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THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 8, 1943, 10 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, W.H.Branson, W.G.Turner, J.F.Wright, H.T. Elliott, E.D.Dick, W.H.Williams, F.M.Wilcox, A.W.Peterson, H.A. Morrison, W.H.Teesdale, H.H.Votaw, J.A.Stevens, G.W.Wells, Dr. H.M.Walton, E.E.Andross, H.W.Barrows, Claude Conard, C.L.Bond, H.M.Blunden, W.A.Scharffenberg, J.J.Strahle, J.F.Cummins, L.L. Moffitt, L.Halswick, G.E.Peters, L.E.Froom, C.S.Longacre, J.E. Weaver, W.A.Butler.

OTHERS PRESENT:

J.R.Ferren, B.P.Hoffman, A.T.Okohira, K. Nozaki.

Prayer by L.L.Moffitt. Minutes of the meeting of October 26 were approved.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--DATE:

The question of the definite date for the General Conference Session having been referred by the Autumn Council to the Minority Committee, it was

VOTED, That the date for the next General Conference Session be May 22 to June 3, 1945.

MISS CANWELL--PACIFIC UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Oregon Conference the call from the Pacific Union for Miss Canwell to connect with the Pacific Union for stenographic work in the union office.

GEORGE LOEWEN--NORTHERN CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the South Dakota Conference the call from the Pacific Union for George Loewen to connect with the Northern California Conference for pastoral work.

A.O.DART--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Potomac Conference the call from the Lake Union for A.O.Dart to connect with the Michigan Conference as Educational Secretary.

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ELEANOR JONES--MONTANA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Wyoming Mission the call from the North Pacific Union for Miss Eleanor Jones to connect with the Montana Conference for stenographic work in the conference office.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

W.G.Turner, J.F.Wright, W.P.Bradley, F.C.Carrier, J.R.Ferren, H.H.Votaw, Mrs. Grace Mace, and a stenographer from the Home Missionary Department as may be arranged, to attend the Home Missionary and Radio Secretaries' Convention at Omaha, December 2-8.

J.F.Wright, church dedication in Kansas City, November 27; appointments in Central Union until time of Home Missionary Convention in Omaha; Central Union Ministerial Institute, January 4-7, in Topeka, Kansas.

W.G.Turner and H.T.Elliott, Portland Sanitarium Board meeting November 28,29.

H.A.Morrison, Walla Walla College Board meeting, February 8,9; Union College and Southwestern Junior College Board meetings early in February.

R.G.Strickland, Home Missionary conventions in the Pacific Union, February and March, 1944.

L.L.Moffitt, Pacific Union for institutes for training leaders and teachers of children's divisions, December 26-30; North Pacific Union, January and February for Sabbath school convention work.

E.A.Moon, treasurers' convention at Omaha, November 29 to December 2.

H.M.Blunden, colporteur institutes and other meetings in Mexico, February 14-28.

COLORED DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That Miss Geneva Bryan and Dr. C.A.Dent be added to the departmental committee of the North American Colored Department, Miss Bryan as Assistant Secretary, Health Education.

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JAPANESE WORK:

L.Halswick spoke of the increased problem that the Bureau of Home Missions is facing in connection with our Japanese work in America, especially as regards the finding of suitable places of employment for our Japanese believers who may be released from the relocation camps, and also in connection with the question of providing Japanese literature, for use by our workers both in and outside of the camps. After some discussion of the question, it was

VOTED, That A.T.Okohira be appointed to work under the direction and guidance of the Bureau of Home Missions, in caring for the interests of our Japanese believers, both in and outside the relocation camps.

47TH GENERAL HOSPITAL:

Information being given that the 47th General Hospital is about to go overseas, that the medical staff, composed of our own Seventh-day Adventist doctors, is in need of some technical medical books and equipment for research work that the army does not provide, and that they would appreciate any help the General Conference might be willing to give in meeting this need, it was

VOTED, To appropriate \$2,000 from funds in the budget of the War Service Commission, to assist in supplying certain equipment desired by the staff of the 47th General Hospital.

VOTED, further, To ask the Pacific Press to supply to the 47th General Hospital a suitable set of our denominational books, to be charged to our account.

MRS. G.J.APPEL TO MEET HUSBAND:

Word having been received that G.J.Appel will probably be arriving in New York from China some time in January, it was

VOTED, To meet the expenses of Mrs. G.J.Appel in coming East from California to meet her husband on his arrival, and to be with him during the time he will be required to remain in the East.

LITERATURE FOR ETHIOPIA:

A letter has been received from Mrs. Herbert Hanson, containing an order from the Emperor of Ethiopia for quite a number of books, to be obtained from a certain publishing company and shipped to Addis Ababa. Suggestion was made that we include in the shipment a number of our smaller books as a present to the Emperor.

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VOTED, To authorize the sending of a number of our smaller denominational books in the shipment of books that will be going to the Emperor of Ethiopia, and also a copy of "Steps to Christ" and "Desire of Ages," which were to have been included in a former shipment, but for some reason did not reach the Emperor.

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

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 11, 1943

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W.G. Turner, W.H. Branson, E.D. Dick, H.T. Elliott, W.E. Nelson, F.M. Wilcox, E.E. Andross, A.W. Peterson, W.A. Scharffenberg, H.H. Votaw, L.L. Moffitt, J.A. Stevens, W.A. Butler, H.W. Barrows, W.H. Teesdale, H.M. Blunden, J.J. Strahle, C.L. Bond, E.W. Dunbar, Claude Conard, G.E. Peters, C.S. Longacre, H.A. Morrison, J.J. Ireland, W.E. Phillips, J.F. Cummins.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Miss Lora Clement, J.R. Ferren, D.E. Robinson.

Prayer by H.H. Votaw.

C.E. WINTER:

C.E. Winter, who returned from China on the "Gripsholm" in August, 1942, and is now teaching at Washington Missionary College, is planning to return to educational work in China as soon as the way opens. He is anxious to take some advanced work during the time he must remain here.

VOTED, That C.E. Winter be granted an allowance of up to \$200 to assist him in securing some advanced work in preparation for future service in China, provided Washington Missionary College can so arrange his teaching program as to make this possible.

BETHEL ACADEMY:

A letter was read from J.J. Nethery, of the Lake Union, stating that in negotiating for the purchase of the land selected as the site for the relocation of Bethel Academy, it is found

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that it will be impossible to secure the property desired without the purchase of another 147 acres, at an additional cost of \$12,500. It is anticipated, however, that there will be no difficulty in disposing of all the land that is not needed by the school.

VOTED, That we approve of the purchase of this additional land in order to secure the property desired as the site for the relocation of Bethel Academy.

~~G.F.~~^{T.}THEISS--PHILADELPHIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference the call from the Columbia Union for G.~~F.~~^{T.}Theiss to connect with the East Pennsylvania Conference for German work in Philadelphia.

WILLIAM APPRILLA--PHILADELPHIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Northern California Conference the call from the Columbia Union for William Apprilla, to connect with the East Pennsylvania Conference for Italian work in Philadelphia.

COLBURN SMITH--ILLINOIS:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Idaho Conference the call from the Lake Union for Colburn Smith to connect with the Illinois Conference to serve as a district leader.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

J.L.McElhany, Pacific Press Board meeting, in January, 1944.

W.G.Turner, J.F.Wright, W.H.Williams, W.P.Bradley, Radio Commission meeting in Glendale.

Geneva Bryan to spend a week in Gary, Indiana, in November.

E.E.FRANKLIN--ANTILLIAN UNION:

VOTED, That E.E.Franklin be authorized to attend colporteur institutes in the Antillian Union in December and January.

J.F.CUMMINS--WAR SERVICE COMMISSION:

VOTED, That J.F.Cummins be appointed a member of the War Service Commission.

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E.W. POHLMAN--DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY
SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

VOTED, On recommendation of the Southern Asia Division Committee, that E.W. Pohlman be appointed Educational and Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the Southern Asia Division.

CREDENTIALS FOR CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS:

The Autumn Council having recommended that special credentials be prepared for issuance to church school teachers, it was

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee to give this matter the necessary consideration.

Appointed: W.H. Teesdale, J.E. Weaver, E.D. Dick.

O.T. MOLINE--LEEWARD ISLANDS:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Press Publishing Association to release O.T. Moline, to connect with the Inter-American Division in response to a call for a secretary-treasurer for the Leeward Islands Conference in the Caribbean Union.

BRAULIO FRANCISCO PEREZ--SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, To authorize the sponsorship required by the United States government on behalf of Braulio Francisco Perez, of Cuba, in connection with his application for permanent residence status in the United States, and that E.D. Dick and H.H. Cobban be named as sponsors to appear when a hearing is called in his case. The Latin American Radio Commission has requested the services of Brother Perez in the preparation of Spanish records for the Latin American broadcasts.

W.G. Turner, Chairman.
E.D. Dick, Secretary.
E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 15, 1943

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W.G.Turner, J.L.McElhany, J.F.Wright, H.T.Elliott, E.D. Dick, A.W.Cormack, T.J.Michael, W.E.Nelson, W.H.Williams, E.W. Dunbar, L.L.Moffitt, W.K.Ising, J.J.Ireland, H.H.Votaw, Claude Conard, W.E.Phillips, F.M.Wilcox, R.Ruhling, J.F.Cummins, R.G. Strickland, G.E.Peters, W.A.Butler, W.P.Bradley, C.B.Haynes, J.A.Stevens.

OTHERS PRESENT:

J.R.Ferren, D.E.Robinson, Roger Altman, Frederick Lee, Miss Lora Clement.

Prayer by W.K.Ising.

CREDENTIALS TO GENERAL CONFERENCE WORKERS:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee of three on credentials to the General Conference office staff.

Appointed: E.D.Dick, H.H.Votaw, J.A.Stevens.

EDNA EDEBURN--REVIEW AND HERALD:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Edna Edeburn the call from the Review and Herald Board, to connect with the Review and Herald as editorial secretary in the office of F.D.Nichol.

ELSIE ARGENT--WAR SERVICE COMMISSION:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union Conference to release Miss Elsie Argent, to connect with the General Conference as stenographer for the War Service Commission.

H.W.WALKER--EAST PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Minnesota Conference the call from the Columbia Union for H.W.Walker to connect with the East Pennsylvania Conference for ministerial work.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

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Geneva Bryan, to visit schools in the Central Union following her Hammond, Indiana, appointment.

Dr. H.M.Walton, sanitarium constituency meetings in Colorado, beginning February 12.

W.A.Scharffenberg, two weeks in the Southern Union, as may be arranged.

W.A.Butler, to the Ohio Conference the week end of December 18.

F.C.Carrier, Dayton, Ohio, December 4.

D.E.Rebok, W.P.Bradley, Louise Kleuser, Central Union Conference Ministerial Institute, January 4-11.

R.Ruhling, North Pacific Union, two weeks beginning the middle of December.

SPOKANE CHURCH--\$5,000:

In response to a request received from the North Pacific Union on behalf of the Upper Columbia Conference, for some financial help to make possible the rebuilding of the Spokane church, which was destroyed by fire, it was

VOTED, To appropriate \$5,000 from the Emergency Fund to assist in the rebuilding of the Spokane church.

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION--\$10,000 ADVANCE:

VOTED, That the \$10,000 that was advanced to the Inter-American Division last August for the benefit of the training school in Mexico, be not deducted from the Special Appropriation that was granted to the Inter-American Division by the recent Autumn Council.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCE POLICY:

In making applicable to the General Conference headquarters staff the Travel Allowance Policy adopted by the last Spring Meeting of the Committee, it was

VOTED, 1. That the travel allowance to General Conference workers intended to apply on expense for meals, laundry and other incidentals, be \$2.50 a day, when not entertained.

2. That when workers are entertained and no travel allowance is reported, 50 cents a day be allowed for incidental expenses.

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TRAVEL ALLOWANCE FOR MISSIONARY FAMILIES:

VOTED, That the travel allowance for missionary families when not entertained, be as follows:

For husband or wife, traveling alone, \$2.50 a day.

For husband and wife together, \$3.25.

For children over one year of age traveling with parents, each 75 cents.

For children traveling alone, \$1.50.

W.G.Turner, Chairman.

H.T.Elliott, Secretary.

E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 18, 1943

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, J.F.Wright, W.G.Turner, E.D.Dick, H.T. Elliott, T.J.Michael, A.W.Cormack, W.E.Nelson, J.F.Cummins, N.F. Brewer, E.W.Dunbar, Claude Conard, L.L.Moffitt, H.W.Barrows, J.J.Ireland, W.A.Butler, J.J.Strahle, R.G.Strickland, H.H.Votaw, W.A.Scharffenberg, L.Halswick, J.A.Stevens, W.K.Ising, E.E.Andross, F.M.Wilcox, W.E.Phillips, L.E.Froom.

OTHERS PRESENT:

J.R.Ferren, D.E.Robinson, Miss Lora Clement, Frederick Lee.

Prayer by Claude Conard.

SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION

DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES:

VOTED, On recommendation of the Southern African Division, that A.W.Staples be appointed Sabbath School Secretary, and Dr. D.H.Abbott, Medical Secretary of the Southern African Division.

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MISS M. FONDA--RELEASED:

VOTED, That since she does not see her way clear to accept, Miss Mae Fonda be released from the call to Brazil.

MISS A. HODDE--BRAZIL:

VOTED, To request the Central Union Conference and the Boulder Sanitarium to release Miss A.Hodde, to connect with the South American Division, for nursing service in the clinic in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

DR. M.G.HARDINGE--RELEASED:

VOTED, That since he does not see his way clear to accept, Dr. M.G.Hardinge be released from the call to the Songa Mission in the Belgian Congo.

DR. R.G.TURNER--SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That the appointment of Dr. R.G.Turner be changed from Ethiopia, to the Southern African Division, for service either at Songa in the Belgian Congo, or at the Kendu Hospital, in Kenya Colony.

VOTED, That Dr. Turner's support begin immediately when he disconnects from the company in whose employ he is at the present time, in British Columbia; and further, that he be authorized to take a short course in tropical medicine if such a course is available during the time he must wait for transportation arrangements to be perfected.

M.E.HAGEN--CARIBBEAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and the Idaho Conference to release M.E.Hagen, to connect with the Inter-American Division as secretary-treasurer of the Caribbean Union Conference; and that Mrs. Hagen be invited to connect with the Caribbean Union as stenographer and office assistant.

R.J.THOMAS--IDAHO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Wyoming Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for R.J.Thomas to connect with the work in the Idaho Conference.

H.A.PECKHAM--WASHINGTON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Northern California Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for H.A.Peckham to connect with the work in the Washington Conference.

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LAWRENCE SCOTT--CHICAGO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the New York Conference the call from the Lake Union for Lawrence Scott to connect with the Illinois Conference, for the pastorate of the West Side Church in Chicago.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

J.L.McElhany, to Chicago and Cleveland, the week end of December 18.

R.A.Anderson, to Detroit, Michigan, December 11.

W.A.Butler, Atlantic Union for one month, beginning early January.

W.H.WILLIAMS--TRIP CANCELED:

VOTED, That W.H.Williams be released from the appointment to meet with the Radio Commission in Glendale.

USE OF MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SOCIETY OFFERINGS:

In view of the fact that our young people are being encouraged to give mission offerings in the Sabbath School, Missions Extension, Week of Sacrifice, and all other mission offerings taken in the church,

VOTED, 1. That we approve of the regular Missionary Volunteer Society offerings being retained by the society for local society work.

2. That any special offering that is taken to provide funds for Army literature, or "Steps to Christ" or any other project as may be arranged by the various conferences, be forwarded through the regular church channels to the local or union conference.

GIVING FOR SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

Attention was called to the fact that there is a desire on the part of many of the young people and their leaders that the Missionary Volunteers have specific projects assigned them as the objectives of their mission giving, feeling that this would serve to stimulate and maintain their interest in missions. Some fear was expressed to the effect that such assignment of specific objectives might have on our denominational policy of contributing to a general mission fund for the support of our world-wide missionary program. It was

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VOTED, That a committee be appointed by the Chair, to give careful study to this question, with the thought that the matter be submitted to the Spring Meeting or the next Autumn Council should any action be deemed advisable.

Committee appointed: J.F.Wright, W.H.Williams, J.A. Stevens, A.W.Peterson, R.G.Strickland, W.G.Turner, H.T.Elliott, E.D.Dick, W.P.Bradley, J.F.Cummins, E.W.Dunbar.

RENT AND AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCES:

VOTED, That a committee be appointed to give consideration to recommendations from the Auditing Committee with reference to the automobile allowance to members of the General Conference staff, and also to the application to the staff of the rent subsidy policy adopted at the Autumn Council.

Appointed: J.L.McElhany, W.E.Nelson, H.H.Votaw, E.D. Dick, W.P.Elliott, F.H.Robbins, W.E.Phillips, J.A.Stevens, D.E. Rebok.

MISSIONS EXTENSION PROJECTS:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint a committee on the Missions Extension projects for 1944.

Appointed: W.H.Williams, W.E.Nelson, R.G.Strickland, E.D.Dick, W.A.Scharffenberg, J.J.Strahle.

APPEAL OF H.L.PEDEN--COMMITTEE:

In view of the difficulty of getting the committee together that was appointed July 19, to hear the appeal of H.L. Peden, it was

VOTED, That the following named persons constitute the committee to hear H.L.Peden's appeal:

W.G.Turner, C.L.Bauer, N.C.Wilson, J.F.Wright, L.Halswick W.P.Bradley, R.G.Strickland or W.A.Butler.

AFRICAN WEST COAST UNION:

A committee that had been appointed to give study to the question of the administration of the West African Missions, submitted a report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, 1. That the West Coast Missions of Africa be temporarily organized into what may be known as the African West Coast Union Mission, comprising the following present organizations: Gold Coast Union Mission, Nigerian Union Mission, Sierra Leone Mission, Liberian Mission, French Equatorial African Mission, North French Cameroon Mission.

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2. That the headquarters of this organization be located at Accra, Gold Coast.

3. That a special budget of \$15,000 be set up for this organization, to care for the support of the superintendent, the secretary-treasurer, one departmental secretary, one stenographer, etc.

4. That the African West Coast Union Mission be temporarily administered by the Southern African Division.

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

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L. McElhany, J.F. Wright, H.T. Elliott, E.D. Dick, A.W. Cormack, W.E. Nelson, J.F. Cummins, I.H. Evans, F.M. Wilcox, J.A. Stevens, W.P. Bradley, E.E. Andross, H.W. Barrows, J.J. Ireland, L.L. Moffitt, N.F. Brewer, L. Halswick, W.K. Ising, J.J. Strahle, E.E. Franklin, R.G. Strickland, W.A. Butler, W.A. Scharffenberg, E.W. Dunbar, C.S. Longacre, Claude Conard, H.H. Votaw, F.C. Carrier, W.E. Phillips.

OTHERS PRESENT:

J.R. Ferren, Roger Altman.

Prayer by E.E. Andross. Minutes of the Autumn Council were approved.

KATHERINE KAVANAUGH--POTOMAC CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Katherine Kavanaugh, of the Insurance office, the call from the Columbia Union to connect with the Potomac Conference for stenographic work in the conference office.

JANE KERR--CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference the call from the Columbia Union for Miss Jane Kerr to connect with the Chesapeake Conference Book and Bible House in a secretarial capacity.

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C.V.ANDERSON--MINNESOTA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference the call from the Northern Union for C.V.Anderson to take the presidency of the Minnesota Conference.

P.M.LEWIS--MINNESOTA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference the call from the Northern Union for P.M.Lewis to connect with the Minnesota Conference as field missionary secretary.

JOYCE LOVE--WASHINGTON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for Miss Joyce Love to connect with the Washington Conference for stenographic work in the conference office.

H.CHRISTENSEN--CAMP PASTOR, SOUTHWESTERN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference to release H.Christensen, and that Brother Christensen be invited to serve as a camp pastor in the Southwestern Union, it being understood that his salary will be met by the General Conference and his expenses by the Southwestern Union.

DR. J. MARK COX:

VOTED, That Dr. J.Mark Cox, of Washington, D.C., be invited to connect with the General Conference, and that a committee be appointed by the Chair to work out the details with reference to his relationship to the General Conference Colored and Medical Departments.

Appointed: H. G. Turner, E. D. Dick, H. M. Wallon, G. E. Pelus, H. T. Elliott
RAY LUKENS--VISIT TO ANTILLIAN UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union Conference the request from the Inter-American Division, that Ray Lukens of the College Wood Products, be permitted to spend two weeks, the last of November or first of December, in the Antillian Union, for the purpose of making a survey of the possibilities of establishing a wood-working industry in connection with the Santa Clara school in Cuba.

W. McCLEMENTS--AFRICAN WEST COAST UNION MISSION:

VOTED, That W.McClements, of Nigeria, be hereby appointed superintendent of the African West Coast Union Mission.

W.G.TURNER AND E.D.DICK--WEST AFRICA:

VOTED, That W.G.Turner and E.D.Dick be assigned to make a visit to the African West Coast Union Mission.

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That W.A.Scharffenberg be authorized to spend ten days in the Central Union, before and following the Omaha meeting.

VOTED, That J.R.Ferren be authorized to attend the Central Union Ministerial Institute, at Topeka, January 4-11.

ITEMS REFERRED BY AUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, That the Chair be asked to appoint committees to take under consideration items referred to the Minority Committee by the Autumn Council, as follows:

Rate of Sustentation from the
Christian Record Benevolent Association

Committee appointed: W.E.Nelson, H.T.Elliott, W.G.Turner, W.H.Williams, E.D.Dick, H.H.Votaw, J.A.Stevens.

Employment of Aged Persons

Committee appointed: W.E.Nelson, J.F.Cummins, J.H.Nies, W.G.Turner, Dr. H.M.Walton, W.P.Elliott.

Petition to President and Congress
on the Liquor Question

Committee appointed: W.H.Branson, A.W.Cormack, H.T.Elliott, F.C.Carrier, W.P.Bradley.

Financial Assistance to Missionary Appointees:

Committee appointed: W.H.Williams, E.D.Dick, W.E.Nelson, A.W.Cormack, J.F.Wright, Dr. H.M.Walton, H.M.Blunden.

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION--FAMINE RELIEF:

VOTED, To appropriate \$3,500 from the Emergency Relief Fund to the Southern Asia Division, for relief of our believers who are suffering as a result of the famine in India.

SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE--AUDITORIUM:

Request was presented from the Southwestern Union for approval of the construction of an auditorium at Southwestern Junior College, at an approximate cost of \$25,000, to be financed as follows: \$5,000 from the union; Arkansas-Louisiana and Oklahoma Conferences each \$2,500; Texas, \$8,000; Texico, \$2,000; Southwestern Junior College, \$5,000

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed auditorium at Southwestern Junior College.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.

H.T.Elliott, Secretary.

E.Zeidler, Recording Sec'y.

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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The meeting was held immediately following morning worship.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L. McElhany, J.F. Wright, E.D. Dick, A.W. Cormack, W.E. Nelson, W.H. Williams, J.F. Cummins, W.A. Butler, R.G. Strickland, W.A. Scharffenberg, F.C. Carrier, N.F. Brewer, L. Halswick, Claude Conard, C.S. Longacre, J.A. Stevens, S.A. Wellman, J.J. Ireland, W.K. Ising, W.P. Bradley, J.J. Strahle, W.E. Phillips, L.L. Moffitt, H.W. Barrows.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Roger Altman, J.R. Ferren, D.E. Robinson, M.E. Olsen.

R.H. KRICK--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the New Jersey Conference the call from the Lake Union for R.H. Krick to connect with the work in the Michigan Conference.

NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION

DISTRIBUTION OF BUDGET:

A committee that was appointed on the distribution of the Northern European Division budget submitted a report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, That the following distribution be made of the appropriations made at the Autumn Council for the Northern European Division, including the tithe and mission offerings gathered within the field;

Estimated income from General Conference	\$115 000 00
Per cent of tithe, British Union	14 699 48
Net mission offerings accruing to N.E.D.	61 673 97

We recommend, The following base appropriations:

Division, General	\$ 38 278 32
Division, Provisional	11 524 86
British Union Conference	42 231 42
Equatorial African Mission	13 442 78

Faroe Islands Mission	357 00	
Gold Coast Union Mission	20 534 90	
Liberian Mission	5 373 48	
Nigerian Union Mission	44 741 23	
No. French Cameroon Mission	3 243 08	
Sierra Leone Mission	11 646 38	
Total base appropriations		\$ 191 373 45

WE RECOMMEND, The following Special Appropriations;

GOLD COAST UNION MISSION

Voice of Prophecy Campaign	£ 200 0 0
Office Equipment	150 0 0
Headquarters Building	700 0 0
European Mission Home, Ivory Coast	800 0 0
Koforidua--Boys' Home and extra classroom	150 0 0
Agona -- Teachers' Home	100 0 0
European Bungalow--Togoland	800 0 0
Gold Coast Totals	£2 900 0 0

NIGERIAN UNION MISSION

Extension Aba Girls' School	300 0 0
Hospital Equipment, etc	1 500 0 0
Nigerian Totals	£1 800 0 0

LIBERIAN MISSION

Grand Bassa	\$ 600 00
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NORTH FRENCH CAMEROON MISSION

To enlarge School Dormitory	Frs. 20 000 00
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SIERRA LEONE MISSION

Lay Evangelism	£ 100 0 0
4 African Workers' Homes at Bo	200 0 0
School Building at Bo	200 0 0
Sierra Leone Totals	£ 500 0 0

Balance to be distributed by

African West Coast Union Mission	715 16 10
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Total Special Appropriations, approximately \$ 25 000 00

WE RECOMMEND, The following appropriations for Church Extension;

British Union - Cardiff	£1 000 0 0
Equatorial Africa - Chapels	Frs. 35 000 00
Gold Coast	£ 175 0 0
Liberia	\$ 200 00

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Nigerian Union - Chapels	L	430	19	00
North French Cameroons "	Frs.	20	000	00
Sierra Leone - Chapels	L	100	0	0

Total Church Extension, approximately \$8 740 00

We recommend, That the foregoing provision for chapels be allocated by the African West Coast Union Committee.

We recommend, That a special appropriation of \$15,000 be granted from Northern European Division reserves, providing for the new African West Coast Union Mission administration for 1944.

We recommend, That special appropriations be granted to the following individuals for losses sustained by them in overseas travel from England to Nigeria:

L.W. Normington	L	189	14	0
A.E. Farrow		137	6	2

The same committee reported that they had audited the salary rates of the European workers in the African West Coast Union Mission, and on their recommendation it was

VOTED, That the salaries for native workers be audited and fixed for 1944 by the African West Coast Union Mission Committee.

AFRICAN WEST COAST UNION COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the union committee for the African West Coast Union Mission be composed as follows: the superintendent, W. McClements; the secretary-treasurer; J.J. Hyde, J. Clifford, R. Bergstrom, M. Fridlin, L. Edmonds, W.G. Till.

GREATER NEW YORK ACADEMY:

Request was presented from the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference for approval of the purchase of a building on 58th Street, Woodside, Queens, in which to relocate the Greater New York Academy, which is at present being conducted in crowded quarters in the Washington Avenue Church. The building, which is in good condition, can be secured for \$22,500. It will afford accommodations for the radio offices as well as the school. Some remodeling to make it suitable for school purposes will require possibly \$7,500. The union and the local conference will supply most of the funds, and it is expected that the churches will contribute also.

VOTED, That we approve of the purchase of the property as described, in which to relocate the Greater New York Academy,

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with the understanding that the purchase will be financed from union and local funds within a reasonable length of time.

J.E.WHELPLEY--CAMP PASTOR SOUTHERN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and the Alabama-Mississippi Conference to release J.E.Whelpley, and that on recommendation of the War Service Commission, Brother Whelpley be invited to serve as a camp pastor in the Southern Union.

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

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 29, 1943

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.L.McElhany, E.D.Dick, A.W.Cormack, W.H.Williams, J.F.Cummins, J.J.Ireland, F.M.Wilcox, J.A.Stevens, W.K.Ising, H.W.Barrows, E.E.Franklin, S.A.Wellman, N.F.Brewer, E.E.Andross, C.S.Longacre, E.W.Dunbar, C.B.Haynes, L.L.Moffitt, F.H.Robbins, J.J.Strahle, H.H.Votaw, W.A.Butler.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Roger Altman, Miss Lora Clement.

Prayer by S.A.Wellman.

AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE AND RENT SUBSIDY:

The committee that was appointed on the application of the Automobile Allowance and Rent Subsidy policies to the General Conference staff, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

In harmony with the counsel of the Audit Committee held at the time of the Autumn Council, affecting the automobile expense policy for General Conference workers, and the action of the Autumn Council relating to the rent subsidy policy as applying to the General Conference workers living in the Washington area,

We recommend the following:

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Automobile Expense Policy:

That cases where General Conference workers are allowed automobile depreciation, the rate be fixed at \$17.00 per month, the same to apply as from January 1, 1943.

Rent Subsidy:

1. That where a General Conference worker maintains an established home in the Washington area he be allowed a rent subsidy of \$25.00 per month, the same to be retroactive to January 1, 1943.

2. That the basis of this subsidy be on an estimated cost of \$60.00 per month, whether renting or owning the property, exclusive of furnishings, heat, light, gas, and water.

3. Where because of unusual needs of the worker it seems necessary in counsel with the Committee on Rent Subsidy and Automobile Expense Policy (yet to be appointed) to pay more than \$60.00 per month rent, the subsidy may be increased by the amount he pays above \$60.00 per month (exclusive of the aforementioned services) up to a total maximum subsidy of \$40.00 per month.

4. That single persons who have family responsibilities making it necessary to provide a home for them in the Washington area be entitled to a rent allowance as shall be determined by the Committee on Rent Subsidy.

5. That the amount of rent subsidy to be allowed those living in denominationally-owned property in the Washington area be referred to the Committee on Rent Subsidy.

6. That the General Conference Committee appoint a Committee on Rent Subsidy and Automobile Expense Policy which shall administer the Rent Subsidy and Automobile Expense allowances in harmony with the above mentioned provisions.

COMMITTEE ON RENT SUBSIDY AND AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE:

VOTED, That the following named persons constitute the Committee on Rent Subsidy and Automobile Expense Allowance:
J.F.Cummins, H.T.Elliott, W.G.Turner, J.A.Stevens, D.E.Rebok.

MRS. A.E.COYNE--APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Mrs. A.E.Coyne be appointed to serve as director of nurses for the Surat Hospital, in India.

J.O.MARSH--CAROLINA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference the call from the Southern Union for J.O.Marsh to connect with the work in the Carolina Conference.

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L.M. NELSON--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Central California Conference the call from the Southern Union for L.M. Nelson to connect with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference for pastoral-evangelistic work.

J.H. NYLANDER--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference the call from the Southern Union for J.H. Nylander to serve as pastor-evangelist in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

ALMA BINDER--NEW ENGLAND SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and the St. Helena Sanitarium the call from the Atlantic Union for Miss Alma Binder to connect with the New England Sanitarium as a supervisor.

K.D. JOHNSON--TEXAS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Wyoming Mission the call from the Southwestern Union for K.D. Johnson to connect with the Texas Conference for pastoral and evangelistic work.

A.C. LIEN--BRITISH COLUMBIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Alabama-Mississippi Conference the call from the Canadian Union for A.C. Lien to connect with the work in the British Columbia Conference.

MRS. HENRIETTA IMMERGUT--SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the New York Conference the call from the Pacific Union for Mrs. Henrietta Immergut to connect with the Southern California Conference as German Bible instructor.

CLARENCE E. SMITH--CENTRAL CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Minnesota Conference the call from the Pacific Union for Clarence E. Smith to serve as pastor-evangelist in the Central California Conference.

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WESLEY SEIGERTHALER--PACIFIC PRESS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Washington Conference and the Pacific Union the call for Wesley Seigerthaler to connect with the Pacific Branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES;

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

Miss Geneva Bryan to inspect colored schools in the Southwestern Union.

J.J.Strahle to attend the Home Missionary Convention in Omaha, December 2-8.

H.A.Morrison to join a survey commission in Missouri, en route home from his trip in the West, December 30,31.

Extension of S.A.Wellman's itinerary to include appointments in Wisconsin, Chicago and Toronto.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.

E.D.Dick, Secretary.

E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.