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May 1 and 9, 1957

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## One Hundred Ninety-seventh Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 1, 1957, 3:30 P.M.

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## PRESENT:

A. V. Olson, E. E. Roenfelt, R. H. Adair, R. A. Anderson, V. G. Anderson, O. A. Blake, C. W. Bozarth, W. P. Bradley, F. Brennwald, N. F. Brewer, J. A. Buckwalter, D. Lois Burnett, J. E. Chase, E. E. Cleveland, E. E. Cossentine, W. J. Harris, W. A. Higgins, G. A. Huse, H. W. Klaser, F. B. Knight, H. W. Lowe, T. E. Lucas, G. M. Mathews, D. A. McAdams, L. L. Moffitt, C. E. Moseley, Jr., H. S. Nelson, F. D. Nichol, T. L. Oswald, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, W. E. Read, J. I. Robison, A. H. Rulkoetter, W. A. Scharffenberg, Walter Schubert, F. A. Soper, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, G. E. Vandeman, E. R. Walde, Howard Weeks, A. L. White.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

W. H. Beaven, Herbert Ford, C. D. Forshee, C. H. Kelly, E. F. Willett.

Prayer by E. E. Cossentine.

MINUTES of the meetings held April 18 and 25, 1957 were approved.

## ESTHER L. PIERCE--TAKOMA HOSPITAL AND SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital the call from the Southern Union for Miss Esther L. Pierce, to connect with the Takoma Hospital and Sanitarium, Greenville, Tennessee, for service in the Record Department.

## LELA H. PIERCE--TAKOMA HOSPITAL AND SANITARIUM:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Lela H. Pierce, of the Department of Education, General Conference Office, the call from the Southern Union for her to connect with the Takoma Hospital and Sanitarium, Greenville, Tennessee, for work in the business office.

## WILLIAM ALLEN--SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the call from the Southern Union for William Allen, to connect with Southern Missionary College, as a pressman.

## BANK ACCOUNT--SDA WELFARE SERVICE, INC.:

Resolved, That the Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City, Branch 84, be and hereby is, authorized to recognize the signatures of J. C. Christensen, and/or C. L. Torrey, and/or W. E. Phillips, to sign or make any changes and orders for the payment of money for the account which is in the name of the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service, Inc.

May 1, 1957

## E. G. WHITE BOOKS--APPROPRIATION:

On recommendation of the Committee on Promotion of the E. G. White Books, it was

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$750 be made from the Spirit of Prophecy Book Fund to the Far Eastern Division, to assist in the publication of the book Messages to Young People in the Chinese language.

## APPROPRIATION--UNION COLLEGE:

After careful consideration was given to the serious financial situation of Union College resulting from continued drought in the mid-West, it was

VOTED, To authorize an appropriation of \$40,000 to the Central Union and Union College from the General Conference Emergency Fund.

## APPROPRIATION--SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE:

The Southwestern Junior College having suffered serious financial reverses because of a number of years of drought in the surrounding area, it was

VOTED, To authorize an appropriation of \$20,000 to the Southwestern Union and Southwestern Junior College from the General Conference Emergency Fund.

## COMMITTEE ON SPACE

## FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION:

VOTED, To appoint the following Committee to give study to space for General Conference session arrangements, for different departments and exhibits: C. L. Torrey, E. E. Cossentine, H. T. Elliott, L. K. Dickson, E. R. Walde, L. L. Moffitt, T. L. Oswald, F. L. Peterson, W. P. Bradley, and the Manager of the session arrangements.

FURTHER VOTED, To authorize the Committee on Space for the General Conference session to make a trip to Cleveland, Ohio, in July, 1957, to give study to space for departments and exhibits.

## COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL ARRANGEMENTS--

## V. G. ANDERSON:

VOTED, That V. G. Anderson be appointed to replace D. A. Ochs on the General Conference session Committee on Physical Arrangements.

## DISABILITY FUND:

VOTED, That in order to provide what is considered an adequate fund to cover applications for assistance under the Disability Fund Policy, provision be made for a standing balance of \$25,000 at the time the books are closed at the end of each year.

## SPONSORSHIPS:

VOTED, To grant provision for the following sponsorships:

May 1, 1957

Miss Irene King, of Northern Europe, to visit America for six weeks en route to Canada.

Miss Ulla Sundell, from Southern Africa, on a student basis, if the Southern African Division will give assurance that she will have sufficient funds to support herself during her period of training.

Miss Florita Meisser, from Switzerland, on a visitor's basis, to the United States. She is the fiancée of Ernest Veuthey, and will go on to Guadeloupe. The Inter-American Division has authorized her coming to the States

#### CHRISTIAN RECORD BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC.--SALARIES:

In harmony with the action of the Spring Meeting, the Officers have given study to the rates for categories of workers in the office of the Christian Record Benevolent Association, Inc., and have recommended the following, which was voted:

That the workers in the Christian Record Benevolent Association, Inc., receive salaries according to their corresponding positions in the Wage Scale as listed for publishing houses.

#### G. R. JENSON--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

A request has been received from G. R. Jenson, on furlough from India, for an extension of his furlough, in order to adequately care for certain family situations which have arisen. It was

VOTED, To grant an extension of furlough to G. R. Jenson for two and one-half months from November 21, 1957.

#### C. E. WITTSCHIEBE--MOUNT AETNA, MARYLAND:

VOTED, To pass on to the SDA Theological Seminary the request from the Columbia Union for C. E. Wittschiebe to attend a Theological Retreat at Mount Aetna, Maryland, May 17, 18.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

James Chase--Mt. Vernon, Ohio, speaking appointment at Academy and Radio-TV Rally, May 17, 18.

E. N. Dick--Monterrey Bay Academy, Principals' Convention, June 26-30.

T. R. Flaiz, M.D., O. A. Blakey--Michigan Sanitarium Constituency Meeting, May 19.

Richard Hammill--Oakwood College, Inspection Meeting, May 13-17.

Carol Hetzell--Omaha, Nebraska, Convention of the American College Public Relations Association, June 24-27.

F. L. Peterson--Detroit, Michigan, church dedication, week end of May 25.

F. H. Yost--Bridgeport, Connecticut, Shuster Sunday Law Case; date to be arranged.

W. H. Bergherm--Chicago, Military Chaplains' Association Convention, May 7, 8, 9.

May 1, 1957

## ESTHER OLDHAM--APPOINTMENT TRANSFERRED:

VOTED, That in view of factors which make it difficult for her to respond to a call to the Ngoma Mission Hospital, the appointment of Miss Esther Oldham be transferred from Ngoma to the Malamulo Mission Hospital, in Southern Africa.

## VIOLET CLARK--GUAM:

VOTED, To request the Central Union and Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium to release Miss Violet Clark, and to invite her to connect with the Far Eastern Division for medical work in Guam, for a three-year term of service.

## J. M. BUCY--NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union to release J. M. Bucy, and to invite him to connect with the Northern European Division as Secretary of the Publishing and Radio Departments.

## DRS. HARRY AND VELDA WEBER--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Drs. Harry and Velda Weber be released from appointment to the Far Eastern Division for service in Malaya, in view of her status of health.

## OPAL WHITEAKER--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

VOTED, That in order to enable Miss Opal Whiteaker, on furlough from the Far Eastern Division, to obtain her degree in Nursing Education, her furlough be extended two months from May 21, 1957.

## D. A. BRUESKE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That authorization be given for the permanent return of D. A. Brueske from Malaya, in view of his condition of health, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

## C. W. LEE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That authorization be given for the permanent return of C. W. Lee from Korea, in harmony with his request, and on approval of the Far Eastern Division, the exact date to be worked out.

## H. L. DYER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of H. L. Dyer from the Philippines, (because of a health problem), and in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

## LICENSING CASE IN NEW YORK:

VOTED, To authorize the Religious Liberty Department to obtain the services of Attorney William D. Donnelly, regarding assistance in connection with a licensing case in Vestal, New York.

Adjourned at 4:17 P.M.

A. V. Olson, Chairman;  
E. E. Roenfelt, Secretary;  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.

## One Hundred Ninety--eighth Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 9, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

W. B. Ochs, E. E. Roenfelt, R. H. Adair, Wesley Amundsen, H. W. Barrows, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, N. F. Brewer, J. E. Chase, E. E. Cleveland, E. E. Cossentine, L. K. Dickson, E. W. Dunbar, N. W. Dunn, H. T. Elliott, A. L. Ham, Richard Hammill, W. A. Higgins, G. A. Huse, H. W. Klaser, F. B. Knight, T. E. Lucas, G. M. Mathews, H. S. Nelson, F. D. Nichol, W. E. Read, D. E. Rebok, J. I. Robison, H. L. Rudy, A. H. Rulkoetter, W. H. Shephard, F. A. Soper, B. E. Wagner, Howard Weeks, F. H. Yost, A. L. White.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

W. H. Beaven, D. A. Delafield, Herbert Ford, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield.

Prayer by James E. Chase.

MINUTES of the meeting held May 1, 1957 were approved.

## J. E. HOFFMAN--COLLEGE OF MEDICAL EVANGELISTS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and West Pennsylvania Conference the call for J. E. Hoffman to connect with the College of Medical Evangelists; to assist in the Department of Psychiatry, beginning July 1, 1957; with the understanding that the salary will be settled by the Board of the College of Medical Evangelists.

## JAMES COX--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To agree to the arrangement being worked out by the Columbia Union with the Australasian Division for James Cox to receive partial employment at Washington Missionary College while he continues his training at the SDA Theological Seminary, he being on an extended leave of absence in this country from Australasia.

## IRENE KING--HELDERBERG COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the Northern European Division and Newbold College to release Miss Irene King, and to invite her to connect with the Southern African Division to teach in the commercial department of Helderberg College.

## D. V. COWIN--WEST AFRICA:

VOTED, On request of D. V. Cowin, that he be permitted in accepting the call to serve in West Africa to leave his family in the States for one year, to give their daughter opportunity to continue her education in music.

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## N. C. WILSON--SALARY:

VOTED, To accede to the request of the Southern Union and Kentucky-Tennessee Conference and authorize the General Conference Treasury to pay the full salary of N. C. Wilson to a maximum of six-months' time, to begin at the time he moves near to Madison College, and is appointed to act as pastor of certain churches in the vicinity; further study to be given to his salary at the end of the six months.

## REHABILITATION TO POLAND:

VOTED, To authorize an appropriation of \$10,000 from the General Conference Rehabilitation Fund to the Northern European Division, to assist in the rebuilding of the church in Warsaw, Poland.

## APPROPRIATION--ILLINOIS:

VOTED, To authorize an appropriation of \$15,000 from the General Conference Emergency Fund to the Lake Union and Illinois Conference, to assist in the restoration of the Peoria, Illinois, Church, which was destroyed by fire.

## COMMITTEE ON SPACE FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--

T. E. LUCAS ADDED:

VOTED, That the name of T. E. Lucas be added to the Committee on Space for the General Conference session.

FURTHER VOTED, To authorize T. E. Lucas to make a trip with the Committee to Cleveland, Ohio, in July, 1957, to survey facilities for departments and exhibits.

## NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Home-Foreign Committee and the work for the Indians be combined and be renamed the North American Missions Committee.

## OREGON CORPORATION EQUIPMENT:

Inquiry from the Oregon Corporation in respect to delivery of obsolete machinery to Laurelwood Academy and Upper Columbia Academy was considered. It was brought out that the realizable market value of secondhand machinery generally is much less than the true value. It was the opinion that much greater benefit to the denomination would result if this machinery was distributed to the academies rather than sold.

VOTED, To direct the Oregon Corporation to deliver the machinery to the academies as nominees of the General Conference, in accordance with their request; provided, however, that such academies assume the expense of crating and transportation incident to delivery to them.

May 9, 1957

## VACATIONS--APPLICATION OF POLICY:

Recommendations with regard to the application of the Vacations Policy were presented from the Officers and with amendment adopted as follows:

1. That the policy of granting three weeks' vacation to workers who have served the denomination for twenty or more years apply as from the time of the 1957 Spring Council action.
2. That three-weeks' vacation be prorated in the case of workers who have twenty years of service but who are working on a basis of from three-fourths to full time. Those working less than three-fourths full time will have no vacation privilege.
3. That in the case of a worker who has not had continuous service it be required that he have a total service of one year additional to the twenty for each year he has been out of denominational employ in order to qualify for the three-weeks' vacation, in harmony with the principle followed in reckoning the service period for sustentation eligibility.

## HEATING ALLOWANCE--APPLICATION OF POLICY:

Recommendations as to the application of the Heating Allowance policy to the workers on the General Conference staff were submitted from the Officers and adopted as follows:

1. That the action of the Spring Council relative to the heating allowance be applied on the following basis:

The cost of gas, electricity, coal, and oil during the year for the family needs shall be calculated, and any excess of this total cost above \$150.00 be shared on a fifty-fifty basis, but not including cost of maintenance.

2. That this plan begin as from January 1, 1957.

## PUBLISHING ADVISORY COMMITTEE--

## DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING:

VOTED, That the Publishing Advisory Committee be authorized to hold their meeting in Miami, Florida, October 14-18, 1957.

## STANLEY V. MAXWELL--NEWBOLD COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern African Division and Helderberg College the call from the Northern European Division for Stanley V. Maxwell, to connect with Newbold College as head of the commercial department.

## GEORGE MAYWALD--SOUTH INDIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division the call for George Maywald, to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary for the South India Union.

## HARRY OSMOND--SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division the call for Harry Osmund, to connect with the Southern Asia Division office as cashier-accountant.

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## C. L. GEMMELL--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a six-months' extension of furlough for C. L. Gemmell, on furlough from the Middle East Division, in order that he may obtain his Ph. D. degree.

## DRS. HAROLD AND BEVERLY GIEBEL--ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, To pass on to Drs. Harold and Beverly Giebel, now at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland, and who are planning to proceed to Germany for a time, the call to connect with the Northern European Division for service in Ethiopia, effective in early 1958.

## VIOLET V. WENTLAND--MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Canadian Union College to release Violet V. Wentland, and to invite her to connect with the Middle East Division as dean of women and teacher of Home Economics in the Middle East College.

## JOHNNY D. JOHNSON--LIBERIA:

VOTED, To request the Lake Union and Lake Region Conference to release Johnny D. Johnson, and to invite him to connect with the Northern European Division as a teacher for the Konola school, in Liberia.

## D. H. SKAU--PLANS FOR FUTURE:

VOTED, To rescind the action taken by this Committee on April 25, 1957, authorizing the permanent return of D. H. Skau from the Southern Asia Division.

FURTHER VOTED, That D. H. Skau be continued on the basis of the previous arrangement entered into with the Southern Asia Division, that is, on half-time salary from June 1, 1957 until he arrives back in the field, thus assisting him to complete the work necessary to secure his M.A. degree, and with the understanding that he may return to India alone for a few months.

## WILMA LEAZER--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a four-months' extension of furlough for Miss Wilma Leazer, on furlough from the Far Eastern Division, to enable her to complete her work for her M.A. degree.

## PAUL NELSON--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a two-months' extension of furlough for Paul Nelson, on furlough from the Far Eastern Division, to enable him to complete his study program.

## R. C. MILLS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of R. C. Mills, on his request, for family reasons, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.



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## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

E. E. Cossentine, W. R. Beach--Union College, selection of new president, May 15.

G. A. Huse--Southern Union (Decatur, Georgia), study central credit office and pay-by-mail plan; general council, May 19-21.

Mildred Johnson, Don Yost, E. L. Minchin, L. A. Skinner, T. E. Lucas, Mount Vernon, Ohio, Golden Anniversary Memorial Service, July 12, 13; MV Advisory Committee, July 14-16.

T. E. Lucas--Indiana, Youth Congress, and other appointments, October 1-6.

J. W. Peeke--Oakwood College, survey Insurance situation, to be arranged.

H. L. Rudy--Walla Walla College, Baccalaureate sermon, June 1, 2 (cancel appointment at Spokane, Washington, June 1-5, German meeting).

V. L. Sanders--North Pacific and Pacific Unions, Insurance business, May 12-26, instead of April 21-30.

W. A. Scharffenberg--Chicago, Illinois, Temperance appointments and conference with Dr. Andrew C. Ivy, May 10-12.

L. A. Skinner--Philmont Scout Ranch (Cimarron, New Mexico), look over camp and be with Dr. Irving Jones, June 24, 25 (stopover on way from Northern Union camp meetings to Academy Principals' Convention in California).

Joyce Wilson--Petit Jean Mt. State Park (Arkansas),<sup>JUNE 16-22</sup> Health Education Workshop; Porter Sanitarium and Hospital, Health Education, June 25-27; White Memorial Hospital, Health Education, August 19-21; La Sierra College, Pacific Union Conference Elementary Teachers' Convention, August 22-28.

W. H. Branson, R. R. Figuhr, C. L. Torrey, H. L. Rudy, W. B. Ochs, ~~R. H. Adair~~, W. E. Phillips--Harris Pine Mills Board, Pendleton, Oregon, June 24.

T. R. Flaiz, M.D., W. R. Beach--Hinsdale, Illinois, Sanitarium Constituency, May 19. (This is instead of T. R. Flaiz, M.D., and O. A. Blake to Michigan for Sanitarium Constituency, May 19.)

## W. H. BRAVEN--GENEVA INSTITUTE:

VOTED, To authorize W. H. Beaven to attend the Geneva Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism, in Switzerland, August 4-16, 1957.

## W. A. SCHARFFENBERG--GENEVA AND BOMBAY INSTITUTES:

VOTED, To authorize W. A. Scharffenberg to attend the Geneva Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism, in Switzerland, August 4-16, 1957, and also the Asian Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism in Bombay, India, November 1-15, en route to Australia.

## DARREN L. MICHAEL--CALL CANCELED:

It was stated that Darren L. Michael, of the Canadian Union, has written with appreciation for the confidence expressed in him in calling him to connect with the Bureau of Public Relations as an Associate Secretary. He declines to accept the call because of the need for his services in Canada.

VOTED, To cancel the call for Darren L. Michael to connect with the General Conference Bureau of Public Relations.

May 9, 1957

Adjourned at 11:10 A.M.

W. B. Ochs, Chairman;  
E. E. Roenfelt, Secretary;  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.

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## One Hundred Ninety-ninth Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 16, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

H. L. Rudy, H. T. Elliott, R. H. Adair, Wesley Amundsen, W. H. Bergherm, W. P. Bradley, F. Brennwald, N. F. Brewer, G. W. Chambers, J. E. Chase, E. E. Cleveland, E. D. Dick, L. K. Dickson, E. W. Dunbar, Jesse O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, A. L. Ham, W. A. Higgins, G. A. Huse, H. W. Klaser, F. B. Knight, T. E. Lucas, D. A. McAdams, L. L. Moffitt, C. E. Moseley, Jr., H. S. Nelson, F. D. Nichol, T. L. Oswald, A. H. Rulkoetter, W. A. Scharffenberg, Walter Schubert, James Scully, B. E. Wagner, E. R. Walde, Howard Weeks, F. H. Yost, A. L. White.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Herbert Ford, C. D. Forshee, R. Ruhling, Don Yost, Robert W. Groom and C. J. Howell, the latter two being representatives of our denominational Health Food work in Australia.

Prayer by Jesse O. Gibson.

MINUTES of the meeting of May 9, 1957 were approved.

## GLORIA EAKER--INSURANCE SERVICE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and Texas Conference the call from the General Conference for Miss Gloria Eaker, to connect with the Insurance Service.

## HARRY HOUSE, JR.--INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY:

VOTED, To pass on to Harry House, Jr., of Takoma Park, D.C., the call of the General Conference for him to connect with the International Insurance Company.

## GERALD SAYERS--PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Canadian Union and Maracle Printing Company the call for Gerald Sayers, to connect with the Pacific Press Publishing Association for work in the Offset Department.

## J. P. ANDERSON--SUSTENTATION:

VOTED, That inasmuch as J. P. Anderson has completed his term of service in Hong Kong and is now returning to the homeland, he be released from responsibility, and to recommend to the Sustentation Committee that he again be placed on Sustentation.

May 16, 1957

## TRAVEL ACCIDENT INSURANCE--

## GENERAL CONFERENCE TRAVELLING STAFF AND OVERSEAS DIVISION STAFFS:

VOTED, That for General Conference staff members on the authorized travel accident coverage list we change from Coverage A (Conveyance Accident coverage) to Coverage C (Broad Form Accident, Including Travel) at a cost of \$29.00 yearly per individual covered on a \$25.00 deductible basis, with a Principal Sum of \$10,000, Single Weekly Indemnity of \$25.00, \$500.00 medical expense reimbursement, it being understood the General Conference will carry the annual premium cost. Should any staff member desire more than the \$10,000 principal sum coverage the additional premium would be his personal expense.

FURTHER VOTED, That we recommend Coverage C to our overseas Divisions for their workers who are now covered on Coverages A and P, since this gives twenty-four-hour coverage, and against all accidents.

## J. W. PEEKE--CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To authorize J. W. Peeke to spend May 14-25, 1957 in California, on Insurance business.

## MEADE MACGUIRE--

## MV GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL SERVICE:

VOTED, To invite Meade MacGuire to attend the MV Golden Anniversary Memorial Service to be held at Mount Vernon, Ohio, July 12,13, 1957, with the understanding that the General Conference will meet one third of his travel expense, the remainder to be shared by the Columbia Union and Ohio Conference.

## MINISTERIAL-TEACHER LICENSE:

VOTED, To approve of the following wording for the Ministerial-Teacher License Credential, which is provided for by action of the Spring Meeting of the General Conference Committee:

## Ministerial-Teacher License

No. \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is a Ministerial  
Teacher in good standing in the \_\_\_\_\_ Conference  
of Seventh-day Adventists, and is authorized to perform the duties  
of said office for the Conference for the term ending \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_.

By order of the Conference.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_

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President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

## J. M. JACKSON--NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the request from the North Pacific Union for J. M. Jackson to visit that field for promotion work, August 1-15.

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FRED VELTMAN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Fred Veltman from the Middle East Division, in view of Mrs. Veltman's condition of health, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

DRS. L. G. AND AILEEN LUDINGTON--  
FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, To invite Drs. L. G. and Aileen Ludington, of Los Angeles, California, to return for further service in the Far Eastern Division, allowing them to choose whether it be at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital or Bandung Mission Hospital, when they have completed their postgraduate work, apprising them of the medical appointee residency training program voted at the 1956 Autumn Council and that they may benefit by this plan.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

- W. H. Bergherm--West Coast, visit chaplains, May 16-24.
- W. P. Bradley--Pacific Union, contact prospective appointees, July 1-12.
- G. W. Chambers--Grand Ledge, Mich., Medical Cadet Corps Training Camp, June 11-25.
- E. E. Cleveland--Cleveland, Ohio, speaking appointments, August 9, 10.
- G. A. Huse and W. E. Phillips--Southwestern Union, May 27 or 28, to counsel re the bookwork.
- G. M. Mathews--Hayden Lake, Idaho, Elementary Teachers' Institute, September 22-24; Gladstone Park, Oregon, Elementary Teachers' Institute, September 29-October 1.
- E. L. Minchin--Pacific Union, Special Youth Meeting and speaking appointments, May 25-June 8 (en route from Canada).
- F. L. Peterson--Mount Vernon, Ohio, Youth Congress, July 12-16.
- A. H. Rulkoetter--Atlanta, Georgia, Green River Ordinances, May 20-22.
- J. V. Scully--West Palm Beach (en route to Texas camp meeting), Temperance work.
- Carl Sundin--Central Union (Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado), Workers' Meeting and medical placement problems, June 16-22.
- C. L. Torrey, W. P. Bradley, E. E. Cossentine, L. K. Dickson, H. T. Elliott, L. L. Moffitt, T. L. Oswald, F. L. Peterson, E. R. Walde, T. E. Lucas, S. Arason--Cleveland, Ohio, General Conference session space, May 28, 29 (change of date from July, 1957).
- Joyce Wilson--Southwestern Union, Teachers' Convention, September 25-29; Mount Vernon, Ohio, Teachers' Convention, October 6-9; Lincoln, Nebraska, assist in workshops at Teachers' Convention, October 9-11.

Adjourned at 10:27 A.M.

H. L. Rudy, Chairman;  
H. T. Elliott, Secretary;  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.

## Two Hundredth Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 23, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

L. K. Dickson, E. E. Roenfelt, Wesley Amundsen, O. A. Blake, C. W. Bozarth, W. P. Bradley, F. Brenwald, N. F. Brewer, D. Lois Burnett, G. W. Chambers, J. E. Chase, E. E. Cleveland, E. E. Cossentine, E. W. Dunbar, Dr. T. R. Flaiz, Jesse O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, A. L. Ham, Richard Hammill, W. A. Higgins, H. W. Klaser, F. B. Knight, H. W. Lowe, G. M. Mathews, D. A. McAdams, L. L. Moffitt, F. D. Nichol, J. I. Robison, H. L. Rudy, W. A. Scharffenberg, James Scully, L. A. Skinner, F. A. Soper, W. H. Teesdale, F. H. Yost.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

C. D. Forshee, R. Ruhling.

Prayer by L. L. Moffitt.

MINUTES of the meeting of May 16, 1957 were approved.

## DAVIS THOMAS--ORDINATION AND CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, To authorize the ordination of Davis Thomas, who has been appointed as a chaplain in the Navy, following the completion of his Bachelor of Divinity course at the SDA Theological Seminary.

FURTHER VOTED, To grant Ministerial Credentials to Davis Thomas for the remainder of the quadrennial term ending June 30, 1958.

## INGATHERING EDITORIAL COMMITTEE--MEETING:

VOTED, To authorize a meeting of the Ingathering Editorial Committee to be held in San Antonio, Texas, March 10, 1958, in connection with the Home Missionary Department Advisory Committee.

## HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

VOTED, To authorize a meeting of the Home Missionary Department Advisory Committee to be held in San Antonio, Texas, March 11-13, 1958.

## JAMES COSTA--BONGO TRAINING SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Atlantic Union and Southern New England Conference to release James Costa, and to invite him to connect with the Southern European Division, as principal for the Bongo Training School.

## E. C. DUERKSEN, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of E. C. Duerksen, M.D., from British Guiana, on his request because of family health reasons, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

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## A. E. GESCHKE, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That A. E. Geschke, M.D., be released from the call to serve at the Bhuket Mission Clinic, in West Thailand, since he is not free to accept.

## A. E. GESCHKE, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of A. E. Geschke, M.D., from Burma, on his request, for family educational reasons, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

## D. V. COWIN--RELEASED:

VOTED, That D. V. Cowin be released from appointment to departmental work in the West African Union Mission, he having declined because of their responsibility for their daughter's education.

## STANLEY V. MAXWELL--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Stanley V. Maxwell, of Holderberg College, be released from the call to connect with Newbold Missionary College as head of the commercial department, he having declined to accept.

## T. S. GERATY--LEAVE OF ABSENCE EXTENDED:

VOTED, To authorize a three-months' extension of leave of absence to T. S. Geraty, to September 15, 1957, to enable him to complete his work for his Doctor's degree.

## O. A. SKAU--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of O. A. Skau from India, on his own request, because of his age and his long years of service overseas.

## DR. BRUCE BRANSON--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Dr. Bruce Branson, of the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, California, be placed under deferred appointment.

## OVERSEAS VISITS:

VOTED, To approve arrangements for overseas visits as follows:

- W. R. Beach--South America, Dec. 1, 1957-Jan. 15, 1958.
- W. P. Bradley--Far East, Dec. 1, 1957-January, 1958.
- L. K. Dickson--Inter-America, Nov. 6-Dec. 15, 1957.
- N. W. Dunn--Inter-America, Nov. 6-Dec. 15, 1957.
- Paul Heubach--approval of visit to Southern Asia and Far East, following tour of Bible lands. No expense to General Conference.
- L. L. Moffitt--Southern Asia, Nov. 1-Dec. 30, 1957.
- L. C. Naden, of Australasia--to Southern Asia, July 6-15, 1957.
- T. L. Oswald--South America, Dec. 1, 1957--into February, 1958.
- J. I. Robison--Northern Europe, November 6-13; Central Europe, Nov. 26-Dec. 3, 1957; Southern Europe, Dec. 5-11, 1957.
- E. E. Roenfelt--Southern Asia, Dec. 1, 1957-Jan. 31, 1958.



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## OVERSEAS VISITS (CONCLUDED):

O. Uebersax, of Southern Europe--to Central Europe, Stuttgart, Sept. 9-15, 1957.

Frank Yost--Far East, one month, August or September, 1957.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

H. P. Bloum, F. Brennwald--Oakwood College, Audit, to be arranged.

Herbert Ford--Gary, Indiana, and Columbus, Ohio, publicity work, May 18-20.

Richard Hammill--Oakwood College, Board Meeting, May 28 (extension of itinerary).

H. W. Klaser--Southwestern Union, speaking appointments, July 24-31; Texico camp meeting, August 2-10; speaking appointments, August 21-28.

W. B. Ochs, T. L. Oswald, F. L. Peterson--Southern Publishing Association, organize magazine campaigns, September 3, 4.

Joyce Wilson--St. Paul, Minnesota, Elementary Teachers' Convention, October 13-16.

A. H. Rulkoetter--Indianapolis, Indiana, Brandon Plant Case, May 28.

C. E. WITTSCHIEBE--DETROIT, MICHIGAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the SDA Theological Seminary the request from the Lake Union and Michigan Conference that C. E. Wittschiebe meet speaking appointments in Detroit, Michigan, in July, 1957.

## W. W. EASTMAN--DEATH OF:

Announcement was made concerning the death of W. W. Eastman on May 22, 1957. Elder Eastman was an active worker in this denomination, having spent the years 1914-1930 as a secretary in the Publishing Department of the General Conference. It was

Resolved, To express to the relatives of W. W. Eastman our sympathy with them in their bereavement, and our appreciation for the many years of devoted service which he gave in our literature work.

VOTED, To authorize the Treasurer to send a floral piece for the funeral of W. W. Eastman.

## MRS. L. A. HANSEN--DEATH OF:

Information has been received of the death of Mrs. L. A. Hansen, in Orlando, Florida, on May 23, 1957. Elder Hansen was for a number of years connected with the General Conference Medical Department.

Resolved, To send to L. A. Hansen and other relatives an expression of our sympathy with them in the passing of Mrs. L. A. Hansen.

VOTED, To authorize the Treasurer to send a floral piece for the funeral of Mrs. L. A. Hansen.

May 23, 1957

## PETER KNIGHT--PACIFIC PRESS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and Union College the call for Peter Knight to connect with the Pacific Press Publishing Association.

## IRENE KING--CALL RESCINDED:

VOTED, To rescind the action taken by the General Conference Committee on May 9, 1957 passing on to Miss Irene King a call to connect with the Southern African Division for teaching work in Helderberg College.

## IRENE KING--OSHAWA MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Irene King, recently connected with Newbold Missionary College, now en route to Australia, the call to connect with the Canadian Union to teach secretarial subjects in Oshawa Missionary College. It is understood that she will pay her own transportation to New York City, and that Oshawa Missionary College will pay her transportation to Oshawa and also her salary.

## JAMES COX--CLARIFICATION OF STATUS:

VOTED, That the action regarding the employment by Washington Missionary College of James Cox be rescinded; and

Since information from the Australasian Division explains that James Cox's leave of absence expires in June, 1957, and the Australasian Division have no claim further on his services, and the way is clear for him to be employed in denominational work in the North American Division, it was

VOTED, That James Cox be recognized as a worker who has come to North America on his own personal responsibility and that if he is employed by Washington Missionary College or any other organization or institution we approve on the understanding that he be related to denominational policies as a worker who has come to North America on his own responsibility.

SURVEY OF INTERNSHIP TRAINING  
IN MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS:

In order to acquaint the College of Medical Evangelists with the quality of internships given in our denominational medical institutions in North America, so that they may intelligently allocate interns to these institutions, it was

VOTED, To authorize Drs. Varner Johns and Robert F. Chinnock, of the College of Medical Evangelists, to visit our medical institutions in this country, for the purpose of investigating the internship training given, the travel expense to be charged to the General Conference Miscellaneous Travel Fund.

May 23, 1957

## ESTHER BRUCK--REQUEST OF:

Miss Esther Bruck, now in the employment of Washington Missionary College as a teacher, is planning on a trip to Europe this Summer. Her father, Carl Bruck, recently passed away. She wishes to give attention to certain family obligations in Germany, and also spend some time in study in France. She has inquired if the General Conference could give some assistance on travel expense. Carl Bruck was called to North America from Germany in 1928, and after a few years' service in this country returned to Germany in 1938, at which time final settlement was made with him by this office. However, the daughter, who was fourteen years of age at the time the family came to the United States, did not return to Germany. It is felt that in a sense the General Conference has an obligation to the daughter.

VOTED, To authorize the Treasurer to grant Miss Esther Bruck the equivalent of a single fare to Germany, one way, tourist rate. This action is understood to discharge the General Conference of our obligation to return Miss Bruck to Germany, and does not commit us to responsibility to her in any future leaves of absence.

## T. M. ASHLOCK--ELLEN G. WHITE PUBLICATIONS:

VOTED, To pass on to T. M. Ashlock, recently returned from the Southern Asia Division, the request from the Ellen G. White Publications that he assist, for a period of from six to eight weeks, in certain manuscript work with the understanding that his salary for this period will be drawn from the budget of the White Publications.

Adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

L. K. Dickson, Chairman;  
E. E. Roenfelt, Secretary;  
Katie Farncy, Recording Secretary.

## Two Hundred and First Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 29, 1957, 1:30 P.M.

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## PRESENT:

W. R. Beach, J. I. Robison, V. G. Anderson, F. Brennwald, N. F. Brewer, D. Lois Burnett, G. W. Chambers, J. E. Chase, E. D. Dick, E. W. Dunbar, N. W. Dunn, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., Jesse O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, C. B. Haynes, W. A. Higgins, H. W. Klaser, Louise C. Kleuser, F. B. Knight, H. W. Lowe, G. M. Mathews, F. D. Nichol, J. W. Peeke, F. A. Soper, B. E. Wagner, F. H. Yost, A. L. White.

## OTHERS PRESENT:

W. H. Beaven, Herbert Ford, Don Yost.

Prayer by C. B. Haynes.

MINUTES of the meeting of May 23, 1957 were approved.

## DORIS V. BLACKMON--REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and Carolina Conference the call for Doris V. Blackmon, to connect with the Review and Herald Publishing Association for secretarial work.

## ESTHER SONNENBERG--LOMA LINDA:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and Walla Walla College the call for Miss Esther Sonnenberg, to connect with the College of Medical Evangelists as assistant residence hall dean on the Loma Linda campus.

## JAMES POLK--COLLEGE OF MEDICAL EVANGELISTS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Pacific Union College the call for James Polk, to connect with the College of Medical Evangelists as assistant to the manager of the Dairy Department.

## MRS. ZELLA NIXON--WALLA WALLA COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the College of Medical Evangelists the call from the North Pacific Union for Mrs. Zella Nixon, of Loma Linda Sanitarium, to connect with Walla Walla College as assistant dietitian.

## HENRY F. BROWN--CENTRAL CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Press Publishing Association the call from the Pacific Union for Henry F. Brown, to connect with the Central California Conference as district pastor.

## ASI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

VOTED, To recommend that the following be appointed as members of the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions Executive Committee at the next

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biennial meeting of the ASI: W. B. Ochs, W. R. Beach, W. P. Bradley, H. T. Elliott, and A. L. Ham.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

- D. A. Delafield--Collegedale, Week of Prayer, September 27-October 5.  
 E. W. Dunbar--Southern Union, contacting doctors, August 25-September 15  
 (in connection with camp meeting appointments).  
 H. T. Elliott--Madison College, Constituency and Board, June 6, 7.  
 T. R. Flaiz, M.D.--La Sierra College, Health and Physical Education  
 Workshop, July 8-11.  
 T. R. Flaiz, M.D., R. R. Figuhr, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey, College of  
 Medical Evangelists' Board, June 20.  
 Herbert Ford--British Columbia, Alberta, Public Relations Workshops and  
 Seminars, November 30-December 12.  
 T. L. Oswald--Florida, Lay Rallies, July 13-20.  
 H. L. Rudy--Mt. Vernon, Ohio, War Service Commission, July 17, 18.  
 F. H. Yost--Sacramento, San Francisco, Angwin, Department business, and  
 visit Dr. A. W. Johnson, in connection with Pacific Union camp meetings,  
 June 6-22; Chicago, American Town Hall of Air, June 27 (instead of June 4),  
 from Montana camp meeting and return.  
 Joyce Wilson--Miami, Florida, Adventist Dietetic Association, Oct. 20, 21.  
 J. M. JACKSON, R. J. CHRISTIAN--  
 CANADIAN UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the request received from the Canadian Union for J. M. Jackson and R. J. Christian to spend September 24-October 30, 1957, in recruiting colporteurs in the British Columbia, Alberta, and Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conferences.

F. D. NICHOL--LA SIERRA COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the request from the Pacific Union for F. D. Nichol to attend a Health and Physical Education Workshop at La Sierra College, in July, 1957.

DR. J. NUSSBAUM--QUEBEC CITY, MONTREAL:

VOTED, To pass on to Dr. J. Nussbaum the request of the Canadian Union for him to make Religious Liberty contacts with government officials in Quebec City, Montreal, in the Autumn of 1957.

GEORGE ASO--TORONTO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and Colorado Conference the request of the Canadian Union for George Aso, a Japanese worker, to conduct a three-weeks' effort in Toronto, Ontario, the time to be arranged.

EMMA BINDER--COUNCIL OF NURSES, ROME:

VOTED, To authorize Miss Emma Binder, en route home on furlough from Pakistan, to attend an International Council of Nurses in Rome, Italy, May 29-June 3, 1957, with the understanding this involves no additional travel expense.

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FOREIGN MISSIONS MEDICAL CONFERENCE--  
REPRESENTATIVES TO:

VOTED, To authorize Dr. T. R. Flaiz and Miss D. Lois Burnett to attend a Foreign Missions Medical Conference in New York, June 6-10, 1957; and that we send the following missionaries on furlough to this Conference at General Conference expense: Dr. F. Brennwald, Esther Rose, Harriet Dinsmore.

DAVID DUFFIE, M.D.--PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and St. Helena Sanitarium and Hospital to release David Duffie, M.D., and to invite him to connect with the Inter-American Division as general practitioner in the Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

H. W. MILLER, M.D.--BENGHAZI:

VOTED, To pass on to H. W. Miller, M.D., of the International Nutrition Research Foundation, an invitation to respond to the call of the Middle East Division to assist temporarily in the Benghazi Clinic Hospital, Libya, because of the illness of Dr. R. S. Cornell.

F. E. SPIESS--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release F. E. Spiess, of the Carolina Conference, from the call to connect with the work in Assam, since a visa for him to enter that country has not come through; this with the concurrence of the Southern Asia Division.

Adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

W. R. Beach, Chairman;  
J. I. Robison, Secretary;  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.