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FOUR HUNDRED TENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 1, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, W B Ochs, L K Dickson, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, A W Cormack, W H Williams, H H Cobban, E J Johanson, J F Cummins, J A Stevens, L E Froom, J J Ireland, C B Haynes, Miss Lois Burnett, H H Votaw, J J Strahle, W K Ising, W H Teesdale, R Ruhling, Claude Conard, J R Ferren, M C Taft, D A McAdams, C S Longacre, W A Scharffenberg, Dr E A Sutherland, F D Nichol, E E Franklin, H W Lowe, Miss Louise Kleuser, G A Huse M E Kern, F H Yost.

Prayer by R.Ruhling. Minutes of the meeting of August 29 were approved.

A.A.LEISKE--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and the Porter Sanitarium the call from the Lake Union for A.A. Leiske to connect with the Michigan Conference for evangelistic-pastoral work.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

H.F.Brown, Lay Preachers Institute, North Dakota, December 9-12.

L. Halswick, Lake and Columbia Unions, September 1-20.

E.L.LONGWAY--POWER OF ATTORNEY REVOKED:

VOTED, That in view of the changing conditions in China, we recommend to the General Conference Association that they revolve the power of attorney that was granted to E.L.Longway under date of April 20, 1949.

VOTED, To ask the General Conference Association to take under advisement the possibility of granting a limited power of attorney to some one in China, reporting back to this Committee before taking action.

J.L.McElhany, Chairman.

J.I.Robison, Secretary.

E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

FOUR HUNDRED ELEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 2, 1949, 11 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J L McElhany, W B Ochs, A V Olson, L K Dickson, E D Dick H T Elliott, J I Robison, N W Dunn, E E Roenfelt, A W Cormack, W H Williams, H H Cobban, E J Johanson, H P Bloum, Paul Wickman, Miss Lois Burnett, T L Oswald, C S Longacre, L E Froom, Claude Conard, R Ruhling, W H Teesdale, D E Rebok, C B Haynes, M C Taft H H Votaw, D A McAdams, W A Scharffenberg, G A Huse, M E Kern, R A Anderson, E E Franklin, F H Yost.

Prayer by C.B. Haynes.

CHINA:

The Committee was called together to hear a message received from Hong Kong, signed by the officers of the China Division, as follows:

"Longway wires all missionaries Shanghai planning evacuate except Longways Osses. Exit permits not yet granted. Says Coberlys also remaining Chiaotoutseng. Committee here believes Coberlys should evacuate and so advising. Otherwise fear serious financial involvements and embarrassment national leaders. If you concur suggest you also urge Longway arrange Coberly evacuation. Gregory Dunn still Hankow. Recommend cancel Longway's power. Missionaries Shanghai advise Corporation appoint holding board trustees as follows: Hsu Hwa, S.J.Lee, H.Tan, Dr. Liu, Wang Hsein Tung, Wu Ming Seng, with ultimate power attorney vested in Hsu Hwa. We concur."

Serious consideration was given to the information contained in this cable, and it was

VOTED, That a message be sent to E.L.Longway, expressing our disappointment that he and Brother Oss and their wives are deciding to remain in Shanghai, and instructing him to arrange for Brother and Sister Coberly to evacuate. Also notifying him that his power of attorney is canceled, and that the question of a holding board, as suggested by the workers in Shanghai is being considered, and that final decision will be given later.

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

FOUR HUNDRED TWELFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 8, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W B Ochs, J L McElhany, L K Dickson, A V Olson, W P Bradley, E D Dick, H T Elliott, E E Roenfelt, J I Robison, N W Dunn, A W Cormack, W E Nelson, W H Williams, H H Cobban, E J Johanson, M L Rice, M V Campbell, D A Ochs, C A Scriven, J A Stevens, L E Froom, E E Franklin, H W Lowe, R A Anderson, Miss Lois Burnett, G M Mathews, L A Skinner, E J Lorntz, M C Taft, E E Cossentine, W H Teesdale, C S Longacre, H H Votaw, G A Huse, R Ruhling, Claude Conard, Paul Wickman, H A Morrison, M E Kern, J R Ferren, W A Scharffenberg, W A Butler, F D Nichol, F H Yost, J J Ireland, W K Ising.

Prayer by M.L.Rice. Minutes of meetings held September 1 and 2 were approved.

ABILENE CHURCH BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Central Union on behalf of the Kansas Conference for approval of the erection of a church building at Abilene, at an estimated cost of \$10,000. The church has \$5,500 cash in hand, the conference is appropriating \$2,500, and will also underwrite the remaining \$2,000 which is to be raised by solicitation, so that no indebtedness will be incurred.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed church building in Abilene, Kansas.

SUNNYDALE ACADEMY -- ADMINISTRATION BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Central Union on behalf of the Missouri Conference for approval of the erection of an administration building for Sunnydale Academy, at an estimated cost of \$155,000. They have on hand material valued at \$81,000 and cash to the amount of \$4,500. The union will appropriate \$30,000, and the conference \$20,000 from the 1950 Ingathering reversion, leaving a balance of \$19,500 still to be raised.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the administration building for the Sunnydale Academy, on the understanding that the work of construction will proceed only as the funds are in hand.

MORGANTON CHURCH BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Southern Union on behalf of the Carolina Conference for approval of the erection of a

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church building for the church at Morganton, North Carolina, at a cost of \$9,000. The church has cash in hand and pledges of donated labor to cover this amount,

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed church building at Morganton, North Carolina.

GREENVILLE CHURCH BUILDING:

Request was presented from the Southern Union on behalf of the Carolina Conference for approval of the erection of a new church building for the Greenville church, at a cost of \$41,000. The church has \$25,000 cash in hand, and expects to receive at least \$6,000 from the sale of their present church building, and the balance is covered by reliable pledges.

VOTED, That we approve of the erection of the proposed new church building for the church in Greenville, South Carolina.

CHINA DIVISION -- BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:

VOTED, That the officers be asked to appoint a committee to make adjustments in the China Division budgets, in view of the recent transfer of workers to other divisions.

Committee appointed: W.E.Nelson, E.D.Dick, W.H.Villiams, W.P.Bradley, A.W.Cormack, E.J.Johanson.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That instead of China, as formerly voted, the Far Eastern Division be the field to benefit by the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow for the fourth quarter of 1950.

VOTED, That the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow for the first quarter of 1951 be designated for the Southern African Division; the second quarter for the South American Division; the fields to benefit by the overflows for the third and fourth quarters to be named later.

COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED:

VOTED, That A.V.Olson be added to the Committee on Home for the Aged, and that Elder Olson be requested to serve as chairman of the committee, in place of J.J.Nethery, who is ill.

COMMITTEE ON COLPORTEUR-PASTOR PLAN:

VOTED, That G.A. Huse be added to the Committee on the Colporteur-Pastor Plan.

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RUBY MORMON--LAKE REGION CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Publishing Association the call from the Lake Union for Miss Ruby Mormon to connect with the work in the Lake Region Conference.

H.E.RICE--PORTER SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union Conference and the New England Sanitarium the call from the Central Union for H.E.Rice to connect with the Porter Sanitarium as business manager.

D.G.NASH--WALKER MEMORIAL SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to D.G. Nash, returned from China, the call from the Southern Union and the Florida Conference, to connect with the Walker Memorial Sanitarium.

E.W.STRIPLIN--OREGON:

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

ROGER HOLLEY--CAROLINA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the Iowa Conference the call from the Southern Union for Roger Holley to connect with the Carolina Conference for evangelistic work.

C.L.PADDOCK--PACIFIC PRESS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Publishing Association the call from the Pacific Press for C.L.Paddock to connect with the Omaha Branch of the Pacific Press as manager.

REUBEN SCHNEIDER--EAST PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference the call from the Columbia Union for Reuben Schneider to connect with the work in the East Pennsylvania Conference.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

J.A.Buckwalter, Week of Prayer at Walla Walla College, October 7-15; Southern Missionary College, Yeek of Prayer, October 28-November 5.

T.L.Oswald, Southern Union, September 16-25.

W.A.Butler, Ontario-Quebec Conference, September 27 - October 2; Maritime Conference, October 22-25.

H.F.Brown, Alberta Conference, October 14-16; Canadian Union Publishing Convention, October 17-19.

M.L.Andreasen, North Pacific Union, September 16-October 2.

Miss Lois Burnett, American Hospital Association meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, September 26-31.

Miss Grace Fields, Home Missionary Department Advisory Committee meeting. Nashville. October 26-31.

Secretaries of the General Conference Home Missionary and Publishing Departments, Advisory Committee meetings and other meetings in connection therewith, Nashville, Tennessee.

W.B.Ochs, Illinois Workers Meeting, and Hinsdale, September 20; College of Medical Evangelists Board meeting.

S.L.FROST--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the China Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of S.L.Frost from Shanghai.

E.L.GARDNER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Inter-American Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of E.L. Gardner and family from Jamaica.

R.R.OSBORNE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the South American Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of R.R. Osborne and family from Brazil.

AUSTRALASIAN INTER-UNION--CALENDAR QUESTION:

A cable was received from F.A.Mote, of the Australasian Inter-Union Conference, stating that the Australian Government is not sending delegates to the U.N.Assembly, and requesting that we arrange for one or two representatives from this office to make contact with the Australian Ambassador and the New Zealand Minister, in Washington, and register with them the opposition of the Australasian Inter-Union Conference to any change in the Galendar.

VOTED, That the Committee on the Calendar Question be asked to make the necessary arrangements for complying with this request.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman. W.P.Bradley, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

FOUR HUNDRED THIRTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 12, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

L K Dickson, J L McElhany, A V Olson, W B Ochs, H T Elliott, E D Dick, W P Bradley, N W Dunn, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, A W Cormack, W E Nelson, W H Villiams, H H Cobban, E J Johanson, J F Cummins, Roger Altman, J J Ireland, M L Rice, M V Campbell, D A Ochs, L E Lenheim, J D Smith, C A Scriven, C L Bauer, V G Anderson, J W Turner, G A Huse, H W Lowe, W K Ising, D A McAdams, E E Franklin, J A Stevens, R Ruhling, F H Robbins, E J Lorntz, G M Mathews, K J Reynolds, Miss Lois Burnett, E E Cossentine, F D Nichol, C S Longacre, J R Ferren, H H Votaw, H A Morrison, Claude Conard, T L Oswald, W A Butler, L E Froom, W A Scharffenberg, Paul Wickman, W H Teesdale, R A Anderson, L A Skinner, F H Yost.

OTHERS PRESENT:

A L White, Frederick Lee, J J Reiswig, James Howarth, M G Dealy.

Prayer by M.V. Campbell. Minutes of the meeting of September 8 were approved.

GENERAL CONFERENCE HELP FOR OVERSEAS DIVISIONS:

VOTED, To approve of the following schedule of General Conference help for overseas divisions, as submitted by the officers.

Paul Wickman to the Central European Division in connection with his visit to Southern Europe, Northern Europe and the British Union.

Representative from the Missionary Volunteer Department to Southern Europe for Missionary Volunteer Department Council and other appointments in the Division.

W.H.Williams and E.D.Dick to winter Committee meetings of the Northern and Southern European Divisions, December 16 to January 3.

L.L.Moffitt, Far East, Union Sabbath School Committees, last of year and early 1950.

A.V.Olson, Inter-American Division Winter Meeting, December 12-21, and union meetings as may be arranged.

- H.H.Cobban, Inter-American Division Winter Meeting, December 12-21, and West Indian Union Meeting in January.
- N.W.Dunn, Inter-American Division Winter Meeting, December 12-21.
- T.L.Oswald, Inter-American Division Winter Meeting, December 12-21, and other meetings as may be arranged.
- J.I.Robison, West African Union, preceding appointment Northern European Division, March 20.
- E.J.Johanson, Winter Meetings of the Middle East Union and the Southern Asia Division.

NORTHERN EUROPE AND BRITISH UNION -- STUDY GROUP:

In harmony with our action of April 25, 1949, that representatives from the General Conference join with representatives of the British Union and the Northern European Division in a study of the status of Newbold Missionary College and related problems in division and union relationships,

VOTED, That, on recommendation of the officers, this group be constituted as follows: J.L.McElhany, W.E.Nelson, E.D. Dick, J.I.Robison, H.M.Blunden, E.E.Cossentine; G.A.Lindsay, A.Karlman, William McClements, Presidents of the East Nordic, West Nordic and Netherlands Unions; E.B.Rudge, A.Carey, G.D.King, W.R.A.Madgwick, W.W.Armstrong, and O.M.Dorland; and that they meet in London, England, March 20, 1950.

APPEAL FROM REVIEW AND HERALD WORKERS:

The officers having been asked to appoint a committee to hear an appeal from a group of Review and Herald workers, this committee was announced as follows:

W.B.Ochs, A.V.Olson, L.K.Dickson, W.E.Nelson, J.L.McEl-hany, A.W.Cormack, E.E.Cossentine, J.A.Stevens, T.L.Oswald, C.A. Huse, W.P.Bradley.

C.H.LOWE--TEXICO CONFERENCE C.A.WOODLAND--MONTANA:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Upper Columbia Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for C.H.Lowe to connect with the Texico Conference as Publishing Department Secretary; and to pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Texico Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for C.A.Woodland to connect with the Montana Conference as Publishing Department Secretary.

G.T.DICKINSON--SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Oregon Conference the call from the Pacific Union for G.T.Dickinson to connect with the work in the Southeastern California Conference.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

G.A.Huse, Pacific Union Publishing Department Council, November 21-23; North Pacific Publishing Department Council, November 28-30.

Miss Helen Smith, Southern Publishing Association Constituency, and Home Missionary and Publishing Department Councils, Nashville, October 19-31.

Dr. T.R. Flaiz, College of Medical Evangelists, January 23 to February 10.

W.H.Williams, G.E.Peters, E.E.Cossentine, Oakwood College Board meeting, September 19.

E.J.Lorntz, French meetings in Montreal and Toronto, September 23-27.

C.S.Longacre, Texas, in connection with trip to meet appointments in Oklahoma.

DR. F.R.LEGGE--TRAVEL EXPENSE:

Dr. F.R.Legge, the minister from another denomination who has been authorized to attend the Seminary under the General Conference policy, and who has registered for this fall term, is being invited by some of his former associates to visit their churches and explain to them why he has joined the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. It was

VOTED, That we approve of meeting the expenses of Dr. F.R.Legge in responding to such invitations, when each such trip has been duly authorized by the General Conference officers.

ELEMENTARY BIBLE TEXTBOOKS:

The Educational Department sought counsel with reference to a question that has arisen in connection with the preparation

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of Bible textbooks for the fifth and sixth grades in our church schools, on whether or not other than the King James Version should be used in these books. Some have favored the use of a small percentage of references from Goodspeed's translation, rather than to use paraphrasing, in the effort to make the meaning more clear to children's minds. Statement was made that in the preparation of textbooks for the third and fourth grades, and also for the seventh and eighth grades, the King James Version only is being used.

Fear was expressed by many members of the Committee that more harm than good would result from introducing the use of other translations than the King James Version into the elementary Bible textbooks, and it was

VOTED, That we advise the committee preparing the Bible textbooks for the elementary grades to adhere to the use of the King James Version where the Scripture is quoted, and that where it seems necessary to introduce some other way of making the Bible story clear, paraphrasing be used rather than some other translation of the Bible.

L.K.Dickson, Chairman. H.T.Elliott, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

FOUR HUNDRED FOURTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 16, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

A V Olson, L K Dickson, W P Bradley, E D Dick, N W Dunn, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, A W Cormack, W E Nelson, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, E J Johanson, J J Ireland, J A Stevens, E E Cossentine, K J Reynolds, G M Mathews, J J Strahle, M E Kern, Dr E A Sutherland, L E Froom, H A Morrison, H W Lowe, H H Votaw, Paul Wickman, Claude Conard, G E Vandeman, L A Skinner, M C Taft, D A McAdams, Miss Lois Burnett, W A Scharffenberg, G A Huse.

Prayer by Paul Wickman. Minutes of the meeting of September 12 were approved.

DEATH OF MRS. H.T.ELLIOTT:

Our hearts have been made sad by the passing of Mrs. Mabel Elliott, wife of Elder H.T.Elliott, of our secretarial staff. Sister Elliott fell asleep last evening at the Washington Sanitarium. She was a devoted wife and mother, and esteemed by a large circle of friends.

RESOLVED, That we, the General Conference Committee do hereby extend to Brother Elliott, and to the daughters and their families, as well as other sorrowing relatives, our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in this sad bereavement. We pray that God may make very real to them in this hour of sorrow the comfort of the blessed hope.

VOTED, That the Treasurer be instructed to arrange for a floral tribute as from the General Conference Committee, for the funeral of Sister Elliott.

VOTED, That E.D.Dick and W.P.Elliott be authorized to attend the funeral of Mrs. H.T.Elliott, in Berrien Springs, Michigan, on Monday.

WASHINGTON SANITARIUM CHAPEL:

VOTED, To appropriate \$20,000 from the Contingency Fund, toward the erection of the proposed Washington Sanitarium chapel.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--EXHIBITS:

A request was presented from the Loma Linda Food Company, that at the 1950 General Conference session they be allowed space in the Auditorium for an exhibit of their products, and a re-

freshment stand. In view of the limited space made available to us in the Auditorium for the session, it was

VOTED, That there be no booth or corridor exhibits, except possibly for a book display, at the 1950 General Conference session, the departments being advised to display any materials they may have in the room where the department meets.

M.V.CAMPBELL--EUROPE:

VOTED, That M.V.Campbell, of the Central Union Conference, be invited to visit the Northern and Southern European Divisions, and the British Union Conference, attending winter meetings and making contact with the institutions in those fields.

MRS. V.L.JOHNSON--HIGHLAND ACADEMY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and Union College the call from the Southern Union for Mrs. V.L. Johnson to connect with the Highland Academy in Tennessee, as dean of girls.

E.M. CHALMERS -- CAROLINA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Hawaiian Mission the call from the Southern Union for E.M. Chalmers to connect with the Carolina Conference for pastor-evangelistic work.

R.H.CLAUSEN--CAROLINA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to R.H.Clausen, returned from China, the cell from the Southern Union to connect with the Carolina Conference for pastor-evangelistic work.

MILDRED MARKUSSEN--ARIZONA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union Conference and Atlantic Union College the call from the Pacific Union for Miss Mildred Markussen to connect with the Arizona Conference for work in the conference office.

WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS -- COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following named persons be appointed a Committee on Week of Prayer Readings for 1950:

J.I.Robison, chairman; E.E.Roenfelt, vice-chairman; F.D. Nichol, T.L.Oswald, L.K.Dickson, L.R.Rasmussen, E.W.Dunbar, Roger Altman, M.E.Kern, R.A.Anderson, L.L.Moffitt, G.H.Mathews.

DR. H.C.MENKEL AND G.ISAIAH -- CALENDAR QUESTION:

VOTED, That in harmony with the request of the Southern Asia Division, Dr. H.C.Menkel, of Colorado, and G.Isaiah, of the Division, now attending the Seminary, be authorized to go to New York, to register with the delegates to the U.N.Assembly the protest of the Southern Asia Division to any change in the calendar; the General Conference meeting the necessary expense.

MRS. HAZEL SEVRENS--MANILA:

VOTED, That on request of the Far Eastern Division, Mrs. Hazel Sevrens be transferred from China, with her budget, to the Philippine Union, for service in Manila.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

W.P.Elliott, College of Medical Evangelists Board meeting, September 29.

A.V.Olson, Alabama-Mississippi workers' meeting, September 19-21.

D.A.Delafield, annual meeting of self-supporting workers, Madison, November 4-7.

Dr. E.A.Sutherland, annual meeting of self-supporting workers, Madison, November 3-7; and visit units and schools at Reeves, Georgia, and Chunky, Alabama.

H.F.Brown, Southern New England, church officers' meetings, January 7-14.

Miss Louise Kleuser, appointments in Chicago (en route) Pacific, North Pacific, Canadian, and Northern Unions, September 29 - November 24.

G.E. Vandeman, appointments in Chicago (en route), Idaho workers' meeting, November 4-6; North Dakota workers' meeting, November 21-24.

W.A.Scharffenberg, union temperance secretaries' councils as follows: Atlantic and Columbia Unions, September 22-25, New York City; Southern, September 26-28, Southern Missionary College; Central, Northern and Southwestern Unions, October 12-16, Union College; Canadian, October 18-19, Winnipeg; Lake Union, November 17-19, Emmanuel Missionary College.

G.E.Peters, Los Angeles, California.

J.I.Robison, Atlanta, Georgia.

COLLEGE SURVEY COMMITTEE -- W. B. OCHS:

VOTED, That W.B.Ochs be asked to serve as acting chairman of the College Survey Committee, in the absence of J.J.Nethery.

WEST INDIAN TRAINING COLLEGE--SURVEY COMMITTEE:

The officers having been requested to appoint two members to serve on a committee to make a survey of the West Indian Training College, announcement was made that W.E.Nelson and E.E. Cossentine are the two members who have been appointed. It is understood that the committee will meet early in May.

LESLIE L.DUNN---PUERTO RICO SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and the Wisconsin Conference to release Leslie L.Dunn, to connect with the Inter-American Division, as manager of the Puerto Rico Sanitarium.

ETHEL BOCCHECIAMP--RELEASED:

VOTED, That inasmuch as the way is not clear for her to accept, Miss Ethel Boccheciamp be released from the call to the Chulumani Hospital, in Bolivia.

WOLFE ISMOND--ANGOLA:

VOTED, To pass on to Wolfe Ismond, returning to America from China, the call from the Southern African Division to connect with the Angola Union Mission as secretary-treasurer, it being understood that Brother Ismond will have his furlough in America before proceeding to Angola, for a full term of service.

JESSE CLIFFORD -- SALARY:

VOTED, To make available to the British Union from the Contingency Fund, six months' salary on behalf of Jesse Clifford, following the six months allowed by the West African Union. Brother Clifford spent thirty years in mission service in West Africa, and on returning to his homeland is connecting with the work in England.

A.V.Olson, Chairman. W.P.Bradley, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Seciy.

FOUR HUNDRED FIFTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 19, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W B Ochs, L K Dickson, W P Bradley, N W Dunn, H H Cobban, J J Ireland, J A Stevens, H H Votaw, L L Moffitt, E E Franklin, Paul Wickman, J J Strahle, E J Lorntz, K J Reynolds, H W Lowe, W A Butler, Claude Conard, G M Mathews, W H Teesdale, G A Huse, R Ruhling, W A Scharffenberg.

Prayer by Paul Wickman.

ETHEL HOWARD--RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union Conference to release Miss Ethel Howard, to connect with the General Conference for stenographic work in the Religious Liberty Department.

VOTED, To extend the sponsorship which will be required by the Government on behalf of Miss Ethel Howard, in connection with her application for visa to the United States.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

Dr. J.W.McFarland, Cortland, New York, September 27.

Meade MacGuire, two months in the Central California Conference for revival work, exact time to be arranged.

DEATH OF A.W.ANDERSON:

Cable was read from F.A.Mote, of Australia, telling of the death of Elder A.W.Anderson late Sunday night. Elder Anderson, as evangelist and writer, was a valued worker through the years in the Australasian field.

RESOLVED, That the Secretary be asked to convey to Elder Roy A.Anderson, of our Ministerial Association, and Dr. Clifford Anderson, of Worthington, Ohio, and to Sister A.W.Anderson and other members of the family in Australia, an expression of our sincere sympathy in this hour of sorrow.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman, W.P.Bradley, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 22, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

L K Dickson, W P Bradley, E D Dick, J I Robison, N W Dunn E E Roenfelt, A W Cormack, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, Roger Altman, J A Stevens, H H Votaw, E J Lorntz, G M Mathews, L Halswick, K J Reynolds, L A Skinner, Miss Lois Burnett, Claude Conard, H W Barrows, R A Anderson, H W Lowe, L L Moffitt, E E Franklin, R Ruhling, G A Huse, M C Taft, M E Kern.

Prayer by L.Halswick. Minutes of meetings held September 16 and 19 were approved.

WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS FOR 1950:

The Committee on Week of Prayer Readings for 1950 submitted the following report, which was adopted:

We recommend, 1. That the topics and writers for the Week of Prayer Readings, November 11-18, 1950, be as follows:

Sabbath Our Supreme Need. -- J.L.McElhany.

Sunday In the Fulness of Time. -- A.W. Spalding.

Monday At the Door. -- W.L. Emmerson.

Tuesday What Manner of Persons Ought Ye to Be?

Wednesday Our Youth in the World Crisis .-- T.Z.Lucas.

Thursday To Every Nation and Kindred and Tongue. -- J.I.Robison.

Friday Where Your Treasure Is. -- A.L. Ham.

Sabbath Come Out of Her My People. -- Mrs. E.G. White.

We recommend, 2. That Mrs. Ruth Wheeler be requested to prepare the Children's Lessons.

We recommend, 3. That the letter to church elders and pastors be prepared by Roger Altman.

HERBERT NELSON--MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Ohio Conference the call from the Lake Union for Herbert Nelson to connect with the Michigan Conference as Educational Superintendent.

W.A.BENJAMIN--APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That W.A.Benjamin be authorized to make a trip to Cedar Lake Academy, in Michigan, en route to the Autumn Council.

DR. R.W.ROYER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That inasmuch as he feels he must remain in the homeland for a time, we regretfully change the return of Dr. R.W. Royer from Bechuanaland, South Africa, from the furlough to the permanent return basis.

L.K.Dickson, Chairman. W.P.Bradley, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 26, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

A V Olson, L K Dickson, H T Elliott, E D Dick, W P Bradley E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, W H Williams, H H Cobban, E J Johanson, J F Cummins, J J Ireland, J A Stevens, H H Votaw, K J Reynolds, R Ruhling, E J Lorntz, L Halswick, Dr J Nussbaum, R A Anderson, J J Strahle, W E Murray, F D Nichol, Claude Conard, H W Lowe, F H Yost, W K Ising, H A Morrison, Paul Wickman, W H Teesdale, D E Rebok, Dr E A Sutherland, L A Skinner, J R Ferren, M E Kern, E E Franklin, W A Scharffenberg, L L Moffitt, Dr J W McFarland, G E Vandeman, G A Huse, M C Taft.

OTHERS PRESENT:

B F Perez, D E Robinson, A L White, L C Evans.

Prayer by W.E.Murray.

CALENDAR QUESTION:

F.H.Yost, B.F.Perez and Dr. J.Nussbaum reported on their recent trip to New York, where the United Nations Assembly is in session. These brethren had been asked to go to New York to make contact with delegates to the U.N.Assembly, in an effort to have the Calendar Reform question taken from the agenda of the meeting. They were happy to report that as a result of the vote in the committee dealing with the matter, the chairman declared the item stricken from the agenda. Feeling, however, that while there is now no possibility of putting into effect the "blank day" calendar idea in the 1950-1951 period, as the proponents of that idea had hoped, the attempt may be made again in 1955 or 1960, they therefore suggested a number of recommendations relative to steps which might be taken to meet the issue. It was

VOTED, That these recommendations be referred to the Committee on Calendar Revision for study, and then to the officers for consideration, with a view to being submitted to the Autumn Council for action.

F.R.LEGGE:

F.R.Legge, the minister from another denomination who is now attending the Seminary, and who has applied for membership in one of the churches of the Greater New York Conference, is meeting at times with groups of his former church associates. Believing that the situation is unusual and requires unusual action, and that his position would be strengthened in dealing with these groups if he could still meet them as an ordained minister, it was

VOTED, That upon receipt of word from the Greater New York Conference that his application for membership in one of their churches has been granted, ministerial credentials for the period ending December 31, 1950, be granted to F.R.Legge.

VOTED, further, to meet the expense of returning Brother Legge's family from England, where Mrs. Legge had gone for medical attention.

MRS. MARTA LICITIS -- SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, To extend the sponsorship required by the Government on behalf of Mrs. Marta Licitis, in connection with her application for visa to the United States. Mrs. Licitis is a Latvian citizen, a nurse, now in England. She wishes to come to America to be near her mother and sister, who are being brought to America under the displaced persons program from internment camps in Germany. The Washington Sanitarium will give her work on her arrival here.

DR. T.R.FLAIZ--SOUTHERN EUROPE:

VOTED, That Dr. T.R.Flaiz be authorized to stop in Southern Europe en route home from Africa, in response to the request of the Southern European Division.

INTRODUCTORY SPIRIT OF PROPHECY LIBRARY:

A report from the Promotion Committee of the Introductory Spirit of Prophecy Library was submitted, and adopted as follows:

We recommend, That the following appropriations be made from the Introductory Spirit of Prophecy Library Fund to aid in the publication of the E.G. White books:

To the Australasian Inter-Union Conference, \$750 for Great Controversy, Abridged, in Fijian.

To the Far Eastern Division, \$600 each for Testimony Selections, Volume 1, in Tagalog, Ilocano, Cebuan, Panayan, Korean; and \$500 for Story of Redemption, in Siamese.

To the South American Division, \$500 for Evangelism, Abridged, in Spanish; \$1,500 for Testimony Selections, Volumes 1-3, in Spanish.

JODY KETTERMAN-GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Illinois Conference the call from the Southern Union for Miss Jody Ketterman to connect with the work in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

WILLIAM MURRILL--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To place in the hands of William Murrill, of the Department of Purchase and Supply, the call from the Columbia Union to connect with Washington Missionary College.

MARY NEUFELD--EAST PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To place in the hands of Miss Mary Neufeld, of the E.G. White Publications office, the call from the Columbia Union, to connect with the East Pennsylvania Conference as a Bible Instructor.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITIMERARIES:

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

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A.V.Olson, self-supporting workers meeting at Madison, November 3-6.

K.J.Reynolds and E.J.Johanson, Atlantic Union College, October 3,4.

K.J.Reynolds, Teachers! College in New York City, October 5,6, in connection with trip to Atlantic Union College.

BIBLE READING PROGRAM:

VOTED, That the officers be asked to appoint a committee of five to do the promotion work this year in connection with the annual Bible Reading Program that is sponsored by the American Bible Society.

A.V.Olson, Chairman. H.T.Elliott, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 29, 1949

MEMBERS PRESENT:

L K Dickson, A V Olson, W P Bradley, E D Dick, H T Elliott J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, W H Williams, H H Cobban, J F Cummins, Roger Altman, J A Stevens, L L Moffitt, H H Votaw, J J Ireland, L E Froom, R Ruhling, T L Oswald, J J Strahle, E E Franklin, H W Barrows, Claude Conard, D A McAdams, W K Ising, J R Ferren, L A Skinner, H A Morrison, W H Teesdale, M E Kern, F D Nichol, Dr J W McFarland, Dr E A Sutherland, G A Huse, D E Rebok, M C Taft.

Prayer by J.J.Strahle. Minutes of meetings held September 22 and 26 were approved.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OVERFLOW--FOURTH QUARTER, 1948:

In view of the transfer of a portion of the West African Union territory to the Southern European Division as of December 31, 1948,

VOTED, That of the portion of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow for the fourth quarter of 1948 that was to go to the West African Union, 18% be passed to the Southern European Division.

TIBET--SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

Suggestion has come from the China Division that recent developments would seem to indicate it may be possible to open a medical mission in Tibet, with entrance into the country through Darjeeling. In view of this, and in view of the impossibility at present of operating any work in Tibet from China, the China Division has suggested that the territory of Tibet be made a part of the Southern Asia Division. This proposition having been laid before the Southern Asia Division, and approved by them, therefore

VOTED, That the territory of Tibet be transferred from the China to the Southern Asia Division.

CHINA DIVISION BUDGET -- ADJUSTMENTS:

The committee that was appointed to make adjustments in the China Division budget in view of recent transfers of workers to other fields, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

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We recommend, 1. That salary and worker's expense be provided for the following workers by the Far Eastern Division, this expense to be taken on by the Far Eastern Division as of the date of the workers leaving China:

Place of Labor

J.L.Bowers

A.R.Boynton

A.V.Dick

Thora Thomsen

W.H.Wood

W.G.Dick, M.D.

Palau

Korea

Mountain Province, P.I.

Manila

Manila

(In Dr. Dick's case, budget and expense to be provided by China until December 31, 1949)

2. That salary and worker's expense of the following be provided by the Southern Asia Division, as of the date of leaving China:

C.S.Cooper Ceylon
Annie L.Gifford Burma
Ella May Stoneburner Nuzvid
R.G.Ubbink West Pakistan

3. That salary and worker's expense, including rent allowance, child allowance, furlough allowance (and any reserve which may have been set up for furlough workers) of the following be provided by the China Division for the workers being temporarily allocated to the Far Eastern Division:

John Anderson, A.K.Davis, M.N.Hempel, Warren Hilliard, Stanley Sargeant, J.A.Scharffenberg, M.D., Mrs. Hazel Sevrens, M.C.Warren.

4. The following workers to be temporarily transferred to the Southern Asia Division, with the China Division providing for the salary and worker's expense, including rent allowance, child allowance, furlough allowance (and any reserve which may have been set up for furlough workers):

N.O.Dahlsten, F.W.Detamore, Z.H.Coberly, A.Fossey, C.B. Guild, C.R.Holford, Henry Meissner, A.W.Robinson, Albert Schimke P.H.Shigley, Miss Svea Hoglund.

5. That salary and worker's expense for 1949 be provided by the China Division for the following workers, who have been called by the Southern Asia Division, to open the work in Tibet:

R.H.Dunn, M.D., William Hilliard, Miss Gertrude Green.

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- We recommend, 6. (a) That the General Conference appropriate from the Emergency Fund the sum necessary to pay the transportation of the last three groups of workers from China to the respective divisions receiving said workers.
- (b) That an outfitting allowance be granted each worker, the sum to be equivalent to that set forth in the regular policy for transfer of workers between divisions, this provision to come from the Emergency Fund.
- (c) That itemized reports be submitted to the General Conference, giving weight of shipment, as well as cost of shipment of goods for each individual worker.
- We recommend, 7. (a) That the China Division Committee give first consideration to all reports of losses on equipment for workers evacuating from their division, and make such recommendations to the General Conference as they may see fit in the light of the experience of each worker.
- (b) That in the light of the China Division Committee recommendations, the General Conference make final settlement with each worker.
- We recommend, 8. That transportation expense reports coming from the China Division be made in full, including all partial shipments which have formerly been sent to the homeland or other division fields.
- 9. That as each worker leaves for his new division appointment, the China Division transfer to the receiving division, through the General Conference, a budget for each worker, including salary, general worker's expense, rent allowance, child allowance, and furlough allowance (including reserves set up for the furlough period of service given the China Division).

S.KAPLAN--TAKOMA PARK:

VOTED, That inasmuch as S.Kaplan is working in connection with the Religious Liberty Department, we approve of his moving his family from Catonsville to Takoma Park.

HOME FOR AGED WORKERS:

VOTED, That the officers be asked to nominate a committee to give study to suggestions which have been made toward providing low cost homes in a mild climate for retired aged workers; and that there be referred to this committee also for preliminary study the question of rent subsidy for sustentation beneficiaries.

D.A.CONE--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That D.A.Cone, returned from the Inter-American Division, be invited to connect with the General Conference, for service with the Insurance Agency.

H.L. RASMUSSEN--EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to H.L.Rasmussen, returning from the Southern African Division, the call from the Lake Union to connect with the faculty of Emmanuel Missionary College.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

D.A.McAdams, Colporteur Institute, Minneapolis, October 15,16, en route to Winnipeg.

T.L.Oswald, week end of October 22 at Oakwood College; two weeks following Autumn Council, Pacific Union Conference.

T.L.Oswald, H.F.Brown, J.E.Edwards, W.A.Butler, Lay Preachers' Convention in Southern Union, November 5.6.

E.E.Franklin, Northern and Central Union Publishing Department meeting, Omaha, Nebraska, October 18,19.

J.E.Edwards, Home Missionary Department Convention, Northern New England Conference, December 17,18.

Meade MacGuire, Glendale, October 7-15.

E.E. FRANKLIN--AIR TRANSPORTATION:

VOTED, That E.E.Franklin be authorized to use air transportation from Omaha, to meet his appointment in Nashville.

ARTHUR L.WHITE--HONG KONG:

VOTED, That in connection with his visit in the Far Eastern Division, Arthur L.White be authorized to respond to the request of the China Division to spend a week with the school at Kowloon.

STANLEY SARGEANT -- FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That we approve of the transfer of Stanley Sargeant from the China to the Far Eastern Division, the time of transfer to be worked out between the two divisions.

PERRY A.GREEN--GWZLO BOARDING SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference to release Perry A.Green, to connect with the Southern African Division, to serve as principal of the Gwelo Boarding School, in the Rhodesia-Bechuanaland Conference.

BIBLE READING PROGRAM:

Announcement was made that the officers, instead of appointing a committee on the Bible Reading Program for this year, as was suggested in our last meeting, had asked the Sabbath School Department to promote the program, and the Sabbath School Department has accepted the assignment.

L.K.Dickson, Chairman. W.P.Bradley, Secretary. E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.