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OF THE
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TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 5, 1953

MEMBERS PRESENT:

L K Dickson, N W Dunn, R H Adair, Roger Altman, W A Benjamin, C W Bozarth, W P Bradley, N F Brewer, A W Cormack, E D Dick, A A Esteb, E B Hare, C B Haynes, H W Klaser, Louise Kleuser, H W Lowe, L L Moffitt, H A Morrison, W E Nelson, A V Olson, G E Peters, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, A H Rulkoetter, J A Stevens, B E Wagner

OTHERS PRESENT:

R Ruhling

Prayer by H.W.Lowe.

MINUTES of February 26 were approved.

I M VACQUER--NEW YORK TRANSPORTATION OFFICE:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and Texico Conference to release I.M.Vacquer of the Sandia View Academy to connect with the New York City office of the General Conference Transportation Bureau.

DOCTOR AND DENTIST APPOINTEES--CREDENTIALS:

In view of recent directives of the Selective Service System with regard to doctors and dentists appointed as missionaries, it was

VOTED, To authorize the Appointees Committee to issue ministerial license to each doctor or dentist missionary appointee upon acceptance of appointment and medical clearance, when his appointment definitely includes his engaging in ministerial work.

J R KIGER--MINISTERIAL LICENSE:

VOTED, To grant Ministerial License to Dr. J.R.Kiger, under appointment for service in Korea.

JACK PROVONSHA--MINISTERIAL LICENSE:

VOTED, To grant Ministerial License to Dr. Jack Provonsha, under deferred appointment to medical service overseas.

CREDENTIALS TO OVERSEAS MEDICAL WORKERS:

VOTED, To request the Secretaries to advise overseas divisions to give immediate study to the advisability of issuing proper credentials to doctors and dentists from America, thus insuring their being given proper draft status on return to the homeland.

March 5, 1953

CAMP PICKETT--NEED FOR SERVICE CENTER:

VOTED, To request the General Conference officers to appoint a committee, on which the Columbia Union and Potomac Conference shall also be represented, to give study to the problem of providing a service center near Camp Pickett, Va., for the more than four hundred Seventh-day Adventist servicemen stationed there for basic training.

W J HACKETT--TRANSFER OF APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, On recommendation of the Far Eastern Division, that W.J.Hackett be released from serving as Medical Cadet and YPMV secretary of the Division, and that he be appointed secretary of the Ministerial Association for the Far Eastern Division.

SPECIAL DAYS AND OFFERINGS FOR 1954:

VOTED, To request the officers to appoint a committee to give study to the calendar of special days and offerings for 1954, this committee to bring a recommendation to the Spring Meeting.

F A SOPER--INTERNATIONAL TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, That Francis A. Soper be appointed an associate secretary of the International Temperance Association.

OVERSEAS VISITS:

VOTED, That the following arrangements for overseas travel be approved:

T.R.Flaiz, Far East, late 1953 and early 1954, following Australasian itinerary.

E.W.Dunbar, Far East, January and February (3 months if possible), 1954.

E.E.Cossentine, South America, September 15 to December, 1953.

L.R.Rasmussen, Southern Asia, August to October, 1953.

W.J.Harris, Northern Europe, May and June, 1953 (instead of June and July as previously voted); Southern Europe, July and August, 1953.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

H.T.Elliott, release from attendance at Bible Correspondence School Workshop in Denver, Colo., March 9-12.

C.B.Haynes, Orlando, Florida, constituency meeting and other appointments, March 23-29.

J.I.Robison, Bible Correspondence School Workshop, Denver, March 9-12.

J.F.Cummins, St. Louis, March 5, in place of R.H.Adair.

A.H.Rulkoetter, Oklahoma City, March 8, Sunday Law issue.

C.E.Moseley, Jr., Pan-American Youth Congress; Columbus, Ohio, March 27 to April 5.

John McCartney, Atlanta and Memphis, March 3-6.

N.W.Litchfield, Atlanta and Memphis, March 3-6.

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L.A.Skinner, Oakwood College MV Rally, March 6,7; Emmanuel Missionary College Youth meetings, April 24,25; Southern New England Senior Youth Appalachian Trail Camp, July 16-21.

Mrs. Arabella Williams, Southwestern Union Home and School meetings, March 8 to April 4.

C.E.Guenther, Lay Preachers' Council, Shreveport, La., April 3-5.

Request Faith for Today for R.E.Crawford, visit Atlanta, Ga.

H.P.Bloum, Nashville, auditing work, time to be arranged.

N.F.Brewer, Nashville, South Central Conference workers' meeting, April 27-29.

Miss Louise Kleuser to conduct personal evangelism workshop on the campus of Emmanuel Missionary College, time to be arranged.

L.K.Dickson, Workers' Meeting and Laymen's Council, Atlanta, Ga., March 20-22.

Request Southern Publishing Association for I.H.Thrig to do magazine promotion work in the Pacific Union, September 18 to October 31.

DAVID DUFFIE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To grant permanent return from Peru to Dr. David Duffie, for health reasons.

GARLAND B HOAG--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To grant permanent return to Garland B. Hoag, on recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

JUNE BISHOP--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss June Bishop be released from the appointment to connect with Vincent Hill School in Southern Asia.

DOROTHEA RUF--PERU:

VOTED, That Miss Dorothea Ruf of the Hinsdale Sanitarium, under deferred appointment to South America, be invited to connect with the Juliaca Clinic in Peru for a three-year term of service, as recommended by the South American Division.

CHARLES O FREDERICK--SPICER MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To invite Charles O. Frederick of Takoma Park to connect with the Southern Asia Division, to serve as business manager of Spicer College and head of the department of business administration.

GLADYS HURD--BAGHDAD:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Northern California Conference to release Miss Gladys Hurd of the St. Helena Sanitarium to connect with the Middle East Division for medical missionary service in the Dar el Salaam Hospital in Baghdad, Iraq.

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MIRIAM MOORE--ADDIS ABABA:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Northern California Conference to release Miss Miriam Moore of the St. Helena Sanitarium to connect with the Northern European Division for medical missionary service at the Zauditu Memorial Hospital in Ethiopia.

SALHEEM FARAG--NILE UNION MISSION:

VOTED, That Saleem Farag, a recent graduate of Walla Walla College, be invited to return to his homeland as a regular worker in the Nile Union Mission, as requested by the Middle East Division.

E L SORENSEN--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, As recommended by the Southern Asia Division, that the furlough of E.L.Sorensen be extended for two months.

J R SPANGLER--NORTH PHILIPPINE UNION:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and Texas Conference to release J.R.Spangler, and to invite him to connect with the Far Eastern Division to serve as an evangelist in the North Philippine Union Mission.

E A ROBERTSON--FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union to release E.A.Robertson, inviting him to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Educational Secretary of the Division.

W E GUTHRIE--BANGKOK SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conference to release W.E.Guthrie of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium and Hospital, to connect with the Far Eastern Division as business manager of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital in Thailand.

NAOMI ZALABAK--BETHEL TRAINING COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and Emmanuel Missionary College to release Miss Naomi Zalabak of the Elementary School, and to invite her to connect with the Southern African Division as normal director at the Bethel Training College.

M A KALABUGIN--SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, That N.F.Brewer be requested to grant the sponsorship desired for M.A.Kalabugin of China as required by the Government of Brazil.

March 5, 1953

MRS. M M MATTISON--SYMPATHY TO RELATIVES:

Mrs. M.M.Mattison, who went to India with her husband in 1912, and who continued to labor in that field after his death in 1928, died February 28 in Pomona, California, after a lingering illness.

Resolved, That an expression of sympathy and appreciation be conveyed to the relatives of Mrs. M.M.Mattison in their hour of sorrow.

G H HOEHN--TEMPORARY SUSTENTATION:

VOTED, To recommend to the Sustentation Committee that Dr. G.H.Hoehn be granted temporary sustentation, beginning June 1, 1953, to assist him in securing necessary care as he takes a two-year residency at the White Memorial Hospital.

NATIONAL SERVICE BOARD--APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, To appropriate \$300.00 from the Contingency Fund to the National Service Board for Religious Objectors.

SPEAKERS FOR CAMP PICKETT:

During the time Chaplain J.E.Keplinger has been absent from Camp Pickett while attending Chaplains' School, the Theological Seminary has arranged for speakers for the Sabbath services at the Camp, on the same plan as outlined in the Minutes of June 19, 1952. The servicemen have given \$110.90 toward the travel expense of \$150.00.

VOTED, That the balance of \$39.10 be allowed on the travel expense of speakers supplied to Camp Pickett during January and early February, 1953.

REVIEW AND HERALD EDITORS--COMMITTEE.

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to appoint three members, in addition to W.B.Ochs, to serve with members appointed by the Review and Herald Board as a committee to nominate editors for the books and periodicals published by the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

Adjourned, with prayer by E.D.Dick.

L.K.Dickson, Chairman
N.W.Dunn, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 12, 1953

MEMBERS PRESENT:

A V Olson, H T Elliott, R H Adair, C W Bozarth, W H Branson, A W Cormack, E W Dunbar, E E Franklin, A L Ham, W J Harris, C B Haynes, H W Klaser, Louise Kleuser, H W Lowe, L L Moffitt, H A Morrison, W B Ochs, D E Rebok, K J Reynolds, E E Roenfelt, F A Soper, J A Stevens, B E Wagner, W H Williams

OTHERS PRESENT:

W H Bergherm, R Ruhling

Prayer by L.L.Moffitt.

MINUTES of March 5 were approved.

A L TUCKER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize permanent return for A.L.Tucker of the Antillian Union Mission, on recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

A L TUCKER--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To invite A.L.Tucker to connect with the General Conference for work in the Cashier's Office.

KATHRYN KAVANAUGH--VOICE OF PROPHECY:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and Potomac Conference to release Miss Kathryn Kavanaugh to connect with the Voice of Prophecy Office.

FRANK L JONES--SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and Southwest Region Conference the call from the Southern Publishing Association for Frank L. Jones to serve as associate circulation manager of Message Magazine.

NOMINATION REVIEW AND HERALD EDITORS:

VOTED, To accept the recommendation of the officers that W.B.Ochs, A.W.Cormack, A.V.Olson, and H.T.Elliott serve with members appointed by the Review and Herald Board as a committee to nominate editors for the publications of the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE:

VOTED, To amend the General Conference Committee action of April 17, 1952, to read as follows (new material underscored):

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"VOTED, That our Automobile Policy be amended to provide that where the insurance allowance is made available to members of the General Conference staff, missionary appointees, missionaries on furlough, and workers permanently returned from mission service, it be with the understanding that the insurance shall be placed with the General Conference Insurance Service."

C L TORREY--CANCELLATION OF APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That C.L. Torrey's appointment to visit South America in 1953 be canceled.

J NUSSBAUM--VISIT INTER-AMERICA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern European Division the request from the Inter-American Division that arrangements be made for Dr. Jean Nussbaum to visit Colombia, Costa Rica, and any other countries where it might be possible for him to further the cause of religious liberty by negotiations with government and church officials, a representative of the General Conference Religious Liberty Department to be associated with Doctor Nussbaum in this assignment.

CHARLES O FRANZ--RIVERSIDE SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To request Faith for Today to arrange for Charles O. Franz to spend two or three weeks at Riverside Sanitarium to organize the records in the accounting department.

SPRING MEETING--CHANGE OF COMMITTEE SCHEDULE:

VOTED, 1. That the boards of the Voice of Prophecy and Faith for Today be assigned time for meeting on Sunday, April 5, 7:30-9:30 P.M.

2. That the Committee on Licenses and Credentials and Listing in Year-book, meet on Wednesday afternoon, April 1, at 2:30, instead of March 31 at 8:30 A.M.

G E VANDEMAN--APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, 1. That G. T. Vandeman be authorized to visit Southern Europe from July 5-26, 1953, to assist in the Seminary Extension School; and

2. That G.E. Vandeman be released from his appointment to visit the Middle East in the summer of 1953.

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION--MINISTERIAL INSTITUTE:

VOTED, To recommend to the Middle East Division that the ministerial institute planned for August of 1953 be postponed for at least one year.

March 12, 1953

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That appointments and itineraries be approved as follows:

- W.B.Ochs, Workers' Meeting, Syracuse, N.Y., April 1,2.
 L.E.Froom, Walla Walla College, June 5-7, in connection with itinerary.
 L.K.Dickson, Florida Conference, one week extension of itinerary, to
 March 29.
 E.E.Roenfelt, Committee for Southern Asia, Greenwich, Conn., March 23,24.
 T.F.Lucas, MV Rally, Colorado Conference, July 3-5.
 W.E.Nelson, D.E.Rebok, K.J.Reynolds, Atlantic Union College, dates to
 be arranged.
 J.A.Buckwalter, Doctors' Fellowship Meeting, Collegedale, Tenn., April 6.
 Howard Weeks, Cecil Coffey, Pan-American Youth Congress, San Francisco.
 W.H.Branson, C.L.Torrey, R.R.Figuhr, W.E.Nelson, R.H.Adair, H.L.Rudy,
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 Howard Weeks to Shreveport, Louisiana, April 4.
 Illinois Conference request for I.H.Ihrig of Southern Publishing Association
 for April 16-18.
 E.E.Franklin, Lake Union, publishing department surveys in the local
 conferences, May 1-13.

JUANITA SLACK--SOUTHERN ASIA:

VOTED, To request the College of Medical Evangelists and Loma Linda Sanitarium to release Miss Juanita Slack to connect with the Southern Asia Division for stenographic work in the division office.

C L POWERS--ANTILLIAN UNION:

VOTED, To request the Central Union and Nebraska Conference to release C.L.Powers and to invite him to connect with the Inter-American Division as secretary-treasurer and auditor of the Antillian Union Mission.

RUTH CONARD--GENERAL CONFERENCE OFFICE:

VOTED, To request the Inter-American Division to release Miss Ruth Conard of the Colombia-Venezuela Union Training School, and to invite her to connect with the General Conference office as secretary of the Appointees Committee and assistant in the Secretary's office.

T P MISENKO--RELEASED:

VOTED, That T.P.Misenko be released from the appointment to service in the Indonesia Union Seminary.

R J ROY--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize permanent return for R.J.Roy of the West Cuba Conference, as recommended by the Inter-American Division.

RED CROSS--\$100:

VOTED, To appropriate \$100 from the Contingency Fund to the American Red Cross, for the year 1953.

Adjourned, with prayer by E.W.Dunbar.

A.V.Olson, Chairman
H.T.Elliott, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 13, 1953

The meeting was held immediately following the morning worship hour.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

A V Olson, D E Rebok, R H Adair, Roger Altman, C W Bozarth, W H Branson,
A W Cormack, H T Elliott, T R Flaiz, A L Ham, W J Harris, H W Klaser,
Louise Kleuser, L L Moffitt, W B Ochs, E E Roenfelt, A H Rulkoetter,
L A Skinner, F A Soper, M C Taft, W H Williams

OTHERS PRESENT:

W H Bergherm, W J Blacker, S A Kaplan, D E Robinson

NORTH DAKOTA MEDICAL INSTITUTION:

W.J.Blacker of the North Dakota Conference met with the Committee to describe an offer being made to the denomination by Dr. C.A.Bush who operates a hospital and old people's home in Beach, N.Dak.

VOTED, To request W.F.Nelson and M.C.Taft to visit Beach, N.Dak., for consultation with Dr. C.A.Bush and the representatives of the North Dakota Conference, for the purpose of preparing a definite proposal to submit to this Committee for approval.

Adjourned.

A.V.Olson, Chairman
D.E.Rebok, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 19, 1953

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W B Ochs, H T Elliott, R H Adair, Roger Altman, C W Bozarth, W P Bradley, A W Cormack, E W Dunbar, T R Flaiz, A L Ham, C B Haynes, H W Klaser, Louise Kleuser, H W Lowe, L L Moffitt, H A Morrison, W E Nelson, F D Nichol, D A Ochs, A V Olson, G E Peters, D E Rebok, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, H L Rudy, A H Rulkoetter, F A Soper, B E Wagner, A L White, Paul Wickman, W H Williams

OTHERS PRESENT:

H N Aplin, D A Bailey, W H Berghem, R J Christian, V N Clymer, R C Hill, S A Kaplan, C E Palmer, R Ruhling

Prayer by H.A.Morrison.

REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLICATIONS--EDITORS:

The Committee met in joint session with the Review and Herald Board to receive the report of the committee which had been appointed to make nominations for editors of periodicals and books published by the Review and Herald Publishing Association. The committee report was submitted and adopted as follows:

Review and Herald: Editor, Francis D. Nichol. Consulting Editor, W.H.Branson. Associate Editors, Frederick Lee, D.A.Delafield. Contributing Editor, J.L.McElhany. Special Contributors, C.H.Watson, D.E.Rebok, C.L.Torrey, L.K.Dickson, R.R.Figuhr, W.B.Ochs, A.V.Olson, H.L.Rudy, E.D.Dick, Presidents of All Divisions.

The Youth's Instructor: Editor, Walter T. Crandall. Associate Editor, Frederick Lee. Assistant Editor, Don Yost. Consulting Editors, E.W.Dunbar, K.J.Reynolds, L.L.Moffitt.

The Sabbath School Worker: Editor, L.L.Moffitt. Associate Editors, E.B.Hare, H.W.Lowe, W.J.Harris, Louise Meyer. Assistant Editors, Mary Ogle, Ethel R. Howard. Special Contributors, C.C.Weis, A.D.Gomes, W.R.Vail, E.L.Minchin, F.A.Pratt, W.Raecker, H.C.Shen, Santiago Schmidt, W.L.Barclay, W.A.Wild.

Life and Health: Editor, J. DeWitt.Fox, M.D. Assistant Editor, D.A. Delafield. Editorial Consultant, C.E.Weniger, Ph.D. Consulting Editors, Robert A. Hare, M.D., Walter E. Macpherson, M.D., Harold M. Walton, M.D., Theodore R. Flaiz, M.D., J.Wayne McFarland, M.D. Contributing Editors, D. Lois Burnett, R.N., M. Webster Prince, D.D.S, Arlie L. Moon, M.D., John F. Brownsberger, M.D., Carl J. Larsen, M.D., Leroy E.Coolidge, M.D., Horace A. Hall, M.D., Roger W. Barnes, M.D., Belle Wood Comstock, M.D., Daniel H. Kress, M.D., Cyril B. Courville, M.D., Lucille J. Gotham, B.A.,

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George T. Harding, M.D., E. Harold Shryock, M.D., Henry W. Vollmer, M.D.,
H.L.Rittenhouse, M.D.

The Journal of True Education: Editor, Keld J. Reynolds. Associate
Editors, Erwin E. Cossentine, Lowell R. Rasmussen, George M. Mathews,
Arabella Moore Williams.

Informant: Editor, George E. Peters. Associate Editor, C.E.Moseley.
Consulting Editor, W.B.Ochs. Editorial Committee, J.H.Wagner, L.H.Bland,
H.D.Singleton, H.W.Kibble, H.R.Murphy, Louis B. Reynolds, F.L.Bland, W.W.Ford-
ham.

Liberty: Editor, Heber H. Votaw. Associate Editors, A.W.Johnson,
C.S.Longacre, Frank H. Yost, A.H.Rulkoetter. Office Editor, Merwin R. Thurber.

Junior Journal: Editor, Lawrence Maxwell. Associate Editor, Walter
T. Crandall. Consulting Editors, L.A.Skinner, E.B.Hare, G.M.Mathews.

Book Editors: Editor, M.R.Thurber. Associate Editor, H.M.Tippett.

It was also

VOTED, To approve the plan of the committee on nominations to complete
the report later, deferring the nomination of editors for The Ministry until
consultation can be had with the Secretaries of the Ministerial Association,
most of whom are away from Washington at present.

(H.N.Aplin, D.A.Bailey, R.J.Christian, V.N.Clymer, R.C.Hill, and
C.E.Palmer returned to their duties at the Review and Herald.)

MINUTES of the meetings of March 12 and 13 were approved.

DIVISION OF PACIFIC UNION--COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That H.H.Hicks, R.C.Baker, W.H.Williams, and H.L.Rudy be added
to the personnel of the committee appointed to give study to the division of
the Pacific Union Conference.

SPRING MEETING--INVITATIONS:

VOTED, That H.H.Hicks and R.C.Baker be invited to attend the Spring
Meeting of the General Conference Committee.

GAYLE NELSON--COLLEGE OF MEDICAL EVANGELISTS:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and Washington Missionary College to
release Gayle Nelson and to invite him to connect with the Loma Linda Division
of the College of Medical Evangelists in the Department of Anatomy.

MRS. SARAH WILLIAMS--PACIFIC PRESS:

VOTED, To pass on to Mrs. Sarah Williams, returning from South America,
the call from the Pacific Press Publishing Association for her to connect
with the headquarters office for stenographic work.

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E L BECKER--PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Voice of Prophecy the call from the Pacific Union for E.L.Becker to become associate auditor of the Union.

FORREST BELKNAP--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE PRESS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the call from the Columbia Union for Forrest Belknap to serve as linotype operator at the Washington Missionary College Press.

MARGARET COX--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Kingsway Publishing Association to release Miss Margaret Cox and to invite her to connect with the General Conference Office for work in the Treasury Department.

SPRING MEETING--COMMITTEE SCHEDULE:

VOTED, To add to the committee schedule for the Spring Meeting the following meetings:

Sunday, April 5	2:00 - 4:00 P.M.	Pacific Press Board
Tuesday, April 7	8:30 A.M.	CME Board

SPECIAL DAYS AND OFFERINGS--COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the committee to make recommendation to the Spring Meeting on the schedule of Special Days and Offerings for 1954, be composed of the following: A.V.Olson, C.W.Bozarth, J.I.Robison, Heads of General Conference Departments (an associate secretary to serve in the case of any department whose secretary is not available to meet with the committee.)

ADVENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE--CHANGE OF NAME:

In harmony with the nature of the work being carried on by the committee now known as the Advent Research Committee, it was

VOTED, That the name of the Advent Research Committee be changed to Historical Research Committee.

CHAPLAINS' COUNCIL--INVITATIONS:

VOTED, That the self-supporting institutions holding membership in the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions, be invited to send their chaplains to the Chaplains' Council being held in Takoma Park July 7-11, 1953, expenses to be met by the employing institutions.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, To approve arrangements for overseas visit as follows:

W.B.Ochs, release from appointment to visit Australia.
A.L.Ham, to visit Australia.

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E G WHITE BOOKS--JAPAN MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

The Committee on Promotion of the E.G.White Books presented a recommendation which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, That two sets of the E.G.White books in the English language be furnished to the library of our college in Japan, the expense to be met by funds drawn from the Spirit of Prophecy Library Fund.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

25. E.W.Dunbar, release from appointment to Pacific Union College, April 17-25.
 E.E.Roenfelt, Week of Prayer, Pacific Union College, April 17-25.
 L.A.Skinner, Week of Prayer, Canadian Union College, March 28-April 4.
 Dr. T.R.Flaiz, New England Sanitarium, interview Dr. H.L.Rittenhouse.
 W.J.Harris, Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday School Convention, March 31-April 2.
 W.H.Branson, Portland, Maine, special meeting, June 27.
 A.A.Esteb, Pittsburgh, April 2.
 Dr. J.W.McFarland, Pacific Union Conference, May 3-16; Rest Haven, May 17-23.
 E.L.Sorensen, Youth Congress, on request of Southern Asia.
 C.E.Guenther, Reading, Pa., March 23.

LEWIS CANADAY--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Lewis Canaday from the call to Malaya, in view of unfavorable medical reports.

W L WILCOX--NORTH CELEBES:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Central California Conference to release W.L.Wilcox and to invite him to connect with the Far Eastern Division for evangelistic work in the North Celebes Mission.

E A ROBERTSON--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release E.A.Robertson from the call to connect with the Far Eastern Division.

C G INNOCENT--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize permanent return for Dr. C.G.Innocent from the Far East, for reasons of family responsibilities and health.

GARTH D THOMPSON--INDONESIA TRAINING SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and Indiana Conference to release Garth D.Thompson, and to invite him to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Bible teacher in the Indonesia Training School.

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L W KRAMER--THAILAND:

VOTED, To invite Dr. L.W.Kramer of Los Angeles, Calif., to connect with the Far Eastern Division for service at the Bhuket Mission Clinic in Thailand.

IRMA JEAN KOPITZKE--EAST AFRICA:

VOTED, To invite Miss Irma Jean Kopitzke of Madison, Wisconsin, to connect with the Southern African Division as a teacher in the Bugema Missionary College, Uganda, East Africa.

GEORGE JULER--THAILAND:

VOTED, To invite Dr. George Juler of Chico, Calif., to connect with the Far Eastern Division for medical missionary service in Thailand.

BRUCE BRANSON--BAGHDAD:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Bruce Branson of Martinez, Calif., to connect with the Middle East Division to serve at the Dar el Salaam Hospital in Baghdad.

C A OLSON--RANCHI MISSION HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To invite Dr. C.A.Olson of Martinez, Calif., to connect with the Southern Asia Division, for service at the Ranchi Mission Hospital in India.

FRANK LEMON--RANGOON MISSION HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Frank Lemon of Greybull, Wyo., to connect with the Southern Asia Division and the Rangoon Mission Hospital in Burma.

BIBLE INSTRUCTOR--SOUTHERN ASIA

VOTED, To request the Australasian Inter-Union Conference to recommend to us a woman to serve as Bible instructor in the Southern Asia Division.

J W PROVONSHA--INDO-CHINA:

VOTED, To appoint Dr. J.W.Provonsha, under deferred appointment, to serve in the Far Eastern Division as a medical missionary in Indo-China.

G E PETERS--SUSTENTATION:

G.E.Peters has made request that he be allowed to retire from active service about June 30, 1953, and it was

VOTED, To recommend G.E.Peters to the Sustentation Committee for favorable consideration.

SERVICE COMMISSIONS--LITERATURE FUND:

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At the present time there is a balance of \$7,339.16 in the War Service Library Fund, and in view of the recent adoption of the plan of supplying denominational periodicals to Seventh-day Adventist servicemen, it was

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VOTED, To allocate one half of the sum of \$7,339.16 to the International Service Commission for supplying Seventh-day Adventist servicemen overseas with denominational periodicals, the balance to be retained for use by the North American War Service Commission. (On request of C.B.Haynes his negative vote is here recorded.)

Adjourned.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman
H.T.Elliott, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary

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TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

H L Rudy, N W Dunn, R H Adair, Roger Altman, C W Bozarth, W P Bradley,
 W H Branson, N F Brewer, A W Cormack, E W Dunbar, H T Elliott, T R Flaiz,
 C E Guenther, A L Ham, W J Harris, Louise Kleuser, H W Lowe, T E Lucas,
 L L Moffitt, F D Nichol, W B Ochs, A V Olson, L R Rasmussen, W E Read,
 D E Rebok, K J Reynolds, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, A H Rulkoetter,
 F A Soper, J A Stevens, B E Wagner, A L White, W H Williams

OTHERS PRESENT:

W H Bergherm, S A Kaplan, R Ruhling

Prayer by F.D.Nichol.

MINUTES of meeting of March 19 were approved.

MRS EUNICE FISHER--GENERAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To request the Central Union and Union College to release Mrs. Eunice Fisher to connect with the General Conference Office for stenographic work in the Home Missionary Department.

PAN-AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS--RESERVATIONS:

VOTED, To authorize the reservation of the Fox Theater and the Opera House in San Francisco for the use of the Pan-American Youth Congress for meetings on Sabbath, June 20, 1953.

PAN AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS--ATTENDANCE:

VOTED, 1. To authorize David Damazo, M.E.Kern, A.U.Peterson, Miss Carol Russ, and J.C.Thompson to attend the Pan-American Youth Congress, June 16-20, 1953.

2. To invite their respective employing organizations to arrange for A.C.Fearing, Edward Heppenstall, W.A.Fagal and the Faith for Today Group, to attend the Pan-American Youth Congress in San Francisco.

J E WEAVER--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release J.E.Weaver from the appointment to serve as secretary of the Educational and YPMV departments of the Australasian Inter-Union Conference.

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P W CHRISTIAN--AUSTRALASIA:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and Emmanuel Missionary College to release P.W.Christian, and to appoint him as secretary of the Educational and YPMW departments of the Australasian Inter-Union Conference.

SPRING MEETING--INVITATIONS:

VOTED, To invite Leon Roberson, G.E.Hutches, and E.P.Weaver to attend the Spring Meeting, since they will be coming to Washington to attend board meetings being held at that time.

C R COFFEY--MINISTERIAL LICENSE:

VOTED, That Ministerial License for the period ending July 31, 1954, be granted to C.R.Coffey, recently appointed assistant secretary of the Bureau of Press Relations.

A A LOHMANN AND MOTHER--SPONSORSHIP:

VOTED, To grant sponsorship for A.A.Lohmann and his mother, Mrs. Anna A. Lohmann, as required by the Government, to make it possible for them to come from Shanghai to America.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve the following arrangements for appointments and itineraries:

Request Lake Union for H.W.Kibble to attend Southwest Region Laymen's Congress, Texas, June 3-7.

W.E.Nelson to Pendleton, Oregon, April 13, General Conference Corporation business.

C.E.Moseley, Jr., appointment in Southern California en route to Youth Congress.

Paul Wickman, St. Paul, Minn., for counsel re TV, March 26-28.

J.E.Edwards to North Pacific Union, April 10-23, Ingathering promotion; Canadian Union, April 24-29.

E.E.Cossentine, Canadian Union College, late July; to Union College Study Camp, Colorado, September 4-7.

T.B.Lucas to Hinsdale for commencement, July 11, en route from Colorado.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, To authorize visits to overseas fields as follows:

Dr. S.H.Horn to Copenhagen from Germany, Aug. 25-28, en route home, to attend conference of Old Testament scholars.

N.W.Dunn, Inter-American Division for the month of July, 1953.

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CARSTEN JOHNSEN--FRENCH ADVENTIST SEMINARY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern European Division the call from the Southern European Division for Carsten Johnsen of Norway to connect with the French Adventist Seminary at Collonges as teacher of English.

C ENRIQUE SCHMIDT--ANTILLIAN UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to C. Enrique Schmidt, a student at Emmanuel Missionary College, the call from the Inter-American Division for him to serve as business manager of the Antillian Union College, with the understanding that he will give three years' service before being granted a furlough.

LEONORE A MEAGER--DAR EL SALAAM HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That we request the Washington Sanitarium to release Miss Leonore A. Meager and invite her to connect with the Dar el Salaam Hospital in Baghdad for nursing service.

EVANGELIST FOR SOUTHERN ASIA--AUSTRALASIA:

VOTED, To request the Australasian Inter-Union Conference to recommend a young evangelist with training also as a nurse, to be appointed to service in the Southern Asia Division.

L H COWLES--NORTHWESTERN INDIA UNION:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and Idaho Conference to release L.H.Cowles and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division for evangelistic work in the Northwestern India Union.

H L RITTENHOUSE--MALAMULO MISSION HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and New England Sanitarium and Hospital be requested to release Dr. H.L.Rittenhouse, and to invite him to connect with the Southern African Division for medical service at the Malamulo Mission Hospital and Leper Colony in Nyasaland.

B H ELLER--BANGKOK SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That Dr. B.H.Eller of Cassville, Mo., be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division for service at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital in Thailand.

G E PETERS--FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

VOTED, That G.E.Peters who is being retired June 30, 1953, at his own request, be provided for financially on the same basis as the General Conference workers who were retired in 1950.

HELEN COLLINS--SUSTENTATION:

VOTED, That Miss Helen Collins, a returned missionary, be placed on the Sustentation Fund, her rate being subsidized for a period of six months as from April 1, 1953.

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Adjourned, with prayer by Miss Louise Kleuser.

H.L.Rudy, Chairman
N.W.Dunn, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary

TWO HUNDRED FORTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 27, 1953

MEMBERS PRESENT:

W H Branson, D E Rebok, R H Adair, Roger Altman, C W Bozarth, W P Bradley,
N F Brewer, J F Cummins, N W Dunn, T R Flaiz, A L Ham, W J Harris,
Louise Kleuser, T E Lucas, L L Moffitt, W E Nelson, W B Ochs, A V Olson,
L R Rasmussen, E E Roenfelt, H L Rudy, A H Rulkoetter, B E Wagner

The meeting was called immediately following the morning worship hour.

CORAL SEA UNION MISSION--REORGANIZATION:

The Chairman presented a cable, signed by H.G.Moulds, in which request is made for Committee approval of the division of the Coral Sea Union Mission into two unions and the creation of nine additional local missions. This is felt necessary because of the extensive territory and the rapid growth of the work. It is understood that the proposed plan would involve no additional foreign personnel or housing, the local missions to be in charge of native leadership.

VOTED, That we approve the reorganization of the Coral Sea Union Mission into two union missions, including the proposed additional local missions.

Adjourned.

W.H.Branson, Chairman
D.E.Rebok, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary