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ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., November 1, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, M.N.Campbell, E.D.Dick, A.W.Cormack, H.T. Elliott, A.V.Olsen, F.Brennwald, W.E.Nelson, W.H.Williams, Dr. H.M.Walton, M.A.Hollister, H.H.Cobban, F.M.Wilcox, W.E.Howell, R.Ruhling, J.J.Ireland, L.E.Froom, C.L.Bond, G.W.Wells, J.J. Strahle, Roger Altman, W.A.Butler, J.A.Stevens, J.E.Weaver, W.H.Teesdale, H.E.Rogers, W.K.Ising, E.E.Franklin, E.E.Andross, M.E.Kern, H.H.Votaw.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Claude Conard, H.W.Barrows, W.L.Burgan, F.D.Nichol.

Prayer by W.K.Ising.

EDUCATIONAL SURVEY COMMISSION:

Inasmuch as Union College and Emmanuel Missionary College have asked that special study be given to certain of their problems that are common to both schools, from the scholastic as well as the financial standpoints, it was

VOTED, That the Chair in counsel with the officers be asked to appoint a commission of five to assemble the facts, give study to the situation, and report back to this Committee.

Appointed: M.N.Campbell, W.E.Nelson, H.A.Morrison, Claude Conard, W.H.Teesdale.

COMMISSION ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS:

Carrying out the recommendation adopted by the Committee in Battle Creek, that a Survey and Coordination Commission on Publishing Interests be appointed, to include one or more General Conference officers, the secretaries of the Publishing Department, the chairman of the board and the manager and treasurer of each of the publishing houses in the North American Division, and such others as may be deemed necessary, it was

VOTED, That the Chair in counsel with the officers, be asked to name the persons to join the ex-officio members in making up this Commission.

Appointed: M.N.Campbell, chairman. J.L.McElhany, W.E. Nelson, L.H.Christian, W.H.Williams, H.T.Elliott, E.E.Andross, J.A.Stevens, W.A.Spicer, G.W.Wells, J.J.Nethery, J.J.Reiswig.

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APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments for General Conference workers:

R.Ruhling to Texas and Oklahoma for six weeks; also to New York City.

F.C.Gilbert to Oakwood Junior College for the Week of Prayer, December 4-11

H.H.Votaw to Southern Junior College for the Week of Prayer, December 1-11

W.H.Bergherm to attend a Home Missionary Secretaries' Council at Hinsdale, December 13-15; and a Lay Preachers' Institute at Indianapolis, December 17-19.

DR. CLAYTON R. POTTS RELEASED:

VOTED, That Dr. Clayton R.Potte be released from the call to the South American Division.

MR. AND MRS. L.L.GRAND PRE--DENTAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to allow dental expense for Mr. and Mrs. L.L.Grand Pre, on furlough from the Inter-America Division, in accordance with the regular policy.

MR. AND MRS. O.E.GILLIS--DENTAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to meet dental expense in accordance with the regular policy, for Mr. and Mrs. I.E.Gillis, on furlough from the Far Eastern Division.

A.E.NELSON--SALARY:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to continue salary to the end of the year, if necessary, to A.E.Nelson, returned from India, and that thereafter his name be referred to the Committee on Permanently Returned Missionaries.

COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF ANNUAL OFFERING:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee on promotion of the Annual Offering, of which he shall be the chairman.

Appointed: J.L.McElhany, E.D.Dick, A.W.Cormack, W.E. Nelson, W.H.Williams.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.
E.D.Dick, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 2, 1937, 8:20 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, W.G.Turner, E.D.Dick, M.N.Campbell, A.W. Cormack, H.T.Elliott, W.E.Nelson, W.E.Howell, J.J.Strahle, M.A. Hollister, H.A.Morrison, G.W.Wells, F.C.Gilbert, W.H.Teesdale, J.A.Stevens, L.E.Froom, R.Ruhling, E.E.Andross, M.C.Taft, C.L. Bond, W.A.Butler, F.M.Wilcox, H.H.Votaw, W.P.Elliott, W.H. Bergherm, M.E.Kern, E.E.Franklin, H.H.Cobban.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Claude Conard, M.E.Olsen, T.M.French, F.D.Nichol.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ADVENT MISSION SOCIETY,
BERLIN, GERMANY, AND THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS, TAKOMA PARK, WASHINGTON, D.C.

The following agreement between the Advent Mission Society and the General Conference was adopted:

The situation in the mission territory of the Advent Mission Society caused by the lack of foreign currency has induced its representatives to call upon the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in Washington for help.

The result of negotiations is an agreement to be carried into effect beginning January 1, 1938; the terms of which are as follows:

1. That the General Conference is taking over the administration of the missions in the Netherlands East Indies, now administered by the Advent Mission Society, with the understanding that German missionaries continue to be employed in the field
2. The Advent Mission Society is to procure for the missionaries of German nationality, as far as possible, from the Foreign Currency Department, in Germany, the necessary permission to float a loan abroad. The equivalent in Reichsmark is to be secured with a bank recognized by the authorities of the German Government.
3. Under these conditions the General Conference agrees to place at disposal by its legal organization in United States dollars the corresponding amounts to be remitted to the needy mission stations.
4. Provided that the Advent Mission Society can secure the permission to pay the salaries and other costs from its income, the General Conference approves of the calling of missionary

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recruits of German nationality to mission territories under the administration of other organizations of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

5. The General Conference is taking over the administration of the mission organizations in Bulgaria, Greece, Turkey, Iran, Arabia, Egypt, and Tanganyika, and assumes financial responsibility so far as non-German missionaries, native ministers, teachers, helpers, and other financial obligations are concerned. The Advent Mission Society retains the responsibility for the financial support of the German missionaries.

6. In case the situation of the Advent Mission Society should improve so that it becomes possible for it to care for the current obligations of any of the above-named mission organizations, or mission territories that in the future may be under the jurisdiction of the German Government, the General Conference reserves the right to turn back the administration of such organizations or territories to the Advent Mission Society, without claiming any remuneration for expenses incurred in the meantime.

7. The General Conference, on the other hand, reserves the right at any time after six months' notice to terminate the within agreement.

In witness whereof, the following signatures are hereto attached:

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY
ADVENTISTS

By _____
President.

Treasurer

THE ADVENT MISSION SOCIETY

Witness

By _____
President

Treasurer.

J.L. McElhany, Chairman.
E.D. Dick, Secretary.
E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 4, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, L.H.Christian, M.N.Campbell, W.G.Turner, A.W.Cormack, E.D.Dick, H.T.Elliott, W.H.Williams, H.H.Cobban, W.A.Spicer, I.H.Evans, E.E.Andross, M.E.Kern, G.W.Wells, M.A. Hollister, C.E.Weaks, W.H.Bergherm, F.M.Wilcox, W.E.Howell, W.A.Butler, L.E.Froom, C.S.Longacre, C.L.Bond, H.H.Votaw, W.H. Teesdale, M.C.Taft, J.J.Ireland, S.A.Wellman, H.E.Rogers, J.A. Stevens, Dr. H.M.Walton, Miss Jensen, W.P.Elliott.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Claude Conard, H.W.Barrows, T.M.French, W.L.Burgan.

Prayer by E.E.Andross.

Minutes of the meetings of October 7 and 11 were approved.

ELAINE GIDDINGS--HELDERBERG COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference to release Miss Elaine Giddings, of the Greater New York Academy, to connect with the Southern African Division, as head of the English Department of Helderberg College.

W.P.ORTNER--BRAZIL:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Hinsdale Sanitarium to release W.P.Ortner to connect with the South American Division and the East Brazil Union, as director of the Rio-Espirito Santo Mission.

DR. H.M.WALTON, W.K.ISING--MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials for the quadrennial term be granted to Dr. H.M.Walton, of the Medical Department, and to W.K.Ising, of the Sabbath School Department.

H.H.COBBAN--SECRETARY OF RADIO COMMISSION:

VOTED, That H.H.Cobban be asked to serve as secretary of the Radio Commission

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APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments for General Conference workers:

H.H.Votaw to attend a Religious Liberty Council, January 17-18 in Texas, and spend some time in Texas churches following the council.

W.E.Nelson to attend a College Wood Products board meeting at Berrien Springs.

W.A.Butler to Petersburg and Ford, Virginia, November 6.

MEMORIAL FROM UNION COLLEGE
AND EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

A memorial from Union College and Emmanuel Missionary College was read, setting forth some of their needs and asking for help, and it was

VOTED, That the memorial be referred to the Commission appointed to study the situation of these two schools.

DEPUTATION TO INTERVIEW LABOR LEADERS:

VOTED, That W.P.Elliott, H.H.Votaw and W.G.Turner be appointed a deputation to interview national labor leaders in Washington with reference to industrial problems as they affect our people.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL AND MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee to give study to the recommendations from the Medical Workers' Council on the question of postgraduate work, vacations, etc.; and from the Educational Council, on the question of college subsidies.

Appointed: M.N.Campbell, Dr. H.M.Walton, H.A.Morrison, M.E.Kern, E.D.Dick, I.H.Evans, L.E.Froom, W.H.Williams.

PICTURES OF MISSION STATIONS:

In view of the fact that many times and on various occasions we have legitimate requests for pictures of our leading mission stations, as well as of our missionaries, and in view of the desirability of having a file of such pictures in some central office, it was

VOTED, That the Secretarial Office be authorized to gather together and be the custodian of a library of pictures of our leading mission stations, and of our missionaries, throughout the world.

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BIBLES OF J.N.ANDREWS AND MRS. JOHN BYINGTON:

The Chairman stated that J.E.Vuilleumier had given to the General Conference, through his sister, Mrs. E.E.Miles, the Bible that had belonged to Elder J.N.Andrews; and that the son of Elder John Byington had given the Bible that was his mother's.

These were received with appreciation, and with thanks to the donors, and it was agreed that they should be deposited with the Advent Source material.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BUILDING:

A committee that was appointed to study detailed plans for promoting the raising of funds sufficient to construct the building for the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Takoma Park, submitted the following recommendation, which was adopted:

We recommend, That our conferences in North America be invited to raise an amount equal to twenty-five cents per member;

That the promotion material for this fund be sent out from the General Conference office;

That in promoting the fund articles appear in the Review and Herald and in the union papers; that J.L.McElhany be asked to write a letter to be sent to all church elders and isolated believers; and that a special folder and a special envelop similar to the Thirteenth Sabbath envelop be prepared to accompany this letter, and that this material be sent in bulk to the local conference offices and distributed from there along with a short letter from the conference president, the above mentioned material to be in the hands of the conference presidents not later than January 1, 1938.

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee on promotion of this offering.

Appointed: M.N.Campbell, chairman; M.E.Kern, vice-chairman; H.A.Morrison, or W.H.Teesdale, W.E.Nelson, or W.H. Williams.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE--COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee, of which he shall be the chairman, to give study, as recommended by the Autumn Council, to ways and means or properly applying the standards established on the question of marriage and divorce.

Appointed: J.L.McElhany, M.N.Campbell, W.H.Branson, M.C.Taft, A.W.Cormack, M.E.Kern, F.M.Wilcox.

HYMN BOOK

The General Conference in session having authorized the appointment by the General Conference Committee of a committee to study the need and advisability of publishing a new church hymnal, it was

VOTED, That the following named persons constitute this committee:

I H Evans, chairman; M N Campbell J L McElhany, L H Christian A W Cormack, C L Bond, L E Froom, E D Dick, H T Elliott, H H Cobban, F M Wilcox, S A Wellman, W E Nelson, F D Nichol, W A Spicer, W E Howell, H A Morrison, E L Richmond.

It was suggested that in case this committee recommends the publication of a new hymnal, they proceed to gather information relative to hymns, copyrights, and prices, and make tentative selections, this work to be reviewed by a larger group to be appointed later, and then submitted to the next Autumn Council. If approval is given by the Council, a committee qualified technically may be appointed to check the work and make final recommendations.

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WESTERN TRANSPORTATION OFFICE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make an allowance of \$50.00 a month, beginning January 1, 1938, for office, automobile and rail expense, in connection with our Western Transportation Agency, which is cared for by H.G.Childs, of the Pacific Press.

MEDICAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to allow medical expense, in accordance with the regular policy, for

R.Ruhling, of the Bureau of Home Missions.

Mrs. H.H.Mattison, on furlough from India.

DENTAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to meet dental expense in accordance with the regular policy, for

Miss Ruth Atwell, on furlough from China.

J. Phillips, on furlough from Burma.

SUSTENTATION STATUS OF WORKERS
IN SELF-SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS:

VOTED, To refer to the officers for recommendation the question of the sustentation status of workers in self-supporting institutions.

MRS. L.E.CHRISTMAN:

VOTED, To share equally with the Canadian Union in meeting the moving expenses of Mrs. L.E.Christman from Oshawa to Berrien Springs, and providing her support for three and a half months.

COMMUNITY CHEST--\$125:

VOTED, To make a contribution of \$125 to the Community Chest, for the District of Columbia and suburban areas.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.
A.W.Cormack, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 8, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, L.H.Christian, W.G.Turner, H.T.Elliott, E.D.Dick, A.W.Cormack, W.E.Nelson, W.H.Williams, H.H.Cobban, I.H.Evans, G.W.Wells, M.A.Hollister, Dr. H.M.Walton, C.E.Weaks, M.E.Kern, E.E.Andross, J.A.Stevens, W.H.Bergherm, J.J.Strahle, F.C.Gilbert, F.L.Peterson, F.M.Wilcox, W.E.Howell, R.Ruhling, J.J.Ireland, H.H.Votaw, A.W.Peterson, W.H.Teesdale, C.S.Longacre, Miss Jensen, S.A.Wellman, H.E.Rogers, M.C.Taft, H.A.Morrison, L.E.Froom, W.A.Butler.

OTHERS PRESENT:

T.M.French, W.L.Burgan.

Prayer by S.A.Wellman.

EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE AND UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That M.N.Campbell and W.H.Teesdale be appointed to visit Emmanuel Missionary College and Union College preliminary to the visit by the commission that is appointed to survey these two institutions.

CHURCH HYMNAL--COMMITTEE:

Inasmuch as the Autumn Council recommended that a new church hymnal be produced, not to exceed 700 pages in size, it was

VOTED, That the officers be asked to make selection of a suitable committee to proceed with arrangements for the compilation of the hymnal.

Appointed: I.H.Evans, chairman; J.L.McElhany, M.N.Campbell, L.H.Christian, A.W.Cormack, C.L.Bond, L.E.Froom, E.D.Dick, H.T.Elliott, H.H.Cobban, F.M.Wilcox, W.E.Nelson, S.A.Wellman, F.D.Nichol, W.A.Spicer, W.E.Howell, H.A.Morrison, E.L.Richmond, M.E.Kern, W.H.Branson.

CANADIAN SURVEY COMMISSION:

VOTED, That in response to the request received, a commission be appointed to survey the conferences and institutions in the Canadian Union.

Appointed: M.N.Campbell, W.H.Williams.

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ORLEY FORD--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That in harmony with the advice of the doctor, Orley Ford, of the Inter-American Division, be granted one month's extension of his furlough, or until January 15.

DR. GEORGE BECKNER--MANILA SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To invite Dr. George Beckner, of Ayer, Massachusetts, to connect with the Far Eastern Division and the Philippine Union Mission as medical superintendent of the Manila Sanitarium.

C.E.WEAKS TO ANTILLIAN UNION:

VOTED, That in response to the request of the Inter-American Division for help from the Publishing Department for the Antillian Union Mission, C.E.Weaks be authorized to spend some time in that union, the exact date to be arranged with the division.

ADDRESS OF F.M.WILCOX:

VOTED, That the address given by F.M.Wilcox at the Autumn Council be printed in leaflet form for distribution to our English-reading ministers and workers.

W.H.WILLIAMS--ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

VOTED, That we hereby appoint W.H.Williams, Assistant Superintendent of Transportation.

SPAIN--EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make an emergency appropriation to the Southern European Division of approximately \$6000, to cover losses due to the war situation in Spain.

ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, To adopt the following as the Financial Conditions Governing the Transfer of the Ethiopian Union Mission from the Northern European Division to the Southern European Division:

1. That the complete budget (including furlough provision as may be needed and as shall be ascertained by W.H. Williams when in London in consultation with E.R.Colson and F. Brennwald, according to the number of missionaries needing furloughs and the furlough policy in operation in the Northern European Division affecting Ethiopia) be transferred from the Northern European Division to the Southern European Division.

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2. That the Northern European Division restore to the Ethiopian Union Mission from funds already destined for Ethiopia and which have accumulated in the division office, the full amount of the reductions made in the working capital and the trust funds of the union and its various institutions and organizations as a result of the union not having received, during the recent troublous times the full amount of the budget provisions made for the field.

3. That one twelfth of the annual budget for Ethiopia be advanced to Southern Europe by the General Conference treasury, in order to enable the division to get their monthly remittances to Ethiopia by the first of each succeeding month, as is done in some other cases.

4. That all funds held by the Northern European Division to the credit of the Ethiopian Union over and above the provisions as stated in Article 2 shall revert to the General Conference for the payment of amounts hereinafter specified.

5. That the Southern European Division pay the transportation expenses and outfitting allowances of new workers sent to Ethiopia out of the Ethiopian Furlough and Missionary Appointees Fund. Should it become necessary to replace so many of the workers now in the field that this fund does not suffice to cover the expense involved, the General Conference agrees to pay the extra amount required for the work now being carried on.

6. That the General Conference pay the expense involved in returning to their home fields, all missionaries now in the field who may have to leave the field, for which the furlough fund provided for Ethiopia by Northern Europe may not be adequate.

7. That the General Conference assume the responsibility for all overlapping of salaries, resulting from the changes that must be made in the foreign working force in the Ethiopian field due to conditions that have arisen since the war where the regular budget is not sufficient to meet this expense.

8. That all legitimate claims made by the workers now in Ethiopia (both foreign and native) for salaries due or personal losses sustained because of the war and its aftermath, shall be settled by the General Conference.

9. That if circumstances shall make it necessary to reduce the number of foreign workers in Ethiopia, it is hereby agreed that the wages thus released shall - if not required in Ethiopia - remain with the Southern European Division to be used in employing and training new workers in Italy with the understanding that Italy will do its best to supply workers for Ethiopia as the needs may demand.

10. That the funds realized from the sale of any property in Ethiopia shall be at the disposal of the General Conference, in harmony with our usual policy.

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COLLEGE OF MEDICAL EVANGELISTS
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING;

In a meeting early in September, a proposition was before the Committee with reference to an Administration Building for the College of Medical Evangelists, the construction of which is to be financed by the Alumni of the College. A form of agreement in connection with the proposition was outlined at that time, and transmitted to the Alumni Association, whereupon the Alumni suggested a number of slight changes in the wording. These being now accepted, it was

VOTED, That in response to a request that has been before us on two separate occasions by the Alumni of the College of Medical Evangelists, the following be adopted:

1. We believe that a suitable Administration Building is a necessary addition to the Los Angeles Division of our Medical College in order to give proper permanence to the College and at the same time provide the necessary classrooms, administrative offices, et cetera.
2. We wish to express to the Alumni of the College of Medical Evangelists our deep appreciation of their desire to see this need met, and of their proposal to finance the erection of a suitable administration building in Los Angeles.
3. We believe, however, that before or in connection with making provision for this building, there must also be provided the remainder of the fund that is still to be raised from the Alumni and friends of the College for the building of the hospital recently completed at Los Angeles. The amount yet to raised for this purpose is \$36,000.00
4. We believe that \$200,000.00 is the minimum necessary to provide for the proposed building, and to provide the \$36,000.00 yet to be raised in financing the hospital building in Los Angeles.
5. It is understood that the custody of all money which the Alumni may raise will be placed with the General Conference Treasurer, who shall act as trustee in accordance with terms of an agreement governing the same.
6. That the Alumni shall raise this money from Alumni members, it being understood they are not to solicit from Seventh-day Adventists other than Alumni; but it is understood that the Alumni may solicit from non-Seventh-day Adventists in any proper way.
7. That the College of Medical Evangelists shall, if possible, provide necessary land on which to erect this building, securing the best possible location consistent with the College resources; and that the title to the building shall be vested in the College of Medical Evangelists.

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8. Since the Alumni does not have the personnel to give time and attention to the supervision necessary in the erection of such a building, involving the securing of many permits, supervision by building inspectors, et cetera, et cetera, the erection of this building be in charge of a proper building committee to be chosen as follows: the Board of Trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists appointing five members and the Board of the Alumni Association appointing four members, it being further agreed that this committee must be under the direction of the Board of Trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists, and that the Comptroller of the College of Medical Evangelists be the chairman of this building committee.

9. Choice of architect, the securing of a contract, purchase of materials, the letting of bids to sub-contractors, and all other items pertaining to the construction of the building to be in the hands of the building committee under the direction of the Board of Trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists. But no active construction is to be begun until 85% of the funds are in hand for the completion of the building, and that thereafter building operations do not proceed faster than collections can be made.

10. Free space in said building to be furnished the Alumni during the life of the building, the Alumni to provide the furnishings for its offices, and also meet the expense of repairs and redecorations of its offices.

11. All negotiations for the purchase of property on which to erect said building must be wholly and solely in the hands of the College of Medical Evangelists.

12. It is agreed that if the Alumni are unable to carry out the project as proposed, or at least in a reasonably modified form, the trustee shall then return to the donors the money contributed, excepting an amount sufficient to cover the expense of providing blue prints and specifications, and other expenses incident to the launching of this campaign, and the \$36,000.00 which was paid to the College out of the first money raised and has been applied on the financing of the hospital building.

13. It is agreed that the proposed administration building shall contain appropriate space for the following: at least two classrooms, one for junior students and one for senior students, an auditorium capable of accommodating the faculty and both classes, offices for the president, dean and registrar of the College of Medical Evangelists and their staff, suitable space for a library, Alumni administrative offices, offices for full-time department heads and other professors as seems advisable, offices for the medical extension secretary, museums, space for visual education section, research laboratory or laboratories. However, it is agreed that detailed study of the plans may modify this set-up to a considerable extent.

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14. This proposal of the General Conference Committee to become an effective agreement must be ratified by both the Board of Trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists and the Board of the Alumni Association of the College of Medical Evangelists.

SOUTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION--LOSS ON EXCHANGE:

The Southern European Division has made request for adjustment of the loss in exchange between the Division and the General Conference on Harvest Ingathering promotion expense, covering a period of years, from 1929 to December 31, 1933, after which time the General Conference provided for the losses on the interchange of business between the organizations.

VOTED, To reimburse the Southern European Division to the extent of this loss.

WUHAN SANITARIUM--\$3000:

VOTED, That in response to repeated appeals from President Griggs of the China Division, the Treasurer be authorized to make an advance of \$3000 to the China Division for operating costs of the Wuhan Sanitarium for three months beginning October one, the same to be charged to the China Rehabilitation Fund which is to be set up from the proceeds of the Annual Offering.

ACCOUNT IN HONGKONG BANK:

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists desires to open a bank account in the Hongkong branch of the National City Bank of New York, therefore

Be it Resolved, That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H. Williams, Undertreasurer, of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, C.C.Morris, Treasurer of the China Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and Miss Ruth Lehman, be severally authorized to open a bank account in the Hongkong branch of the National City Bank of New York, and that funds and monies of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and of the China Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists deposited to the credit of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are hereby authorized to be withdrawn and said bank to honor checks drawn on said funds or deposits by either of the said W.E.Nelson, W.H.Williams, and C.C.Morris and Miss Ruth Lehman, jointly.

And Be it further Resolved, That the Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, or an Associate Secretary, certify under his hand and seal the resolutions hereto attached, together with the article and section of the constitution and by-laws of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists authorizing the actions herein taken by the Executive Committee of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.

H.T.Elliott, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 11, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, W.G.Turner, E.D.Dick, H.T.Elliott, W.E. Nelson, W.H.Williams, H.H.Cobban, I.H.Evans, C.E.Weaks, Dr. H.M. Walton, J.A.Stevens, M.A.Hollister, F.M.Wilcox, J.J.Ireland, H.H.Votaw, W.A.Butler, F.C.Gilbert, H.E.Rogers, S.A.Wellman, A.W.Peterson, Miss Jensen, H.A.Morrison, J.J.Strahle, W.E.Howell, C.S.Longacre, W.H.Bergherm, W.P.Elliott, M.C.Taft, L.E.Froom, M.E.Kern.

OTHERS PRESENT:

T.M.French, F.D.Nichol.

Prayer by Dr. H.M.Walton.

WAYNE B.HILL RELEASED:

VOTED, That Wayne B.Hill, of the Potomac Conference, be released from the call to South Africa.

R.W.MOORE--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference to release Roscoe W.Moore to connect with the Southern African Division for city evangelistic work.

ZELPHA MILLER--INDIA:

VOTED, To invite Miss Zelpha Miller, of Southern California, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, as surgical nurse for the hospital in Surat.

R.M.WHITSETT--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Missouri Conference the call from the Southern Union for R.M.Whitsett to connect with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference as pastor of the Louisville church.

PAUL WICKMAN--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Central California Conference to release Paul Wickman, to connect with the Southern African Division for city evangelistic work.

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H.L.RUDY--MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials for the quadrennial term be granted to H.L.Rudy, secretary of Section II of the Central European Division.

CAPTAIN C.R.HYATT--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College the call from the Columbia Union for Capt. C.R.Hyatt to connect with Washington Missionary College as head of the medical corps training department.

APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments for General Conference workers:

C.L.Bond to attend a Missionary Volunteer Secretaries' Council at Hinsdale, Illinois, December 12-13.

A.W.Peterson to conduct the Week of Prayer at Southwestern Junior College.

M.A.Hollister and Kathryn Jensen to attend an institute and training school for workers in Oklahoma, December 29 to January 10.

BROADVIEW--\$2000:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$2,000 from comeback funds to apply on the sewer project at Broadview.

RURAL SCHOOLS--APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to appropriate to the Potomac Conference, for their rural schools, the balance remaining in the Rural Schools Fund account, or \$68.53.

OAKWOOD JUNIOR COLLEGE--\$1000:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make an emergency appropriation of \$1000 to Oakwood Junior College, to help to cover the loss of feed and farming implements destroyed in the burning of their barn, leaving the question of any additional appropriation until estimates have been secured as to the cost of rebuilding the barn.

H.T.ELLIOTT--MEDICAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to meet medical expense, in accordance with the regular policy, for Mrs. H.T. Elliott.

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MARGARET WEIR--DENTAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to allow dental expense in accordance with the regular policy, for Miss Margaret Weir, of the Sabbath School Department.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL AND DENTAL EXPENSE:

VOTED, That the officers be asked to appoint a standing Committee, with power to act, to deal with all cases of medical and dental expense that come clearly within the regular policy.

Appointed: W.E.Nelson, M.N.Campbell, W.H.Williams, H.H.Cobban, E.D.Dick, A.W.Cormack, H.T.Elliott.

FUNDS IN LONDON BANKS:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to deposit up to \$150,000 in the three following London banks: the Barclays Bank, Limited, the Midland Bank, Limited, and the National City Bank of New York, London Branch; and that the following resolutions be adopted:

WHEREAS, The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists desires to open a bank account in the Barclays Bank, Limited, 54 Lombard Street, London, E.C. 3, England; therefore

Be It Resolved, That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H.Williams, Undertreasurer, of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, be severally authorized to open a bank account in the Barclays Bank, Limited, 54 Lombard Street, London E.C. 3, England, and that funds and monies of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists deposited to the credit of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are hereby authorized to be withdrawn and said bank to honor checks drawn on said funds or deposits by either the said W.E.Nelson or W.H.Williams.

That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H.Williams, Undertreasurer, or either of them, be and are hereby authorized on behalf of the said General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to negotiate with, deposit with, or transfer to the said Bank (but for credit of the said Conference account only) all checks or orders for the payment of money, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the said Conference; also from time to time to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts between the said Conference and the Bank; and to receive all paid checks and vouchers, and to sign the Bank's form of settlement of balances and release.

And Be It Further Resolved, That the Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, or an Associate Secretary, certify under his hand and seal the resolutions hereto attached, together with the article and section of the constitution and by-laws of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists authorizing the actions herein taken by the Executive

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Committee of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

WHEREAS, The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists desires to open a bank account in the Midland Bank, Limited, Poultry, London, E.C. 2, England; therefore

Be It Resolved, That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H. Williams, Undertreasurer, of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, be severally authorized to open a bank account in the Midland Bank Limited, Poultry, London, E.C. 2, England, and that funds and monies of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists deposited to the credit of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are hereby authorized to be withdrawn and said bank to honor checks drawn on said funds or deposits by either the said W.E.Nelson or W.H.Williams.

That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H.Williams, Undertreasurer, or either of them, be and are hereby authorized on behalf of the said General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to negotiate with, deposit with, or transfer to the said Bank (but for credit of the said Conference account only) all checks or orders for the payment of money, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the said Conference; also from time to time to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts between the said Conference and the Bank; and to receive all paid checks and vouchers, and to sign the Bank's form of settlement of balances and release.

And Be It Further Resolved, That the Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, or an Associate Secretary, certify under his hand and seal the resolutions hereto attached, together with the article and section of the constitution and by-laws of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists authorizing the actions herein taken by the Executive Committee of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

WHEREAS, The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists desires to open a bank account in the National City Bank of New York, 36 Bishopsgate, E.C. 2, London, England; therefore

Be It Resolved, That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H. Williams, Undertreasurer, of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, be severally authorized to open a bank account in the National City Bank of New York, 36 Bishopsgate, E.C. 2, London, England, and that funds and monies of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists deposited to the credit of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are hereby authorized to be withdrawn and said bank to honor checks drawn on said funds or deposits by either the said W.E.Nelson or W.H.Williams.

That W.E.Nelson, Treasurer, and W.H.Williams, Undertreasurer, or either of them, be and are hereby authorized on

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behalf of the said General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to negotiate with, deposit with, or transfer to the said Bank (but for credit of the said Conference account only) all checks or orders for the payment of money, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the said Conference; also from time to time to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts between the said Conference and the Bank; and to receive all paid checks and vouchers, and to sign the Bank's form of settlement of balances and release.

And Be It Further Resolved, That the Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, or an Associate Secretary, certify under his hand and seal the resolutions hereto attached, together with the article and section of the constitution and by-laws of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists authorizing the actions herein taken by the Executive Committee of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

PROCEEDINGS OF EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION:

VOTED, That we authorize the Educational Department to print the proceedings of the Educational Convention held at Blue Ridge, North Carolina.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.
E.D.Dick, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 15, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, L.H.Christian, H.T.Elliott, E.D.Dick, A.W. Cormack, W.E.Nelson, W.H.Williams, H.H.Cobban, I.H.Evans, M.A. Hollister, Dr. H.M.Walton, W.A.Butler, J.A.Stevens, W.H.Bergherm, Steen Rasmussen, E.E.Franklin, F.C.Gilbert, J.J.Ireland, W.E. Howell, J.J.Nethery, C.S.Longacre, L.E.Froom, F.L.Peterson, S.A. Wellman, H.E.Rogers, F.M.Wilcox, W.P.Elliott, H.H.Votaw, M.E.Kern, M.C.Taft.

OTHERS PRESENT:

T.M.French, W.L.Burgan, M.E.Olsen.

Prayer by J.J.Nethery.

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SURVEY COMMISSION FOR SPANISH SCHOOL:

VOTED, That W.E.Nelson be added to the Survey Commission on the Spanish school for North America, appointed by the Autumn Council.

The members of the Commission as now constituted are: M.N.Campbell, W.E.Nelson, F.L.Perry, J.D.Smith, R.L.Benton, Glenn Calkins, H.A.Morrison, E.F.Hackman.

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That we approve of the plan of the Sabbath School Department to celebrate during the second quarter of 1938 the sixtieth anniversary of the organization of the Department, by a campaign to bring into the Sabbath school as many as possible of the church members who do not now attend.

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETING--I.H.EVANS:

VOTED, That I.H.Evans be appointed to attend the annual meeting of the American Bible Society in New York City, December 1.

HINSDALE SANITARIUM WORKERS--SUSTENTATION:

Whereas, The recent Autumn Council in Battle Creek referred to the Minority Committee the request of the Hinsdale Sanitarium for an amplification of the plan adopted by the General Conference Committee at its meeting in San Francisco, in 1936, which provided for the employees of the Hinsdale Sanitarium receiving assistance from the Sustentation Fund,

VOTED, That the privilege of sustentation benefits be extended to Hinsdale Sanitarium workers under the following conditions:

1. The Hinsdale Sanitarium to set up as a liability to the Sustentation Fund an amount equal to the required percentage on its payrolls from April 23, 1932, to December 31, 1937, the said amount to be paid to the Sustentation Fund in installments.

2. Beginning with January, 1938, the Hinsdale Sanitarium to pay monthly to the Sustentation Fund the required percentage on its payrolls.

3. The Sustentation Fund to assume responsibility for sustentation assistance to the workers in the Hinsdale Sanitarium and to such former employees as are now in denominational employ, their admittance to the fund so far as eligibility is concerned being the same as for any other denominational workers. If admitted to the fund, the sustentation rates of married workers will be calculated as follows: \$25.00 a calendar month, plus forty cents a

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month for each year of service to the institution up to December 31, 1931, and \$1.00 a month for each year of service since January 1, 1932, or the amount provided for in the General Conference Sustentation policy, the maximum period of service on which rates shall be based being forty years.

CLYDE C. BAILEY--CAFETERIA:

VOTED, To invite Clyde C. Bailey, on furlough from China to connect temporarily with the cafeteria that is being established for the benefit of General Conference and Review and Herald workers.

DR. GEORGE BECKNER RELEASED:

VOTED, That Dr. George Beckner be released from the call to the Manila Sanitarium, since he does not see his way clear to accept.

E. J. JOHANSON RELEASED:

VOTED, That E. J. Johanson be released from the call to the Far Eastern Division, he having accepted the presidency of the South Australian Conference.

D. A. McADAMS RELEASED:

VOTED, That since he does not see his way clear to accept, D. A. McAdams be released from the call to Brazil, South America.

BIBLE SERVICE TRAINING SCHOOL:

Some fear having been expressed that the recommendation adopted by the Autumn Council, to the effect that the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer Departments give study to the preparation and promotion of a coordinated course of study to include Bible Doctrines, Denominational History, and the Art of Giving Bible Readings, will bring conflict with work offered by the Home Study Institute, it was

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee to take the matter under consideration and see if the work suggested by the departments can be coordinated with the work of the Home Study Institute.

Appointed: M. N. Campbell, Steen Rasmussen, M. E. Olsen, J. A. Stevens, A. W. Peterson, M. A. Hollister, C. S. Longacre.

APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following appointments for General Conference workers:

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M.E.Olsen to the Pacific and North Pacific Unions for about two months, beginning in January, the exact dates to be arranged.

W.H.Teesdale to visit Oak Park Academy, Broadview Academy, and academies in the Central Union.

H.H.Votaw to attend a workers' meeting in Ohio, November 29-30.

W.E.Nelson to visit Atlanta in connection with the interests of our students in the Atlanta Dental School.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.
H.T.Elliott, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 16, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, H.T.Elliott, A.W.Cormack, W.E.Nelson, W.H. Williams, H.H.Cobban, F.M.Wilcox, I.H.Evans, M.A.Hollister, J.A. Stevens, H.H.Votaw, C.S.Longacre, F.C.Gilbert, J.J.Ireland, S.A. Wellman, Dr. H.M.Walton, W.H.Bergherm, E.E.Franklin, M.E.Kern, Steen Rasmussen, L.E.Froom, W.E.Howell, C.E.Weaks, H.E.Rogers, W.A.Butler, M.C.Taft.

OTHERS PRESENT:

W.L.Burgan, C.E.Palmer.

Prayer by C.S.Longacre.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

VOTED, That the fields to benefit by the overflow of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings in 1939 be as follows: first quarter, Inter-America; second quarter, Southern Africa; third quarter, missions of the Northern European Division; fourth quarter, Southern Asia.

DR. E.A.WAGNER--INDEBTEDNESS:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make payment of \$500 on the indebtedness of Dr. E.A.Wagner, who sailed recently for China, this amount to be canceled at proportionate rates during Dr. Wagner's term of service in China, as provided for in the policy which makes provision for giving assistance in meeting the indebtedness of workers called to the mission field.

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DR. RALPH WADDELL--INDEBTEDNESS:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make payment of \$500 on the indebtedness of Dr. Ralph Waddell, who accepted appointment and is now at work in Siam, this amount to be canceled according to the policy during Dr. Waddell's term of service in the mission field.

PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make an appropriation to the Pacific Union Conference, in lieu of funds donated by that union to the General Conference. *(on the Food Business)*

H.F. NEUMANN--SUBSIDY:

H.F. Neumann, returned permanently from the Southern European Division, and supported by that division following his return for a period of six months, is now being recommended to the Sustentation Fund. According to the regulations of the Sustentation Fund, his allowance on being placed on the fund must be subsidized to a full salary for a period of six months.

VOTED, That the Sustentation allowance of H.F. Neumann be subsidized to a full salary for six months, beginning December 1, 1937, and the same charged to the Furlough Reserve Fund.

H.L. RUDY--MOVING EXPENSES:

VOTED, That in view of extra heavy losses in connection with a number of recent transfers from one field to another, H.L. Rudy in moving from Alberta to Takoma Park, to assume his duties as Secretary of Section II of the Central European Division, be allowed the freight on the small amount of personal effects he is bringing with him, in addition to the regular \$300 moving allowance.

ALICE ROBERTS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That we authorize the permanent return from China of Miss Alice Roberts, this being in harmony with the recommendation of the China Division, and according to her own plans.

L.H. DAVIES--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the China Division, we authorize the permanent return of L.H. Davies and family to the homeland. *(Request for permanent return of L. H. Davies resounded in letter from China received Jan. 17, 1934, since Bro. Davies can now remain in China until*
CHURCH OFFICERS' READING COURSE: *his regular furlough)*

VOTED, That the Chair appoint a committee to make selection of the books for the Church Officers' Reading Course for 1938.

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Appointed: E.E.Andross, Steen Rasmussen, J.A.Stevens, L.E.Froom, M.E.Kern.

BIBLE STUDY LEAGUE:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee to give study to the recommendation of the Autumn Council looking toward the adoption of the Bible Study League plan by all our conferences.

Appointed: M.N.Campbell, Steen Rasmussen, C.E.Weaks, W.H.Bergherm, J.A.Stevens, G.W.Wells, C.S.Longacre.

APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of A.W.Spalding's going to Fletcher, North Carolina, following the close of his itinerary in the Lake Union the last of December, and of his spending two months, beginning January 15, in the Southwestern Union.

VOTED, That J.E.Weaver be authorized to respond to the request to visit schools in the vicinity of Denver, on his eastward trip from the Pacific Coast.

VOTED, That Dr. H.M.Walton be authorized to attend the Riverside Sanitarium Board meeting, at Decatur, Georgia, December 2.

CLYDE C.BAILEY--BATTLE CREEK:

VOTED, That Clyde C.Bailey, who has been connected with the culinary departments of our sanitariums in China, and now on furlough, be authorized to go to Battle Creek to spend a short time with E.G.Fulton, this being in harmony with China's plans in connection with Brother Bailey's furlough.

DEDICATION OF LAND FOR ROADWAY AND SIDEWALK:

The Chairman referred to a request received that the General Conference dedicate a certain number of feet of our General Conference property for the widening of the roadway and laying of a sidewalk on Eastern Avenue, in front of our building. It was

VOTED, That J.L.McElhany, W.H.Williams, M.C.Taft, H.T.Elliott, and four members to be appointed by the Review and Herald Board, be a committee to secure information as to what plans may be under way with reference to the widening of Eastern Avenue.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DEPARTMENT:

Since the month of January has been set apart by Autumn Council action to be devoted to a Religious Liberty campaign,

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VOTED, That the date for the annual offering for Religious Liberty work be changed from March 5, to January 15, 1938.

VOTED, further, that one half of the offering received be retained by the local churches for the purchase of clubs of Liberty to be distributed in the community by the members of the church, and the other half forwarded to the conferences to be used in providing the Liberty Magazine to legislators and state officials, public libraries, etc., for the current year.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.
H.T.Elliott, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, A.W.Cormack, H.T.Elliott, W.E.Nelson, H.H.Cobban, I.H.Evans, E.E.Andross, M.A.Hollister, Dr. H.M. Walton, J.A.Stevens, F.C.Gilbert, M.C.Taft, H.H.Votaw, J.J. Ireland, C.S.Longacre, C.E.Weaks, S.A.Wellman, H.E.Rogers, W.H. Bergherm, Steen Rasmussen, F.M.Wilcox, L.E.Froom.

OTHERS PRESENT:

W.L.Burgan.

Prayer by H.E.Rogers.

LAKE UNION--\$10,000:

VOTED, That in view of the recent heavy financial losses in the Lake Union Conference, the Treasurer be authorized to make an emergency appropriation to the union of \$10,000.

MOVING ALLOWANCES--COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee to give study to the formulation of a definite policy relative to moving allowances in connection with the transfer of workers, and that to this committee be referred also the question of financial losses sustained by missionaries when they return home from the mission fields.

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Appointed: W.E.Nelson, E.D.Dick, W.H.Branson, M.E.Kern, I.H.Evans, M.N.Campbell, G.W.Wells.

MISSIONS EXTENSION FUND--COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to give study to the recommendation of the Autumn Council that the receipts on the Missions Extension Fund in 1938 be divided equally between maintenance and extension of work.

Appointed: H.H.Cobban, W.H.Williams, Steen Rasmussen, C.E.Weaks, J.A.Stevens, W.H.Branson, M.N.Campbell.

LAKE UNION OFFICE BUILDING:

When J.J.Nethery, president of the Lake Union Conference, was in Washington a few days ago, he submitted the request of the union committee for approval of a plan to erect an office building for the Lake Union in Berrien Springs, the building to be of brick construction, 42 x 35 feet, and built on such a plan as to allow of being converted into an apartment house which could be used by the College if at any future time the union office should be moved from Berrien Springs.

Blue prints of the building have now been received, with an estimate of the cost as between \$12,000 and \$13,000.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan as outlined for the erection of an office building for the Lake Union Conference in Berrien Springs, Michigan, on the understanding that the cost of the building shall not exceed \$13,000.

DR. GORDON BECKNER--INDEBTEDNESS:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make payment on the indebtedness of Dr. Gordon Beckner, recently connected with the work in the Southern African Division, up to \$500 of the amount he may owe in excess of \$500, the same to be canceled during Dr. Beckner's term of service in Africa, according to the policy.

REVISION OF RENT SUBSIDY POLICY:

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to give study to the question of a revision of the Rent Subsidy policy.

Appointed: W.E.Nelson, M.N.Campbell, H.T.Elliott, J.A.Stevens, W.H.Teesdale, W.H.Bergherm

COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION AND RALLY SONGS:

VOTED, That a standing committee be appointed whose duty it shall be to pass upon all songs that any of the departments may desire to have printed for use in promotion and rally programs.

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Appointed: H.H.Cobban, L.E.Froom, J.A.Stevens, J.E. Weaver, C.L.Bond.

W.W.CHRISTENSEN--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division Committee, W.W.Christensen, of Burma, be granted an extension of his furlough of from three to three and a half months.

DORCAS SOCIETIES--BANDAGES:

Some of the Dorcas Societies in our churches in America being desirous of supplying bandages for use of our medical workers in the Orient, it was

VOTED, That we authorize the Home Missionary Department to give such information and assistance as may be necessary, for the making and sending of such bandages.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.
A.W.Cormack, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 22, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W.H.Branson, H.T.Elliott, A.W.Cormack, W.E.Nelson, W.H. Williams, H.H.Cobban, I.H.Evans, M.A.Hollister, Dr. H.M.Walton, M.E.Kern, C.E.Weaks, J.A.Stevens, Steen Rasmussen, W.H.Bergherm, F.M.Wilcox, L.E.Froom, H.H.Votaw, C.S.Longacre, H.E.Rogers, S.A. Wellman, F.C.Gilbert, M.C.Taft.

OTHERS PRESENT:

W.A.Benjamin, F.D.Nichol.

Prayer by I.H.Evans.

DANIEL ISAAC--\$250:

A letter was read from Daniel Isaac, telling of his special need at the present time, and asking for some help now in lieu of proferred reimbursement for losses he suffered when he left Russia, and which he declined at the time. It was

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VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make an appropriation of \$250 to Daniel Isaac, as partial reimbursement of his losses in leaving Russia, and that we ask the Central California Conference, where he is now located, to grant him a like appropriation.

INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY --AMENDMENT TO WORKING POLICY:

VOTED, To amend Article 8 of the Working Policy of the International Insurance Company to read as follows, the underlined words being the portion added:

Article 8 -- The International Insurance Company may insure property to any amount not exceeding eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) as its net line of retention on any one property or group of properties subject to a total loss by the same fire, or by lightning, sprinkler leakage, windstorm, or earthquake, on one of the following plans:

a. It may carry as its net line of retention the total amount of the risk up to eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) on any one property; or

b. It may carry twenty per cent or more up to eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) as its net line of retention of the other company's net retention on a deductible basis on any one property or group of properties.

ETHEL HOWARD--WALLA WALLA COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern European Division the call from the North Pacific Union Conference for Miss Ethel Howard, to connect with Walla Walla College, it being understood that there is no obligation on the part of the North Pacific Union or the College in the matter of transportation.

DR. CARLSON MENKEL RELEASED FROM CALL TO INDIA:

VOTED, That Dr. Carlson Menkel be released from the call to India, and that the Medical Department be requested to find an opening for him in one of our sanitariums in America.

R.M.WHITSETT RELEASED FROM CALL TO AFRICA:

VOTED, That R.M.Whitsett be released from the call to the Southern African Division.

W.^PORTNER RELEASED FROM CALL TO SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That W.^POrtner be released from the call to the South American Division.

STEEN RASMUSSEN--CENTRAL EUROPE:

VOTED, That Steen Rasmussen be authorized to extend his

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itinerary in the Northern and Southern European Division, into Section II of the Central European Division, as he may be able.

E. E. FRANKLIN--WEST VIRGINIA:

VOTED, That E. E. Franklin be authorized to respond to a request for his services in West Virginia, November 26-29.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN DIVISION, SECTION II
AND FAR EASTERN DIVISION--MISSION FUNDS:

In harmony with the statement made by the Treasurer when the Budget Committee reported at the recent Autumn Council in Battle Creek, to the effect that an adjustment would have to be made in the base appropriations to the Central European Division, Section II, and the Far Eastern Division, and in connection with making this adjustment, it was

VOTED, That the method of handling mission funds, and the reversion of Harvest Ingathering and Big Week offerings in the divisions referred to above be on the same basis as in all other overseas divisions, with the exception of the European Divisions which are known as base divisions.

COLLEGE WOOD PRODUCTS--\$10,000:

A request was presented from the Lake Union Conference on behalf of the College Wood Products of Berrien Springs and Broadview, that they be allowed to increase their note indebtedness in order to pay off current accounts payable which are due on inventories.

VOTED, That we grant permission for the College Wood Products to borrow \$10,000 for carrying their inventory, with the understanding that they will hold their inventories to \$70,000, and that they will set aside as a sinking fund one per cent of their gross sales per year to repay this amount.

SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE--\$20,000:

A request was presented from the Southwestern Union Conference on behalf of Southwestern Junior College to be allowed to borrow \$20,000, in order to meet accounts payable in their wood products industry, their plan being to pay off this note indebtedness by raising in the field \$1.00 per member of their constituency during 1937, \$1.50 in 1938, \$2.00 in 1939, and \$2.00 in 1940.

VOTED, That we grant permission to Southwestern Junior College to borrow \$20,000, to meet current accounts payable, on the understanding that this amount will be liquidated according to the plan as outlined above.

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H.L.RUDY--SALARY:

VOTED, That the salary of H.L.Rudy as secretary of Section II of the Central European Division begin as of November 1, 1937.

DR. R.A.HARE--MEMBER OF SANITARIUM BOARD:

VOTED, To submit to the Washington Sanitarium Board the nomination of Dr. R.A.Hare as a member of the Sanitarium Board, this being contingent upon Dr. Hare's connecting with the Sanitarium as Medical Superintendent.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 29, 1937

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W.H.Branson, A.W.Cormack, H.T.Elliott, F.U.Eilbert, H.H. Cobban, F.M.Wilcox, E.E.Andross, M.E.Kern, M.A.Hollister, Dr. H.M.Walton, J.A.Stevens, Steen Rasmussen, W.H.Bergherm, M.C.Taft, H.E.Rogers, C.E.Weaks, J.J.Ireland, C.S.Longacre,

OTHERS PRESENT:

J.W.MacNeil, W.L.Burgan, H.W.Barrows, M.E.Olsen.

Prayer by C.S.Longacre.

Minutes of the Autumn Council, and the meeting of the Committee held October 27, at 7:30 P.M., were approved.

W.K.ISING--COUNCIL IN CENTRAL EUROPE:

VOTED, That we approve of W.K.Ising's attending the Council of Section I of the Central European Division.

W.H.ANDERSON--TANGANYIKA:

VOTED, That we request the Southern African Division to allow W.H.Anderson to spend three or four months in the Tanganyika Mission, the Southern African Division continuing his salary and the General Conference meeting his expenses.

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CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That in harmony with actions taken by the Autumn Council, the following revisions be made in the Calendar of Special Days and Offerings for 1938:

January 15 -- Religious Liberty Day; Tithe Covenant Day being dropped.

March 5 -- Home Missionary Day; instead of Religious Liberty Day.

August 13 -- Harvest Ingathering Rally Day.

January 1 - 31 -- Liberty Magazine Campaign.

August 13 - October 5 -- Official Ingathering Campaign.

LAKE UNION AUDIT:

VOTED, That H.W.Barrows be authorized to respond to the request of the Lake Union Conference for a special audit of their union books.

HINDSALE SANITARIUM AUDIT:

VOTED, That in response to the request of the Lake Union Conference, the Auditing Department be authorized to arrange to cooperate with the Lake Union in an audit of the Hinsdale Sanitarium books.

Kathleen
KATHRYN MEYER--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Potomac Conference the call from the Southern Union for Kathryn Meyer to connect with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference for Bible work.

WILLARD JOHNSON--EAST PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Colorado Conference the call from the Columbia Union for Willard Johnson to connect with the work in the East Pennsylvania Conference.

M.R.COON--OREGON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Ohio Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for M.R.Coon to connect with the work in the Oregon Conference.

R.W.MOORE RELEASED:

VOTED, To release R.W.Moore from the call to the Southern African Division.

R.L. BOOTHBY--SOUTH AFRICA:

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VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and the West Pennsylvania Conference to release R.L. Boothby to connect with the Southern African Division for city evangelistic work.

DR. C.E. WESTPHAL--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That Dr. C.E. Westphal, of the Austral Union, South America, who is taking postgraduate work in New York, be granted a two months' extension of his furlough.

F.C. GILBERT--MADISON:

VOTED, That in connection with his trip to Oakwood Junior College, F.C. Gilbert be authorized to respond to the request for his services for a few days at the Madison school.

W.H. Branson, Chairman.
A.W. Cormack, Secretary.
E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.