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Eighty-First Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 3, 1959, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, E. W. Dunbar, W. Melvin Adams, Jr., W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, D. Lois Burnett, E. D. Dick, J. E. Edwards, H. T. Elliott, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, R. R. Hegstad, G. A. Huse, H. W. Klaser, H. W. Lowe, F. R. Millard, L. L. Moffitt, J. R. Nelson, A. V. Olson, J. W. Peeke, E. E. Roenfelt, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, R. S. Watts, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

R. F. Cottrell, C. D. Forshee, R. Ruhling

M. V. Campbell, Chairman, read the following sentences from Testimonies to the Church, Volume 6, page 439: "The Lord does not judge us according to the elevation of our various spheres, but according to the faithfulness with which we fill them." "If we do but one third of that which we have entrusted talents to do, the other two thirds are working against Christ." "The greatest work that can be done in our world is to glorify God by living the character of Christ."

Opening prayer by A. V. Olson.

MINUTES of the meeting held August 27, 1959 were approved.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, That authorization be given for R. R. Figuhr to visit the Central and Southern European Divisions in connection with his Northern European Division tour, already authorized.

ASI CONVENTION--GENERAL CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES:

VOTED, To authorize the following General Conference workers to serve as alternate representatives, with voting privileges, in attendance at the ASI Convention to be held in Loma Linda, California, September 15-17: W. R. Beach, A. L. White, C. E. Randolph, M.D.

BRIAN AND BARRY ROENFELT--

PERMANENT RETURN TO AUSTRALIA:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Brian and Barry Roenfelt, sons of Elder and Mrs. E. E. Roenfelt, from the United States to Australia.

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E. A. VEUTHEY--VISIT TO NEW MEXICO:

In response to his request, and on recommendation of the Officers, it was

VOTED, To authorize E. A. Vouthey, missionary in the French West Indies, and appointed to the French territory of the Central Pacific Union Mission, to visit his children in New Mexico en route to his new field of labor.

DOUGLAS ROBERTSON--BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL, PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, To invite Douglas Robertson, now taking a course at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland, to connect with the Inter-American Division, to serve as X-ray and laboratory technician in the Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

MRS. RUTH MURDOCH--TEACHERS' CONVENTION, GEORGIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Potomac University the request from the Southern Union Conference for Mrs. Ruth Murdoch to attend a five-conference Elementary Teachers' Convention in Georgia, September 28-October 1.

L. H. LONERGAN, M.D.--TEMPERANCE SOCIETY CONVENTION:

VOTED, To pass on to the College of Medical Evangelists the request of the Temperance Department for L. H. Lonergan, M.D., to attend the Temperance Society Convention in Denver, Colorado, October 5-10, in place of Dr. Frank Lemon who was invited but is unable to attend. The expense is to be met from the funds of the Temperance organization.

MANSON METCALF--RWANKERI MISSION, CONGO:

VOTED, To request the North Pacific Union and Oregon Conferences to release Manson Metcalf, and to invite him to connect with the Southern African Division, to serve as director of the Rwanleri Mission, Congo Union.

MR. AND MRS. PAUL F. SKAU--EAST AFRICA:

VOTED, To invite Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Skau, nurses, in Stockton, California, to connect with the Southern African Division for service in the Heri Hospital, Tanganyika, East Africa.

R. W. TAYLOR--CENTRAL AMAZON MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Maritime Conferences to release R. W. Taylor, and to invite him to connect with the South American Division for service as a departmental secretary and worker in the Central Amazon Mission, North Brazil Union.

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GLENN HAROLD HILL--TURKEY:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and Ohio Conferences to release Glenn Harold Hill, and to invite him to connect with the Middle East Division to serve as a pastor in Turkey.

ROBERT E. RUSH, M.D.--ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, To invite Robert E. Rush, M.D., of Salt Lake City, Utah, to connect with the Northern European Division to serve as a relief doctor in Ethiopia for a period of three years.

PAUL ALLRED--CHIAPAS, MEXICO:

In December, 1957, Paul Allred went to Chiapas, Mexico, on his own expense, and connected with the Linda Vista Academy as industrial manager. On request of the Inter-American Division, it was

VOTED, To place Paul Allred under appointment as a regular worker in the Inter-American Division, as of the date on which he connected with the Linda Vista Academy, in December, 1957.

RALPH S. WATTS, JR.--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Ralph S. Watts, Jr., of Missouri, from appointment as an evangelist to Haad Yai, Thailand, since he is not clear in accepting this call.

ESTHER JUNE ABRAMOFF--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Esther June Abramoff from deferred appointment for nursing service in the Southern Asia Division, because of her recent marriage.

GERALD RAYMOND HARDY--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Gerald Raymond Hardy from appointment as pastor-evangelist for Ceylon, he having declined the call.

W. H. TAYLOR, M.D.--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a three-months' extension of furlough for W. H. Taylor, M.D., thus allowing him time to rewrite certain qualifying examinations, on recommendation of the East African Union and the Southern African Division.

FRITZ O. MARTINSEN--RETURNED PERMANENTLY:

Fritz O. Martinsen, a Norwegian, went from Norway to South Africa, and completed his training in Helderberg College. The Southern African Division employed him in denominational work. He married a daughter of Elder and Mrs. W. R. Vail. They have come to the United States, and Fritz O. Martinsen is now employed as a teacher in the Michigan Conference. On recommendation of the Southern African Division, it was

VOTED, To return Fritz O. Martinsen permanently to the United States; with the understanding that South Africa is regarded as his home base.

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

O. A. Blake, Theodore Lucas (from Denver), J. R. Nelson--San Antonio, Texas, Servicemen's Center Board, October 7;

M. V. Campbell--Seattle, Washington (en route to Pacific Coast appointments in September);

W. A. Higgins--Southwestern Publishing Council, Galveston, Texas, November 10-14;

G. A. Huse--Lake Union Publishing Council, Berrien Springs, Michigan, November 29-December 2; Pacific Union Publishing Council, Mountain View, California, November 3-5;

Roland Hegstad--Berrien Springs, Michigan, EMC Week of Prayer, October 11-17;

W. E. Read--Brookfield, Illinois, Jewish Journal, September 8, 9;

G. E. Vandeman--Omaha and Lincoln, Nebraska, Harvesting of Souls Meetings, October 23-25.

Adjourned at 11:10 A.M.

M. V. Campbell, Chairman
E. W. Dunbar, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

Eighty-Second Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 10, 1959, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

W. B. Ochs, F. R. Millard, R. H. Adair, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, F. Brennwald, D. Lois Burnett, M. V. Campbell, E. D. Dick, E. W. Dunbar, J. E. Edwards, H. T. Elliott, A. C. Fearing, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, R. R. Hegstad, H. W. Klaser, H. W. Lowe, L. L. Moffitt, W. E. Murray, A. V. Olson, C. E. Palmer, E. W. Pedersen, J. W. Peeke, H. E. Rice, E. E. Roenfelt, J. V. Scully, L. A. Skinner, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, E. R. Walde

OTHERS PRESENT:

R. F. Cottrell, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, R. Ruhling, Don Yost

W. B. Ochs as Chairman read the following quotations from the leaflet The Time and the Work, page 30: "The Lord of heaven has commissioned His angels to co-operate with human agencies in carrying forward His vast design. ... The light of truth is to go to all the dark places of earth in a much shorter time than many think possible."--General Conference Bulletin, 1893, p. 294. "The message of the third angel will be proclaimed. As the time comes for it to be given with greatest power, the Lord will work through humble instruments, leading the minds of those that consecrate themselves to His service. ... Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal, declaring the words which God gives them."--The Great Controversy, p. 606. Elder Ochs said that as a people we are grateful that we belong to a living, triumphant movement.

Opening prayer by W. E. Murray.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 3, 1959 were approved.

GRADUATE WORK IN OUR COLLEGES--MEETING OF COMMITTEE:

VOTED, To authorize the attendance of the full Committee on Graduate Work in our Colleges, in Takoma Park, D.C., on October 20, 1959, at 9:30 A.M.

FENTON HOPP--BOOK EDITOR SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION;
ALSO MEMBER PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

On recommendation of the Southern Publishing Association Board, it was

VOTED, To appoint Fenton Hopp as Book Editor of the Southern Publishing Association, and as a member of the General Conference Publishing Department Advisory Committee, to replace R. R. Hegstad.

COMMITTEE ON CALLS FOR WIVES OF WORKERS--CHAIRMAN:

VOTED, To appoint W. E. Murray to replace V. G. Anderson as Chairman of the Committee on Calls for Wives of Workers, with the understanding that this committee is to bring in a report to the 1959 Autumn Council.

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MISS ROSA MUDERSPACH--NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Potomac University the call for Miss Rosa Muderspach to connect with the Northern European Division, to serve first as cashier-bookkeeper in The Stanboroughs, and later in the division office.

R. L. OSMUNSON--PERMANENT RETURN RESCINDED:

VOTED, To rescind the action taken July 16, 1959 in the General Conference Committee authorizing a permanent return for R. L. Osmunson, in view of the fact that he has decided to continue on in the work in Africa.

R. L. OSMUNSON--SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY:

On recommendation of the Southern African Division, it was

VOTED, To appoint R. L. Osmunson as Home Missionary, Missionary Volunteer, and Temperance Secretary for the Southern African Division.

D. M. BARNETT--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a two-months' extension of furlough for D. M. Barnett, from Taiwan, on his request for educational purposes.

O. J. ROUHE, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release O. J. Rouhe, M.D. from appointment as relief doctor for Jamaica, he having declined to accept the call.

ROBERT E. RUSH, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Robert E. Rush, M.D. from appointment as relief doctor for Ethiopia, on a short-term basis, since he feels his services are needed in his present location in Salt Lake City, Utah.

MILLIE MAE URBISH--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Millie Mae Urbish from appointment as normal director at Bethel Training College, South Africa, since she is not clear in accepting the call.

CAMERON A. CARTER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return and retirement of Cameron A. Carter, from Taiwan, after many years of service, on his request, and with the concurrence of the Far Eastern Division; and to refer his name to the Sustentation Committee for consideration.

MRS. RUTH NELSON--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Mrs. Ruth Nelson from Singapore, on her request because of a situation that has arisen in the family, and on recommendation of the Far Eastern Division; also that she be retired and her name recommended to the Sustentation Committee for consideration.

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PETER A. KOSTENKO--COLOMBO, CEYLON:

VOTED, To request the Central Union and Missouri Conferences to release Peter A. Kostenko, and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division as evangelist for Colombo, Ceylon.

GLENN R. JAMES--NORTHEAST INDIA UNION:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences to release Glenn R. James, and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Sabbath School and Home Missionary Secretary of the Northeast India Union.

JUAN PLENC--SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE:

Juan Plenc served in South America for approximately twenty years. He then came to the United States on his own expense, and attended the SDA Theological Seminary. The Inter-American Division contacted him directly and employed him in the work in Mexico; later he was transferred to Puerto Rico. He now wishes to accept employment in the Southern California Conference.

VOTED, That we record the employment of Juan Plenc by the Southern California Conference, it being understood that the Inter-American Division will meet the transportation expense involved and continue his salary for six months; also that when eligible for sustentation he will receive it from the South American Division at the South American rate. In taking this action we do not regard the North American Division as his home base.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

- E. E. Cleveland--Savannah, Georgia, Revival, October 28-November 1;
Oakwood College, Annual Evangelistic Institute, January 25-31;
- E. E. Cossentine--Oakwood College--Board Meeting, September 10;
- R. Hammill--Berrien Springs, Michigan, University Board, September 7, 8,
9;
- Theodore Lucas--Pacific Union, Week of Prayer, Youth Congress and other
appointments, November 5-14; College Place, Washington, Union MV Secretaries'
Council, November 15-21;
- J. R. Nelson--Union College, MV Rally, September 26 (en route to Denver);
- W. B. Ochs--Pacific Union, Board Meetings, etc., September 25-October 3
(extension);
- L. A. Skinner--Southern Missionary College, MV Rally, September 25-27;
- G. E. Vandeman--Seattle, Washington, "It Is Written" meetings, September 16,
17;
- Maybelle Vandermark--Northern New England Conference, September 25-
October 1 (in connection with appointments in Southern New England); Missouri
Conference, extension of itinerary, October 30, 31.

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CARL SUNDIN--PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the College of Medical Evangelists the request from the Columbia Union Conference for Carl Sundin to attend a Workers' Meeting (including doctors) at Parkersburg, West Virginia, October 19-21, 1959.

Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

W. B. Ochs, Chairman
F. R. Millard, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

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GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 17, 1959, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

W. E. Murray, F. R. Millard, R. H. Adair, O. A. Blake, D. Lois Burnett, E. D. Dick, E. W. Dunbar, H. T. Elliott, J. O. Gibson, Richard Hammill, L. L. Moffitt, J. R. Nelson, A. V. Olson, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Peeke, E. E. Roenfelt, L. A. Skinner, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, R. S. Watts

OTHERS PRESENT:

R. F. Cottrell, A. W. Cormack, D. A. Delafield, C. D. Forshee, W. E. Read, R. Ruhling, Don Yost

W. E. Murray, as Chairman, read as a Scripture reading 1 Cor. 1: 3-7. In a sense we are in the waiting time spoken of by the Apostle Paul in these verses. During the waiting time for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ there is a profitable experience for us as His people. "In everything ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge."

Opening prayer by A. W. Cormack, remembering especially those of our leaders who are ill.

THUNDERBIRD ACADEMY--EQUIPMENT:

VOTED, To include the Thunderbird Academy, Phoenix, Arizona, in the list of academies authorized to receive from the Oregon Corporation donations of obsolete and retired machinery; and that the Oregon Corporation be authorized to make delivery of an obsolete gluing machine to the Thunderbird Academy. The former action listing academies authorized to receive donations of machinery is given on page 879 of the General Conference Committee minutes dated May 9, 1957.

INDONESIAN RUPIAH--FIXED RATE OF EXCHANGE:

On recommendation of the Far Eastern Division, it was

VOTED, That the fixed rate of exchange for the Indonesian Rupiah be changed from 38 to the U.S. dollar, or U.S. .0263158, to 45 to the U.S. dollar, or .022222, to be effective September 1, 1959.

WAGES AND ALLOWANCES COMMITTEE--E. E. COSENTINE ADDED:

VOTED, That the name of E. E. Cossentine be added to the Committee appointed to study the question of Wages and Allowances. The full Committee now stands as follows: M. V. Campbell, Chairman; O. A. Blake, Secretary; K. F. Ambs, W. R. Beach, D. J. Bieber, E. E. Cossentine, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Gardner, H. C. Klement, Merle Mills, E. A. Moon, G. B. Nelson, H. S. Nelson, W. B. Ochs, C. E. Palmer, H. E. Rice, R. P. Rowe, J. C. Shull, L. G. Small, C. L. Torrey, N. C. Wilson; and the Union Presidents in North America.

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THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING OVERFLOW--REALLOCATION:

In view of certain difficulties arising in the South American Division with reference to the allocation of funds from the 1958 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Overflow for a hospital or dispensary in the City of Cochabamba, Bolivia, it was

VOTED, That the funds from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Overflow be re-allocated and reassigned as follows: To the Inca Union Junior College Chapel, 50 %; Bolivia Training School Administration Building, 45 %; Juliaca Training School Administration Building, 5 %.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL--DONATION TO:

A request has been received for a donation to the Children's Hospital of the District of Columbia, which is planning to build a research center. On recommendation of the Officers, it was

VOTED, That a donation of \$250.00 be made to the Children's Hospital in the District of Columbia, this amount to be charged to the General Conference Contingency Fund.

L. E. HUBBS--MT. VERNON, OHIO, YOUTH RALLY:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and Walla Walla General Hospital a request from the Columbia Union Conference for L. E. Hubbs to attend a Youth Rally at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, October 3, 1959, the travel expense to be met by the Ohio Conference.

PAUL ALLRED--STATUS OF APPOINTMENT:

A request was presented from the Inter-American Division for reconsideration of the date of appointment of Paul Allred as a regular worker, he being employed as industrial manager in the Linda Vista Academy, Chiapas, Mexico. The suggestion is that the date of his employment be recorded as from January 1, 1960.

VOTED, To reaffirm the action taken by this Committee on September 3, 1959 (page 362 of the minutes) that Paul Allred be placed under appointment as a regular worker as of the date on which he connected with the Linda Vista Academy, in December of 1957.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

- O. A. Blake, Richard Hammill--Oakwood College, preliminary meeting, October 4;
- E. E. Cleveland--Detroit, Michigan, Week of Prayer, November 7-14;
- T. S. Geraty--New York City, Atlantic Union Teachers' Convention, November 22-25; Lake Union, visit academies, November 27-December 24;
- J. O. Gibson--Minneapolis, Minnesota, Narcotics Education, Inc., business, September 28, 29 (en route to Denver);
- G. R. Nash--Miami, Florida, Union Sabbath School Council Meeting, November 3-6;
- L. A. Skinner--New Brunswick, New Jersey, interview with Scout Master, September 24;
- E. R. Walde--Minneapolis, Minnesota, Departmental Councils and speaking appointments, November 8-16;

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

R. S. Watts--Texas and Oklahoma Conferences, speaking appointments and Workers' Meetings in Texas and Oklahoma, October 9-15.

MARILYN CHRISTIAN--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Marilyn Christian from appointment to the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, on request of the Washington Missionary College, in view of her desire to take further school work.

W. R. VAIL--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

In harmony with the request of the Southern African Division, it was

VOTED, To authorize a two-months' extension of furlough with salary for W. R. Vail, thus enabling him to complete his course in the SDA Theological Seminary.

EDWIN HARRY KRICK--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, To place Edwin Harry Krick, a junior medical student in the College of Medical Evangelists, under deferred appointment.

NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION--

DEFERRED APPOINTEES ASSIGNED TO:

The Northern European Division desire to have one doctor available in 1960 and two doctors in 1961. In harmony with the request of the Northern European Division, it was

VOTED, To assign deferred-appointee medical students to Northern Europe as follows:

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| Francis D. Thoreson | As from June, 1960 |
| M. L. Campbell | " " " 1961 |
| Ronald Krum | " " " 1961 |

D. W. HOLBROOK--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of D. W. Holbrook from Lima, Peru, for educational advantages for their children, effective in March, 1960; in harmony with the recommendation of the South American Division.

L. H. COWLES--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of L. H. Cowles, who is now on furlough from Egypt, and in view of an adverse health report on Mrs. Cowles.

BEVERLY BUNNELL--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Beverly Bunnell, from Karachi, Pakistan, on her request due to the necessity of her remaining in the homeland because of her mother's state of health.

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D. LOIS BURNETT--PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss D. Lois Burnett, of the General Conference Medical Department, the call for her to connect with the Far Eastern Division, as Coordinator of Nursing in the Philippine Union College and the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital.

CELIA CLARK--GUAM:

VOTED, To invite Miss Celia Clark, of Bakersfield, California, to connect with the Far Eastern Division for a short-term appointment, to serve in the Guam Clinic; it being understood there would be no outfitting, vacation, or other allowances involved, but that the Far Eastern Division would meet the transportation expense.

MARY C. MCNEIL, M.D.--SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

VOTED, To invite Mary C. McNeil, M.D., of Cumberland, Kentucky, to connect with the Southern Asia Division for service as a lady doctor.

T. M. ASHLOCK--ZAMBESI UNION MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Columbia Union and Ohio Conferences to release T. M. Ashlock, and to invite him to connect with the Southern African Division to serve as Educational, MV, Home Missionary, and Temperance Secretary of the Zambesi Union Mission.

URSULA LEICHNITZ--UGANDA:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Ontario-Quebec Conferences to release Miss Ursula Lechnitz, now serving in the North York Branson Hospital, and to invite her to connect with the Southern African Division as a nurse in the Ankole Mission Hospital, Uganda. Miss Lechnitz is a German citizen who came to North America on her own expense. It is understood that the North American Division will be regarded as her home base.

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

W. E. Murray, Chairman
F. R. Millard, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

Eighty-Fourth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 24, 1959, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

W. E. Murray, F. R. Millard, R. H. Adair, O. A. Blake, F. Brennwald, D. Lois Burnett, J. E. Chase, E. D. Dick, E. W. Dunbar, H. T. Elliott, A. A. Esteb, T. S. Geraty, C. E. Guenther, W. J. Harris, H. W. Klaser, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, L. L. Moffitt, G. R. Nash, J. R. Nelson, A. V. Olson, E. W. Pedersen, J. W. Peeke, F. L. Peterson, H. E. Rice, E. E. Roenfelt, J. V. Scully, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, E. R. Walde, R. S. Watts, Howard Weeks, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

R. F. Cottrell, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, R. Ruhling, Don Yost

The Chairman, W. E. Murray, read from the 10th chapter of First Corinthians, beginning with verses 1-6, and closing with verse 11. These verses refer to the experiences of the children of Israel as they left Egypt. The writer of this passage wishes us to understand that the same God who led the children of Israel through the Red Sea, during those years of difficulty in the wilderness, and finally to the promised land, will just as truly lead us through our red seas, our times in the desert, and He will bring us to the promised land. It is a wonderful thing to have these things which happened unto them for ensamples, before us for our encouragement.

Opening prayer by Miss D. Lois Burnett.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 17, 1959 were approved.

K. C. BEEM--COMMITTEE ON WAGES AND ALLOWANCES:

VOTED, To appoint K. C. Beem to serve as a member of the Committee on Wages and Allowances, as a substitute for A. P. McDow.

N. F. BREWER--DEATH; APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE;
CONDOLENCE TO RELATIVES; FLORAL TRIBUTE:

Information has been received concerning the tragic death of N. F. Brewer in an automobile accident near Cedar City, Utah, September 17, 1959. Elder Brewer had been connected with our denominational work since 1914. He was first sent to China in 1916. For some years he acted as president of the China Division, and later as secretary. From 1942-1946 he served as General Conference Field Secretary, a position to which he returned once more in 1950. In recent years he acted as personnel director in the General Conference office.

VOTED, To express our appreciation for the faithful and devoted service rendered by N. F. Brewer during these years; also to send a message of condolence to the family.

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Further VOTED, To authorize the Treasury to send a floral tribute for the funeral of N. F. Brewer, to be held at Loma Linda, California, September 24.

MISS DOROTHY WHEELER--DEATH; APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE;
FLORAL TRIBUTE:

Report was given of the death of Miss Dorothy Wheeler, sister-in-law of N. F. Brewer, in an automobile accident near Cedar City, Utah, September 17, 1959. She served as a secretary and stenographer in China and the Philippines from 1918 to 1941, and in the Voice of Prophecy and White Memorial Hospital offices from 1942-1949. Her service was ever cheerfully and willingly given.

VOTED, To express appreciation for the fine Christian service given by Miss Dorothy Wheeler during these many years of connection with the denominational work, and to send a message of sympathy to her relatives.

Further VOTED, To authorize the Treasury to send a floral tribute for the funeral of Miss Dorothy Wheeler.

HAROLD CLEVELAND--OAKWOOD COLLEGE WEEK OF PRAYER:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and South Atlantic Conferences the request for Harold Cleveland to conduct the Fall Week of Prayer, November 13-21, at Oakwood College.

EBERHARD FISCHDICK--MEMBER NONRESIDENT
SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON COMMITTEE:

On recommendation of the Sabbath School Department, it was

VOTED, To appoint Eberhard Fischdick as a member of the nonresident Sabbath School Lesson Committee, as a replacement for S. Christoffers.

YOUTH CONGRESS--ATTENDANCE;
FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS:

VOTED, To authorize invitations to be extended to the following persons to attend the Youth Congress to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, June 21-25, 1960:

General Conference Personnel: O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, D. A. Delafield, R. R. Figuhr, Mrs. Joyce Hopp, Arthur L. White, and G. E. Vandeman; MV Department staff;

University Personnel: Edward Heppenstall, Frank L. Marsh, G. E. Wittschiebe;

Other Personnel: W. H. Beaven, Glenn Cole, W. T. Crandall, Desmond Doss; W. A. Fagal and Faith for Today Quartet, Lester Harris, Charles Keymer, N. L. Krogstad, W. A. Loveless, Lawrence Maxwell, Harold Shryock, M.D., Mrs. Minnie Iverson Wood.

It is understood that the employing organizations are to take care of the expense of their employees who will attend this meeting, and the General Conference is to bear the expenses of Desmond Doss, who is not employed in denominational work.

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JULIA HOEL--FURLOUGH STATUS:

A permanent return was authorized for Miss Julia Hoel, in view of family circumstances. A change has now occurred, and she has written that she could return for further service in Southern Africa.

VOTED, That the status of Julia Hoel be changed from a permanent return to that of a furlough, she having been in the United States nearly the length of time of a regular furlough.

S. D. KARMY, M.D.--TRANSFER TO SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

Inasmuch as S. D. Karmy, M.D., now located in Benghazi, Libya, has very little surgery in the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, and is intending to return to the homeland soon, and in view of the fact there is a great need for a surgeon in the Karachi SDA Hospital, in West Pakistan, it was

VOTED, To arrange for the transfer of S. D. Karmy, M.D., from Benghazi, Libya, to serve as a surgeon in the Karachi SDA Hospital.

T. S. GERATY--INTRODUCTION:

W. E. Murray introduced T. S. Geraty, Associate Secretary in the Department of Education, to the Committee. He has recently arrived from the Middle East Division to take up his new responsibilities.

W. W. CHRISTENSEN--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release W. W. Christensen from returning to Burma, since it has been found impossible to secure a visa for him; and with the understanding that endeavor will be made to arrange for him to return to Southern Africa, his former field of labor.

BRUCE BRANSON, M.D.--RELEASED FROM APPOINTMENT TO BAGHDAD:

VOTED, To release Bruce Branson, M.D. from appointment to the hospital in Baghdad, since that hospital has been taken over by the government, but to retain his name on the list of deferred appointees to be assigned later.

PETER A. KOSTENKO--RELEASED:

In view of medical counsel received by the Peter A. Kostenko family advising against their leaving this country because of the health status of their six-year-old daughter, it was

VOTED, To release Peter A. Kostenko from appointment as an evangelist for Colombo, Ceylon.

S. L. WILKINSON, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of S. L. Wilkinson, M.D. from India, on his request for educational reasons.

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S. L. WILKINSON, M.D.--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

In view of the willingness of S. L. Wilkinson, M.D. to return to India after two or three years, if their family educational problems can be worked out satisfactorily, it was

VOTED, To place S. L. Wilkinson, M.D. under deferred appointment to the Southern Asia Division.

GEORGE AND DONALD LESSARD--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of George and Donald Lessard, sons of Mrs. Dorita Thomann-Lessard, of Cuba, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

GEORGE C. BERGMAN, JR.--ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, To invite George C. Bergman, Jr., of Montebello, California, to connect with the Northern European Division, for service in Dessie, Ethiopia, for two months, as relief doctor, the division to pay his transportation to and from the field; and that the matter of his salary be referred to the Committee on Allowances and Adjustments.

DELBERT O. CALKINS--SPICER MEMORIAL COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the College of Medical Evangelists to release Delbert O. Calkins, and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division, as business manager at Spicer Memorial College, replacing C. O. Frederick, who recently returned.

CLARENCE GOERTZEN--CEYLON:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Alberta Conferences to release Clarence Goertzen, and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division as pastor-evangelist for Ceylon.

FRED J. CRUMP--CEYLON:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Maritime Conferences to release Fred J. Crump, and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division as pastor-evangelist for Ceylon.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

W. M. Adams--Trenton, New Jersey, Religious Liberty problem, September 24;
 Wesley Amundsen--to extend present trip from California returning to Washington, D.C., to include appointments as follows: Wahpeton, North Dakota, September 24; Duluth, Minnesota, September 26; (September 27-October 2, vacation;) Twin Cities, Minnesota, October 3, 4; Battle Creek, Michigan, October 6;
 R. A. Anderson--Collegedale, Tennessee, Fall Week of Prayer at Southern Missionary College, October 2-10;
 E. E. Cossentine--Southwestern Junior College, ground-breaking ceremony, October 6, 7 (return from West Coast);

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D. A. Delafield--Spokane, Washington, Workers' Meeting, November 16, 17; Bozeman, Montana, Workers' Meeting, November 18, 19 (in connection with other appointments in the West);

A. A. Esteb--Syracuse, New York, and New York City,--Federation and Workers' Meetings, October 11-13;

Richard H. Hill--Atlantic Union Conference, appraisal and property inspection, October 12-16;

H. E. Rice--Dayton, Ohio, counsel re Kettering Memorial Hospital, date to be arranged; Hinsdale, Illinois, visit hospital with business men, date to be arranged;

Maybelle Vandermark--Youngstown, Ohio, Conference-wide Dorcas Welfare Federation, October 31-November 1;

T. V. Zytkoskee (under appointment to MV work in Indonesia)--Denver, Colorado, MV Advisory Committee, September 28-October 2.

CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CASE--EXPENSE:

VOTED, To authorize the Treasury to share the expense of the court costs, with the union and local conferences, according to the policy, in connection with the unemployment compensation case of Mrs. Lloyd, in the Carolina Conference, because of her refusal to work on the Sabbath.

MARIE CULVEY--WASHINGTON MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the University the call from the Columbia Union Conference for Miss Marie Culvey to serve on the staff at Washington Missionary College.

ARTHUR L. WHITE--NEW ENGLAND TOUR:

VOTED, To accede to the request of the Potomac University that Arthur L. White be released to conduct a New England tour, October 6-11, 1959, in connection with the class which he is teaching in the University, on Prophetic Guidance in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

PUBLIC RELATIONS SEMINAR--DATE:

VOTED, To approve a change of date in the holding of the Public Relations Seminar, from November 3-12 to October 27-November 5, 1959, at Pacific Union College.

Adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

W. E. Murray, Chairman
F. R. Millard, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary