dr Hetherington should return to the Central American field, engaging in medical work on his own account.

## CHAS MCNIEL--MEXICO:

245. VOTED, That information be secured regarding Chas McNiell, of Texas, and that if prepared he be invited to go to Mexico as secretary-treasurer, his release being asked in this case.



RAYMOND FISCHER;

246. VOTED, That we invite Raymond A Fischer, of Minnesota, to go to Colon as office assistant,

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS--CHINA AND KOREA:

247. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make the following special appropriations:

\$180 added to Central China for the support of Ma Gi Ren.

\$1604.92 to Korea, to make good the 25% native bonus, by error omitted from the budget estimates.

LEWIS JOHNSON--RATE:

248. VOTED, That the rate of Elder Lewis Johnson while in the service of the General Conference on the European trip be \$27.50, plus 20%.

W E PATTERSON--JAPAN:

249. VOTED, That we invite W E Patterson, of Iowa, to make Japan his field of labor.

FLORENCE SHULL:

250. VOTED, On request of the trustees of the Ellen G White Estate and of Brother W C White, that we ask Miss Florence Shull, on furlough from China, to assist Brother White at Elmshaven, with the understanding that Sister Shull will take medical advice as to what ought to be her course in seeking a quick recovery of health in order that she may return to China.

CANAL ZONE BUILDING:

The committee on the building proposition on the Canal Zone, made a report which was adopted as follows:

With reference to the request of the West Caribbean Conference that they be allowed to build a chapel and a two family house in New Cristobal, Canal Zone, with the \$10,000 which we have appropriated to them for purchasing a building in Colon for homes for workers,

251. We recommend, That we grant the request of the West Caribbean Conference to build a chapel and two family house in New Cristobal with the funds appropriated to them for the purpose of buying a building for homes in Colon, the granting of this request being on condition that the cost of the



chapel and two-family house be confined to \$10,000, and that we express to them our concern over the matter in view of the statement in Brother Trummer's letter of April 8, in which he stated that a two-family house could not be put up for less than \$8,000.

Regarding the request that the West Caribbean Conference be allowed to increase their laboring force and pay for same from their surplus funds,--

252. We would recommend, That before taking action on this request we ask the West Caribbean Conference to submit to us the basis upon which they estimate a surplus of funds over the estimate placed in the budget.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FIRST MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 30, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, O M John, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer, also B F Kneeland.

Prayer by B F Kneeland.

#### KOREA--AUTOMOBILE:

253. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to apply \$350 voted for a motor car for Korea toward a Ford car, on the proposition submitted by H A Oberg, that he can gather the balance required from friends not members of our church.

Word was received from the Washington Missionary College Board that they had granted Professor H C Lacey one year's furlough in order to respond to the call from the Far East.

#### H M JOHNSON RELEASED:

254. VOTED, That we release H M Johnson, of South Lancaster, from invitation to Jamaica, learning that he desires to spend another year in school.



S E KELLMAN--FURLOUGH:

255. VOTED, That Elder S E Kellman, of Cuba, be granted a furlough of two or three months next autumn, with privilege of attending the autumn council, in case time permits.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SECOND MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 1, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman,  
O M John, W A Spicer.

Prayer by Mrs L F Plummer.

#### W H BRANSON--CAMP-MEETINGS:

256. VOTED, That we invite Elder W H Branson to attend the early Columbia Union camp-meetings.

#### W W EASTMAN--MARITIME:

257. VOTED, That we invite Elder W W Eastman to attend the Maritime meeting following his visit to Portland, Maine.

Satisfactory medical reports for Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Kretschmar were received.

#### J H SMITH--BAHAMAS:

258. VOTED, That we ask Elder J H Smith to consider his appointment to the Bahama Islands as continuing for another period of several years, arranging his living quarters accordingly.

Medical reports for J E Saunders and wife, under appointment for British fields, were submitted and found satisfactory.



## AUSTRALIAN WORKERS--CHINA:

259. VOTED, That we ask Elder F A Allum, in close co-operation and counsel with the Australasian Union, to enlist the interest of possible mission workers in China and the Far Eastern field, submitting names for appointment, but working in close consultation with the Australasian Union.

## MALAYSIA--BUDGET:

On request of the Far Eastern Division Committee,

260. VOTED, That we restore a prospective appropriation of \$2,280 listed by the Malaysian Union, and allow them traveling expenses to a divisional conference which it was expected to hold in 1919 but which was not held; the restoration of this amount allowed to be now applied on increase of wage under the 10% increase, and to apply also on vacation traveling expenses of Malaysian workers.

## TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS:

A. The Far Eastern Committee made request that certain fields be allowed to transfer prospective appropriations, making them available for the 10% increase in wage, and that additional appropriations be granted to make this 10% increase available in other fields which are not able to so turn prospective appropriations.

261. VOTED, That while we do not deem it wise to grant the request for either the transfer of the prospective appropriations, or to make the prospective appropriations available from month to month in our remittances until the purposes for which said appropriations are called for are operative, we request the sub-treasurer in counsel with the officers of the Far Eastern Committee to send us an additional budget showing the amount necessary of additional appropriations to make the increase of 10% in foreign wage available from January 1, 1920, authorizing the sub-treasury to advance said increase from such amounts as may be temporarily available in the meantime, so that the workers may have immediate relief.

## SWATOW HOME:

Request from the Far Eastern Committee was made that trust funds held in the General treasury for South China, and in the sub-treasury at Shanghai also for South China, be made available for a second home at Sawtow, with the understanding that the amount will be restored by 1921 appropriations for this second home.



262. VOTED, That we authorize the use of the unexpended amount designated for the purpose of a second home at Sautow, but without assurance that the 1921 budget will make provision for the restoration of the amount, it being impossible at this time to say with certainty what the 1921 appropriations may have to be.

L HUNTZ--ILLINOIS:

263. VOTED, That we recommend L Huntz, of the Chesapeake Conference, to the Illinois Conference, for service, asking the Columbia Union and the Chesapeake Conference to release him for this purpose.

F C PHIPPS--WEST PENNSYLVANIA:

264. VOTED, On recommendation of the Negro Department, that we renew the invitation to Elder F C Phipps, of Illinois, to connect with the West Pennsylvania Conference, Illinois having already released him.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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#### INFORMAL MEETING

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 6, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Eastman, C V Leach, O M John, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

WALTER A RALLS--COLUMBIA UNION:

265. VOTED, On request of the Columbia Union and in view of his personal conviction that he should enter home missionary work, we invite Walter A Ralls, of Kentucky, to the Columbia Union as Home Missionary Secretary, asking the Kentucky Conference and the Southern Union to release him for this purpose.



## SHANGHAI LAND:

Consideration was given to a cable from the Far Eastern Committee, requesting an appropriation of \$30,000 Mex. for the purchase of land about the headquarters at Shanghai, with information that the Japanese are buying up property round about and that later it will be impossible to secure adjoining property.

266. VOTED, That on the counsel of the Far Eastern Committee the treasurer be authorized to cable that \$30,000 Mex. is available, the same to be taken from the Special Appropriations reserve.

## L ZECCHETTO--SETTLEMENT:

267. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to settle L Zecchetto's claim of \$120 against the Latin Union for transportation, charging the same to the union, and in addition to the furlough allowance already granted, the sum of \$180 be allowed on account of time and losses reported.

## RAYMOND BRESEE RELEASED:

268. VOTED, That on information that Raymond Bresee, of Dakota, declines the call to mission service in Japan he be released from the invitation.

Satisfactory medical reports for Elder J B Carter and wife were submitted.

## H D ISAAC RELEASED:

269. VOTED, That we release H D Isaac from appointment to the Far East in 1920, asking him to hold himself in readiness to go forward in 1921.

Satisfactory medical reports were submitted for H M Colburn and family, Mrs. R F Field, and L L Clark and wife, under appointment to the Lake Titicaca field.

## ALMA ANDERSON:

270. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit to Miss Alma Anderson, under appointment as Mrs. Milne to China, the sum of \$40.00 expended by her in surgical work found necessary in preparing for departure in July.

## F A STEPHENSON--OUTFITTING:

271. VOTED, That \$30.00 outfitting be allowed to F A Stephenson, self-supporting colporteur to Cuba.



R R COBLE--PERU:

272. VOTED, That we invite R R Coble, of Louisiana, to Peru as field missionary secretary, asking the Louisiana Conference and the Southern Union to release him for this purpose.

Satisfactory medical reports were received from W E Patterson for himself and family, invited to Japan.

OTTO SCHNEPPER RELEASED:

273. VOTED, That we release Otto Schnepfer from appointment for 1920, with the request that he hold himself in readiness for 1921.

-----JOSLYN--BERRIEN SPRINGS:

274. VOTED, On request of Emmanuel Missionary College, that we invite -- -- Joslyn, of Melrose, to connect with the business office of Emmanuel Missionary College, asking his release for this purpose.

L L ROCKWELL--GRAYSVILLE:

275. VOTED, That we invite L L Rockwell, of Stillwater, Minn., to accept the principalship of the Graysville school.

GENEVIEVE HANSEN--GRAYSVILLE:

276. VOTED, That we invite Genevieve Hansen, of the Washington Missionary College, to go to Graysville for the English department.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED FORTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 8, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, O M John, C V Leach, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

## CANADIAN DEPOSIT:

The treasurer presented the matter of the accumulation of funds from Canada, on which at present exchange there would be considerable loss if cashed in this country. He reported that it was not desirable to hold drafts for a long period, lest accounts be closed out or local banks fail. It was-

277. VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to make deposits in the Royal Bank of Canada, and that authorization be given to W T Knox and H H Cobban to sign for the General Conference in this business, the following minute required by the bank authorities being hereby adopted:

Resolved, That W T Knox and H H Cobban, respectively treasurer and assistant treasurer of the General Conference, are hereby authorized for and in the name of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to draw, accept, sign and make all or any Bills of Exchange, Promissory Notes, Cheques and Orders for the payment of money; to pay and receive all moneys, and to give acquittance for the same; to assign and transfer to the Bank all or any Stocks, Bonds and other securities; from time to time to borrow money from The Royal Bank of Canada, either by overdrawing the account of the undersigned or otherwise; and generally for and in the name and on behalf of the said General Conference to transact with the said Bank any business they may think fit.

Also that W T Knox, treasurer, and H H Cobban, assistant treasurer, or any one of them, be and are hereby authorized on behalf of the said General Conference to negotiate with, deposit with, or transfer to the said Bank (but for credit of the said General Conference account only) all or any Bills of Exchange, Promissory Notes, Cheques or Orders for the payment of money and other negotiable paper, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the said General Conference; also from time to time to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts between the said General Conference and the Bank; and to receive all paid cheques and vouchers, and to sign the Bank's form of settlement of balances and release.



## PORTO RICO RATES:

278. VOTED, That H D Casebeer receive salary at the basic rate of \$29.25, Elder William Steele at the basic rate of \$28.60

## MALAYSIA--COLPORTEUR:

279. VOTED, On request of the Far Eastern Division, that we ask the Publishing Department to secure a German-American colporteur for self-supporting work in the Dutch East Indies, such worker being expected to acquire the Dutch language.

## EAST JAVA--DUTCH WORKER:

280. VOTED, That we grant the request of the Far Eastern Committee, that their call for an evangelist for East Java be filled by a German-American if possible, in order that he may quickly acquire the Dutch language, and that A A Rupert, already under appointment to that field, be assigned elsewhere.

## R F COTTRELL--\$600:

281. VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to advance another \$600 to Elder R F Cottrell as a loan, the same to be applied with the previous loan as an advance on moneys said to be due Elder Cottrell for property purchased by the Far Eastern Committee at Mohanshan, R F Cottrell to provide a proper title at his expense; this action being taken with the understanding that when the sale is consummated the amount advanced shall be an appropriation to the Far East.

## MISS LACEY RELEASED:

On explanation from M N Campbell that the British Committee were not calling Miss Lacey to England, but that the school had only offered her work in case she planned to go over to finish her musical education, it was--

282. VOTED, That we cancel the invitation from the General Conference to Miss Gwendolyn Lacey, leaving the matter to be arranged between her and the field, if she desires to go to England.

## PORTO RICO SCHOOL:

283. VOTED, That an additional appropriation of \$1000 be made to Porto Rico, to provide additional rooms at the school for the accommodation of the teacher's family.



E V MOORE--DENVER CONVENTION:

284. VOTED, That we invite E V Moore, of East Michigan, to attend the Denver Home Missionary Convention, inasmuch as he is under appointment to Brazil as Home Missionary Secretary.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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# TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 9, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, W A Spicer,  
O M John, also H K Christman, E E Bowen, C E Knight.

Prayer by C E Knight.

### J W SALISBURY:

285. VOTED, That we ask the Washington Missionary College to release J W Salisbury, who has accepted appointment to the College, in order that he may remain in Western Canada, accepting a call to the Canadian Junior College.

### J A APPLGATE--REVIEW AND HERALD:

286. VOTED, That on representations from Jamaica that J A Applegate, on account of his health and the desire to secure educational advantages for his son, be recalled from the West Indian book work, and that we ask the Review and Herald to give consideration to the possibility of utilizing his services in the printing office, and asking the Publishing Department to secure another bookman for Jamaica.

### MEDICAL COLLEGE STUDENTS:

In response to inquiry from Dr P T Magan regarding the understanding the Committee has as to the limitation of students taking the medical course at Loma Linda Medical College-



287. VOTED, That we give answer to the Loma Linda Medical College that our understanding of the previously expressed counsel of the General Conference regarding the number of medical students who should be received in the new class is that the intent was not to fix exactly the number but to fix the policy that no larger number should be received than present equipment and accommodations allow; in other words, that we should not plan expenditures for additional accommodations to meet increased numbers of medical students.

Word was received from F A Coffin, accepting the call to the Review and Herald editorial work.

#### SPANISH SCHOOL--ARIZONA:

On information that the committee appointed to consider the establishing of a Spanish school in connection with the Phoenix (Arizona) English school, had settled upon the plans the Pacific Union appropriating \$7000, the Southwestern Union \$1000, it was--

288. VOTED, That the General Conference appropriate \$4000 to aid in the erection of a dormitory for the Spanish school at Phoenix, and that the request for the support of a teacher in the school be referred to the Home Missions Bureau.

#### WILLIAM STEELE--SPANISH SCHOOL:

289. VOTED, That we recommend Elder William Steele, of Porto Rico, to the Home Missions Bureau as one of the teachers in the Spanish school at Phoenix.

290. VOTED, That we express our appreciation to the Pacific Union for their liberal cooperation in the establishing of this Spanish school in Phoenix, also to the Southwestern Union for its assistance in the matter.

#### MR AND MRS GUILD--CHINA:

291. VOTED, That we renew furlough allowance for another year to Mrs. Pauline Schilberg-Guild, at the rate of \$12.00 per week, in order that both Brother and Sister Guild may give entire attention to quick preparation for service in China at the close of the next school year.

#### J W McCOMAS AND H P GRAY:

On request from the Lake Union Conference that J W McComas and H P Gray connect with the Lake Union--



292. VOTED, That we pass on to the Southern Union and the Tennessee River Conference and to the workers the invitation of the Lake Union, but with the counsel that it is the policy of the General Conference not to call workers from the South to the stronger northern conferences unless for personal reasons, to which consideration should be given.

R E FRENCH RELEASED:

293. VOTED, That we release R E French from appointment to the Inca Union, on account of the difficulty of meeting the educational requirements for his son in that field, the age of Elder French also entering into the matter; at the same time expressing our appreciation of the spirit with which Elder French has responded to the invitation.

F M BUTTERFIELD RELEASED:

294. VOTED, That on account of the medical report concerning Sister Butterfield, we release F M Butterfield from appointment to the Far East, asking him, however, to keep the mission fields in mind for future service, the medical report not indicating serious hindrance.

ALZO V EDWARDS--FAR EAST:

On receipt of information that Alzo Edwards, appointed to school work on the Canal Zone, wished to decline that call, feeling that the ministry is his work,--

295. VOTED, That we invite Alzo V Edwards to go to the Far East for evangelistic work.

C J BOYD--CANAL ZONE:

296. VOTED, That we invite C J Boyd to go at once to the Canal Zone to engage in school work.

MEXICAN AND CENTRAL AMERICAN MISSIONS:

297. VOTED, That the name of the detached Spanish missions of the West be Mexican and Central American Missions.

R B STAUFFER--SPANISH WORK:

298. VOTED, On request of the Pacific Union and the Home Missions Bureau, that we invite R B Stauffer, of Kansas, to connect with the Southeastern California Conference for Spanish work, asking the Kansas Conference and the Central Union to release him for this purpose.



## MISS NELSON RELEASED:

299. VOTED, That on receipt of information that Miss Nelson of the Portland Sanitarium declines the call to the Argentine Sanitarium, she be released from the invitation.

## CHAS McNIEL RELEASED:

300. VOTED, On information from Chas McNiel, of Texas, that we release him from appointment to Mexico as secretary-treasurer.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 14, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, O M John, C V Leach, W A Spicer, also H H Cobban.

Prayer by H H Cobban.

## CHURCH INSTITUTES:

The Home Missionary Department reported plans for the holding of brief church institutes for the training of members for community service.

301. VOTED, That we ask the Greater New York Conference to release Miss Pulis, to work with the General Conference Home Missionary Department for six weeks, in order to help in outlining the program of church institutes for training members in giving home nursing relief, asking Miss Pulis also to attend the Denver Home Missionary Convention in July.

## FRANKE COBBAN--DENVER CONVENTION:

302. VOTED, That we invite Miss Franke Cobban, of the Medical Department, to visit New York, conferring with Miss Pulis, and to attend the Akron (Ohio) and Denver conventions, in order to assist the Home Missionary Department in developing the plan for church institute work.



## W F MILLER--LAKE TITICACA:

Word was received that Elder W F Miller, of Central California, accepts the call to the Lake Titicaca field.

303. VOTED, That support from July 1 be granted Elder W F Miller, in order that he may take special work at the Los Angeles dispensary preparatory to proceeding to the field in early August.

## I C SCHNEIDER RELEASED:

304. VOTED, That on information that I C Schneider had decided to take further school work, we release him from appointment to China.

## I D RICHARDSON--CENTRAL UNION:

305. VOTED, That we pass on to Elder I D Richardson the invitation of the Central Union to the Home Missionary Secretaryship of the union, asking the Quebec Conference and the East Canadian Union to release him for this purpose.

## A V COTTON--CENTRAL UNION:

306. VOTED, On request of the Central Union that we invite A V Cotton, of the Lake Union, to connect with the Central Union.

## L H HARTIN RELEASED:

307. VOTED, That on account of the medical report in the case of Mrs Hartin we release L H Hartin, of the Maritime Conference, from appointment to India.

## MISSES SHERRILL AND JENKINS--INDIA:

308. VOTED, That we invite Miss H G Sherrill, of South-eastern California, and Miss Reathel Jenkins, of Southern California, to India, asking the respective conferences and the union to release them for this purpose.

## J A STEVENS RELEASED:

309. VOTED, That Elder J A Stevens be released from the call to the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference.

## J H McEACHERN:

310. VOTED, That while held temporarily in the Northern Union territory, we invite Elder J H McEachern to hold himself in touch with the General Conference Home Missionary Department, in order to assist in organizing the autumn Ingathering campaign.



C E AcMOODY--KEENE:

311. VOTED, On request of the Southwestern Union, that we invite Elder C E AcMoody, of the Atlantic Union, to connect with the Southwestern Junior College as head of the Bible department, asking the Atlantic Union and the Southern New England Conference to release him for this purpose.

A V EDWARDS RELEASED:

312. VOTED, That on account of medical report in his wife's case, we release A V Edwards from the invitation to the Far East.

B F GREGORY--FAR EAST:

313. VOTED, That we ask B F Gregory, of the Central California Conference, to accept appointment to the Far East for school or evangelistic work, asking the Central California Conference and the Pacific Union to release him for this purpose.

A V WARD--AFRICA:

314. VOTED, That we designate South Africa as the field for A V Ward, of Georgia.

MISS FELKER--CUBA:

315. VOTED, That we invite Miss Felker, of Mount Vernon, to go to Cuba, as accountant and stenographer in the office of the Cuban Mission, with the understanding that the appointment is for three years, unless Miss Felker desires to continue a longer in the field.

V E TOPPENBERG--NEW YORK:

316. VOTED, That we encourage V E Toppenberg to go to New York City for special language study while awaiting sailing date to Scandinavia and the Abyssinian border.

H B WESCOTT--BRAZIL:

317. VOTED, That we invite H B Wescott, of West Virginia to go to Brazil, to engage in evangelistic work.

H E GIDDINGS--HONOLULU:

Information was received from Prof H E Giddings that he and his wife accept the call to the Honolulu school



Satisfactory medical reports were submitted for D E Robinson and family, under appointment to South Africa.

R A HARE RELEASED:

318. VOTED, That on receipt of wire from Prof R A Hare, declining the call to South Africa this year, he be released from invitation to the principalship of the South African College.

JOHN R STICKLE--SOUTH AFRICAN COLLEGE:

319. VOTED, That we recommend to the South African Union that Prof John R Stickle, of the Canadian Junior College, formerly appointed to the Burma school but transferred to south Africa by his request, be secured as principal of the South African College whenever it seems wise to the brethren to release Elder Bender from school work.

320. VOTED, That in view of the above appointment we invite Professor Stickle to attend the council of school heads and other workers called in Hutchinson in July.

F E WILSON--CUBA:

321. VOTED, That we invite F E Wilson to return to Cuba as a worker, if he feels it safe to consider Sister Wilson's immediate return, suggesting the possibility of her remaining through the summer here to insure better recovery, the expense of this additional worker in Cuba to be provided for out of the surplus in Cuba's operating income.

Satisfactory medical report was received for Miss Della I Chapman, under appointment to school work in Hankow.

H STACEY:

322. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to meet the canitarium bill incurred by Brother H Stacey, formerly of Japan, on his return to Australia, asking the Australasian Union to send memorandum of the expense.

ROWEN PAMPHLET:

323. VOTED, That the pamphlet being issued regarding the claims of Mrs Rowen to special gifts be sent to church elders and conference workers, with additional copies to local and union conference offices.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



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## TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 20, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action July 1)

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, O M John, C V Leach, W A Spicer, also  
T E Bowen.

Prayer by O M John.

## A E HALL--SOUTH LANCASTER:

324. VOTED, That in response to the request of the Atlantic Union, we ask the Pacific Union to release Prof. A E Hall, of the Fernando Academy, to take the principalship of the Lancaster Junior College.

## E F DRESSER--EAST MICHIGAN:

325. VOTED, That in response to the request from the Lake Union, we invite Prof E F Dresser to respond to the invitation to connect with the Holly Academy.

## L O MACHLAN--CENTRAL UNION:

326. VOTED, That on request of the Central Union we pass to Prof L O Machlan, Educational Secretary of the Atlantic Union, their request that he take the principalship of the Champion Academy, Colorado, asking the Atlantic Union to release him for this purpose, if he accepts.

## G B CORKHAM AND MISS EVELYN DAVIS:

327. VOTED, That on request of the Southern Union, we invite G B Corkham and Miss Evelyn Davis, of Iowa, to connect with the Kentucky Conference, asking the Iowa Conference and the Northern Union to release them.

## ALBERT CHANEY--BATTLEFORD:

328. VOTED, That in response to the request of the Western Canadian Union, we invite Albert Chaney, of the Washington Missionary College, to connect with the Battleford Academy as science teacher.



## MISS M BERGSTROM--ARGENTINE:

329. VOTED, That we authorize R M Baker, or Mrs Baker, to interview Miss M Bergstrom, of Central California, with reference to the call from Argentine for a head nurse, with power to arrange subject to approval and release by the Pacific Union and the Central California Conference, if after counsel this seems a satisfactory provision for the Argentine call.

## DR W J VENEN--CAROLINA:

330. VOTED, On request of the Southeastern Union that we pass on to Dr W J Venen, of Ohio, their invitation to him to connect with the Southeastern Union for work in Charlotte, asking the Ohio Conference and the Columbia Union to release him.

## SYRIAN RELIEF:

331. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to send out of the Syrian Relief Fund a sum not to exceed \$600 for relief of Syrians in and near Tripoli, Syria, in counsel with Brother B Hoffiz, the treasury being also authorized to assist Brother Hoffiz to the extent of \$50 in settling obligations contracted during his recent illness, Brother Hoffiz being in preparation for work in Syria.

## ANDREW ROTH--FURLOUGH:

332. VOTED, That we ask Andrew Roth, of Haiti, to arrange to take a short furlough of two or three months this autumn, at such time as he may feel best able to leave the work.

## WILLIAM MILLER:

Medical reports were submitted showing that William Miller and wife, of Central California, were adjudged physically fit to accept the call to the Lake Titicaca Mission.

## W H LEWIS:

333. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$100 from Special Appropriations on account of surgical operation and expenses required by W H Lewis, returned from West Africa.

## H A MILLER--OOLTEWAH:

334. VOTED, On request of the Southern Junior College, that we pass to the Mount Vernon Academy Board and the Ohio Conference the request of Ooltewah that H A Miller connect with the music department of the Southern Junior College,



asking the school board and the Ohio Conference and the Columbia Union to release him for this purpose, if practicable.

Adjourned.

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

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# TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 22, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action July 1)

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### P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Eastman, O M John, C V Leach,  
W A Spicer, G B Thompson, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

### JAPAN--BOOKMAN:

335. VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to list Japan's call for a union bookman, searching for a suitable candidate, action to be subject to approval of the call by the Far Eastern Committee, and adjustment of the budget for 1921.

### ROBINSON--PROUT--AFRICA:

Information was given that the British permit had been denied for Elders D E Robinson, appointed to editorial work at Cape Town, and C S Prout, appointed to English evangelistic work.

### LESTER BOND RELEASED:

On information that Lester Bond had not knowledge of Spanish for public meeting work, it was--

336. VOTED, That we release Lester Bond from appointment to Guatemala.



DR A L GREGORY:

Consideration was given to a letter from R W Parmele, reporting an interview with Dr A L Gregory, and it was--

337. VOTED, That we say to Elder Parmele that we have no objection to his arranging with Dr Gregory to go to Honduras for self-supporting work, provided it is made clear that the General Conference takes no responsibility for financial support or expenses of transportation now or at a future time.

W A SWEANY--HONDURAS:

338. VOTED, That we ask Elder W A Sweany, of the Utah Mission, to make Honduras his field of labor, to locate on the mainland for English work on the coast and in the island of Utila, the treasury being authorized to add to the budget sufficient to meet this additional expense, so far as it is not met by funds already provided.

R BERNHARDT RELEASED:

W W Eastman reported on his interview with R Bernhardt, bookman under appointment to China, bringing also medical reports.

339. VOTED, That R Bernhardt, of New York, be released from appointment to China as book leader, on account of unfavorable medical report.

SHANGHAI MISSION SCHOOL:

Attention was given to a communication from the Far Eastern Committee outlining plans for a school for the children of missionaries in the Far East, to be located for the present at Shanghai, for which this coming year a strong woman teacher was called for.

340. VOTED, That we grant the request of the Far Eastern Committee for a woman teacher for the Shanghai school for the children of missionaries in the Far East, asking the Educational Department to take up earnest search for a teacher

ANGLO-AMERICAN FOREIGN COMMUNITIES:

341. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate to the Committee of Reference and Counsel the same amount as last year for the work of that Committee in caring for the religious interests of Anglo-American and foreign populations in port cities abroad.



IDA THOMASON--FURLOUGH:

342. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make furlough allowance to Miss Ida Thomason, formerly of South Africa, from January 1, 1920, at a rate of \$10.00 per week, flat rate, with transportation to the Pacific Coast, where she plans to engage in work.

Adjourned.

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

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# TWO HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 23, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action July 1, 1920)

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### P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, C V Leach, W W Eastman, W A Spicer,  
E R Palmer, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

J H McEACHERN:

343. VOTED, That we submit to J H McEachern, returned from South America, two propositions as follows; asking him to make choice between them according to his convictions of duty:

1. To connect with the General Conference Publishing Department as an assistant secretary of the department.

2. To connect with the General Conference Home Missionary Department as an assistant secretary of the department.

MRS S N HASKELL--MELROSE:

The treasurer represented a statement from the New England Sanitarium, Melrose, to the effect that an error of \$222 had been made in rendering the account for the care of the late Mrs. S N Haskell.



344. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to accept the bill of the New England Sanitarium for \$222 in addition to the bill of \$1021 already paid on the care of the late Mrs S N Haskell at the New England Sanitarium; but that the treasurer be authorized to state that the Committee does not see why it should accept the bill for board and room of Miss Cady, who was not in the employ of the General Conference.

#### HONDURAS INGATHERING:

345. VOTED, That the treasurer appropriate to Honduras an amount equivalent to that gathered by that field in its Harvest Ingathering work, authorizing Honduras to make their effort an appeal in behalf of a church and the Siguatepeque school.

#### V E PEUGH:

346. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make a credit of \$50 to the account of V E Peugh, formerly of India, from Special Appropriations, on account of surgical operation for Mrs Peugh.

#### ALBERT PRIEST:

347. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make from Special Appropriations a credit of \$50 to the account of Albert Priest, on account of expenses during the delay in sailing for South Africa.

#### MEDICAL STUDENTS:

A letter was presented from Dr N G Evans, of the Loma Linda Medical College, referring to the large number of students in our colleges turning toward pre-medical studies, and to the numbers applying for entrance to the medical school, and urging that school faculties take greater responsibility in advising students and in refusing to recommend to the medical college those whom they do not feel free to recommend.

348. VOTED, That we ask the Educational Department of the General Conference to forward a copy of the communication from Dr N G Evans to the school heads, and to cooperate in every way with the plan suggested by the Loma Linda Medical College.



## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:

The treasurer reported a call for \$15,000 gold at two for one, or about \$24,000, for a central church in Shanghai, also a call from M N Campbell, of the British Union for \$15,000 additional appropriation on operating expenses.

349. VOTED, That under the circumstances we ask the treasurer to bring these items into the autumn council for consideration in connection with the 1921 budget.

## SOUTH CHINA CALL:

350. VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to secure a bookman for the South China Union, who is qualified also as educational secretary, to take the place of D E Rebok, whose services are desired at the Shanghai training school.

## MEADE MacGUIRE:--FAR EAST:

On report of Elder G B Thompson that Elder Meade MacGuire feels that his health is fairly restored,--

351. VOTED, That we place before Elder MacGuire the call from the Far East for him to attend the series of union conferences, allowing him to decide, under thorough medical counsel, whether it is a reasonable thing for him to spend six or eight months in the Far East the coming autumn and winter.

## MRS G W CAVINESS:

352. VOTED, That the Mexican Mission be authorized to pay Mrs G W Caviness, while engaged in duties under direction of the mission committee, the authorized allowance to the wife of the missionary employed in the work, this remuneration to date from January 1, 1920.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED FORTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 27, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action July 1)

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, W W Eastman, W A Spicer, G B Thompson, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

## MRS JESSE BARROWS:

The treasurer presented a letter from Dr Lauretta Kress, urging that Mrs Jesse Barrows be given further time at the Sanitarium on account of the heart difficulty from which she suffered on the return journey from the Philippines.

353. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to continue assistance another month, if necessary, to enable Sister Barrows to get started toward recovery of health.

## KOREA--APPROPRIATIONS:

The treasurer reported a statement from H W Barrows, sub-treasurer at Shanghai, regarding Korea's need of further appropriations.

354. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make from Special Appropriations an additional appropriation of \$1100 to Korea, to make up a deficit existing in operating, and to give that mission an operating fund of \$1000.

## FAR EASTERN WAGE SCHEDULE:

The treasurer reported information from H W Barrows, sub-treasurer for the Far East, that in order to bring wage rates to the schedule adopted by the General Conference, the Far Eastern Committee requested to be permitted to raise wages a further 10% from July 1, as per schedule set forth in sub-treasurer Barrows' letter of May 24, 1920.



355. VOTED, That the request of the Far Eastern Committee be granted, and that the treasurer be authorized to appropriate from Special Appropriations Account \$18,000, asking the Far Eastern sub-treasury to report surpluses and unused prospective and special appropriations in the various fields which may be made available on this account, the sub-treasurer having estimated that there would be about \$7547 of such funds available to apply on the raise of wage.

#### SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:

H H Cobban, assistant treasurer, reported to the Committee that \$6982 remains in the Special Appropriation Account, which was originally \$100,000.

#### SOUTH CHINA OPERATING:

The treasurer presented a request from the Far East that the South China Union be allowed to create a \$4000 operating fund from their 1919 surplus.

356. VOTED, That we ask the South China Union to report this surplus, and that from any surplus reported from South China there be appropriated \$4000 as an operating fund.

#### SURPLUSES IN FIELDS:

357. VOTED, That we ask the treasurer to request all the mission fields to make early report of surpluses accruing from operation in the fields, the demands in all the world requiring that the General treasury, sub-treasuries, and mission field treasuries keep closely together in the distribution of available funds.

#### CHESTER BARROWS:

358. VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald Publishing Association to release Chester Barrows, inviting him to work in the General Conference treasury department.

#### C K MEYERS--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

Cable was reported from Australia, reading: "Meyers granted. Arrive January."

359. VOTED, That we express to the Australasian Union brethren our appreciation of the generosity shown in the release of the union secretary in order that he may connect with the General Conference as an assistant secretary, to labor in behalf of the world-wide field, realizing as we do that with the heavy mission work pressing upon Australasia, it is much that we have asked in requesting the release of Elder C K Meyers at this time.



## MINUTES OF MEETING IN ENGLAND:

The following actions by the General Conference Committee in England at a meeting held May 30 were presented, inasmuch as they are requests for action by the Committee at the general office:

"Voted, That we favor the appointment of R S Greaves to Greece, if conditions are found to favor entering that field at present; that in the meantime he be given employment by the British Union Conference, his support to be met by the General Conference.

"Voted, That in view of the many important questions of finance, publishing and general interest, coming before the European Council, we urgently request Elders W A Spicer, W T Knox, and E R Palmer to attend that council.

"Voted, That in view of the increase of wages made necessary to laborers, the reopening of the work in British East Africa, and the continued prevalence of the high cost of living, we recommend to the members of the General Conference Committee at Washington an appropriation of \$15,000 to the British Union Conference to meet the loss now facing that union."

## R S GREAVES' SUPPORT:

360. VOTED, That we instruct the treasurer to provide as requested for the support of R S Greaves from Special Appropriations.

## EUROPEAN DELEGATION:

It was agreed that Brethren Knox and Spicer should plan to go to the Council, to be held in Switzerland in early August, and further,--

361. VOTED, That we pass on to E R Palmer and the Review and Herald Board the request that he should go to Europe in connection with publishing plans, recognizing, however, the difficulty of his leaving just at this juncture, and knowing also that the assistance the Review and Herald hopes to give the British house is not delayed by any lack of appreciation of the need by the Review and Herald.

## BRITISH UNION--\$15,000:

Consideration was given to a statement from the brethren in Europe concerning the call for \$15,000 additional appropriation for the British Union. It was stated that the resumption of work in East Africa, which it seemed should be pushed with all possible force from England now that they have secured permission to reopen work, brought upon the British Union responsibilities far beyond their resources and previous appropriations. They had also had to raise the wage scale in the British Union.



362. VOTED, That the \$15,000 additional appropriation called for be provided from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow for the benefit of colonial work in East and West Africa, this anticipated overflow being estimated as able to care to this extent for this additional work in Africa.

WINIFRED HOLMDEN RELEASED:

A letter was received from Miss Winifred Holmden, declining the call to the Washington Missionary College.

363. VOTED, That we release Miss Winifred Holmden from the invitation to the Washington Missionary College.

R J McKEAGUE--ORDINATION:

On recommendation of the Hawaiian Committee, it was--

364. VOTED, That we approve of the recommendation of the Hawaiian Committee that Brother R J McKeague should be ordained to the full work of the ministry, expressing our gratitude that the brethren can make this recommendation.

H J PERKINS:

Satisfactory medical report was submitted in behalf of H J Perkins and Mrs Perkins, under appointment as secretary-treasurer to the Far East.

G H CURTIS--CENTRAL UNION:

Request was received from the Central Union Conference through Elder S E Wight, asking that G H Curtis, secretary of the Southern Union, be secured as business manager of the Wächita Sanitarium.

365. VOTED, That we pass on to G H Curtis and to the Southern Union the invitation from the Central Union, with the explanation that it has been the policy of the General Conference not to call men from the South to Northern and Western unions, unless special conditions or personal convictions so indicate.

F A OSTERMAN--ATLANTIC UNION:

Request from the Atlantic Union in communication from E K Slade was presented, asking that F A Osterman, colored minister of the Southern Union, be invited to connect with the Southern New England Conference.



366. VOTED, That we refer the request to the Negro Department to take up and to arrange if all parties are agreed.

A H WILLIAMS:

Information was given that A H Williams, secretary-treasurer of the South Asia Division, was on furlough in England. The Division felt that it would be an advantage to Brother Williams if he could spend a little time in the United States getting acquainted with work and methods here while taking his furlough.

367. VOTED, That we invite A H Williams, of India, now on furlough in England, to visit America for a time before returning to India.

W D HILL--TRINIDAD:

Elder W S Holbrook, of the South Caribbean, reported that he had heard from W D Hill, of Nevada, that he would be willing to go to Trinidad, to engage in school work.

368. VOTED, That we ask W D Hill and wife to apply for British permits to enter Trinidad, to engage in school work, with a view to going to the south Caribbean field next spring, asking the Nevada Mission and the Pacific Union to release them for this purpose at that time.

C S PROUT--CHINA:

Information was received from the British authorities that permit for Elder C S Prout to enter South Africa for evangelistic work in the colonies could not be granted at this time.

369. VOTED, That we invite Elder C S Prout, of Southern California, to accept transfer to China, answering the call for an experienced man to take charge of the Hakka work, South China.

TEACHER--VIRGIN ISLANDS:

370. VOTED, That we endeavor to secure a church school teacher for the Virgin Islands, inviting Miss Stewart, formerly of Arlington, to respond to the call, requesting the District Conference and the Columbia Union to release her for this purpose, authorizing the treasury to appropriate to the Porto Rico Mission whatever amount may be requested to provide the teacher's salary in addition to tuition paid locally.



## C E MOON--RETURN:

Communication was received from C E Moon, reporting that the health of Sister Moon required a change of field.

371. VOTED, That we recommend to the Porto Rico Mission the release of Elder C E Moon and wife in order that Mrs Moon may make an effort to regain health, the General Conference feeling that that should be the first aim, while giving study to the possibility of their connecting with the Spanish work in the higher altitudes of the Southwest or Mexico

## JESSIE BUTLER--RETURN:

Letter was received from Miss Jessie Butler, stating that after seven years of service in Porto Rico she felt that she must ask for a transfer in order to regain health she having had but one brief furlough from the field.

372. VOTED, That we recommend to the Porto Rico Mission the release of Miss Jessie Butler for furlough to the United States this autumn or next spring, preferably the latter if it seems possible to arrange her work this winter so that she can safeguard her health.

## JAMACIA SCHOOL:

Consideration was given to correspondence from Professor Highes and from Elder G A Roberts, and it was--

373. VOTED, That we authorize the Jamaica Committee, in counsel with Elder G B Thompson during his visit in mid-summer, to arrange for the staffing of the Jamaica training school.

## R R COBLE:

Medical report was presented showing that R R Coble and family, of Louisiana, are adjudged medically fit for work in Peru.

## T SUMMERVILLE RELEASED:

Letter was presented from T M Summerville, of East Michigan, declining the call to Peru.

374. VOTED, That Brother T M Summerville, of East Michigan, be released from the invitation to the Inca Union.



J I BUTCHER--CHINA:

Correspondence was received from Irvin Butcher and Miss Wilma Walter, his intended, accepting the call to China for school or evangelistic work, with a view to sailing late in August.

375. VOTED, That we go forward with plans for these workers to sail for China as soon as arrangements can be made.

ARTHUR LICKY--CALIFORNIA:

On request of the Pacific Union Conference, it was--

376. VOTED, That we invite Arthur Lickey, of New Mexico, to the Pacific Union, to take Young People's Department work in the Southern California Conference.

Adjourned.

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

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TWO HUNDRED FIFTIETH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 28, 1920

(Made regular by committee action July 1)

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Eastman, O M John, W.A Spicer,  
G B Thompson, also T E Bowen.

Prayer by O M John.

CHINA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS:

On report from the Far Eastern Committee that propositions looking toward the creation of further intermediate schools had been eliminated from the 1921 budget call, it was--



377. VOTED, That we heartily approve of the action of the Far Eastern Committee in counseling delay in the establishment of further intermediate schools in the Far East, and in the plan of strengthening the training college and intermediate schools already established, developing church schools as teachers are trained.

#### EUROPEAN CALLS:

Consideration was given to communication from L H Christian, passing on requests for workers in harmony with plans laid in the Scandinavian Union meetings.

#### G E NORD--SWEDEN:

378. VOTED, That on representation of the situation and need indicated by Elder L H Christian, we renew the invitation of the Skodsborg council for Elder G E Nord to go to the Scandinavian Union, to take the presidency of the Swedish Conference.

#### C A THORP--CHRISTIANIA:

379. VOTED, That we pass on the invitation of the Scandinavian Union, that C A Thorp, of Brookfield, make Christiania his field of labor, for editorial work for a period of two years, asking the International Publishing Branch to release him for this purpose.

#### H GRUNDSET--DENMARK:

380. VOTED, On request of the Scandinavian Union, made through Elder L H Christian, that we invite H Grundset, of Minnesota, to connect with the Scandinavian Union as Bible and History teacher in the union conference school, asking the Minnesota Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

#### EASTERN SIBERIA:

381. VOTED, That we ask the Far Eastern Committee to take advisory supervision of the work in Eastern Siberia so far as practicable while waiting more permanent organization of the Siberian field.

#### J H McEACHERN--PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

A wire was received from Elder J H McEachern, formerly of South America, accepting the suggestion of work in connection with the General Conference Publishing Department.



## JOS P BEACH--CHINA:

382. VOTED, That we accept Joseph P Beach, of Oklahoma, for school or evangelistic work in China, asking him to arrange with relatives regarding release or terms on obligations during them, and that provided he is able to go forward to the field at once the General Conference assume responsibility for minor medical attention suggested, to the amount of \$75.

## H H HUMANN--NORTH DAKOTA:

Letter was received from C F McVagh, of the Northern Union, explaining that the North Dakota Conference had elected Elder H H Humann president of their conference, the situation not seeming to allow time for correspondence with the General Conference.

383. VOTED, That we release Elder H H Humann from the Home Missions Bureau, recognizing the urgency of the situation which led to his election in North Dakota.

## W S MEAD--SOUTH AFRICA:

Consideration was given to a request from the South African Union for W S Mead, formerly of India, to work among the East Indians in South Africa.

It was understood that Brother Mead desired to spend some time still in New England on account of Grandmother Mead, but it was--

384. VOTED, That we ask W S Mead to plan as soon as practicable to answer the call from South Africa to go to that field to labor particularly for the East Indians.

## DUTCH HARVEST INGATHERING:

385. VOTED, That we grant the request of the South African Union for a Dutch edition of the Harvest Ingathering number for 1921, they to do the translating, Brookfield to be asked to do the printing, the expense of the issue being charged against South African appropriations for missions, to which object the receipts also will be devoted.

## SOUTH AFRICA--\$15,000:

Communication from South Africa presented the information that South Africa was endeavoring to raise a further \$15,000 for the school enterprise, and asking the General Conference for an appropriation of \$15,000 for the establishment of the South African College enterprise.



386. VOTED, That this request be referred to the autumn council, when the budget for 1921 is voted.

O R SHREVE--PERMIT DENIED:

Information was given that the British government had denied the request for a permit for O R Shreve, under appointment to mission work in south Africa.

387. VOTED, That we release O R Shreve from appointment to South Africa, asking him, however, to give consideration to the needs in other mission fields if practicable.

L L CLARK--NURSE'S OUTFITTING:

388. VOTED, That L L Clark, nurse, under appointment to the Lake Titicaca field, be granted a nurse's fund (outfitting) of \$75.

C B CALDWELL RELEASED:

Attention was given to the medical report and a communication from C B Caldwell, secretary-treasurer of the Louisiana Conference, who had been invited to the Far East for secretary-treasurer work.

389. VOTED, That in consideration of the medical report and the communication from Brother C B Caldwell, we release him from appointment to China.

ARNOLD CHRISTIANSEN:

390. VOTED, That we urge Arnold Christiansen, of Iowa, to consider the possibility of completing his special accounting work in the early autumn, with a view to possibly going forward to the field by January 1, owing to the possibility that a secretary-treasurer for South China may not be supplied earlier.

I L KENT--OUTFITTING:

391. VOTED, That I L Kent, recenting arriving in South China, be granted the full outfitting allowance as at present obtaining.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.

W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 1, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W H Branson, W W Eastman,  
O M John, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen

Prayer by W H Branson.

Elder Branson presented a letter from South Africa making request that the Review and Herald provide \$30,000 for printing house and equipment in South Africa.

E R Palmer, of the Review and Herald, expressed their interest in hastening forward with the overseas expansion in territory the Review and Herald is to foster. He stated, however, that the Review and Herald had already lodged with the General Conference a request for a further loan of \$25,000 to be returned from the portion of surplus dedicated to missions. In this was included \$10,000 for the British house, which had already placed paper orders requiring heavy advances.

It is the plan of the Review and Herald in going forward with the Canadian Branch, to defer many features planned for, and to postpone every feature possible at the head plant in order to conserve the mission surpluses which are to be distributed by appropriation of the General Conference.

## LOAN TO REVIEW AND HERALD:

Consideration was given to the request from the Review and Herald, and to the necessity of going forward with the Canadian plant at once, so that all the publications needed in Canada may be produced within the field. It was stated that the new regulations are practicably prohibitive of shipments over the line as in former times. For the development of the work among the ten millions of Canada it is essential that the publishing base be quickly established. It was, therefore--

392. VOTED, That we loan to the Review and Herald Publishing Association an additional \$25,000, not less than \$7,000 nor more than \$10,000 of which shall be taken from deposits in Canada, with the understanding that this portion will be repaid to us in Canadian money, but that the rate of exchange shall not be lower than the rate obtaining at the time when the loan is made; further,--



That we provide in this loan the equivalent of \$10,000 in English money, at the rate of \$4.87 to the pound, this money to come from our deposits in London, it being understood that the Review and Herald can accept this form of loan inasmuch as it is their purpose to make this amount an investment for the benefit of the British publishing house, under the plan by which our leading publishing houses in America are undertaking to assist the publishing work abroad; further,--

The rate of interest on the loan to be subject to the rate realized in the sale of bonds by which our treasury secures the funds to be thus advanced, the rate probably being from five to seven per cent; further,--

This loan to the Review and Herald is to be returned by that Association promptly upon demand, as necessity may require the General Conference to call for its return; finally,--

That the treasury be requested in making this arrangement to see that included in the note, or notes, to be given by the Review and Herald Publishing Association, not only the loan authorized by this action, but also the amounts that have already been advanced in the past to the Review and Herald on maturing notes in assisting them to go forward with the Canadian publishing enterprise without waiting for the portion of their earnings dedicated to missions to accumulate, realizing that the present situation demands the quick establishment of a fully self-operating publishing work in the Canadian Dominion.

#### SOUTH AFRICAN PUBLISHING:

393. VOTED, That we request that the South African call for publishing house and equipment be worked out with such definiteness of detail as possible in order that estimates may be submitted to the autumn council for consideration, and that if this estimate is not in hand by the time of the autumn council we list \$35,000 in the South African estimates for the publishing work.

#### J W MacNEIL--SOUTH AFRICA:

394. VOTED, That we invite J W MacNeil, president of the Carolina Conference, to South Africa for English evangelistic or executive work, asking the Southeastern Union and the Carolina Conference to release him for this purpose.

#### SOUTH AFRICAN DIVISION APPOINTMENTS:

395. VOTED, That the following appointments be made for the South African Division:



W B Commin, sub-treasurer of the General Conference for the African Division, asking the South African Union Conference to arrange, if possible, for Brother Commin to divide his attentions between the Union and the Division work.

U. Bender, secretary of the Educational Department.

Dr John Reith, secretary of the Medical Department.

The manager of the publishing house, secretary of the Publishing Department of the Division.

Recess was taken to 1:30 P M

#### FIRESIDE CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL:

396. VOTED, That we authorize the Fireside Correspondence School to prepare a series of lessons in denominational history for their immediate use.

#### MRS GREEN--MEXICO:

397. VOTED, That we grant the request of J A P Green that the expenses of Sister Green be allowed to Mexico, in order that she may accompany him to that field for six months, securing a change for herself and the children, this being necessary on account of Sister Green's health.

#### APPROVING MINUTES:

398. VOTED, That we approve and make regular the minutes of the informal meetings of June 20, 22, 23, 27, 28.

#### V E TOPPENBERG & V O PUNCHES--ORDINATION:

399. VOTED, On recommendation of the Home Missions Bureau, that we arrange for the ordination of V E Toppenberg before he leaves for Europe and Abyssinia, and of V O Punches, of the Home Missions Bureau, asking Elder Andross to arrange for the ordination of the latter at the New Jersey meeting, if possible.

#### C A HANSEN--SUSTENTATION:

400. VOTED, That we recommend Elder C A Hansen, of Kentucky, to the Sustentation Fund Committee, at \$10.00 per week if possible.



A V COTTON--CENTRAL UNION:

401. VOTED, That we pass on to the Lake Union and to Elder A V Cotton the request of the Central Union for his services in that field, East Michigan having already assented to his release.

C R CALLICOTT--MEXICO:

On receipt of notice from the British Passport Control office that it was not possible to issue permit for C R Callicott to enter Trinidad, to take the secretary-treasurership of the South Caribbean Conference, it was--

402. VOTED, That we transfer the appointment of C R Callicott to Mexico as secretary-treasurer of the Mexican Mission.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-SECOND MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 4, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action July 11)

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P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, C V Leach, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman, O M John, W A Spicer.

Prayer by C V Leach.

I D RICHARDSON RELEASED:

On receipt of information through the Home Missionary Department that the Central Union had made other arrangements, it was--

403. VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Elder I D Richardson, of Montreal, to the Central Union, leaving the Home Missionary Department to endeavor to arrange other work.



E W MYERS:

On receipt of information from Dr E W Myers that he feared Sister Myers would not be able to return to West Africa it was--

404. VOTED, That we meet the transportation expenses of Dr and Sister E W Myers to Washington or other points, granting Dr Myers six months' furlough allowance in monthly installments or in lump sum, leaving the question of return to Africa for future developments.

W L BURGAN:

On receipt of information from W L Burgan, secretary of the Press Bureau, that his wife could now return from Colorado.

405. VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to meet a reasonable amount of household transportation expense for the return of W L Burgan to Washington.

V P HULSE--PACIFIC UNION:

On information from Brother V P Hulse, returned from Honduras for surgical work, that he hopes soon to be ready for service, and that brethren in southern California had spoken to him of engaging in work there, it was--

406. VOTED, That V P Hulse be continued on furlough allowance for a time, in order that he may fully recover, and that we refer his case to the Pacific Union in case there is an opening for him for work in Southern California in mixed English and Spanish service.

VIRGIN ISLANDS--TEACHER:

407. VOTED, That we release Miss Stewart, of Arlington, invited to the Virgin Islands.

408. VOTED, That we invite Miss Buclah Soper, attending the Washington summer school, to make the Virgin Islands her field of labor, as teacher, asking her release from whatever field may be expecting her services if any arrangements have been made.

O R SHREVE--FAR EAST:

409. VOTED, That we invite O R Shreve to connect with the work in the Far East, for supervision of building operations, with the idea that he will also study one of the languages of the field, preparatory to taking school or evangelistic work when services are not required by building operations.



DR J EARL GARDNER--SINGAPORE:

410. VOTED, That we invite Dr J Earl Gardner, of Loma Linda Medical College, to qualify in Edinburgh for British practice, provided he is willing to accept appointment to Singapore or other British mission field, and provided thorough medical counsel shows health conditions right, this appointment being subject to the Mission Board regulations covering the return of the qualifying expenses on the part of the mission field in five annual payments, or similarly by the candidate in case he does not connect with mission work.

COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL:

Communication was received from the Committee of Reference and Counsel, which represents the united mission boards of North America, stating the need of making up the budget for the administration of the Committee, and suggesting the percentage basis on which they were recommending all the boards to give.

411. VOTED, That this matter be referred to the treasurer and secretary, with power to act, after giving it study.

DR H C NELSON--INDIANA:

412. VOTED, That, understanding that Dr H C Nelson will soon have opportunity to ascertain if registration in Indiana is possible, we advise that before responding to the call from the Melrose Sanitarium, he apply to the Indiana State Board for registration, and in order that he may have the privilege of continuing his efforts to secure registration, we invite the Wabash Valley Sanitarium to continue his salary for this purpose for a short time, or to arrange with the Doctor to continue his efforts, the General Conference assuming the support in the interim if the Sanitarium does not see its way clear to do so.

VIOLET MORGAN--CANADIAN PUB. HOUSE:

The manager of the Review and Herald presented a request that Miss Violet Morgan, a Canadian worker under appointment to the Bethel Academy as teacher, be secured if possible as proof reader for the Canadian publishing house.

413. VOTED, That we approve of the request, provided arrangements can be made for Miss Morgan's release from Bethel Academy, asking the Wisconsin Conference and the Lake Union to give consideration to Canada's need, and asking the Educational Department to give all help possible in securing a teacher for Bethel.



MEADE MacGUIRE:

Letter was received from Elder Meade MacGuire, indicating that Mrs Mac Guire contemplated accompanying him to the Far East. Under the ruling of the Mission Board as to the matter, it was--

414. VOTED, That in case Elder MacGuire plans to stop for a year or more in service in the Far East, the Committee will meet the transportation of Mrs. MacGuire to Shanghai and return.

BOOK PRICES:

The Committee gave attention to the problem of fixing prices on books and periodicals to meet the exceptional conditions due to the paper famine. The Publishing Department reported news from the Pacific Press and the Southern House. E.R. Palmer, who was present, spoke for the Review and Herald. He stated that it seemed unfortunate that request should be made for offices to fix prices without an established basis on which to work, but that in the state of the paper market, prices were changing constantly. The Pacific Press has been compelled to send out notices of change in prices from time to time, and the Review and Herald sees no other way for any of the houses to operate without heavy loss. The paper, Present Truth, for instance, which is now advertised at \$6.00 per thousand, will now require a rate of \$11.00 per thousand to barely cover the cost on new stock paper.

415. VOTED, That we instruct the Publishing Department to give notice to the publishing houses, advising that they concentrate on things of more importance, in order to care for the more essential publications in case of yet further paper shortage, and that for the present emergency we leave each house free to act in fixing prices according to best judgment, but urging the publishing houses to keep as closely together as conditions will permit. It is also suggested that in the case of certain periodicals it might be advisable to reduce the number of pages rather than to advance the price.

W H SMITH--INDIA:

416. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make sufficient appropriation to the South Asia Division to meet the salary of W H Smith, temporarily, he being called to return from England to engage in work in the food factory in Calcutta.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 9, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, C F McVagh, W W Eastman,  
E R Palmer, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen, H H Cobban, R T Dowsett,  
E L Richmond.

Prayer by C F McVagh.

## C F McVAGH--CANADIAN EDITOR:

E R Palmer presented to the Committee the matter of an editor and general promoter for the new publishing work being established in Canada. It is hoped to open the new publishing house and start the publication of papers the first of the year. The necessity of an experienced man at the head of the editorial work and to act as chairman of the new publishing board, and to promote general publishing interests in the Dominion had been long recognized. Not until recently had experiences shown so clearly the great advantage to the work if this editorial man were of Canadian birth. It had been felt by the Review and Herald Board and by all with whom counsel had been had that both by experience in the work and by birth Elder McVagh fitted the situation in Canada. After discussion it was--

417. VOTED, That we express to the Northern Union our appreciation of the fact that we are asking very much of them in asking the release of their president;

We appreciate the feeling of Elder C F McVagh that it is an awkward thing for him to consider leaving the Northern Union, where he has just begun work, and where he has enjoyed association and courtesies from his conference brethren in getting started in his work;

However, we feel that the interests of the work which must be developed in the great Canadian field with the help which a strong work there may be in developing workers for the vast mission fields abroad under the British Empire, presses us to request the Northern Union to release Elder McVagh, and bids us invite him to connect with the Canadian Publishing House as editor and general representative of these new interests which the times require that we should aid in establishing just now.



J G WHITE:

J G White, returned from China, reported himself recuperating in California, and feeling well able to take up work by September.

418. VOTED, That J G White be granted furlough rate, with transportation for himself and family to his destination, the Washington Sanitarium having invited him to connect with that institution as chaplain.

MIGNON BERGSTROM--ARGENTINE:

Telegram was received from J W Christian, reporting Miss Mignon Bergstrom, of Central California, willing to accept the call to South America as head nurse for the Argentine Sanitarium, provided she were allowed two or three months special work at Glendale and White Memorial Hospital.

419. VOTED, That we accept Miss Bergstrom and arrange with her to take the special work before going forward to the field.

C R CALLICOTT--MEXICO:

A telegram from C R Callicott was received, accepting the transfer of his appointment from the South Caribbean Conference to Mexico as secretary-treasurer.

L D WARREN--CHINA:

420. VOTED, That we invite L D Warren to China for educational or evangelistic work, asking the New Jersey Conference and the Columbia Union to release him for this purpose.

M M HARE RELEASED:

A letter was received from M M Hare, declining the call to the South African Union presidency on account of the health of one of the children.

421. VOTED, That we rescind the call to M M Hare to go to South Africa.

HUGH M GIBSON--CHINA:

422. VOTED, That We invite Hugh M Gibson, of Carolina, to go to China as field missionary secretary, asking the Carolina Conference and the Southeastern Union to release him for this purpose.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 11, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Eastman, W H Green,  
O M John, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer, also  
T E Bowen.

Prayer by W H Green.

## MINUTES APPROVED:

423. VOTED, That the minutes of the informal meeting of July 4 be approved and made regular.

## I D RICHARDSON--CUMBERLAND:

424. VOTED, That we pass on the request of the Southeastern Union to Elder I D Richardson, inviting him to labor in the Cumberland Conference, asking the Quebec Conference and the East Canadian Union to release him for this purpose.

## C S LONGACRE--CALIFORNIA CAMP-MEETINGS:

425. VOTED, That we request Elder C S Longacre to attend the Pacific Union camp-meetings, beginning August 5.

## SHANGHAI SANITARIUM INCORPORATION:

426. VOTED, That in answer to the requests of the Far Eastern Committee and the Medical staff of the Shanghai Sanitarium for further counsel regarding the form of incorporation of the Sanitarium enterprise in Shanghai, recommended to the Far Eastern Committee in our actions of January 12 and March 28, 1920, we reply as follows:

We have received from the secretary of the Far Eastern Committee the report and minutes of the Shanghai spring meeting giving discussions and actions on the matter of the incorporation. We have received also communications from the medical staff, with two forms of incorporation suggested, with the statement: "After thinking it over more, we feel that the first proposition we submitted to the Division Committee, namely, (No. 2), is about the only thing that would really meet the situation here." No. 2, we note, is the form appearing in the minutes of the Shanghai council, pp. 458a-458c.

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It seems that there are few portions of these articles and by-laws which the Division Committee would amend, and in the main also we have little to suggest by way of change.

Before noting suggestions of specific changes in a few places in the by-laws, we speak as follows of our view of some of the conditions and principles involved.

1. We rejoice to hear from the Sanitarium of conversions from among the non-Christian patients. It shows that the blessing of the Lord has been with the workers and that sanitarium work in China, as well as the dispensary work, may be made a soul-winning agency as well as a means of helping the suffering and educating the people in health and temperance principles.

2. We are glad these results of the soul-winning aim of the sanitarium workers are becoming well known among those who, it is thought, might help financially by gifts for sanitarium work; for we would not wish to receive gifts from any who would not freely give if they understood that ours is a Christian/missionary work.

3. We have been glad to hear of the probability that wealthy non-Christians, interested in such work as this denomination's sanitarium methods have developed might contribute means to help in the establishment of similar work in China. We have, however, realized, as every worker in a non-Christian land must realize, that it is a very delicate matter to accept such help. It is essential that the donor shall know for what he is giving and that his interest is purely for the good he feels will be done by assisting a missionary movement in doing such work. We could not as a denomination accept gifts otherwise; nor could we afford in incorporating to modify or weaken in any way the essentially missionary aim of our work as Seventh-day Adventists bearing a special message to this generation. We desire no means which God himself does not impress men to give for the work he has raised up this movement of the prophecy to do. We believe every worker in China agrees to this. At the same time it is right that men who give shall be assured that their gifts shall be devoted to the purpose for which given. On this account we feel that we should accept gifts for no work which we do not plan to carry forward in one form or another until our work is done, whether the Lord inclines non-Christians to give or not.

4. This being the case, we can see no reason for departing from our usual plan of organization which we are glad to see is followed in the main in the articles and by-laws submitted by the sanitarium brethren. This plan, which has been developed by experience, is working satisfactorily to workers



and believers and with the manifest blessing of God in every land. It is the application to institutional work of the same Bible plan of organization which enables churches, conferences, unions, divisions to act unitedly, every member and every department a part of the one body, working harmoniously together.

5. We note that the articles and by-laws marked No. 2 by the medical brethren have been copied in general from the usual forms under which our institutions are operating. The points in which we would advise alteration are in the by-laws only:

(a) Article IV. Membership.

Inasmuch as this is a division institution, the main sanitarium center for the Far East, it seems to us that the members of the Far Eastern Committee which creates the corporation should be members of the constituency. It is the Far Eastern Committee which must be responsible for all the institutions and fields of the Far East. Therefore we approve of the form of Article IV as adopted by the Far Eastern Committee (Minutes, p. 460). We have no objection to adding "any Seventh-day Adventist members of the local church not exceeding three, who may be appointed from year to year by the constituent body." We would advise against specifying that there must be three, as with the very small local constituency of believers no one can say what number if any might be available for service in years to come. We see but one possible objection to this. This objection is suggested by the letter from the medical staff in which we are told that they "have found a great tendency among Chinese donors to want to retain a certain amount of control by appointing certain friends as trustees." The provision to appoint certain men from among our S D A brethren in Shanghai might strengthen this idea of the Chinese business men that they also should be represented; whereas a strictly ex-officio membership on our regular lines would emphasize the fact that our work is a regularly organized missionary undertaking and not a mere business enterprise or company corporation. We leave it to the consensus of opinion in the field.

(b) Article V, Section 1. Board of Trustees.

We approve of the terms of office of trustees as fixed from one to three years; but really feel that annual reelections are the easiest and simplest. The idea of varied terms is suggested where the range of choice is large and the constituency settled. But with the small number available in



a mission station it is evident that the few who are naturally most available will be asked to carry the responsibilities.

We approve of deleting the provision that "at all times the sanitarium staff shall be represented by three members", not because we object to that number, believing there should be proper representation on the board, but because with the ups and downs of mission life it might at some future time be inconvenient to the constituency or not the best provision in the judgment of the appointing constituency which must be responsible for what the board of trustees does. If the constituency will not take it as a criticism and as suggesting that they are not already doing it, we would urge that they press responsibility upon the institutional staff, recognizing the desirability of encouraging initiative and local responsibility; and if the medical staff will not take it as a criticism we would urge the medical brethren to require that their brethren of the constituency rally close about the institution sharing responsibility to the utmost. "In a multitude of counselors there is safety." No institution in the work of God stands by itself. Any principle that would lead the management of a departmental institution to ask provisions by which it could do things independently of its constituency, would very logically lead workers in any department in the institution to require safeguards against the management--nursing department independent, bindery independent, student body of school independent. It would be the exact reverse of the Bible principle of cooperation and counsel and inter-dependence which means Christian freedom in the work of God, each unit a part of the whole. We must press together as brethren in the one work and train workers for the cause.

#### (c) Article X. Dissolution.

We approve the change made in Article X (by the Far Eastern Committee), providing that on dissolution of the corporation the assets are to be held in trust by the denomination for medical missionary work in China. The basis of distribution of assets to original donors would be impossible for a missionary society, opening every facility for litigation at any stage by non-Christian donors who might change their minds, or who might bring injunction proceedings contending that the missionary activity was lessening the value of their holdings; and heirs could intervene with claims. It would be impossible for the church to go into what would be really partnership business with worldly people. In fact, in actual experience it is found that the only successful way of conducting denominational missionary institutions supported by believers is to hold to the plan of receiving only outright gifts from those who are willing to help a gospel work forward for just what it is.



We enlarge upon this for we are beginning in the Far East and we are as anxious as our brethren are that we begin on the foundation that insures permanency and efficiency and success. We take it for granted that the denominational plan of operating is known to all, and that we are not asked to reverse that or to enter upon any new or untried course in the cause of the Shanghai Sanitarium which has our earnest interest and into which our people have through us put thousands of dollars already and stand pledged to put in thousands more if need be.

6. The letter to us from the medical staff states that they feel "that to approach business men to secure large sums of money for an institution is business, and that we who must see it through must see where we are at." We sympathize with our brethren who must deal with Chinese business men and non-Christians, and who find them keen to want power of control in any business that they help to build up. If it were merely business we should feel that they were right and that they should have a control. But that is why as a missionary society we must keep clear of uniting with unbelieving men in a business way in the work of God, giving them an opening to try to control God's work which they have helped to build up. Our institutions at home and abroad have received gifts to the extent of many thousands of dollars from those not of our faith who saw what this denomination is doing and whose hearts were touched by God to help. The silver and the gold are His, and he uses all kinds of people as his stewards. This year's Harvest Ingathering goal is set for a half million dollars; and it is expected that people not of our faith, many thousands of them unbelievers in God, will pour this half million into the cause within a few weeks' effort.

Our brethren in China have told us of gifts they believe may be gathered from wealthy non-Christians for school work. We have rejoiced at the evident providence that brought gifts to the medical work in its first small beginnings in Shanghai and led it on in such a rapid way to a place where it has drawn the attention of so many and been able, by the blessing of God to win souls and begin so strongly the training of workers. We recognize and rejoice in the skill and gifts of our medical brethren and know that they have toiled for these results. But we are sure that they will say that it is God who has used them to do it all and that He only, who so wonderfully began the work, can see it through. God can touch the hearts of men to help us when we have reached the extremity of our own resources and should have still more to devote to his work,

The help reported by our Sanitarium brethren a year or two ago that came so providentially, came through men whose hearts God had evidently inclined to help us, because of what they saw us trying to do in simplicity and comparative poverty of facilities. The help was started toward us by a non-Christian Chinese who had observed this work as done by



our denominational institutions in America. We thanked God for it and we have believed with you that God would incline others to do the same. But if we shape our work to make it a business arrangement with men of wealth, we fear lest we ourselves should frustrate the good designs of Providence. If we hold on our way, God blessing the workers as in the past and making it manifest that this advent movement of the prophecy is different from any other movement and that God is in it, we believe that our brethren will be able to gather gifts from men whose hearts God has touched both to help in sanitarium work and educational work. If that is not his will then it must be He will show that he is able to accomplish greater results by confining us to slenderer resources.

7. Speaking thus in concise propositions for Committee action seems formal. But we speak to the hearts of the workers from our own hearts. We rise to the call to go forward in the medical missionary work in China, but we must go in the right path. The plan recommended in our action of January 12 and March 28 is the way that looked clear to us in view of the prospects reported: the General Conference to continue for the present as in the past, the support of the foreign workers, solicitation to be made for help in securing a building of our own, unless something satisfactory in the way of quarters should be proposed by the Chinese Red Cross. The letter from our medical brethren proposes two other ways:

(1) "The denomination finance the complete enterprise."

This, of course, is always open to us and the course we must take by slow growth if it is decided that funds can not be secured to aid.

(2) "To take up negotiations with the Chinese business men, whereby they would build and own the institution, leasing to us."

This would involve a similar plan to that of releasing and occupying the Red Cross buildings. We would leave the matter to the judgment of our Far Eastern Committee and brethren associated.

8. In the whole matter, we desire to draw close to our Shanghai medical staff whose labors we appreciate and whose desires are to advance the work of God even in the propositions that we have advised to be modified or changed. We are obliged to look at the matter from the point of view of the work that will go on to the finish when those at present in China may be elsewhere and we who sit now in General Committee may be at other tasks. A Paul may plant and an Apollos may water; but God gives the increase. No man in God's work, whether in evangelistic, medical, educational or publishing departments



may think of the work built up as his own.

We believe the workers in China, medical, educational, evangelistic, publishing and all the rest will work out the problems of this cause in China on the same principles that are in successful operation in all lands.

#### INGATHERING CAMPAIGN:

The treasurer reported request of one conference that an exception might be made of a particular effort at a seaside resort in the matter of allowing a church which was organizing a strong movement to meet the expenses of the special effort from receipts collected by the effort.

427. VOTED, That we instruct the treasurer to give information to New Jersey that we find it impossible to make exceptions to the rule, which is advertised to all donors to the Harvest Ingathering fund; that while we wish to encourage the brethren in such splendid activities as reported we advise carefulness in planning what the world calls a "drive" for funds on a particular place lest we lead municipal authorities to prohibit solicitation altogether.

#### E A HAMILTON--PACIFIC UNION:

428. VOTED, That we pass on the request of the Pacific Union for E A Hamilton, of Western Oregon, to connect with the California Conference as field missionary secretary.

#### K H WOOD:

429. VOTED, That we authorize Brother and sister K H Wood to visit their home people in Nebraska and Michigan while on furlough from China.

#### HAWAII--ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION:

430. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make additional appropriation to the Hawaiian Mission, sufficient to meet the transportation and outfitting expenses of new workers added to the mission staff this year.

#### H L SHULL--INDIA--FAR EAST:

431. VOTED, That we arrange sailing date for H L Shull and wife for the Orient in October, they being under appointment to India, and that we send them to India provided the permit is received, otherwise that we appoint them to the Far East, asking the Washington Sanitarium to release Miss Verna Stowe August 1 for the purpose of preparation for her marriage to Brother Shull and the journey to the mission fields.



432. VOTED, That the allowance of pay to H L Shull begin when he is ready to go forward to Los Angeles for dispensary experience.

GEO J APPEL--INDIA--FAR EAST:

433. VOTED, That we arrange an early sailing date for Geo J Appel and wife, of Western Oregon, under appointment to India, and that failing receipt of the permit to India we transfer the appointment to the Far East, arrangements being made to allow these workers to spend a month or less in the Los Angeles Dispensary before sailing.

SCHLEIFER PROPERTY--JAMAICA:

A letter was received from G A Roberts, of Jamaica, reporting a visit to the old homestead property at Seaford, which the Schleifer family had proposed to give to the cause, subject to the right of the aged mother to return to the homestead in case she should decide to return to Jamaica after her visit to her children in the United States.

434. VOTED, That in case the family are united, we accept in behalf of the work in Jamaica the gift of the Schleifer homestead at Seaford, province of Westmoreland, with the understanding that the mother shall have life control of the same; and that we instruct the Jamaica Conference to consummate the transfer of the gift to the General Conference Corporation.

L E WELLMAN--TENNESSEE-MEXICO:

435. VOTED, That we recommend Elder L E Wellman, of Carolina, to the Madison school, Tennessee, as Bible teacher provided that call is open, and that otherwise we invite Elder Wellman to make Mexico his field of labor, to engage in school or evangelistic work.

H C WILSON--SOUTH AMERICA:

Consideration was given to Information Blanks submitted by H C Wilson and wife, of Idaho.

436. VOTED, That provided conditions seem satisfactory as correspondence is had with the Idaho Conference, we invite H C Wilson to South America, for school or evangelistic work.



## ROY BOWEN--SPANISH FIELDS:

437. VOTED, That with the recommendation of the Nashville brethren, we invite Roy Bowen, of Nashville, Tenn., to prepare for stenographic and office work, probably in Spanish fields, asking the Tennessee River Conference and the Southern Union to release him for this purpose, hoping that Brother Bowen may be available toward the end of the year, and that in the meantime he will work up speed and efficiency in his stenography.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 18, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, Wm Guthrie, Chas Thompson, G B Thompson, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman, N P Neilsen, P E Broderson, O M John, W E Howell, W A Spicer, C S Longacre, also T E Bowen, H H Cobban.

Prayer by Wm Guthrie.

P E Broderson referred to the calls from Europe for release of workers for the Scandinavian Union; also to actions in Europe looking toward the transfer of several workers from Scandinavia to North America, as follows:

L Munderspach, of Denmark.  
E Christiansen, of the Faroe Islands.  
P Sigurdsson, of Iceland.

Also three students from Denmark, four from Norway, three from Sweden wishing to come to the Hutchinson Seminary.



The treasurer explained that care had now to be given to extra calls upon the appropriations inasmuch as the Special Appropriations Account is wholly exhausted, and the Final Reserve Account has been eaten into to the extent of over \$100,000, requiring careful conservatism in every additional expenditure.

Attention was called, however, by the Sabbath School Department to the probability of an overflow from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the Home Missions Bureau work in the second quarter of 1921.

438. VOTED, That with the understanding that the transportation will be met by the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the Home Missions Bureau work in 1921, we cable assent to the action of the Committee in Europe regarding these cases named, stating that the students will be expected to make their own way through school without appropriations; and further, that the assignment of the workers from Scandinavia be left to the Home Missions Bureau in counsel with the Committee.

P G NELSON:

N P Neilsen presented the action of the European Committee recommending P G Nelson, of Scandinavia, to the Hutchinson school, the brethren there having understood that their call for Brother Thorp would call a man from the school for the editorial work at Brookfield. However, this was not the case.

439. VOTED, That we send word to Europe that we are unable to place Brother P G Nelson in the work in this country.

C A THORP--NORWAY:

P E Broderson made a statement of the situation regarding the call from Scandinavia for Elder C A Thorp, editor of the Danish-Norwegian paper at Brookfield, to spend two years in Norway in editorial work.

Letter was presented from S N Curtiss, of the Brookfield office, stating that they were willing to release Brother Thorp, but that his release would have to be on the basis of permanency inasmuch as the office would be required to fill his place.

440. VOTED, That we ask P E Broderson to set the matter fully before Brother C A Thorp, and that if he is willing we proceed with the call for him to go to Europe for two years, in harmony with the request of the Committee in Europe.



G E NORD--SWEDEN:

The brethren of the Bureau presented the matter of the renewed call for Elder G E Nord, of the Swedish Department, to take the Swedish Conference, Sweden having been thrown into one large conference with the idea that Brother Nord could be secured to take the work.

The situation at Broadview in connection with the enlargements there, and the financial responsibilities, were presented, Elder Nord having been assigned the work of raising a large sum of money for the additions and improvements. It was the settled conviction of the brethren, and action was taken by the Broadview school board to the effect that it would be impossible to release Brother Nord unless the General Conference could make appropriation of \$22,000 to Broadview.

441. VOTED, That inasmuch as it is impossible for the General Conference treasury to make further appropriations to Broadview this year, we cable Europe, "Nord impossible this year."

H O OLSON--SWEDEN:

Time was given to discussing possible other help for Sweden, and the proposition of securing Prof H O Olson, of Broadview, was favorably thought of.

442. VOTED, That we add to the cable to Norway the words: "School would release Olson. Recommend. Reply."

Recess was taken to 1:30 P M

On resuming, P E Broderson led in prayer.

H W SHERRIG--HOME MISSIONS BUREAU:

443. VOTED, On request of P E Broderson, that we invite H W Sherrig, of the Brookfield house, to work for the Bureau in Home Missions secretarial work west of the Mississippi in the same lines that Brother V O Panches is carrying forward in the East, asking the Pacific Press to release him for this purpose.

L F PASSEBOIS:

444. VOTED, That Elder L F Passebois make a visit through the East in the interests of students and the work of the French Department of the Oshawa Junior College.

E K SLADE--FRENCH COMMITTEE:

445. VOTED, That E K Slade be substituted for R D Quinn in the French Advisory Committee.



## HENRY BROWN--PHOENIX SCHOOL:

446. VOTED, That we recommend Henry Brown, of the Home Missions Bureau, now laboring in Texas, to the Spanish Department of the Bureau as head of the Spanish Department of the Phoenix Academy.

## AUTUMN COUNCIL:

447. VOTED, That the autumn council begin at 7:30 the evening of October 20, continuing to October 31.

448. VOTED, That the council be held in Indianapolis, provided suitable accommodations can be found for it, otherwise that Minneapolis be the place of meeting.

449. VOTED, That we ask the union conferences to invite conference presidents to attend the council, and such treasurers of unions as may be desired.

## AUDITORS' CONVENTION:

450. VOTED, That the auditors' convention provided for at the spring council be held one week previous to the autumn council, and that it be limited to union auditors and treasurers, and such treasurers and accountants of large institutions as it may seem best to invite.

## NORTHERN UNION PRESIDENCY:

The chairman gave information that the committee of the Northern Union had not as yet taken action filling the vacancy made by the call of Elder C F McVagh for editorial work in Canada. He stated that the committee would be glad of suggestions while they are considering the matter.

451. VOTED, That we suggest to the Northern Union the name of J A Stevens, Home Missionary Secretary of the Pacific Union, as president of the Northern Union, in place of C F McVagh, who has accepted the call to connect with the Canadian publishing house.

## H E ARMSTRONG--CANADA:

On receipt of information from Europe that the Committee there had recommended Elder H E Armstrong's transfer from England to Canada,--

452. VOTED, That we pass to the Western Canadian Union the recommendation of the European Committee that H E Armstrong, of England, be invited to connect with the work in Canada.



J VUILLEUMIER--J CURDY:

The Committee in Europe having taken action requesting the release of J Vuilleumier, of Eastern Canada, to act as editor in the French work in Europe, and having recommended to Eastern Canada Elder J Curdy, of Switzerland, to take his work at the school,--

453. VOTED, That we pass to the East Canadian Union the action of the European Committee, urgently requesting that Elder J Vuilleumier be released for editorial work in France, and recommending to the East Canadian Union Elder J Curdy, of Switzerland, as head of the French department at Oshawa.

HERMINIE ROTH--HAITI:

Information was given from Europe that they had heard from A G Roth, of Haiti, that Haiti urgently needed the services of Miss Herminie Roth in the school which Haiti is to open in 1921 .

454. VOTED, That in case Miss Herminie Roth is able to return to Haiti from this country, we concur in the request that she connect with the school work in Haiti, but that we do not favor sending her to Europe and then returning her to Haiti.

R CALDERONE--ITALY:

Explanation was given that the Home Missions Bureau had understood that arrangements were made for Brother Calderone to go to Italy, the Chicago Conference paying him two months' salary, the General Conference being expected to pay transportation.

455. VOTED, That in view of the understanding of the brethren regarding the visit of Elder R Calderone to Italy after twelve years in this country, his transportation be allowed as a charge against the Home Missions Bureau appropriation.

W A ALWAY--INTER-MOUNTAIN ACADEMY:

456. VOTED, On request of the Central Union Conference, that Elder W A Alway, of North Dakota, be invited to connect with the Inter-Mountain Academy, North Dakota and the Northern Union being asked to release him for this purpose.

EUGENIA DOUGLAS ESTATE:

The treasurer presented a statement from Dr P T Magan regarding expenses in connection with looking after the affairs of Mrs Eugenia Douglas, who had given money to the General Conference on the annuity plan.



457. VOTED, That in view of the representation made, the treasurer be authorized to pay to Dr P T Magan the sum of \$75.00, expenses incurred in connection with the affairs of the lake Eugenia Douglas.

CHOSEN--\$5000 REFUSED:

The treasurer presented a cable from Shanghai, stating that in order to complete buildings for which appropriations had been made, \$5000 additional would be required, owing to additional costs of construction.

458. VOTED, That in view of the condition of the treasury we cable the word "Impossible."

RURAL SCHOOLS OFFERING:

The treasurer reported that the offering for rural schools has been very small, and that on the old Rural Schools account there was an overdraft of \$1320.

459. VOTED, That the overdraft be written off in view of the meager returns from this year's Rural Schools offering, and that the amount received this year, standing at present at \$2,418.97, be divided equally between the Southern and the Southeastern Union Conferences for rural school work.

WILCOX ESTATE:

On presentation by the treasurer, it was--

460. VOTED, That the General Conference assign all interests in the estate of the late W D Wilcox, of New York, in favor of W A Wilcox, of New York.

INA FISCHER-MORENO:

461. VOTED, That we allow the transportation expenses of Mrs Ina Fischer-Moreno from Cuba to the United States, to attend school wherever she and her husband decide to go.

TYPEWRITER--LATIN UNION:

462. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure a typewriter for the Latin Union Conference, making additional appropriation for it.

AUDITORS' CONVENTION:

463. VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to give consideration as to what, if any, treasurers of large institutions should be invited to the auditors' convention.

Named: W T Knox, Chas Thompson, E E Andross.



## LOIS CARMICHAEL--UNION COLLEGE:

464. VOTED, That we pass to the Broadview Seminary and the Lake Union Conference the request of the Union College Board that Miss Lois Carmichael, of the Broadview Seminary, be released to connect with Union College.

## SLOVAK CHURCH:

465. VOTED, That we authorize the Home Missions Bureau to make an appropriation of \$1000 for the Perth Amboy Czecho-Slovakia church, New Jersey, the amount to be provided by savings in the current work of the Bureau.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 19, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, F H Robbins, E R Palmer,  
J L Shaw, W W Eastman, Chas Thompson, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John,  
W A Spicer.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

## CAMP-MEETING ARRANGEMENTS:

Additional assignments for the later camp-meetings were made as follows:

W F Martin to the Southern Union.  
Chas Thompson to the Lake Union.  
J H McEachern to Ohio and the Central Union.  
F C Gilbert to the District of Columbia meeting and the last of the East Pennsylvania meeting.  
J S James to the Atlantic Union, after correspondence with E K Slade.



## L D WARREN RELEASED:

A letter was received from L D Warren, of New Jersey, stating that he would not feel free this year to accept the call to China, for educational work, not being averse to such a call another year.

466. VOTED, That we release L D Warren, of New Jersey from appointment to China for 1920, asking him and the union and local conferences to keep in mind the needs for 1921.

## R M MILNE--HONGKONG:

On account of the possibility that the Far Eastern Committee might wish R M Milne to take work in South China, releasing D E Rebock for the Shanghai school, it was--

467. VOTED, That R M Milne be booked to Hongkong, with stopover privilege in Shanghai.

## C S PROUT RELEASED:

Letter was received from Elder J W Christian, reporting counsel with Elder C S Prout, whose permit for South Africa was denied, but who was invited to the Far East or Mexico. In view of the circumstances, it was--

468. VOTED, That we release Elder C S Prout from mission appointment.

Recess was taken.

Resuming, Chas Thompson offered prayer.

R D Quinn was present in addition.

## MISS MOUNT--CHINA:

469. VOTED. That we ask the Chesapeake Conference to allow Miss Mount, Educational Secretary of the Conference, to come to Washington, to confer regarding the call for a teacher and a preceptress in China.

## LUCY ANDRUS--CHINA:

470. VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union and the Southern California Conference to release Miss Lucy Andrus, and that we invite her to go to China, to act as teacher of the school for children of missionaries.

## B E WAGNER:

Satisfactory medical report was received from B E and Mrs Wagner, under appointment to the Inca Union.



## ANNIE PAGET:

Satisfactory medical report was received from Miss Annie Paget, of St. Helena, under appointment to women's work in India.

## H L SHULL &amp; GEO J APPEL:

On receiving report from the British Passport Control office, showing that the applications in the cases of Geo J Appel, of Western Oregon, and H L Shull, of the Washington Missionary College, had not yet gone forward, it was--

471. VOTED, That we transfer Brethren H L Shull and Geo J Appel to the Far East definitely, arranging for their departure in the autumn.

## ADA J MADISON--CALIFORNIA:

472. VOTED, On request of the Pacific Union, that we invite Miss Ada J Madison, of Missouri, to go to the California Conference, to engage in Bible work, asking the Missouri Conference and the Central Union to release her for this purpose.

## RUTH SEALE--ATLANTIC UNION:

On request from the Atlantic Union, it was--

473. VOTED, That we pass on to Miss Ruth Seale of the Southeastern Union, the request of the Atlantic Union that she connect with the effort of Elder C B Haynes, in New York City, as a Bible worker, asking the southern <sup>eastern</sup> Union to arrange her release if favorable to act upon, but passing this invitation on with the statement that the Committee does not feel free to call workers from the South to the North unless special reasons so indicate.

## F E WILSON--PORTO RICO:

474. VOTED, That we invite F E Wilson, formerly of Cuba, to make Porto Rico his field of labor, for evangelistic work.

## C V ACHENBACH--PORTO RICO:

On receipt of information from Elder H D Casebeer superintendent of the Porto Rico Mission, that on their return from furlough Sister Casebeer was showing symptoms of her old difficulty, indicating that she would not be able to maintain health in the tropics, it was--

475. VOTED, That we take up correspondence with Elder C V Achenbach, on furlough from South America, to ascertain if Sister Achenbach's health is such that he could consider going



to Porto Rico, and that we place him under appointment as superintendent in case Elder Casebeer must relinquish the work.

C H GERALD--CUBA:

476. VOTED, That we invite C H Gerald, of the Southern New England Conference, to go to Cuba at once, as secretary-treasurer, asking the Southern New England Conference and the Atlantic Union to release him for that purpose.

GRACE WILCOX:

477. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to invite Miss Grace Wilcox, of Keene, Texas, to connect with the General Conference office for stenographic work.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 20, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, R D Quinn, Chas Thompson,  
Mrs L F Plummer, W W Eastman, J L Shaw, W A Spicer, E R Palmer,  
also T E Bowen.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

B L ANDERSON:

478. VOTED, That we grant additional appropriation to South China of \$75.00, to cover expenses of B L Anderson during furlough.

#### SPANISH WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS:

479. VOTED, That we ask the Buenos Aires house to produce the week of prayer readings for the Spanish fields.

#### HAITI REPAIRS:

480. VOTED, That we authorize the repair, so far as may be necessary, of the dwelling house occupied as mission headquarters in Haiti, such appropriation as necessary being made to cover the same.



## SPANISH DEPARTMENT--PHOENIX SCHOOL:

In reply to a wire from J E Bond, it was--

481. VOTED, That we recommend Frank Bond as teacher for the Spanish department of the Phoenix School, in case it does not seem wise to call Henry Brown to the Spanish school work

## W E PATTERSON--ORDINATION:

482. VOTED, That provided the Iowa Conference feels clear in the matter, we ask them to arrange for the ordination of Brother W E Patterson before his departure for Japan.

## WM STEELE--PORTO RICO:

In connection with the reports from Porto Rico that Sister Casebeer's health might require Elder Casebeer to leave the field, and on receipt of a letter from Elder Wm Steele suggesting that with the number of workers leaving this autumn, he would be willing to remain longer if desired,--

483. VOTED, That we express our gratitude to Elder Wm Steele for his suggestion that he remain for some time longer in Porto Rico, notwithstanding plans for transfer of field, and that we ask him to remain further in Porto Rico, in order to help out in this time of shortage of workers.

## V E TOPPENBERG:

Satisfactory medical reports were submitted for V E Toppenberg and Mrs Toppenberg, under appointment to Abyssinia by the Scandinavian Union.

## W L DAVY--AFRICA:

On receipt of a letter from Prof W W Prescott, from Alberta, and of information blanks from Brother W L Davy, it was--

484. VOTED, That we invite W L Davy, of Saskatchewan, to South Africa, asking him to go forward at an early date, taking his dispensary experience in the London hospitals, asking the Saskatchewan Conference and the Western Canadian Union to release him.

## ROY BOWEN:

485. VOTED, That we ask the Southern Publishing Association to arrange if possible to give experience to Brother Roy Bowen in their book department, aiming to give him the experience that he will need as secretary-treasurer of a tract society office, the General Conference to make such allowance for his support as necessary.



## BEULAH SOPER--VIRGIN ISLANDS:

486. VOTED, That we assume the expenses of Miss Beulah Soper at the Washington summer school for tuition and board, and that if East Pennsylvania has any understanding with her, that we ask for her release in order to take church school work in the Virgin Islands.

## MRS LENNA SALISBURY:

487. VOTED, That Mrs Lenna Salisbury, on continued leave of absence from India, be granted missionary license from the General Conference.

## N V WILLESS RELEASED:

Consideration was given to correspondence from Elder N V Willess, of Wyoming, and in view of the health of his family, it was--

488. VOTED, That we release Elder N V Willess, of Wyoming, from appointment to Mexico.

## R B PEARSON--AFRICA:

489. VOTED, That provided information from the Pacific Union is satisfactory, we invite R B Pearson, of California, to prepare to go to Africa for mission service as soon as he can make the journey.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 21, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, W W Eastman,  
C S Longacre, R D Quinn, J L Shaw, O M John, W A Spicer.

## DR GARDNER--OUTFITTING:

490. VOTED, That \$300 outfitting allowance be granted to Dr J Earl Gardner, under appointment to Singapore.



J W WESTPHAL--FIELD SECRETARY SOUTH AMERICA:

491. VOTED, That J W Westphal be appointed as field secretary for the South American Divisional Section.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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# TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 25, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, Chas Thompson, W W Eastman, J L Shaw, W E Howell, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, also T E Bowen, H H Cobban

B M HEALD--NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND:

Request was presented from the Atlantic Union Conference that B M Heald be secured for the presidency of the Northern New England Conference. Statement was also made that the Eastern Canadian Union was agreeable to the release of Brother Heald.

492. VOTED, That we ask the Eastern Canadian Union Conference to release B M Heald, to take the presidency of the Northern New England Conference.

### CHAS THOMPSON--CAMP-MEETINGS:

493. VOTED, That Chas Thompson be requested to attend the Texas and Oklahoma camp-meetings.

### INGATHERING--LATIN UNION:

A letter was presented from S N Curtiss, of the Brookfield International Branch, setting forth the contents of a letter from A V Olson, asking in behalf of the Latin Union Conference that the Brookfield Branch furnish them with 20,000 copies of the Harvest Ingathering paper for the Latin Union.

494. VOTED, That we approve of the Brookfield Branch furnishing 20,000 copies of the Harvest Ingathering number for the Latin Union Conference.



E G JONES--INDIA:

A letter, with Information Blanks, and satisfactory medical statement, were presented from E G Jones and wife, of Quebec, called for by the brethren in India. Word having also been received that the Eastern Canadian Union and the Quebec Conference would release these workers, though with regret, it was--

495. VOTED, That E G Jones and wife be invited to make India their field of labor.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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# TWO HUNDRED SIXTIETH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 28, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, Chas Thompson, E K Slade, W E Howell, J L Shaw, W W Eastman, C V Leach, F H Robbins, R D Quinn, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, also J E Jayne and T E Bowen.

Prayer by J E Jayne.

### DR L D TROUT--SCHOOL HOMES COUNCIL:

496. VOTED, That we ask Dr L D Trout to attend the School Homes Council at Hutchinson, with the understanding that the General Conference will meet his transportation.

### S G CUNNINGHAM--FUNERAL EXPENSES:

497. VOTED, That \$150 for the funeral expenses of S G Cunningham be taken from his annuity gift to the General Conference.

### H E GIDDINGS--MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

498. VOTED, That ministerial credentials be granted to H E Giddings, under appointment to Hawaii.



H J PERKINS:

In view of a letter from the Far East speaking of the qualifications they desire in the treasurers for South China and Japan, it was--

499. VOTED, That the question of the appointment of H J Perkins to South China be referred for consideration and report to a committee consisting of J L Shaw, E E Andross, Chas Thompson.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FIRST MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 30, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, Chas Thompson, J L Shaw, W E Howell  
R D Quinn, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, C V Leach, also H H Cobban

Prayer by R D Quinn.

### ALBERTA SANITARIUM:

A telegram was received from the Western Canadian Union Conference, asking for a loan of \$30,000 for the purchase of the Alberta Sanitarium. The assistant treasurer made a statement regarding the present financial condition of the treasury, and the demands of the fields, after which it was

500. VOTED, That the following telegram be sent to the Western Canadian Union Conference: "Regret that condition of treasury makes it impossible to grant request for loan. Have already resorted to extreme measures in order to meet foreign appropriations. General Conference Council on in Europe and executive officers there. Members of committee here can not see way clear to further deplete treasury under these circumstances. Hope you can raise funds locally."



## G F WOLFKILL--SOUTH LANCASTER:

Request was presented from the Atlantic Union that Professor Wolfkill be secured to take the principalship of the Lancaster Junior College.

501. VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union Conference to secure the release of Prof G F Wolfkill, to take the principalship of the Lancaster Junior College.

## PROTEST AGAINST BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT:

A cablegram was received from Bolivia stating that the revolution in that country had destroyed the credit of the former president of the republic, closing his bank, and consequently our deposits in that bank are not guaranteed.

502. VOTED, That we protest against the recognition of the new government in Bolivia by the United States until our bank deposits are guaranteed.

## CARL CHRISTY--NORTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Telegram was presented from J W Christian and C Santee, requesting that Carl Christy, of Nebraska, be released to take the Missionary Volunteer Secretaryship of the Northern California Conference.

503. VOTED, That inasmuch as we do not know the attitude of the Central Union Conference and the Nebraska Conference toward the release of Carl Christy, this request be passed on to the Nebraska Conference without action.

## M W SHIDLER--LOUISIANA:

W W Eastman presented a request from the Southeastern Union for the release of M W Shidler, of Ohio, to take the field missionary secretaryship of the Louisiana Conference.

504. VOTED, That we ask the Columbia Union and the Ohio Conference to release M W Shidler, to take the field missionary secretaryship of the Louisiana Conference.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 1, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, E R Palmer, Chas Thompson, J L Shaw,  
O M John, also H H Cobban.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

## ALBERTA SANITARIUM:

The Committee met together to consider again what counsel to give to the Western Canadian Union relative to the purchase of a property for the Alberta Sanitarium. After careful consideration, it was--

505. VOTED, To send the following telegram:  
"A C Gilbert. Minority committee can not take the responsibility in absence of principal officers of exceeding majority committee counsel. We express our sympathy in this crisis and advise you to take such responsibility in securing funds for the purchase of property as your union can carry without involving the General Conference. Andross. Thompson."

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 2, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, J L Shaw, R D Quinn, W W Eastman,  
Mrs L F Plummer, also J S James, C L Russell, H H Cobban.

Prayer by R D Quinn.



## C E ANDROSS--BURMA:

Giving study to the needs of Burma and the earnest request that a superintendent for that field be appointed at as early a date as possible, the advisability of appointing C E Andross as superintendent of the Burma Mission was considered.

506. VOTED, That provided the medical examination in the case of Brother and Sister C E Andross proves satisfactory, and they are willing to respond to the call, and permits to enter Burma can be secured, we ask the Columbia Union Conference to release Brother Andross to take the superintendency of the Burma Mission.

## C H GERALD--CHINA:

A letter from C C Crisler spoke of the qualifications they desired in the secretary-treasurer for the South China Union Mission. It was the opinion of the Committee that Brother C H Gerald, of Southern New England, who had been invited to Cuba, would fit this call. It was therefore--

507. VOTED, That we release C H Gerald from the call to Cuba, and if he is willing, invite him to take the secretary-treasurership of the South China Union Mission, provided the Atlantic Union and the Southern New England Conference agree to his release.

## U WISSNER--CHINA:

Letter was presented from W W Prescott, recommending U Wissner, formerly secretary of the Saskatchewan Conference, as a secretary-treasurer for China.

508. VOTED, That we ask the Western Canadian Union and the Saskatchewan Conference to release U Wissner, to answer the call to China for secretary-treasurer work.

## ROY BOWEN--CUBA:

509. VOTED, That Roy Bowen, of Nashville, Tenn., be invited to go to Cuba for secretary-treasurer work, provided the brethren of the Southern Publishing Association can recommend him for that work.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 3, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, R D Quinn, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer,  
W W Eastman, O M John, also T E Bowen, J S James.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

## READING COURSE BOOK:

E E Andross suggested the advisability of placing the book "Many Infallible Proofs," by Pierson, in the Ministerial Reading Course for next year.

510. VOTED, That a committee of three, consisting of E E Andross, R D Quinn, and O M John, be appointed to read the book, and if thought satisfactory by them, it be adopted as one of the books of the Reading Course.

## A J HAYSMER--LOUISIANA:

A telegram from J L McElhany stated that Wood had resigned as president of Louisiana, and their committee urgently requested Haysmer, of Alberta, for president.

511. VOTED, That we ask the Western Canadian Union to release A J Haysmer, to take the presidency of the Louisiana Conference.

## R H TERRELL--RETURN:

Letters from Brethren Kellman and Terrell, of Cuba spoke of the condition of health of Brother Terrell's child, and the advisability of his returning to the States.

512. VOTED, That R H Terrell be advised to return to the States, and that he be granted furlough pay to the extent of three months, if necessary, while seeking employment.

## G W PETTIT--SALARY:

513. VOTED, That G W Pettit be granted full pay, at a rate of \$25.74, for the four months, May, June, July and August, that he has been engaged in camp-meeting work and work among the churches in the North Pacific Union.



## DR WEST--MEXICO:

514. VOTED, That we invite Dr F W West to go to Mexico to engage in medical evangelistic work, under the direction and support of the Mexican Mission.

## PROF V T ARMSTRONG--CHINA:

515. VOTED, That we ask the North Pacific Union and the Montana Conference to release Prof V T Armstrong, to take up educational work in China.

## STUART THOMPSON--ILLINOIS:

A letter from Wm Guthrie made request for Stuart Thompson, of the Southwestern Union, to act as Educational Secretary of the Illinois Conference.

516. VOTED, That this request be passed on to the Southwestern Union without recommendation, as we do not know the attitude of the Southwestern Union toward Brother Thompson's release.

## H F NEUMANN--RETURN EXPENSES:

A statement of the traveling expenses of H F Neumann and family from South America was presented. These expenses had been met by Brother Neumann from personal funds.

517. VOTED, That in harmony with the usual custom when workers return home on account of illness, the traveling expenses of H F Neumann and family from Brazil to the United States be allowed, as recommended by the treasury department.

## C E FORD--SOUTHEASTERN UNION:

E E Andross presented a request from the Southeastern Union for the services of C E Ford, now in California.

518. VOTED, That we invite C E Ford, of California, to take the pastorate of the Charlotte church.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.



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Aug. 11 -- Oct. 14, 1920

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## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 11, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14)

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## P R E S E N T:

R D Quinn, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, W W Eastman, Mrs  
L F Plummer, J H McEachern, H H Cobban.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

## E N SARGENT--WESTERN OREGON:

A request was presented from the North Pacific Union for the release of E N Sargent, of the Lake Union, to work in the Western Oregon Conference.

519. VOTED, That the request of the North Pacific Union and the Western Oregon Conference for the services of E N Sargent be passed on to the Lake Union for their consideration.

## C M CHRISTY--CALIFORNIA:

A letter from S E Wight stated that the Central Union and the Nebraska Conference were willing to release Elder Christy to go to California.

520. VOTED, That inasmuch as there is a clear understanding between the Central Union and the Pacific Union regarding field of labor for C M Christy, we recommend the transfer of C M Christy to California.

## V P HULSE:

V P Hulse, returned from Honduras, asked counsel as to future plans, and suggested his desire to attend Walla Walla College the coming year.

521. VOTED, That we express to V P Hulse our approval of his plan to attend Walla Walla College the coming year, provided he has funds in hand for his expenses.

## R P MORRIS--INDIANA:

Inasmuch as R P Morris will probably not get his permit to return to India before the end of the year,--



522. VOTED, That we ask the Indiana Conference to provide work for him, with the understanding that the General Conference will continue his furlough pay.

H E ARMSTRONG--WESTERN CANADA:

A letter was presented from A C Gilbert, expressing the willingness of the Western Canadian Union to take H E Armstrong, of England, but raising the question of his support.

523. VOTED, That we advise the Western Canadian Union to take H E Armstrong into their employ, giving him work in one of the conferences, and allow the question of his support to come up at the time of the Autumn Council.  
B F GREGORY--CHINA:

524. VOTED, That we invite B F Gregory and wife to go to China, to engage in school work.

J G WHITE:

A letter was presented from J G White, returned from China, expressing his desire to take up work at Loma Linda.

525. VOTED, That we urge J G White to continue his efforts to regain his health, allowing the question of his future work to wait until it can be considered by a full quorum of the Committee.

ARNOLD CHRISTIANSEN--CUBA:

526. VOTED, That Arnold Christiansen be invited to go to Cuba, as secretary-treasurer of the Cuban Mission.

CHAS CALLISON--WESTERN NEW YORK:

Request was presented from E K Slade, of the Atlantic Union, for the release of Chas Callison, of Indiana, to take the field missionary secretaryship of the Western New York Conference.

527. VOTED, That we ask the Lake Union and the Indiana Conference to release Chas Callison, to take the field missionary secretaryship of the Western New York Conference, provided they are agreeable.

JOS PHILLIPS--LOS ANGELES:

A letter from Jos Phillips, under appointment to India, made request that he and his wife be allowed to spend a month at one of our medical institutions before sailing.

528. VOTED, That we allow Jos Phillips and his wife to spend a month at the Los Angeles Dispensary while waiting for their boat, getting such training and experience as may be possible during that time.



## D C BABCOCK--BOOKS:

A letter from D.C.Babcock, of the Virgin Islands, urgently requested that his books and stereopticon which he had left in West Africa might be sent to him.

529. VOTED, That we pay the freight on the books and stereopticon of D.C.Babcock from West Africa to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

## J H BOEHM:

A letter from J H Boehm, on furlough from Brazil, raised the question of furlough pay while in this country.

530. VOTED, That J H Boehm be placed on a furlough rate of \$18 a week and bonus, from the time his salary ceased with the Brazil Union.

Adjourned.

R D QUINN, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING

## . GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 17, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14)

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## P R E S E N T:

J G B Thompson, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, C V Leach,  
Mrs L F Plummer, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C V Leach.

## LUCY ANDRUS--CHINA:

Medical blanks from Miss Lucy Andrus, invited to China, were presented, the examining physician, Dr. Abbott, stating that the condition of Miss Andrus's heart would not permit her to do pioneer work in China, but he thought she could teach school in Shanghai without injury to her health.

It was agreed to go forward with the appointment of Miss Andrus to China, to take charge of the school for missionaries' children in Shanghai.



## W G KNEELAND:

A letter from W G Kneeland, on furlough from the Bay Islands, asked counsel regarding future movements, expressing a desire to engage in the work in the States for a time, but stating that if no work could be found he would be willing to return at once to the Bay Islands, leaving his wife for a time longer in this country.

531. VOTED, That the furlough of W G Kneeland be extended till next spring, that he be granted the usual furlough allowance and that correspondence be taken up with the Lake Union, with a view to providing work for Brother Kneeland while he remains in this country.

## WEST CARIBBEAN--WORKERS' HOMES:

A letter from H C Kephart called for \$10,000 for workers' homes in the West Caribbean Conference. He stated that a property had been secured, a deposit made, and desired the money at once. Reference was made to the appropriation made for this purpose, and to the action of April 20, increasing the appropriation to a maximum of \$10,000.

532. VOTED, That in response to the request of the West Caribbean Conference, the treasury be authorized to send forward \$10,000 for the purchase of property for missionaries' homes on the Canal Zone, deducting, however, any amount which has been forwarded previously on this appropriation.

## ELIZABETH BLAKE--TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE:

A letter from J L McElhany, of the Southern Union, made request for the services of Miss Elizabeth Blake, of Lafayette, Indiana. Brother McElhany stated that he understood Miss Blake was not in the employ of the Indiana Conference.

533. VOTED, That we extend to Miss Elizabeth Blake the invitation of the Southern Union Conference to take up work in the Tennessee River Conference as church school teacher.

## D E ROBINSON:

A letter was presented from D E Robinson, suggesting the probability of his being able to get a certificate of British citizenship by going to Vancouver, and if this could be obtained he would be able to sail from Vancouver for South Africa by way of Australia.



534. VOTED, That we advise D E Robinson to go to Vancouver and ascertain whether he can get certificate of British citizenship, and if successful that arrangements be made for him and his family to go to South Africa by way of Australia.

Adjourned.

G B THOMPSON, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 31, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14)

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#### P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, O M John, W A Spicer  
E R Palmer, C V Leach.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

#### H L SHULL:

535. VOTED, That we place H L Shull on furlough salary rate from the time he leaves for Los Angeles until one month before sailing date, when his regular rate begins.

#### C V ANDERSON--SWEDEN:

536. VOTED, That in response to the call of the Scandinavian Union we invite C V Anderson of Minnesota, to labor in Sweden, asking the Minnesota Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

#### J G WHITE:

537. VOTED, That we release J G White from the call to the chaplaincy of the Washington Sanitarium, he having accepted a call to Loma Linda.

#### HELEN E WALDE:

538. VOTED, That we suggest to Miss Helen Walde that she come to Washington to engage in stenographic work while waiting for word from South Africa.



## WALLER--SHEIRICH--SERNS:

539. VOTED, That we pass on to the Atlantic Union without recommendation the request of the Columbia Union for-- Brethren Waller, of Eastern New York, to take book work in West Virginia; to the Lake Union for W H Sheirich, of Michigan, for New Jersey; and Serns, of Battle Creek, for Philadelphia.

## MILES COON:

540. VOTED, That the request of the Columbia Union for Miles Coon of Massachusetts, for work in Ohio, be referred to the Autumn Council.

## MRS JOHN SHULTZ:

541. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to extend aid as necessary to Elder John Shultz in providing care for Mrs Shultz returned from Costa Rica, in case she is found to require special medical attention, the amount being limited to \$200.

## MRS L E COX--OKLAHOMA:

542. VOTED, That on request of the Southwestern Union, we invite Mrs L E Cox of Southern California, to labor in Oklahoma, asking the Pacific Union and the Southern California Conference to release her for this purpose.

## ANNIE PAGET--DISPENSARY:

543. VOTED, That we allow Annie Paget transportation from San Francisco to Los Angeles and return, to take special work at the dispensary, in addition to the regular month's allowance of salary before sailing for India.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.

W A SPICER,

J L Shaw, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 2, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept.14)

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer, C V Leach, J L Shaw, OMM  
John, W A Spicer, E R Palmer, J W MacNeil.

Prayer by J W MacNeil.

## J W MacNEIL--AFRICA:

544. VOTED, That we advise J W MacNeil to plan to sail  
For South Africa about November 15.

## PORTO RICO SCHOOL:

545. VOTED, That in response to the call from Brethren  
Casebeer and Steele for \$1000 more for the Porto Rico school  
building, we inform the brethren that we are in no condition to  
send additional funds from the treasury, but that if the Porto  
Rico Mission can manage to turn \$1000 from their operating funds  
to the school fund, we approve.

## E C WOOD:

546. VOTED, That we ask the Washington Missionary College  
Board to grant E C Wood furlough for the school year in order  
that he may continue his work with the Canadian Watchman Press,  
pushing the buildings to completion, with the understanding that  
Professor Chaney has signified his willingness to fill in the  
time at the College in place of Brother Wood.

## C O PERKINS--JAMAICA:

547. VOTED, That we invite C O Perkins, of Maine, to labor  
in Jamaica as Home Missionary Secretary, asking the Maine Confer-  
ence and the Atlantic Union to release him.

## LOTTIE BELL--OAKWOOD:

548. VOTED, That we invite Miss Lottie Bell, of Indiana,  
to take charge of the Normal Department of the Oakwood school,  
asking the Indiana Conference and the Lake Union to release her  
for this purpose.



## CENTRAL CHINA APPROPRIATION:

549. VOTED, That we authorize the Central China Union to use \$175 of expense appropriation for F A Allum to apply on the extra expense of those who are taking his work in Central China during his furlough.

C H KESLAKE:

550. VOTED, That we appropriate \$854.96 to Jamaica on account of the salary for six months of 1920, and a bonus for 1919 and 1920, of C H Keslake.

KARL SNOW:

551. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to reimburse the Honduras Mission for the \$100 advanced by them to Karl Snow, and that inquiry be made as to freight expense in Brother Snow's journey.

BYRD BULLARD:

552. VOTED, That we appropriate to the Venezuela Mission \$1472.31, on account of the expense and salary of Byrd Bullard.

## SWEDISH APPROPRIATION:

On request of G E Nord, of the Swedish Department,--

553. VOTED, That we appropriate \$200 to the Swedish Emergency Fund for Educational purposes.

## PORTO RICO APPROPRIATION:

554. VOTED, That we appropriate \$1075 to Porto Rico, on account of child allowances, not in the budget.

## H R LUKENS--TRANSPORTATION:

555. VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to accept the account of L 80-19, expense of transportation of H R Lukens and wife from New Zealand to the United States.

U VISSNER:

556. VOTED, That we release U Wissner from appointment to the Far East for the present on account of citizenship status, asking him to keep in touch with us with reference to answering future call. Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.

W A SPICER,  
J L SHAW, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 6, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14)

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, C V Leach, O M John, J L Shaw, W A Spicer,  
W W Eastman, H H Hall, and J Lipke of Brazil.

Prayer by J Lipke.

## J LIPKE:

Elder Lipke spoke of his plans while on furlough. He wishes to do something by way of getting help for the Brazil school from business firms, soliciting for agricultural implements, furnishings, and other help. He asked authorization. He also wished to see something of the work of city evangelists here, and get some experience at the Los Angeles dispensary.

He raised also the question of the fare returning to this country of his adopted daughter Bertha, who was sent out with them to Brazil as a member of the family in 1904.

557. VOTED, That we authorize J Lipke, as occasion offers, to present the needs of the Brazilian Union College to business firms, soliciting help, in counsel with the treasury department.

558. VOTED, That we encourage J Lipke to get all the help he can by association with city evangelistic effort, and approve of his plan to get some experience at Los Angeles, at his own expense for transportation.

## PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT COUNCIL:

W W Eastman called attention to the action of the Spring Council, authorizing a Publishing Department Council, with union field secretaries attending, also publishing house men, preceding the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee.

559. VOTED, That we advise the department to arrange for this, asking the union conferences and the publishing houses to cooperate, in harmony with the action of the Spring Council.



## SOUTH AFRICAN PUBLISHING HOUSE:

The following cable was received from Africa:

"Unanimous judgment use union office building for publishing. Estimate cost Claremont church equity and remodeling \$14,000; machinery \$20,000. Whole field tied up. Lack Dutch and vernacular. Can we proceed building proposition immediately? Borrow here. We raise interest till Review can act. Imperative church build present dry season. Details machinery letter. Cable Council's decision.

560. VOTED, That the cable be referred to the Autumn Council.

## MISS WOOD--INDIA:

561. VOTED, That we assent to the proposition of Elder and Sister M D Wood, that they take one daughter, Miss Clara, to India, on their return, she desiring to finish her nurses' course in India, our responsibility being limited to return fare, leaving question of future employment for consideration in the field.

## BUENOS AIRES PRESS:

562. VOTED, That we instruct the sub-treasurer for the South American Division to care for the bill contracted by the Buenos Aires Publishing House in ordering a Miehle press without counsel, in order to save heavily by getting the press at this time, the sub-treasurer to take this amount from the Division treasury.

## DR IRVING FELDKAMP:

563. VOTED, That we grant Dr Irving Feldkamp returned sick from Korea, the usual furlough allowance for three months' time from September 1.

## BLANCHE PALMER:

564. VOTED, That we allow the time of Blanche Palmer, stenographer, while out of the office on account of the death of her father.

## F F HARRISON:

565. VOTED, That we pass on to the Southern Union without recommendation the request of the Southeastern Union for F F Harrison, of Kentucky, to act as field missionary secretary of the Florida Conference.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTIETH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 8, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14)

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer, O M John, W A  
Spicer, T E Bowen, H H Hall.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

## A G ROTH--FURLOUGH:

566. VOTED, That A G Roth, on three months' furlough from  
Haiti, be granted the usual furlough allowance.

## BRITISH WORKERS--INDIA:

567. VOTED, That we approve of the call of the Southern  
Asia Division for three missionary families from England, au-  
thorizing the British Union to send the workers forward.

## M OSTOICH:

On receipt of word from Elder Ostoich, of Ohio, that  
he had decided to go to Jugo-Slavia in September, it was--

568. VOTED, That we earnestly counsel Elder M Ostoich to  
refrain from his plan to go to Europe at this time, contrary to  
former counsel; Elders Daniells and Christian who have visited  
Jugo-Slavia will shortly be in America with advice concerning the  
Jugo-Slavia work, and we must enter protest against what would be  
a precipitate and unwise course should Brother Ostoich persist  
in withdrawing from our work here and transferring himself to  
Europe contrary to the solemn convictions of his brethren.

## C B HUGHES--FURLOUGH:

569. VOTED, That we grant the usual furlough allowance  
to Prof C B Hughes, returned from Jamaica.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.

W A SPICER,  
J L SHAW, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 9, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14)

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Eastman, H H Hall, W A Spicer, T E Bowen

## HAMBURG HOUSE:

The treasurer reported correspondence from L H Christian and C Pedersen, of Europe, setting forth the need of the Hamburg Publishing House for a loan to carry them through the autumn season, with the exceptionally high cost of materials and slow collections from Czecho-Slovakia, Hungary, Holland, etc.

They ask for an advance as a loan from the General Conference funds in the European sub-treasury, in the German agencies, of 900,000 marks.

570. VOTED, That we cable assent on condition that this meets the approval of the officers in Europe.

Adjourned.

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

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## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 12, 1920

(Made regular by Committee action Sept. 14 )

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## P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Eastman, J L Shaw, Chas Thompson, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, W A Spicer, H H Cobban.

Prayer by W W Prescott.



## MISS LIPKE:

The Committee met Elder J Lipke in counsel re his family expenses in returning on furlough.

571. VOTED, That inasmuch as Miss Lipke, adopted daughter of Brother and Sister J Lipke, was sent out by the Board from North America seventeen years ago, and desires to make her residence for the present in North America, we meet her return fare, with the understanding that the matter of her return to Brazil at any further time, so far as Committee responsibility is concerned, depends upon future desire and action by this Committee, seeing that Miss Lipke is now grown to maturity; it is further understood that Elder Lipke does not ask consideration for the expense of the little boy adopted in Brazil, who accompanies the family.

## SPANISH WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS:

572. VOTED, That we recommend that the week of prayer readings in Spanish be issued both by Barcelona and Buenos Aires, inasmuch as South America holds its season in April; and that Barcelona be asked to supply the North Latin American fields, which hold the season at the same time as the North American and European conferences.

## SPANISH SECOND SABBATH READINGS:

573. VOTED, Inasmuch as the several thousands of Spanish-speaking believers in South America naturally use the major portion of the helps and readings required in that tongue and inasmuch as the Sabbath School and Young People's Departmental material for the Spanish is issued by the Buenos Aires house,

That we advise that the Second Sabbath Missionary Readings be also issued in Buenos Aires instead of Barcelona, for the supplying of all fields, this class of supply material for the Spanish-speaking churches being thus brought together in one house for convenience in handling, and thus also placing the base of supply nearest to the larger portion of the churches using the material.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 14, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, J L Shaw, W W Prescott, Chas. Thompson, N Z Town, W A Spicer, C F McVagh, E R Palmer, W E Howell  
T E Bowen.

Prayer by N Z Town.

## MINUTES ADOPTED:

Minutes of actions taken without full quorum were read and it was--

574. VOTED, That the minutes of the meetings as read, dated August 11, 17, 31, September 2, 6, 8, 9, 12 be adopted as regular.

## NORA ATKINS--GENERAL CONFERENCE OFFICE:

575. VOTED, That we invite Miss Nora Mary Atkins, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, to work as stenographic assistant in the General Conference office, provided the Ohio Conference and the Columbia Union can release her for this purpose.

## MISS. VOL. DEPT. COUNCIL:

576. VOTED, That we grant the request of the Missionary Volunteer Department that union secretaries be invited with the officers of the department for council in Indianapolis, preceding the Autumn Council.

Recess was taken.

After recess, prayer was offered by C F McVagh.

## ELDERS UNDERWOOD, FLAIZ, FARNSWORTH, WILCOX:

577. VOTED, That we invite Elders Underwood, Flaiz, Farnsworth, and also M C Wilcox who is in the East at present, subject to arrangement of his work by the Pacific Press, to attend the Autumn Council.



MRS E S H BLISS:

578. VOTED, That \$500 be appropriated out of General Conference funds to Mrs E S H Bliss, of Belding, Mich., on account of her need of some funds, she having made large contributions to the cause, the General Conference now holding an annuity from her.

PHOTO--MRS PRESTON:

Elder R J Bryant, of Northern New England, sent in a photograph in frame of Rachel Preston, who in 1844 brought the Sabbath truth to the old Washington (New Hampshire) Adventist believers, the photo being a gift from Mrs Preston's niece, through Mrs Chase Newton, of Vernon, Vermont.

578. VOTED, That we accept with thanks the photograph of Rachel Preston, and ask Elder Bryant to convey our thanks to the donors.

BURTON CASTLE--OKLAHOMA:

579. VOTED, That we pass on the call of the Southwestern Union for Burton Castle, of Kentucky, to act as treasurer of the Oklahoma Conference, asking the Kentucky Conference and the Southern Union to release him.

C C MATTISON--CALIFORNIA:

580. VOTED, That we concur in the transfer of C C Mattison, of Oklahoma, to Southern California, arrangements having already been made for the transfer.

C C KELLAR:

581. VOTED, That we appropriate \$150, special, to C C Kellar and family, on furlough from India, to enable them to prepare their family wardrobe for a northern winter.

J H SMITH:

582. VOTED, That we advise Elder J H Smith, of the Bahamas, to plan a change of field, in the meantime taking a rest on furlough.

ROGER PAUL--SHANGHAI:

On receipt of a cable from I H Evans, calling for Brother and Sister Roger Paul for the Shanghai Sanitarium,--

583. VOTED, That we renew the invitation to Brother and Sister Roger Paul to labor in the Far East, to connect with the Shanghai Sanitarium.



DR H C NELSON--MOLINE:

584. VOTED, That we recommend Dr H C Nelson, formerly of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, and now in the Lake Union, for the Moline Sanitarium.

C E SMITH--WALLA WALLA COLLEGE:

585. VOTED, That we pass to the Southwestern Union the request of the North Pacific Union for the release of C E Smith, union auditor, to act as business manager of Walla Walla College.

GEO F FURNIVAL--FURLOUGH:

586. VOTED, That we inform Geo F Furnival, invalided from India, that he may plan on the basis that we will continue his furlough allowance until May next.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.

W A SPICER,

J L SHAW, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOURTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 15, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W H Heckman, W E Howell, H H Hall, W A Spicer, N Z Town, W H Green, R D Quinn, Chas Thompson, E R Palmer, W W Eastman, J L Shaw, J W MacNeil.

Prayer by J W MacNeil.

H H HALL--LICENSE:

587. VOTED, That we grant ministerial license to H H Hall.

W W RICE--FLORIDA:

588. VOTED, That we ask the Atlantic Union to release Elder W W Rice, of Massachusetts, to labor as Home Missionary Secretary of the Florida Conference, inviting Elder Rice to respond to the call.



## W F SCHWARTZ--CAROLINA:

W H Heckman renewed request for help in filling the presidency of the Carolina Conference, made vacant by the call of Elder MacNeil to South Africa, he having to leave now to prepare for the journey.

589. VOTED, That we invite W F Schwartz, of New Jersey, to take the presidency of the Carolina Conference, renewing our former informal request to the Columbia Union and the New Jersey Conference to release him for this purpose.

Recess was taken.

Following recess, C V Leach, T E Bowen were present in addition.

## L T CRISLER--CAROLINA:

W H Heckman reported a wire from Florida, bringing word that L T Crisler, of Florida, would accept the Carolina presidency.

590. VOTED, That the action inviting W F Schwartz be rescinded, and that we express gratification that the union has been able to arrange the matter so.

## F C WEBSTER--CUMBERLAND:

591. VOTED, That on request of the Southeastern Union, we invite F C Webster, of Quebec, to labor in the Cumberland Conference, asking the East Canadian Union and the Quebec Conference to release him.

## E HILLIARD--FLORIDA SANITARIUM:

592. VOTED, That we recommend to the Southeastern Union Elder E Hilliard, of Minnesota, for the chaplaincy of the Florida Sanitarium, asking the Minnesota Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

## R G SCHAFFNER--WESTERN WASHINGTON:

593. VOTED, That we pass on to the Pacific Union the request of the North Pacific Union that Elder R G Schaffner be invited to connect with the Western Washington Conference.

## C E MOON--FURLOUGH:

594. VOTED, That Elder C E Moon of Porto Rico, be granted nine months furlough on usual furlough allowance, allowing him to fix upon his location in the Pacific Union.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER,  
J L SHAW, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 20, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, W W Prescott, Chas Thompson,  
C V Leach, J L Shaw, W E Howell, N Z Town, H H Hall, E R Palmer,  
Dr H W Miller, H H Cobban, C L Russell.

Prayer by W T Knox.

## LOUISE SCHOLZ--UNION COLLEGE:

A telegram was presented by Professor Howell making inquiry regarding Miss Scholz, with the thought of her connecting with Union College as a nurse and instructor in hydrotherapy.

595. VOTED, That we recommend Miss Louise Scholz to Union College.

## SELMA DAHL--SANITARIUM:

596. VOTED, That we ask the Chicago Conference to release Miss Selma Dahl to connect with the Washington Sanitarium, requesting the Medical Department to endeavor to get some one to take Miss Dahl's place in Chicago.

## F W MILLER--CUBA:

597. VOTED, That an appropriation of \$1467.24 be made to cover the salary and expenses of F W Miller in Cuba.

## W A SWEANY--HONDURAS:

598. VOTED, That an appropriation of \$1168.06 be made to the Honduras Mission to cover the salary and expenses of W A Sweany.

## C V LEACH AND H K CHRISTMAN:

599. VOTED, That C V Leach and H K Christman attend the Home Missionary Convention in the Northern Union Conference.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
J L SHAW, Secretary.



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 22, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, N Z Town, Chas Thompson, W E Howell, C V Leach, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, R D Quinn, W A Spicer, H H Hall, J H McEachern, T E Bowen.

Prayer by J H McEachern.

## R D QUINN--NORTHERN UNION CONVENTION:

600. VOTED, That we approve of the plan for R D Quinn to join the Home Missionary Department secretaries in the Northern Union Home Missionary Convention.

## A M DART--DENVER:

601. VOTED, On request of the Central Union, we invite Elder A M Dart, of California, to labor in the city of Denver, asking the Pacific Union and the local conference to release him.

## PEDRO CRUZ--CUBA:

602. VOTED, That on advice of the superintendent of the Cuban Mission, we authorize the ordination of Pedro Cruz to the ministry, provided the Cuba Mission Committee concur.

## M R KLETTKE--MALAYSIA:

603. VOTED, That we refer to the Far Eastern Division the application from M R Klettke, a German, of Australia, with recommendation from Elder Allum, applicant desiring to work in Malaysia, we having in mind the call for a German-American worker for Java, to learn the Dutch language, the worker having not yet been found.

## W G KNEELAND--BAHAMAS:

604. VOTED, That we invite W G Kneeland, on furlough from Honduras, to take the work in the Bahama Islands in place of J H Smith, who requires a change of field.

## B E WAGNER RELEASED:

605. VOTED, That on receipt of further medical report in the case of Mrs B E Wagner, we feel compelled to recommend that



Brother Wagner do not go forward to South America, recommending to the Publishing Department that he be assigned work in the home field.

VIRGIN ISLANDS:

606. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make appropriation not to exceed \$125 from other than mission funds for school books and school equipment for the Virgin Islands church school.

BEULAH SOPER--SALARY RATE:

607. VOTED, That the officers be authorized to fix the rate of salary of Miss Beulah Soper, teacher, proceeding to the Virgin Islands.

GRACE WASHBURN:

608. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to pay \$50.00 toward the expense of medical care required by Miss Grace Washburn, stenographer in the General Conference office.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.  
W A SPICER, Secretary.

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TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 23, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, N Z Town, W W Prescott, W E Howell, J L Shaw, H H Hall, W A Spicer, Chas Thompson, R D Quinn, C S Longacre, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

F C GILBERT:

609. VOTED, That F C Gilbert be invited to attend the Autumn Council.



## COM. ON COOPERATION:

610. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make a remittance of \$100 to the Committee on Cooperation for Latin America, to assist in their publishing work.

## COOPERATIVE WELFARE ASSOCIATION

611. VOTED, That on request for two representatives to be named, we appoint M E Kern and L A Hansen members of the Takoma Park Cooperative Welfare Association Committee (an association of Review and Herald and General Conference workers operating a cafeteria for workers and otherwise seeking the welfare of the workers gathered in these offices).

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 27, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W T Knox, Chas Thompson,  
C V Leach, N Z Town, M E Kern, W E Howell, L A Hansen, F H Robbins  
W W Eastman, C S Longacre, W W Prescott, H H Hall, J H McEachern,  
R D Quinn, J L Shaw, W A Spicer, F M Wilcox, E R Palmer, T E Bowen

Prayer by W W Prescott.

Time was given to listing the attendance of general workers at the Autumn Council, and to the making up of the Agenda Paper for the Council.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 28, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G DANIELLS, E E Andross, W T Knox, W A Spicer, Chas Thompson, M N Campbell, F M Wilcox, C S Longacre, W E Read, N Z Town, H H Hall, W W Prescott, W E Howell, R D Quinn, F H Robbins, J L Shaw.

Prayer by M N Campbell.

## J A P GREEN--SYMPATHY:

A message from Guatemala was presented, reporting the death of Ruth Green, daughter of Brother and Sister J A P Green.

612. VOTED, That we express our deep sympathy to Brother and Sister J A P Green on this sad loss that has come to them in the field of service.

## J P ANDERSON--SYMPATHY:

613. VOTED, That we express sympathy with J P Anderson, of China, and the children, on receipt of the news of the death of our faithful worker and sister, whose loss to China will sorely be felt, but whose labors for China will follow her.

## H C LACEY--BRITAIN:

The matter of the European call for Prof H C Lacey to the principalship of the British Union College was considered, Brethren Campbell and Read, of England, being present.

614. VOTED, That we cable the Far East that in view of the needs there for Professor Lacey's services in conference sessions and institutes, the British Union consents to the plan that Professor Lacey shall not be asked to reach England before July.

## SOUTH LANCASTER PRINCIPAL:

W E Howell presented the call for a principal for Lancaster Junior College, Prof O M John, of the Educational Department, being now filling the gap at the opening of their school.



615. VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee to make re commendation.

Named: A G Daniells, E E Andross, F H Robbins, J L Shaw, E R Palmer.

#### HELP FOR MEXICO AND PORTO RICO:

616. VOTED, That the question of providing help for the Mexican and Porto Rican meetings in November and December be referred to E E Andross, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, J L Shaw, W A Spicer

#### WM KERSTEIN--SOUTH AMERICA:

Statement was presented from Wm Kerstein, superintendent of the Buenos Aires printing house, urging that he be allowed to come to the United States to take out citizenship, he having erroneously supposed he had this already.

617. VOTED, That we give counsel that taking out citizenship in the United States requires a five years residence after declaration of intention; that we can not take the responsibility of deciding this personal question for Brother and Sister Kerstein and their children; but that if they feel that it is essential to qualify as citizens of the United States, we ask them to remain in South America at least two years longer, giving time to plan for some one to take his place, and to arrange for his work here, or possibly in the Canal Zone if naturalization can be effected there.

#### PRESS BUREAU:

618. VOTED, That the arrangements for the location of the Press Bureau editor be referred to the committee formerly appointed on help for Spanish fields.

#### R W PAUL RELEASED:

able from China calling for R W Paul and wife for the Shanghai Sanitarium having been received and sent on to these workers, word was received that Brother Paul could not respond this year, having planned to qualify as a physician in 1921.

619. VOTED, That we release R W Paul and wife from the appointment to China, and ask the Medical Department to secure an experienced woman as head nurse for Shanghai.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTIETH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 3, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E E Andross, W T Knox, W E Howell,  
 W W Prescott, J L Shaw, Chas Thompson, W T Knox, C S Longacre,  
 N Z Town, H H Hall, L A Hansen, E R Palmer, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

## LANCASTER JUNIOR COLLEGE:

620. VOTED, That we regret inability to release Prof O M John, of the General Conference Educational Department, to continue at South Lancaster, and we recommend Prof E G Salisbury, of the Washington Missionary College, to the Board of the Lancaster Junior College as president of the College, asking the Columbia Union and the Washington Missionary College to release him for this purpose.

## H M GIBSON--PORTO RICO:

621. VOTED, That we release H M Gibson, of Carolina, from the call to China, and invite him to go to Porto Rico as field missionary secretary, asking the Carolina Conference and the Southeastern Union to release him.

## E J KRAFT--CHINA:

622. VOTED, That we invite E J Kraft, of Carolina, to go to China as field missionary secretary of a province, asking the Carolina Conference and the southeastern Union to release him.

## LICENSES:

623. VOTED, That missionary license be granted to H M and Mrs Gibson and E J and Mrs Kraft, under appointment to the mission fields.

(Recess was taken to 3 P M)

Resuming, L A Hansen offered prayer.



## RURAL SCHOOLS AND SANITARIUMS:

624. VOTED, That we ask W E Howell, J L Shaw, and L A Hansen to act as a committee to visit the Rural schools and sanitariums, and to arrange for holding a council with leaders in this work.

## GUY DAIL--FURLOUGH:

625. VOTED, That we recommend Elder G Dail to take a four months' furlough in California, accepting opening for his boys to attend Pacific Union College, permanent location in the work to be arranged later.

## G A Schwerin--FURLOUGH:

626. VOTED, That we grant furlough rate for three months to G A Schwerin, of Colombia, South America, and authorize the treasury to provide assistance as necessary to meet medical bills incurred by his stroke of partial paralysis while canvassing, the time to begin September 22.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 4, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, W E Howell,  
L A Hansen, J L Shaw, F M Wilcox, W A Spicer, W W Prescott, N Z  
Town, W V Eastman, J H McEachern, E R Palmer, T E Bowen, G W  
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Prayer by J L Shaw.



## E A MOON--MEDICAL REPORT:

Satisfactory medical blanks were presented for E A Moon and family, under appointment to the Philippines.

## O I NELSON RELEASED:

627. VOTED, That we release O I Nelson and wife, nurses, from appointment to the Hawaiian Mission, on account of Mrs Nelson's health.

## M E X I C O:

Time was given to Prof G W Caviness for a report on Mexico.

## O C BARRETT--MEXICO:

628. VOTED, That O C Barrett and wife, of the Washington Sanitarium, be invited to go to Mexico as nurses, asking the Washington Sanitarium to release him for this purpose.

## JUAN CARRANCO--MEXICO:

629. VOTED, That we invite the South Texas Conference and the Southwestern Union to release Juan Carranco, of Laredo, Texas, to work as a canvasser in Mexico.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 6, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, W E Howell, F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, C S Longacre, F W Stray, W H Green, N Z Town, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, W A Spicer, J H McEachern, F L Burgan, T E Bowen.



## EAST CANADIAN CONVENTION:

F W Stray presented request for a representative of the General Conference Publishing Department to attend the East Canadian Colporteurs' Institute.

630. VOTED, That we ask J H McEachern to attend the institute on the way to the Autumn Council if his work will permit

## PRESS BUREAU:

W L Burgan requested that the Bureau be permitted to issue a booklet (stencil made) of suggestive advertising for evangelists who use the press.

631. VOTED, That W L Burgan prepare the matter, submitting it to his Bureau committee for review and recommendation to the General Conference Committee.

## JOSEPH CAPMAN--CANADA:

632: VOTED, That we invite Elder Joseph Capman, of Western New York, to make East Canada his field of labor, asking the Western New York Conference and the Atlantic Union to release him when it is practicable to do so.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.

J L SHAW, Secretary.

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## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 10, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, F M Wilcox, N Z Towb, W W Eastman, O M John, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, Chas Thompson, C S Longacre, W A Spicer, F H Robbins, H H Hall, C L Russell, L A Hansen.

Prayer by O M John.



C V ACHENBACH:

Medical report on Elder C V Achenbach and family was received, and it was agreed to go forward with the appointment to Porto Rico.

G C JENKS:

633. VOTED, That we appoint G C Jenks assistant secretary of the Publishing Department for the African Division in place of the manager of the publishing house, with the understanding that inasmuch as his chief work is as union man, his support be provided from the South African Union as heretofore.

J P CASEY:

634. VOTED, That until the arrival of Dr John Reith, we appoint J P Casey assistant secretary of the Medical Department for the African Division, with the understanding that his salary will be derived from the Sanitarium.

SOUTH AFRICAN PROPERTIES:

635. VOTED, That we advise the brethren in South Africa against the plan of holding properties by trustees, and suggest that they incorporate for the holding of properties, if necessary but that only such transfers to the corporation be made at present as may be urgent, avoiding expense of transfer as far as possible.

ELLIS M HOWARD--RETURN:

636. VOTED, That on representation by Dr Henry Harrower, of the physical condition of Brother and Sister Ellis Howard, of Ecuador, we ask the Inca Union to return these workers to North America.

C J BOYD:

637. VOTED, That we make appropriation to the West Caribbean of \$1,258.82 on account of C J Boyd, not provided for in the budget.

ROBERT TREIBLE:

638. VOTED, That we make special appropriation of \$1,007.25 to the West Caribbean on account of Robert Treible and wife.

S E KELLMAN:

639. VOTED, That a special grant of \$100 be made to S E Kellman, for securing warmer clothing while on furlough, from the tropics.



SARAH KANE--SUSTENTATION:

640. VOTED, That we recommend the Sustentation Committee to place Sister Sarah Kane, of California, on the Fund at \$7.00 per week on the ground that both son and daughter, her support, died in the work.

L ZECCHETTO:

641. VOTED, That we grant \$150 to L Zecchetto, returned from Italy, as aid in setting up his household in New York where he is to engage in work.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.

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TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 11, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W T Knox, W E Howell, Chas Thompson,  
F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, C S Longacre, J L Shaw, F H Robbins, W W  
Prescott, O M John, W A Spicer.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

LANCASTER JUNIOR COLLEGE:

W E Howell reported that Professor Salisbury had declined the call to the presidency of Lancaster Junior College.

642. VOTED, That in view of the difficulty of securing men in the midst of the school year we suggest to the Lancaster Board that Professor Lehman be asked to care for the work for the present, and that immediate counsels be entered into to secure a man to take the presidency.



C B HUGHES--FURLOUGH:

643. VOTED, That on account of the health of Sister Hughes we place Prof C B Hughes on furlough allowance for a time indefinite, with a view to his taking school work another year, they to be allowed to make their base wherever seems best for Sister Hughes.

L L CAVINESS- ORDINATION:

644. VOTED, That L L Caviness be ordained to the gospel ministry before going to Europe.

G F HAFFNER:

645. VOTED, That we express our sorrow and sense of loss to the cause of God at the news of the death of our brother and fellow-worker, Elder G F Haffner. We assure Sister Haffner and the children of our deep sympathy in this sad affliction and of our appreciation of the faithful services of Elder Haffner these many years, and of our personal regard for him as friend and brother and fellow-laborer.

C F COLE RELEASED:

646. VOTED, That on account of health we release C F Cole from appointment to Colombia, South America.

L V CLEAVES--COLOMBIA:

647. VOTED, That we invite L V Cleaves, of Maine, to go to Colombia, asking the Maine Conference and the Atlantic Union to release him for this purpose.

LOUIS GREINER--HAWAII:

648. VOTED, That we invite Louis Greiner, of the Washington Sanitarium, to go to the Hawaiian Islands, to take the Honolulu treatment room work, provided his intended is found to be able to take the women's department.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

W A SPICER,  
J L SHAW, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 12, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, N Z Town, L A Hansen, H H Hall  
J H McEachern, J L Shaw, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, T E Bowen.

Prayer by J H McEachern.

## PERMITS--AFRICA:

A cable message reported permits granted to Brethren  
Beddoe, Robinson, and Slate.

649. VOTED, That we ask the treasury to arrange transportation for D E Robinson, J G Slate, and their families in early December, and that we renew our invitation to Elder B E Beddoe to go to South Africa.

## EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY

650. It was VOTED,--

In view of the rapid extension of our work at home and abroad, involving an aggregate expenditure of nearly \$10,000,000.00 per year, and of the growing need of practicing such economy as will not interfere with the highest degree of efficiency, we recommend:

That a study of this whole matter be made by our auditors in the coming council, and that they be requested to submit their conclusions and recommendations to the full council following.

That a prepared address upon this subject be given by the treasurer before the full council, setting forth the reasons for dealing with it at this time, and the probably savings which might be effected, and that he be requested to call



the attention of the Committee in Council in a definite way to such features of our administration as involve expenditures which in his judgment are either too large or altogether unnecessary.

That the results of the study thus given to this subject, both by the auditors and the full Committee, be embodied in a leaflet which shall be placed in the hands of all those who occupy official positions in our General, union and local organizations, and in our institutions.

That a permanent body, to be known as the Commission on Efficiency and Economy, be elected by the General Conference Committee, whose duty it shall be to foster these principles, and to assist executive officers in carrying into practice the recommendations adopted.

O C BARRETT--MEDICAL:

Medical reports were presented for O C Barrett and his intended, showing satisfactory physical condition.

CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL;--BOOKS:

651. VOTED, That the Fireside Correspondence School be allowed to handle its own book business.

MRS ANDROSS--MRS HOLT:

652. VOTED, That in reply to the suggestion from Mrs E E Andross that she be excused from going to the Missionary Volunteer Convention this week, we take the responsibility in the absence of Professor Kern of excusing her unless she finds she can reasonably plan to go, and that in case Sister Andross does not go, we authorize the department to arrange for Sister H Holt to attend from Washington.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,

W A SPICER, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 14, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

E E Andross, J L Shaw, L A Hansen, C S Longacre,  
W A Spicer, W W Prescott.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

## J S SEAL--RETURN:

On medical report that Mrs Seal, of Guatemala, has  
tubercular trouble and should seek a better climate, it was--

653. VOTED, That we cable authorization of the return of  
J S Seal and Mrs Seal on account of Mrs Seal's health.

## I V COUNSELL--ORDINATION:

654. VOTED, That we wire Iowa that if I V Counsell, under  
appointment to Burma, is near the point of ordination, we would  
advise that this be arranged before he leaves.

## A R TYRER--HONOLULU:

655. VOTED, That we invite A R Tyrer and wife, of the  
Hinsdale Sanitarium, to go to Honolulu, to take charge of the  
treatment rooms, asking the Hinsdale Sanitarium to release them  
for this purpose.

Adjourned.

E E ANDROSS, Chairman.

J L SHAW,  
W A SPICER, Secretaries.



## AUTUMN COUNCIL

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## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 20, 1920

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The first meeting of the Council opened at 7:30 P.M., October 20, in the Sturm Avenue S.D.A. Church, Indianapolis, the Masonic Hall, engaged for most of the Council, not being available until Sabbath.

The Chairman stated that the evening would not be given to regular business, but would be devoted to hearing words of greeting and information from our brethren coming in from abroad.

Prayer by L.H.Christian, of Europe.

The Chairman, A.G.Daniells, spoke of the good experiences and blessings in the summer's European meetings, from which he had recently returned. He welcomed the brethren from abroad to the Council.

On motion of W.W.Prescott, the Council by a standing vote, extended hearty welcome to our brethren from abroad, expressing special appreciation of the privilege of having them with us after the long years of separation during the war. The congregation, as it stood to vote, burst spontaneously into the hymn, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

L.R.Conradi, called on, stated that in all his connection with the cause, this was the first time he had been separated from contact with the brethren in America for a five-year period. They seemed a long five years. And they were separated in Europe from one another also. Now contact is restored, and recently they have been hearing from the remotest parts, from Russia, and also from the lake region of Africa. Ordained black workers on the Coast have received the call to go 1000 miles into the interior to baptize forty-seven converts prepared for the church by the work of black workers who have been left altogether alone these years. The doors in Europe generally have been opened more widely than ever before. The Lord has kept us all during these trying years, and he has cared for his work.

J.C.Raft, recently invited to the field secretaryship for Europe, followed, reporting the work in the Scandinavian Union



in 1919 the best year ever, with 1920 showing still better. He spoke of recently visiting Lettonia and Esthonia with Elder Christian. The meetings there seemed to him the best he ever attended. The needs of the people were pitiful, but the believers so loved the truth and this cause that it was a lesson and a joy to be with them. The Lord is at work in Russia.

H.F.Schuberth, of the East German Union, next spoke. Six hard years were behind them in Germany, but he could testify that the Lord was a present help in trouble. Formerly there were many legal restrictions making difficulties, but now there is full liberty to give the gospel. The trouble now is to get halls big enough to serve the people who want to hear. He represented 11,000 believers in his union, and all would testify that they are of good courage in the Lord and his work.

G.W.Schubert, of the Central European Union, expressed his thankfulness to God for being at the Council. The hard times they had had in Europe were times also of blessings. The believers in Central Europe, including the Austrian Conference, with 600 members, send their brotherly greetings. That conference pledged 60,000 crowns in 1921 for missions, which amidst conditions in Austria, means real sacrifice. So in all parts of the union the people are rallying to give for missions. In the union nearly 4,000 were baptized during the war time. It is a good report that he brings from Central Europe. Their faith in this message and work is stronger than ever before. The Council was pleased that Elder Schubert spoke in English.

P.Drinhaus, of the West German Union, also spoke in English, though this is his first visit abroad. He was glad to see the brethren here whose names he had long known. There are 8,000 members in the Western Union, and 111 workers, all of whom send loving greetings.

M.N.Campbell reported blessings in the British Union. The work is truly rising and results of soul-winning efforts are most encouraging. Nearly fifty millions are to hear the message there. The workers feel that now is the opportune time to strike hard for the truth. One of the workers in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign found a lady who offered over \$3000 for the work, agreeing to make it \$3,500 if he would go himself, and she would support him in the field. The work in East Africa has been interrupted. After two years of earnest prayer the way has been opened again, and the work has been strongly resumed. He related experiences in interviewing government officials, showing that "there is power in the truth of God to open doors and to win its way to hearts that are waiting."

W.E.Read, manager of the British publishing house, spoke of the blessing that the organization of departmental work had brought to the British field during the last four years. The publishing house must increase its facilities to supply the material. In 1918 book sales were \$25,000; in 1919, \$59,000; in 1920, to the end of September, \$80,000.



A.V.Olson, of the Latin Union, brought the greetings of the believers in Southern Europe. The union has 125 millions to reach. Our people in the Catholic lands are loyal to this message, and they mean to stand shoulder to shoulder with our brethren in all the world. In the last few months nearly 100 have been baptized in Geneva.

B.P.Hoffman, of the Japan Union, brought greetings from the Japanese Seventh-day Adventists. Japan has been making great progress in recent years in material things. The whole life of the nation is undergoing remarkable change. New ideas are taking hold of the people. We notice because of these things a greater willingness to give attention to the gospel message. The new interest gives us great courage and hope. Our publications are selling as never before.

L.H.Christian spoke of a few first impressions of Europe.

1. One never finds any brethren in Europe doubting the nearness of the end.
2. He did not find any business or professional men expecting better times. They look for further times of trouble.
3. The conditions in Europe are certainly unbelievable. The people seem stunned.
4. One is impressed that God is overruling these sad events for making the way open to give the last message to Europe quickly.
5. He had been greatly encouraged by seeing the power of the truth to hold believers together when no way exists of shepherding them. One church he visited had been scattered by the Bolshevik invasion. Out of 112 members, 95 were scattered to the four points of the compass. It was feared the church was broken up. But one by one they have come back, and now they have 95 members. In parts food was scarce and clothing insufficient. In one place the believers had bread but once a week--on Sabbath, for the sake of having the children associate the good food with the Sabbath. Yet amidst all churches and conferences have been held together by the truth itself. He mentioned the special needs in the educational and publishing work.

#### R U S S I A:

A letter was presented from Elder O.E.Reinke, addressed to the Committee, the first message from Russia proper. The letter follows:



"Saratov, July 20, 1920.

"General Conference of S.D.A.,  
Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.

Dear Brethren:

"Trying to connect with you once more, I send this letter on the way by our Lettonian brethren, who leave from here to their home in Riga. The work of God is onward and prosperous in many places, even in the Far East. Brother Rinter died February 25, 1919. The spirit of the time is being felt in many places, but thus far wherever connections could be made the Lord gained the victory. Many wonderful experiences have followed in our way; some tried us to the utmost, but God brought everything about to his glory. I firmly believe that these experiences have made us better laborers together with God. We are still isolated from half of Siberia and from the Ukraine; the Baltic is opening slowly to communications.

"In a general council meeting in Moscow, May 30 to June 6, 1920, we planned to divide this whole missionary field into six unions; namely, the North, East, South, Western, Caspian, and Siberian Unions, in order to provide better oversight and closer work. The election of officers was the hardest problem before us. Many here feel themselves able to be the first in everything; but the last three years have shown us the opposite, even in the world. We tried to do the best, and are waiting for God to lead out. Almost every worker had to accept a position somewhere in an institution of the government, especially was this obligatory in our section. I accepted the office of book-keeper in a flour mill, which enabled me to still carry on my work. The harvest generally is rather poor. We have planned a united general meeting of this entire field in Moscow, Sept. 25-30. Of this I wrote you before, with an invitation to attend, and herewith I re new my invitation to you to send us a fair representation to this conference. I have also written to Brother Conradi to attend, if possible. The East Russian Union Conference has been held in our place, June 10-17. This was a most blessed gathering. Brethren D. Isaak and Brother Schmidt, and I were the workers. Two men were ordained to the gospel ministry. Seventeen souls were baptized on the ground. This meeting was held in the mill (a new structure of Brother Wendals). Brother Boettcher knows this brother. I was chosen president of the East Russian Union, and Brother Isaak vice-president. The Caspian Union will hold its meeting September 8--12. I hope to be there, the Lord helping. There are great questions to consider, which must be studied on the ground.

"Could not the next General Conference be held in Europe, where we could all attend? There is given me an opportunity to go to America and return, from the United Council of Churches in Russia, from Moscow; but the work is such that I am



not quiet in leaving; I would rather stay on my post of duty, to live or die as God wants.

"In all our plans I have tried to keep close to the constitution of the General Conference. Our message is international, to be carried to every kindred, tongue, and people, and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom. What wonderful things the Lord taught us during the last six or seven years! Twenty-four days I was in prison, as also some others; but it was not days of despair, but of victory. It is a blessed experience to realize the presence of God. Tested and tried, but not forsaken, yea, loved and protected. Through good and evil reports God's servants have to pass, and still hold the fort. God is with us, therefore I am happy and rejoice.

"We are very sorry that we can not publish our literature, since it is all exhausted. We believe firmly the near future will open the door to give us another chance to foster also this branch of the work. The medical missionary work is now coming to the front. In these lines my wife and I also have much to do, and we appreciate the education received in this line, since this is the only allowed line of treatment that can now be given, as there are no medicines.

"Accept the heartiest greetings from your brother and co-worker in the last message. Brother D. Isaak also sends greetings. The peace of God be with you.

"Yours in love,

O.E.REINKE.

Post Box 368, Saratov.

"P.S.--A missionary school is planned again, and we hope that it can really start."

The meeting adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 21, 1920

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After the devotional hour, 8:00-9:15 A.M., during which Elder Daniells led, the second meeting of the Council, the first business session, was called to order at 9:20.

R.D.Quinn offered prayer.

## DAILY PROGRAM:

The daily program was arranged as follows:

6:00	to	7:15 A.M.	--Committee work.
8:00	"	9:15	--Devotional meeting.
9:20	"	12:00	--Council
1:00	"	2:30 P.M.	--Committee work.
2:30	"	5:30	--Council.
6:15	"	7:15	--Committee work.
7:30	"	9:00	--Addresses.

## DEVOTIONAL HOURS:

A general outline of the meetings recommended by the Committee on Program was adopted as follows:

Thursday, October 21, A.G.Daniells; topic, "True Leadership."

Friday, October 22, E.E.Andross; topic, "Prayer and Missions."

Sunday, October 24, W.T.Knox; topic, "Religion in Business."

Monday, October 25, W.W.Prescott; topic, "The Power of the Word."

Tuesday, October 26, R.D.Quinn; topic, "The Apostolic Spirit."

Wednesday, October 27, S.N.Haskell; topic, "The Importance of the Present Hour."

Thursday, October 28, R.A.Underwood; topic, "Gifts of the Spirit."

Friday, October 29, G.B.Thompson; topic, "Knowing God."



## EVENING SERVICES:

Wednesday, October 20, Representatives of the World-wide Work---A symposium.

Thursday, October 21, M.N.Campbell, A.V.Olson; topics, "Gospel work in Great Britain and the Latin Union."

Friday, October 22, G.W.Schubert, P.Drinhaus; topic, "Gospel Work in Germany."

Sabbath, October 23, L.R.Conradi; topic, "What God hath Wrought in Europe."

Sunday, October 24, L.H.Christian; topic, "Europe's Call to America."

Monday, October 25, J.L.Shaw, Chas. Thompson; topic, "The Neglected Continent."

Tuesday, October 26, J.C.Raft, H.F.Schuberth; topic, "Gospel Work in Scandinavia and Germany."

Wednesday, October 27, M.E.Kern, L.A.Hansen, Guy Dail; topic, "Educational and Medical Work in Europe."

Thursday, October 28, B.P.Hoffman and W.E.Howell; topic, "Gospel Work in Japan and Christian Educational in South America."

Friday, October 29, L.H.Christian; topic, "The Time, the Message, and the Messenger."

## SABBATH SERVICES:

October 23, 11 A.M., W.A.Spicer; topic, "Prophetic Picture of the Closing Work."

2:30 P.M., A.G.Daniells; topic, "Signal Blessings attending Loyal Response to Urgent Messages from the Spirit of Prophecy."

October 30, 11 A.M., A.G.Daniells; topic, "The Finishing of the Work."

2:30 P.M., E.W.Farnsworth; topic, "Abiding in Christ."

## PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

N.Z.Town, secretary of the Publishing Department, presented a report which had been prepared by the convention of the Department and of publishing house managers which had been held preceding the Council. The report follows:



## PUBLISHING HOUSE EXTENSION:

In the providence of God the publishing work has become a very fruitful evangelizing agency in all countries of the earth. The experiences of the past, and especially during the world war, have demonstrated that publishing facilities should be established in all the great language and political areas of the world. The political upheavals of the past few years have broken off the shackles from many nations and peoples and tongues, leaving them with unrestricted privileges to manufacture and sell literature. The opportunities of the present moment, therefore, are very great. In response to these providences, the General Conference has adopted a great world program for the extension of the publishing work, placing heavy responsibilities upon our publishing houses, as well as upon the Mission Board. We are persuaded that time is very short, that our great opportunity is just now, and that there must be "delay no longer." Therefore, be it--

656. Resolved, That the financing of the Publishing House Extension Program be undertaken on the following plan:

1. That all publishing houses of the denomination adopt the plan recommended by the General Conference, of setting aside in a donation reserve fund at the close of each fiscal year, a tithe of the net gains of the year, plus fifty per cent at least of the remainder of the net gain, and hold the same subject to appropriation by the General Conference Committee, as hereinafter outlined.

2. That the General Conference build up and maintain a \$500,000 fund to be known as the "Missions Publishing Fund," to be gathered from the following sources:

- (a) The "Big Day" plan of the Publishing department.
- (b) Solicitation of large gifts.
- (c) Donation reserves of publishing houses.
- (d) Special appropriations.
- (e) Temporary accommodations from the working capital of the General Conference.

3. That this fund be available for---

- (a) Publishing house assignments.
- (b) Appropriations direct to mission publishing plants not provided for in publishing house assignments.
- (c) Temporary loans to publishing houses, to enable them to hasten their individual programs for foreign fields, it being understood that a minimum rate of interest, not entailing a loss to the General Conference, be paid on such loans, and that they be returned to the fund as soon as possible from the publishing house reserves.



4. That this fund be made available for land, buildings, equipment, and permanent working capital only, all other items to be considered and arranged for by the General Conference, it being understood that a determined effort will continue to be made by these mission plants to meet all operating costs, including foreign and native labor, by proper adjustments in the prices of their products.

5. That this fund be administered by the General Conference at its Autumn Council, recommendations for all disbursements being made by the treasurer of the General Conference, the secretaries of the Publishing Department, and the managers of the publishing houses which contribute to the fund, acting as a sub-committee to study details and make recommendations.

6. That all requests from mission fields for help from this fund be presented in the annual budget of the field.

7. That all publishing houses enter upon this plan the present year, 1920, for the division of funds.

#### BIG WEEKS:

657. WE recommend (a) That the second weeks in May and July be set aside as "Big Weeks" in the colporteur work, and that the earnings of the biggest day of each week be donated to the mission printing interests that may have been previously assigned by the General Conference to the several publishing houses.

(b) That the same "Big Weeks" be observed in the production of literature in the publishing houses, and that the employees be asked to donate their wages for the biggest day of each week to the same object.

(c) That conference workers and all members of the churches be encouraged to join in the plan, or where that is impossible, to donate their wage for the same period.

(d) That the entire proceeds of these two days be devoted to the mission publishing fund.

#### PURCHASING BUREAU:

658. Whereas, There is a very evident desire on the part of our mission press institutions for the establishment of a purchasing bureau, through which they may secure paper and other materials; and,--

Whereas, It appears probable that our publishing houses in the United States may also wish to avail themselves of the opportunity such an organization would afford; therefore,--



We recommend (a) That a purchasing bureau be arranged for by the General Conference, the personnel of which is to be made up as follows: A chairman and three other members selected by the General Conference Committee, and one representative from each publishing house in this country, to be selected by their respective boards. Working plans for the guidance of this bureau to be formulated by its members and submitted to the General Conference Committee for its approval.

(b) That all publishing houses in the United States and abroad be requested to submit an estimate to the bureau of their needs of material and equipment as early as possible each year.

(c) That each publishing house report to the bureau at such regular intervals as shall be arranged for by the bureau, such market information as it may be able to obtain; and that the bureau after making its investigation, report its findings to the publishing houses.

(d) That the present Purchasing Bureau of the General Conference be merged into this bureau.

Brother Town reported the special blessing of God that came upon the publishing men as they committed the publishing houses to the program.

S.E.Wight thanked God for the far-reaching plans outlined, and believed they would result in great good to many needy fields.

E.R.Palmer stated that the experiences of the publishing convention had been the most uplifting of any in his thirty-four years connection with the publishing work. W.T.Knox expressed his conviction that the measure presented by the publishers was one of the most important ever presented, having regard to the effect upon the world-wide work. The work had so grown that the larger houses had often to work double shifts to supply the demands. He saw the same growth necessary in other lands--even outstripping the North American houses; for the vast populations are in the lands over the seas. He saw as one effect the encouraging of activity in colporteur work in every land until, as we have been admonished, a hundred men are out with the books where now there is one, and the denomination becomes a denomination of colporteurs, all uniting in giving the message to the world.

C.H.Jones, of the Pacific Press, declared he was glad his life was spared to see this day. For over fifty years he had been in the publishing work; had run the first power press used in our offices. All along the growth had been a marvel of the



power of God. Reading from messages by the spirit of prophecy given long ago, urging the old institutions to establish plants in the mission fields, he saw that word fulfilling. The publishing houses are trying to follow Christ the Leader. It had seemed that the Press, with its International Branch and its Canal Zone Branch, could not go into this new program this year; but he felt that God had moved the management to go into it without delay, trusting God to make it possible.

R.L.Pierce and J.L.McElhany, of the Southern Publishing House, stated that that institution was heart and soul committed to this program.

L.R.Conradi spoke of the wonderful opportunities before the publishing work "just now." Once he had carried tracts printed on tissue paper, hidden in his clothing, over the Russian border, and the people wept for joy as they got them. Now we expect as soon as conditions settle to find it possible to print openly and freely as fast as we can for the 180,000,000 there. The houses in Europe, with the many languages to serve, need working capital, and must have it in order to do the work that must be done. A dozen printing houses are needed in Europe as soon as possible. The program submitted strikes the right place at the opportune time. God is doing a wonderful work through our colporteurs. There is such a demand that we do not know how to supply it.

J.L.Shaw described the publishing houses in South America, and expressed joy at what this program promised.

Brethren A.J.Clark, J.B.Blosser, E.K.Slade, J.W.Christian, C.V.Leach, speaking from the point of view of the field, expressed the conviction that this plan would be hailed with joy by the believers, bringing new inspiration and courage.

L.H.Christian stated that to the brethren of Europe this was an answer to their prayers--a wonderful answer. They thanked God for it.

Pending action, the noon recess was taken, to 2:30 P.M.

After recess, the session was resumed, E.E.Andross in the chair. Prayer by E.T.Russell.

#### MISSION FIELDS PUBLISHING:

H.H.Hall presented a survey of the immediate needs of the publishing houses in mission fields as well as the requirements of fields that must start new publishing plants. The survey covered a plan for three years. Summarized, the calls are---



India	\$167,826
Malaysia	40,589
Philippines	20,683
China	94,597
Korea	40,961
Argentina	114,250
Brazil (Portuguese)	63,550
Africa	73,577
Europe	<u>225,000</u>
	\$899,232

Fields not listed, as Russia, and others would bring the total to nearly a million--every dollar representing an effort to quickly give the message to every tribe and tongue.

Further recommendations from the Publishing Department were presented, as follows:

#### HOME-FOREIGN BOOK WORK:

659. Whereas, In the providence of God nearly thirty million foreign-speaking people live in the United States and Canada, with an ever-increasing stream of emigrants coming annually to our shores; and,--

Whereas, God has spoken explicitly of the importance of giving the gospel to these strangers through the medium of our literature; therefore,--

We recommend, (a) That our field missionary secretaries make a careful survey of their respective fields to ascertain the number and localities of these various foreign-speaking peoples.

(b) That special emphasis be placed upon this phase of our work at regular and school institutes, acquainting the colporteurs with our foreign publications and urging upon them their sacred duty to endeavor to place some piece of literature in the home of every foreigner within the territory, in his native tongue.

(c) That student colporteurs coming from the various foreign schools be encouraged more than ever before, to choose territory among their own nationalities, and that conferences not having such territory, willingly acquiesce in the release of their foreign-speaking students to go where the need is the greatest.

VOTED, That these reports of the Publishing Department presented be adopted.



## PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT BOOKLET:

The department presented the booklet, "Recommendations of the Publishing Department," and recommended amendments, omissions and additions.

660. VOTED, That the department be authorized to re-issue the pamphlet with the changes suggested.

## AUDITORS' REPORT:

W.T.Knox stated that the report of the Auditors' Convention, held preceding the Council, was ready for presentation. It was read by H.E.Rogers, secretary, the Council adopting recommendations as follows:

## ACCOUNTING HELP:

661. Whereas, Authentic reports show clearly that in many places incompetent and very limited help has been provided for institutions and offices; therefore,--

Resolved, That we request the General Conference Committee in Fall Council assembled, as an economic and efficient measure, to take action requesting all institutional boards and executive committees to provide offices under their charge with needed equipment and competent accounting help.

## CASH DISCOUNT:

662. Whereas, It is recognized that a cash discount assists in the prompt collection of regular bills; therefore,--

We recommend, That this policy receive favorable consideration on the part of the Educational Department of the General Conference and our school boards in the collection of accounts from students; and that in all such cases a time limit be specified on the bill, beyond which no discount will be allowed.

## CONFERENCE TREASURER--LOCAL CHURCH TREASURER:

663. Whereas, The duties of those in charge of our offices are sufficient to demand all their time; we would therefore,--

Recommend, That the practice of their acting as local church treasurer be discouraged.

## DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE SALES:

In view of the fact that information respecting sales of denominational literature is fully reported by our publishing houses,--



664. We recommend the discontinuance of this column in the statistical report.

665. Whereas, There is a tendency on the part of some bookkeepers and accountants to unnecessarily depend upon the auditor to do some of the routine work on their books, such as taking of trial balances, drawing up of statements, etc., which is really the work of the bookkeeper; therefore,--

Resolved, That this practice be discouraged, and that our auditors be called upon for such work in cases of emergency only; and, further,--

We recommend, That when, through carelessness on the part of the bookkeeper, or the failure of a managing board or committee to provide competent or sufficient help, and the auditor finds it necessary to spend an excessive length of time in preparing the books for audit, and this condition is found to exist from year to year, the auditor may, in counsel with the union conference committee, make a reasonable charge for this part of his work.

#### TENT AND EQUIPMENT ACCOUNTS:

666. We recommend, That our conferences provide competent help to inventory or check up the tent equipment at each camp-meeting, and that a record be kept of each tent, both by number and valuation.

667. We recommend, That the camp-meeting expense account be closed into the loss and gain account at the end of each calendar year.

668. We recommend, That the library and laboratory fees and expense accounts in our schools be kept separate from the equipment accounts, and that the expense and income account be closed into loss and gain at the end of the year.

#### CASH POLICY:

Believing that we should discourage the carrying of memorandum accounts by our tract societies,--

669. We recommend, That we adhere to the policy of the General Conference Publishing Department, as outlined in their Recommendation No. 68, from which we quote as follows:

"b. That conference tract societies settle monthly for supplies secured from the publishing houses.

"c. That canvassers for books settle monthly with conference tract societies for all goods, including helps, due allowance being made for length of time required in shipping



books to distant points.

"d. That agents for periodicals accompany their orders with cash.

"e. That church tract societies and companies settle monthly for all supplies.

"f. That conference laborers either pay cash for supplies, or give order on conference treasury for monthly settlement from wage account.

"g. That lay members pay cash for supplies."

#### FORMS FOR CONFERENCE AND TRACT SOCIETY AUDITING:

670. Whereas, Our publishing houses and conference offices now have considerable stock of present conference and tract society blank forms on hand,--

We recommend, That the conferences and tract societies continue using the present forms; that a committee be appointed by this convention (the General Conference Auditor to be chairman) to make a study of our needs and produce samples; that each auditor make a special study of this matter, and submit his findings to this committee; that we request the privilege of an Auditors' Council at the coming session of the General Conference, at which time the report of this special committee may be submitted.

(The convention named: J.J.Ireland, C.C.Pulver, S.E.McNeill.)

#### AUTOMOBILES:

671. Whereas, Our local and union conferences and all our institutions are more or less making use of automobiles in their work,--

We recommend, The attached form for reporting automobile expense.

#### CHURCH REPORT BLANKS:

672. We recommend changes in the church quarterly report blank, as follows:

1. In headline change the word "fifteen" to "five", so as to read as follows: "Five days after the close of the quarter."



2. That item 6 on the present blank specify funds, as per form attached.

3. That more space on back of report be given for names and addresses.

#### COMMITTEE ON MODEL FORMS:

673. We recommend that a Committee on field experience be appointed by this convention to prepare a book of forms to serve as models to be followed in preparation of statements for union and local conferences, associations, tract societies, colleges, academies, and sanitariums.

(The convention named: C.L.Kilgore, W.C.Raley, R.T. Emery, J.J.Ireland, S.E.McNeill.)

#### SPECIAL ACCOUNTS:

674. We recommend. That when there is a sufficient amount of cement sidewalks, water pipes, sewer pipes, and similar accounts in connection with any of our institutions, a separate account be opened for each general division. Lawn seed, shrubbery etc., should be considered as an improvement investment only when first made; afterward they should be considered as an operating expense.

#### TRACT SOCIETY ACCOUNTS:

675. We recommend. That tract society cash sales over the counter or through the mails be recorded daily, giving the name of purchaser and amount of each sale; this record to be made either by an autograph cash register or specially prepared sales sheet. Camp-meeting sales to be listed as to amount of sales, either on a sales sheet or cash register tape, and entered daily through the cash book.

Whereas. A uniform classification of tract society expenses is desirable,-

676. We recommend. That this convention reaffirm the action taken by the Auditors' Convention in 1914, in regard to expenses to be borne by tract societies, which includes rent, light, heat and similar expenses, also salaries of those employed directly in the tract society office.

(The action referred to is the following: "That the tract society department in each conference be recommended to carry its share of the office labor, rent, and other expense accounts.")



## DONATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS:

677.

We recommend, That in compiling financial statements of our institutions, all salaries received from the local, union, or General Conference be considered as donations; and that appropriations to conferences or mission fields be regarded in the same way.

## BUDGET PLAN:

678.

Whereas, The financial statements of our institutions in many instances show heavy operating losses, and many conferences are financially pressed,--

We recommend, As a protective efficiency measure that conferences, schools, and sanitariums operate on the budget plan, and that these budgets be prepared by those in charge of the various institutions or conferences, in conjunction with such efficient help as they may be able to secure.

We recommend the attached suggestive form for budget use.

## TRUST FUNDS:

679. We recommend, That funds for special lines of work or special enterprises, such as building funds, or those of a similar nature, be carried in the annual statements as trust funds; but that local funds, such as religious liberty funds, literature funds, etc., be closed into loss and gain at the end of each year, but in such a manner that they will not lose their identity.

## VOUCHERS:

680. Whereas, We recognize there can be no better voucher for cash received than the original letter containing the remittance,--

We recommend, That in our General, union and local conferences these letters be used for original entry in cash books, and be filed in numerical order. Where money is received without a letter, reference be made to the duplicate receipt, and that, for ready reference, an index be kept of all vouchers.



## AUTOMOBILE EXPENSE:

681. VOTED, That the blank prepared for the report of the automobile expense include a paragraph of instruction as to the proper way to estimate the expense of operating a car.

Pending further consideration of the report, the Council adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS,  
E.E.ANDROSS, Chairmen.

W.A.SPICER,  
J.L.SHAW, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 22, 1920

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The third meeting of the Council was called at 9:30 AM October 22, A.G.Daniells in the chair.

Prayer by M.E.Kern.

Minutes of previous meetings were presented.

The roll call of representatives was read as follows:

Atlantic Union:

E.K.Slade, Dr. W.E.Bliss, H.W.Carr, E.E.Erunklin, B.M.Heald, H.C.Hartwell, R.Hook, Jr., J.K.Jones, C.L.Kilgore, A.T.Robinson, P.L.Thompson.

Central Union:

S.E.Wight, J.B.Blosser, Mettie E.Cornell, R.T.Emery, W.A.Gosmer, D.U.Hale, H.E.Lysinger, D.D.Rees, N.T.Sutton, U.S. Willis, D.P.Wood, B.G.Wilkinson.

Eastern Canadian Union:

F.W.Stray, D.J.C.Barrett, S.Donaldson, E.M. Fishell, Dr D.H.Kress, N.H.Saunders, G.E.Smith, J.L.Wilson.



Lake Union:

Wm. Guthrie, Tillie E. Barr, C. Bunker, J. M. Campbell,  
 A. J. Clark, T. S. Copeland, Frank Dudley, H. T. Elliott, W. P. Elliott,  
 G. R. Fattic, W. D. Forde, Helen Gettys, P. C. Hayward, H. H. Hicks,  
 W. H. Holden, S. B. Horton, O. L. Ice, J. J. Irwin, O. M. Kittle, John  
 Knox, H. A. Lukens, J. W. McComas, J. L. McConaughy, L. C. Metcalf, J. H.  
 Miller, R. J. Nethery, J. F. Piper, Mrs. J. F. Piper, H. K. Presley,  
 A. E. Serns, S. T. Shadel, Lenna Simkin, G. B. Starr, W. A. Westworth,  
 C. S. Wiest, B. F. Williams, J. J. Woodman, W. A. Woodruff.

Northern Union:

E. T. Russell, W. H. Clark, A. J. Haysmer, H. H. Humann,  
 E. M. Oberg, I. G. Ortner, A. F. Prieger, A. F. Schmidt.

North Pacific Union:

A. R. Ogden, W. L. Adams, J. F. Beatty, L. E. Biggs, F. M.  
 Burg, N. H. Conway, H. W. Cottrell, W. C. Flaiz, P. A. Hansen, S. J.  
 Lashier, J. J. Nethery, J. W. Norwood, J. A. Rippey, J. S. Rouse, R. L.  
 Walin, G. F. Watson.

Pacific Union:

J. W. Christian, W. M. Adams, B. E. Beddoe, L. M. Bowen,  
 Claude Conard, B. M. Emerson, M. A. Hollister, J. A. Neilsen, F. E.  
 Painter, W. C. Raley, C. E. Rice, W. W. Ruble, Clarence Santee, H. S.  
 Shaw, A. R. Sandborn, G. W. Wells.

Southern Union:

J. L. McElhany, V. O. Cole, W. R. Elliott, F. L. Harrison,  
 R. I. Keate, Anna Knight, I. M. Martin, O. R. Staines, E. A. Sutherland,  
 J. F. Wright, John Thompson.

Southwestern Union:

Morris Lukens, Almetta Garrett, A. F. Harrison, R. P.  
 Montgomery, C. G. Nunes, Alfred Peterson, H. M. J. Richards, C. E.  
 Smith, J. I. Taylor, M. E. Van Kirk, David Voth.

Western Canadian Union:

A. C. Gilbert, W. A. Clemensen, Geo. Campbell, L. W. Cobb,  
 Verah McPherson, J. J. Reiswig, G. H. Skinner, J. G. Walker.

Columbia Union:

F. H. Robbins, C. E. Andross, O. O. Bernstein, N. S. Ashton,  
 A. S. Booth, M. E. Cady, R. E. Harter, H. F. Kirk, J. A. Leland, D. A.  
 Parsons, F. C. Phipps, C. C. Pulver, J. W. McCord, T. B. Westbrook.



Southeastern Union:

W.H.Heckman, W.E.Abernathy, L.T.Crisler, B.F.  
Kneeland, G.E.Peters, B.W.Spire, C.B.Stephenson, J.A.Tucker.

Publishing Houses:Pacific Press:

S.J.Abegg, R.E.Bowles, H.G.Childs, Jas. Cochran,  
S.N.Curtiss, G.C.Hoskin, J.M.Rowse, H.W.Sherrig, A.R.Smith, D.R.  
Sperry, A.O.Tait, M.C.Wilcox, C.F.Jones.

Review and Herald:

D.A.Bailey, L.L.Caviness, Mrs. F.D.Chase, R.T.  
Dowsett, L.W.Graham, J.W.Mace, E.L.Richmond, J.D.Snider, W.B.  
Walters.

Canadian Watchman Press:

C.F.McVagh, H.H.Rans, C.L.Paddock.

Southern Publishing Association:

H.R.Gay, W.A.Harvey, C.E.Hooper, M.F.Knox, L.D.  
Randall, A.W.Spalding.

From Europe:

L.R.Conradi, L.H.Christian, M.N.Campbell, Guy Dail,  
P.Drinhaus, A.V.Olson, Jens Olsen, J.C.Raft, W.E.Read, G.W.  
Schubert, H.F.Schuberth.

The Far East--Japan:

B.P.Hoffman.

Mexico:

G.W.Caviness.

West Indies:

Cuba--S.E.Kellman.  
Haiti--A.G.Roth.

India:

A.H.Williams.



General and Departmental:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, S.N.Haskell, W.W.Prescott, Chas. Thompson, G.B.Thompson, C.H.Jones, E.R. Palmer, R.D.Quinn, F.M.Wilcox, R.A.Underwood, W.E.Howell, R.L. Pierce, M.E.Kern, N.Z.Town, W.A.Spicer, J.L.Shaw, C.S.Longacre, P.E.Broderson, J.H.Schilling, J.T.Boettcher, N.P.Neilsen, G.E. Nord, V.O.Punches, W.F.Martin, Mrs. L.F.Plummer, L.A.Hansen, H.H.Hall, F.C.Gilbert, E.W.Farnsworth, J.H.McEachern, W.W. Eastman, C.V.Leach, O.M.John, H.K.Christman, W.L.Burgan, P.T. Magan, C.A.Russell, J.W.MacNeil, W.H.Green, Miss Sarah E.Peck, W.C.White, F.M.Larsen, H.H.Cobban, H.E.Rogers, Ethel Edwards, J.F.Simon, J.J.Ireland, S.E.McNeill.

NEXT GENERAL CONFERENCE:

W.T.Knox reported information gathered by the Committee on Place of the next General Conference.

The most favorable offer reported was from San Francisco, which offered the Auditorium free of all charge. It was stated that changes had been made in the Auditorium remedying the acoustic properties that were so unfavorable when the last General Conference was held there.

Moved. That the General Conference be held in San Francisco.

A.R.Ogden and H.W.Cottrell invited the Conference to Portland, Oregon.

E.T.Russell of the Northern Union suggested Des Moines, Iowa.

A.J.Clark of the Chicago Conference urged Chicago as the place.

Brethren R.A.Underwood, Chas. Thompson, W.T.Knox, J.W.Christian, and C.H.Jones spoke to the question.

E.K.Slade spoke of the Atlantic Union's invitation for New York City, submitted to the Committee on Location.

A.O.Tait, M.C.Wilcox, S.E.Wight spoke to the question

M.E.Kern suggested sending a delegation to Chicago from the Council to gather specific information.

Further remarks were made by E.T.Russell, G.B. Thompson, Dr. Kress, W.W.Prescott, J.L.McElhany, E.E.Andross, M.C.Wilcox, Wm. Guthrie.



682. VOTED, That the motion be referred to a committee to be appointed by the Chair to give the matter study and to bring in a written report, with statement of reasons and considerations for the choice made.

Named: W.T.Knox, the Vice-president for North America, and the union conference presidents.

#### DELEGATION FROM ABROAD:

683. VOTED, That the Chair appoint a committee of five to make recommendation regarding delegations to the General Conference from fields outside of North America.

Named: J.L.Shaw, L.R.Conradi, E.E.Andross, W.W. Prescott, Chas. Thompson.

#### ON ARRANGEMENTS:

684. VOTED, That the Committee on Location be requested also to make recommendation regarding arrangements for the General Conference session.

Recess to 2:30 P.M.

After recess, C.F.McVagh led in prayer.

#### AUDITORS' REPORT:

The Council resumed consideration of the report from the Auditors' Convention. The following further recommendations were adopted:

685. Inasmuch as there is a great need of education along business lines,--

We recommend, That union treasurer and auditors, where advisable, hold institutes with their local treasurers and other office assistants, to study methods and plans tending toward unifying and making their work more efficient.

686. Inasmuch as the financial statements of all our institutions should accurately represent the true financial condition,--

We recommend, That accounts considered doubtful or worthless be provided for in the reserve account, regardless of the length of time standing.



687. We further recommend, That accounts for which provision should be made be carried as a resource, offset by a reserve account; but that the individual accounts be carried in an auxiliary ledger, and be represented by a controlling account in the general ledger. When the time limit of two years expires, as outlined in the Auditors' Convention Report of 1914, page 67, then the accounts should be transferred to the closed section of this auxiliary ledger, without closing the individual accounts, but that a journal entry be made charging the reserve account, and crediting the controlling account for all such accounts as have been transferred.

688. We recommend, That equipment accounts in our schools be kept with the various departments, and where desirable, with subdivisions of departments of each institution, such as college equipment, dormitory equipment, music department, etc.; and that for each equipment account the inventory be kept by classes and numbers, beginning each class with serial number one, and where necessary with the departmental letter also.

689. We recommend, That the accompanying freight claim memorandum be adopted by our tract societies in making freight claims against our publishing houses; that a freight and drayage account be kept; that this blank be made in triplicate; that the original freight receipts be attached to the duplicate, which together with the original, be sent to the publishing house, with request that when freight receipts have been checked by it, the freight receipts be returned to the tract society, with the credit memorandum for entry upon the books of the tract society. That the triplicate be held by the tract society until credit memorandum is received.

It is the sense of the Auditors' Convention that all our offices should maintain regular office hours.

690. We recommend, That the Review and Herald Publishing Association be invited to prepare stock of various forms approved by this convention, after a proof has been O.K.'d by one of our General Conference Auditors, and that our conferences and institutions place such orders with this publishing house as their needs may require.

691. We further recommend, That the General Conference Committee give favorable consideration to the publication of a report of this convention, in printed form for circulation.

(The convention named as a committee to prepare the report, J.J.Ireland, S.E.McNeill, H.E.Rogers.)

The following further recommendations were presented in a communication from the Auditors:



TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED,  
October 20-30, 1920, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Brethren:

Your board of auditors in convention assembled, after giving careful thought to the memorial referred to us by you from the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, make the following recommendations for the consideration of your honorable body:

692. Whereas, The former financial policy of our administrative officials, of building up new institutions or making enlargements of those already in operation, and maintaining operating capital for them, with funds borrowed, wholly or in part, is being rapidly changed to that of a "cash," or "free from debt," or "pay as you go" policy; and,--

Whereas, Some of the constituent membership, especially those who are advanced in years, whose funds have been on interest with the several departments of the work for a long period of time, and who desire that said funds shall remain there after they are through with them, are greatly disturbed by the thought that their money is to be returned to them through the earnings of the institutions, or the generous donations of our brethren; and,--

Whereas, Our brethren in responsibilities are perplexed with the situation as they meet it, and are seeking for advice and counsel as to what will be the best plan to follow under these and similar circumstances; therefore,--

We recommend, 1. That our institutions be encouraged to faithfully pursue the plan of discharging every obligation of debt as far as it is possible to do so, in order that the "reproach of debt" may be fully "rolled back."

2. That annuity contracts drawing allowances not exceeding the normal rates of interest paid by our institutions for funds deposited, be negotiated with those individuals in advanced life who do not wish their loans returned to them. It should be understood, however, that the corporation issuing such annuity contracts will pursue the policy outlined by the General Conference Committee in making careful and safe investments in gilt-edge securities.

3. That we urge upon our local conferences, union and institutional legal corporations to care for these interests in their respective fields, as far as it is possible for them to do so, and to make such reinvestments as may seem best after proper consideration has been given each question.



4. That in case the prospective annuitant desires his or her contract to be drawn by the general organization, that correspondence be opened with the Treasurer of the General Conference Corporation in their behalf, giving full particulars with reference to each case.

5. That the General Conference Corporation be used as the place of deposit for such surplus funds that these institutions may have for investment when local conditions are not favorable.

6. That our general institutions be encouraged to consult the General Conference Corporation when seeking short-term loans to assist them through the light or spare seasons of the year.

7. That the Treasurer of the General Conference Corporation be instructed to make investments when there is a surplus of funds on hand that are not wanted by our general institutions, in short-term loans, in such securities as are safe and convertible when needed, and as may be agreed upon between the corporations concerned.

The recommendations were adopted.

Adjourned.

A.G. DANIELLS, Chairman.

W.A. SPICER,  
J.L. SHAW, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED NINETIETH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 24, 1920

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The fourth meeting of the Council was called in the Masonic Temple, October 24, at 9:30 A.M., the morning devotional hour having closed with the ordination service, setting apart Leon L. Caviness to the ministry.

A.G. Daniells in the chair. Prayer by J.W. Christian.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read.

## COMMITTEE ON SEATING:

J.W. Christian, E.K. Slade and S.E. Wight were appointed as a committee on seating.

## BROOKFIELD HOUSE:

Interests of the International Branch were considered. The Boulder Council had authorized the Pacific Press to plan for enlargements during 1920 to care for the increasing volume of foreign-language publishing. Ninety thousand dollars was to be raised for this by special solicitation in the unions, \$10,000 by the use of the foreign-language Ingathering numbers. W.T. Knox, C.H. Jones and S.N. Curtiss presented the situation. The Pacific Press had expended \$68,900 in the most essential improvements, including land, buildings and machinery. But \$17,000 had been received on the \$100,000 Fund, the Press thus having advanced \$51,000 on this account.

The budget of improvements was submitted as follows:

New Buildings,	\$45,013.88
Real Estate,	14,601.94
Machinery and Equipment,	<u>9,284.27</u>
Total,	\$68,900.00

Amount still to be expended:

Real Estate, Estimated,	16,500.00
Machinery and equipment, est.	<u>12,350.00</u>
Total,	<u>28,850.00</u>
Grand Total,	97,750.00



L.H.Christian, P.E.Broderson, J.T.Boettcher spoke to the question.

S.E.Wight stated that the Central Union would raise its share. So also E.T.Russell, E.K.Slade, and A.C.Gilbert gave assurance that their unions would aim to provide their share this year.

693. It was agreed that the matter of the balance of the \$90,000 would be attended to by the unions, the Bureau of Home Missions to be responsible for the \$10,000 Ingathering portion.

#### PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT REPORT:

N.Z.Town presented a report of the workings of the Publishing Department of the cause (which will be published in the Review). The remarkable facts of the opening of the report led to interruption of its reading while a testimony meeting was held, brethren speaking of the wonderful workings of God in the development of the publishing work.

#### CALLS:

694. VOTED, That calls for managers for the Brazilian and Malaysian offices, for union field secretary for East Brazil, and field secretary for Venezuela, be referred to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

#### COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION:

695. VOTED, That the officers, the union conference presidents, and secretaries of departments constitute the Committee on Distribution of Labor, E.E.Andross to act as chairman.

#### SOUTHERN PUB. ASS'N.--SOUTH AMERICA:

696. VOTED, That we request the Southern Publishing Association to send as early as possible, R.L.Pierce, or other representative, to visit South America in the interests of the publishing work.

#### CONVENTIONS:

697. VOTED, That Publishing Department Conventions be held in 1921 as follows:

Pacific Press territory, January 17--24.

Southern Pub. Ass'n. territory, Jan. 31--Feb. 6.

Review and Herald territory, February 10--17.

Recess to 2:30 P.M.



Resuming at 2:30 P.M., M.N.Campbell offered prayer.

#### ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

Lewis Johnson, just returned from Europe.

#### FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND PUBLISHING HOUSES:

The following recommendation was presented from the Publishing Convention:

"That the fields outside North America place the retail prices on imported books at a figure which will enable them to settle their accounts promptly at cost in places of manufacture, plus freight, duty, and exchange."

698. VOTED, That the recommendation be adopted.

#### REVIEW SUBSCRIPTIONS:

699. VOTED, That by special appropriation we make it possible that subscriptions to the Review and Herald be remitted for at the normal rate of exchange in fields seriously affected by the normal exchange rates at the present time, the treasury to arrange with the Review and Herald Publishing House the basis on which this shall be effected.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION:

The Committee on Church Extension, appointed at the Spring Council, made a report which was adopted as follows:

700. The committee appointed to make recommendations concerning some provision for a Church Extension Fund, submit the following:

We recognize the new demands which are made upon us in the effort in recent years to reach the people in the great centers of population through <sup>cut</sup> the world. We now have a growing work, in some cases a considerable number of believers in this message, in New York, Chicago, London, Paris, Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Calcutta, Singapore, Canton, Shanghai, and Tokyo, and frequent calls are coming to us for assistance in providing suitable houses of worship where those may meet who have accepted the truth in these and other large cities, and to which they may invite others. In some of these cities we have already suffered serious losses in membership and have been badly handicapped in extending our work for the lack of the needed facilities but the financial investment demanded is in most stances beyond the ability of the local church to handle.



We believe the time has come when this new development in our work should receive due recognition, and that proper provision should be made to meet it, but at the same time we do not wish in doing this to disturb or to imperil our well established methods of securing the funds required for carrying forward this message in the world field. We therefore recommend:

That a Church Extension Fund to be administered by the General Conference Committee, be created by making the following changes in the annual distribution of the twenty per cent of the Fifty-cent-a-week Fund, beginning January 1, 1921:

That one half of the amount now devoted to the payment of the debt of the Loma Linda Medical College be reserved for this new fund.

That one fourth of the amount now devoted to the colleges be also reserved for this new fund.

That donations to this Church Extension Fund be invited from those who are able to make larger gifts, and that this fund be suggested as a proper object to which legacies may be made

If full returns are received on the Fifty-cent-a-week Fund, this action would provide annually about \$110,000.00, in addition to what might be secured from special gifts and legacies.

The judicious use of this sum of money during a series of years, in addition to what might be raised locally in each instance, would make it possible to provide suitable memorials to this advent movement in a goodly number of the great cities of the world.

W.T.Knox,	W.A.Spicer,
Chas. Thompson,	W.W.Prescott,
	Committee.

After an intermission of five minutes, E.E.Andross was called to the chair.

#### AUDITING COMMITTEE:

701. VOTED, That the chair appoint the members of the Auditing Committee to be appointed from persons not in the employ of the General Conference.

Named: C.H.Jones, N.S.Ashton, W.H.Clark, J.K.Jones, E.R.Palmer, R.L.Pierce, B.E.Beddoe, L.M.Bowen.



J.J.IRELAND:

702. VOTED, That J.J.Ireland, auditor, be requested to locate in Takoma Park.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The treasurer presented a statement of the General Conference funds for nine months of 1920. The report showed:

SUMMARY

Expenses to date, September 30, 1920,	2,076.003.15
Income " " " " "	<u>1,589.310.68</u>
Expenses in excess of income,	486,692.47
January 20, 1920, Surplus,	1,213,693.94
Deficit in operating first nine months 1920,	<u>486,692.47</u>
Present Surplus,	727,001.47
Amount of Appropriation unpaid,	431,950.69
Trust Funds in holding,	215,592.00

CASH STATEMENT

Present Worth, September 30, 1920,	727,001.47
Accounts Receivable,	<u>358.685.33</u>
Operating Surplus,	368,316.14
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Trust Funds in Holding,	215,592.61
Surplus,	<u>368,316.14</u>

Cash Balance, September 30, 1920,	583,908.75
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TRANSFER FROM SUSTENTATION:

In view of the need of increasing the mission income for current operating, it was--

703. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to transfer to the mission operating fund \$75,000 from the Sustentation Fund, leaving \$35,000 in the Sustentation account.



## SURPLUS TITHE FOR MISSIONS:

Consideration was given to the provision for percentages of tithe from conferences to be devoted to the General Conference for missions. The amount from this source is estimated at \$500,000 in the 1921 budget.

J.W.Christian presented the proposition that the weekly rate for missions be set at 75 cents per week per member, the tithe for missions from conferences being included. This would increase the funds by about \$750,000 in 1921, unless perhaps, deduction should be made by exemption of some parts of the field, as the South perhaps. He would have the "come-back" to the conferences still 10 cents, as heretofore. He believed the setting of a 75 cent goal, with a more definite sharing of the tithe would be received with joy by the believers.

704. VOTED, That this proposition be referred to a committee of seven to give it careful study and to report.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS,  
E.E.ANDORSS, Chairmen.

W.A.SPICER,  
J.L.SHAW, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 25, 1920

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The fifth meeting of the Council was called at 9:30 A.M., October 25.

A.G.Daniells in the chair. Prayer by J.C.Raft. Minutes were read.

## MISSION FUNDS:

The question of the suggested increase in the mission fund weekly goal was further discussed. The facts were faced:

Total requests for 1921 are	\$5,130,056
Present income	<u>3,366,496</u>
Shortage	1,764,560



It had been suggested that 10% be added to the 1920 appropriations to the fields, which would be possible at the present income, if we cut down the working capital somewhat. But this would fall very far short of the calls, which are 75% above last year.

A strong desire to find a way of making the aim 75 cents a week was expressed by informal vote.

The committee on the 75-cent proposition was called for 1:30 P.M., with conference presidents invited to attend.

Recess to 2:30 P.M.

On resuming, J.T.Boettcher offered prayer.

Additional present: J.E.Jayne.

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION:

The Committee on location of the next General Conference made a report which was adopted as follows;

Your Committee on location of the next General Conference report further that it has no information giving assurance of a satisfactory place of meeting other than the offer of the Auditorium, San Francisco, which is placed at our disposal for May, 1922, free of all charges.

Desiring a more central location, consideration has been given to other cities, where large auditoriums might be secured and where hotel accommodations would be sufficient; but the nature of our General Conference makes it essential that along with the large hall for the regular sessions, there shall be provision for halls for the simultaneous meeting of the seven or eight departments, where sessions are largely attended.

We are unable to report at this meeting on any place affording these facilities other than San Francisco. To attempt to house these departmental meetings in halls widely separated in any city would seem impossible in the time at our disposal between the regular sessions of the Conference. At the San Francisco Auditorium an entire additional floor of committee rooms and halls are available that were not open to us at the last Conference, so that under one roof all of our meetings and sub-committees can be conveniently arranged.

With this offer limited to the time of this Council, the management requiring immediate decision, and with no other arrangement being definitely assured us,



705. We recommend, That the offer of San Francisco placing the Exposition Auditorium at our disposal for May, 1922, be accepted, with expression of our deep appreciation of the generous and courteous invitation of San Francisco, and that we appoint San Francisco the meeting place of our next World's General Conference in May, 1923.

#### COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS:

706. We recommend that the Executive Committee of the Pacific Union Conference be appointed a Committee on Arrangements for the next General Conference, to work in counsel with the General Conference officers.

#### MISSIONS GOAL FOR COLORED MEMBERSHIP:

707. VOTED, That we accept with appreciation the proposition of our colored brethren, as expressed in an action of their convention at Nashville, that the colored constituency aim at making 50 cents a week their goal in mission gifts for 1921.

#### MAGAZINE COLPORTEURS:

On recommendation from the Publishing Department, it was--

708. VOTED, (1) That the promotion of the magazine business be transferred from the Home Missionary Department to the Publishing Department of the General Conference; further,

(2) That a suitable man be selected to connect with the General Conference Publishing Department as an assistant secretary, to foster and develop this work through the regularly organized channels, and that where necessary the present organization be strengthened.

#### CAMP-MEETING HELP AND PROGRAM:

Attention was given to the matter of general help for camp-meetings, with a view to guarding against over-representation of departments at some meetings or lack of representation.

709. VOTED, That this matter be referred to the General Conference Committee with instruction to give effect to plans already agreed to, and further emphasized in this discussion when arrangements are made for the camp-meeting season.

#### EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY:

The treasurer had been asked to present the matter of the need of efficiency and economy in our work, having regard to the increased funds available, the increase in workers, and the



heavy increase in cost of operation as regards travel, etc. The income is now about \$10,000,000. Therefore the conservation of resources and the development of highest efficiency may effect great savings to the cause. Some of our institutions have been effecting economies by giving special attention to efficiency study. The same principles applied to our administrative and evangelistic work might result in similar economies and increased efficiency. The matter of care of conference equipment and property, use of telephones, telegraph, rents, use of automobiles, etc., were considered. A number of delegates spoke of these matters, including movement and transfer of laborers.

#### REPORT FROM AUDITORS' CONVENTION:

Recommendations from the Auditors' Convention were presented and adopted as follows:

710. Whereas, The work of this cause has grown to large proportions, involving an annual expenditure of approximately ten million dollars; and,--

Whereas, The rapidity of this growth tends to lessen the tension, and leave the way open for unwise or excessive expenditures; and,--

Whereas, The funds given by our people are entrusted to us to secure the greatest possible results; therefore,--

We recommend, That special study and practice of economy be made, to secure the highest degree of efficiency with the least expenditure; and suggest the following items through which material reductions and savings may be secured:

1. While recognizing the success and usefulness of conventions, we recommend that careful study be given to their frequency and duration, and that proper counsel be secured from the controlling committee in arranging for these conventions.

2. Through the multiplying of departments and development of foreign work in America and abroad, which requires a large corps of secretaries, resulting in a large attendance at camp-meetings of workers outside of the conference, we would therefore advise that in the Spring Councils careful consideration be given as to who should attend these meetings.

3. Noting the heavy losses in camp-meeting expense, we would advise that careful consideration be given to the various items which make up these expenses; and while we would encourage liberality and hospitality, yet we would advise that entertainment be confined to those invited, or to those sent to these meetings by properly constituted authority.



4. It is evident that, in the present day, the demand for a means of rapid transportation has brought the automobile into use, both in America and in foreign fields, at a very heavy expense; and while it can not be denied that in certain cases these sometimes may be used to advantage,--

We recommend that no investment of this character be made by any institution, conference, or mission field without careful study as to whether it is needed for the cause; and that those to whom these are granted, use them only when required for use in work in which they are engaged, and not for personal use. That the responsible committee give consideration to and determine the basis upon which the expense and maintenance be allowed. When car is used otherwise than specified above, that there be determined a basis upon which the conference or individual be remunerated. That when automobiles are used, a detailed report of use and expense be made.

5. That in the use of telephones, economy be exercised, to the end that only such instruments be installed as will lend to the efficiency of the work of the General Conference, and within reasonable expense.

6. Your committee would also counsel against any needless use of the telegraph and cable in transacting our business. It is noticeable that charges for this service are constantly on the increase, and in many instances charges incurred could have been avoided by the use of the mails.

7. The marked increases in train and sleeper fares call for careful study and planning, so that unnecessary expense shall not be caused. When practicable we recommend that traveling be done by day. When journeys are long and continuous, that sleeper be sought at a minimum price for night service only, except on transcontinental trips.

8. Whereas, The removal of headquarters always entails heavy expenses, we would recommend that such removals be not undertaken except when best of reasons make it seem imperative, and that it would always be well to secure the approval of the constituency before such change is made.

9. In establishing conference or tract society offices in high rental districts, we would recommend that consideration first be given to amount of public service required.

10. We suggest that proper economy be exercised in expenditures for office furnishings, stationery, etc., that it may be in keeping with the nature of our message and the financial limitations of our denomination; calling special attention also to savings that can be made in circular and other letters sent from offices, by limiting their length and avoiding duplication.



11. In selecting all classes of workers we would recommend that this be done with a view as to their efficiency, regardless of their relationship or connection with administrative officials.

12. The saving of many thousands of dollars may be secured by the proper care of our institutional and conference property.

13. By avoiding unnecessary changes in our promotion and reporting forms and other stock matter.

14. We also question the advisability of such free use of photography, and the making of stereopticon slides.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.

W.A.SPICER,  
J.L.SHAW, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SECOND MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 26, 1920

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The sixth meeting of the Council was called at 9:30 A.M., October 26.

E.E.Andross in the chair, Prayer by W.C.White.  
Minutes were read.

#### HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

C.V.Leach presented a brief report of the working of this department.

#### TIME OF INGATHERING:

711. VOTED, That we set the official opening of the 1921 Harvest Ingathering Campaign for September 1, and that we ask the publishers to have papers ready for shipment August 1.

#### SIZE OF INGATHERING EDITION:

712. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to place an order for 2,000,000 copies of the 1921 issue, with the privilege



of increasing the order to the possible extent of 500,000 additional copies.

The following recommendations of the Home Missionary Department were adopted:

#### FIELD WEEK:

713. Whereas, Tens of thousands of Seventh-day Adventists in foreign lands are without a missionary literature due to a lack of publishing facilities; and,--

Whereas, The General Conference through the Publishing Department is launching a movement to raise \$500,000 to supply the immediate needs in publishing facilities,--

We recommend, 1. That the Home Missionary Department launch a field week for the North American continent.

2. That the week selected be the second week of May, 1921, cooperating in the Publishing Department Big Week.

3. That the goal for this field week be \$100,000.

4. That the laity be encouraged to raise this sum through the sale of literature.

#### CHURCH ELDER AS MISSIONARY LEADER:

714. Whereas, "The church of Christ has been organized on earth for missionary purposes," and the elder stands related to the church as the conference president stands related to the conference; therefore,--

Resolved, That we reaffirm our recognition of the elder as the leader of the missionary work of the church; and further,--

We recommend, 1. That such recognition of leadership be formally registered through the vote of the churches at each annual election; and,--

2. That, in the event the elder is unable to discharge his duties as missionary leader, and he and the church feel that it is best for the advancement of the missionary work of the church for another member to take this responsibility, a capable person be selected and elected to cooperate with the elder as missionary leader of the church.



## TEN-DAY INSTITUTES:

715. Whereas, The Spring Council sounded a rally call to all our believers throughout the world field to bear their full share of the burden imposed upon Christians and philanthropists; and,--

Whereas, It was voted that immediate steps be taken to prepare our people to carry their full share of this burden, special emphasis being placed upon the importance of giving a primary training in medical missionary lines; and,--

Whereas, The Home Missionary and Medical Missionary Departments of the General Conference have tried out the ten-day institute plan recommended by the Spring Council, the results of which were most encouraging; we therefore,--

Recommend, 1. That we, the union home missionary secretaries of North America, in convention assembled, hereby endorse this action and heartily pledge our cooperation in carrying out such a program in the most effective way possible.

2. Recognizing that this phase of our message should reach all of our people as promptly as possible, and in such a practical way as to be of real benefit to them and to their neighbors, we therefore recommend that we endorse the plan of ten-day church institutes, and we request the Home Missionary Department to submit an outline of instruction for--

- (a) Laymen's Bible Class.
- (b) Literature Ministry.
- (c) Church Officers' Training.

3. We further recommend, That the Home Missionary and Medical Departments prepare an outline on Medical Missionary, Health, and Simple Treatment instruction, and that we acquiesce in the action of the Spring Council that this line of instruction be "intensely practical, preventive measures being taught pre-eminently."

4. That in launching the ten-day institute plan in the unions, we recommend that so far as possible the union and local secretaries, together with such help as may be available, work out a model institute in each conference.

## HOME MISSIONARY READING COURSES:

716. Realizing the great responsibility resting upon the leaders in this Laymen's Missionary Movement, and the importance of each one seeking the best possible preparation and help in this work; therefore,--



We recommend, That, as one means of helping our leaders in this work, the General Conference Home Missionary Department inaugurate a Reading Course to be recommended to union and local conference home missionary leaders and secretaries; and that the 1921 Course include the following four books:

"Ministry of Healing" by Mrs. E.G. White.  
 The forthcoming Manual on Home Missionary Work.  
 "The Present Day Evangelism," by Chapman.  
 "On the Trail of the Immigrant," by Steiner.

We would further recommend, That a similar Reading Course be inaugurated for our local church elders, missionary leaders, and missionary secretaries, the Course to consist of such books as may be selected by the General Department.

#### THE HOME FOREIGN WORK:

717. Whereas, "God desires his servants to do their full duty toward the unwarned foreigners of this country, many of whom are here in the providence of God, that they may have opportunity to hear the truth for this time and receive a preparation that will fit them to return to their own land as bearers of precious light shining direct from the throne of God;" and,--

Whereas, There has been practically no organized effort put forth in our English churches throughout the country to distribute literature and do other practical missionary work among these people; and,--

Whereas, An organized effort should be carried on in all our churches, both English and foreign, to give the truth to these people of many tongues,--

We recommend, That strong, concentrated efforts be put forth by all our union and local conference home missionary secretaries to develop the foreign work within their respective fields--

1. By gathering information and statistics regarding the population of foreigners in the conference, their nationality and location.

2. By giving proper consideration to the foreign-speaking people, according to their population, in the missionary organization of every church.

3. By giving careful training to our church members on methods of missionary endeavor among these people in connection with the various conventions and institutes conducted in our churches.



## UNION COUNCILS:

718. Recognizing the need of close cooperation between all our workers and the great responsibilities resting upon our department,--

We recommend, That, as deemed advisable, the department hold annually in each union a council of their local conference secretaries, the dates for such councils to be arranged between the union and General Department; and that to these councils shall be invited a representative body of officials and workers, as may be consistent with the situation in each union field.

## REVISION OF TRACTS:

719. Whereas, There is a great demand from the field for a revision of our tracts; we therefore,--

Recommend, That the Fall Council appoint a committee whose members shall represent both the publishing houses and the field, who shall arrange for a revision and bring up to date our entire tract list, arranging the entire list in serial form, which will enable our members to use the tracts separately in miscellaneous missionary work, and in a regular connected delivery; and,

We further recommend, That after this work is done, favorable consideration be given to the issuing of a special condensed four-page, envelop-size series of tracts adapted to general generous circulation.

Recess was taken to 2:30 P.M.

On resuming, A.G. Daniells took the chair.

Prayer was offered by W.W. Prescott.

The recommendations from the Home Missionary Convention were further considered and adopted as follows:

## MONTHLY REPORTING SYSTEM:

720. Whereas, A definite increase in both the number reporting and in the work done has been shown in those conferences which have adopted the monthly system of reporting; we therefore,--

Recommend, That we adopt as a Department the monthly plan of reporting to local, union, and General Conferences; this plan to take effect at once.



# HARVEST INGATHERING WORK AMONG FOREIGNERS:

721. Whereas, It has been found that the foreign-speaking people in our midst are willing to contribute liberally to missions; and,--

Whereas, Provision has been made by the Bureau of Home Missions to furnish Harvest Ingathering papers in the following languages: Bohemian, Danish-Norwegian, German, French, Hungarian, Italian, Russian, Spanish, Yiddish, Finnish, Rumanian, Slovakian, Polish, Swedish, Serbian and Portuguese; we therefore,--

Recommend, That our people be encouraged to thoroughly work the foreign districts of the communities in which they are operating during the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

## A QUICK CAMPAIGN:

722. Whereas, It has been demonstrated that individual, church and conference goals can be reached in a much shorter period of time than has been usually allotted to this campaign in the past; we therefore,--

Recommend, That all plans be shaped with the object of completing the campaign by November 30, if possible, it being understood that when objectives have not been attained by this date, the work continue until goals are reached.

## USE OF COLLECTION BOXES BY CHILDREN:

723. Whereas, The use of the box by children and youth in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign has proven to be successful; we--

Recommend, 1. That the General Department prepare a leaflet outlining plans and methods for the use of these boxes, giving directions for the making up of the same.

2. That it be the consensus of opinion that the box method in North America be confined to the children and youth, and that it be used in connection with the Harvest Ingathering paper.

3. That the preparation of a limited number of special boxes be left to the discretion of the General Department, after investigation is made as to cost, etc.

## FREE LITERATURE:

724. Whereas, It has been clearly demonstrated through practical experience that far greater results come from the systematic distribution of our missionary literature,--

We recommend, That our churches give serious consideration to the placing of all our missionary literature in the



possession of the people in a continuous, connected, convincing order.

#### INSPIRATIONAL MOTTOES:

725. We recommend, That the General Department take under consideration the preparing of a few appropriate and inexpensive charts or striking mottoes along Home Missionary lines, and that a simple container or hanger for these charts be prepared or suggested for the field.

#### ILLUSTRATED FOLDER:

726. Whereas, There is a demand for something that will clearly convey to the world what Seventh-day Adventists believe and the work they are doing,--

We recommend, That consideration be given to the issuing at an early date of a neat illustrated tract or folder giving facts as to our work, illustrations of some of our leading institutions, and a concise statement of our belief.

#### BASIS OF REPORTING MEMBERSHIP:

727. Recognizing that our present system of arriving at the number of reporting members is often inaccurate; we therefore

Recommend, That the basis of computing the number of reporting members be the average number reporting during any given period.

#### UNIFORMITY OF BLANKS:

728. Whereas, There is a need of unifying the field in the use of blanks, reports and devices, ~~and~~

We recommend, That all reporting plans, blanks, and devices be referred to the General Conference Home Missionary Department for careful study, and that before such forms be published for the field they be submitted to as many of the secretaries in the field as is consistent, for their further suggestions.

#### FOREIGN REPORT BLANKS:

729. Whereas, There is a great need of missionary report blanks for our foreign believers,--

We recommend, That the Home Missionary Department arrange for the publication of individual missionary report blanks in the various foreign languages.



## MISSION FUNDS:

The committee appointed to give consideration to means of increasing the mission offerings, presented a report as follows:

Your committee appointed to consider the increase in the income of the General Conference would recommend,--

1. That the present basis of gifts from the people, of fifty cents per week per member, remain as it is.

2. That the basis of division of tithe from conferences shall be increased from two per cent to three per cent from all conferences having a tithe of \$15,000 or less; this rate to be increased one per cent for each additional thousand dollars, until eighteen per cent has been attained, after which the rate is to increase one per cent for each additional \$5000. <

The report was fully discussed, it being realized what it meant to the conferences. It was--

730. VOTED, That the report be amended by making the weekly gifts to missions sixty cents for 1921, the "come-back" to conferences to be reckoned on the full amount received.

On the whole report, it was--

731. VOTED, That the report as amended be adopted.

## APPEAL TO BELIEVERS:

The following address to the believers was adopted:

(See next page)



# **General Conference Committee Council**

Indianapolis, Ind.  
October 27, 1920.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—

I am sending this word from the Indianapolis Council, where God has surely met with us. I am hastening to you the message just adopted by the Council. All are heart and soul for this advance. Spread the word everywhere in the Conference, and let us go forward in the finishing of the work. Let us as a conference stand in our place for God and the truth.

(Signed) .....

## **Here is the Appeal:**

Our Dear Brethren and Sisters:—

The General Conference Committee, together with the presidents of our conferences in North America, and a large number of departmental and institutional workers, have been together in counsel for ten days. As we have sought God for wisdom and guidance, he has come graciously near by his Holy Spirit. Our hearts have been drawn out in a new consecration of life, and to a deeper consecration of service for the finishing of his work.

Much time has been spent in a study of the work committed to us as a people—the proclamation of the gospel message to all the world. We have been heartened by the reports which come to us from the church in every land. The cry of hope and good cheer is sounding from every quarter. God has wrought mightily in behalf of his servants, and even amidst the vicissitudes of war the three-fold message of Revelation 14 has continued to gather out believers in preparation for the coming of the Lord.

But while our hearts are cheered by these evidences of divine favor, we are deeply burdened over the work yet to be accomplished. Already a great work has been wrought in the earth; a greater work remains to be done. A great needy, perishing world invites us to a new dedication of heart and life, in order that we may be used of God in the speedy finishing of his work in this generation.

A new world of opportunity opens before us. As never before in our experience open doors bid us enter. Heaven has prepared the way. The conclusion of the great war has broken down barriers which before hedged the progress of the message. Unparalleled opportunities present themselves in Europe, Asia, Africa, and Latin America, opportunities which if left unimproved will pass never to return. To these fields new recruits must be sent to meet the imperative demands for missionary advance.

Schools must be established for the education of native believers, publishing houses must be equipped for the publication of gospel literature.



## EUROPEAN NEEDS:

732. VOTED, That the European delegation, with the officers and union presidents be a committee to consider needs in Europe.

## SURPLUS GIFTS:

733. The conferences reported surplus tithes which they would devote to missions. Individuals also joined in special gifts, the list totaling about \$110,000. (The list will appear in the Review.)

## LETTER TO CHURCHES:

734. VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee to prepare a letter to be sent by conference presidents to their churches as a message from the Council:

Named: J.W.Christian, A.J.Clark, J.K.Jones.

## NEAR EAST RELIEF:

735. Time having been given to a statement of the Near East Relief work, the following action was taken:

Resolved, That we place on record our appreciation of the presentation by Secretary Mead A.Kelsey of the work of the Near East Relief.

We have heard with interest and sympathy the story of the sufferings of the Armenians and other peoples of the Near East

We are impressed, not only by the ordinary humanitarian elements of the appeal in behalf of these people, but also by the extraordinary and outstanding fact that their sufferings are the results of persecutions brought on by the adherence of the Armenian people to the Christian faith.

We commend the work of the Near East Relief incorporated by special act of Congress for this purpose, in its effort to relieve this suffering, and especially in its work of saving the lives of thousands of orphans who would otherwise perish.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS,  
E.E.ANDROSS, Chairmen.

F.A.SPICER,  
J.L.SHAW, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 27, 1920

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The seventh meeting of the Council was called at 9:20 A.M., October 27, E.E.Andross in the chair.

Prayer by N.S.Ashton.

Additional present: T.M.French, M.C.Strachan, J.E. White.

The minutes were read.

## THE APPEAL

736. VOTED, That the Appeal adopted in yesterday's meeting be printed at once and be made available for the conference presidents as a message to their churches.

## EDUCATIONAL:

W.E.Howell presented a report for the Educational Department.

737. VOTED, That the report be printed in the Review.

## DEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOLS IN SOUTH AMERICA:

Recommendations from the department regarding educational work in South America were presented and adopted as follows:

738. In order to stimulate and further promote the development of native workers in South America,--

We recommend, That the following plans of the South American brethren be approved by this body, subject to provision of the necessary funds to carry them out:

(a) That for the present the Camerero school confine its work to twelve grades, but include suitable courses for training for various lines of work, in the last two years.

(b) That on provision of the needed funds, suitable extension of dormitory and chapel facilities be made to accommodate 200 students.



(c) That the Brazil Seminary conduct a curriculum of twelve grades, with training courses in the last two years, and that its facilities be expanded as funds become available to accommodate 200 students.

(d) That the Pua school in Chile be moved to a more suitable location as soon as conditions make it possible, and that this school, though serving a local conference only, provide twelve grades of work, with training features, owing to barriers of the Andes and long distance to any other school.

(e) That the Lima school remain for the present in rented quarters, but that the brethren look out a suitable location for the school in the country for permanent quarters when funds are available for the transfer.

(f) That adequate provision at the earliest date possible be made for the establishment of a training school for Indians within easy access from Puno, the headquarters and chief town in the Lago Titicaca Mission.

#### EUROPEAN SCHOOLS:

The Department presented recommendations re the educational work in Europe, which were adopted as follows:

739. In view of the large body of young people in Europe who are as yet unprovided with the privileges of Christian education and of training for gospel service;

In view of the pressing need for an immediate increase of laborers; and,--

In view of the marvelous way in which Providence has opened the way for greater liberality in carrying forward the work of the third angel's message in Europe,--

We recommend, That the following plans of the European brethren for the development of schools in Europe be approved by this body, to be carried into effect as soon as the needed funds and other conditions make them possible:

(a) That an academy be established in the West German Union.

(b) That an academy be established in the Central European Union.

(c) That for the present the Friedensau school serve both as an academy for the East German Union and as a training school for German workers.



(d) That one important feature of the work in the Friedensau school be the development of teachers.

(e) That as soon as funds can be provided an academy be established in Rumania.

(f) That an elementary school be established in Hungary with a view to its developing into an academy in due time.

(g) That steps be taken to strengthen and enlarge our schools in Scandinavia.

(h) That an academy be established in Norway as early as found feasible.

(i) That as soon as conditions make it possible elementary church schools be opened in Scandinavia, to save the children of the church and to serve as feeders to the advanced schools.

(j) That an academy with training features be established as soon as funds can be provided, in Finland, to serve the needs of Finland, Esthonia, and other lands of related language.

(k) That when the way opens and conditions make it possible, schools with training features be opened to serve the needs of Russia, Poland, Czecho-Slovakia, and Jugo-Slavia.

(l) That the Latin Union training school now located at Gland, be strengthened and enlarged to meet the growing needs of the work, its permanent location to be determined upon in the future.

(m) That one special feature of the Latin Union school be the training of teachers for the manning of local schools that may develop in the future.

(n) That school needs and general conditions in Spain be studied with reference to providing instruction and training in some form to meet the need for gospel workers.

#### "SIGNS OF THE TIMES" AND MISSIONS:

The following action was taken:

740. Whereas, The Weekly Signs of the Times has reached a circulation that affords an exceptional medium through which the progress as well as the doctrine of the Third Angel's Message may be presented; and,--



Whereas, A limited recital of the advancement of the cause has made the doctrine of the message more impressive upon many minds, and has also led some interested friends not of our faith to give of their means for the advancement of our foreign mission work; therefore,--

Resolved, That the plan be enlarged and extended by having the progress of our work in foreign lands regularly presented in such a way as to interest and appeal to those not of our number; that they be invited from time to time to make donations, such donations being regularly reported through the columns of the Signs of the Times. For the purpose of carrying out this plan be it further,--

Resolved, That we urge our workers in all lands to prepare well thought-out articles for the Signs that will tell the story of the development of this movement in such a way as to strongly appeal to the public mind and heart, and that those who are not now touched by our organized plan be encouraged to contribute of their means to the spread of our message, particularly in foreign fields.

THANKS TO LAKE UNION AND  
INDIANA CONFERENCE:

The matter of courtesies received from the Lake Union and the Indiana Conference having come up in connection with announcements, it was--

741. VOTED, That we express our hearty appreciation to the Lake Union Conference and the Indiana Conference for the hospitality and care bestowed so generously and heartily upon us, and in providing facilities for this Council.

Recess to 2:30 P.M.

Resuming at 2:30 P.M., C.S.Longacre led in prayer.

Educational Department items were further considered.

The question of holding a Bible and History Teachers' institute in 1921 was left for the department to arrange in counsel with the Committee later.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

M.E.Kern presented a report for the Missionary Volunteer Department.

The following recommendations were adopted:



## J.F.SIMON--EUROPE:

742. Whereas, There is a great army of young people among our 50,000 Seventh-day Adventists in Europe who should be organized and trained for service in the churches,--

Resolved, That we grant the request of the members of the General Conference Committee in Europe, that an assistant Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the General Conference be appointed for the European field, and that Prof. J.F.Simon be chosen for this work.

## MISS. VOL. WEEK:

743. We recommend, That each union conference arrange for a Missionary Volunteer Week during the year, during which time all workers shall give special attention to the salvation of our young people, and that it be at the same time as the spring week of prayer in the schools.

## MISS. VOL. GOAL:

744. We recommend, That the Missionary Volunteer Goal for North America for 1921 be:

Young people converted	3000
Standard of Attainment Certificates	1000
Reading Course Certificates	8000
To Read the Bible Through	2500
Reporting members	15000
Offerings to Missions	\$125000

## SUBJECT OF DRESS:

The following report was adopted:

745. The Educational, Missionary Volunteer, and Medical Departments, by joint action, beg leave to suggest to the Council the following recommendations:

Whereas, The principles of healthful, appropriate, and modest dress, are plainly laid down for us in the Bible and the spirit of prophecy; and,--

Whereas, There is a growing tendency to the lowering of our standards in these matters,

We recommend, That careful study be given by our ministers to these principles, and that they be presented to our people in such a serious and dignified way as to clearly show their relation to the Christian life.



We recommend that our sanitariums, schools, and other institutions make a special effort to hold up proper standards of dress, by their regulations, and by teaching the young men and women to dress tastefully, healthfully, modestly, and economically.

We recommend, That the Missionary Volunteer Department make an earnest effort to teach these principles to our young in the field.

We recommend, That the General Conference Committee provide for the publication of suitable literature which will embody the application in our time of the principles of healthful, appropriate, and modest dress.

J.C.RAFT--FIELD SECRETARY:

746. VOTED, That we appoint Elder J.C.Raft, field secretary of the General Conference for the European Division.

S.G.WHITE--CHINESE WORK:

747. VOTED, That J.W.Christian, A.C.Gilbert, A.R.Ogden, and J.L.Shaw be a committee to consider the possibility of utilizing the services of Elder S.G.White in work among the Chinese.

FOREIGN-SPEAKING WORK:

748. VOTED, That the matter of relation of conferences to the work for foreign-speaking peoples in their midst be referred to the Executive Committee and the Bureau of Home Missions, E.E.Andross, chairman.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

L.A.Hansen presented a report of the Medical Department.

Recommendations from the Medical Department were introduced. Four items had been considered when time for adjournment came, question only having been called.

A.G.DANIELLS,  
E.E.ANDROSS, Chairmen.

W.A.SPICER,  
J.L.SHAW, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 28, 1920

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The eighth meeting of the Council was called at 9:15 A.M., on October 28, A.G. Daniells in the chair.

Prayer by E.T. Russell. Minutes were read.

## MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

The consideration of the recommendations of the Medical Department was continued, the report being adopted in part as follows:

749. 1. We recommend, That a general Medical Convention be held in the spring of 1921, the definite time and place to be determined by the General Conference Committee.

750. 2. We recommend, That the course of instruction and training given by our medical workers in classes for home nursing follow as far as practicable the uniform outline prepared by the Medical Department, and that the department be authorized to issue a suitable certificate to those who have satisfactorily passed the minimum requirements.

751. 3. We recommend, That the Washington Sanitarium be asked to take immediate steps to provide a course in cooking for the training of institutional cooks.

752. 4. We recommend, That in connection with ministerial institutes, provision be made for the study of health topics, and that material be placed in the hands of our ministers for presentation in their public efforts.

Whereas, As a result of the great war, many parts of the world are stricken with famine, pestilence, want and divers unsanitary conditions, all of which are causing untold suffering and misery, disease and death among the inhabitants; and,--

Whereas, Medical missionary work is an integral part of the third angel's message and will be an agency under God in the hands of consecrated workers to the end of time for the salvation of the souls through ministry to the body; therefore,--



753. 5. Resolved, (a) That we recommend that our sanitariums, beginning with the current year, set over to the General Conference 10% of their net earnings to be used in medical work in stricken lands.

(b) That we recommend to the workers in all our medical institutions in North America that they raise among themselves by voluntary contributions a sufficient sum to furnish a complete medical and surgical outfit and initial supplies for the outfitting of one or two medical units for such work.

(c) That our medical institutions work together with the officers and Medical Department of the General Conference to provide a competent personnel for such a medical missionary unit.

754. VOTED, That the items in the original report relating to financial administrative matters in the sanitariums be referred to a commission to be appointed by the chair.

#### NEGRO DEPARTMENT:

W. H. Green presented a brief report of the Negro Department.

The following recommendations were presented.

#### COLORED SANITARIUM:

Whereas, The spirit of prophecy has clearly stated that sanitariums should be built for the colored people whereby they might receive a thorough training to engage in medical evangelistic work; and,--

Whereas, The present conditions that obtain in our sanitariums discourage colored patronage and training for our colored people,

We recommend, That the General Conference establish a well-equipped sanitarium, centrally located for the colored people.

Whereas, The Lord has indicated through the spirit of prophecy the launching of a campaign for the erection of sanitariums for the colored people, the laborers and brethren in convention assembled at Nashville, Tenn., on April 12, 1920, having pledged \$1,600 for said purpose,



We recommend, That a country-wide campaign be launched among our colored constituency to collect \$100,000 for the erection and equipment of this institution.

We further recommend, That the following eleven persons shall constitute a committee to manage this campaign, select the site, and direct the expenditure of funds: W.H.Green, L.A.Hansen, M.G.Nunes, G.E.Peters, J.H.Lawrence, W.D.Forde, A.N.Durrant, J.K.Humphrey, G.P.Rodgers, J.M.Campbell, and M.C. Strachan; and,--

We further recommend, That all funds collected be deposited with the Treasurer of the General Conference.

#### COLORED SCHOOL IN NORTH:

Whereas, The growth of the colored work requires additional facilities for academic training of our youth; and,--

Whereas, The Oakwood Junior College is taxed beyond its limit and the need of additional training facilities is clearly seen,

We recommend, That an academy for the colored believers be established north of the thirty-sixth parallel to care for the great number of students desiring an education to qualify for Christian service.

#### CHANGE OF PLAN:

Whereas, Conditions along the racial lines today have become so complicated, making it unsafe for our white brethren to have a free hand in our gatherings, also for our colored brethren to meet with our white brethren in their councils, and since the rapid growth of our work in the South demands the supervision along general lines to keep abreast with the message,

We respectfully request that the office of union evangelist be abolished, and that evangelical secretaries be selected from among our colored brethren within the Southern, Southeastern, and Southwestern Union Conferences, and that these act as assistant secretaries to the secretary of the North American Negro Department.

We also ask that the term Mission as used in the Southern, Southeastern, and Southwestern Union Conferences, be changed to the Negro Department of such conferences, both local and union.

755. VOTED, That these recommendations be referred to the General Conference Committee to consider.



## BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

P.E. Brodersen presented a report of the work among the foreign-speaking people in North America.

The following actions were taken:

756. VOTED, That the Bureau of Home Missions be authorized to hold a miscellaneous-language workers' institute in the early spring of 1921.
757. VOTED, That the general expense, estimated at \$500, be met from the Bureau appropriation for 1921.
758. VOTED, That the president or secretary of the General Conference be asked to spend at least two weeks in visiting the foreign churches and inspecting the Bureau of Home Missions work.

Other recommendations were referred to the Executive Committee.

## EUROPEAN:

The following recommendations presented by the European delegation were approved:

759. Whereas, We have found it advantageous to make our conferences larger, it was proposed to reorganize the German unions as follows:

1. The East German Union cuts down its fields from thirteen conferences to eight conferences and one mission field.
2. The Central European Union from eight conferences and three mission fields to seven conferences.
3. The West German Union from eight conferences to five conferences and two mission fields.
4. We approve the changing of the three Austrian mission fields into one conference.

It was moved that Brother J. Seefried and O. Schweneck shall go from the East German Union to the West German Union and that Brother H. Behr be referred from the West German to the East German Union, and Brother H. Brinckmann from the West German Union to the East German Union.



It was proposed to have the auditing of the West German Union Conference the 19th - 21st of February, of the Central European Union Conference, the 24th-26th of February, and of the East German Union Conference the 3rd to 7th of March. Elders Conradi and Christian were asked to attend these meetings.

It was favored to have the conference meetings of the union conferences every four years.

#### AUDITORS' CONVENTION ITEMS:

Further recommendations from the Auditors' Convention were adopted as follows:

#### TRAINING FOR BUSINESS:

760. Whereas, There is a constantly increasing need for young men and women who are well trained in commercial lines to fill positions in our denominational offices at home and abroad; and,--

Whereas, The number of young people who are taking advanced commercial work in our schools is very small, and can not possibly supply our need for workers of this class; therefore,--

We recommend, That our educators and conference workers encourage young people giving promise of business ability to enter the advanced commercial course in our schools, with a view to devoting their lives to this phase of our work; further,--

That an effort be made to show our young people the need of the cause for business men and women, and that the importance of this line of work should not be minimized when compared with the lines of work which we term evangelical.

#### DAIRY STOCK:

761. Whereas, Some of our institutions have made heavy investments in recent years in fancy dairy stock that is requiring much capital and attention rightfully belonging to the regular work of the institution,

We recommend, That this practice be discouraged in connection with our schools and sanitariums.

We recommend, That the cost of the first test for A.R.O. records become a part of the value of the animal, provided it responds to the test and that all subsequent testing expenses be regarded as overhead expense of the herd.



## OFFICE HELP:

762. Whereas, Our tract society secretaries and conference treasurers have before them a large field of activity in promoting the interests of the work which in many cases is not being worked because of their offices not being properly supplied with help, or through a lack of recognition of the good to be accomplished by keeping in closer touch with the field; and in order that this situation may be changed,--

We recommend, That our tract society and conference offices be so organized and supplied with help as to enable their secretaries and treasurers to keep in close touch with the field; both by correspondence and by personal work in the churches, but that in no case should this be understood as opening the way for the work of the office being neglected for the field work.

## FILLING VACANCIES:

763. In order to guard against bringing into our offices unsuitable and inefficient help,--

We recommend, That when vacancies in the office force in union and local conferences and institutions are to be filled, careful counsel be secured regarding the qualification of prospective workers before they are engaged.

## SCHOOL COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT TEXT:

764. Whereas, We as a denomination do not have for use in the commercial courses of our schools a bookkeeping system adapted to our work and the principles and plans of accounting which we are endeavoring to establish throughout the denomination; and,

Whereas, It seems inconsistent for our auditors to work over the books and accounts of our various institutions and lay down principles to guide our bookkeepers while at the same time our schools continue to teach our young people from any system of bookkeeping which they are able to pick up in the general market and which in most cases does not serve to turn their minds toward our work; therefore,--

We recommend, That the General Conference be asked to appoint a committee of seven to gather material for and prepare a system of bookkeeping for use in our schools, and that this committee be composed as follows:



- (a) An editor in chief who shall be under the pay of the General Conference and who shall devote his entire time to the work of writing and gathering material for the above-mentioned system
- (b) The General Conference auditor.
- (c) The assistant auditor of the General Conference.
- (d) Two heads of college commercial departments.
- (e) Two union conference auditors.

We further recommend, That this work, if possible, be undertaken at once and that an endeavor be made to have the work in readiness for submission at the next Auditors' Council which has been suggested to be held in connection with the General Conference session of 1922.

#### SCHOOL LABOR ACCOUNTING:

765. Whereas, The required labor of students in our schools should be considered as an income to our schools; therefore,--

We recommend, That the departments receiving the labor be charged therewith, and a corresponding credit made to student labor account.

#### BUDGET FOR 1921:

The treasurer made a statement regarding the budget for 1921. The calls total over \$5,000,000. Former income, \$3,366,000, increased by Council to possibly \$4,622,000. This latter figure is conditional on reaching the goals in full.

The following action was taken:

766. Whereas, Our study of the budget for 1921 showed us that the amount called for was roughly \$1,700,000 in excess of the income on the 50-cent-a-week basis; and,--

Whereas, To meet in part this deficiency, this Council has increased the goal to 60 cents a week, and has provided for an increase in the proportion of tithes from conferences contributed by them to missions,--

Resolved, That we authorize the Treasury Department to work out the details of appropriations for 1921 on the following basis:



1. A twenty per cent increase to the general mission fields, based on each field's 1920 appropriations, subject to any revision which may be found necessary to make the distribution equal as among the missions.

2. That the appropriation to the European Division in this emergency of reconstruction be \$200,000 for the Division's work in Europe, Asia, and Africa (aside from the aid to be rendered by the Printing House Fund and Church Extension Fund).

3. That the question of appropriations for departments and fields in North America receiving help be referred to the Executive Committee.

#### "COME BACK" IN EUROPE:

It was also--

769. VOTED, That the 20% "come back" which was voted by the General Conference Committee in their recent council in Europe, start with funds on hand at the beginning of 1920, and be counted on the regular mission receipts as they come in thereafter, this to apply to all Europe.

In the discussion, B.P.Hoffman, of the Far Eastern Division, spoke of the needs there and of the probability that the appropriations would allow little new work.

A.H.Williams, secretary-treasurer of the Southern Asia Division, spoke of the making up of their budget. They felt they had cut things to the limit then. He would do his best to convey to India, however, the strong conviction that he had received in the Council, that the believers in North America were standing by to the utmost. He expressed India's thankfulness for that had been done.

Recess to 2:30 P.M.

Resuming, L. Johnson led in prayer.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

The Committee on Distribution of Labor rendered a report, which was adopted as follows:

770. Your Committee on the Distribution of Labor would respectfully submit the following recommendations for transfers:

1. J.Simon, of the General Conference, to Europe as Division Missionary Volunteer Secretary.



2. Otto Schuberth of Washington Missionary College to Educational and Missionary Volunteer Departments in Central Europe.

3. J.M.Petersen of the Hutchinson Seminary to Germany as principal of the Friedensau school.

4. J.W.Mace, of the Review and Herald, to Europe as Home Missionary Secretary of the European Division.

5. G.L.Gulbrandson of Brookfield House to connect with the Christiania Publishing House.

6. Prof. and Mrs. H.H.Howard, of the Central Union to connect with the Stanborough Park College, England.

7. G.E.Nord of the General Conference, to take the presidency of the Swedish Conference in the Scandinavian Union.

8. That E. Hamara, of the Lake Union, be invited to labor in Finland.

9. Elder O.D.Cardey, of the Eastern Canadian Union, to the Atlantic Union,

10. Miss Evelyn Calkins of the Northern Union, to the Lake Union.

11. Kenneth Gant of the Review and Herald to Eastern Canada.

12. Nannie May Smith of the Southern Union to the Southeastern Union.

13. Elder F.C.Webster of Eastern Canada, to the Southeastern Union.

14. B.E.Wagner of the Southern Union to Venezuela.

15. Harley Anderson of the Pacific Press to the Philippine Publishing House, as superintendent.

16. Wm. Landeen, of Walla Walla College, to connect with the Broadview Seminary.

17. M.L.Andreassen of Union College to the Brookfield Publishing House.

18. R.G.Schaffner, of the Pacific Union, to Western Washington.



19. Daniel Wall, of the Atlantic Union, to the Latin Union.
20. Miss Helen Dessain of Oshawa College to the Latin Union.
21. W. Pontynen, of the Broadview Seminary, to Finland.
22. F.G. Lane, of the Central Union to the Eastern Canadian Union.
23. F.M. Owen, of the Pacific Union, to Central America.
24. A.E. Schuster, of the Lake Union, to the East German Union.
25. Brother Cunill, of Washington, D.C., to the Pacific Union.
26. Elder Fred Johnson, of the Western Canadian Union, to Western Oregon.
27. Elder J.H. Schilling to the Latin Union to take the superintendency of the work in Italy.
28. Brother Cali of the Central Union to Italy.
29. Elder O.J. Nerlund, of the Central Union to the North Pacific Union.
30. Elder S. Mortensen, of the Western New York Conference, to the Central Union.
31. Oscar Olson of the Greater New York Conference to the Scandinavian Union.
32. Emil Oswald of the Northern Union to the East German Union.
33. H.J. Klooster of the Western Canadian Union to Holland.
34. J.H. Roth, of North Dakota, to the West German Union.
35. H.A. <sup>Rossin</sup> Rawson, of Ohio, to the North Pacific Union.
36. A.C. Christiansen, of the Christiania Publishing House, to connect with the office of the European Division.



37. Elder B.E.Beddoe, of the Pacific Union, to the presidency of the South African Union Conference.

38. John Kleppe, of Ohio, to Rumania.

39. Elder M. Coon, of Massachusetts, to Ohio.

40. Prof. H.C.Lacey, of the Washington Missionary College, to the principalship of the Stanborough Park College in the British Union.

41. Carl Voss, of Oklahoma, to the Northern Union.

42. Elder A.F.French, of the South Wisconsin Conference, to the Northern Union.

43. E.D.Forde, of the Lake Union, to the Pacific Union.

44. M.G.Nunes, of the Southwestern Union, to the Lake Union.

45. J.F.Miller, of the Pacific Union, to Western Oregon.

46. Dr. Stump to connect with the Moline Sanitarium, in the Lake Union.

47. C.C.Hansen, of Denmark, to Russia.

48. Dr. Sonmes, of Denmark, be invited to labor in Russia in self-supporting work.

49. That Silas Davis, of California, be recommended to the Nevada Conference.

50. W.A.Schebo, of the Lake Union, to the Western Canadian Union.

51. C.A.Carlson, of the Central Union to the Lake Union.

#### DELEGATION TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Report was adopted as follows:

Your committee appointed to make recommendations concerning the delegation to the next General Conference from fields outside of North America, submit the following:



771. We recommend, That a fairly liberal delegation should attend on the basis that it should be representative both in respect to territory and the work, and have regard to the length of absence from the field; that with a view to economy of expense, consideration be given in making up the delegation to those who may be in this country on furlough or who would expect a furlough in 1922 or 1923; and that those fields receiving appropriations should list the expenses of their delegates in their budgets.

That fields nearby which were well represented at the last General Conference, should assist in making it possible for more distant fields to have a fuller representation this time, by making their own delegation smaller.

That the General Conference Committee invite to the Conference such of its officers residing in countries outside of North America as it may think that the interests of the work indicate should attend.

That in case exchange in the various European countries should be extremely unfavorable, the expenses of delegates from those fields be paid in U.S. money by the General Conference treasurer.

We venture further to suggest that the delegation from conferences in North America should not be larger than in 1918, even though a larger representation might be possible under the present constitution.

#### RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DEPARTMENT:

C.S. Longacre made a report for the Religious Liberty Department. W.F. Martin also spoke. The following recommendation was adopted:

772. Whereas, New and favorable opportunities have arisen in European nations, concerning the issues over the relationship which the civil government should sustain to religion, as well as the attitude the church should assume toward the government, to make religious liberty secure for all denominations; therefore,--

Be it resolved, That a European Religious Liberty Department or Association be created, having a responsible secretary, and that local Religious Liberty secretaries be appointed from among the other secretaries or conference officials already employed, who are especially fitted by education, language, and citizenship to represent this important work in an official capacity in their respective conferences.



## H A I T I:

A.G. Roth presented a brief report for Haiti. During the last two and a half years one soul has been won for every \$70 expended. Haiti raises 60% of its budget.

## C U B A:

S.E. Kellman made a report for Cuba. Last year Cuba sold \$30,000 worth of books. Thus far in 1920, \$40,000 worth have been sold. The great need now is for a school for training workers.

## STATISTICAL REPORT:

H.E. Rogers presented printed statistical reports for 1919. World membership, 180,112, of whom 98,000 are in North America.

The report for North America showed an increase of total funds of 18% over 1918, the per capita raised being \$65. Reports for all the world were not yet made up. Report of publications showed 93 languages in 1919, sales over \$5,000,000; total value of one copy of each publication in all languages, \$812.53. In 1850 the value was 93 cents.

## SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

Mrs. L.F. Plummer gave a brief report of the Sabbath School Department, reporting activity among the schools that are attempting large things. The Pacific, North Pacific, and Northern Union Conventions recently held had been very successful. There is a larger percentage of Sabbath School attendance than formerly, showing that our people are studying the Bible more. The mission gifts have touched the goal of a million a year, the last four quarters showing \$1,003,000.

## M E X I C O:

C. Caviness made a report for Mexico. Conditions seem settling. The scattering of literature is followed by baptisms.

## SOUTHERN ASIA:

A.H. Williams was given opportunity to make a brief report of Southern Asia. The membership is 1,051.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 29, 1920

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The ninth meeting of the Council was called at 8:30 A.M. (after a devotional service led by G.B. Thompson) as an executive session with conference presidents present.

## NEGRO DEPARTMENT:

W.H. Green presented further statement regarding the recommendations from the Negro Department Convention (on record in the minutes of the eighth meeting).

Members of the Negro Department in the city, also various representatives from the South, were called into the Committee.

## COMMITTEE APPOINTED:

773. VOTED, That the matter of these proposals regarding reorganization, sanitarium, and school be referred to a committee as follows: The minority members of the General Conference Committee, the presidents of the three Southern unions and of the Atlantic, Columbia, Lake, and Central Unions, W.H. Green, secretary of the Negro Department and five other members of the department as may be named by that department.

Named: Five members of the Negro Department: U.S. Willis, J.K. Humphrey, J.G. Dasent, G.E. Peters, J.M. Campbell

## SOUTH AMERICAN FIELD MISS. SEC.:

In response to a cable regarding a successor to J.H. McEachern, formerly divisional secretary for the Book and Home Missionary work,--

774. VOTED, That we recommend the South American Division to man the unions in these departments and to allow the division appointment to be considered at the next General Conference.

## BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

Bureau matters were introduced by P.E. Brodersen.

A memorial was presented by the Lake Union Committee looking toward further consideration of relationship in the work between the Bureau and the conferences.



775. VOTED, That this memorial and the question of relationships involved be referred to a committee to be appointed by the chair, to report at an early date.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

776. VOTED, That invitations be extended as follows:

52. That Elder D.U.Hale be invited to the Atlantic Union.

53. That H.C.Hartwell of the Atlantic Union be invited to the Central Union.

54. That we invite Prof. L.<sup>W</sup>.Cobb to the principalship of Lancaster Junior College, asking the Western Canadian Union to release him.

R.HOOK, JR.:

777. VOTED, That the question of the call of the Pacific Press for R.Hook, Jr., of Massachusetts, be referred to a committee.

Named: A.G.Daniells, W.T.Knox, W.A.Spicer, Chas. Thompson, E.K.Slade, J.K.Jones, and representatives present from the Melrose Sanitarium, the Western Canadian Union, and the Pacific Press.

(Recess to 1:30 P.M.)

On resuming, A.G.Daniells offered prayer.

R.HOOK, JR.--PACIFIC PRESS:

777. The committee on R.Hook, Jr., to the Pacific Press reported, on which actions were taken as follows:

778. VOTED, That we invite R.Hook, Jr., of the Melrose Sanitarium, to respond to the call to connect with the Pacific Press at Mountain View.

VERAH MacPHERSON--MELROSE:

779. VOTED, That we invite Verah MacPherson, of the Western Canadian Union, to respond to the call to connect with the Melrose Sanitarium as business manager, asking the Western Canadian Union to release him.



# FOREIGN LANGUAGE BOOKS--INITIAL EXPENSE:

The following recommendations were adopted:

780. Whereas, The spirit of prophecy has told us that "Many of the foreigners are here (in North America) in the providence of God, that they may have opportunity to hear the truth for this time;" and further that, "Our publications should go everywhere. Let them be issued in many languages"; and,--

Whereas, The initial cost of producing new books in the very foreign languages is expensive owing to the cost of translations, plates, illustrations, etc., and the somewhat limited editions which can be published as the work is yet in its infancy; therefore--

Moved, That the initial expense of getting out these new books in the very foreign languages be met from the Publishing House Extension Fund.

## OFFERINGS FOR LITERATURE:

781. Whereas, The spirit of prophecy has told us that "God would be pleased to see far more accomplished by his people in the presentation of the truth for this time to the foreigners in North America, than has been done in the past", and,--

Whereas, One of the most successful ways of giving the message to these millions of foreigners is through the circulation of our literature; therefore,--

We recommend, That 50% of the First Sabbath Offering taken in October, 1921, be forwarded to the General Conference Treasury through the regular channels, this offering to be used in translating Present Truth and other small literature into foreign languages; that the other half of this offering be used by our churches to purchase literature for foreign-speaking peoples.

## A. ANDERSON--SWEDISH DEPARTMENT:

782. VOTED, That we appoint August Anderson to the superintendency of the Swedish Language Department of the Home Missions Bureau, asking the Lake Union Conference to release him for this purpose.

## THIRTEENTH SABBATH OVERFLOW--BROADVIEW:

783. VOTED, That we devote the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, the second quarter of 1921, to the Miscellaneous Language Seminary at Broadview.



## EAST CANADIAN INSTITUTIONS:

The committee on Eastern Canadian Institutions made a report as follows, the same being referred to the committee on details of the budget:

In view of the many calls made upon Eastern Canada for appointees to British mission fields, and with an excellent class of young people to train for service; and,--

Whereas, The training schools of the Maritime and the union (Oshawa) have been built up and improved in harmony with the counsel of the General Conference; and,--

Further recognizing the limitations of the constituency in Eastern Canada in resources of means,--

We recommend, That a final appropriation of \$5000 be made to the Maritime Academy, and an appropriation to Oshawa Missionary College of \$10,000;

We further suggest that these appropriations be made in installments, covering a period of more than one year if it seems best in counsel.

F.W.Stray,  
W.E.Howell,  
E.R.Palmer, Committee.

## ADVISORY COMMITTEES:

784. VOTED, That the following appointments be made:
- Alof Granlund, on Swedish Advisory Committee.
- N.R.Nelson, of Chicago, on Danish-Norwegian Committee.
- European matters were considered.

## MISSION FIELDS FOR EUROPE:

785. VOTED, That we ask the Far Eastern Division to give consideration to the request of the European Division that if possible the way be opened for the assignment to the German Union conferences of a mission field in China, preferably along the Siberian border, suggesting the provinces of Shensi, Kansu, and Mongolia, the work to be under the direction of the Far Eastern Division.



WESTERN CANADIAN UNION  
SANITARIUM AND COLLEGE:

A.C.Gilbert presented reasons for the request for West Canadian appropriations for the Calgary Sanitarium, \$20,000, Lacombe College, \$10,000. The sanitarium is in rented quarters, and must make decision as to purchasing by December 31, renewal of lease being impossible.

786. VOTED, That this request be referred to the committee on details of the budget.

MRS. B.P.HOFFMAN:

787. VOTED, That on the medical report regarding Sister B.P.Hoffman's health, we advise Elder Hoffman to remain in this country during the winter, planning to return in early spring to Japan to spend six or eight months, in the hope that it may yet be found that Sister Hoffman's health may permit them to continue in Japan.

A.N.ANDERSON:

788. VOTED, That we recommend A.N.Anderson, on furlough from Japan, to the Pacific Press for work in the editorial department if they are able to afford him facilities for this experience while on furlough.

F W SPINK--TRINIDAD:

789. VOTED, That we invite F.W.Spink, of Alberta, to Trinidad, as secretary-treasurer of the South Caribbean Conference, asking the Alberta Conference to release him.

FRED MOHR--BRAZIL:

790. VOTED, That we invite Fred Mohr, of Kansas, to East Brazil Union as secretary-treasurer, asking the Central Union and the Kansas Conference to release him for this purpose.

GEO BELLEAU:

791. VOTED, That we invite Geo. Belleau, of Eastern Canada, to the mission field service, preferably India, otherwise South America.

A.C.MADSEN:

792. VOTED, That we invite A.C.Madsen of Nebraska to the Southeastern Union, as Educational and Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the Cumberland Conference.

Adjourned.

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



## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., November 8, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, Chas. Thompson,  
 R.D.Quinn, L.A.Hansen, J.L.Shaw, W.A.Spicer, G.B.Thompson,  
 M.E.Kern, N.Z.Town, W.W.Eastman, C.V.Leach, Mrs. L.F.Plummer,  
 W.E.Howell, C.S.Longacre, F.H.Robbins, T.E.Bowen.

Prayer by M.E.Kern.

## M.E.KERN--MEETINGS:

793. VOTED, That we approve of the plan of M.E.Kern to attend conventions and meetings in the Southern, Lake, and North Pacific Unions, returning via the Pacific Union.

## RELIEF FOR BALTIC:

In view of the great need of shoes and clothing among people in Europe, especially in the Baltic republics,

794. VOTED, That we authorize the Missionary Volunteer Department to solicit gifts of shoes and clothing for these needs, the same to be shipped to such centers of distribution as shall be designated by the officers of the General Conference in Europe, the freight to the port of shipment to be paid by the donors, and ocean freights to be paid from the European Relief Fund.

## F.A.ALLUM--FURLOUGH:

In response to the letter and medical statement sent by Elder F.A.Allum, now on furlough from China in Australia,

795. VOTED, That we express to Brother and Sister Allum our sorrow that the medical report seems to prohibit their return to China at the end of the furlough period; we earnestly hope that a more prolonged stay in Australia may greatly improve the health of the family; further,--

That we extend the furlough to a release from China for a further one or two years in order that Elder Allum may



accept the call of the Australasian Union to connect with their general work, it being our hope that in a further year or two conditions of health may permit this family to go again to the Far East where their knowledge of Chinese and long experience are so greatly needed in the work.

#### MEXICAN MEETING:

796. VOTED, That W.A.Spicer and N.Z.Town attend the Mexican general meeting opening November 19.

#### MEXICAN STOCK:

797. VOTED, That we advise E.L.Maxwell to transfer shares held by him in the Mexican printing corporation to R.W.Parmelee.

#### PANAMA MEETING:

798. VOTED, That we ask C.V.Leach to attend the West Caribbean meeting in February.

#### PORTO RICO AND CUBA:

799. VOTED, That Chas. Thompson visit Porto Rico and Cuba for the winter meetings.

#### YEAR BOOK:

800. VOTED That M.E.Kern, J.L.Shaw act with H.E.Rogers as a Year Book abbreviation committee.

#### E.J.KRAFT--JAPAN:

801. VOTED, That we transfer E.J.Kraft, under appointment to China, to the Japan Union, his choice being Japan.

#### LOUISE SCHOLZ--CALIFORNIA:

802. VOTED, That we approve the plan of Louise Scholz to go to California for her furlough, a friend having opened a place of rest, keeping in mind placing her in service as an expert nurse and Bible worker as soon as she is ready.

#### W.E.VIDETO:

803. VOTED, That the placing of Elder W.E.Videto, formerly with the Madison (Tennessee) school, be referred to the secretaries and W.E.Howell.



W.B.PARKINS--CUBA:

804. VOTED, That we invite W.B.Parkins to go to Cuba as a colporteur, paying his transportation, leaving the question of his rendering stenographic help there for future consideration.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.

J.L.SHAW,  
W.A.SPICER, Secretaries.

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## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SEVENTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 9

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#### P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, Chas. Thompson,  
F.M.Wilcox, N.Z.Town, W.W.Eastman, J.H.McEachern, J.L.Shaw,  
R.D.Quinn, L.A.Hansen, C.S.Longacre, G.B.Thompson, C.V.Leach,  
W.A.Spicer, Mrs. L.F.Plummer, M.E.Kern.

Prayer by C.V.Leach.

#### LANCASTER JUNIOR COLLEGE:

805. VOTED, That we recommend to the Lancaster Junior College Board that Prof. G.R.Lehman be asked to take the presidency of the college.

#### DEPARTMENTS AND WINTER MEETINGS:

806. VOTED, That a committee be appointed to make recommendation regarding attendance from the general departments at coming winter institutes.

Named: Secretaries of departments, and E.E.Andross,  
W.T.Knox, J.L.Shaw, M.E.Kern to act as chairman.

#### J.W.WILHELM--BRAZIL:

807. VOTED, That we invite J.W.Wilhelm to go to East Brazil as union field missionary secretary, asking the South-eastern Union to release him for this purpose.



## F.M.OWEN--GUATEMALA:

808. VOTED, That we assign F.M.Owen to Guatemala for evangelistic work.

## S.P.CUNILL--ARIZONA:

809. VOTED, That in response to the call from Arizona we pay the transportation of S.P.Cunill to Arizona, to engage in Spanish Bible work, evangelistic work and colporteur work.

## BENJ. HOFFIZ--NEW YORK:

810. VOTED, That we continue B. Hoffiz in our employ, and ask the Greater New York Conference to arrange his work in such a way as to develop him in the ministry.

## S.G.WHITE--CHINESE WORK:

The following report from the Council was presented:

"We recommend, That S.G.White labor on the Pacific Coast in the interests of the Chinese; that the General Conference continue his furlough pay for the present, this to be supplemented as necessary by the union conference in which he labors.

"As the Pacific Union already has a laborer in this nationality, that for the present he confine his labors to the Western Canadian Union and North Pacific Union, as may be arranged between these unions.

"J.W.Christian,  
A.R.Ogden,

A.C.Gilbert,  
G.B.Thompson, Committee."

811. VOTED, That we ask the West Canadian Union to release T.S.Bowett for mission work in South Africa, suggesting S.G.White for secretary-treasurer work, we continuing him under furlough for Chinese work as outlined in the report while awaiting development of the suggested arrangement.

## J.S.SEAL--FURLOUGH:

812. VOTED, That J.S.Seal, returned from Guatemala on account of Sister Seal's health, be placed on two months' furlough, asking the Publishing Department to arrange for him to take up the book work.

## G.A.SCHWERIN--MINISTRY:

813. VOTED, That we extend the furlough of G.A.Schwerin formerly of Colombia, three months longer, and endeavor to arrange for his employment during this time in connection with



conference work where he may gain an experience in ministerial labor, with a view to returning to Spanish fields for evangelistic work.

V.P.HULSE:

814. VOTED, That the furlough of V.P.Hulse, returned from Central America, be extended to March 31, and that study be given to his health conditions, with a view to placing him in Spanish work or English service at the end of the furlough period.

W.F.HILLS--PACIFIC PRESS:

A letter was received from W.F.Hills, stating that he and sister Hills were engaged in work in the Pacific Press Publishing House, at Mountain View, but that he desired to engage in the ministry, feeling that he should go to a more southern climate and be enabled to work under conditions that would favor his throat.

It being found that there is no opening in Southern California, it was--

815. VOTED, That we advise W.F.Hills to continue work at the Pacific Press, where he is now engaged.

R.H.LEECH--FURLOUGH:

816. VOTED, That we place R.H.Leech, returned from India, on furlough for such time as necessary, with the idea that in all probability he would not return to India.

ROYALTY:

The following recommendations from the Publishing Department Finance Committee at Indianapolis to the General Conference Committee were presented:

"In view of the fact that the increase in the prices of books in 1920 was made necessary by the increased cost of material rather than an increase in the cost of labor, and that as this increase covers the period of the paper famine emergency we therefore request authors to accept royalty on the basis of the prices of 1919.

"That we continue the payment of royalty on the books of Mrs. E.G.White on the 1914 basis."

817. VOTED, That the recommendations be adopted.



## MEXICAN PETITION:

A petition was presented, signed by a number in Mexico who had formed an independent group.

818. VOTED, That the following minute be adopted:

In response to a memorial presented by Senor Victor M. Model y Fernandez and others, of Mexico, we reply:

The General Conference Committee learns by your memorial that a group who evidently have been associated with the work of Seventh-day Adventists in Mexico have withdrawn from the body. We regret this, and trust that those who believe the truths for which Seventh-day Adventists stand, will find ways of continuing in harmony with the body of the church. Knowing as we do that this advent movement has arisen in fulfillment of prophecy, and that its mission is to carry the gospel to every nation, we recognize no national barriers. All are one in Christ. Our duty is to all. In the church of Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, bond or free, male or female, but one brotherhood, devoted to the one work. We regret to note the apparent failure to recognize this principle in your communication. We regret to see it states that if your position is not recognized your group means to draw apart as independent; and it would appear from your statement that you have already done this. It is not in this manner or spirit, it seems to us, that the church of Christ is led. Through many years of experience, in all lands, we have never seen growth or prosperity come to the work of God by separatist movements. Those who separate from the body for such reasons always sooner or later separate from one another, as the true bond of fellowship in the church is broken, and connection with the one world-wide advent movement of the prophecy is severed. We urge that those who believe this message that has made Seventh-day Adventists a people, give earnest consideration to the ground of our faith and work in Holy Scripture before separating from the body of believers. We commend you to God and to the word of his grace. We have the deepest interest in the work in Mexico. We have rejoiced that souls have been won even during the years of unrest. We rejoice that settled times have come again; and as we look upon the believers in Mexico as part of the one body in Christ of the remnant church keeping the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, we plan to do our utmost to aid them in the work of carrying the gospel message to all Mexico. The same truths of the gospel that bring forth fruit in all the world will bring blessed fruitage in Mexico also. For this we shall work and pray with all who believe in this advent movement as the work of God.



## PACIFIC AND NORTH PACIFIC TERRITORY:

The following action regarding territorial adjustments was presented from the Pacific Union Conference:

"Voted, That we do not see our way clear to grant the request of the North Pacific Union Conference for the release of the Northern counties in California; but on account of the accessibility of Del Norte County, California, to the Southern Oregon Conference, and the inaccessibility of Lake County, Oregon, to the same conference, we favor the exchange of these two counties if agreeable to the North Pacific Union Conference; Lake County to be added to be added to the Nevada Conference if the exchange is made."

819. VOTED, That we pass on to the North Pacific Union the action of the Pacific Union, with statement that the General Conference Committee concurs in the proposition if acceptable to the North Pacific Union.

## CHURCH OFFICERS' MANUAL:

In response to a request from the Pacific Union, it was--

820. VOTED, That a committee be appointed to prepare a manual on the duties of church officers.

## ARIZONA--MEXICO:

A request from the Pacific Union in behalf of Arizona, that the state of Sonora, Mexico, be assigned to the Arizona Conference as a mission field, was referred for consideration following the Mexican meeting.

(Recess to 3 P.M.)

Following recess, W.W. Eastman led in prayer.

## COMMITTEE ON NEGRO DEPARTMENT WORK:

821. VOTED, That the committee on Negro institutional work and plans be called at Nashville, January 3, at 7:30 P.M.

## COMMITTEE ON BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

822. VOTED That we ask the Home Missions Bureau Secretary and the language superintendents to meet with the Committee in Washington, November 30.



## SHANGHAI SANITARIUM:

In response to a cable from Shanghai, it was--

823. VOTED, That we ask the Medical Department to take up at once search for a house physician and for three nurses, to respond to the call from China for the Shanghai Sanitarium.

## PHILIPPINES BUDGET:

824. VOTED, That the support of the Manila publishing house superintendent, Harley Anderson, be provided for from the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the Far East.

## W.B.FOSTER:

Letter was received from W.L.Foster, of California, eight years ago returned from Japan, reporting that he was ready to volunteer to return to Japan, Sister Foster's health being greatly improved, though not very rugged.

825. VOTED, That we advise W.L.Foster that with the severe strain put upon our women who have gone to Japan apparently rugged in recent years, we do not feel it wise for Sister Foster to be placed again under the nervous strain that seems to come in Japan.

## STENOGRAPHER--SHANGHAI:

Attention of the Committee was called to suggestions regarding stenographic help for Shanghai, contained in a letter from Miss Dowell.

826. VOTED, That we authorize the treasury department to secure a lady stenographer for Shanghai under the plan of a three-year appointment.

## DR. H.E.SCOLES--INDIA:

A letter from Dr. H.E.Scoles, of California, was considered. He expresses his continued burden for India, and his desire to engage in service there.

827. VOTED, That we invite Dr. H.E.Scoles, of California, to make India his field of labor.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.

J.L.SHAW,  
W.A.SPICER, Secretaries.



## TWO HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 10, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, G.B.Thompson,  
Chas. Thompson, W.E.Howell, N.Z.Town, W.W.Eastman, F.W.Stray,  
J.L.Shaw, W.A.Spicer, M.E.Kern.

Prayer by F.W.Stray.

## M.C.STURDEVANT--RETURN:

Consideration was given to the health of Elder M.C. Sturdevant, of Africa, and to his long service there.

828. VOTED, That we ask Elder M.C.Sturdevant, of South Africa, to return to America after these many years of service in the African field.

## MRS. OLIVE P. TARR--FURLOUGH:

Attention was given to a letter from Mrs. Olive P.Tarr, of South Africa, who desired to return to America after twenty-eight years in South Africa, feeling the need of a change physically and being greatly desirous of visiting her aged mother before her death.

829. VOTED, That we authorize Mrs. Olive P. Tarr to return to America after twenty-eight years' service in Africa, to visit her mother and friends and to recuperate health, the General Conference meeting the transportation.

## WALTER S. MEAD RELEASED:

830. VOTED, That we release Walter S. Mead from the appointment to South Africa to engage in work for the East Indians of Natal, suggesting to the brethren that Brother Collins, of Kimberley, be considered by them for this work among the East Indians.

## J.A.P.GREEN--MEXICO:

Letter was considered from J.A.P.Green, suggesting that he be allowed to settle in Mexico, and to take as his field of oversight in the general book work Mexico and Central America, the West Caribbean to be assigned to the oversight of J.D.Raff in connection with the East Caribbean Spanish field.



831. VOTED, That we approve of the suggestion of J.A.P. Green that he settle in Mexico and continue his oversight of the book work in Mexico and Central America.

J.D.RAFF--WEST CARIBBEAN:

832. VOTED, That we assign the West Caribbean Conference book work to the oversight of J.D.Raff, in connection with his work in the East Caribbean Missions.

G.W.CAVINESS--SPAIN;

833. VOTED, That we invite Prof. G.W.Caviness to make Spain his field of labor, the General Conference to arrange the necessary appropriation with the Latin Union.

J.E.BOND--MEXICO:

834. VOTED, That in case of the transfer of Professor Caviness to Spain, we invite Elder J.E.Bond to take the superintendency of Mexico.

835. VOTED, That we invite J.E.Bond to attend the Mexican meeting this month.

MEXICAN REORGANIZATION:

836. VOTED, That we look with favor upon the plan of districting Mexico into four or five districts, authorizing the details of division to be determined by the workers attending the Mexican meeting.

NELS JOHNSON--FURLOUGH:

Information was given that Nels Johnson and wife, of Pua, Chile, had returned to America, Brother Johnson suffering from an eye disease.

837. VOTED, That Nels Johnson, of Pua, Chile, be granted furlough of three months while recovering from the difficulty with his eyes.

C F STABEN--HONDURAS SCHOOL:

838. VOTED, That we invite C.F.Staben, superintendent of Salvador, to connect with Professor Hardt in the Siguatepeque school, Honduras.

J.A.BODLE--SALVADOR:

839. VOTED, That we ask J.A.Bodle, secretary-treasurer of the Salvador Mission, to take temporary charge of the field work while arrangements are being made for a successor to Brother Staben.



## TEGUCIGALPA SCHOOL:

840. VOTED, That we receive the petition from the church at Tegucigalpa, Honduras, with assurance to these brethren and sisters that their statement of the need of a church school in that city has been received with most sympathetic consideration; but with the pressure upon us this year we are not able to appropriate additional funds to the fields and must refer their request to the Honduras committee

## COLOMBIA COLPORTEURS:

841. VOTED, That the West Caribbean request for four col-porteurs for Colombia be referred back to them for consideration in connection with the budget voted for 1921.

## W.A.BROOMFIELD--GUATEMALA:

842. VOTED, That we appoint W.A.Broomfield temporary field missionary secretary for Guatemala.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.

W.A.SPICER,  
J.L.SHAW, Secretaries.

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TWO HUNDRED NINETY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 11, 1920  
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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, V.T.Knox, F.M.Wilcox,  
N.Z.Town, R.D.Quinn, M.E.Kern, Chas. Thompson, G.B.Thompson,  
L.A.Hansen, C.S.Longacre, C.V.Leach, T.E.Bowen, W.E.Howell,  
W.W.Eastman.

Prayer by R.D.Quinn.

## SECRETARY FOR MAGAZINE WORK:

The Publishing Department secretaries requested counsel regarding the selection of an assistant to give special attention to the supervision of magazine canvassing, in accordance with the recommendation of the Indianapolis Council.



843. VOTED, That we authorize the department to take immediate steps to secure an assistant to take charge of the magazine work, bringing in recommendation to the Committee.

#### WINTER CONVENTIONS:

Your committee on Conventions and Who Shall Attend reports as follows:

We approve the plan of the Sabbath School Department to hold a convention in New York City, and one in the Southwestern Union, which Mrs. Plummer and Elder James shall attend.

We approve of the program of the Publishing Department, but ask that the department give consideration to having Brother McEachern spend some time on the Pacific Coast instead of attending the meeting of the Southern Publishing Association.

We approve of the plan of the Religious Liberty Department to hold special studies in our larger schools, to be conducted by men located in various parts of the field.

We approve of the plan of the Medical Department to hold a general convention with the attendance of the secretary and the assistant secretaries; also that the secretary attend the medical conventions in the Pacific Union, provided he can do so in connection with his trip West, either on sanitarium work or to attend the general convention.

We approve of the suggestion that a Home Missionary representative attend the joint convention of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer and Home Missionary Departments, to be held at Berrien Springs.

We request that C.V. Leach attend the Y.P.M.V. convention of the southern unions, to be held at Memphis.

844. VOTED, That the report be adopted.

#### A. MORENO--COLORADO:

Consideration was given to the fact that Brother A. Moreno, who has been engaged in the work in Spain and in Cuba and in the Review and Herald office, had developed lung difficulty, requiring a change of climate.

845. VOTED, That we pay the transportation of Brother and Sister A. Moreno to Colorado or Arizona, requesting the Sustentation Committee to grant them an allowance of \$14.40 plus the bonus, this arrangement to be temporary, to assist Brother Moreno in making recovery of health in order that he may continue in the Spanish work.



M.E.KERN--AUSTRALIA:

Consideration was given to a call from Australia, passed to us in a letter of July 9, stating that it was much desired that a representative of the Missionary Volunteer Department visit Australia.

846. VOTED, That we ask M.E.Kern, secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department, to plan to visit Australia the coming autumn.

LEAFLET ON DRESS:

847. VOTED, That in harmony with the report presented at Indianapolis from several of the departments, we authorize the Educational, Missionary Volunteer, and Medical Departments to prepare a leaflet on the topic of dress, to be included in the Missionary Volunteer series of leaflets.

F.A.ALLUM--CHINA:

The following cable was reported from Australia:  
"After receiving expert medical advice we have settled conviction return China. Booking passages subject to your approval. Advising China. Letter following. Allum."

848. VOTED, That reply be cabled as follows: "Concur if conditions clearly warrant."

AUTOMOBILES--MISSION FIELDS:

Various mission fields having made calls for consideration of the question of mission-owned automobiles and motorcycles, it was--

849. VOTED, That in reply to requests from the fields regarding the benefit to be derived from use of automobiles, we give counsel as follows:

We recognize the fact that in places where the roads admit and the service demands, especially in the tropics, an automobile or motorcycle may be of distinct advantage to the mission work, greatly increasing efficiency. We counsel that careful study be given to the costs of operating and upkeep, and to proper care and handling of the machine. The plan of appropriation by adding a percentage to the last budget allows the fields opportunity to consider whether the additional appropriation available can be most advantageously invested in part in motor car or cars or in additional workers and other needed facilities. We leave the matter in each case to the conviction of the field.



## DR. F.M.STUMP--RESCINDED:

Action having been taken at Indianapolis inviting Dr. Stump, of Oregon, to the Moline Sanitarium, word was presented from Illinois to the effect that they had been able to secure a local physician, Dr. Elmer Otis, to take the Moline Sanitarium and therefore did not wish the request for Dr. Stump to be continued.

850. VOTED, That we rescind the action inviting Dr. Stump to the Moline Sanitarium.

## S.H.LINDT--MEDICAL:

Medical reports were presented for Brother and Sister S.H.Lindt, under appointment to China. The medical reports were found satisfactory and it was agreed that the candidates should go forward to the field.

## HARVEST INGATHERING MATTER:

851. VOTED, That J.L.Shaw, T.E.Bowen, G.B.Thompson and C.V.Leach be a committee to prepare the matter for the Harvest Ingathering Number.

## HAITI--SECRETARY-TREASURER:

852. VOTED, That we authorize the securing of a secretary-treasurer for the Haitien Mission.

## ANDREW ROTH--WASHINGTON:

853. VOTED, That we ask Elder Andrew Roth, superintendent of Haiti, to come to Washington for counsel regarding plans for the work in Haiti, before his return from the brief furlough which has been allowed him.

## MELVIN MUNSON:

A letter was presented from Melvin Munson, formerly in Malaysia, asking regarding prospects of his returning to that field. In view of the former breakdown in health in Malaysia, it was--

854. VOTED, That Brother Melvin Munson be advised to continue in service in this country, planning his work without reference to any call to Malaysia at any future time.

## E.J.NELSON:

Consideration was given to the medical report and other information submitted by E.J.Nelson, who had been under consideration for India.



855. VOTED, That we advise Brothner and Sister E.J.Nelson that in view of the information given, it would not seem wise to us to call them to India, in view of the fact that additions to the India staff for 1921 apparently must give consideration to the first need of evangelistic workers in the vernacular.

#### ELMSHAVEN WORK--BUDGET:

The treasurer submitted an estimate which had been gone over by the trustees of the E.G.White Estate, suggesting the amount required for the carrying forward another year of work in hand.

856. VOTED, That we authorize the General Conference Corporation to accept the budget estimate of \$6035 for carrying forward the work on translations and abridgements of Mrs. E.G.White's books for 1921.

#### GEO. E. CORNFORTH--WASHINGTON:

On report of the Medical Department, it was--

857. VOTED, That we invite the Melrose Sanitarium Board to release Geo. E. Cornforth, of their culinary department, to connect with the Washington Sanitarium.

#### JOHN GILLATT--AMERICA:

Consideration was given to the request of Elder John Gillatt, of the British Union, that opportunity be given him to labor in evangelistic work in the United States, it having been long his desire to be transferred.

858. VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to supply from Special Appropriations the amount of \$300, to assist in the transportation of Elder J. Gillatt and family from England to the United States, it being understood that the field calling for his services will provide the balance.

Adjourned.

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



THREE HUNDREDTH MEETING  
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
 November 11, 1920, 4:30 P.M.

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P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, W.T.Knox, E.E.Andross, Chas. Thompson,  
 R.D.Quinn, W.E.Howell, W.W.Eastman, W.H.Heckman, L.A.Hansen.

W.F.SCHWARTZ TO CAROLINA:

859. VOTED, To invite W.F.Schwartz, of New Jersey, to take the presidency of the Carolina Conference, and to request the Columbia Union and the New Jersey Conference to release him for this purpose.

The need of a secretary for the Negro Young People's Missionary Volunteer and Home Missionary Departments for the Southeastern Union was considered and left for action later.

The question of appropriations and financial adjustments for the Southern Junior College was quite fully discussed and it was decided to carry the matter over until the time of the meeting of various members of the committee in the South in January.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.  
 L.A.HANSEN, Sec'y pro tem.

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THREE HUNDRED FIRST MEETING  
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 12, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, W.E.Howell, F.M. Wilcox, R.D.Quinn, L.A.Hansen, J.L.Shaw, W.A.Spicer, G.B.Thompson, U.V.Leach, W.W.Eastman.

Prayer by A.G.Daniells.



## STEREOPTICON SLIDES:

860. VOTED, That L.A.Hansen, H.H.Cobban, J.L.Shaw be a committee on stereopticon slides, with a view to preventing duplication and effecting economy in use and production of slides.

## J.C.STEVENS--RETURN EXPENSES:

861. VOTED, That we propose meeting the return expenses of J.C.Stevens and family from England as follows: General Conference to meet one third, J.C.Stevens one third, Atlantic Union one third.

## H.J.DOOLITTLE--RATE:

862. VOTED, That H.J.Doolittle be allowed his China rate from the time of arrival in America, in order to accomplish work in hand in behalf of China.

## M.V.D.COMMITTEE:

863. VOTED, That the following changes be made in the Committee of the Missionary Volunteer Department: Added: Steen Rasmussen, Heinrich Watty, Fritz Backer, Erwin Berner, H.M. Blundon. Dropped: Erik Arnesen, Guy Dail.

## F.E.WAGNER RELEASED:

864. VOTED, That we release F.E.Wagner from the call to Venezuela, and appoint Chas. Bainer as field missionary secretary of that field, asking the Southwestern Union and the South Texas Conference to release him for this purpose.

## MRS. FLORA H. WILLIAMS--ED. DEPT.:

865. VOTED, That we invite Mrs. Flora H. Williams to connect with the Educational Department, asking the Lake Union and the East Michigan Conference to release her for this purpose.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.

J.L.SHAW,  
W.A.SPICER, Secretaries.



THREE HUNDRED SECOND MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 14, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, F.M.Wilcox, M.E.Kern, W.E.Howell,  
O.M.John, L.A.Hansen, R.D.Quinn, G.B.Thompson, J.L.Shaw, E.E.  
Andross, W.W.Eastman.

Prayer by O.M.John.

J.W.MACE--EUROPE:

866. VOTED, That the appointment of J.W.Mace to Europe be changed, and he be invited to take the assistant secretaryship of the Publishing Department for Europe, instead of the assistant secretaryship of the Home Missionary Department.

REEVES SANITARIUM:

Elder L.A.Hansen stated that he had received word from Dr. O.M.Hayward, telling of the burning of the sanitarium at Reeves, Ga.

867. VOTED, That we express to Dr. O.M.Hayward our sympathy in this loss of the Reeves Sanitarium by fire.

WEEK OF PRAYER APPOINTMENTS:

868. Consideration was given to call for General Conference representatives to spend the week of prayer in the different schools, and the following assignments were made:

A.G. Daniells and F.M.Wilcox to the Washington Missionary College.

W.T.Knox and J.L.Shaw to the Washington Sanitarium.

E.E.Andross to Southern Junior College.

R.D.Quinn to attend the Home Missionary Convention in the Central Union and spend the week of prayer at Union College.

G.B.Thompson to attend meetings in the Lake Union and spend the week of prayer at Berrien Springs.

M.E.Kern to visit the Northwest, and spend the week of prayer at Walla Walla College.



C.S.Longacre to Lancaster Junior College.

W.A.Spicer to Pacific Union College.

N.Z.Town to the Southwestern Junior College.

L.A.Hansen to Oakwood.

Adjourned.

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

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### THREE HUNDRED THIRD MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 15, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, L.H.Christian, P.E.Broderson,  
J.C.Raft, J.L.Shaw.

#### MINISTERS FROM EUROPE--OUTFITTING:

869. VOTED, That outfitting allowance as follows be made to ministers from Europe who are taking up work in the United States:

L.Muderspach	\$300.
E.Christiansen	200
P.Sigurdsson	200

#### A.G.LARSON--RUMANIA:

870. VOTED, That we ask the Broadview Seminary to release A.G.Larson, to take up educational work in Rumania.

#### C.C.HANSEN--POSTGRADUATE WORK:

C.C.Hansen, who is finishing his medical course in Copenhagen, desires to come to America, to associate with one of our sanitariums, in order to get an experience for future service in Europe.

871. VOTED, That we invite C.C.Hansen to spend a number of months in our sanitariums in this country, with the understanding that the European Division will pay his transportation to America and return.



HERBERT HANSEN--SCANDINAVIA:

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872. VOTED, That Heroert Hansen be invited to go to the Scandinavian Union.

W.E.HOWELL--EUROPE:

873. VOTED, That we ask W.E.Howell to visit Europe the coming spring, the exact time of departure and length of visit to be arranged later.

Adjourned.

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

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### THREE HUNDRED FOURTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 18, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, Cnas. Thompson,  
G.B.Thompson, R.D.Quinn, F.M.Wilcox, J.L.Shaw, W.W.Eastman,  
Mrs. L.F.Plummer, O.M.John.

Prayer by O.M.John.

### MINORITY MEETINGS:

The chairman spoke of the advisability of having regular hours for Committee meetings each week, suggesting Mondays and Thursdays, from 9 to 12 A.M.

874. VOTED, That the hours of 9 to 12 A.M., on Mondays and Thursdays, each week, be set apart for regular Committee meetings.

In case the president or vice-president is not present, the understanding is that the treasurer will take the chair; should the treasurer be absent, the secretary will act as chairman.

### RAYMOND BRESEE AND F.E.BARKLEY:

A letter was presented from S.A.Ruskjer, president of the South Dakota Conference, stating that two of their ministers, Raymond Bresee and F.E.Barkley, were available for foreign mission service.



875. VOTED, That we place Raymond Bresee and F.E.Barkley of South Dakota, under appointment to the mission field, subject to favorable report on further investigation, the definite field to be assigned later.

#### NEGRO DEPARTMENT COUNCIL:-

876. VOTED, That the date for the meeting of the special committee on Negro Department work be February 8, at 9:00 A.M., at Nashville, Tenn., instead of January 3, as previously set, in order that those attending this meeting may also attend the meeting of the Southern Publishing Association, which convenes in Nashville at that time.

#### JOHN STICKLE--AFRICA:

877. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make appropriation to South Africa of \$775.24, on account of transportation and salary of John Stickle.

#### LAND IN WESTERN CANADA:

A letter was presented by the treasurer from Geo. H. Skinner, of Manitoba, asking the General Conference to release claim to certain land in Manitoba, willed to the General Conference by James Eastwood.

878. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to sign a release to any claim which the General Conference has to parcels of land designated as 161, 362, and 370 in the District of Kenora, Manitoba, which came to the General Conference by will from James Eastwood.

#### D.E.ROBINSON--NOTE:

879. VOTED, That we cancel the note held against D.E. Robinson, under appointment to South Africa.

#### WESTERN CANADA:

The treasurer presented a letter from A.C.Gilbert, asking for an appropriation of \$30,000 for the work in the Western Canadian Union.

880. VOTED, That we ask the treasurer to write Elder A.C. Gilbert, expressing to him our regret at the inability of the Committee to grant the request for the appropriation of \$30,000 which they ask.



J.U.JEFFERS--HONOLULU:

881. VOTED, That we invite J.U.Jeffers and wife, of the Hinsdale Sanitarium, to go to Hawaii, to take charge of the Honolulu treatment rooms, requesting the Hinsdale Sanitarium to release them for this purpose.

DISCOUNT ON "EDUCATION":

The Publishing Department asked that our publishing houses be requested to make a special discount on the book "Education" during the campaign of the Educational Department.

882. VOTED, That until March 31 we recommend that the book "Education" be combined with the magazine Educator at a special combined rate of \$2.50; that to make this rate effective tract societies grant workers a discount of 20% on the book "Education" for such combined orders.

W.T.KNOX AND J.L.SHAW TO NEW YORK:

A telegram and letter were presented from the Committee of Reference and Counsel, asking that representatives of the Mission Board meet with the Committee on Emergencies on November 23, to consider famine conditions in China.

883. VOTED, That W.T.Knox and J.L.Shaw be asked to attend this meeting, to represent our Board.

Adjourned .

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

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THREE HUNDRED FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 22, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, W.T.Knox, R.D.Quinn, W.E.Howell,  
J.L.Shaw, G.B.Thompson, W.V.Eastman, O.M.Jonn, C.V.Leach, T.E.  
Bowen, Chas. Thompson.

Prayer by R.D.Quinn.



## BENJ HOFFIZ RELEASED:

Benj. Hoffiz, who has been engaged in work for the Syrians, asked to be released from the call to New York, giving as his reasons that he does not think the climatic conditions of New York would be favorable for his wife, and also owing to the financial obligations resting upon him, it seems advisable for him to take up work outside.

884. VOTED, That Benj. Hoffiz be released from the call to engage in work in New York City.

## R.J.SYPE--FURLOUGH:

A letter from E.M.Trummer made inquiry as to the salary to be allowed R.J.Sype while in the United States, whether he should receive the month's allowance to workers going to Costa Rica for change.

885. VOTED, That the usual furlough allowance of one month be granted to R.J.Sype in taking his furlough in the States instead of in Costa Rica.

## E.E.ANDROSS TO PANAMA:

886. VOTED, That E.E.Andross be asked to attend the general meeting in Panama.

## O.L.ROBINSON TO HAITI:

887. VOTED, That we invite O.L.Robinson to go to Haiti as secretary-treasurer of the Haiti Mission, with the understanding that inasmuch as he was raised in the West Indies he would not expect to return to the United States for furlough.

## H.D.CASEBEER--FURLOUGH:

888. VOTED, That H.D.Casebeer be granted two months furlough at the usual furlough rate, prior to taking up work in this country or in a Spanish field.

## MRS. NYGAARD--PORTO RICO:

889. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay the transportation of Mrs. Nygaard from the United States to Porto Rico.

## M.A.HOLLISTER--TENNESSEE RIVER:

Request was presented from the president of the Southeastern Union Conference, asking for M.A.Hollister to take the presidency of the Tennessee River Conference.



890. VOTED, That we ask the Pacific Union to release M.A.Hollister, to take the presidency of the Tennessee River Conference.

"COME-BACK" TO AFRICA:

The treasurer stated that through correspondence from V.H.Branson he understood that the South African field was falling in line with the United States in their mission offerings, and desired the benefit of the "come-back" for use in that field.

891. VOTED, That inasmuch as the same plan is being followed in South Africa as in America regarding mission offerings, that South Africa be allowed for its European work the usual "come-back" or twenty per cent of their mission offerings.

R.L.CARSON:

892. VOTED, That the question of the future work of R.L. Carson be referred to a committee consisting of W.T.Knox, Chas. Thompson and L.A.Hansen.

GLEN WAKEHAM--ASS'T ED. SEC'Y FOR EUROPE:

893. VOTED, That Glen Wakeham be appointed assistant educational secretary for the European Division.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT MEMBERS:

894. VOTED, That the following changes be made in the Educational Department Committee: I.F.Blue to be assistant secretary for Southern Asia, Glen Wakeham, assistant secretary for Europe. Substitute H.M.Johnson for N.P.Neilsen, G.R.Lehman for M.E.Olsen, W.W.Ruble for M.E.Cady, W.C.Flaiz for W.L.Adams, P.L.Thompson for L.O.Machlan, L.W.Cobb for J.J.Reiswig, A.W.Peterson for W.L.Adams, M.E.Cady for A.W.Werline, H.C.Lacey for Glen Wakeham, Morris Tiedhe for Paul Steiner, H.Kirk for L.D.A.Lemke. Drop W.E.Murray, L.H.Caviness, C.Corenson, J.F.Simon. Add H.H.Votaw.

SCHOOL HOMES LEAFLET:

895. VOTED, That the Educational Department be authorized to get out a pamphlet containing the actions taken at the School Homes Council and the Educational Secretaries' Council.

J.H.BOEHM:

A letter was presented from J.H.Boehm, making inquiry as to his plans in this country while his wife takes training at Loma Linda. Owing to the needs in Brazil, it was the opinion of the Committee that Brother Boehm would better return to Brazil.



896. VOTED, That we advise J.H. Boehm, instead of waiting for his wife to finish her work at Loma Linda, to return in the spring to his work in East Brazil.

J.D. RAFF--PANAMA:

In considering the work of J.D. Raff while taking oversight of the book work in the East and West Caribbean fields, it was the opinion of the Committee that it would be advisable for Brother Raff to locate at Panama.

897. VOTED, That J.D. Raff be advised to locate his family at Panama.

BUENOS AIRES MEMORIAL:

A memorial was presented to the Committee from South America, laying before us the needs of the great city of Buenos Aires, and the importance of evangelical work being taken hold of in that city in a stronger way. The memorial stated the need of an evangelist who would first study the language and afterward take up evangelistic work.

898. VOTED, That in acknowledging the receipt of the memorial from the South American Committee, we express our deep interest in the city of Buenos Aires, and our desire to see the work go forward there in a strong way; and in harmony with the arrangement which is being made with all the fields this year, that, after learning the appropriation for each field, a re-statement of calls for workers be made, we ask the Committee in South America to consider the needs of Buenos Aires along with the needs in other parts of South America, and make their call for workers accordingly, within the limit of the budget allowance to South America for 1921.

CHINA MEDICAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION:

A letter from the secretary of the China Medical Missionary Association was presented, passing on to our Board the following resolution:

"Whereas, The provinces of Kansu and Shansi have but one mission hospital and there is no hospital in North Shansi and Inner Mongolia,--

"Resolved, That the executive committee be instructed to confer with the missionary societies working in these areas with a view to the fuller occupation of these regions."

899. VOTED, That the secretary be asked to acknowledge receipt of the letter from the secretary of the China Medical Missionary Association, calling our attention to the need of medical missionary work in Kansu and Shansi.



## ALICE KINNEY BERTHA BENSON:

A letter from Elger Guthrie, president of the Lake Union, made request for the services of Miss Alice Kinney and Miss Bertha Benson of the Iowa Conference. He stated the president of the Iowa Conference is favorable to the transfer.

900. VOTED, That we ask the Northern Union Conference and the Iowa Conference to release Miss Alice Kinney and Miss Bertha Benson to take up work in the Lake Union Conference. In taking this action, we understand that the Iowa Conference is agreeable to their release.

## D.N.WALL RELEASED:

A letter was presented from D.N.Wall, of Greater New York, stating that he did not feel it would be wise for them to respond to the call to Europe at this time.

901. VOTED, That D.N.Wall be released from the invitation to the Latin Union.

## OSCAR OLSON--MEDICAL:

Favorable medical report was received from Oscar Olson of the Greater New York Conference, invited to the Scandinavian Union, and it was agreed to go forward with this appointment.

## H.H.HOWARD--MEDICAL:

Favorable medical report was submitted from Prof. and Mrs. H.H.Howard, of College View, invited to connect with the Stanborough Park College, England, and it was agreed to go forward with the appointment.

Adjourned.

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



THREE HUNDRED SIXTH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 24, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, F.M.Wilcox,  
Chas. Thompson, E.R.Palmer, W.E.Howell, C.S.Longacre, T.E.Bowen,  
W.W.Eastman, N.S.Ashton, O.O.Bernstein, Mrs. L.F.Plummer, F.H.  
Robbins, D.A.Parsons, C.V.Leach, G.B.Thompson, J.L.Shaw.

Prayer by N.S.Ashton.

DIVISION OF TITHE:

Several members of the Columbia Union Conference Committee met with the members of the General Conference Committee, and presented their difficulties in carrying out the recommendation regarding the per cent of tithe from local conferences to the General Conference as agreed upon at the Indianapolis Council. Unless some provision is made, the larger conferences will have to lay off several of their workers.

It was suggested by members of the Columbia Union Committee that they could meet in a large measure the loss in tithe by an increase of their mission offerings above the sixty cents, if permitted to use such an amount for that purpose.

902. VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to draft a series of recommendations, with suitable preambles, giving suggestions to the various conferences as to how they can increase their mission offerings to cover the increase of tithe released to the General Conference, and so obviate seriously crippling their working force.

Named: W.T.Knox, E.R.Palmer, J.L.Shaw, E.E.Andross,  
F.H.Robbins.

Adjourned.

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



## THREE HUNDRED SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 29, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, R.D.Quinn,  
W.W.Eastman, J.L.Shaw, Mrs. L.F.Plummer, C.V.Leach, F.M.Wilcox,  
E.R.Palmer, H.H.Coboan.

Prayer by E.E.Andross.

## GEORGE CORNFORTH RELEASED:

Communication was presented from the Melrose Sanitarium stating the attitude of the Sanitarium Board toward the release of Brother Cornforth. Several of their leading workers had been taken from the institution recently, and they did not see now they could give up Brother Cornforth.

903. VOTED, That we release George Cornforth, of the Melrose Sanitarium, from the invitation to connect with the Washington Sanitarium.

## RUSSIAN WORKERS IN MANCHURIA:

A letter from T.T.Babienco, written from Harbin, set forth the situation in Manchuria, and told of the experiences of Brother Demidow and other workers. Siberian money has depreciated until it is almost worthless, and our workers are being brought to dire need. They do not have enough to supply them with the necessary food and clothing.

904. VOTED, That the Far Eastern Division Committee be asked to give consideration to the needs of the Russian workers in Manchuria, and go to reasonable lengths in supplying them with such funds as may be required for their assistance at this time.

## HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

## ENVELOPES FOR CHURCH BUSINESS:

The secretary of the Home Missionary Department set forth the need of an envelop for use by church members in making up their orders for periodicals, etc., and keeping the money for the same separate from the regular offerings.

905. VOTED, That we approve of the plan of an envelop for church business, for use of members in making orders for literature and enclosing money for the same.



# HELP FOR HOME MISS. CONVENTIONS AND HOME OFFICE:

The secretary placed before the Committee calls for general help for Home Missionary Conventions in different unions, and also spoke of assistance needed in the home office.

906. VOTED, That the calls for help from the field and in the home office of the Home Missionary Department be referred to a committee of five to be named by the chair.

Named: W.T.Knox, J.L.Shaw, E.E.Andross, F.M.Wilcox, R.D.Quinn.

## LAYMEN'S BIG WEEK:

The secretary of the Home Missionary Department suggested the advisability of getting out literature for the Laymen's Big Week, especially adapted and illustrated for this purpose. He spoke of the Signs and Watchman and other magazines. W.W.Eastman spoke of the larger books, and of the increased income that would result to the Publishing House Extension Fund by the use of books, especially by old canvassers.

907. VOTED, That we suggest that our publishing houses bring out special numbers of their papers and magazines, adapted for the Laymen's Big Week campaign.

## MEDICAL DEPARTMENT MEMBERS:

The following members of the Medical Department were appointed:

908. L.A.Hansen, secretary; H.W.Miller, M.D., assistant secretary; Miss Franke Cobban, assistant secretary; P.T.Magan, M.D., field secretary for Pacific States; W.B.Holden, M.D., A.C.Selmon, M.D., W.C.Dunscombe, M.D., W.A.Ruole, M.D., W.E.Bliss, M.D., George Thomason, M.D., L.M.Bowen, J.A.Burden, D.H.Kress, M.D., C.C.Landis, M.D., J.N.Andrews, M.D., John Reith, M.D., G.H.Heald, M.D., R.H.Habenicht, M.D., Riley Russell, M.D., H.C.Menkel, M.D., N.G.Evans, M.D., W.E.Howell, D.D.Comstock, M.D., Julia A.White, M.D., T.A.sherwin, M.D.

## ISLE OF PINES:

The treasurer stated that it would be necessary to authorize some one to accept church property in the isle of Pines.

909. VOTED, That we authorize H.C.Goodrich to accept church property in the Isle of Pines.



## SUSTENTATION FUND--SOUTH AFRICA:

A statement of Trust Funds in the African Division was presented to the Committee, and an item of 1,200 pounds Sustentation Fund was mentioned.

1000. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to requisition 600 pounds of the Sustentation Fund now held in south Africa.

Adjourned.

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

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## THREE HUNDRED EIGHTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 30, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, Wm. Guthrie, J.T.Boettcher, P.Drinnaus, P.E.Broderson, N.P.Neilsen, August Anderson, F.M.Wilcox, W.V.Eastman, F.C.Gilbert, W.E.Howell, J.L.Shaw, C.V.Leach, Mrs. L.F.Plummer, F.H.Robbins, R.D.Quinn, T.E.Bowen, G.E.Nord, J.H.Schilling, S.N.Curtiss.

Prayer by J.T.Boettcher.

## C.L.BAINER RELEASED:

Word was received from C.L.Bainer that he could not accept the call to Venezuela.

1001. VOTED, That we release C.L.Bainer from the invitation to the field missionary secretaryship of Venezuela.

## B.E.WAGNER--VENEZUELA:

1002. VOTED, That we renew the invitation to B.E.Wagner to take the field missionary secretaryship of Venezuela.

## PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT MEMBERS:

1003. VOTED, That we appoint the following persons members of the Publishing Department Committee:



secretary, N.Z.Town; associate secretary, H.H.Hall; assistant secretaries, W.W.Eastman, J.H.McEachern; secretary for Far Eastern Division, C.E.Weaks; secretary for Southern Asia Division, L.C.Shepard. General members: W.C.White, I.H.Evans, J.E.Fulton, C.C.Crisler, F.A.Detamore, S.E.Jackson, L.R.Conradi, W.H.Branson, J.C.Raft, O.E.Reinke, O.Montgomery, G.W.Caviness, W.W.Fletcher. Publishing House Managers: E.R.Palmer, C.H.Jones, R.L.Pierce, W.E.Read, H.Hartkop, A.C.Christiansen, E.Anren, L.E.Borle, C.N.Woodward, J.Robert, J.M.Johanson, A.Pages, E.Everest, J.G.Gjording, Lyman Bowers, E.B.Jones, H.H.Rans. Managers of Circulating Departments and Branches: Jas. Cocoran, J.D.Snider, D.A.Bailey, J.W.Mace, D.W.Reavis, G.C.Hoskin, C.L.Paddock, L.D.Randall, C.E.Hooper, A.R.Smith, L.W.Graham, S.N.Curtiss, H.R.Gay, R.E.Bowles. Superintendents: E.L.Richmond, W.A.Harvey, E.F.Counter. Bureau of Home Missions: P.E.Brodersen. Field Missionary Secretaries: E.E.Franklin, H.F.Kirk, J.W.Davis, V.O.Cole, A.F.Harrison, James Hickman, J.B.Blosser, E.M.Oberg, F.E.Painter, N.H.Conway, G.A.Campbell, E.M.Fishell, L.D.A.Lemke, E.H.Meyers, G.C.Jenks, J.A.P.Green, H.A.Robinson, H.Box, R.M.Carter, W.Maudsley. Home Missionary Secretary: C.V.Leach.

#### DIVISION OF TITHE:

1004. The committee appointed on the percentage of tithe from the conferences brought in a report which was adopted as follows:

➤ Whereas, At the Autumn Council of 1920 it was decided that in order to secure to the General Conference a larger income to enable it to meet the increased demands made upon it for its world-wide work, the weekly offerings of the denomination in North America for 1921 should be placed at 60 cents a week per member; and, furthermore, That the basis of division of tithe of the local conferences with the General Conference should be increased to 3% for the first \$15,000 and less, with an additional one per cent for each additional \$1000 up to and including \$30,000, and thereafter an additional one per cent for each additional \$5000 income of the local conference; and,--

Whereas, The General Conference has, in harmony with this action, made appropriations to the various fields dependent upon ~~it~~ on this basis, and has so notified all mission fields; and,--

Whereas, A careful study of the conditions existing in the largest and most populous conferences in North America, and their responsibilities, reveals that in some of these conferences the increased division of their tithe will apparently render it impossible for them to conduct their affairs without greatly curtailing their work to the serious injury of the cause; and,--



Whereas, It is essential that the General Conference shall have an assured and certain income commensurate with the appropriations voted at the Autumn Council, and that this income shall be had with proper regularity each month of the year; therefore,--

We recommend, 1. That to secure to the General Conference its needed income duly voted and appropriated at the Autumn Council, all local conferences shall on the first of January begin, and throughout the year maintain an aggressive campaign for mission offerings, setting before their constituencies the desirability of raising each month their proper portion of offerings rather than depending so largely upon special efforts in the latter part of the year; that the moneys thus obtained shall regularly each month at the appointed time be forwarded to the General Conference treasurer, with the understanding that 20% of the same is to be handled by the General Conference treasurer, as heretofore, as a relief fund or come-back for the benefit of the work in North America.

2. That all local conferences in North America be asked to forward regularly each month at the appointed time that portion of their tithe devoted to the work of the General Conference.

3. That in view of the fact that it has been found impossible in many of the conferences to place in operation the schedule of division of tithe adopted at the Council at Indianapolis without seriously crippling their work, the action of the Indianapolis Council be modified to the extent of limiting the increase of the per cent of tithe to the General Conference to 25%, thus causing the above-mentioned action to read:

"That the basis of division of tithe from conferences shall be increased from two per cent to three per cent from all conferences having a tithe of \$15,000 or less; this rate to be increased one per cent for each additional thousand dollars until 18% has been attained, after which the rate is to increase one per cent for each additional \$5000 until 25% has been attained the rate of division on \$65,000 or more of tithe, to be 25%."

4. That in view of the large loss to the General Conference in its receipts, owing to the above change, we urge that all conferences benefitted by this change that can follow the plan adopted at Indianapolis, carry out in full the action regarding the per cent of tithe to the General Conference passed at that meeting. <



## SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION

## WAGE INCREASE:

Letter was presented from J.E. Fulton, speaking of the increased cost of living in India since the value of the rupee has been depreciating and prices increasing.

1005. VOTED, That we authorize the Southern Asia Committee to increase the wages of its workers, beginning January 1, 1921, 10% above their budget showing, it being understood that this increase shall be made within the appropriation to the Southern Asia Division for the year 1921.

## CHILD ALLOWANCE:

1006. VOTED, That the new schedule of Child Allowance be authorized to the Southern Asia Division, and be made retro-active from March 18, 1920, with the understanding that this increase shall be provided for within the limits of the 1921 appropriations.

## MINISTERIAL INSTITUTES:

Elders Quinn, Daniells and Robbins spoke of the value of ministerial institutes in increasing the efficiency of our workers. Allusion was made to the institutes held in Philadelphia, Knoxville, and other places. The chairman set forth the objects to be attained in holding such institutes.

1007. VOTED, That a ministerial institute be held for the Atlantic, Columbia, and possibly Eastern Canadian Unions in a central location early in 1921.

## COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND PLANS:

1008. VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to prepare plans and program for the ministerial institute.

Named: R.D. Quinn, J.L. Shaw, E.E. Andross, F.M. Wilcox, A.G. Daniells.

Recess was taken.

After recess, prayer was offered by Brethren Neilson Daniells and Quinn.

## BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

The work of the Bureau of Home Missions, considered at the Indianapolis Council, was referred to the minority Committee at Washington. The secretaries of the Bureau, having been called to Washington, were in attendance at the meeting.



The chairman, A.G. Daniells, reviewed the work of this department, and spoke of the need of giving careful consideration to this work with the idea of placing it on a still stronger operating basis. Brother Brodersen outlined the work of his department as he viewed it, explaining the way in which he conducted the department. J.T. Boettcher spoke of the German work, the large number of German churches, and what they were doing in advancing the work in its different lines. G.E. Nord reviewed his experience with the Swedish work, the efforts being made among the Swedish churches, and the success which has followed. N.P. Neilsen having only recently connected with the department, spoke briefly of the work among the Danish and Norwegian churches. F.C. Gilbert spoke of the work for the Jews, and the success in increasing the distribution of Jewish literature.

William Guthrie was asked to speak of the relationship of conferences, especially in the Lake Union, to the work of the Home Missions Bureau. He assured the Committee that there was no lack of desire on the part of conference presidents in his union, so far as he knew, to forward the work among the foreign-speaking peoples. He thought a plan of operation should be determined upon that would bring about a larger measure of harmonious action between the department and the union and local conferences. He thought such plans should be laid as would cause workers to look to the president of the local conference for immediate direction. The chairman then placed before the Committee a statement prepared by the secretary, W.A. Spicer, setting forth a basis of working and a statement of relationship between the General Conference and the local conferences in working for the foreign-speaking peoples:

After discussing various points in this statement, it was--

1009. VOTED, That the plan of conducting the work for foreign peoples as set forth in the following statement be adopted

Basis of Working and Statement of Relationship between the General Conference and local conferences in work for Foreign-speaking peoples.

1. It is recognized that in our organization the conference is responsible for giving the message to all peoples in its territory, to the foreign-speaking equally with English-speaking, the former requiring even the greater care because of the greater difficulty of reaching those who must hear the message in another tongue.

2. It is to assist the conferences in doing this work for the foreign-speaking that the General Conference Bureau of Home Missions is established; because the distribution of language groups through all the conferences makes it possible for an inter-conference supervision to greatly help in the development of this work. Under such general supervision transfer of workers



can be arranged, laborers developed, literature prepared, and special attention given to fostering the work in each language group.

3. The blessings that have attended this work among the foreign-language peoples of North America indicate great possibilities for the future. We see that the work has but been begun. We join as a General Conference and as union and local conferences to foster this work and to give it more attention than ever before. As churches are multiplied among those of foreign languages we recognize that the oversight and shepherding of these churches must be by the conferences. Therefore the interests of the foreign-language believers and churches must head up in the conference, and these believers and their work must be under the special watchcare of the conference. Anything else would be to the disadvantage of these peoples, whose interests and efforts at every stage must blend with those of the English-speaking churches, making one common fellowship.

4. In fostering this work within the conferences it is understood that the General Conference department works with and through the conferences in close cooperation with the conference officers, recognizing,--

(a) That the local worker in any language is a conference worker--whether paid by the conference wholly or whether salary is provided by the General Conference, by appropriation, through the local conference treasury.

(b) As a conference worker the laborer should receive authorization and direction in his efforts from the conference officers, the General Conference department working in cooperation with the conference to aid the worker in carrying out the plans agreed upon and authorized.

(c) It is understood that the conference is first consulted before a laborer is set to work within its territory and before a laborer engaged in a conference is recommended for transfer to another territory. It is recognized that the interests of this language work is one in all the fields and that the Bureau may often see that the transfer of a worker to another field would be greatly to the advantage of the work for a certain language group. Hence the conferences will wish to give every consideration to the general interests in releasing or receiving workers under counsel from the Bureau.

(d) It is recognized that it is to the advantage of the work that before definitely suggesting to a laborer a change of field or plan of effort the Bureau take counsel with the conference president; and it is also recognized that it will be helpful to the work if conferences counsel with the Bureau regarding contemplated vital changes in the work of foreign-language laborers.



(e) In order that the conference may supervise and foster the work of the foreign-language laborer his reports are to be made regularly to the conference the same as other laborers; but in order that the Bureau may watch the progress of the work in the various language areas and be enabled to help and encourage these workers a duplicate of the reports to the conference shall be sent to the Bureau (to the superintendent of the proper language department).

5. In drawing out this working plan, we recognize that it provides for the Bureau of Home Missions the same plan, in principle, that obtains in the relationship of all General Conference departments to the union and local conferences, the General Conference department not undertaking local administrative work in any field. The Bureau work for these many nationalities differs only in application of this principle because whereas other departments work through regular union and local departments to foster plans of work by the believers, the foreign department, or Bureau of Home Missions, must foster the work of raising up believers and carrying on aggressive work in all departments among this special class who are spread abroad throughout the conferences, and who are not reached by the regular work in the English tongue. The Home Missions Bureau recognizes, however, that every interest of the work for the foreign-language peoples is advanced by the closest cooperation with conference officers, in order that every possible occasion for confusion of effort or friction may be avoided and that the work may be indeed one in every conference in all languages.

#### HEADQUARTERS OF BUREAU:

The advisability of moving the Bureau of Home Missions to Washington was discussed by various members of the Committee. There seemed to be a unanimous sentiment in favor of connecting the Bureau of Home Missions more closely with the General Conference work by locating the headquarters at Washington.

1010. VOTED, That the office of the Bureau of Home Missions be transferred from Chicago to Washington, and that the secretary locate in Takoma Park.

#### STATEMENT FOR WEEK OF PRAYER:

The present situation and the needs of the work were placed before the Committee.

1011. VOTED, That the officers of the General Conference be asked to prepare a statement setting forth in a brief, concise manner the present situation and the needs of our work, to be sent to our workers in all parts of the United States and Canada in time for the week of prayer.



DR. W.R.SIMMONS--WABASH VALLEY SANITARIUM:

Wm Guthrie spoke of the need of a medical superintendent for the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, to take the place of Dr. Mann who has recently resigned.

1012. VOTED, That Dr. W.R.Simmons be invited to take the medical superintendency of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium.

Adjourned.

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

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### THREE HUNDRED NINTH MEETING

### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 1, 1920

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### P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, L.A.Hansen, C.V.Leach, J.L.Shaw, N.P.Neilsen, P.E.Broderson, J.T.Boettcher, F.C.Gilbert, G.E.Nord, August Anderson, Mrs. L.F.Plummer, A.H.Williams, S.N.Curtiss, J.H.Schilling, P.Drinhaus, F.M.Wilcox, R.D.Quinn, W.E.Howell, W.W.Eastman, W.W.Prescott, Dr. H.W.Miller.

Prayer by A.H.Williams.

### V.O.PUNCHES' WORK:

P.E.Broderson asked counsel regarding the work of V.O.Punches. It appeared to him that the work of Brother Punches should be under the direction of the Home Missionary Department.

1013. VOTED, That the circulation of small literature among foreigners which has been connected with the Bureau of Home Missions and under the direction of V.O.Punches, be transferred to the Home Missionary Department.

1014. VOTED, That the future work of V.O.Punches be referred to the committee on help for the Home Missionary Department.

### CREDENTIALS:

1015. VOTED, That ministerial credentials be issued to N.P.Neilsen and August Anderson.



## H.H.HUMANN--WESTERN CANADA:

P.E.Brodersen spoke of the loss to the foreign work in Canada since Brother Humann has taken the presidency of the North Dakota Conference.

1016/ VOTED, That the call of the Home Missions Bureau for H.H.Humann be referred to the committee appointed on help for the Home Missionary Department.

## S.G.BURLEY'S WORK:

1017. VOTED, That in view of the situation in Chicago, calling for the full time of Brother S.G.Burley, we ask him to defer his work along educational lines at the Broadview Seminary until next year, thus giving time to arrange for the work among the Russians in Chicago.

## WORK OF F.C.GILBERT:

1018. VOTED, That the work of F.C.Gilbert be referred to the committee on Home Missionary Department help.

TRANSFER OF WASHINGTON  
SANITARIUM PROPERTY:

1019. VOTED, That we authorize the transfer of the Washington Sanitarium property now held by the Washington Sanitarium Association to the General Conference Corporation.

Adjourned.

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

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THREE HUNDRED TENTH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 2, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, R.D.Quinn,  
A.H.Williams, W.E.Howell, C.V.Leach, E.R.Palmer, F.M.Wilcox, W.W.  
Eastman, H.H.Cobban.

Prayer by C.V.Leach.



JOS. W. QUASHIE:

A letter was presented from Jos. W. Quashie, of the Gold Coast, West Africa, urging that he be allowed to come to America to continue his education.

1020. VOTED, That the letter from Brother Quashie be passed on to the British Union Conference, with the request that they take under consideration the advisability of giving Brother Quashie further education in order that he may become a more efficient worker.

C.V. LEACH--NEW MARKET:

1021. VOTED, That C.V. Leach be asked to spend the first part of the week of prayer with the school at New Market, Va.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:

The committee appointed on help for Home Missionary Conventions and for the home office, brought in a report which was adopted as follows:

E.R. NUMBERS:

1022. 1. That we ask the Columbia Union to release E.R. Numbers, to connect with the Home Missionary Department.

V.O. PUNCHES:

1023. 2. That the secretary take up correspondence with V.O. Punches regarding his future work.

CONVENTIONS:

1024. 3. That in unions where Ministerial Institutes are held, Home Missionary Conventions be held in connection with these institutes, either immediately before or after.

1025. 4. That as far as possible help from the Department be given to Home Missionary Conventions in the various unions.

BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS:

The committee appointed on Home Missions Bureau matters presented a report, which was adopted as follows:

FOREIGN INGATHERING PAPERS, 1921:

1026. 1. That Foreign Ingathering papers for 1921 be ordered as follows:



German	65,000
Danish-Norwegian	25,000
Swedish	25,000
Polish	25,000
Italian	50,000
Bohemian	8,000
Finnish	7,000
French	15,000
Hungarian	9,000
Roumanian	5,000
Russian	10,000
Servian	5,000
Slovakian	8,000
Yiddish	25,000
English-Yiddish	15,000 (conditional)
Portuguese	4,000

#### DAVID VOTH--MISCELLANEOUS LANGUAGE WORK:

1027. 2. To ask the North Texas Conference to release David Voth, to connect with the Bureau of Home Missions, for the Miscellaneous Language work west of the Mississippi.

#### YIDDISH MAGAZINE:

1028. 3. That inasmuch as the Pacific Press at its Brookfield Branch has under our counsel equipped itself to publish the Yiddish magazine and other Jewish literature, we recommend the Press to continue doing this work for the Home Missions Bureau.

#### BOOK IN YIDDISH:

1029. 4. That the secretary be asked to correspond with F.C. Gilbert regarding his plans for a book or books in Yiddish, to ascertain the time required to prepare the manuscript, the scope of the book, and other information, to be presented to the Committee that counsel may be given with reference to the preparation of matter for a book in the Yiddish.

#### GIRLS' SCHOOL--BENGAL:

A letter from J.E. Fulton stated the need of a teacher to take charge of the East Bengal Girls' School, as Mrs. Stevens would soon be taking furlough and desires upon her return to take up other work.

1030. VOTED, That the Educational Department be requested to recommend a teacher for the Girls' School in East Bengal.

#### NEGRO DEPARTMENT--NASHVILLE MEETING:

A letter from J.L. McElhany spoke of the meeting in Nashville to consider the work of the Negro Department, and mentioned the fact that of the five delegates representing the department only two were from the South, while the problems to be



considered largely concern the colored work in the South. It seemed to him there should be a larger representation of colored brethren from the South.

1031. VOTED, That the representation from the Negro Department for the meeting in Nashville be increased by the addition of the following-named persons: J.H.Lawrence, G.E.Peters, Miss Annie Knight.

RUTH ROTH:

Miss Ruth Roth, formerly in Haiti, now visiting relatives in France, asked regarding returning to Haiti.

1032. VOTED, That we advise Miss Ruth Roth to remain in France, and recommend her and the young man to whom she is engaged to the Latin Union for work in France or elsewhere in the union.

TEACHERS--INDIA:

The secretary of the Educational Department read from a letter from J.E.Fulton, asking for a couple for educational work who give promise of ability sufficient if need be to take charge of the Annfield school later on.

1033. VOTED, That the Educational Department be asked to secure such a teaching couple for India.

GLEN WAKEHAM:

1034. VOTED, That inasmuch as Glen Wakeham was sent out from America and now finds it advisable to return to this country to renew his passports, we approve of his returning, and authorize the payment of his transportation to the United States.

G.W.PETTIT--INDIA:

A.H.Williams presented a letter containing an action of the Southern Asia Division Committee, asking for the return of G.W.Pettit to India.

1035. VOTED, That we invite G.W.Pettit to return to India

RUTH MIDDAUGH--INDIA:

1036. VOTED, That we invite Ruth Middaugh, of Union College, to go to India, to take charge of the church school at the Southern Asia Division headquarters.



ROBERT E. STEWART:

Letter was presented by the treasurer from Robert E. Stewart, telling of the expense for treatment for Mrs. Stewart.

1037. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow Robert E. Stewart \$50.00 , to apply on expense of treatment for Mrs. Stewart.

BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DIVISION OF TITHE:

A letter was presented from A.C.Gilbert, presenting on the part of the British Columbia Conference a request for exception to be made in its case on the percentage of tithe to the General Conference.

1038. VOTED, That the treasurer be asked to write A.C. Gilbert of our inability to make any exception to the general plan of the percentage of tithe from the local conferences agreed upon at Indianapolis and in the modifying actions of the Committee in Washington since.

J.C.STEVENS--SALARY:

A letter from G.K.Jones asked that the General Conference pay the salary of J.C.Stevens up to the first of December.

1039. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay the salary of J.C.Stevens from the time payment stopped in England until the first of December.

Adjourned.

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

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THREE HUNDRED ELEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 3, 1920

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P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox, F.M.Wilcox,  
J.L.Shaw, R.D.Quinn, H.F.Schuberth, G.W.Schubert, P.Drinhaus, W.E.  
Howell, M.F.Knox.



## VIENNA CHURCH BUILDING:

1040. VOTED, To ask the European Division to take under consideration the need of a church building in Vienna, using such funds for this purpose as they may be able within the limits of the appropriation for 1921.

## SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION--LOAN:

M.F.Knox presented before the Committee the needs of the Southern Publishing Association. This institution has done a large business the past year, and the prospects are that its profits will be near to \$100,000. Owing to the slump of cotton in the South it is difficult for them to make collections to meet bills that should be paid, and request was made for a loan of \$100,000.

1041. VOTED, That we grant relief to the Southern Publishing Association by a loan of \$100,000, payable within four months from date, at a rate of interest not less than six per cent.

Adjourned.

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

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## THREE HUNDRED TWELFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 6, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, L.R.Conradi, E.E.Andross, W.T.Knox,  
H.F.Schuberth, W.E.Howell, N.Z.Town, J.L.Shaw, W.W.Eastman, Mrs.  
L.F.Plummer, T.E.Bowen, C.V.Leach, H.H.Cobban, F.M.Wilcox.

Prayer by L.R.Conradi.

## F.F.OSTER:

The question of Brother and Sister Oster's returning to Persia was given consideration while Brother Conradi was present to give counsel. The conditions in Persia are at the present time unsettled, and it does not seem to him that it would be advisable for them to return just now.



1042. VOTED, That we ask the European Division to give us practical information relative to the conditions in Persia, and definite recommendation regarding the future work of Brother Oster, and in the meantime we ask the North Pacific Union to arrange work for Brother Oster.

R.G.KLINGBEIL:

A letter was presented from R.G.Klingbeil, stating that the secretary of the legation in Holland advised him to make arrangements to come back to the United States in view of the fact that he has been away from the States more than twenty-six years, and he now holds the last passport that they would be able to give him.

1043. VOTED, That in view of the advice from the secretary of the legation in The Hague, informing Brother Klingbeil that he can not get another passport without returning to America, we express our willingness to pay the transportation of Brother Klingbeil to this country to renew his passport; further, that in view of the need for his services in Holland, we think it advisable for him to continue with the work in that field.

J.M.PETERSON RELEASED:

Further consideration was given to the appointment of J.M.Peterson for educational work in Germany. It was stated that Brother Peterson is fifty years of age, that he does not enjoy good health, and that he has some property that it may be difficult for him to dispose of. It was also pointed out that it would be necessary for him to learn the language.

1044. VOTED, That in view of the age and health of Brother Peterson we rescind the action appointing him to educational work in Germany.

OTTO SCHUBERTH:

Statement was made that Otto Schuberth, of the Washington Missionary College, under appointment to educational work in Germany, needs to regain his health before going to the field.

1045. VOTED, That we ask the Washington Missionary College to release Otto Schuberth, and that he go to Germany as soon as he is able.

R. WAKEHAM:

1046. VOTED, That we express our willingness to pay the transportation of R.Wakeham, to America, to renew his citizenship.



## EXCHANGE RATES:

A statement having been read from Brother Chr. Pedersen, the sub-treasurer of Europe, calling attention to the heavy loss that would be sustained by the General Conference in carrying out the plan of the sub-treasurer's dealing with the various European fields as adopted at the council at Zurich, which provided that the rate of exchange prevailing on January 1 should become the governing basis in exchange throughout the entire succeeding year, the said loss for 1920 amounting to from 40 to 45 per cent of any amount billed to the German Union Conferences or persons in these unions, it was therefore,--

1047. VOTED, That in order to find a more equitable basis for settlement between the sub-treasurer and the various conferences and mission fields of Europe, they shall use the rate prevailing on the 20th of one month for the basis of the following month.

## BROADVIEW SEMINARY:

The treasurer stated that in order to carry out the plan for Brother Nord to go to Sweden, it would be necessary to appropriate \$10,000 to the Broadview Seminary out of the 1920 budget.

1048. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$10,000 to the Broadview Seminary out of the 1920 budget.

## N.J. AALBORG'S ACCOUNT:

The treasurer stated that Brother Aalborg, returned from Jamaica and now in California, had offered to pay the extra charges in his traveling expenses caused by stops and excess baggage, amounting to more than \$70.00.

1049. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to accept \$50.00 from N.J. Aalborg, to apply on his traveling expenses across the country.

## MEXICO--INCREASE IN BUDGET:

1050. VOTED, That we defer any action regarding increase in the Mexican budget until the facts and figures regarding the 1920 and 1921 budgets are submitted.

## WAGE OF MEXICAN WORKERS:

1051. VOTED, That the following items in the Agenda be referred to the officers to bring in a report: Wage rates of Brethren Bond and Caviness and Sister Caviness, and the will of Brother Moyers.



## MEXICAN LEGAL SOCIETY:

1052. VOTED, That \$100 gold be paid to Brethren Bond and Callicott with which to purchase shares in the Mexican Legal Society.

## E.VIRGINIA MARTIN:

1053. VOTED, That Miss E. Virginia Martin, who has been compelled to return from Mexico on account of her nealth be placed on furlough for six months at a rate of \$12 a week.

## FRED HUTCHINSON--FURLOUGH:

1054. VOTED, That furlough allowance of three months be granted to Fred Hutchinson, returned from Trinidad.

HOME MISSIONARY SECRETARIES  
BOOKMEN'S CONVENTIONS:

1055. VOTED, That inasmuch as the Home Missionary Department has arranged for conventions for its secretaries, and it is desirable to economize in the expenditure of publishing house funds, the Home Missionary Secretaries be not encouraged to attend publishing conventions this winter.

## MEXICAN MEETING:

N.Z.Town made an encouraging report concerning the meeting in Mexico. The book work has made remarkable progress during the past year. Conditions in the country are improving and the prospect for the future is more encouraging than it has been for many months. They have set their goal for the sale of \$58,000 worth of books the coming year. Elder J.E.Bond has accepted the superintendency of the field, was present at the meeting, and has entered upon his duties.

## E.E.ANDROSS TO KEENE:

1056. VOTED, That E.E.Andross be asked to spend the week of prayer at Keene instead of Ooltewah.

## C.A.RUSSELL TO OOLTEWAH:

1057. VOTED, That C.A.Russell be asked to spend the week of prayer at the Southern Junior College, Ooltewah.

## BOOKS AND PERIODICALS TO EUROPE:

1058. VOTED, That in view of the rate of exchange in countries of continental Europe, aside from Scandinavia, Switzerland, Spain and Holland, making it practically prohibitive for workers to purchase books and periodicals from America, we undertake to fill such orders from workers as may be sent through the sub-treasury of the European Division, dividing the loss in



exchange equally with the field.

Adjourned.

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

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### THREE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH MEETING

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 9, 1920

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#### P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, W.T.Knox, J.L.Shaw, C.V.Leach, W.E.  
Howell, W.W.Eastman, F.M.Wilcox, N.Z.Town, H.H.Cobban, T.E.Bowen.

Prayer by W.W.Eastman.

#### HOURS FOR DICTATION:

The chairman spoke of the advisability of having definite hours for office work and dictation, during which the officers and secretaries of departments would not be interrupted.

1059. VOTED, That in order to expedite the work of the different departments, the morning hours up to 10:30 be kept free for dictation and office work, without interruption, leaving the time from 10:30 on for outside calls.

#### CARL LEER TO UPPER COLUMBIA:

A letter from A.R.Ogden stated that the North Pacific Union and the Upper Columbia Conference desired to secure the services of Carl Leer, of North Dakota.

1060. VOTED, That we ask the Northern Union and the North Dakota Conference to release Carl Leer, to take up work in the Upper Columbia Conference, provided they are agreed on his release.

#### JOHN FORD--LAKE TITICACA:

The Information Blank of John E. Ford was presented to the Committee, stating his desire to go to Lake Titicaca for the Indian work, after spending possibly a year at Loma Linda in further training.



1061. VOTED, That we invite John Ford to go to Lake Titicaca when he has finished his school year and has had such training as he may desire at Loma Linda.

ORLEY FORD--OPERATION:

A letter from Brothner Orley Ford, of Lake Titicaca, stated his need of a surgical operation, and suggested returning to America.

1062. VOTED, That we express to Brothner Ford our feeling that he should go ahead and have the surgical operation that he needs performed if the examining physician so advises, but suggesting the advisability of having it done in Lima if he can get a good surgeon, thus avoiding the necessity of returning to America.

DR. C.S.KIM:

An action of the Far Eastern Division Executive Board was presented, raising the question of Dr. Kim's coming to America to continue his medical work.

1063. VOTED, That in view of the expense and the impracticability of the proposal, we advise Dr. C.S.Kim not to plan to come to America to continue his medical work.

E.L.MAXWELL--SPANISH WORK:

A letter was presented from E.L.Maxwell, expressing his desire to get into the work where he could be near home.

1064. VOTED, That the secretary be authorized to take up correspondence with E.L.Maxwell, asking him to consider the advisability of taking charge of the Spanish work along the Southwestern border.

H.D.CASEBEER--MEXICO:

Request was presented by N.Z.Town, on behalf of the brethren in Mexico, that H.D.Casebeer come to that field, to assist in the work in Mexico City, while he is on furlough waiting for his wife to regain her health.

1065. VOTED, To request Elder H.D.Casebeer to take up work temporarily in Mexico City, while Sister Casebeer is regaining her health in the West.

BIBLE AND HISTORY TEACHERS' COUNCIL:

1066. VOTED, That the Bible and History Teachers' Council for 1921 be held July 29 to August 18, and if found expedient, it be held at the Broadview Seminary.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.

J.L.SHAW, Secretary.



## THREE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 13

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, W.T.Knox, F.M.Wilcox, N.Z.Town, W.E. Howell, J.L.Shaw, W.V.Eastman.

Prayer by A.G.Daniells.

## A.G.LARSON RELEASED:

A letter was presented from A.G.Larson, under appointment to Roumania for educational work, stating some of the problems that confront him in considering the call to Roumania. He mentioned his age, difficulty in picking up a new language, and the condition of his wife's health.

1067. VOTED, That we release Dr. A.G.Larson from the call to Roumania.

## F.W.SPINK RELEASED:

A letter from F.W.Spink stated that owing to his age and the condition of his wife's health he did not think it advisable to go to Trinidad.

1068. VOTED, That we release F.W.Spink from the call to take the secretary-treasurer's work of the South Caribbean Conference.

## WALTER B. PONTYNEN:

A letter of acceptance to the call to Finland was received from Walter B. Pontynen; also medical statement by Dr. J.T.Hopkins was presented and approved by the Committee.

## J.U.JEFFERS, HAWAII:

Medical report for Brother and Sister J.U.Jeffers, signed by Drs. F.V.Morse and Mary F. Paulson, was placed before the Committee and approved.



## MRS. BECKNER TO WASHINGTON:

The secretary stated that he had spoken with Dr. Miller regarding Mrs. Beckner, of Burma, and the advisability of her coming to the Sanitarium to take treatment under his personal care. From what Dr. Miller knew of the case he thought that her condition would improve by coming to the Sanitarium.

1069. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to arrange for the traveling expenses of Mrs. R.A. Beckner to come to the Washington Sanitarium for treatment.

## "STEPS TO CHRIST" IN WORLD'S CRISIS SERIES:

The secretary of the Publishing Department presented the request of the Review and Herald Publishing Association to be permitted to publish "Steps to Christ" as one of the World's Crisis Series.

1070. VOTED, That we approve of the Review and Herald publishing "Steps to Christ" as one of the World's Crisis Series.

Adjourned.

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

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## THREE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 14, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G. Daniels, W.T. Knox, Mrs. L.F. Plummer, E.R. Palmer, J.L. Shaw, C.V. Leach, J.S. James, W.W. Eastman, N.Z. Town, F.M. Wilcox, T.E. Bowen, W.E. Howell, H.H. Cobban.

Prayer by J.S. James.

## PUBLISHING HOUSE EXTENSION:

The question of raising funds through gifts from our people, as provided for by recommendation of the Autumn Council, for the extension of our publishing work in foreign lands, was discussed.



1071. VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five to frame a recommendation governing the solicitation of gifts for the Publishing House Extension Fund, and the handling of the same.

Named: N.Z.Town, E.R.Palmer, W.T.Knox, F.M.Wilcox, J.L.Shaw.

C.F.McVAGH--MOVING EXPENSES:

A statement from the Northern Union relative to the moving expenses of Elder C.F.McVagh was considered. Owing to the short period of time Brother McVagh was able to spend in the Northern Union and the necessity of securing Elder Russell to take his place, involving moving expenses for Brother Russell, the union was put to heavy expense.

1072. VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to meet one half the moving expenses of Elder C.F.McVagh from Western Canada to the Northern Union.

DR. C.S.KIM;

Whereas, The Committee for the Far Eastern Division has arranged for Dr. C.S.Kim to attend the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, bringing his family with him from Shanghai, and have requested the General Conference to provide for the expense entailed, the Doctor and his family having already arrived in America; and,--

Whereas, It is at all times necessary that the General Conference Committee shall be fully informed and consenting to any arrangements involving its finances before final arrangement is made, in order that the finances of the cause may be properly safeguarded; and as the General Conference treasury is not in a condition to permit of any extra tax upon it, it was--

1073. VOTED, That the Far Eastern Committee be notified that their request concerning Dr. C.S.Kim can not be granted, and the General Conference treasurer is instructed to charge against the Far Eastern appropriation all moneys he may be called upon to expend for Dr. Kim.

TRANSPORTATION OF KRUGER:

The Far Eastern Division presented a bill for \$807.69, traveling expenses of Brother Kruger from Malaysia to Africa, and salary.

1074. VOTED, That the Far Eastern Division be asked to arrange for meeting the expense of Brother Kruger's transportation from Malaysia to Africa, and his salary, amounting to \$807.69, as they think best out of their Special Appropriations Fund.



## CHILD ALLOWANCE--FAR EAST:

1075. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add to the appropriations for 1920 sufficient to provide for the Child Allowance in the Far Eastern Division from March 18 and on for the rest of the year.

## MISS SHULL--SANITARIUM BILL:

1076. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the Sanitarium bill of Miss Florence Shull, on furlough from China, amounting to \$25.00.

## C.B.HUGHES--FURLOUGH:

1077. VOTED, That the furlough allowance of C.B.Hughes be extended for three months.

## "REVIEW" SUBSCRIPTIONS--EUROPE:

Inasmuch as the present rate of exchange between the United States and many European countries renders the securing of our church paper, the "Review and Herald," almost impossible for many of our European brethren, it was--

1078. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to notify the European Sub-treasurer that for all orders for the "Review and Herald" passing through his hands from the countries where the loss on exchange is heavy, such as the British Union, France, Spain, the conferences comprising the Central European countries, the Balkan States, and the Near East, the General Conference will meet one half of the loss in exchange on the subscription price of the "Review," the remaining loss to be met as may seem proper and just to the officers of the European Division, all orders to be sent forward to America through the Sub-treasurer's hands or as he may arrange.

## EAST PENNA. S.S. CONVENTION:

1079. VOTED, That J.S.James be asked to attend the Sabbath School Convention to be held in the East Pennsylvania Conference, December 31 and January 1.

## THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING PLAN:

The secretary of the Sabbath School Department spoke of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering plan, and of the aggressive way in which our Sabbath Schools all over the world are raising money for missions by means of this plan.

1080. VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to study the present plan of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, and bring in any suggestions of any changes that seem advisable, for final consideration by the Committee.



Named: Mrs. L.F. Plummer, E.R. Palmer, J.L. Shaw,  
W.T. Knox, F.M. Wilcox.

# J.K. JONES--ILLINOIS:

A letter from William Guthrie presented an earnest request for J.K. Jones, to take the presidency of the Illinois Conference.

1081. VOTED, That the request for J.K. Jones to take the presidency of the Illinois Conference be passed on to the Atlantic Union.

# C.E. HOOPER--MAGAZINE CAMPAIGN:

1082. VOTED, That we ask the Southern Publishing Association for the services of C.E. Hooper for a period not to exceed two months, to assist the Publishing Department in the Magazine Campaign.

# EDITOR FOR BRAZIL:

1083. VOTED, That we ask the secretary to make search for an editor for the Brazil publishing house.

# BOOK-BINDER FOR STANBOROUGH PARK:

1084. VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to recommend a man as book-binder for the Stanborough Park publishing house.

# H.J. KLOOSTER RELEASED:

Brother Klooster, under appointment to Holland, reported that he had his plans laid to take the medical course, and asked to be released from the appointment.

1085. VOTED, That we release H.J. Klooster from the invitation to go to Holland.

# EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

The following recommendations from the Educational Department were approved:

That Alma J. Graf continue as secretary of the School Homes Section, and secretary of the sub-section of Preceptresses.

That B.E. Hoffman act as secretary of the Sub-section of Preceptors.

That Rena Klooster act as secretary of the Sub-section of Matrons.



## I N D I A:

1086. VOTED, That the following recommendations of the Southern Asia Divisional Section, passed on to the Committee by J.E.Fulton, be approved:

"Voted, That we ask the General Conference to approve of the appropriation for a station for R.H.Leech being used for a station for C.C.Kellar."

"Voted, That we ask the General Conference to allow the India Union Mission Training School appropriation to be used for the Northwest India Union Training School."

Adjourned.

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

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## THREE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 20, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, V.T.Knox, N.Z.Town, W.E.Howell, J.L.Shaw, C.V.Leach, W.W.Eastman, E.R.Palmer, L.W.Graham, R.T.Dowsett, E.L.Richmond, J.W.Mace, H.H.Rans.

Prayer by A.G.Daniells.

## A.J.STONE--SWEDEN:

Letter was presented from A.J.Stone, now receiving help from the Sustentation Fund, expressing his desire to return to Sweden, and asking for assistance in meeting his transportation

1087. VOTED, That we advise the Sustentation Fund Committee to continue the allowance to A.J.Stone in proceeding to Sweden, with the understanding that his rate will be in harmony with the rates paid to sustentation workers in Europe; also that one half of his transportation be met from the Sustentation Fund.



## LOAN TO REVIEW AND HERALD:

The Review and Herald made request for a loan of \$20,000 Canadian money belonging to the General Conference now in Canada.

1088. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to loan \$20,000 Canadian Money to the Review and Herald Publishing Association, to be returned in six months from date, bearing interest at six per cent.

## CANADIAN WATCHMAN PRESS:

1089. E.R.Palmer presented recommendations outlining the working policy of the Canadian Watchman Press in its relation to the Review and Herald and the General Conference, which were adopted as follows:

1. That the Canadian Watchman Press operate under the responsible management of its local Board, subject to the general direction of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, it being understood that no important investments will be made, nor expense incurred, nor the established policy of the institution changed without the counsel and consent of the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

2. That the Review and Herald Publishing Association be authorized to advance funds to the Canadian Watchman Press to a limit of \$200,000, and in case of further need of financial assistance the Canadian Watchman Press make application to the General Conference the same as any other foreign publishing house.

3. That the Canadian Watchman Press be advised to limit their construction and printing operations as far as possible during this time of financial crisis without bringing disaster to the publishing work in that field or too great disappointment to its constituency.

4. That the Canadian Press be advised to raise its operating fund within its own territory by such means as may be mutually agreed upon by the Canadian Press Board and the union conference committees of that field. We take the liberty, however, of suggesting that the operating fund be raised by the sale of an average of ten copies per month of the Canadian Watchman by the Canadian constituency, the commission on the same to be donated to this enterprise.

Adjourned.

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



## THREE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 23, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G.Daniells, E.E. Andrews, W.T.Knox, Chas. Thompson,  
N.Z.Town, C.V.Leach, J.L.Shaw, E.R.Palmer, T.E.Bowen, F.M.Wilcox,  
J.S.James, G.B.Thompson.

Prayer by Chas. Thompson.

## T.G.BUNCH--CENTRAL UNION:

Letter from S.E.Wight, making request for T.G.Bunch, of the Southern Union, was presented. Brother Wight stated that the Southern Union was willing to release Brother Bunch to take up work in the Central Union.

1090. VOTED, That we ask the Southern Union to release T.G. Bunch for evangelistic work in the Central Union Conference.

## COLPORTEURS FOR COLOMBIA:

Statement was presented from a letter from H.C.Kephart telling of the large number of books shipped to Colombia, and the force of canvassers reduced by illness. In order to dispose of the books and pay the Pacific Press the account owing them, he urgently requested that four colporteurs be sent to the field.

1091. VOTED, To ask the Publishing Department to recommend four colporteurs for appointment to Colombia.

## C.V.LEACH TO JAMAICA:

G.A.Roberts wrote of his desire to build up the home missionary work of the churches in Jamaica, and asked that C.V. Leach visit his field. It was suggested that Brother Leach was under appointment to visit Panama, and that it might be possible to arrange for him to visit Jamaica on the same trip.

1092. VOTED, That if arrangements can be made for C.V. Leach to visit Jamaica going or coming from Panama, we advise that he do so, to render assistance in the home missionary work.



## V.O.PUNCHES

## WORK AND SUPPORT:

Inasmuch as the distribution of foreign literature has been transferred from the Home Missions Bureau to the Home Missionary Department, Brother V.O.Punches is left free for another field of labor.

1093. VOTED, That we ask the Home Missionary Department to locate V.O.Punches in the home missionary work, and that in the meantime he receive his support as usual from the General Conference treasury.

## J.R.OSBORNE TO MAINE:

A request was presented by N.Z.Town for the service of J.R.Osborne in the Maine Conference as book man.

1094. VOTED, That we release J.R.Osborne for appointment as field missionary secretary of the Maine Conference, with the understanding that his transportation will be provided for either by the Atlantic Union or by the Maine Conference.

## PUBLISHING HOUSE EXTENSION FUND:

1095. The committee appointed to make recommendations on the raising of the \$500,000 Publishing House Extension Fund, and the collection, custody, and disbursement of the same, submitted recommendations, which were adopted as follows:

1. On the collection, custody, and disbursement of the fund, we recommend the following plan:

(a) That the General Conference Treasury Department be the custodian of the fund; that the fund be recorded so as to show the publishing house territory from which it was received and that all appropriations from the fund be made by the General Conference Committee to enterprises in the respective publishing house assignments, or elsewhere as the needs may appear.

(b) That the portion of the fund gathered through the Big-Day-Big-Week efforts be remitted through the tract societies and publishing houses.

(c) That remittance of all funds collected on this account be made monthly by the tract societies to their respective publishing houses, and by the publishing houses to the General Conference treasurer.



(d) That the publishing houses continue to retain the custody of their donations reserve funds, but that they report the standing of this fund annually to the treasurer of the General Conference.

2. On the question of raising large gifts for the Publishing House Extension Fund as provided for in the general plan, we make the following recommendations:

(a) That all efforts to raise the fund in this way be under the direction of the General Conference Committee.

(b) That the treasurer of the General Conference and the secretaries of the Publishing Department send out to the people from time to time information as to the progress of work in carrying out the extension plans, and make general calls for gifts to assist in various enterprises.

(c) That publishing houses assist in soliciting these gifts by such means as may be agreed upon by the General Conference Committee.

In response to a question raised by the secretary of the Home Missionary Department as to the plans of the Department in pushing the Big-Day-Big-Week plan, it was recommended that a vigorous campaign be organized, placing responsibilities upon the entire department to lift to its utmost in raising funds for this enterprise by the sale of literature, it being understood that funds collected in this way go direct to the publishing house extension program without being counted in the sixty cents per week mission offerings.

P.C. POLEY--FURLOUGH ALLOWANCE:

P.C. Poley, of India, is spending his furlough in England. The treasurer made inquiry as to the allowance to be granted him.

1096. VOTED, That the furlough allowance of P.C. Poley be on the same basis as the furlough allowance of workers on furlough in Great Britain from the East or West African fields.

HONAN AND KIKUNGSHAN:

1097. VOTED, That we approve of the action of the Far Eastern Division Committee, transferring the special appropriation for the Honan Mission home to the Kikungshan summer resort homes.



## STUDENTS FROM SCANDINAVIA:

The chairman spoke of the work in Scandinavia, and of the way in which it has developed until now there is a constituency of 5,000 believers. Their schools do not afford sufficient educational facilities for bright promising young men who will make strong workers in the future. At a meeting in Copenhagen the names of several of these young men were considered, and it was thought to bring them before the General Conference Committee with a view of ascertaining what plan might be entered into that would make it possible for these students to get further training in America. Before their names were presented to the Committee in Washington, the young men came to America and are now in school at Berrien Springs and Hutchinson. Consideration was given to what provision could be made for the students. It seemed to the Committee that the only way these young people could be cared for would be from the Home Missions Bureau allowance.

1098. VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to inform Brother Brodersen, secretary of the Bureau of Home Missions, that we are asking all our mission fields to plan their work so as not to be dependent upon the 20% increase voted at Indianapolis in view of the present financial conditions. Adopting the same restriction for the work of the Home Missions Bureau would reduce their appropriation from \$84,000 to \$70,000. In view of the fact that the students from Denmark are in this country attending school, and no provision has been made for their support, the Committee agreed that the appropriation for the Home Missions Bureau remain at \$84,000, with the understanding that from it support for these students would be provided.

## THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

Under ordinary conditions there will be a heavy call for funds for transportation, outfitting, and establishing new workers in the mission fields, including homes for workers, in 1922, as that will be the year of the General Conference session and we hope a good many workers can be sent forward to the field.

1099. VOTED, That the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the first quarter of 1922 be the transportation, outfitting and establishment of missionaries in their mission stations, including homes.

## HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT MEMBERS:

The secretary of the Home Missionary Department presented the list of members for the Home Missionary Department, which was adopted as follows:



1100. Secretary, C.V. Leach; Assistant Secretary, H.K. Christman; Office Secretary, Mrs. J.W. Mace. General Conference Members: R.D. Quinn, N.Z. Town, M.E. Kern, P.E. Brodersen, L.A. Hansen, G.B. Thompson, Mrs. L.F. Plummer, and E.R. Palmer. North American Union Conference Home Missionary Secretaries: Wm. A. Butler, H.E. Lysinger, Geo. Butler, J.L. McConaughy, Anol Grundselt, E.C. Boger, J. Adams Stevens, E.F. Hackman, O.R. Staines, Annie Knight, E.R. Potter, Lyle C. Shepard. Publishing House Representatives: L.W. Graham, J.R. Ferren, S.N. Curtiss, R.L. Pierce. Foreign Members: L.H. Christian, C.E. Weeks, O. Montgomery, H.M. Blunden, J.E. Fulton, W.H. Branson.

#### DAVID VOTH RELEASED:

E.E. Andross stated that the Southwestern Union Conference was not agreeable to the release of David Voth of the North Texas Conference for miscellaneous language work west of the Mississippi.

1101. VOTED, That we rescind the action calling for David Voth, of North Texas, to take the Miscellaneous Language work west of the Mississippi.

#### SUNDAY OBSERVANCE:

The secretary of the Religious Liberty Department make a brief statement of the opportunities now open for presenting our position on religious liberty, and our attitude toward laws requiring Sunday observance. He thought a pronouncement of our views should be prepared.

1102. VOTED, That C.S. Longacre and G.B. Thompson prepare such a pronouncement to be presented to the Committee at a subsequent meeting.

#### WASHINGTON RALLY:

The secretary of the Religious Liberty Department thought that now would be an opportune time to have a rally in the city of Washington on Religious Liberty, and to present our attitude toward Sunday laws.

1103. VOTED, That the secretary of the Religious Liberty Department arrange for a rally at a theater in Washington.

#### PORTO RICO:

Elder Chas. Thompson gave a favorable report of the recent meeting in Porto Rico. He found the workers all in good health and of good courage. The membership is now well on toward 500. The outlook for the school is encouraging.

Porto Rico Committee recommended that Peter Nygaard and Salvador Rivera be ordained to the ministry.

1104. VOTED, That we ask the Porto Rico Committee to arrange for the ordination of Peter Nygaard and Salvador Rivera.

Adjourned.

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



## THREE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 30, 1920

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## P R E S E N T:

A.G. Daniells, E.E. Andross, W.T. Knox, R.D. Quinn, Chas. Thompson, N.Z. Town, G.B. Thompson, F.M. Wilcox, O.M. John, J.S. James, Mrs. L.F. Plummer, later W.A. Spicer.

Prayer by O.M. John.

## HONDURAS:

1104. VOTED, That we encourage W.E. Lanier to endeavor to so arrange the work of his treasury department that no change in the secretary-treasurer will be necessary at the present time.

## O.L. ROBINSON:

1105. VOTED, That we reply unfavorably to the request of Brother O.L. Robinson, under appointment to Haiti, asking for a special appropriation of \$300.

## ECUADOR:

1106. VOTED, That as J.D. Lorenz, superintendent of Ecuador, is returning home on furlough, another man be found as soon as possible to take his place in the work in that field.

## E.L. MAXWELL--SOUTHWEST:

1107. VOTED, That E.L. Maxwell be asked to take the oversight of the Spanish work in the Southwest, with the understanding that he take up active work among the Spanish people in that territory.

## W.D. FORDE--RESCINDED:

1108. VOTED, That on request of J.W. Christian, the call for W.D. Forde, of the Lake Union to the Pacific Union, be rescinded.

## D.C.J. BARRETT--CANCELED:

1109. VOTED, That the call for Elder D.C.J. Barrett, of the Eastern Canadian Union to India, be canceled.



## C.T.EVERSON:

1110. VOTED, That the letter of Elder C.T.Everson, requesting transfer to Chicago, be referred to the officers of the General Conference.

## S.P.A. BOOK PRICES:

1111. VOTED, That the request of the Southern Publishing Association, that they be permitted to reduce the prices of the large books from the present prices to \$5.00, \$6.00, and \$7.50, be granted.

## SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTIONS:

1112. VOTED, That J.S.James attend the Saboath School conventions arranged in the Chesapeake Conference during the month of January, 1921.

## ATLANTIC UNION:

A memorial having been received from the Atlantic Union Conference, setting forth emergency needs and asking that consideration be given to these in advising regarding certain surplus funds in the union treasury subject to General direction, it was--

1113. VOTED, That the requests of the Atlantic Union be granted to the amount of \$10,000.

## J.J.IRELAND--OOLTEWAH:

1114. VOTED, That the request for J.J.Ireland to visit the Southern Junior College at Ooltewah be referred to the officers of the General Conference.

Adjourned.

A.G.DANIELLS, Chairman.  
G.B.THOMPSON, Secretary pro tem.