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OF THE

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 1, 2, 8, and 15, 1957

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Two Hundred and Eleventh Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 1, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

W. B. Ochs, N. W. Dunn, R. H. Adair, Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, C. W. Bozarth, N. F. Brewer, J. A. Buckwalter, G. W. Chambers, E. D. Dick, E. W. Dunbar, J. E. Edwards, H. T. Elliott, A. A. Esteb, N. W. Litchfield, H. W. Lowe, D. A. McAdams, H. S. Nelson, T. L. Oswald, J. W. Peeke, L. R. Rasmussen, J. I. Robison, W. A. Scharffenberg, Walter Schubert, M. C. Taft, C. L. Torrey, B. E. Wagner, A. L. White.

OTHERS PRESENT:

C. H. Kelly, R. Ruhling.

Prayer by B. E. Wagner.

MINUTES of July 25, 1957 were approved.

UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY CASE:

VOTED, That the General Conference join with the North Pacific Union in the expense of appealing the Mary J. Betts unemployment security case to the General Conference Attorney, making a total expense of \$1,036.80 to be divided equally, in harmony with the General Conference policy as stated in the minutes of April 10, 1949.

DR. F. H. YOST--PROTESTANTS AND OTHER AMERICANS UNITED:

VOTED, In response to a request received from Protestants and Other Americans United, to make the services of Dr. F. H. Yost available to this organization for one month, to assist in making arrangements for the POAU Convention which will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, early in 1958.

FURTHER VOTED, To authorize Dr. F. H. Yost to make two trips to Atlanta, Georgia, in late December, 1957, and early January, 1958.

VOICE OF PROPHECY AND

FAITH FOR TODAY BOARDS--PERSONNEL:

VOTED, To accept the resignation of C. L. Bauer as a member of the Voice of Prophecy and Faith for Today, Inc., Boards; and to recommend that F. W. Schnepper be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Faith for Today, Inc., Board; and that W. J. Blacker be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Voice of Prophecy Board.

OVERSEAS VISITS:

VOTED, That the following overseas visits be approved:

R. R. Figuhr to the Far Eastern Division, to visit Hawaii en route, November and December, 1957:

That the over-all date of F. H. Yost's trip to the Far East, Southern Asia, Middle East, and Europe, be September 1 to November 14, 1957 (authorization has been given for the trip).

SIGNS OF THE TIMES CAMPAIGN:

VOTED, That the Pacific Press Publishing Association be permitted to conduct the Signs of the Times campaign in February of 1958 rather than October of 1957, and that during the campaign in February of 1958 the magazine be offered on a six-months' subscription basis. It is understood the Pacific Press Publishing Association will conduct a campaign in October of 1958, at the same time as the campaign conducted by the Southern Publishing Association.

CREDENTIALS TO

GENERAL CONFERENCE WORKERS:

VOTED, That Missionary Licenses for the remainder of the present quadrennial period be issued to the following workers in the General Conference office: Leona Carscallen, Doris Blackmon, and Catherine Brown.

MISSIONARY MAGAZINES COMMITTEE--DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING:

VOTED, That the Committee on Missionary Magazines (The Signs of the Times and These Times) be authorized to meet in Miami, Florida, one day prior to the Publishing Advisory Committee meeting, on October 13, 1957.

KENNETH DUNN--RELEASED:

In view of the question that has arisen as to whether the qualifications of Kenneth Dunn are adequate to meet the needs of the situation in Trinidad, it was

VOTED, To release Kenneth Dunn from appointment as assistant press manager of the Caribbean Union College.

VOTED, To refer to the Committee on Adjustments and Allowances the financial items that will need to be considered in connection with Kenneth Dunn's release from appointment.

DAVID SKAU--LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

VOTED, To grant a leave of absence of one year to David Skau, as from September 1, 1957, without salary, on his request and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

W. P. FENNER--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release W. P. Fenner, of Germany, from the call to Solusi, Southern Rhodesia, inasmuch as the Central European Division feel they cannot release him and he accepts their counsel.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

- W. R. Beach--stopover in Cleveland, en route to Michigan camp meeting;
- D. Lois Burnett--Hinsdale Sanitarium, en route from West Coast, August 18-20;
- G. W. Chambers--Battle Creek, Michigan, National Religious Advisory Committee, August 18-21 (expense of Civil Defense organization);
- L. K. Dickson--San Diego, California, Regional camp meeting, August 9-11 (en route from Canada);
- J. E. Edwards, H. W. Lowe--Oshawa, Ontario, Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretaries' Council, October 30-November 1;
- J. E. Edwards-Southwestern Union, Workers' Meeting (Harvest Ingathering promotion) and speaking appointments, November 1-16;
- G. M. Mathews -- Lacombe, Alberta, Teachers' Convention, October 7-9 (from Portland, Oregon);
- W. B. Ochs, T. L. Oswald-Southern Publishing Association Board meeting, August 6;
- T. L. Oswald--Central Union, Workers' Meetings, November 11-26; Carl Sundin--Minnesota, medical work, August 23-29, Duluth, Minnesota, dedicatory service, August 30, 31.

Adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

W. B. Ochs, Chairman; N. W. Dunn, Secretary; Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.

Two Hundred and Twelfth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 2, 1957, 8:20 A.M.

The meeting was held immediately following worship in the General Conference Chapel.

PRESENT:

W. B. Ochs, W. R. Beach, R. H. Adair, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, C. W. Bozarth, N. F. Brewer, G. W. Chambers, N. W. Dunn, Miss L. Kleuser, H. W. Lowe, E. L. Minchin, J. W. Peeke, F. L. Peterson, L. R. Rasmussen, J. I. Robison, Walter Schubert, M. C. Taft, B. E. Wagner.

OTHERS PRESENT:

C. D. Forshee.

VISITS TO CHINA:

It was stated by the Secretary that contacts have been made recently with representatives of our work in China. We have been given assurance that the time is seemingly opportune for our denomination to arrange for representatives to enter China and associate with our leaders there, on what might be termed a good-will mission. In consideration of whom should be chosen, it has been felt it would be well to send an Australian, a Japanese, and an Indian. On recommendation of the Officers, it was

VOTED, To authorize W. L. Pascoe, treasurer of the Far Eastern Division, I. M. Chand of India, and Shiro Ogura of Japan to visit China and make contact with our present leaders, as they may be able to arrange in the near future, the General Conference to meet the expense incurred.

Adjourned at 8:35 A.M.

W. B. Ochs, Chairman; W. R. Beach, Secretary; Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.

Two Hundred and Twelfth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 8, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

H. L. Rudy, W. P. Bradley, R. H. Adair, H. W. Barrows, O. A. Blake, F. Brennwald, N. F. Brewer, G. W. Chambers, N. W. Dunn, J. E. Edwards, Jesse O. Gibson, Louise C. Kleuser, H. W. Lowe, D. A. McAdams, L. L. Moffitt, H. S. Nelson, F. D. Nichol, J. W. Peeke, L. R. Rasmussen, J. I. Robison, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, B. E. Wagner, A. L. White.

OTHERS PRESENT:

R. Ruhling.

Prayer by L. R. Rasmussen.

MINUTES of the meeting of August 1, 1957 were approved.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE -- ARDMORE SANITARIUM:

The management and constituency of the Ardmore Sanitarium requested that the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference take over their property and operate it as a conference institution. Careful study has been given to this request, and the Southwestern Union and the Oklahoma Conference took action asking the General Conference to approve the acquisition of this property for conference operation. Funds are largely in hand for the reconstruction of the main hospital building. After very careful consideration, it was

VOTED, To approve of the Southwestern Union and Oklahoma Conference taking over the Ardmore Sanitarium for conference operation, with the understanding that the conference will proceed with the rebuilding program only as sufficient funds are in hand.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

To approve arrangements for overseas visits as follows:

- R. H. Adair--Australasia, Nov. 25, 1957-Jan. 6, 1958;
- A. L. Ham--Northern Europe, Nov. 6-13, 1957;

Central Europe, Nov. 18-23, 1957;

Southern Europe, Dec. 5-11, 1957;

- F. B. Knight--Southern Europe, Dec. 5-11, 1957;
 - Northern Europe (West Africa), Dec. 13-31, 1957;
- D. A. McAdams--Southern Africa, Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 1957;
- F. L. Peterson-Southern Africa, Jan. 27-April 26, 1958;
- H. L. Rudy-Southern Africa, Nov. 6-Dec. 18, 1957;
- C. L. Torrey--Inter-America, Nov. 6-December, 1957.

ROGER T. NELSON, M.D. -- EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a furlough extension of approximately ten months beyond the year of furlough for Dr. Roger T. Nelson, to enable him to obtain his degree in surgery, in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

SARAH JOHNSTON--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Sarah Johnston from the call to the Rio de Janeiro Hospital, on her request.

SHIRLEY SMITH--RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Shirley Smith of Redding, California, the call to connect with the South American Division, for nursing service in the Rio de Janeiro Hospital, in Brazil.

ARMANDO HERNANDEZ, M.D.--BELEM:

VOTED, To pass on to Armando Hernandez, M.D., of San Diego, California, now in Navy service, and to be released shortly, a call to connect with the South American Division for medical service in the Belem Hospital, in Brazil.

CAROLYN SCOTT--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Carolyn Scott, daughter of Elder and Mrs. F. R. Scott, of Ceylon, to the United States for educational reasons.

MYRNA WALKER -- BACHDAD, IRAQ:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and Walla Walla College to release Miss Myrna Walker, and to invite her to connect with the Middle East Division as cashier-accountant in the Dar Es Salaam Hospital, Baghdad, Iraq.

F. E. MECKLING-BEIRUT, LEBANON:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and Walla Walla College to release F. E. Meckling, and to invite him to connect with the Middle East Division, as history teacher in the Middle East College, Beirut, Lebanon.

HELENA METZ--PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and East Pennsylvania Conference to release Miss Helena Metz, and to invite her to connect with the Inter-American Division as a nurse in the Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

- W. P. Bradley--Hawaii, late November, en route to the Far East;
- J. E. Edwards--Indiana Academy (Cicero), Workers' Retreat, August 19-21 (from Michigan camp meeting);
 - F. L. Peterson-Detroit, Michigan, Youth Congress, August 30-September 1;
- F. H. Yost-St. Louis, Missouri, General Assembly, National Council of Churches. December 1-6:
- C. L. Torrey--Oakwood College and Riverside Sanitarium Boards, August 12, 13.

MRS. BESSIE TOURTELLOTTE--KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital the call from the Southern Union for Mrs. Bessie Tourtellotte, a licensed practical nurse, to connect with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference for service in the Oneida Mountain Hospital.

DETROIT COLPORTEUR CASE:

It was reported that one of our colporteurs, James Darby, was arrested on the streets in Detroit, Michigan, for selling denominational literature. The Lake Union and Michigan Conference have requested approval for appealing the case to court. It was

VOTED, To approve of the case of James Darby being appealed to court, it being understood the expenses will be shared by the General Conference, the publishing houses, and the union and local conference immediately concerned, in harmony with the policy as recorded in the General Conference Committee minutes of February 6, 1947.

KENNETH J. HOLLAND -- EDITOR THESE TIMES:

VOTED, That we concur with the Southern Publishing Association Board in the appointment of Kenneth J. Holland as Editor of These Times Magazine.

Adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

H. L. Rudy, Chairman; W. P. Bradley, Secretary; Katie Farney, Recording Secretary.

Two Hundred and Thirteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 15, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

L K Dickson, W P Bradley, R H Adair, F Brennwald, N F Brewer, E D Dick, N W Dunn, A A Esteb, J O Gibson, C E Guenther, E B Hare, W J Harris, Miss Louise C Kleuser, F B Knight, L E Moffitt, T L Oswald, J W Peeke, L R Rasmussen, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, W H Shephard, C L Torrey, B E Wagner, A L White.

OTHERS PRESENT:

R Ruhling, Don Yost.

PRAYER by L R Rasmussen.

MINUTES of the meeting of August 8, 1957 were approved.

KENNETH DUNN -- SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to Kenneth Dunn, released from appointment to the Caribbean Union College in Trinidad, a call from the Southern Union, to connect with the press at Southern Missionary College.

LYDIA EGGER -- NORTH PACIFIC UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Lydia Egger, of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, a call from the North Pacific Union to serve as a secretary in one of the departmental offices, the date of her transfer to be worked out with the North Pacific Union.

DR RAYMOND M NELSON -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, To place Dr Raymond M Nelson, now employed at the ^Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital, Glendale, California, under deferred appointment to the South American Division, on the Medical Appointee Approved Residency Training Program basis, with the understanding that if it is necessary for the General Conference to render financial assistance to him during his residency in surgery, it will be only during the last two years of the program.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION DELEGATES --- SPONSORSHIPS:

VOTED, To authorize the Treasury Department to issue the necessary sponsor-ships to overseas delegates sent to the General Conference session in Cleveland, Ohio, thus avoiding the necessity of bringing each individual case to the General Conference Committee for approval.

VALERIE RUDGE -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, To place Miss Valerie Rudge, now obtaining further qualifications in the nursing field at the Hinsdale Sanitarium, Hinsdale, Illinois, under deferred appointment to return to Australia as soon as she completes her training.

MR AND MRS LEIF JENSEN -- BAGHDAD:

VOTED, To request the Northern European Division and West Nordic Union Conference to release Mr and Mrs Leif Jensen, of the West Denmark Conference, and to invite them to connect with the Middle East Division, as physiotherapists in the Dar Es Salaam Hospital, Baghdad, Traq.

HORST DUBBERSTEIN -- SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, To request the Central European Division to release Horst Dubberstein, of the Hamburg Publishing House, and to invite him and his fiancee' to connect with the Southern African Division, he to serve as machine minder in the Sentinel Publishing Company.

GEORGE E BRYAN -- PERU:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and Oregon Conference to release George E Bryan, and to invite him to connect with the South American Division as departmental secretary in the Upper Amazon Mission, Iquitos, Peru.

W P ORDELHEADE, M.D. -- SOUTH THAILAND:

VOTED, To pass on to W P Ordelheide, M.D., of La Salle, Colorado, the call to connect with the Far Eastern Division as doctor for the Haad Yai Mission Hospital, in South Thailand.

ALGER J JONES -- PERMANENT RETURN RESCINDED:

VOTED, To rescind the action taken by the General Conference Committee on January 30, 1957 authorizing the permanent return of Agler J Jones from the Middle East Division.

ALGER J JONES -- NORTH BRAZIL:

VOTED, To pass on to Alger J Jones, recently returned from the Middle East Division, the call to connect with the South American Division, as secretary-treasurer for the North Brazil Union. This action is taken with the understanding that he will be allowed three months' furlough in the homeland as from this date for visiting and in preparing to respond to this call.

GHANIM ELIAS, M.D. - RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Dr Ghanim Elias from the call to the Dar Es Salaam Hospital, Baghdad, since he feels he would be unable to live on a national's salary, and also he would be under obligation to give military service upon his return to Iraq.

B E AMMUNDSEN, M.D. -- TRINIDAD:

VOTED, To pass on to Dr B E Ammundsen, missionary returned from East Africa, the call to connect with the Inter-American Division, for medical service in the Port-of-Spain S.D.A. Clinic and Nursing Home, Trinidad.

EVA DICKERSON -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Eva Dickerson from the Far Eastern Division, inasmuch as she has plans for marriage, and in harmony with the recommendation of the division.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

H W BARROWS, H P BLOUM -- CME, Annual Audit

W J HARRIS -- Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday School Convention, Aug. 28 - Sept. 3

W A HIGGINS - Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Annual Union Publishing Council, Sept. 17-19

HARRY HOUSE - Central and North Pacific Unions, Insurance business, August 27-September 6

C E MOSELEY - Huntsville, Ala., Oakwood and Riverside Boards, Aug 13,14 Greenville, Miss., speaking appointments, Aug 28-Sept 1 Denver, Omaha, St Joseph, revivals, September 14-18 Cincinnati, Ohio, conduct series of mtgs, October 12-19

W B OCHS, R R FIGUHR - Idyllwild, Calif., CME Faculty Retreat, Sept 27-29 (following board meetings)

FRANK YOST - Cleveland, Ohio, Religious Liberty problem, August 14
HELEN SMITH - Atlantic Union College, Public Relations Workshop, Aug 15-26
MARJORIE LLOYD - Mt View, California, re TV pamphlets (now on vacation in
Oakland, California) (date to be arranged)

F B KNIGHT - Cleveland, Ohio, August 29, 30, General Conference Session Locating Committee

E E ROENFELT - Wold, Maine, Workers! Retreat, August 26-28

T L OSWALD - adjustment of itinerary, Southwestern Union Workers' Meeting, and speaking appointments, November 1-16

J E EDWARDS - adjustment of itinerary, Central Union, Workers' Meeting, and Ingathering, November 11-26

S L CLARK -- NORTHERN UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association Board the request from the Northern Union for S L Clark to itinerate in that union, September 12-21.

ADJOURNED at 10:35 A M.

L K DICKSON, Chairman W P BRADLEY, Secretary KATIE FARNEY, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES OF MEETINGS

OF THE

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 22 and 29, 1957

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Two Hundred and Fourteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 22, 1957, 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

R R Figuhr, W P Bradley, V G Anderson, W H Beaven, O A Blake, J A Buckwalter, J E Chase. E D Dick, N W Dunn, H T Elliott, A A Esteb, J O Gibson, C E Guenther, E B Hare, W J Harris, F B Knight, H W Lowe, L L Moffitt, H A Morrison, H S Nelson, T L Oswald, J W Peeke, J I Robison, E E Roenfelt, L A Skinner, F A Soper, M C Taft, W H Teesdale, C L Torrey, B E Wagner, F H Yost, A L White

OTHERS PRESENT:

C D Forshee, R Ruhling

PRAYER by B E Wagner

MINUTES of the meeting of August 15, 1957 were approved

J ROBERT RANKIN -- MINNESOTA:

VOTED, To pass on to the College of Medical Evangelists the call from the Northern Union for J Robert Rankin to connect with the Minnesota Conference to serve as a teacher in the Wadena Junior Academy.

MISS EPIFANIA SALINAS -- CENTRAL CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Voice of Prophecy the call from the Pacific Union for Miss Epifania Salinas, to connect with the Central California Conference to serve as a Spanish Bible Worker.

AIR TRAVEL POLICY:

Inasmuch as some of the air lines are now introducing air clergy,

VOTED, To amend our policy on travel, so that when trips have been properly authorized, the person traveling may use the following ways of travel without special authorization: clergy rail, air coach, or air clergy either tourist or first class.

SPONSORSHIP -- ANDRE PICHOT:

VOTED, To authorize the Treasury Department to issue a sponsorship for Andre Pichot to enter the U.S.A. as a student.

SPONSORSHIP -- ANDREW FARTHING:

VOTED, To authorize the Treasury Department to re-affirm the re-entry of Andrew Farthing as returning resident of the United States, granting the necessary affidavit of support upon his coming to the States for his furlough.

EDUCATIONAL MAN FOR ASSAM TRAINING SCHOOL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division the call for an educational man for the Assam Training School, Southern Asia, asking them to recommend to us someone to fill the position.

HENRI KEMPF -- IVORY COAST:

VOTED, To request the Southern European Division to release Henri Kempf, and to invite him to connect with the Northern European Division and West African Union as station director for the Ivory Coast Mission.

HORTENSE FEHR -- ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, To request the Southern European Division to release Miss Hortense Fehr, and invite her to connect with the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as a nurse.

EVANGELIST-NURSE -- SOUTHERN ASIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division the call from the Southern Asia Division, asking them to recommend an evangelistic worker who has qualifications as a nurse, for Kalimpong, Southern Asia.

ERLINDA ROMULO -- MANILA SANITARIUM:

VOTED, In harmony with the request of the Far Eastern Division, to invite Miss Erlinda Romulo to return to her homeland, the Philippine Islands, as dietitian at Manila Sanitarium.

DR PAUL SHAKESPEARE -- RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Paul Shakespeare, M D, from the call to Saigon Adventist Hospital, Vietnam, at his request.

DR A L CHAFFIN --- SAIGON:

VOTED, To pass on to A L Chaffin, M D, of Kerman, California, the call to connect with the Far Eastern Division as a doctor on the staff of Saigon Adventist Hospital, Veitmam.

DR ROY MATTHEWS, JR -- SEOUL:

VOTED, To pass on to Roy Matthews, Jr, M D, of Charlotte, Michigan, the call to connect with the Far Eastern Division as a doctor on the staff of Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital, Korea.

J G FULFER -- LEEWARD ISLANDS MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and Georgia-Cumberland Conferences to release J G Fulfer, and to invite him to connect with the Inter-American Division and Caribbean Union Mission as president of the Leeward Islands Mission.

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IRIS HANSEN -- RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Iris Hansen from the call to Southern Asia, at her request.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

D A McADAMS - Miami, Florida, speaking appointment, October 12 T L OSWALD - Wichita, Kansas, Lay Preachers' meeting, September 6-8 CARL SUNDIN - Indianapolis, Indiana, to interview doctor--prospective missionary, early September

ARTHUR WHITE - New England, Advent Historical Tour, Seminary class, October 1-6

FRANK H YOST - Detroit, Michigan, city ordinance case, August 20

WALTER CRANDAIL -- SOUTHERN UNION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the request from the Southern Union for Walter Crandall to conduct the Week of Prayer at Forest Lake Academy, September 13-20.

NAME OF UNIVERSITY:

Inasmuch as there is considerable uncertainty in the field about the advisability of using the name chosen for the university,

VOTED, To authorize the board to continue studying the matter, and submit a name or names to the General Conference at a convenient time.

Adjourned.

R R FIGUHR, Chairman
W P BRADLEY, Secretary
MARJORIE MARSH, Assistant
Recording Secretary

Two Hundred and Fifteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 29, 1957, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

A. L. Ham, W. P. Bradley, R. H. Adair, W. Amundsen, W. H. Beaven,

W. H. Bergherm, O. A. Blake, N. F. Brewer, G. W. Chambers, J. E. Chase,

- E. D. Dick, N. W. Dunn, J. E. Edwards, R. R. Figuhr, J. O. Gibson, E. B. Hare,
- W. A. Higgins, N. W. Litchfield, H. W. Lowe, L. L. Mcffitt, H. A. Morrison,
- H. S. Nelson, A. V. Olson, J. I. Robison, E. E. Roenfelt, A. H. Rulkoetter,
- W. A. Scharffenberg, James Scully, F. A. Soper, M. C. Taft, W. H. Teesdale,
- C. L. Torrey, B. E. Wagner, E. R. Walde, Howard Weeks.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Herbert Ford, R. Ruhling, Don Yost.

Prayer by Wesley Amundsen,

MINUTES of the meeting of August 22, 1957 were approved.

SYLVIA CARTER--SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital the call from the Southern Union for Miss Sylvia Carter to connect with the South Central Conference for secretarial work.

TEACHING OF GEOLOGY, PALEONTOLOGY, AND RELATED FIELDS:

VOTED, That we approve of a plan whereby selected science teachers be assisted in taking advanced study in geology, paleontology, and related fields, in order to be prepared to offer counsel and give assistance in the teaching of these subjects.

AUTHORIZATION OF BANK SIGNATURES:

Resolved, That the First National City Bank of New York be and hereby is, authorized to recognize the signatures of C. L. Torrey, Treasurer; and/or O. A. Blake, Undertreasurer; and/or M. E. Kemmerer; and/or A. G. Johnson, for the account which is in the name of the Southern Asia 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.

EXCHANGE RATE -- SPANISH PESETA:

VOTED, To change the fixed rate of the Spanish peseta, as of September 1, 1957, from 40 to 42, or from \$.025 to \$.02381.

REHABILITATION GRANT-FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, To grant \$4,500 to the Far Eastern Division, from the General Rehabilitation Funds-\$2,500 for the Duc My Church, and \$2,000 for the Van Nohm School building, both partially destroyed in recent uprisings in Indo-China.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To approve appointments and itineraries as follows:

- O. A. Blake--Pacific Coast Board Meetings, CME, Voice of Prophecy, and Pacific Press, September 23-26; Seattle, Caldwell, and Moab (Utah), Sabbath School film business, latter part of September;
- George W. Chambers--North Pacific Union, War Service Commission Secretaries' Council and visit conferences, September 19-October 19;
- A. O. Dart -- Central Union, interest of Home and School, September 28-October 12;
- E. N. Dick -- Northern Union, Medical Cadet work in academies, date to be arranged;
- R. R. Figuhr -- Pacific Coast Board Meetings, CME, Voice of Prophecy, and Pacific Press, September 23-26;
- T. R. Flaiz--Pacific Coast Board Meetings, CME, Voice of Prophecy, and Pacific Press, September 23-26;
- E. B. Hare-- Pacific Union, Bi-union Sabbath School Council and other appointments, October 4-21;
- W. J. Harris--Michigan Conference, Sabbath School Institutes, September 5-15;
- W. B. Ochs -- Pacific Coast Board Meetings, CME, Voice of Prophecy, and Pacific Press, September 23-26;
- F. L. Peterson-South Central Conference, speaking appointments among churches, September 5-25;
- W. E. Read-- Lake Region, Special Lectures and Workers' Meeting, November 9-16; Illinois Conference, Workers' Meeting, November 18-20; Brookfield, Jewish work, November 21, 22; Wisconsin, Workers' Meeting, November 24-27.

WALTER TATE--CARIBBEAN UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That Walter Tate of the General Conference printing office be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as assistant manager of the press in the Caribbean Union College.

VIRGINIA LEONARD -- BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL, PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, To request the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital to release Miss Virginia Leonard, and that she be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division to serve as a nurse for the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico.

MARGARET SACKETT--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Margaret Sackett, teacher, from the call to Bangkok because of health reasons.

CAROL WYMAN--HONG KONG:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences to release Miss Carol Wyman, and to invite her to connect with the Far Eastern Division as church-school teacher in Hong Kong.

AUDREY LEE--BANGKOK:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Southern California Conferences to release Miss Audrey Lee, and to invite her to connect with the Far Eastern Division as church-school teacher for Bangkok.

MOSES CHALMERS -- RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Moses Chalmers of Monterey Bay Academy from the call to the Music Department of Japan College, at his request.

N. M. SKEELS--JAPAN COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and Oregon Conference to release N. M. Skeels of Laurelwood Academy, and to invite him to connect with the Far Eastern Division in the Music Department of Japan College.

LOLA EVANGELINE LEVISON--KENDU HOSPITAL, EAST AFRICA:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences to release Miss Lola Evangeline Levison of St. Helena Sanitarium, and to invite her to connect with the Kendu Mission Hospital, Kenya, East Africa, as a nurse.

R.W. ROYER, M.D.--MWAMI MISSION HOSPITAL, AFRICA:

VOTED, To invite R. W. Royer, M.D., in private practice in Ohio, to connect with the Southern African Division, as a doctor for the Mwami Mission Hospital, Northeast Rhodesia, Africa, with the understanding that financial help will be given according to the policy for special cases, to assist him in discharging his financial obligations.

FLOYD G. WOOD -- INDONESIAN UNION SEMINARY:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences to release Floyd G. Wood, principal of La Sierra Academy, and to invite him to connect with the Far Eastern Division, effective Spring of 1958, as a member of the staff of Indonesian Union Seminary, Bandung, Java.

PHILIP DUNHAM -- SOUTH CHINA TRAINING INSTITUTE:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences to release Philip Dunham, and to invite him to connect with the Far Eastern Division and the South China Training Institute as Bible teacher.

Adjourned.

A. L. Ham, Chairman; W. P. Bradley, Secretary; Marjorie Marsh, Asst. Recording Secretary.