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ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

W H Branson, R R Figuhr, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, Roger Altman, J F Cummins, E E Franklin, J A Stevens, L L Moffitt, E W Dunbar, D A McAdams, H A Morrison, V E Hendershot, G M Mathews, F D Nichol, H W Lowe, A W Johnson, E J Johanson, N F Brewer, G E Peters, J R Ferren, M C Taft, E B Hare, W E Read, G B Haynes, A L White, W A Benjamin.

OTHERS PRESENT:

S Kaplan, R Ruhling, R E Crawford, J J Ireland.

Prayer by E.W.Dunbar. Minutes of the meeting of January 31 were approved.

T.H.STOCKTON--RELEASED:

VOTED, That T.H.Stockton be released from the call to Fiji, on account of unfavorable medical report.

EVA DICKERSON--RELEASED:

VOTED, That since she does not see her way clear to accept, Miss Eva Dickerson be released from the call to the Chulumani Hospital in Bolivia.

MARY C.MOORE--CHULUMANI HOSPITAL

VOTED, To request the Lake Union Conference and the Hinsdale Sanitarium to release Miss Mary C.Moore, to connect with the South American Division as nurse for the Chulumani Hospital.

R.C.BARRON--BURMA:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and the West Pennsylvania Conference to release R.C.Barron, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, as pastor-evangelist for Rangoon, Burma.

WERNER AESCHLIMANN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Inter-American Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of Werner Aeschlimann from Colombia to Chile, South America, his homeland

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NEANDER HARDER--EMPLOYMENT IN SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we approve of the action of the South American Division in employing as a regular worker, with furlough privileges, Neander Harder, son of A.C. Harder, who grew up in Brazil during his father's term of service in that field.

C.A.W. RITCHIE--AUSTRALASIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Asia Division the call from the Australasian Inter-Union for C.A.W. Ritchie to connect with the work in Australasia, on the understanding that the responsibility for meeting the transportation of himself and his family to Australasia be his own, and that he is not entitled to any of the regular allowances in connection with transferring to a new field of labor, nor to furlough privileges.

PAUL WICKMAN--PICTURES FOR SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

The Australasian Inter-Union has arranged with Paul Wickman to do some photographic work for them in connection with his itinerary in their island fields, and have made funds available for this purpose. The General Conference Sabbath School Department has been authorized to produce a film for use in connection with the observance of the Sabbath School Centennial Year. The Department would like to have Brother Wickman while he is doing this work for Australasia take some pictures for them suitable for use in the Sabbath School film. It was

VOTED, That Paul Wickman be authorized to take some pictures for the Sabbath School Department, for use in the Sabbath School film, in connection with the photographic work he is doing for the Australasian Inter-Union, with the understanding that no extra travel will be involved.

SABBATH SCHOOL CENTENARY:

The Sabbath School Department had planned to get out a brochure on the Sabbath School Centenary, but suggestion has been made that they use a special number of the Review instead, twelve pages of a special number being offered for this purpose. Included in the suggestion was the thought that it might be desirable to send this number to the list that receives the regular quarterly color number of the Review.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan for a special number of the Review, in which twelve pages will be devoted to the Sabbath School Centenary.

VOTED, further, that the Chair be asked to appoint a committee to give consideration to the question of meeting the expense should it be considered desirable to send this special number to the list that receives the quarterly color number of Review.

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Committee appointed: R.R.Figuhr, L.L.Moffitt, W.H.Williams

BIBLE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That C.L.Bauer be added to the Planning Committee for the Bible Conference.

VOTED, That the question of a date for a meeting of the Committee for the Bible Conference be referred to the officers, with power to act.

The officers later set March 10 and 11 in Washington for the meeting of the Committee.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

R.E.Crawford, city rallies committee meetings, Northern Union, February 18, and Atlantic Union, February 25. Syracuse, New York, March 1; Buffalo, March 8; Rochester, March 15.

L.L.Moffitt, Atlantic Union workers' meeting, March 16-20.

H.W.Lowe, Atlanta, Georgia, February 12-14, instead of L.L.Moffitt as previously authorized.

F.D.Nichol, city rallies, Columbia, South Carolina, February 23; Greenville, February 24; Spartanburg, February 25; and Charlotte, North Carolina, February 26.

E.E.Roenfelt, city rallies, Charleston, South Carolina, February 27; Wilmington, North Carolina, February 28; Wilson-Goldsboro, February 29; Raleigh-Durham, March 1; Greensboro-High Point, March 2.

G.E.Peters, workers' meeting, South Atlantic Conference, February 26,27.

E.E.Franklin, Southern Union, February 19-March 5.

D.Loie Burnett, annual Council on Medical Missions, Chicago, June 12-15.

E.R.Walde, itinerary in Pacific Union extended to March 13.

D.E.Rebok, Emmanuel Missionary College, for Spirit of Prophecy Week, April 27-May 3.

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L.A. Skinner, tri-state Youth Congress, West Lebanon, New Hampshire, February 16; Southern New England Pathfinder Institute South Lancaster, February 23; Florida Youth Congress, Orlando, March 1-8 and itinerary following; Pathfinder Training Course, Nashville, March 22-29; Master Guide, Emmanuel Missionary College, week end of April 25-27.

That B.E. Wagner be released from the appointment in the Ontario-Quebec Conference, March 7-14.

K.S. CROFOOT--WASHINGTON SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to K.S. Crofoot, returned from Jamaica, the call to connect with the Washington Sanitarium as assistant chaplain.

EMMA P. WILSON--ESDA SALES AND SERVICE:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union Conference and the Canadian Watchman Press to release Miss Emma P. Wilson, to connect with the General Conference for office work with Esda Sales and Service.

JERRY WIRSZ--ESDA SALES AND SERVICE:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference to release Jerry Wirsz to connect with the General Conference for work with Esda Sales and Service.

VISITORS TO PRESS BUREAU WORKSHOP:

VOTED, That the following persons be invited to attend the Press Bureau Workshop to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 11-13: Caspar Nannes, of the Washington Evening Star; Donald Bolles, of the National Council of Churches, New York; and Cecil Coffey, of the Atlanta Constitution; the transportation and entertainment expense to be met from the budget of the Bureau of Press Relations.

MRS. PATTIE BJAANES AND CHILDREN--SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, On recommendation of the Northern European Division Committee, to extend the sponsorship required by the Government on behalf of Mrs. Pattie Bjaanes and three children in connection with their application for visas to the United States. This is the family of Erling Bjaanes, a worker in the Ethiopian Union, for whom sponsorship was authorized by our action of September 13, 1951.

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HARRIS PINE MILLS:

The Chairman, Elder Branson, gave a report of recent meetings in Pendleton and Portland, Oregon, re the Harris Pine Mills. W.H.Williams, W.B.Ochs, M.C.Taft, W.E.Nelson and W.H. Branson met with C.H.Harris, C.J.Nagele and representatives of the law firm of Griffith, Phillips and Coughlin, of Portland. The subject discussed at these meetings was the question of re-organizing the Harris Pine Mills so as to facilitate the operation of the business under General Conference direction.

In his report, Elder Branson said that all of the Harris Pine Mills stock has now been signed over to the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Two meetings were held, one on January 24 in Pendleton, and the other in Portland on February 1 in the offices of the attorneys, Griffith, Phillips and Coughlin. At the second meeting two certified public accountants who are tax experts were also in attendance.

At the Portland meeting the attorneys presented a written statement which was the result of prolonged study in consultation with M.C.Taft and the two certified public accountants, in which the following plans were recommended:

1. The eventual dissolution of the present organization known as "The Harris Pine Mills, Inc."
2. The organization of two new corporations in Oregon:
 - a. An operating company probably to be known as "The Harris Pine Mills Company."
 - b. A holding company which would hold the property for the denomination and lease same to the operating company.

The representatives of the General Conference who were present at the above mentioned meeting in Portland, together with C.H.Harris and C.J.Nagele, later met alone without the Portland attorneys, and agreed to recommend the above plan to the General Conference Committee for adoption.

After giving consideration to the matter, it was

VOTED, To authorize M.C.Taft and his counselors in Portland, Griffith, Phillips and Coughlin, to proceed along the lines suggested, carefully exploring further the advisability of perfecting a dual organization in Oregon for the purpose stated in their recommendation, that is, one operating board with a commercial name, and one holding company with a denominational name.

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

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 11, 1952

The meeting was held immediately following the morning worship hour.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W H Branson, R R Figuhr, W B Ochs, J I Robison, E D Dick, H T Elliott, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, J F Cummins, G M Matheys, A W Johnson, J A Stevens, L A Skinner, Dr J W McFarland, E B Hare, N F Brewer, K J Reynolds, W E Read, L L Moffitt, B E Wagner, M C Taft, E W Dunbar.

OTHERS PRESENT:

R E Crawford, Wesley Amundsen.

FIJI HURRICANE RELIEF:

Request was presented from the Australasian Inter-Union Conference for some assistance in their efforts to rehabilitate the school and union mission headquarters properties destroyed by the recent hurricane in Fiji.

VOTED, That cable be sent to the Australasian Inter-Union, requesting information relative to the total loss not covered by insurance, and giving assurance that we shall be glad to assist in the cost of rehabilitation when this information is received.

LONDON EVANGELISTIC EFFORT--APPROPRIATION:

Word was received from G.E. Vandeman from London, reporting the British Union has been successful in securing the use of the Coliseum Theater on Trafalgar Square in connection with the evangelistic effort and school of evangelism they are planning to hold in London. It is estimated that the cost of the effort, aside from the salaries of the workers, will be £22,000, toward which the division and the union have provision for meeting £18,500.

VOTED, To appropriate £3,500 from the Contingency Fund to the Northern European Division to assist in meeting the expense of the evangelistic effort to be held in the city of London.

JEWISH LITERATURE COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That E.L. Branson be added to the Committee on Jewish Literature appointed by action of November 1, 1951.

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

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 14, 1952

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W B Ochs, W H Branson, R R Figuhr, E D Dick, H T Elliott,
E E Roenfelt, J I Robison, N W Dunn, W H Williams, J F Cummins,
J A Stevens, N F Brewer, Dr J W McFarland, V E Hendershot, B E
Wagner, H H Votaw, E W Dunbar, J C Thompson, F D Nichol, A A Esteb
A W Johnson, H A Morrison, K J Reynolds, E E Franklin, A L White,
D A McAdams, W A Scharffenberg.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Wesley Amundsen, R Ruhling, R E Crawford, S Kaplan, J J
Ireland.

Prayer by Wesley Amundsen. Minutes of the meeting of
February 7 were approved.

PERIODICAL FOR JUNIORS--COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That I.J.Woodman be appointed to take the place
of H.G.Childs on the Committee on a Periodical for Juniors.

SCHOOLS OF NURSING--MEETING OF DIRECTORS:

VOTED, That Miss Mazie A.Herin, of Union College, be
appointed to take the place of Miss Ethel Walder as chairman of
the meeting of Directors of Schools of Nursing, to be held in
Washington June 23 to July 2.

REQUEST OF SEMINARY FOR SERVICES OF L.E.FROOM:

VOTED, To accede to the request of the Theological
Seminary Board for the services of L.E.Froom in connection with
the Seminary Extension Course that is to be conducted in Mexico
City in July and August.

MADISON SURVEY:

VOTED, That W.H.Williams, K.J.Reynolds, W.B.Ochs and
W.E.Phillips be authorized to meet in Madison beginning Feb-
ruary 17, for some work preliminary to the meeting of the large
Madison Survey Commission scheduled for February 19 and 20, and
that we request the Southern Union for the services of H.E.
Schneider to serve with this special group.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION - MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION SECRETARY:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Far Eastern Divis-
ion Committee, V.T.Armstrong be appointed secretary of the Minis-
terial Association of the Far Eastern Division.

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OVERSEAS DIVISION APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following arrangements relative to appointments in overseas divisions.

E.E.Cossentine, Southern African Division, March 25 to June 27; Mauritius and Madagascar, to July 15; Northern European Educational Council, in England, July 18-31.

L.R.Rasmussen, Northern European Educational Council, July 18-31.

Dr. S.Horn, M.K.Eckenroth, L.E.Froom, Theological Seminary Course in Mexico City, July and August.

That in harmony with the request of the South American Division, we approve of a ten-day extension of Dr. J.W.McFarland's itinerary in South America which was authorized by our action of December 27, 1951.

That Drs. W.E.Macpherson and F.B.Moor be released from attending the Northern European Division Medical Council in Oslo, in April, since other duties make it impossible for them to meet this appointment.

PAUL WICKMAN:

A suggestion was received from Paul Wickman, who is at present in Australia, that his itinerary be extended somewhat. It was

VOTED, That Paul Wickman be counseled to hold to his original itinerary of approximately four months in the Australasian Inter-Union, and the Far Eastern and Middle East Divisions.

PETER SKOV--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Peter Skov, student in the College of Medical Evangelists, be placed under deferred appointment for mission field service, under the policy which provides for financial assistance to be granted to a junior or senior medical student by contract between the student and the General Conference.

HARRIET DINSMORE--BURMA:

VOTED, To invite Miss Harriet Dinsmore, now taking work at Washington Missionary College for her B.S.degree, to connect with the Southern Asia Division in response to the call for another nurse for the hospital in Rangoon, Burma.

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DR. E. J. MALLORY--JAPAN:

VOTED, To invite Dr. E. J. Mallory, of Paradise, California, to connect with the Far Eastern Division in response to the call for a dentist for service with the sanitarium in Tokyo, Japan.

J. M. NERNESS--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Far Eastern Division Committee, J. M. Nerness be granted a six weeks' extension of his furlough.

A. P. RITZ--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Far Eastern Division Committee, A. P. Ritz be granted an extension of two and a half months on his furlough.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION WORKERS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Far Eastern Division Committee, we authorize the permanent return of workers from that division as follows:

Mrs. Theodora Wangerin from Korea.

Miss Wilma Leazer from Bangkok, Thailand.

Robert Youngberg from Penang.

E. M. Adams from the Philippines.

N. B. Vining from the Philippines.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

L. L. Moffitt and Miss Louise Meyer, a Sunday School Convention in Springfield, Missouri, March 25-28.

C. L. Torrey or W. H. Williams, E. E. Cossentine and W. H. Branson, Atlantic Union College Board meeting, February 26.

K. J. Reynolds and Dr. T. R. Flaiz, College of Medical Evangelists for development of working policy, time to be arranged.

E. E. Cossentine, Emmanuel Missionary College, Union Springs Academy, en route home from Union College appointment.

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K.J.Reynolds, Madison College Board meeting, February 17,18; also Oakwood College Board meeting, date to be worked out.

H.T.Elliott, audit committee and speaking appointments in Michigan, February 16,17, in connection with conference workers' meeting.

Eugene Sample, West Pennsylvania Conference, March 6-9.

L.E.Roache, of the Northeastern Conference, to Lake Region Conference MV Institute.

W.B.Ochs, evangelistic spearhead meetings, Oklahoma, February 22 to March 2.

E.B.Hare, Week of Prayer at New England Sanitarium, time to be arranged.

A.L.White and D.E.Rebok, Atlanta, Georgia, on White Trustees business, and week-end appointments, March 14-16.

Miss Louise Meyer, Sabbath School Convention, Parkersburg, West Virginia, March 15.

E.B.Hare and Miss Louise Meyer, Southern Union Child Evangelism Institutes, April 17-29.

Dr. S.H.Horn, meeting of American Oriental Society, Boston, April 1-3.

C.E.Moseley, workers' meeting in Dallas, Texas, February 27,28.

SPRING MEETING--COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following committee appointments prior to the Spring Meeting:

Committee on Social Security, April 2,3 and 4, beginning at 10 A.M., April 2.

Committee on Junior Periodical, April 6, 9-12 A.M. 1:30-3:00 P.M.

Seminary Board, April 6, 3:00-4:00 P.M.

Committee on Literature for Blind, April 6, 4:00-5:00 P.M.

Television and Voice of Prophecy Boards, April 6, all evening.

Meeting of union presidents, April 7, 9:00-12:00 A.M.

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Committee on Salaries and Allowances, April 7,
1:30-5:00 P.M. and 7:00-9:00 P.M.

College of Medical Evangelists Board, April 8, all day.

Board of Regents, April 6, 7 and 8.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION--COURT CASES:

Some time ago authorization was given for the employment of attorneys to look after the interests of Mrs. Regina Tary, a member of the Toledo, Ohio, church, who was refused unemployment compensation because of her refusal to take offered employment involving Sabbath work, and the case was taken to court. In the Court of Common Pleas, of Lucas County, Ohio, Judge Hackett held that Regina Tary was not entitled to unemployment compensation because she had been offered and refused employment that would require work on the seventh day of the week.

On recommendation of the attorneys representing us in the case, and concurrence in the recommendation by a representative of the firm of Cummings and Stanley, it was

VOTED, That the Religious Liberty Department be authorized to appeal the case of Mrs. Regina Tary from the decision handed down in the Court of Common Pleas, Lucas County, Ohio, to the Court of Appeals; and further, that appeals be authorized, should it become necessary, in connection with similar cases pending in Michigan; the union and local conferences in each case being asked to share equally with the General Conference in meeting the expense involved.

IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT:

VOTED, That the Religious Liberty Department and the North American War Service Commission be asked to continue their efforts, in consultation with our lawyers, to have clarified the language in Senate Bill 2550, so that Seventh-day Adventists applying for naturalization will not be compelled to take oath that they will bear arms.

SOUTHERN ASIA--DIVISION OF BUDGET:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Southern Asia Division Committee, we approve of the division of the Southern Asia Division budget as follows:

Section I	Regular	\$360 220 27	
"	I Radio	<u>38 500 00</u>	398 720 27
Section II	Regular	508 229 73	
"	II Overseas School	<u>15 000 00</u>	523 229 73
			<u>921 950 00</u>

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ATLANTIC UNION--CITY EVANGELISM:

VOTED, That the \$65,000 appropriated to the Atlantic Union by the 1951 Autumn Council (including donations from the North Pacific and Pacific Unions) be divided as follows: city evangelism in the union, \$29,000; Greater New York city evangelism, \$36,000.

SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION--AUTHORIZATION OF SIGNATURES:

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chase National Bank be, and hereby is, authorized to recognize the signatures of C.L.Torrey, Treasurer, and/or W.H.Williams, Undertreasurer, and/or R.S.Watts, and/or E.A.Moon, and/or D.A.Webster, for the account which is in the name of the Southern African Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, to sign or make all or any changes and orders for the payment of money. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and canceled.

HARRIS PINE MILLS:

W.H.Williams explained that in the operation of the Harris Pine Mills it is necessary to secure short term ^{seasonal} loans from the bank, usually of only a few months. Brother and Sister C.H.Harris have been obtaining these loans heretofore on their personal endorsement. Now that the General Conference has taken over the stock of this Corporation and is operating the business the bank requests a written guarantee from the General Conference in connection with the granting of such loans. It was explained that the assets of the business far exceed any liability that the General Conference would ever be required to guarantee.

VOTED, That we authorize the signing of a guarantee to the United States National Bank of Portland, Oregon, to cover such short term loans as are necessary for the Harris Pine Mills Company to care for the seasonal operations of their business.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman.
E.D.Dick, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 15, 1952, 8:15 A.M.

The meeting was held immediately following the morning worship hour.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W B Ochs, R R Figuhr, H T Elliott, E D Dick, E E Roenfelt
N W Dunn, Roger Altman, N F Brewer, E E Franklin, A W Johnson,
B E Wagner, E B Hare, L L Moffitt, L A Skinner.

R.E.CRAWFORD--FAITH FOR TODAY:

In harmony with the request of the Television Commission that the Faith for Today Group in New York City be strengthened, it was

VOTED, That we pass on to the Canadian Union a call for the services of R.E.Crawford, to connect with the Television Commission to serve in publicity and public relations work with the Faith for Today Group in New York City, and that we request the Canadian Union to continue to us to the end of the year the present leave-of-absence basis on which Brother Crawford is now serving with the General Conference.

C.O.FRANZ--FAITH FOR TODAY:

VOTED, To request Madison College to release C.O.Franz to connect with the Television Commission to serve as treasurer and manager of Faith for Today in New York City.

TELEVISION COMMISSION

R.E.CRAWFORD AND C.O.FRANZ, MEMBERS:

VOTED, That R.E.Crawford and C.O.Franz be appointed members of the Television Commission, and members of the local Faith for Today Board.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman.
H.T.Elliott, Secretary.
E.Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

R R Figuhr, W H Branson, L K Dickson, W P Bradley, E D Dick, H T Elliott, J I Robison, N W Dunn, G L Torrey, W H Williams, J A Stevens, H W Lowe, E E Cossentine, V E Hendershot, H H Votaw, A W Johnson, J C Thompson, A L White, J A Buckwalter, T E Lucas, W E Nelson, N F Brewer, F D Nichol, K J Reynolds, H A Morrison, B E Wagner.

OTHERS PRESENT:

S Kaplan, J J Ireland.

Prayer by V.E.Hendershot. Minutes of meetings held February 11, 14 and 15 were approved.

PUBLICATION OF FOREIGN LITERATURE IN NORTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That the following named persons be a committee to give study to the question of the future publication of foreign literature in North America:

W.B.Ochs, chairman; D.A.McAdams, W.H.Branson, E.D.Dick, J.E.Edwards, H.T.Elliott, E.J.Lorntz, A.V.Olson, T.L.Oswald, C.L.Torrey, E.L.Branson, W.P.Elliott, G.E.Hutches, I.T.Johnson, L.E.Lenheim, J.L.McConaughy, W.A.Nelson, D.A.Ochs, D.E.Reiner, M.L.Rice, R.P.Rowe, J.D.Smith, I.J.Woodman.

VOTED, That this committee be called to meet in Takoma Park the evening of April 8, with a view to making report to the Spring Meeting of the General Conference Committee.

A.H.RULKOETTER--RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That the Lake Union Conference and Emmanuel Missionary College be requested to release A.H.Rulkoetter, to connect with the General Conference as Associate Secretary of the Religious Liberty Department.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES:

Inasmuch as G.A.Huse will not be back from his overseas appointments in time to attend committees called to meet prior to the Spring Meeting,

VOTED, That D.A.McAdams be substituted for G.A.Huse on the Committee on Junior Periodical; and that E.E.Franklin be substituted for G.A.Huse on the following committees: Social Security, Salaries and Allowances, Literature for the Blind.

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VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following arrangements relative to appointments in overseas divisions;

G.T.Anderson, of La Sierra College, to spend a month or six weeks visiting schools in the Inter-American Division, La Sierra College meeting the expense involved.

A.L.White, South America, September 15 to December 15.

B.F.Perez, of the Latin American Radio Commission, to attend camp meetings in Cuba, fifteen days in August.

W.A.Scharffenberg, Far Eastern Division, up to three months, returning via Southern Asia and Middle East Divisions for short visits in each.

A.W.Johnson, European Divisions, as may be arranged with the leadership of the three divisions.

Daniel Walther, of the Seminary, French Indo-China, six months.

PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE:

On April 27, 1948, this Committee gave authorization for the Philippine Union College to offer a number of advanced courses during the summer of 1948. This authorization was not taken advantage of during that summer, and the Far Eastern Division on behalf of the College is renewing the request for the coming summer.

VOTED, That we reaffirm our action of April 27, 1948, and subject to the same conditions, as follows:

1. That provisional authorization be granted for the Philippine Union College to offer in the session during the coming summer a limited number of advanced courses in education and religion to students who have already received the bachelor's degree; it being understood --

a. That this will not add to the teaching staff or otherwise increase the financial burden of the college.

b. That this permission is not to be construed as authorization to formulate courses leading to a graduate degree or to set up a graduate program.

2. That before consideration is given to the offering of further advanced courses in the future, a complete outline of the teaching schedule of the college be submitted for study by the General Conference, showing the teaching load of all members

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of the faculty, size of classes (Filipino and foreign), together with assigned extra-curricular activities both during the regular school year and during the summer session.

3. That the college provide a statement of the annual operating subsidy granted to the college through the Philippine Union Mission, including --

- a. Support of the foreign staff.
- b. Additional general operating subsidy.

AUSTRALASIAN INTER-UNION CONFERENCE
MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION SECRETARY.

VOTED, To accept the tendered resignation of J.B.Conley as Secretary of the Ministerial Association of the Australasian Inter-Union Conference.

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Inter-Union Conference Committee, we hereby appoint H.G.Moulds Secretary of the Ministerial Association of the Australasian Inter-Union Conference.

E.R.LONSER, M.D. --RELEASED:

VOTED, That E.R.Lonser, M.D. be released from the call to serve as Medical Secretary of the Southern European Division.

HARRIET L.SCHAEFER--RIVER PLATE COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Southeastern California Conference to release Miss Harriet L.Schaefer, of the San Pasqual Academy, to connect with the South American Division as dean of women for the River Plate College.

MRS. YVONNE HOWARD---PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That we authorize the permanent return of Mrs. Yvonne Howard from Australia.

C.W.BOZARTH---PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That we authorize the permanent return of C.W.Bozarth from South Africa.

CLARENCE DONALDSON, M.D.---SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

VOTED, To invite Clarence Donaldson, M.D., of Santa Ana, California, to connect with the Southern Asia Division, to serve as a relief doctor in the division.

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THREE DOCTORS--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

Three doctors have signified their desire to offer themselves for mission field service when the way opens for them to accept such appointment, and they would like to be placed under deferred appointment in order that they may plan more definitely toward that end. They are

Kenneth Saunders, M.D., who is completing a residency in a hospital in Bakersfield, California.

A.W.Weaver, M.D., finishing a residency at the White Memorial Hospital.

H.F.Sturges, M.D., completing his internship at the Porter Sanitarium.

VOTED, That Kenneth Saunders, M.D., A.W.Weaver, M.D., and H.F.Sturges, M.D., be placed under deferred appointment for mission field service, it being understood that no financial obligation on the part of the General Conference is involved in connection with the deferred appointment.

VOTED, further, that these doctors be advised while they are under deferred appointment to take the Canadian Board examination in order to secure the British qualification, this expense to be charged to the respective divisions calling them into service.

E.C.HEDRICK, M.D.--MANILA SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and the Glendale Sanitarium to release E.C.Hedrick, M.D., to connect with the Far Eastern Division, to serve on the staff of the Manila Sanitarium as doctor-teacher.

D.A.BRUESKE, M.D.--SINGAPORE:

VOTED, To invite D.A.Brueske, M.D., of Los Angeles, to connect with the Far Eastern Division, as a member of the staff of the Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore.

DANIEL WALTHER AND HOWARD WEEKS

MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials for the present quadrennial term be granted to Dr. Daniel Walther, of the Theological Seminary, and to Howard Weeks, of the Bureau of Press Relations.

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INGATHERING EDITORIAL COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Ingathering Editorial Committee be called to meet in Washington, April 21.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

H.W.Lowe, Central Union, February 29 to March 15.

Carl Sundin, extension of trip to Washington and Oregon to include British Columbia, in March; Blue Ridge, North Carolina, for Ministerial, Educational, Medical Fellowship, May 25-27.

D.E.Rebok, College Teachers' Institute, Atlantic Union College, March 19-22; Parkersburg, West Virginia, week end of May 9-10.

T.E.Lucas, Wisconsin, May 22-25; Southern Union Senior Youth Camp, June 15-22.

C.C.Weis to Washington at General Conference expense, for consultation re Sabbath School Department work.

Dr. E.N.Dick, Hawaii for Medical Cadet Camp, June 19 to July 15.

B.E.Wagner, Union Publishing Council, Oshawa, March 7-10; Southwestern Union Publishing Institute, March 28 to April 8

H.F.Brown, itinerary in Atlantic Union changed from March 29 to April 6, to March 15 to April 6.

W.H.Branson, H.T.Elliott, W.B.Ochs, A.L.Ham, W.H.Williams, K.J.Reynolds, C.L.Torrey, Madison College and Southern Publishing Association Boards, March 5,6.

A.L.Ham, H.T.Elliott, K.J.Reynolds, W.B.Ochs, W.H.Williams, Riverside Sanitarium and Oakwood College Boards, March 3,4.

L.K.Dickson, Richmond, Virginia, March 8.

DEATH OF L.G.MOOKERJEE:

Word was received from the Southern Asia Division of the death of Elder L.G.Mookerjee, at Ranchi, February 14. Elder Mookerjee was the pioneer of our work in East Bengal, and has held positions of responsibility in India through the years.

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Resolved, That we record our appreciation of the years of faithful service rendered to the cause of God in India by our brother, Elder L.G. Mookerjee, and that we extend to Sister Mookerjee and other relatives our heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow and bereavement.

M.A. KALABUGIN--SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, To cooperate with the Canadian Union in extending the sponsorship required by the Canadian Government on behalf of M.A. Kalabugin and family, in connection with their application for visas to Canada. Brother Kalabugin has been a worker connected with the China Division, located in Harbin, Manchuria.

AUSTRALASIAN INTER-UNION -- £15,700:

VOTED, To appropriate £15,700 from the Emergency Fund to the Australasian Inter-Union Conference, to assist in restoring properties destroyed or damaged by the recent hurricane in Fiji.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION--\$15,000:

VOTED, To appropriate \$15,000 from the Emergency Fund to the Far Eastern Division, to assist in meeting losses sustained through a recent hurricane in the Southern Philippines.

R.R. Figuhr, Chairman.

W.P. Bradley, Secretary.

E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

R R Figuhr, W H Branson, L K Dickson, W P Bradley, E D Dick, H T Elliott, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, N W Dunn, C L Torrey, W H Williams, R H Adair, F B Knight, V E Hendershot, E H Votaw, L E Froom, J A Stevens, J R Ferren, E J Johanson, J A Buckwalter, J C Thompson, F D Nichol, A W Johnson, A L White, Miss Lois Burnett, N F Brewer, E E Cossentine, B E Wagner, L A Skinner, W E Phillips, M C Taft, W E Nelson.

OTHERS PRESENT:

R Ruhling, Miss Lora Clement, C E Weniger, J J Ireland.

Prayer by E.J. Johanson. Minutes of the meeting of February 21 were approved.

DR. M. J. JOHNSON--RELEASED:

VOTED, That since the way is not clear for him to accept, Dr. M. J. Johnson be released from the call to the Chulumaní Hospital, in Bolivia.

MR. AND MRS. SVERE SVENDSEN--BAGHDAD HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To request the College of Medical Evangelists to release Mr. and Mrs. Svere Svendsen, of the White Memorial Hospital, to connect with the Middle East Division, to serve as physiotherapists with the Baghdad Hospital.

DR. CARRIE ROBBINS--PAKISTAN:

VOTED, To request the Central Union Conference and the Boulder Sanitarium to release Dr. Carrie Robbins, and that Doctor Robbins be invited to return to the Southern Asia Division, to connect with the Karachi Hospital, in Pakistan.

JEAN DELAFORTERIE--AUSTRALASIA:

VOTED, To request the Southern European Division to release Jean Delaforterie, to connect with the Australasian Inter-Union Conference in response to the call for a French-speaking colporteur for work in the French islands of the Union.

MARGARET NILSSON--HOKUPHILA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To request the Australasian Inter-Union Conference to release Miss Margaret Nilsson, to connect with the

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Southern African Division as nurse in the Nokuphila Hospital, in Johannesburg.

ROBERTA BECK--PACIFIC PRESS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Inter-American Division the call from the Pacific Press Board for Miss Roberta Beck to connect with the Pacific Press for office work, effective the first of August.

ETHEL PETERSON--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference to release Miss Ethel Peterson, to connect with the General Conference office for stenographic work.

NAOMA DRAPER--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union to release Miss Naoma Draper, to connect with the General Conference office for stenographic work.

DEATH OF F.H.ROBBINS:

Word was received of the sudden death of Elder F.H.Robbins at his home this morning. Elder Robbins was formerly a member of this Committee in his capacity as president of the Columbia Union Conference, and later as an elective member.

VOTED, That the Secretary be asked to convey to the family of Elder F.H.Robbins an expression of our deep sympathy in this hour of sorrow.

VOTED, That the Treasurer be asked to arrange for a floral tribute from the General Conference for the funeral of Elder Robbins.

ADVENT SOURCE MATERIAL TO SEMINARY:

VOTED, That the Advent Source Material, comprising many documents which have been collected through the years, be placed in the custody of the Theological Seminary.

VOTED, That a committee of five, with representation from the Seminary Board, be appointed by the officers, to give study to the question of proper space in the Seminary for housing this material, and of cataloguing the same, so that it may be readily available for use by the faculty and students of the Seminary as well as by others who may be interested in it, said committee to report back to this General Conference Committee.

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SCHOOL HEALTH BULLETIN---MRS. H.E.EDWARDS:

VOTED, To place a request with the Lake Union and Emmanuel Missionary College for the services of Mrs. H.E.Edwards in preparing the School Health Bulletin for the school year 1952-53, on the same basis that she has been doing it for this year, namely: that she receive \$125 for each number, plus a small amount for stenographic help and art work. The expense of preparation and printing of the Bulletin is met by the Medical Department, and the expense of distribution and mailing by the Educational Department.

I.J.WOODMAN ON COMMITTEES
IN PLACE OF H.G.CHILDS:

VOTED, That I.J.Woodman be appointed to take the place of H.G.Childs on the committees that are to meet in Washington prior to the Spring Meeting.

F.B.KNIGHT ON COMMITTEE OF TREASURERS:

VOTED, That F.B.Knight be appointed to replace Roger Altman on the Committee of Treasurers of the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of Churches.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE:

VOTED, That F.B.Knight and C.W.Bozarth be added to the Committee on Foreign Exchange.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, That we approve of the following arrangements relative to appointments in overseas fields:

J C Thompson to Europe for some special work, especially in the Central European Division.

R.R.Figuhr, meetings in Europe and the Middle East.

L.R.Rasmussen, to visit schools in Northern Europe prior to the Educational Council, July 18.

That C.L.Torrey be released from meeting appointments in the Southern African Division.

JULIA NEUFFER--REQUEST FOR SERVICES OF:

VOTED, To place a request with the Review and Herald for the services of Miss Julia Neuffer for another month in addition to the time already arranged for, this additional time to be spent in assisting L.E.Froom.

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

D.A.McAdams, Pacific Union, Publishing Department appointments, May 5-26.

George Butler, Montana Laymen's Congress, February 29 to March 2, and two weeks' itinerary in North Pacific Union following.

Dr. E.N.Dick, Pacific Union, for War Service Commission appointments, February 25 to March 11.

R.A.Anderson, Week of Prayer at La Sierra College, March 14-21; Week of Prayer at Los Angeles Division of the College of Medical Evangelists, March 22-29.

E.B.Hare, South Dakota, Sabbath School Institute, July 4-16.

A.C.Nelson, of Pacific Union, to remain after Educational Council, to assist in the MV camp at Mount Aetna, May 13-15.

J.T.Porter, of North Pacific Union, to remain after Educational Council, to assist in the MV camp at Mount Aetna, May 13-20.

H.P.Bloum and W.E.Phillips, Nashville, for audit of Madison College, Southern Publishing Association and Riverside Sanitarium books.

C.B.Haynes, Southern New England, War Service Commission appointments, April 24-26.

Dr. C.E.Weniger, meeting of Association of Seminary Professors, and the American Association of Theological Schools, Louisville, Kentucky, June 9-13.

J.R.Ferren, North Pacific Union, Press Workshops, April 2-15.

L.K.Dickson, Canadian Union Committee, March 6, in interests of City Rallies program; Press Relations Council, Cincinnati, Ohio, March 11-13; Pacific Union Committee, March 17, 18, and North Pacific Union Committee following, in interests of City Rallies; Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., for City Rallies, March 25-30; Erie, Pennsylvania, for City Rallies, May 11.

R.R.Figuhr, Syracuse, New York, church officers' meeting May 14, 15.

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J.R.Ferren, Howard Weeks, Helen Smith, Eileen Robson,
Press Relations Council, Cincinnati, Ohio, March 11-13.

F.A.Soper, Atlantic Union for temperance rallies, February 29 to March 10.

G.E.Vandeman, City Rallies in Utica, Binghamton, and
Syracuse, New York, dates to be worked out.

CITY RALLIES--AUTHORIZATION FOR APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That when it seems necessary, the officers continue to give authorization for appointments in connection with the City Rallies program, with the understanding that the appointments will be confirmed later by this Committee.

R.S.LOWRY AND J.F.ASHLOCK--RESIGNATION:

VOTED, To accept the resignation tendered by R.S.Lowry as Missionary Volunteer Secretary, and of J.F.Ashlock as Religious Liberty Secretary of the Southern Asia Division.

R.J.RITCHIE--MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER
AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY SECRETARY:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Southern Asia Division Committee, we hereby appoint R.J.Ritchie Missionary Volunteer and Religious Liberty Secretary of the Southern Asia Division.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION--\$65,000:

VOTED, To appropriate \$65,000 from the Rehabilitation Fund to the Far Eastern Division, for rehabilitation purposes in Korea.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION--\$3,500:

VOTED, To appropriate \$3,500 from the Relief Fund to the Far Eastern Division, to be used for relief in behalf of our workers in Korea.

EXCHANGE RATE FOR INDONESIA:

VOTED, That the fixed rate of exchange for the Guilder in Indonesia, be \$.09 as from January 1, 1952.

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DR. ALFRED B. WEBBER
ASSISTANCE ON INDEBTEDNESS:

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Committee on Allowances, Dr. Alfred B. Webber, of Japan, be granted assistance on his indebtedness to the amount of \$700, this amount to be canceled at the rate of \$200 a year for each year of service in the field.

GOSTA BERGLUND---SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, On recommendation of the Northern European Division, to extend the sponsorship required by the Government on behalf of Gosta Berglund, of Sweden, in connection with his application for visa to the United States. Brother Berglund is coming to take some work in the Seminary, and to attend the Bible Conference in September.

R.R. Figuhr, Chairman.
W.P. Bradley, Secretary.
E. Zeidler, Recording Secretary.