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TWO HUNDRED SEVENTIETH MEETING  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 1, 1948

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

N C Wilson, H T Elliott, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J A Stevens, F Brennwald, H W Lowe, W A Butler, J E Edwards, G A Hus: M K Eckenroth, L H Christian, Claude Conard, F D Nichol, W K Isi: H A Morrison, J J Ireland, G E Peters.

Prayer by H.W.Lowe. Minutes of the meeting of June 28 were approved.

J.M.HOWELL--MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials for the year beginning July 1, 1948, be granted to J.M.Howell, who is serving as editor of the new Bible textbooks that are being prepared for our secondary schools.

WORKERS RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That since the way is not clear for them to accept, the following workers be released from mission field appointment:

R.E.Silver from the appointment to the Far Eastern Academy, in Shanghai, China.

Miss Ruth Wilkinson from the appointment to the Baghdad Hospital.

MABEL MAE SUCKET--BAGHDAD HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To invite Miss Mabel Mae Sucket, of California, to connect with the Middle East Union, in response to the call for a second nurse for the Baghdad Hospital.

CLYDE G.BUSHNELL--MEDELLIN SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union Conference and the Florida Conference to release C.G.Bushnell, of the Forest Lake Academy, to connect with the Inter-American Division, as principal of the Colombia-Venezuela Union Training School, at Medellin.

JEAN RITTENHOUSE--MEXICO:

VOTED, To request the College of Medical Evangelists to release Miss Jean Rittenhouse, of the Loma Linda Sanitarium, to connect with the Inter-American Division, for nursing service with the Montemorelos Hospital, in Mexico.

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C.F.W.FUTCHER--AUSTRALIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the British Union Conference the call from the Australasian Division for C.F.W.Futcher, of Newbold Missionary College, to connect with Carmel Missionary College as Science Master.

G.A.HAAS--MARITIME CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Nebraska Conference the call from the Canadian Union for G.A.Haas to connect with the Maritime Conference as pastor-evangelist.

GILBERT STECK--BOULDER SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and the Paradise Valley Sanitarium the call from the Central Union for Gilbert Steck to connect with the Boulder Sanitarium as head chef.

RUTH INGRAM--CALLS:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Ruth Ingram, who is returning from Costa Rica, calls as follows: from the Central Union to connect with Union College as dean of women; from the College of Medical Evangelists, to serve as dean of women at the White Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.

MARGUERITE PARKER--UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Illinois Conference the call from the Central Union for Miss Marguerite Parker to connect with Union College as assistant dean of women.

HOLLIS T.TERRY--TAKOMA ACADEMY:

VOTED, To pass on to Hollis T.Terry, returned from Indiana the call from the Columbia Union to connect with Washington Missionary College, as Bible teacher for the Takoma Academy.

G.E.PETERS--APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That G.E.Peters be authorized to attend the Riverside Sanitarium local board meeting, July 13,14.

RIVERSIDE SANITARIUM DEDICATION:

VOTED, That in addition to the members of the Riverside Sanitarium Board, all the union conference presidents in the North American Division be invited to attend the dedication ceremonies of the Riverside Sanitarium, September 5; and further that each union conference be invited to send two of their colored workers, in addition to regular board members, to the dedication.

N.C.Wilson, Chairman.  
H.T.Elliott, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 8, 1948

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J I Robison, H T Elliott, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J J Ireland, J A Stevens, H W Lowe, L R Rasmussen, M K Eckenroth, C S Longacre, Claude Conard, M E Kern, L H Christian, F Brennwald, H A Morrison, W K Ising, M C Taft, H H Votaw, L A Skinner, W P Elliott, W A Butler.

W.H. Williams was asked to take the chair. Prayer by J.A. Stevens. Minutes of the meeting of July 1 were approved.

## DEATH OF H.D. CASEBEER:

Word was received of the death of Elder H.D. Casebeer, in Southern California, July 2. Brother Casebeer served as a missionary in Puerto Rico and Mexico, and for many years as secretary of the Spanish Department of the Bureau of Home Missions. He labored faithfully and zealously in behalf of the work among the Spanish people, in the mission field and in the United States.

Resolved, That we extend to Sister Casebeer and other relatives our sincere and deep sympathy in their loss, praying God to comfort them in their sorrow.

## DEATH OF H.A. OBERG:

Word was received of the death of Elder H.A. Oberg, in Portland, Oregon, July 2. Brother Oberg's name is associated especially with our work in Korea, where he spent nearly twenty years in faithful, loyal and efficient service.

Resolved, That we extend to Sister Oberg and other relatives our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement and sorrow, commending them to our Heavenly Father for the comfort which He alone can give.

## DEATH OF M.E. CADY:

Word was received of the sudden death of Prof. M.E. Cady, July 5, at his home in Southern California. Professor Cady rendered loyal and faithful service to the cause of Christian education, as teacher, college president, and for a number of years as associate secretary in the General Conference Educational Department.

Resolved, That the Secretary be asked to convey to Sister Cady and other relatives an expression of the deep sympathy of the General Conference Committee in this hour of their sorrow.

July 8, 1948

**DAMASCUS CHURCH BUILDING:**

Request was presented from the Columbia Union on behalf of the Potomac Conference for approval of the erection of a church building for the church in Damascus, Virginia, at an estimated cost of \$13,165, of which \$12,140 is being provided by the church and the conference, and the balance of the cost in donated labor.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the church building for the church in Damascus, Virginia.

**AUTUMN COUNCIL--INVITATIONS:**

Inasmuch as the coming Autumn Council is the Biennial Council, and inasmuch as problems in connection with the rehabilitation of the work in the overseas divisions will be considered, it seems advisable, if the divisions can arrange it, to have the division treasurers, as well as the presidents, in attendance. It was therefore

VOTED, To invite the overseas division treasurers to attend the coming Autumn Council, provided this can be arranged by the division committees.

VOTED, That Dr. George T. Harding and John C. Shull, of the College of Medical Evangelists, be invited to attend the coming Autumn Council.

VOTED, In harmony with the request of the Southern African Division, that in addition to J. R. Campbell, E. W. Tarr and S. G. Maxwell, who are members of the General Conference Committee, other workers from South Africa who are, or will be in America at the time, be invited to attend the Autumn Council, as follows. P. H. Coetzee, Dr. W. R. Grant, W. E. McClure, D. Baird.

**IRA L. CASEY--LOMA LINDA SANITARIUM:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Paradise Valley Sanitarium the call from the College of Medical Evangelists for Ira L. Casey to connect with the Loma Linda Sanitarium as desk clerk.

**EVELYN PLATT--INDIANA:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference the call from the Lake Union for Miss Evelyn Platt to connect with the Indiana Conference office as office secretary.

**L. W. HALLSTED--ILLINOIS:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference the call from the Lake Union for L. W. Hallsted to connect with the Illinois Conference as a district leader.

July 8, 1948

## J.E.WEAVER--UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That in view of his desire to be near his aged parents in the Northwest, we pass on to J.E.Weaver the call from the North Pacific Union to connect with the Upper Columbia Conference as Educational Secretary, at the same time expressing to Doctor Weaver our regret at losing him from the General Conference Educational Department.

## W.H.LUDWIG--FLORIDA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference the call from the Southern Union for W.H.Ludwig to connect with the Florida Conference as a district leader.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments and itineraries:

F.H.Yost, to visit Arizona Indian work in connection with attendance at Pacific Union camp meetings.

N.C.Wilson, C.B.Haynes, W.A.Butler, workers' meeting for Western Canada, at Canadian Union College, August 12-16; and for Eastern Canada, at Oshawa Missionary College, August 26-30.

E.J.Lorntz, foreign language churches on West Coast, two weeks; and Arizona Navajo Indian Reservation meeting, week end of August 26-29.

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald the request that Dr. J.W.McFarland, who is now in Mexico, make a trip to the College of Medical Evangelists in the interests of the medical work in Mexico; and that he also attend the Southern California camp meeting.

## SPONSORSHIPS:

VOTED, On request of the Australasian Union Committee, to extend the sponsorship required by the Government on behalf of Mrs. W.Doherty and two children, of New Zealand, in connection with their application for visa to the United States. The plan is for Mrs. Doherty to join her husband, who is attending school at Pacific Union College.

VOTED, To extend the sponsorship required by the Government on behalf of William McClements, of the West African Union, in connection with his application for visa to the United States. Brother McClements is coming over to attend the Autumn Council.

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WORKERS RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That since the way is not clear for them to accept, the following workers be released from calls to the West African Union:

Miss Louise Lehman.  
T.H. Stockton.  
R.M. Hillier.

VOTED, That Hugh Coy be released from the call to the Lower Gwelo Mission in South Africa.

HELEN SMITH--WEST AFRICAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Northern Union to release Miss Helen Smith, to connect with the West African Union for stenographic work in the union office.

JULIUS KORGAN--LOWER GWELO MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Northern Union and the South Dakota Conference to release Julius Korgan, to connect with the Southern African Division, to serve as outschool inspector at the Lower Gwelo Mission.

G.F. CHERRY--NIGERIA:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and the Alabama-Mississippi Conference to release G.F. Cherry, to connect with the West African Union, as teacher for the Nigerian Training School.

GLADYS PASSEBOIS--CONGO UNION:

VOTED, To request the Atlantic Union Conference and the New England Sanitarium to release Miss Gladys Passebois, to connect with the Southern African Division in response to the call for a nurse for the Congo Union.

W.L. SCHOEPFLIN--WEST AFRICAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and the Upper Columbia Conference to release W.L. Schoepflin, of the Upper Columbia Academy, to connect with the West African Union as Educational Secretary.

EUNICE BEISIEGEL--MUSOFU MISSION:

VOTED, To invite Miss Eunice Beisiegel, recently graduated from Atlantic Union College, to connect with the Southern African Division, as teacher at the Musofu Mission Station, in Northern Rhodesia.

W.H. Williams, Chairman.  
J.I. Robison, Secretary.  
E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY--SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 12, 1948

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

H T Elliott, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, W P Bradley,  
 N W Dunn, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, L H Christian,  
 F H Robbins, E E Andross, W K Ising, J A Stevens, J E Edwards,  
 F Brennwald, Claude Conard, L A Skinner, H A Morrison, G A Huse,  
 J J Ireland, M K Eckenroth, W P Elliott, J R Ferren, H W Lowe,  
 C S Longacre, K J Reynolds, H H Votaw, M E Kern.

W.H.Williams was asked to take the chair. Prayer by E.E. Roenfelt. Minutes of the meeting of July 8 were approved.

## MR. AND MRS. A.VOLLMER--AUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, To invite A.Vollmer, of the Hamburg Publishing House, and Mrs. Vollmer, to attend the coming Autumn Council.

VOTED, To extend the sponsorship that will be required by the Government on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. A.Vollmer, when they make application for visas to the United States.

## H.NIEMANN--VISIT TO U.S.A.:

VOTED, To invite H.Niemann, manager of the food company in Germany, to make a visit to the United States, having in mind especially a visit to the Loma Linda Food Company, and that he be invited to attend the Autumn Council if his visit is made at that time.

VOTED, To extend the sponsorship that will be required by the Government on behalf of H.Niemann when he makes application for visa to the United States.

## OLE JORDAHL--SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, To extend the sponsorship required by the Government on behalf of Ole Jordahl and his family, who have arrived in New York from Norway. Brother Jordahl will be enrolling as a student at Emmanuel Missionary College.

## N.M.HARLAN--WISCONSIN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Florida Conference the call from the Lake Union for N.M.Harlan to connect with the Wisconsin Conference as a district leader.

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**PAUL EVERS--BATTLE CREEK ACADEMY:**

VOTED, To pass on to Paul Evers, returned from Haiti, the call from the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference, to connect with the faculty of the Battle Creek Academy.

**W.C. GRACEY--ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Publishing Association the call from the Southwestern Union for W.C. Gracey to connect with the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, as Book and Bible House manager.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:**

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments and itineraries:

W.A. Scharffenberg, meeting of Temperance League of America at Winona Lake, July 26-29.

N.C. Wilson, Lake and Northern Unions, July 27-August 12.

Miss Grace Fields, Southern Publishing Association.

Miss Helen Carpenter, Southern New England, one week in October, exact date to be arranged.

W.A. Benjamin, Maplewood and Adelpian Academies, date to be arranged.

**MRS. M.F. SEITZ--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Middle East Union Committee, and in harmony with her own desire, we authorize the permanent return of Mrs. M.F. Seitz to the homeland.

**C.B. GUILD--VOICE OF PROPHECY OFFICE:**

VOTED, That the furlough of C.B. Guild, of China, be extended one month, in order that he may spend that length of time in the Voice of Prophecy office in Glendale, in harmony with the recommendation of the China Division Committee. Brother Guild is to have direction of the Voice of Prophecy work in China on his return to the field.

**AUDIO-VISUAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

VOTED, That reply be made to the invitation received from the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, that we do not see our way clear at present to take membership in the Audio-Visual Education Committee that is being formed.

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BIBLE READING PROGRAM:

The committee that was appointed to make recommendation with reference to our participation this year in the Bible Reading Program of the American Bible Society submitted a report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, 1. Our continued cooperation in the Thanksgiving to Christmas Bible Reading Program sponsored by the American Bible Society; by

a. Designating the Sabbath preceding Universal Bible Sunday as Universal Bible Sabbath in our churches, and that it be observed by our churches in North America by a sermon presentation re-emphasizing the importance of Bible reading and study.

b. Requesting the Voice of Prophecy to present in its broadcast on Universal Sunday, the topic of Bible study.

c. Distributing through our church organizations the American Bible Society Bible Reading Bookmarks.

We recommend, 2. That the Home Missionary Department be asked to assume the responsibility, in collaboration with the other departments, of sponsorship and supervising our denominational endeavor in connection with the American Bible Society Bible Reading Program.

NEWBERRY PARK ACADEMY--BOYS' DORMITORY:

Request was presented from the Pacific Union on behalf of the Southern California Conference for approval of the erection of a boys' dormitory at Newberry Park Academy, at an estimated cost of \$155,000, which amount they have in hand.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the boys' dormitory, as proposed, at the Newberry Park Academy.

LANSING CHURCH SCHOOL BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Lake Union on behalf of the Michigan Conference for approval of the erection of a church school building for the church in Lansing, at a cost of \$25,000. Inasmuch as satisfactory provision has been made for financing the project, it was

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed church school building in Lansing, Michigan.

W.H.Williams, Chairman.  
H.T.Elliott, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 15, 1948

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

W P Bradley, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J A Stevens, J J Ireland, E J Edwards, J R Ferren, H W Lowe, C S Longacre, Claude Conard, F Brennwald, G E Peters, L H Christian, L A Skinner, M K Eckenroth, H H Votaw, W K Ising, G A Huse.

W H Williams was asked to take the chair. Prayer by J R Ferren. Minutes of the meeting of July 12 were approved.

## MONCTON CHURCH BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Canadian Union on behalf of the Maritime Conference, for approval of the erection of a church building in Moncton, New Brunswick, at a cost of \$26,000, toward which they have \$18,500 on hand in cash and pledges, and the Canadian Union has voted that this church shall have priority consideration in connection with any Church Extension appropriation made to the union at the coming Autumn Council.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed church building in Moncton, New Brunswick, with the understanding that building operations will proceed only as the funds are in hand.

## JOYCE HENDERSON--EARLY FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That in view of her health condition, and on recommendation of the Middle East Union Committee, we approve of an early furlough for Miss Joyce Henderson, understanding she will be leaving the Middle East about August 15.

## MARY WALSH--MEETINGS IN CANADIAN UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union the request from the Canadian Union for Miss Mary Walsh to attend workers' meetings, at Canadian Union College, August 12-16, and Oshawa Missionary College, August 26-30; the General Conference to meet transportation and the Canadian Union entertainment expense.

## G.E.VANDEMAN--YOUTH'S CONGRESS:

VOTED, That G.E.Vandeman be authorized to respond to the request to attend the Southwestern Union Youth's Congress, at Houston, Texas, September 1-4.

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## WORKERS RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That since the way is not clear for them to go forward, the following workers be released from mission field appointment:

A.E. Butler from the call to the Vincent Hill School, India.

S.H. Horn from the call to the River Plate College, South America.

Dr. H.C. Nelson from the call to Japan.

## ELMER H. CAPMAN--SANTO DOMINGO:

VOTED, To request the Review and Herald Publishing Association to release Elmer H. Capman, to connect with the Inter American Division, in response to the call for an industrial manager and teacher for the school in Santo Domingo.

## M. N. HEMPEL--CHINA:

VOTED, To invite M.N. Hempel, recently graduated from Walla Walla College, to connect with the China Division, to serve as accountant in the Division office.

## ANNIE L. GIFFORD--CHINA:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference to release Miss Annie L. Gifford, to connect with the China Division, as church school teacher in Shanghai.

## DR. C.E. SYPHERS--CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That by request of the Far Eastern Division Committee, the appointment of Dr. C.E. Syphers be changed from Siam to Japan.

## DR. F.N. CRIDER--CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division Committee, Dr. F.N. Crider be authorized to secure the British qualification, and that his appointment be changed from Indonesia to Bhuket, Siam.

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## MISS OLIVE WESTPHAL:

Miss Olive Westphal, who has been called to connect with the Medellin School in Colombia as normal director, is willing to accept the call, but states that she may find it necessary, in view of the condition of health of her aged parents, to return home to care for them before completing a full term of service. Inasmuch as the Inter-American Division has signified their willingness to have Miss Westphal come forward under this condition, it was

VOTED, To confirm the appointment of Miss Olive Westphal to the Medellin School.

## J.F.ASHLOCK--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Southern Asia Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of J.F.Ashlock from India, on account of the serious health condition of Mrs. Ashlock.

## DOROTHY SHAULL--SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and Union College the call from the Southwestern Union for Miss Dorothy Shauli to connect with the Normal Department of Southwestern Junior College, as teacher of grades five and six.

## MURIEL WICHMAN--WASHINGTON CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for Miss Muriel Wichman to connect with the Washington Conference, for secretarial work in the conference office.

W.H.Williams, Chairman.  
W.P.Bradley, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

W P Bradley, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, A W Cormack, H H Cobban, H H Votaw, M E Kern, J J Ireland, E B Hare, L A Skinner, M K Eckenroth, H A Morrison, J R Ferren, G E Peters, J A Stevens, H M Blunden, Claude Conard, J E Edwards, H W Lowe, W K Ising, W E Read, E E Andross, C S Longacre, G A Huse.

H.H.Cobban was asked to take the chair. Prayer by G.E. Peters. Minutes of the meeting of July 15 were adopted.

## MRS. CLARA BLOOD--INDIANA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the Northern New England Conference the call from the Lake Union for Mrs. Clara Blood to connect with the Indiana Conference, for church school teaching in Evansville.

## MRS. DELL RAMEY--SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for Mrs. Dell Ramey, of Oak Park Academy, to connect with Southwestern Junior College as matron.

## G. CLAYTON SOWLER--MT. VERNON ACADEMY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference the call from the Columbia Union for G. Clayton Sowler, of Battle Creek Academy, to connect with Mt. Vernon Academy, in Ohio, as head of the Academy Press.

## JEWELL HATCHER--ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To place in the hands of Miss Jewell Hatcher, of the Missionary Volunteer Department, the call from the Atlantic Union, to connect with Atlantic Union College as head of the Secretarial Department.

## ALICE ELIZABETH KOGER--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and the Florida Conference to release Miss Alice Elizabeth Koger, to connect with the General Conference office staff, for stenographic work.

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C.ADAMS--ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Publishing Association the call from the Southwestern Union for C.Adams to connect with the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference as Book and Bible House manager.

E.E.JENSEN--CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That by request of the Far Eastern Division Committee, the appointment of E.E.Jensen be changed from Indonesia to Japan.

L.J.NORRIS--INDONESIA:

VOTED, To request the Middle East Union Mission to release L.J.Norris, to connect with the Far Eastern Division for service in Indonesia.

M.S.KRIETZKY--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That M.S.Krietzky, returned from Poland, be granted permanent return status.

V.C.BROWN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That the return of V.C.Brown from the West African Union be changed from the furlough to permanent return basis.

BIBLE SYLLABUS:

VOTED, That we authorize the travel expense between Washington and Berrien Springs, for Miss Maybelle Vandermark to go to Emmanuel Missionary College, or E.R.Thiele to come to Washington Missionary College, for a conference on the Bible syllabus on which they are working; suggesting that if possible Professor Thiele be the one to make the trip.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments and itineraries:

H.W.Lowe. Sabbath School Rally, Battle Creek, Sept.17-21

D.A.McAdams, Southwestern Union Publishing Council, Houston, Texas, August 30-31.

M.S.Krietzky, visit Russian churches in Saskatchewan, following the British Columbia camp meeting.

H.H.Cobban, Chairman.  
W.P.Bradley, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 22, 1948

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

E D Dick, W P Bradley, H T Elliott, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J A Stevens, H W Lowe, E B Hare, E E Franklin, C S Longacre, M K Eckenroth, H H Votaw, Claude Conard, J E Edwards, J J Ireland, L H Christian, J R Ferren, H A Morrison, Dr T R Flaiz, W K Ising, M E Kern, G A Huse.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Frank Knight.

E.D. Dick was asked to take the chair. Prayer by M.E. Kern. Minutes of the meeting of July 19 were approved.

## J.F. ASHLOCK--TRANSPORTATION:

Elder and Mrs. J.F. Ashlock have returned from India, Mrs. Ashlock suffering with a serious eye condition, and it has been recommended that they go at once to a specialist in Los Angeles, for an eye operation.

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to meet the transportation expense of Elder and Mrs. J.F. Ashlock from Washington to Los Angeles, and return to Collegedale, Tennessee, where Elder Ashlock is to connect with Southern Missionary College.

## FLEET CONTRACTS AND

## GENERAL CONFERENCE OWNERSHIP OF CARS:

The committee that was appointed on the question of Fleet Contracts and General Conference Ownership of Cars submitted a suggestive Fleet Policy, which was adopted as follows:

I. General Conference Corporation Ownership of Fleet Automobiles for Staff Members

The General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists to take ownership for Company-owned Fleet automobiles for General Conference Committee members who are authorized to operate cars in behalf of the General Conference and who are eligible under the General Conference Automobile Depreciation policy.

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## II. Committee Assignment

The following named committee is asked to serve the General Conference Corporation to decide on requests for authorizations for Fleet automobiles for any other General Conference staff members, mission appointees, or furlough workers who are regular full-time employees:

W.E. Nelson, chairman; J.F. Cummins, secretary; E.D. Dick, H.T. Elliott, J.J. Nethery, N.C. Wilson, W.H. Williams, W.P. Elliott, E.E. Cossentine, F.B. Knight.

## III. Investment

Upon assignment of any Fleet vehicle the individual operator shall be required to make payment to the Treasurer of the General Conference funds equivalent to the total amount of the investment.

## IV. Fleet Delivery Period

No Fleet car shall be assigned for the use of any individual who already owns or operates a car less than twelve months of age except in case of cars damaged beyond suitable repair.

## V. Fleet Automobile Titles

All Fleet automobiles shall be registered in the state where the worker operating the motor vehicle resides.

## VI. Insurance Coverage on Fleet Cars

The full Five Point Insurance Coverage (Public Liability, Property Damage, Fire and Theft Comprehensive, Medical Expense \$500 per passenger, and \$50 Deductible Collision, with \$25 deductible protection to the worker, as applied by the General Conference Insurance Policy) shall be placed on all Fleet automobiles in favor of the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists and the operator of the motor vehicle, and a minimum of \$20,000 and \$40,000 public liability and \$5000 property damage coverage shall be carried in all cases.

## VII. Conference and Institutional Organizations

Where cars are purchased under this arrangement by union and local conference and institutional organizations the same plan shall be followed with regard to ownership and insurance coverage on Fleet automobiles for their workers who are regular full-time employees, except that title shall be held in each case in the name of the respective institution or organization.

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## KANSAS CITY JUNIOR ACADEMY:

Request was presented from the Central Union on behalf of the Missouri Conference for approval of the erection of a building for the Junior Academy in Kansas City, at an estimated cost of \$71,228. Since satisfactory arrangements have been made for financing the project, and assurance is given that no indebtedness will be incurred, it was

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the building for the Junior Academy in Kansas City, as proposed.

## MRS. TEICHMANN--MEDICAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, To authorize the Southern European Division to meet the expenses on our behalf of Mrs. Teichmann, in Switzerland, for a period of up to seven months. Mrs. Teichmann, the wife of one of the workers in Germany, is in Switzerland having treatment for tuberculosis.

C.W. TEEL--CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE  
C.B. NEWMeyer--MINNESOTA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Minnesota Conference the call from the Columbia Union for C.W. Teel to connect with the Chesapeake Conference; and to pass on to the Columbia Union and the Chesapeake Conference the call from the Northern Union for C.B. Newmeyer to connect with the work in the Minnesota Conference.

## LILA FREDERICK--PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Carolina Conference the call from the Pacific Union for Miss Lila Frederick to connect with Pacific Union College as teacher of French and assistant dean of women.

## D. E. DIRKSEN--OREGON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the South-eastern California Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for D.E. Dirksen to connect with the Oregon Conference.

## C. E. WIMER--OREGON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for C.E. Wimer to connect with the Oregon Conference as assistant publishing department secretary.

## JEWELL HATCHER--WALLA WALLA COLLEGE:

VOTED, To place in the hands of Miss Jewell Hatcher,

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of the Missionary Volunteer Department, the call from the North Pacific Union to connect with Walla Walla College, as secretary to Dean Sonnenberg.

P.H.HERMANN--SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to P.H.Hermann, returned from Rumania, the call from the Pacific Union to connect with the Southern California Conference, as pastor of the German church in Los Angeles.

RADIO COMMISSION MEETING:

VOTED, That we authorize a meeting of available members of the North American Radio Commission, at Glendale, August 29.

W.MULLER--AUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, To invite W.Muller, of Central Europe, to attend the Autumn Council to be held in Denver, in October, and that the necessary negotiations be entered into with the American authorities in Berlin to make possible his attendance at this meeting.

W.H.McGHEE--VINCENT HILL SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and the Oregon Conference to release W.H.McGhee, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, to serve as Bible teacher for the Vincent Hill School.

DR. JOELLE EDNA RENTFRO--INDIA:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Joelle Edna Rentfro, of Chicago, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, for medical missionary service in India.

DR. THOMAS THOMPSON--VELLORE MEDICAL SCHOOL:

VOTED, To recommend to the American Board of the Vellore Medical College of India, the name of Dr. Thomas Thompson, of Oregon, to fill the call for a Seventh-day Adventist dentist to connect with the staff of the Vellore Medical College.

E.D.Dick, Chairman.  
W.P.Bradley, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 26, 1948

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

E D Dick, H T Elliott, W P Bradley, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, A W Cormack, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, Roger Altman, J A Stevens, H A Morrison, L R Rasmussen, H W Lowe, W A Butler, J E Edwards, Claude Conard, Dr T R Flaiz, E E Franklin, E E Andross, H M Blunden, J J Ireland, W K Ising, H H Votaw, D E Rebok, J R Ferren, G A Huse, M E Kern,

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Frank Knight, Dr J W McFarland, H J Shaw.

E.D. Dick was asked to act as chairman. Prayer by L.R. Rasmussen, Minutes of the meeting of July 22 were approved.

## AUTUMN COUNCIL--MEDICAL INSTITUTION REPRESENTATIVES:

VOTED, To open the way for our medical institutions to send two representatives, instead of one, to the Autumn Council, if their boards so desire.

## AFFILIATION FOR MEDICAL TRAINING IN CHINA:

A letter was read from W.H. Branson, of the China Division, reporting on the situation as regards affiliation of the China Division with the St. John's University Medical College, for the training of medical workers in China. Certain members of the University staff are no longer with the institution, and those now there are not particularly sympathetic with us, and of late our students have experienced difficulty over the matter of Sabbath classes. The China Division is therefore suggesting that the arrangement for affiliation with St. John's Medical College be canceled. They propose affiliation with two other institutions, Yale University in China, located at Changsha, which has signified a willingness to take in a limited number of our students, without any particular obligation on our part, and to work out the matter of exemption from Sabbath classes; and one of the medical schools in South China.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan of the China Division to discontinue affiliation with St. John's University Medical College, and to enter into affiliation with Yale University in China, and one of the universities in South China, for the training of our young people for medical service in China, if this can be worked out on a satisfactory basis.

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## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments and itineraries:

W.A. Butler and J.E. Edwards, a union-wide lay preachers' institute for the Central Union, at Topeka, Kansas, October 6-10.

E.B. Hare and J.E. Edwards, Iowa Youth's Congress, October 15, 16.

Voice of Prophecy Group, Illinois Youth's Congress, September 10-12.

F. Sabatino, Chicago, week end of July 31.

## JOHN WOHLERS--SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College the call for John Wohlers to connect with the Southern Publishing Association.

## RUTH TOBIASSEN--CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That the appointment of Miss Ruth Tobiassen be changed from the Nokuphila Hospital in South Africa, to the Baghdad Hospital in the Middle East Union.

## AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

## FLEET AUTOMOBILE POLICY:

Amendments to the General Conference Fleet Automobile Policy, which was adopted by action of this Committee in our meeting of July 22, were submitted, and adopted as follows:

Purpose of Fleet Plan

The purpose of the Fleet automobile contracts is to supply needed transportation for the work of organizations and companies. We, therefore, would call to the attention of all conference and institutional officers that the assignment of Fleet automobiles should be determined by the assignee's need of a motor vehicle to carry on the work of his employing organization, and not by his personal need. It is understood that where an organization or conference feels that a worker needs an automobile for carrying on the organization's work, he is also entitled to use it for personal transportation, but transportation for personal use is not to be a determining factor in supplying a Fleet car.

Priority

Conferences and institutions shall give priority in the

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assignment of Fleet motor vehicles to those with the oldest automobile, and shall take into consideration the length of time since the worker had a new car.

#### Time of Ownership

The minimum period under which any Fleet automobile will be retained by an organization or institution to be eighteen (18) months or 40,000 miles, the time to be from the date of original delivery, exceptional cases to be referred to the General Conference Fleet Committee.

Exception clause: The following will be considered as exceptions:

1. Motor vehicles damaged beyond suitable repair.
2. Cars acknowledged by the manufacturers to be mechanically defective,

#### Eligibility

Only full-time workers of the General Conference or one of its subsidiary organizations, who actually needs a car for the work of his employing organization, shall be eligible. This would include full-time regular colporteurs.

#### Payment

Payment for all Fleet motor vehicles is to be paid by check of the organization making application.

#### Transfer of Title

The title to a Fleet motor vehicle may be transferred between organizations of the General Conference, a written notice of such transfer to be given to the Department of Purchase and Supply, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

#### Fleet Contract Violations

Any conference or institution which assigns any Fleet car in violation of our contracts with the manufacturers will be deprived of the benefits of the Fleet plan until such violation has been adjusted.

#### Territorial Deliveries

Conferences and institutions are to handle Fleet requests for their own employees only and for deliveries within their own territory.

Fleet Vehicles Not for Export

Domestic Fleet vehicles are not to be supplied for export from the United States or for use outside of the United States.

Handling Charge

A handling charge of \$10.00, apart from the cost of the car, is to be made with each Fleet application. This fee is not refundable except where application is not accepted.

Finance of Fleet Motor Vehicles

The certificate of title to a Fleet automobile must be retained by the conference or institution and shall not be used for financing or refinancing outside the organization.

Application for Fleet Automobiles

All applications for Fleet automobiles will be made on forms provided by the Department of Purchase and Supply, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and shall be made available to the offices of the union and local conference treasurers and institutional managers for their employees.

REHABILITATION ALLOWANCES:

VOTED, On recommendation of the Committee on Rehabilitation of Workers' War Losses, that rehabilitation allowances be made as follows:

To P.H.Hermann, formerly of Rumania, \$1,331.66.

To G.C.Faass, formerly a worker in the Netherlands East Indies, \$1,873.27.

YUCAIPA CHURCH SCHOOL BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Pacific Union for approval of the erection of a church school building in Yucaipa, at a cost of \$11,000. Inasmuch as satisfactory arrangements have been made for financing the project, it was

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the Yucaipa church school building, as proposed.

MIDDLE EACH UNION COLLEGE:

Request was presented from the Middle East Union for approval of their finishing two floors in the girls' dormitory of the Middle East Union College, and one floor in the boys' dormitory, at a cost of 30,877 Lebanese pounds; and also completing the industrial building, the erection of the central section of which was authorized by our action of April 8. They have more than sufficient in their building fund to make this possible.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan of the Middle East Union to finish the three floors in the two dormitories, and the industrial building of the Middle East Union College.

E.D.Dick, Chairman.

H.T.Elliott, Secretary.

E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 29, 1948

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

E D Dick, W P Bradley, H T Elliott, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, A W Cormack, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, Roger Altman, J A Stevens, H W Lowe, C S Longacre, E E Andross, E B Hare, M K Eckenroth, J E Edwards, Claude Conard, W A Butler, J J Ireland, E E Franklin, W E Read, W E Murray, L F Bohner, D A McAdams, W K Ising, L R Rasmussen, M E Kern, H H Votaw, J R Ferren, G A Huse, H M Blunden, Paul Wickman.

W.H.Williams was asked to act as chairman. Prayer by J.A.Stevens. Minutes of the meeting of July 26 were approved.

## WORKERS RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That the following workers be released from mission field appointments:

Gene F.Cherry from the call to Nigeria, because of health conditions in his family.

Miss Olive Westphal from the call to the Medellin school, because of unfavorable medical report.

Miss Mabel Sucket from the call to the Baghdad Hospital, since she has recently accepted a call to nursing service in Alaska.

## MILDRED DUMAS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That in view of her condition of health and on recommendation of the South American Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of Miss Mildred Dumas.

## DALE AALBORG--NIGERIA:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and the Texico Conference to release Dale Aalborg, to connect with the West African Union as teacher-evangelist for Nigeria.

## LOWELL L. BOCK--GOLD COAST:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and the Alberta Conference to release Lowell L. Bock, to connect with the West African Union as director of the Koforidua Mission, in the Gold Coast.

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## SAMUEL JOSE--PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern European Division the call from the Southern African Division for Samuel Jose, of Portugal, to connect with the Munguluni Mission, in Portuguese East Africa; on the understanding that he has a teacher's certificate that is or can be registered with the Portuguese government.

## DR. DONALD BROWN--BURMA:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Donald Brown, of Lynwood, California, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, in response to the call for a second doctor for Burma.

## G.C.FAASS--ARGENTINA:

VOTED, To pass on to G.C.Faass, formerly a worker in the Netherlands East Indies, the call from the South American Division to connect with the work in Argentina, it being understood that Brother Faass is being called as a worker from North America, with outfitting allowance, furlough privileges, etc.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments and itineraries:

W.A.Butler, Home Missionary Rally and church dedication, Northampton, Massachusetts, November 12-14.

R.Altman, W.P.Bradley, E.Bethmann, Niagara Falls, Canada to consult with the United States Consul.

W.H.Williams, Chairman.  
W.P.Bradley, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.