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One Hundred and Twenty-Fifth Meeting GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE September 3, 1954, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

R. S. Watts, N. W. Dunn, W. Melvin Adams, K. F. Ambs, Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, E. L. Becker, O. A. Blake, F. L. Bland, Theodore Carcich, J. E. Edwards, K. H. Emmerson, R. R. Figuhr, E. J. Folkenberg, T. S. Geraty, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, Mazie Herin, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Howe, G. A. Huse, D. S. Johnson, Werber Johnson, W. J. Keith, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, G. M. Mathews, F. R. Millard, C. E. Moseley, Jr., W. E. Murray, F. D. Nichol, W. L. Pascoe, F. L. Peterson, L. B. Reynolds, V. W. Schoen, J. R. Spangler, A. F. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, E. R. Walde, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, N. W. Litchfield, Harry R. House; and guest, Raymond H. Woolsey, on furlough from Southern Asia.

The Chairman, R. S. Watts, read from Phillips' translation of the New Testament portions of the third chapter of First Corinthians, and commented on the lessons we may draw for our own lives.

R. R. Figuhr reported on a recent visit with C. A. Scriven.

Opening prayer by W. R. Beach.

G. A. Huse introduced a guest, Raymond H. Woolsey, on furlough, who has spent a number of years in Southern Asia, and is going back as Editor in the Orientai Watchman Publishing House, after a brief period with the editorial staff of the <u>Review and Herald</u> in preparation for his new duties as Editor.

MINUTES of the meeting held August 27, 1964, were approved.

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY -- RE BORROWING OF FUNDS:

In 1952 the General Conference Committee approved the merging of the two divisions of the Loma Linda University School of Medicine on one campus; namely, Loma Linda. The Loma Linda University Board has carefully worked out satisfactory financing plans for a Medical Center on the new site. This has been approved by the University Board and the General Conference Committee.

Circumstances are such that it now becomes urgently necessary to proceed with the construction of the new Medical Center. To enable the University to do this, from \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000 will be needed and can be borrowed at the rate of 5 per cent for a time until trusts already received and others, which are coming in daily, mature. These trusts now exceed the amount it is required to borrow, and are steadily increasing.

The New York Life Insurance Company has agreed to lend the major portion of this money to the University and has stipulated that the General Conference and the General Conference Corporation will be required to co-sign the agreement jointly with the Loma Linda University to satisfy its Board. After very careful consideration, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the Treasurer to co-sign the agreement between the Loma Linda University and the New York Life Insurance Company on behalf of the General Conference, according to the conditions outlined above.

SPECIAL TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:

In response to a request from the Temperance Department Quadrennial Council, and the recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To set up a special committee to give study to the membership program, particularly as it pertains to <u>Listen</u> Magazine, and the <u>Listen</u> <u>News</u> <u>Service</u> which will be coming out biweekly; and that the following persons serve as members of the committee: R. S. Watts, R. R. Figuhr, O. A. Blake, K. F. Ambs, W. R. Beach, R. E. Adams, Miller Brockett, E. J. Folkenberg, W. J. Hackett, D. M. Ingersoll, J. R. Johnson, J. O. Gibson, Merle L. Mills', H. D. Singleton, E. M. Peterson.

R. A. FORBES--STATUS:

VOTED, That the United States be named as the home base for R. A. Forbes, under appointment to Taiwan.

ROBERT FULFER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Robert Fulfer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Fulfer, from Inter-America, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

MARION MILLER--PERMANENT RETURN:

In view of the doctors' reports on Miss Marion Miller, a nurse on furlough from India, it was--

VOTED, That Miss Marion Miller's furlough status be changed to that of permanent return, in view of adverse medical reports; and, further,

VOTED, That we express to Miss Marion Miller our sincere appreciation for her long and most helpful contribution to the medical work in the Southern Asia Division. JACK FRED HUGHES -- PASTOR-EVANGELIST FOR IRAN:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union and Potomac Conferences be requested to release Jack Fred Hughes, and that he be invited to connect with the Middle East Division to serve as a Pastor-Evangelist in Iran.

J. HUDSON ZACHARY, JR. -- BRAZIL COLLEGE, SAO PAULO, BRAZIL:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Southern California Conferences be requested to release J. Hudson Zachary, Jr., of Lynwood Academy, and that he be invited to serve as Instructor in the Theology Department of Brazil College, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

SAMUEL CAMACHO--EVANGELIST, COLOMBIA-VENEZUELA UNION MISSION:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and Greater New York Conferences be requested to release Samuel Camacho, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division to serve as Evangelist for the Colombia-Venezuela Union Mission, on the basis of a national returning to his homeland, and on the basis of financial arrangements previously worked out.

R. DEAN JENNINGS, M. D. -- FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That R. Dean Jennings, M.D., now taking residency in Internal Medicine at the White Memorial Medical Center, be assigned to the Far Eastern Division as an internist, the Division to make the definite placement.

RICHARD C. LARSEN--INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That Richard C. Larsen, Medical Intern, now under deferred appointment, be assigned to the Inter-American Division.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee be authorized as follows, with the understanding that the request for R. Hammill will be passed on to the Andrews University Board:

W. Amundsen--Chicago, Jugo-Slavian Annual Meeting, September 4-6;

R. C. Barger--Southeastern California Conference, speaking appointments,

September 11-14 (in connection with Sabbath School Advisory Meetings, September 15), 0. A. Blake, T. E. Lucas--San Antonio, Texas, change of date from September 28, 29 (previously voted) to September 9, 10;

E. E. Cossentine--Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University, Projection Committee, September 18-28 (already in Loma Linda);

A. O. Dart--Ohio, speaking appointments, etc., January 30-February 18 (change in date);

J. E. Edwards--Northern California Conference, Home Missionary Department Conventions, September 4, 5 (prior to Home Missionary Advisory Meetings);

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T. R. Flaiz, M.D.--Atlanta, Georgia, study problems new medical institution (ASI), September 9; Savannah, Georgia, Regional Conference Medical-Ministerial Meeting, September 11;

R. Hammill--Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University-La Sierra College Unification Committee, September 27, 23;

W. A. Higgins--Richardson, Texas, Southwestern Union Publishing Council, November 9-14; Miami, Florida, Publishing Council, November 16-20;

G. A. Huse--Southern Union Conference, re Home Health Education Service IBM equipment, September 5-10; Mountain View, California, Book and Biole House and Union Publishing Councils, October 28-November 5; Portland, Oregon, North Pacific Union Publishing Council, November 9-11; Minneapolis, Minnesota, Departmental Council, November 15-19;

J. O. Iversen--Northern California Conference, speaking appointments, September 4, 5 (Radio-TV Advisory Committee authorized for September 10-13), Glendale, California;

M. H. Jensen--Wisconsin Conference, Welfare Rallies, and visit Welfare Centers, October 10-10;

J. C. Kozel--Atlanta, Georgia, Special Survey Committee, Berean Church, September 9,

N. W. Litchfield--New Braintree, Massachusetts, re Pioneer Valley Academy equipment and furnishings, date to be determined;

M. E. Loewen--released--Canadian Union College Week of Prayer, November 20-29; Raul M. Sanchez (Mexico)--Pine Springs Ranch, California, Spanish Youth Meetings, September 4-7;

L. G. Small--Southern Union, Insurance Seminar, October 1-6; Southwestern Union, Insurance business, October 5-20,

R. S. Watts--Minneapolis, Minnesota, Union-wide Evangelistic Council, January 10-14, 1965.

I. M. BAERG--PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association a call from the Pacific Press Publishing Association for I. M. Baerg, Pressman, to serve as a Pressman at the Pacific Press.

EYVIND PEDERSEN--PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Publishing Association a carl from the Pacific Press Publishing Association for Eyvind Pedersen, Pressman, to serve as a Pressman at the Pacific Press.

C. W. TEEL--LOMA LINDA MEDICAL CENTER:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences a call from the Loma Linda University for C. W. Teel, Pastor of the University Church, to serve as Chief Chaplain, Loma Linda Medical Center. PLINEY WEBB--LA SIERRA COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to Loma Linda University a call from the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College for Pliney Webb, Dary Manager, to connect with the La Sierra College Dairy.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, To authorize visits to overseas divisions as follows:

E. J. Folkenberg--Europe, Temperance meetings on international level, September 5-15, 1964;

V. W. Schoen--Middle East, January 22-March 8, 1965, instead of January 15-March 1, 1955, as formerly voted; Northern Europe, March 10-May 2, instead of March 1, 1955, as formerly voted;

F. A. Soper--to postpone the trip of F. A. Soper, the Temperance representative, to South America, voted for December 15, 1904, to February 28, 1965.

Officers' visits to the overseas Divisions at the 1954 year-end meetings:

Australasia -- A. F. Tarr, November 9, 1964-January 20, 1965; Central Europe--M. V. Campbell, November 24-30, 1954; D. S. Johnson, November 24-30, 1964; Far East--R. R. Figuhr, November 15-December 31, 1954; W. E. Phillips--November 29-January 20, 1955; Inter-America--R. S. Watts, November 13-December 31, 1904; J. C. Kozel, November 13-December 31, 1954; Middle East--F. L. Peterson, November 8-30, 1954; C. L. Torrey, November 8-30, 1954; Northern Europe -- M. V. Campbell, December 1-23, 1954; D. S. Johnson, December 1-10, December 11-January 10, 1965; W. R. Beach, January 5-20, 1955 (West Africa); South America--W. E. Murray, November 23-February 6, 1965; O. A. Blake, November 23-January 15, 1965; Southern Asia--F. L. Peterson, December 2-February 1, 1965; C. L. Torrey, December 2-December 31, 1954; Southern Europe--M. V. Campbell, November 16-23, 1954; D. S. Johnson--November 16-23, 1964; Trans-Africa--W. R. Beach, November 15, 1964-January 5, 1965; W. L. Pascoe, November 15, 1954-January 10, 1955.

Adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

R. S. Watts, Chairman N. W. Dunn, Secretary Marjorie Marsh, Recording Secretary GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 10, 1964, 10:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, N. W. Dunn, K. F. Ambs, Wesley Amundsen, R. C. Barger, W. R. Beach, E. L. Becker, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, T. S. Geraty, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, Werber Johnson, W. J. Keith, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, G. M. Mathews, E. L. Minchin, L. M. Nelson, J. W. Peeke, F. L. Peterson, M. H. Reeder, E. W. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, R. S. Watts, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman, read paragraphs from pages 40 and 41 of the <u>Church</u> <u>Manual</u>. Among the thoughts presented from these paragraphs were the following: Our leaders found that as our denominational membership increased, some form of organization was indispensable. Workers connected with the cause of God must realize that we are parts of a great whole. When tired and depressed we can go to our Saviour; we may seek wisdom from God. Christians should preserve peace, harmony, and love in the church.

Elder Figuhr stated that the unity of the church is the great, convincing argument to the world that Jesus was sent as the Redeemer. We have been a remarkably united people, and increasing in our numbers. We now have one and one-half million church members, and a Sabbath School membership of two million. A feeling of confidence in one another is important. Especially as we approach the coming Biennial Council of the leadership of our church, a most important meeting next to that of a General Conference session, let us remember this meeting in prayer from now until then, that the Lord will meet with us in our councils and that His will be accomplished.

Opening prayer by Wesley Amundsen.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 3, 1964, were approved.

DR. SALEEM FARAG--NEW GUINEA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Loma Linda University a call from the Australasian Division for Dr. Saleem Farag, to connect with the Public Health Program, Sopas Hospital, Wabag, New Guinea; the expense to be met from the Australasian Division budget.

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION--NURSE FROM MANILA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division a call from the Middle East Division for a Nurse from the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, Philippine Islands, suggesting the name of Miss Herminie Garcia; with the request that if the way is clear the Far Eastern Division process the call.

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INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION--WORKER FROM NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern European Division a call from the Inter-American Division for a District Pastor and Publishing Secretary for the Surinam Mission, who speaks the Dutch language, suggesting the name of P. van Bemmelen, of the South Netherlands Conference; with the request that if the way is clear the Northern European Division process this call.

ELWIN L. GERRANS--BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College be requested to release Elwin L. Gerrans, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as a Nurse for the Bella Vista Hospital in Puerto Rico.

DEMETRIA ARIZALA--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Demetria Arizala, a Nurse, of Manila, Philippine Islands, be released from appointment to the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, in Libya, she having declined the call.

WARREN F. MURDOCH--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Warren F. Murdoch be released from appointment to Southern Rhodesia as Head of the Chemistry Department at Solusi College, he having declined the call.

JOHN M. ANHOLM, D. D. S. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That John M. Anholm, D.D.S., be released from appointment to the Port-of-Spain Community Hospital, Trinidad, he having declined to accept the call because of inability to dispose of his practice.

LOUISE M. SMITH--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Louise M. Smith be released from appointment to the South American Division office as an Accountant, she having declined to accept because of family reasons.

MANUEL NESTARES--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Manuel Nestares be released from appointment to the Upper Magdalena Mission, in Colombia, as a Pastor-Evangelist, he having declined the call.

MIKE JONES--GENERAL CONFERENCE TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, To pass on to Mike Jones, a worker in the General Conference Temperance Department, a call from the Columbia Union Conference for him to serve as Instructor in English and Assistant Director of College Relations at Columbia Union College.

G. R. WALLACE -- OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Publishing Association a call from the Southwestern Union Conference for G. R. Wallace, to connect with the Oklahoma Conference as District Pastor at Muskogee.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee and the General Conference Officers be authorized as follows:

T. R. Flaiz, M.D.--Jekyll Island, Georgia, South Atlantic Medical Retreat, September 11-13;

T. S. Geraty--St. Louis, Missouri, Annual Meeting of Association of American Colleges, January 10-14;

F. L. Peterson--Nashville, Tennessee, Riverside Sanitarium, speaking appointments, September 20 (en route to various board meetings);

G. E. Vandeman--California, "It-Is-Written" business; date to be arranged.

H. E. WESTERMEYER--TRAVEL EXPENSE:

The Church-State Committee is comprised of thirty-two members. H. E. Westermeyer, formerly of Walla Walla College, was appointed a member of the Church-State Committee, and it has since been learned that he is now retired, and receiving sustentation; and that he is to locate in La Sierra, California.

VOTED, To authorize the General Conference Treasury to meet the expense of H. E. Westermeyer, from La Sierra, California, to Washington, D.C., and return, to attend a meeting of the Church-State Committee, to be held February 15-17, 1965.

SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE--

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, To refer to the North American Division Committee on Administration, with power to act, a request from the Southern Union Conference for assistance in meeting the indebtedness of Madison College.

CLINTON VON POHLE -- MOUNTAIN VIEW UNION ACADEMY:

VOTED, To pass on to Clinton Von Pohle, now on leave of absence from the Pacific Press Publishing Association, a call from the Pacific Union Conference for him to connect with the Central California Conference as a Teacher in Mountain View Union Academy.

BESSIE IRVINE--DEATH OF; APPRECIATION FOR HER SERVICES; SYMPATHY:

Information was given of the death of Miss Bessie Irvine, on August 29, 1964, at the Porter Memorial Hospital, Denver, Colorado. She served as a missionary nurse in the Far Eastern Division for thirty years, and two years in the Clinical Division of Union College at Porter Memorial Hospital. She was Assistant Professor of Nursing in the Clinical Division of Union College, Department of Nursing.

VOTED, To record our appreciation for the long period of devoted service given by Miss Bessie Irvine in the denominational work at home and overseas; and that a message of sympathy be sent by the Secretary to the relatives of Miss Irvine.

Adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman N. W. Dunn, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary ╺┼╼┧╾┝╴

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GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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One Hundred and Twenty-Seventh Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 17, 1964, 10:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

R. S. Watts, N. W. Dunn, K. F. Ambs, Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, F. L. Bland, T. S. Geraty, J. H. Hancock, Mazie Herin, W. A. Higgins, W. A. Howe, G. A. Huse, Theodore Lucas, G. M. Mathews, D. A. McAdams, J. W. Peeke, Clark Smith, E. W. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield

R. S. Watts, Chairman, read responsively with the Committee members the Scriptures given on page 593 of the Church Hymnal, under the topic Repentance.

Opening prayer by G. M. Mathews.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 10, 1964, were approved.

MARY LYNN COLEMAN -- GENERAL CONFERENCE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Central California Conferences a call for Miss Mary Lynn Coleman, to connect with the General Conference office for secretarial work in the Department of Public Relations.

JUDY ADDISON--GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Judy Addison, of the General Conference Temperance Department, a call from the Southern Union Conference for her to connect with the Georgia-Cumberland Conference as Office Secretary and Receptionist.

GERVIE ENGLISH--PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences a call for Gervie English, a Store Clerk at the St. Helena Sanitarium and Hospital, to connect with the Pacific Press Publishing Association as a Journeyman in the Bindery.

J. HUDSON ZACHARY, JR. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, To release J. Hudson Zachary, Jr., from appointment as Instructor in the Theology Department of Brazil College, Sao Paulo, Brazil, on his request since he is not clear in responding to the call.

OTTO HERMANN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Otto Hermann from Rumania, in the Southern European Division, to the United States.

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LEON HILAIRE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Leon Hilaire, of New Caledonia, from Australia to France, at his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Australasian Division.

PETER FRITZ--PERMANENT KETUKN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Peter Fritz, from Paraguay, on his request for personal reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the South American Division.

NANCY FULFER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Nancy Fulfer, daughter of J. G. Fulfer, from Inter-America, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

ROBERT L. HANCOCK--BRAZIL COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences be requested to release Robert L. Hancock, and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division as Instructor in the Theology Department of Brazil College.

BERND BROZIO--SOLUSI COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Central European Division be requested to release Bernd Brozio, of Germany, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division, to teach in the Science Department of Solusi College; with the request that if the way is clear for him to accept the Central European Division be requested to process the call.

RUSSELL JAMES ALDRIDGE--PALAU ACADEMY:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and Southern New England Conferences be requested to release Russell James Aldridge, an Elementary Teacher, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Principal of the Palau Academy, in the West Caroline Islands.

IAN H. CHEESEMAN--KENYA, EAST AFRICA:

VOTED, That the Canadian Union and Alberta Conferences be requested to release Ian H. Cheeseman, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Principal of the Maxwell Preparatory School, in Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee, as follows, with the understanding that the request for the services of N. R. Dower and Edward Heppenstall will be passed on to their respective employing organizations:

K. F. Ambs--Boulder, Colorado, YPMV and Educational Department Meetings, November 2-13; Lincoln, Nebraska, College Industries' Meeting, November 16-19;

O. A. Blake--release, Boulder, Colorado, YPMV and Educational Department meetings, November 2-12;

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F. L. Bland--Cassopolis, Michigan, Workers' Retreat and speaking appointments, October 5-7; Nashville, Tennessee, South Central Workers' Meeting, January 5-7;

A. O. Dart--Southern California, Cedar Falls Camp, Senior Fellowship Conference, October 22-25; Southern California, Newbury Park Academy, Week of Prayer, October 25-31; Central California, Monterey Bay Academy, Chapel speaking appointments, November 1-8;

Dr. Samuel DeShay (missionary) -- Atlanta, Georgia, Berean Church speaking appointment, September 5;

N. R. Dower (Washington Conference) -- Pacific Union College, Week of Prayer, date to be determined;

J. H. Hancock--North Pacific Union, YPMV Secretaries' Council, November 13-17 (extension of trip to Boulder voted);

Edward Heppenstall (Andrews University) -- High Springs, Florida, Bible Conference, October 14-18;

W. A. Howe--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Academy, October 18 (on return from North Pacific);

M. H. Jensen--Orlando, Florida, series of Dorcas Federation meetings, October 25-November 1;

M. E. Loewen--Central Union Conference, Regional and Workers' Meetings, October 10-17;

E. L. Minchin--St. Louis, Missouri, special meetings, October 30-November 7; Springfield, Missouri, special meetings, November 8-15;

J. R. Nelson--San Antonio, Texas, Servicemen's Retreat, October 2-9; Miami, Florida, YPMV Secretaries' Council, November 16, 17;

G. E. Vandeman--Mankato, Minnesota, "It-Is-Written" follow-up, October 16-18;

Ethel Young -- Chicago and Berrien Springs, Michigan, textbook business (extend trip from West Coast to October 11).

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION--REPORTS:

G. M. Mathews said that the Department of Education wished the General Conference Committee members to rejoice with them on some thrilling news. The closing reports of the elementary schools for the North American Division have just been received for the 1963-1964 school year indicating that we had the highest number of baptisms by far for any year since we started our school system. The total number of boys and girls baptized last year was 3,766. This figure is equal to the establishment of ten new churches, each with a membership of 376. The total is larger than the entire membership of any one of twenty-four of the local conferences and missions in the North American Division.

The total number of pupils baptized in the four years between the quadrennial sessions, 1960-'64, was 12,419. Last year there were 952 more baptized than the year before.

W. A. Howe reported that Union College has just received information that the National Council on Accreditation of Teacher Education has granted the institution provisional accreditation for elementary teacher training--the first one of our schools to achieve this accreditation. It is a major triumph and will undoubtedly be the means of facilitating the process of the accreditation of our other teacher-training departments. Many universities and teachers' colleges have been turned down. This is really an achievement for the denomination, and a credit to the faculty and administration of Union College.

Adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

R. S. Watts, Chairman N. W. Dunn, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 24, 1964, 10:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, N. W. Dunn, W. Melvin Adams, K. F. Ambs, R. A. Anderson, R. Curtis Barger, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, M. V. Campbell, Theodore Carcich, E. W. Dunbar, J. E. Edwards, A. A. Esteb, J. O. Gibson, W. J. Hackett, J. H. Hancock, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, Werber Johnson, W. J. Keith, J. C. Kozel, L. J. Leiske, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, F. R. Millard, E. L. Minchin, F. D. Nichol, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, E. J. Remboldt, Clark Smith, A. F. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman, read from <u>Testimonies to the Church</u>, Volume 5, pages 559 and 560, paragraphs concerning the attitude of workers who compose our councils. The importance of every one who serves in board meetings seeking earnestly wisdom from above is stressed. Elder Figuhr called especial attention to the statement that the transforming grace of Christ should be felt in every meeting. The spirit of Christ is to have an abiding, controlling power over the heart and mind. If His presence is realized in our assemblies, every transaction will be conscientiously and prayerfully considered. It is necessary to seek first the counsel of God that we may counsel together properly.

Opening prayer by M. E. Loewen.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 17, 1964, were approved.

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY--RESEARCH GRANT:

Loma Linda University has received favorable consideration from the United States Government for a contractual research grant. On request of the Loma Linda University Board, and with the recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That approval be given to Loma Linda University's acceptance of this grant for research on a contractual basis, the grant benefits to include space, facilities, and equipment.

KENNETH J. MITTLEIDER--MIDDLE EAST DIVISION:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union and Washington Conferences be requested to release Kenneth J. Mittleider, and that he be invited to connect with the Middle East Division as Ministerial Association Secretary. KENNETH RICHARDS -- NEWBOLD MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, That approval be given to the appointment of Kenneth Richards, of Columbia Union College, to connect with Newbold Missionary College on a two-year basis; on the affiliation plan as worked out between the two colleges concerned.

HASKELL JONES--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Haskell Jones be released from appointment to the Benghazi Adventist Hospital as Supervisor of the Laboratory and X-ray Department, for personal reasons.

L. ARNO LEJNIEKS, M. D. -- TOKYO SANITARIUM-HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That an invitation be extended to L. Arno Lejnieks, M.D., of Lomita, California, to connect with the Far Eastern Division as an Internist for the Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital. Dr. Lejnieks is to complete his residency in Internal Medicine in June, 1965, and it is understood he could go forward by midyear of 1965.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee be authorized as follows:

R. A. Anderson, H. W. Lowe--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Geo-Science Group, November 11, 12;

R. A. Anderson, H. W. Lowe, R. L. Odom, W. E. Read--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Daniel Committee, November 8, 9;

W. P. Bradley, J. C. Kozel--Atlantic Union Conference Board and Committee meetings, September 21, 22;

D. A. Delafield--Michigan Conference, Youth Camp, October 14-18;

E. J. Folkenberg--Los Angeles, California, Temperance Rallies, Five-Day Plan and Workers' Meetings, November 11-20;

Joseph Fornal--Atlantic Union Conference, Insurance Surveys, September 28-October 16;

Harry House--Lake Union Conference, Insurance Surveys Follow-ups and Consultations, November 1-16;

E. L. Minchin--Atlantic Union Conference, Atlantic Union College Week of Prayer, March 12-19, 1965.

DANIEL COMMITTEE -- R. F. COTTRELL AND D. F. NEUFELD:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association an invitation for R. F. Cottrell and D. F. Neufeld to attend a meeting of the Daniel Committee in Berrien Springs, Michigan, November 8 and 9, 1964.

E. R. WALDE--CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to E. R. Walde, Secretary of the General Conference Radio and Television Department, a call from the Pacific Union Conference for him to be President of the Central California Conference; the assumption of his new duties to be effective November 1, 1964. It was further--

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VOTED, To record an expression of appreciation to E. R. Walde for the fourteen years of faithful, efficient, and successful service he has given in the General Conference Radio and Television Department.

DR. ANDREW HAYNAL--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to Dr. Andrew Haynal, returning from Vellore, India, a call from the Loma Linda University for teaching Public Health Administration in the Division of Public Health and Nutrition.

WEST COAST INSURANCE BOARD MEETING:

On request of the General Conference Insurance Service, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To authorize a meeting of the West Coast Insurance Board at Riverside, California, May 24, 1965, with the understanding that available members of the Board already on the West Coast will be invited to attend.

Adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman N. W. Dunn, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary