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## FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, L H Christian, J I Robison, A W Cormack,  
 H T Elliott, W P Bradley, W E Nelson, H H Cobban, J F Cummins,  
 E E Andross, J A Stevens, L Halswick, C B Haynes, C S Longacre,  
 H H Votaw, J J Strahle, Claude Conard, J E Weaver, W H Teesdale,  
 W A Butler, G E Peters, W K Ising, D E Rebok, M C Taft, M E Kern.

Prayer by J.E.Weaver.

## ITALIAN WORKERS' TRAINING INSTITUTE:

L.Halswick called attention to the large Italian population in the United States, especially in the large cities, and to the very few Italian workers we have among us. He stated that the Bureau of Home Missions would like to inaugurate a plan where by a number of our Italian young people could be brought together and given a training in the language, Bible, possibly some cultural work, and in methods of working for Italians. The suggestion was that from five to ten single young people or couples, graduates of our schools, be associated together in a training institute in New York or Chicago, under the leadership of an experienced Italian worker, the course to be for nine months or a year. It was

VOTED, That we approve of the plan suggested by the Bureau of Home Missions, and that we ask the Bureau and the Educational Department to work together on the details of the plan, to be submitted to this Committee, for conducting an Italian Workers' Training Institute during the year 1946.

## INGATHERING EDITORIAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Ingathering Editorial Committee be reconstituted as follows, to serve until the time of the General Conference session:

H.T.Elliott, chairman; J.I.Robison, vice-chairman and assistant editor; W.A.Butler, editor; L.K.Dickson, A.W.Cormack, E.D.Dick, R.L.Odom, Dr. H.M.Walton, A.W.Peterson, G.E.Peters, Roger Altman, S.Kaplan, L.Halswick, W.P.Bradley.

## W. E. READ:

VOTED, That W.E.Read be advised to locate in Takoma Park on his return from the Caribbean Union Mission, to engage

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in such general work as may be arranged until the time of the General Conference session.

J.E.WEAVER--INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That J.E.Weaver be authorized to respond to the request of the Inter-American Division, that he attend meetings and teachers' institutes in that division, from November 27 until about the middle of January.

BESSIE MOUNT--SEMINARY:

Miss Bessie Mount, of the China Division, recently returned from internment in the Philippines, has expressed a desire to attend a term at the Theological Seminary.

VOTED, That Miss Bessie Mount be authorized to attend the Theological Seminary, but that on account of her condition of health she be advised to take only part time class work.

WORKERS RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT:

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

Miss Sally Espinosa from the call to Central America.

W.H.Grotheer from the appointment to study Russian.

G.L.Gemmill from the appointment to study French.

R.R.Bietz from the call to the superintendency of the Caribbean Union Mission.

Miss Mona Craven from the appointment to Nigeria.

A.A.Kurtz from the call to India.

Miss Amy Ashley from the appointment to the Ife Hospital in Nigeria.

Miss Agnes Eroh from the call to the Medellin school in Colombia.

ISABEL ZUMWALT--MEDELLIN SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and the Spanish American Seminary to release Miss Isabel Zumwalt, to connect with the Inter-American Division and the Colombia-Venezuela Union Mission, as preceptress of the training school in Medellin.



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## J.D.SMITH--CARIBBEAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference to release J.D.Smith, to connect with the Inter-American Division for the superintendency of the Caribbean Union Mission.

## LANGUAGE STUDY AT SEMINARY--

STANLEY S.WILL, W.H.JOHNSON, E.E.KUNGEL:

VOTED, That W.H.Johnson, being graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College, be placed under appointment for the study of French at the Theological Seminary; that Stanley S.Will be appointed to study Arabic, and Edwin E.Kungel to study Russian, the Carolina Conference being asked to release Stanley S.Will and the North Dakota Conference to release Edwin E.Kungel for this purpose.

## DR. J.A.HYDE--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Dr. J.A.Hyde, who is finishing his medical course in England, be placed under deferred appointment for medical missionary service in West Africa.

## A.R.NORCLIFFE--PARAGUAY:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and the West Pennsylvania Conference to release A.R.Norcliffe, to connect with the South American Division, in response to the call for an evangelist for Paraguay.

## L.R.LANGWORTHY--BOLIVIA:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and the Florida Conference to release L.R.Langworthy, to connect with the South American Division and the Inca Union as a mission station director in Bolivia.

## MISS VALBORG LARSSON--SONGA MISSION:

VOTED, That the appointment of Miss Valborg Larsson be changed from the Zambesi to the Congo Union for service at the Songa Mission, in harmony with the request of the Southern African Division.

## EPHRAIM BORROU--EAST AFRICAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Ethiopian Union Mission to release Ephraim Borrou, to connect with the Southern African Division, to serve as Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath School Secretary for the natives, in the East African Union Mission.

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## H.H.SCHMIDT--ECUADOR:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Illinois Conference to release H.H.Schmidt, to connect with the South American Division and the Inca Union, to serve as director of the Ecuador Mission.

## D.S.LAURSEN--INDIA:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Northern California Conference to release D.S.Laurson, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, in response to the call for an evangelist for Orissa, India.

## CLAUDIA EYRE--HELDERBERG COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the British Union Conference to release Claudia Eyre, to connect with the Southern African Division, to serve as matron at Helderberg College.

## MINISTERIAL INTERNSHIPS:

Applications for ministerial internships being submitted by the Ministerial Internship Committee, because the men concerned are past the thirty-year age limit, it was

VOTED, That ministerial internship be granted to C.R. Holden, under the Emergency Internship provision, for work in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, beginning October 1, 1945.

VOTED, That ministerial internship be granted to R.R. Biloff, on the regular union allotment, for work in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, beginning August 1, 1945.

VOTED, That ministerial internship be granted to K.E. Day, under the Emergency Internship provision, for work in the Wisconsin Conference, beginning September 1, 1945.

## FRANCES BLAKE--OAKWOOD COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Lake Region Conference the call from the Southern Union for Frances Blake to connect with Oakwood College as dean of women.

## M.N.SKADSHEIM--PLAINVIEW ACADEMY:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Montana Conference the call from the Northern Union for M.N. Skadsheim to connect with the Plainview Academy, in South Dakota, as principal.

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J.H.APIGIAN--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Idaho Conference the call from the Southern Union for J.H.Apigian to connect with the work in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

RUTH LAMB--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Colorado Conference the call from the Southern Union for Ruth Lamb to connect with the work in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

Claude Conard, Atlantic Union office, August 9.

J.L.McElhany, Colorado, the time to be arranged.

C.L.Bond, Lake Union, August 30 - September 16.

1946 AUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, That the 1946 Autumn Council be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 15-22.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.  
J.I.Robison, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

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FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

L H Christian, W P Bradley, H T Elliott, A W Cormack,  
J I Robison, W E Nelson, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, C B Haynes,  
J A Stevens, H H Votaw, H A Morrison, J E Weaver, Claude Conard,  
L Halswick, E E Andross, W A Butler, G E Peters, L E Froom,  
W K Ising, M C Taft, M E Kern, J J Strahle.

OTHERS PRESENT:

J R Ferren, D A Ochs, Miss Lora Clement.

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Prayer by D.A.Ochs. Minutes of meetings held July 29, 30 and 31 were approved.

E.A.ROBERTSON--SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the Greater New York Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for E.A. Robertson to connect with Southwestern Junior College as head of the History Department.

H.R.KUEHNE--WYOMING:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the North Dakota Conference the call from the Central Union for H.R.Kuehne to connect with the Wyoming Conference as Sabbath School, Missionary Volunteer and Educational Secretary.

G.E.PETERS--APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That G.E.Peters be authorized to meet appointments in Minneapolis, August 17-26.

J.J.STRAHLE--SOUTH AMERICA AND INTER-AMERICA:

VOTED, That J.J.Strahle be authorized to spend some time in the South American Division, in response to the request from that division, leaving here in September and returning in December; and that in response to the request from the Inter-American Division, he be authorized to spend two weeks in Jamaica on the return trip from South America.

L.R.DICKINSON--PERU:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College to release L.R.Dickinson, to connect with the South American Division and the Inca Union Mission, in response to the call for a farm manager for the Lima school.

L.H.Christian, Chairman.  
W.P.Bradley, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIRST MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

L H Christian, J I Robison, H T Elliott, W P Bradley,  
W E Nelson, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, J A Stevens, C B Haynes,  
J J Strahle, E E Franklin, H H Votaw, S A Wellman, G E Peters,  
E E Andross, W A Butler, C S Longacre, W K Ising, L Halswick,  
J E Weaver, M C Taft, D E Rebok, M E Kern.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

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

Prayer by S.A.Wellman. Minutes of the meetings of August 2 and 6 were approved.

## WORKERS RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT:

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

Miss Irene Wakeham from the call to Helderberg College, South Africa.

Miss Bernice Lude from the call to the Songa Mission, South Africa.

Willard B. Johnson from the call to New Delhi, India.

## G.M.ELLSTROM--FRENCH IVORY COAST:

VOTED, To invite G.M.Ellstrom, of the French language group at the Seminary, to connect with the African West Coast Union Mission, for work in the French Ivory Coast.

## O.L.JACQUES--MBEYA MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and the East Pennsylvania Conference to release O.L.Jacques, to connect with the Southern African Division and the East African Union, to serve as director of the Mbeya Mission Station.

## D.E.JACOBS--EAST AFRICAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Nevada-Utah Conference to release D.E.Jacobs, to connect with the

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African Division, to serve as Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath School Secretary of the East African Union Mission.

F.B.KNIGHT--REVIEW AND HERALD:

VOTED, To pass on to F.B.Knight, returned from internment in the Philippines, the call to connect with the Review and Herald as accountant.

J.C.KLOSE--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference the call from the Lake Union for J.C.Klose to connect with the work in the Michigan Conference.

H.R.BRENNAN--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Canadian Union and the Ontario-Quebec Conference the call from the Lake Union for H.R.Brennan to connect with the work in the Michigan Conference.

CARL J.SMITH--TEXICO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Alabama-Mississippi Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for Carl J.Smith to connect with the Texico Conference, as teacher for the school at Amarillo.

DAVID JOHNSON--OKLAHOMA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the New York Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for David Johnson To connect with the Oklahoma Conference for district work.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

H.D.Casebeer, New Mexico, Spanish camp meetings, August 24 - September 2.

R.E.Loasby, Northern Union, October 12-November 25.

J.L.McElhany, L.K.Dickson, W.E.Nelson, Dr. H.M.Walton, Hinsdale Sanitarium, September 18,19; New England Sanitarium, date to be arranged.

R.L.Benton, Commencement exercises at Madison College, August 31 - September 2.

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## TRANSFER OF CHURCH EXTENSION APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That in harmony with the request of the Northern Union, we approve of transferring to the church at Lemmon, South Dakota, the \$800 that was appropriated from the Church Extension Fund at the 1943 Autumn Council for a church building at Newell, South Dakota.

## F.E.BELDEN COLLECTION OF BOOKS AND PERIODICALS:

VOTED, To appropriate \$1000 with which to purchase the F.E.Belden collection of books and periodical files and papers, and that C.B.Haynes and H.H.Cobban be a committee to see that this material is properly identified and brought to Takoma Park.

L.H.Christian, Chairman.  
J.I.Robison, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

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## FIVE HUNDRED-EIGHTY-SECOND MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 13, 1945

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

L.H.Christian, W P Bradley, H T Elliott, J I Robison,  
W E Nelson, H H Cobban, Roger Altman, E E Andross, E E Franklin,  
L L Moffitt, H A Morrison, C L Bond, W K Ising, J J Strahle,  
H W Barrows, H H Votaw, Claude Conard, W A Butler, C S Longacre,  
M C Taft, D E Rebok, M E Kern.

Prayer by E.E.Andross.

## REPATRIATES--MEDICAL AND DENTAL CARE:

Information has been received that the United States Government is making available through the U.S.Public Health Service, medical and dental care for persons returned from internment in the Philippines, provided application for treatment is made within one year after their return. It was

VOTED, That our workers returned from the Philippines be informed concerning this service that is being offered by the Government in order that they may take advantage of it if they desire to do so.

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## BIBLE READING PROGRAM:

Attention was called to the fact that the American Bible Society is planning another nation-wide "Bible Reading Program" similar to the one conducted last year between Thanksgiving and Christmas, and they are asking us again to cooperate in promoting the plan. It was

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to suggest the best way in which we can cooperate in promoting the proposed Bible Reading Program.

Appointed: M.E.Kern, C.L.Bond, W.A.Butler, H.H.Cobban, W.H.Teesdale.

MESSAGE MAGAZINE--INGATHERING NUMBER:

VOTED, That the Ingathering number of the Message Magazine be the same in size as the Ingathering number of the Watchman Magazine, that is, twenty pages, including the covers.

## DR. M.H.VINKEL:

VOTED, That in harmony with his request and the recommendation of the China Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of Dr. M.H.Vinkel from China.

VOTED, To pass on to Dr. M.H.Vinkel, returned from China, the call from the Washington Sanitarium Board, to connect with the staff of the Washington Sanitarium.

## JOHN OSBORN--SEATTLE, WASHINGTON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Florida Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for John Osborn to connect with the Washington Conference, as pastor-evangelist of the North Seattle church.

## H.J.WESTPHAL--SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to H.J.Westphal, returned from South America, the call from the Pacific Union to connect with the Southeastern California Conference as director of the Spanish work in that conference.



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## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

M.E.Kern, regional meeting, Lincoln, Nebraska, August 24 to September 2.

H.A.Morrison, meeting of conference committee and building committee at Jamestown, North Dakota, August 29.

W.H.Williams, Jamestown meeting, August 29, if it can be arranged.

## S.L.FROST--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That S.L.Frost, of the China Division, returned from internment in the Philippines, be granted permanent return status.

## W.R.ROBINSON--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That for health reasons and on recommendation of the South American Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of W.R.Robinson from Bolivia.

## CHINA WORKERS--DENTAL BILL:

VOTED, That the Treasurer be authorized to make payment of the bill rendered by the Presbyterian Clinic in Manila, for dental work done for certain of our China Division workers during their internment in the Philippines.

L.H.Christian, Chairman.  
W.P.Bradley, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 20, 1945

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, L H Christian, H T Elliott, H H Cobban,  
 J F Cummins, L L Moffitt, J E Weaver, E E Andross, H A Morrison,  
 C L Bond, E E Franklin, L E Froom, W H Teesdale, Claude Conard,  
 H M Blunden, G A Huse, C S Longacre, W E Phillips, C B Haynes,  
 S A Wellman, J J Strahle, M E Kern, W K Ising, D E Rebok.

Prayer by H.M.Blunden. Minutes of meetings held August 9 and 13 were approved.

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 C.J.DORNING--RELEASED:

VOTED, That C.J.*Dorning* be released from the appointment to join the German language group at the Seminary.

J.D.SMITH--RELEASED:

VOTED, That J.D.Smith be released from the call to the Caribbean Union Mission.

C.E.WHEELER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That in harmony with medical advice and on recommendation of the Southern African Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of Elder and Mrs. C.E.Wheeler from Africa.

T.J.MICHAEL:

VOTED, That the leave of absence granted to T.J.Michael be extended until the time of the Autumn Council.

F.L.BAER--REVIEW AND HERALD:

VOTED, That F.L.Baer, under appointment to South America as manager of the Buenos Aires publishing house, be authorized to spend a short time at the Review and Herald before proceeding to South America.

W.W.CHRISTENSEN--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That in harmony with the doctor's recommendation, Elder and Mrs. W.W.Christensen, of the Southern Asia Division, be granted three months' extension of their furlough.

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**T.W. STEEN--PHYSICAL CHECK-UP:**

VOTED, That T.W. Steen, of the South American Division, who has come to the States on personal business, be authorized to have a physical check-up while here.

**RALPH S. WATTS--HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:**

VOTED, That Ralph S. Watts in joining the Home Missionary Department be appointed assistant secretary for the time he is with the department.

**J. C. DEAN'S CHILDREN:**

VOTED, To extend the necessary guarantees required by the Government in connection with arrangements for the son and two daughters of J. C. Dean, of India, to become permanent residents of the United States; and that the Treasurer be authorized to meet the expenses of these young people in crossing the border and reentering the United States with immigration visas.

**J. J. STRAHLE:**

VOTED, To rescind that part of our action of August 6 which authorized J. J. Strahle to spend two weeks in Jamaica on his return trip from South America.

**W. B. FINDLEY--TO STUDY ARABIC:**

VOTED, To place W. B. Findley under appointment for the study of the Arabic language at the Seminary, requesting the Southern Union and the Alabama-Mississippi Conference to release him for this purpose.

**F. O. SANDERS--CARIBBEAN UNION:**

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and the Carolina Conference to release F. O. Sanders, to connect with the Inter-American Division, to serve as superintendent of the Caribbean Union Mission.

**W. H. MCGHEE--SYRIA:**

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference to release W. H. McGhee, to connect with the Middle East Union as superintendent of the Syria Mission.

**NORMA RHODES--HELDERBERG COLLEGE:**

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Southern California Conference to release Miss Norma Rhodes, of the

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Glendale Academy, to connect with the Southern African Division in response to the call for a domestic science teacher for Helderberg College.

A.R. BOYNTON, L.E. REED, R.H. HARTWELL--CHINA:

Inasmuch as information has been received that the way is open for our mission society to return three key men to China, for manning certain areas, though with the stipulation that it will be impossible for their families to accompany them at the present time, and inasmuch as A.R. Boynton, L.E. Reed and R.H. Hartwell have signified their willingness to return under these conditions, it was

VOTED, To request the Central Union and the Porter Sanitarium to release A.R. Boynton; the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference to release L.E. Reed; and the Northern Union and the Minnesota Conference to release R.H. Hartwell, to return to China as soon as transportation can be secured for them.

J.E. EDWARDS--UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Potomac Conference the call from the Central Union for J.E. Edwards to connect with Union College as Dean of Theology.

NAOMI DRAPER--MISSOURI:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference the call from the Central Union for Miss Naomi Draper to connect with the Missouri Conference for work in the conference office.

A.W. BAUER--WYOMING:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the North Dakota Conference the call from the Central Union for A.W. Bauer to connect with the Wyoming Conference as a district leader.

D. MacINTOSH--KANSAS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Canadian Union and the Alberta Conference the call from the Central Union for D. MacIntosh to connect with the work in the Kansas Conference.

B.E. RISTAU--POTOMAC CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Colorado Conference the call from the Columbia Union for B. Eric Ristau to connect with the Potomac Conference as publishing department secretary.

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MR. AND MRS. HENRY MEISSNER--WISCONSIN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference the call from the Lake Union for Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meissner to connect with the Wisconsin Conference, Mr. Meissner for district work, and Mrs. Meissner to head the Music Department at Bethal Academy.

R.J.WINDERS--IDAHO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Illinois Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for R.J.Winders to connect with the Idaho Conference as pastor-evangelist in Boise.

J.T.PORTER--NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Southern California Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for J.T.Porter to connect with that union as Educational Secretary.

DR. R.H.WHITE--FLORIDA SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union Conference and the New England Sanitarium the call from the Southern Union for Dr. R.H.White to connect with the medical staff of the Florida Sanitarium.

R.R.BILOFF--ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Northern California Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for R.R.Biloff to connect with the work in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

C.B.Haynes, regional meeting, Toledo, Ohio, August 31 to September 2.

L.H.Christian, workers' meeting, Western Canada, September 18-23, instead of L.K.Dickson.

J.L.McElhany and/or W.E.Nelson and/or W.H.Williams, and G.E.Peters, Committee meeting for organization of colored conferences in the Southern Union, September 5,6.

J.L.McElhany, L.K.Dickson, H.A.Morrison, Board meeting College of Medical Evangelists, September 27.

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BUILDING PROJECTS IN MICHIGAN:

Request having been received from the Lake Union on behalf of the Michigan Conference for approval of the purchase of a church building in Marquette, and of building projects at the Cedar Lake and Adelpian Academies, assurance being given in each case that the funds are in hand and no indebtedness will be incurred, it was

VOTED, That we approve of the purchase of the church building as described for the church in Marquette, Michigan.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of a house as suggested, at a cost of \$7,000, at the Cedar Lake Academy; and a similar house, at the same cost, at Adelpian Academy.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed addition to the present church school building at Cedar Lake Academy, at an estimated cost of not more than \$8,000.

BIBLE READING PLAN:

The committee that was appointed on the question of our cooperating in promoting the Bible reading plan of the American Bible Society submitted a report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, 1. That the Bible reading plan promoted by the American Bible Society be sponsored by our organization during the autumn of 1945, and that our people be urged to distribute the Bible Society leaflet among their neighbors.

2. That a four-page leaflet be prepared, embodying concise statements on the importance of the Bible, and a Bible reading check card for adults and juniors with detailed instructions about its use.

3. That this leaflet be furnished free at General Conference expense.

4. That a committee be appointed to prepare copy for this leaflet, and to promote the Bible reading plan throughout North America.

5. That the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer Departments be asked to assist in the promotion of the Bible reading plan and the distribution of the leaflets throughout North America.

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VOTED, That the committee called for in the foregoing recommendations be the same committee that made this report, namely,

M.E.Kern, C.L.Bond, W.A.Butler, H.H.Cobban, W.H.Teesdale.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.

H.T.Elliott, Secretary.

E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 23, 1945

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, L H Christian, H T Elliott, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, Roger Altman, J J Strahle, Claude Conard, M C Taft, C B Haynes, J A Stevens, W H Teesdale, E E Franklin, L L Moffitt, H M Blunden, J E Weaver, C S Longacre, W E Phillips, M E Kern, E E Andross, H A Morrison, W A Butler, W K Ising, C L Bond, D E Rebok.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

J R Ferren, R L Benton, Dr H Liu, D A Ochs, J F Neff, O S Hershberger.

Prayer by C.L.Bond. Minutes of the meeting of August 20 were approved.

## LANGUAGE PREPARATION FOR SERVICE:

VOTED, To place H.E.Ruckle and O.L.Johnson under appointment for the study of the German language at the Theological Seminary, requesting the Columbia Union and the Potomac Conference to release H.E.Ruckle and the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference to release O.L.Johnson for this purpose.

VOTED, To place Paul Pflaumer under appointment for the study of the Russian language at the Theological Seminary, requesting the Columbia Union and the Chesapeake Conference to release him for this purpose.

## DAY ACADEMY IN PHILADELPHIA:

Request was presented from the Columbia Union on behalf of the East Pennsylvania Conference for approval of the purchase of a building for the day academy which is being operated for the churches in the Philadelphia area. The rented building in which the school has been conducted has been sold, and it has been necessary to find other quarters on short notice. A very desirable school building in West Philadelphia, owned by the Presbyterians, is offered for sale, and can be secured for \$30,000. Cash and pledges are in hand to the amount of \$25,000 and in the emergency situation the union and the local conference have agreed to underwrite the pledges.

VOTED, That we approve of the purchase of the school building as described, for the day academy that is operated for the churches in the Philadelphia area.

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## BROADVIEW COLLEGE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

This being the hour appointed for a special session of the constituency of the Broadview College and Theological Seminary, Incorporated, the Committee recessed, and the constituency meeting was called. Resignations were accepted, and a new board of trustees was elected, with L.E. Lenheim as chairman. An amendment to Article 4 of the By-laws was adopted, making the membership of the Corporation the members of the Illinois Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The special session of the Broadview College and Theological Seminary adjourned, and the Committee resumed.

## PAUL KNUDSEN:

VOTED, To extend the financial guarantees required by the Government in connection with the application of Paul Knudsen of Denmark, for immigration visa to the United States.

## M. RASPAL AND R. HIRSCHY--FRENCH CAMEROONS:

Cable was received from E.D. Dick, who with A.W. Peterson is visiting the African West Coast missions, urging that in view of accumulated furloughs due the Cameroons workers, the Southern European Division be requested to make it possible for M. Raspal, of France, to spend a short time in the Cameroons in order to relieve the critical situation; also that R. Hirschy, a worker from the Cameroons at present in France, be urged to return to his field at the earliest possible date.

VOTED, That these requests be passed on to M. Raspal and R. Hirschy through the Southern European Division.

## S. M. SCHLEIFER--EAST PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Kentucky Tennessee Conference the call from the Columbia Union for S.M. Schliefer to connect with the work in the East Pennsylvania Conference.

## A. B. POHLMAN--EAST PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the Southern New England Conference the call from the Columbia Union for A.B. Pohlman to connect with the East Pennsylvania Conference.

## C. H. LOWE --KANSAS:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Idaho Conference the call from the Central Union for C.H. Lowe to connect with the Kansas Conference as Publishing Department Secretary.



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## J.H.RHOADS--MINNESOTA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference the call from the Northern Union for J.H.Rhoads to connect with the Minnesota Conference as Missionary Volunteer and Educational Secretary.

## I.C.POUND--FLORIDA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Northern California Conference the call from the Southern Union for I.C. Pound to connect with the Florida Conference as conference evangelist.

## RUSSELL KRICK--FLORIDA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference the call from the Southern Union for Russell Krick to connect with the Florida Conference as pastor in the Orlando district.

## G.R.WEST--BRITISH COLUMBIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Central California Conference the call from the Canadian Union for G.R. West to connect with the British Columbia Conference as evangelist.

## ETHEL HOWARD--CANADIAN UNION OFFICE:

VOTED, To pass on to the British Union Conference the call from the Canadian Union for Miss Ethel Howard to connect with the Canadian Union for work in the union office at Oshawa.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

A representative of the Home Missionary Department, Central Union, the time to be arranged.

G.E.Peters, New Orleans, time to be arranged.

J.M.Jackson, of the Review and Herald, Ontario-Quebec.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.

H.T.Elliott, Secretary.

E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 23, 1945, 3:30 P.M.

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, L H Christian, H T Elliott, H H Cobban,  
 Roger Altman, J. J. Strahle, H M Blunden, Claude Conard, C L Bond,  
 J E Weaver, V T Armstrong, P L Williams, H A Morrison, M E Kern,  
 L E Froom, L L Moffitt, W A Butler, C B Haynes, D E Rebok, W E  
 Phillips, E E Franklin, W K Ising, M C Taft.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

R L Benton, A L White, J R Ferren.

Prayer by C.B.Haynes.

## AUTUMN COUNCIL:

Inasmuch as with the ending of the war the Government has lifted the restrictions on the holding of conventions, and inasmuch as it has been learned that we can secure the auditorium in Grand Rapids for November 13-20, it was

VOTED, To rescind our action of July 31, which set the Autumn Council for October 16-23 in Takoma Park, and that we accept the accommodations offered in Grand Rapids, for November 13-20.

VOTED, That the Chair be authorized to appoint a small group to go to Grand Rapids, to arrange for hotel reservations, and finalize other arrangements for holding the Council in that city.

## PRE-COUNCIL MEETINGS:

VOTED, That the Home Missionary, Publishing and Missionary Volunteer Departments be authorized to hold a meeting of their union departmental leaders preceding the Council.

VOTED, That arrangements be made for the Medical Advisory Board that was appointed by the Council of Sanitarium Administrators, to meet in Grand Rapids preceding the Autumn Council.

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

## FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 27, 1945

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, L H Christian, W P Bradley, H T Elliott, A W Cormack, W H Williams, H H Cobban, Roger Altman, C B Haynes, E E Franklin, Claude Conard, H M Blunden, V T Armstrong, P L Williams, J J Strahle, G E Peters, W H Teesdale, J J Ireland, J E Weaver, L Halswick, H W Barrows, W K Ising, H A Morrison, L E Froom, C L Bond, E W Dunbar, R Ruhling, C S Longacre, M E Kern, W E Phillips, G A Huse, D E Rebok, S A Wellman, W A Butler

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Miss Lora Clement, D E Robinson, J R Ferren, B P Hoffman.

Prayer by P.L.Williams. Minutes of the meeting of August 23 were approved.

## CONTACTING WORK IN EUROPE:

The Chairman spoke of the desirability of our making as early contact as possible with the European fields from which we have been cut off during the years of the war. Especially is this true as regards the fields of the Central European Division, for while we have had some contacts with other parts of Europe, we have had almost no word concerning our workers and believers in Central Europe. After some discussion of the difficulties incident to securing permission to visit Germany, and the suggestion that Dr. Otto Schuberth, whose father is in Switzerland, might be able to get into Germany more easily than any one else we could send from here, it was

VOTED, To request the Missions Advance Committee and the Theological Seminary to release Dr. Otto Schuberth temporarily, in order that he may make a visit to Europe as our representative as soon as transportation and visas can be secured, in the hope that he may be able to make personal contact with our leaders and believers in Germany, to learn what their needs may be and how we can best help them in the work of rehabilitation.

## MEDICAL WORKERS FOR CHINA:

The following cable was received from G.J.Appel, of the China Division:

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"For reopening hospitals liberated areas, committee requests you endeavor immediately secure up to five doctors, with budgets for three, to come without families who can follow when conditions permit; and up to five nurses with budgets, including Green [Gertrude], Howe [Muriel]. Contact Rowland Cross, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, for travel arrangements. Also cable us names for clearance here."

VOTED; That we authorize complaine with this cabled request as quickly as the workers called for can be recruited; the budgets requested to be provided up to the time when the institutions they serve can be brought to the status of self-support.

VALBORG LARSSON--MIDWIFERY COURSE:

VOTED, That Miss Valborg Larsson, on furlough in Sweden from Ethiopia, and now under appointment to the Songa Mission in South Africa, be authorized to take from three to six months' special training in midwifery, it being understood that this may extend her furlough somewhat.

LANGUAGE STUDY APPOINTMENT OF  
STANLEY S. WILL AND WARREN FINDLAY:

Word has been received from their conference presidents that it would be very disappointing to have to release Stanley S. Will and Warren Findlay, who have been appointed for the study of the Arabic language at the Seminary, inasmuch as they are both conducting evangelistic efforts that will not terminate until some time in November, whereas the language class begins the ninth of September.

VOTED, That reply be made to the respective conference presidents that the young men be not disturbed in their evangelistic efforts, but that we will endeavor to make some readjustment.

VOTED, That the question of making some readjustment in connection with the Arabic language class at the Seminary be referred to the Missions Advance Committee.

RALPH COMBES--FRENCH WEST INDIES MISSION:

VOTED, To invite Ralph Combes, one of the language students at the Seminary, to connect with the Inter-American Division to serve as superintendent of the French West Indies Mission.

WORKERS RELEASED:

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

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Robert McPherson from the appointment for the study of the Russian language.

E.M.Mathews from the call to the Rio Minas Gerais Mission in Brazil.

O.L.Heinrich from the German language group at the Seminary.

VERA BEALL--INDIANA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Wyoming Conference the call from the Lake Union for Miss Vera Beall to connect with the Indiana Conference for Bible work.

F.E.THOMPSON--MINNEAPOLIS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Indiana Conference the call from the Northern Union for F.E.Thompson to connect with the Minnesota Conference for the pastorate of the Minneapolis church.

EDWARD RICHARDS--OAKWOOD COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Minnesota Conference the call from the Southern Union for Edward Richards to connect with Oakwood College as teacher in the Science Department.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

H.M.Blunden, colporteur meeting, Palacios, Texas, September 20-24.

J.E.Weaver, Emmanuel Missionary College and South Bend, in August.

Miss Lois Burnett, meeting of the directors of the S.D.A. Schools of Nursing in California, at Glendale, August 28.

E.W.Dunbar, North Pacific Missionary Volunteer Council at College Place, October 11-13.

WYOMING OFFICE BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Central Union on behalf of the Wyoming Conference, for approval of the purchase of a

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building in Caspar to serve as the conference headquarters office. The cost is \$8,500, and the funds are in hand.

VOTED, That we approve of the purchase of the building in Caspar, Wyoming, to serve as the conference headquarters office.

#### ITALIAN WORKERS' TRAINING INSTITUTE:

The Bureau of Home Missions and the Educational Department having been asked to work out the details of a proposed plan for conducting an Italian Workers' Training Institute, the following details were submitted:

That the Institute be held in Chicago, with R. Calderone as the head.

That the course of study include the following:

Italian Language and Culture, including Grammar, Composition, Conversation and Reading.

European Thought and Culture, with emphasis on Italian.

Public Speaking in Italian.

Bible Doctrines in Italian.

Pastoral Methods adapted to the Italian people.

That a budget of \$25,000 be provided for 1946, \$10,000 of which shall be supplied by the Bureau of Home Missions, the coming Autumn Council being requested to make appropriation of the remaining \$15,000.

That the Institute be operated by the Bureau of Home Missions Committee, and that a local committee consisting of L. Halswick; G. E. Nord, L. E. Lenheim, R. Calderone and A. Catalano attend to detail and routine matters under the direction of the Bureau Committee.

VOTED, That we approve of the plans as submitted for conducting the Italian Workers' Training Institute, and that we refer to the Autumn Council the request for an appropriation of \$15,000 for the year 1946.

J. L. McElhany, Chairman.  
W. P. Bradley, Secretary.  
E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

## FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVENTH MEETING

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 29, 1945, 2:00 P.M.

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, L H Christian, L K Dickson, A W Cormack, H T Elliott, W P Bradley, H H Cobban, R Ruhling, C L Bond, H M Blunden, C B Haynes, J J Ireland, J E Weaver, V T Armstrong, P L Williams, S A Wellman, L Halswick, E E Franklin, W K Ising, W H Teesdale, Claude Conard, E W Dunbar, H W Barrows, M E Kern, C S Longacre, G E Peters, W E Phillips, H H Votaw, G A Huse, D E Rebok.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

I M Evans, A L White, J R Ferren, Miss Lora Clement, R L Benton.

Prayer by R Ruhling.

## O R SCULLY--FROM ARABIC TO FRENCH CLASS:

VOTED, That the appointment of O.R.Scully for language study be changed from the Arabic to the French language group.

## K BERRY--TO STUDY GERMAN:

VOTED, That K.Berry be placed under appointment for the study of the German language at the Theological Seminary, the Southern Union and the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference being asked to release him for this purpose.

## L.E.RAMSEY--MIDDLE EAST UNION:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference to release L.E.Ramsey, of Bethel Academy, to connect with the Middle East Union Mission as cashier.

## F.A.MOTE--PHILIPPINE UNION:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and the Upper Columbia Conference to release F.A.Mote, to connect with the Far Eastern Division, as superintendent of the Philippine Union Mission.

## J.M.NEARNESS--MALAY UNION:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and the Washington Conference to release J.M.Nearness, to connect with the Far Eastern Division as superintendent of the Malay Union Mission.

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DR. J.C.HAYWARD--SINGAPORE:

VOTED, To invite Dr. J.C.Hayward, now serving in the U.S.Army, to return to the Far Eastern Division, for self-supporting medical work in Singapore, under the provisions of the policy pertaining to self-supporting doctors and dentists for mission fields.

DR. EARL GARDNER--PENANG:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Earl Gardner, now in private practice in California, to return to the Far Eastern Division, to serve as medical superintendent of the Penang Sanitarium.

C.D.FORSHEE--FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, To request the Review and Herald Publishing Association to release C.D.Forshee, to connect again with the Far Eastern Division, to serve as cashier and assistant auditor for the division.

DOCTORS FOR CHINA:

VOTED, To invite Drs. L.H.Butka, H.A.Mourer, C.E.Randolph and P.J.Lilly, in private practice in California, to return to China in response to the call from the China Division for doctors to reopen our medical institutions in that division.

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union Conference and the Paradise Valley Sanitarium to release Dr. E.A.Wagner, and that Dr. Wagner be invited to return to assist in the reopening of our medical work in China.

NURSES FOR CHINA:

VOTED, That the call from the China Division for five nurses to return to China as soon as passports and transportation can be secured, to assist in reopening the medical work in China, be passed on to Mrs. R.W.Paul, Elizabeth Redelstein, Muriel Howe, Gertrude Green, and Edith Johnson, the Washington Sanitarium being requested to release Miss Redelstein, and the St. Helena Sanitarium to release Miss Johnson for this purpose.

L.M.STUMP--URUGUAY:

VOTED, To invite L.M.Stump, formerly of the Far Eastern Division, to connect with the South American Division, to serve as principal of the training school in Uruguay.



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JENNIE LEE RICE--CHULUMANI HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union Conference and the Paradise Valley Sanitarium to release Miss Jennie Lee Rice, to connect with the South American Division and the Inca Union Mission, for nursing service in the Chulumani Hospital.

H. E. WALKER--BRAZIL:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Southern California Conference to release H. E. Walker, to connect with the South American Division and the East Brazil Union, as evangelist for the Rio-Minas Gerais Mission.

L. H. CHRISTIAN AND W. H. TEESDALE--NORTHERN EUROPE:

VOTED, That in the endeavor to make personal contact with our workers and believers in fields of the Northern European Division, L. H. Christian and W. H. Teesdale be assigned to visit Northern Europe as soon as transportation and other arrangements can be effected.

PUBLISHING HOUSE REHABILITATION:

Whereas, In the providence of God, marked prosperity has attended the United States publishing houses, placing them in an unusually strong financial position; and

Whereas, The management of these houses have evinced a deep interest in the work of rehabilitating our foreign publishing plants which have been either destroyed or damaged by the ravages of war, and have requested that definite projects be assigned to them; therefore

VOTED, 1. That we invite the three publishing houses in the United States to undertake the financing of the program of rehabilitation of these destroyed or damaged institutions; and also the expansion of the equipment and facilities of our other mission printing plants which are inadequately prepared to meet the demands of a growing work.

2. That a permanent committee be appointed to care for the interests of this expansive program.

3. That the following named persons constitute this committee: H. M. Blunden, G. A. Huse, W. H. Williams, L. K. Dickson, W. P. Elliott, L. W. Graham, M. E. Dawson, H. G. Childs, J. L. Jones, E. W. Everest, H. C. Kephart, Nels Nelson.

4. That in the consideration of the rehabilitation of the Shanghai house and the Manila publishing house, H. L. Shull and J. A. Leland be added to the membership of this committee, and that V. T. Armstrong act in place of J. A. Leland during his absence.

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OAKWOOD COLLEGE AND RIVERSIDE SANITARIUM BOARDS:

VOTED, To accept the resignations as submitted, of J.L. Moran and H.B.Lundquist as members of the Oakwood College and Riverside Sanitarium Boards.

VOTED, That F.L.Peterson and H.C.Klement be appointed members of the Oakwood College and Riverside Sanitarium Boards, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of J.L.Moran and H.B.Lundquist.

A.D.LIVENGOOD--SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Potomac Conference the call from the Atlantic Union for A.D.Livengood to connect with the Southern New England Conference as singing evangelist.

E.L.HANSON--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Potomac Conference the call from the Lake Union for E.L.Hanson to connect with the Michigan Conference for district work.

V.A.ANDERSON--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and the Northern New England Conference the call from the Lake Union for V.A. Anderson to connect with the Michigan Conference for district work.

TRAVIS SMITH--ILLINOIS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and the Carolina Conference the call from the Lake Union for Travis Smith to connect with the Illinois Conference for district work.

E.F.COY--WASHINGTON:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and the Kansas Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for E.F.Coy to connect with the Washington Conference for district work.

DOROTHY SAMPSON--GLENDALE SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Washington Sanitarium Board the call from the Pacific Union Conference for Miss Dorothy Sampson to connect with the Glendale Sanitarium as director of nursing instruction.

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## MABEL HEAD--CAROLINA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and the Porter Sanitarium the call from the Southern Union for Mabel Head to connect with the Carolina Conference as assistant to the treasurer.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That V.T.Armstrong be authorized to meet appointments in Boston, September 8.

VOTED, That W.K.Ising be authorized to attend the Southern Union Child Evangelism Institute, September 17-22.

## JAMES LEE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That the return of James Lee from the Far Eastern Division be changed from the furlough to the permanent return basis.

## A.N.ANDERSON--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That the return of A.N.Anderson from the Far Eastern Division be changed from the furlough to the permanent return basis.

## G.A.CAMPBELL--EARLY RELEASE:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference to grant the early release of G.A.Campbell, who has been under deferred appointment to return to the Far Eastern Division as Publishing Department Secretary of the division.

J.L.McElhany,  
L.K.Dickson,  
Chairmen.

A.W.Cormack, Secretary.  
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.