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NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Washington, D.C.

October 1, 1951, 8:15 A.M.

PRESENT


MINUTES of meeting of September 24 were approved.

EUGENE GARDNER - COLUMBIA UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and Walla Walla College the call from the Columbia Union for Eugene Gardner to connect with the Washington Missionary College Press as pressman.

MISS WILLIETTA WELLER - LAKE UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and Kansas Conference the call from the Lake Union for Miss Willietta Weller to connect with the Illinois Conference as Bible instructor.

HORACE BECKNER - NORTHERN UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and Georgia Cumberland Conference the call from the Northern Union for Horace Beckner to serve as pastor of the Stevens Avenue church in Minneapolis, Minn.

MRS. MARYE BURDICK - SOUTHERN UNION

VOTED, To pass on to Mrs. Marye Burdick, returned missionary, the call from the Southern Union for her to serve as Bible instructor in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference.

ADJOURNED, with prayer by E.E. Franklin.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman
H.T.Elliott, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary
Forty-second Meeting
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Washington, D.C.
October 4, 1951

PRESENT

R R Figuhr, H W Barrows, W R Beach, W P Bradley, V H Branson, N F Brewer,
E D Dick, E W Dunbar, H T Elliott, A A Estab, T R Flaiz, E E Franklin,
L E From, A L Ham, W J Harris, E J Johanson, A W Johnson, F B Knight,
E J Loomis, H W Lowe, D A McAdams, L L Moffitt, H A Morrison, V E Nelson,
F D Nichol, W B Ochs, A V Olson, W E Phillips, K J Reynolds, J I Robison,
E E Roenfelt, H L Rudy, A Scharffenberg, J A Stevens, M C Taft, A F Tarr,
W H Teesdale, J C Thompson, C L Torrey, B E Wagner, R M Whitsett, Paul
Wickman

(This meeting was held in connection with a meeting of the General
Conference Committee.)

E F CARTER - ATLANTIC UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and South Central Conference the
call from the Atlantic Union for E.F. Carter to serve in the Northeastern
Conference as pastor of the Brooklyn colored church.

MRS. GRACE BEARDSLEY - COLUMBIA UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and Minnesota Conference the call
from the Columbia Union for Mrs. Grace Beardsley to connect with the Ohio
Conference as Bible instructor.

CLAYTON KINNEY - LAKE UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Ohio Conference the call
from the Lake Union for Clayton Kinney of Mt. Vernon Academy, to connect with
the Emmanuel Missionary College Press.

MRS. MILDRED FORD - COLUMBIA UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and the Oregon Conference the call
from the Columbia Union for Mrs. Mildred Ford to connect with the Potomac Conference as Bible instructor.

MELVIN HEINRICH - NORTH PACIFIC UNION
A R HOLT - PACIFIC UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Arizona Conference the call
from the North Pacific Union for Melvin Heinrich to connect with the
Upper Columbia Conference; and to pass on to the North Pacific Union and the
Upper Columbia Conference the call from the Pacific Union for A.R. Holt to
connect with the work in the Arizona Conference.
H T SAULTER - CENTRAL UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and Allegheny Conference the call from the Central Union for H.T.Saulter to connect with the Central States Mission as treasurer.

L B BAKER - CENTRAL UNION
MRS. J N PORTER - LAKE UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and Lake Region Conference the call from the Central Union for L.B.Baker to serve in the Central States Mission; and to pass on to the Central Union and Central States Mission the call from the Lake Union for Mrs. J.N.Porter to serve in the Lake Region Conference.

R.R.Figuhr, Chairman
H.T.Elliott, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary
Forty-third Meeting
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Cleveland, Ohio

October 15, 1951, 5:30 P.M.

(This meeting was held immediately following a meeting of the General Conference Committee.)

PRESENT


CENTRAL STATES MISSION - CONFERENCE STATUS

VOTED, To accept the recommendation of the Central Union Conference that the Central States Mission be recognized as a conference.

W P LOCKWOOD - COLUMBIA UNION
M J SHANKO - SOUTHERN UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and Kentucky-Tennessee Conference the call from the Columbia Union for W. P. Lockwood to connect with the Potomac Conference; and to pass on to the Columbia Union and Potomac Conference the call from the Southern Union for M. J. Shanko to connect with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

FLOYD J STRUNK - COLUMBIA UNION

VOTED, To pass on to Floyd J. Strunk, returned missionary, the call from the Columbia Union for him to connect with the West Virginia Conference.

FLOYD J STRUNK - SOUTHWESTERN UNION

VOTED, To pass on to Floyd J. Strunk, returned missionary, the call from the Southwestern Union for him to connect with the Texico Conference.

MRS. GRACE BEARDSLEY - LAKE UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and Minnesota Conference the call from the Lake Union for Mrs. Grace Beardsley to connect with the Wisconsin Conference as Bible instructor.
October 15, 1951

L H MEIDINGER - NORTHERN UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and Arkansas-Louisiana Conference the call from the Northern Union for L.H.Meidinger to connect with the Minnesota Conference for district work.

R D MOON - PACIFIC UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and Michigan Conference the call from the Pacific Union for R.D.Moon to connect with the Central California Conference as district leader and evangelist at Mountain View.

ADJOURNED, with prayer by G.A.Huse.

W.B.Ochs, Chairman
H.T.Elliott, Secretary
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary
PRESENT: Delegates to the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee.

Opening Hymn: "Lead On, O King Eternal."

Prayer by G.T. Anderson, president of La Sierra College.

THE ASSOCIATION OF S.D.A. SELF-SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS

The recommendations presented from the General Conference officers, union and local conference presidents, as approved by the constituency of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions, were adopted as follows:

We recommend, That in order to insure a very close affiliation between the General Conference and the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions the following changes in policy and Constitution be made and become effective November 1, 1951:

1. That in order to strengthen our work in behalf of our self-supporting program the work of the Association and the General Conference Commission for Self-Supporting Missionary Enterprises be amalgamated, under the name of the Association of S.D.A. Self-Supporting Institutions.

2. That the Association secretary-treasurer be a full-time worker for the Association, devoting himself entirely to its interests and the development of its work. That his salary and expense, together with stenographic and office expense, be included in the General Conference budget.

3. That the office of the Association be at the General Conference headquarters and provided by the General Conference.

4. That initial and annual fees paid by member institutions be used for the general promotion of the work of the Association and be disbursed on order of the board.

5. That the officers and a board of fourteen members shall be appointed as follows:

   a. Five initial members by the General Conference Committee at the first and third Autumn Councils following a General Conference session.

   b. Five initial members by the Association membership, all to hold office for two years, or until their successors are appointed and appear to enter upon their duties.

   c. That following the election of the ten board members, as provided above, the ten men thus chosen shall nominate, for election by the Association constituency, a president and a secretary-treasurer. When these have been chosen, they shall be ex officio members of the board, and the president shall be chairman.
d. Following the election of the officers the board shall add to their number two or more additional members to a maximum membership of fourteen, as provided above. In choosing these additional members, the equal balance between representatives of the Self-Supporting work and the Seventh-day Adventist organization shall be maintained.

e. Officers and board members to hold office for a period of two years.

6. That the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions, working in close counsel and unison with the respective local and union conference committees, foster and encourage the work of all member institutions as well as assisting and encouraging other Self-Supporting enterprises to qualify for membership. Also the Association shall hereafter foster the work hitherto carried on by the General Conference Commission on Self-Supporting Missionary Enterprises.

7. That union and local conference committees continue to appoint representatives of the Self-Supporting work hitherto promoted by the General Conference Commission on Self-Supporting Enterprises, these hereafter to be known as Secretaries of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions, and to work under the direction of the respective union and local conference committees.

8. That all financial accounts of the Association be subject to audit by the General Conference.

9. That, since this new policy is being inaugurated at the second Autumn Council following the session rather than the first, and since the Association has already held its constituency meeting this year and has appointed its five members, the five members to be appointed by the General Conference Committee be elected at the 1951 Autumn Council, and that the board of ten initial members as provided for above be authorized to appoint the officers for the remainder of the ensuing term and elect the two additional members of the board.

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(As revised at Fourth Annual Meeting, September 5, 1951)

CONSTITUTION

OF

THE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
SELF-SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS

Introduction:

Recognizing that God has called the laity of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to active self-supporting missionary service, and that this line of work is truly a part of the cause of God, and is in need of encouragement and development, with the fostering care of denominational leadership, the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions, in counsel with the Commission on Rural Living and the General Conference Committee, has adopted the following Constitution and By-Laws:
ARTICLE I
Name

The name of the Association shall be "The Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions."

ARTICLE II
Object

The object of the Association shall be to foster and promote the interests of self-supporting missionary institutional enterprises operated by Seventh-day Adventists throughout the North American Division.

ARTICLE III
Membership

Section 1. Charter membership is that held by self-supporting institutions operated by Seventh-day Adventists, which have united to form this Association.

Section 2. Other membership is that held by self-supporting institutions operated by Seventh-day Adventists which are admitted to membership by vote of the Association on recommendation of the Executive Committee after the adoption of this Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 3. Such representatives of local and union conferences as are present and have been appointed by their respective organizations.

Section 4. All member institutions shall be subject to such tenure and review as are set forth in the Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 5. Each member institution shall be entitled to one delegate and one additional delegate for the first 20 workers or major portion thereof, and one additional delegate for those institutions having over 20 members. These delegates shall be duly appointed by the group which they represent.

Section 6. Institutions applying for membership in the Association are required to submit to the Executive Committee satisfactory evidence of qualifications for membership as set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV
Executive Committee

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee of 14 members, including the officers of the Association, who shall be chosen as follows:

a. Five initial members by the General Conference Committee, at the first and third Autumn Councils following a General Conference session.

b. Five initial members by the Association membership, all to hold office for two years, or until their successors are appointed and appear to enter upon their duties.

c. Following the election of the ten board members, as provided above, the ten men thus chosen shall nominate, for election by the Association
constituency, a president and a secretary-treasurer. When these have been chosen, they shall be ex officio members of the board, and the president shall be chairman.

d. Following the election of the officers, the board shall add to their number two or more additional members to a maximum membership of 14, as provided above. In choosing these additional members, the balance between representatives of the self-supporting work and the Seventh-day Adventist organization shall be maintained.

e. Officers and board members to hold office for a period of two years.

Section 2. Vacancies occurring between sessions in the Executive Committee among members appointed by this Association, shall be filled by the Executive Committee from among the constituent membership of the Association.

Section 3. Vacancies occurring between sessions in the Executive Committee from among those members appointed by the General Conference Committee, shall be filled by appointment by the General Conference Committee.

Section 4. The members of the Executive Committee elected by the Association shall be chosen at the annual meeting of the Association following the first and third Autumn Councils of the General Conference Committee; or, in case the General Conference Session is postponed because of international conditions, the members of the Executive Committee and the officers of the Association shall be elected at the conclusion of a two-year term to hold office until the first Autumn Council following the next General Conference Session.

ARTICLE V
Officers

Section 1. Officers of the Association shall be a President and a Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 2. Officers of the Association shall be elected by the Association biennially in a regular session as provided above. New officers shall take office at the close of the session in which they have been elected, and shall serve until their successors appear to enter upon their duties.

ARTICLE VI
Meetings

Regular meetings of the Association shall be held annually, after notice is given at least four weeks previous to the meeting in the Union Conference papers of the North American Division. Special meetings of the Association may be called by the committee at any time, provided the purpose and business of the special meeting shall be stated in the call, after notice at least four weeks in advance of the meeting in the Union Conference papers.

ARTICLE VII
Withdrawal

Any institution may withdraw from membership in the Association at any time upon written notice to the secretary of the Association.
ARTICLE VIII
Dropping of Members

A member institution that fails to maintain denominational principles and standards, or fails to keep its institutional work at least in a condition equivalent to what it was at the time of its acceptance, may be dropped from membership after reasonable notice of such consideration and opportunity has been given to meet standards. A two-thirds vote of those present and voting at a regularly called meeting of the Association shall be necessary to drop a member institution upon recommendation of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX
Amendments

Amendments to the Association Constitution and By-Laws may be made by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at any regular meeting of the Association, or at any special meeting, provided the members are advised previously in the call for the meeting of the amendments to be considered. All changes in the Constitution and By-Laws shall be subject to the approval of the General Conference Committee.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I
Qualifications for Membership

Institutions applying for membership in the Association are required to submit satisfactory evidence of qualifications to the Executive Committee, as set forth in the By-Laws. If the evidence is found satisfactory, the Executive Committee of the Association will recommend their acceptance by the Association.

Section 1.-- Spiritual. Administrators of the institutions admitted to membership in the Association shall be Seventh-day Adventists in good and regular standing, and shall so conduct their work as to be in harmony with general denominational principles and standards.

Section 2. -- Educational. Such institutions shall be certified by the Executive Committee of the Association as maintaining standards representative of Seventh-day Adventist educational work.

Section 3. -- Medical. Such institutions shall be certified by the Executive Committee of the Association as maintaining standards of medical treatment and procedure representative of Seventh-day Adventist medical work.

Section 4. -- Miscellaneous. All other activities of such institutions shall be certified by the Executive Committee of the Association to be in keeping with the scope of the institution and the general aims of the Association.

Section 5. -- Financial. The financial condition of the institution shall be certified by the Executive Committee as being on a satisfactory basis.
Section 6. Nothing in these By-Laws shall be construed as requiring accrediting of any member institution by any accrediting body. Institutions which are known as "accredited" and those which are not, are equally welcome as members of the Association as long as they maintain the standards called for in the By-Laws.

Section 7. Any institution held by a legal holding corporation, or otherwise privately owned, is eligible for membership in the Association, provided it meets the qualifications for membership under Article I of the By-Laws.

ARTICLE II
Working Relationship

Section 1. That the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions, working in close counsel and unison with the respective local and union conference committees, foster and encourage the work of all member institutions, as well as assisting and encouraging other self-supporting enterprises to qualify for membership. Also this Association shall hereafter foster the work hitherto carried on by the General Conference Commission on Self-Supporting Missionary Enterprises.

Section 2. That the plan of appointing union and local conference representatives of the work that has hitherto been promoted by the General Conference Commission on Self-Supporting Missionary Enterprises be continued, and that hereafter they be known as secretaries of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions.

Section 3. That all financial accounts of the Association be subject to audit by the General Conference.

ARTICLE III
Selection of Committees

Section 1. At each annual meeting a large committee composed of one delegate from each member institution represented shall nominate the members of the several committees. These nominations shall be voted upon by the Association.

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ASSOCIATION OF S.D.A. SELF-SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

VOTED, As provided in Article IV, Section a of the Constitution of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions, and on recommendation of the Committee on Nominations, to appoint the following to serve as members of the Executive Committee until the next regular election time: W.B. Ochs, A.L. Ham, W.H. Branson, W.H. Williams, Dr. Wayne McFarland.

VOICE OF PROPHECY, FAITH FOR TODAY, AND
BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL RALLIES

Recommendations from the General Conference officers and union and local conference presidents, were adopted after amendment as follows:

WHEREAS, The many years of broadcasting by the Voice of Prophecy group and, more recently, the Faith for Today program,
Bible correspondence schools and the circulation of our message-filled periodicals, have resulted in creating a great interest in the Advent Message throughout many parts of the world field; and

WHEREAS, The students of the Voice of Prophecy Correspondence School and our local Bible correspondence schools, as well as the listeners of the radio and television programs, constitute a mighty army of potential candidates for membership in the Seventh-day Adventist Church; and

WHEREAS, At the present time we are not cultivating a tithe of this tremendous field of opportunity; and

WHEREAS, The outbreak of a world war might quickly make this contact and follow-up work well-nigh impossible; and

WHEREAS, We are told that before the end "Hundreds of thousands were seen visiting families, and opening before them the word of God"; therefore,

We recommend, 1. That in the North American Division during the winter of 1951-52 a strong effort be put forth to contact these thousands and bring them into the church.

2. That our chief method of implementing the plan be by organizing one-day correspondence school rallies in every city of 5,000 population or over, and that all such students, as well as radio and television listeners, be invited to attend with their friends. In making plans for these meetings the following program shall be carried out:

a. A program committee shall be appointed, consisting of the General Conference officers, the union presidents of North America, the general organizer of the rallies, H.M.S. Richards, Paul Wickman, W.A. Pagal, T.L. Oswald, E.W. Dunbar, A.A. Esteb, D.L. Olsen, E.R. Walde, George Vandeman, and R.M. Whitsett, with L.K. Dickson as the chairman. The speakers shall be chosen by this committee. They shall also prepare necessary plans, work out details of organization, produce literature, blanks, cards, etc., for the rallies.

b. A general organizer of these rallies shall be appointed by the General Conference who shall work under the general counsel of the program committee and in cooperation with local and union conference committees and their advance agents in making the program an overall success. Three or four other members of the program committee shall be chosen to assist the general organizer in this work.

c. Advance agents, sponsored by the respective union and local conferences, shall prepare the way by securing halls, advertising the rallies, and securing from the General Conference materials to be used in connection with such rallies, all in counsel with the program committee.

d. Outstanding denominational speakers shall be chosen by the program committee from the General, union and local conferences to speak at these rallies.

e. The rallies shall be sponsored by the respective union and local committees in counsel with the General Conference general organizer, his assistants and chairman of the program committee. The expense of hall rent,
literature, cards, etc., shall be the responsibility of the respective conferences.

f. The general organizer, together with his assistants, shall visit the respective unions to brief and instruct the advance agents and local home missionary and Missionary Volunteer secretaries of the union and local conferences regarding their respective duties.

g. As far as practicable, and as finances permit, arrangements shall be made for the Voice of Prophecy and Faith for Today groups to appear in person at the rallies in the larger cities.

3. Program for Rallies. That the details of the program to be carried out in the respective rallies be worked out by the program committee, and include the following items:

a. A 30-minute sermon on what Seventh-day Adventists believe about these times. Suitable and helpful material for use by the respective speakers is to be furnished by the program committee.

b. Five-minute promotion of the study and completion of the correspondence school lessons, offering to arrange for personal representatives to call and assist any who wish such help.

c. Distribution of an all-message five-cent booklet to be produced by the Home Missionary Department and to be purchased by the respective local churches.

d. Obtaining pledges from those present to secure new listeners and students from among their neighbors and friends, and distributing enrollment forms for use of those present in securing enrollments.

e. Promotion of the Book-of-the-Month plan and sustaining membership.

f. Securing signatures of those present who would like a personal representative to call on them and assist them in their study and preparation of the lessons either in private or community classes. (Special cards to be provided for this purpose.)

4. Preparing for Follow-Up Work. That the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer Department leaders, in cooperation with the local pastors and elders, carry the responsibility of preparing the churches prior to these rallies for the most earnest and extensive soul-winning campaign in which the church has ever engaged by:

a. Arranging for the pastor, elders and a corps of lay workers to take the responsibility of quickly contacting all those who sign cards requesting help in the preparation of their correspondence lessons, and to arrange for weekly visits, at which time the current lesson will be studied with the people and prepared for mailing. (Note. Those doing the visiting should be instructed to follow closely the correspondence school lesson that the people happen to be receiving. No effort should ever be made to get the students to change to another correspondence school.)
5. That all correspondence school student names from all our schools be made available to the general organizer and advance agents of the rallies to enable them to extend personal invitations to these individuals to be in attendance.

6. That Voice of Prophecy radio and television listeners who may not yet be enrolled in any correspondence school, also be invited to attend the rallies and bring their friends.

7. That our publishing houses be invited to make available the lists of subscribers to our missionary periodicals in the districts where rallies are to be held, and that these persons be invited to attend.

8. That an offering be taken at each rally with which to defray the expense of the meeting and materials used. Any surplus shall be retained by the respective conferences to help in rallies where there may be a deficit.

9. That these rallies begin in each union about the middle of January, 1952, so that the church may put forth a mighty uniform and concerted effort throughout this continent.

10. That wherever possible, arrangements be made to precede large city evangelistic efforts with Voice of Prophecy and Faith for Today rallies, even after this special campaign is over.

Recommendations from the Plans Committee were considered and adopted as amended, as follows:

BASIC BIBLE DOCTRINES BOOKLET

We recommend, That favorable consideration be given to the plan of preparing and publishing a 32-page illustrated booklet presenting the basic doctrines of the Advent Message, to be produced at a cost of approximately five cents each, with the plan of placing a copy in every home in America. It is hoped that the booklets may be ready for use in connection with the radio and television rallies to begin early in 1952. The booklet is to include also a page presenting an invitation to join the Bible Correspondence School, which may be detached and mailed to the schools in the respective territories.

FUTURE OF HOME FOREIGN BUREAU

WHEREAS, There is need for a closer integration of the home-foreign workers with other workers in the conferences; and,

WHEREAS, The work among the foreign-speaking people of North America is primarily the responsibility of the local conferences; and,

WHEREAS, The work on behalf of the foreign population of North America would be more efficiently carried on if the foreign language workers were directly under the supervision of the local committees as are all other workers; therefore,
We recommend, 1. That the Home-Foreign Bureau be discontinued.

2. That at each Autumn Council, budget provision be made for giving assistance in connection with the foreign language work to those conferences in which there are large foreign-speaking populations when such conferences are unable to carry on this work without financial help.

3. That the appropriation provided at each Autumn Council for this work be disbursed on recommendation of the North American Division Committee on Administration.

4. That at each Autumn Council budget provision be made for the production of foreign language literature and for the assistance of the Spanish-American Seminary, these sums to be disbursed on recommendation of the North American Division Committee on Administration.

5. That the foreign language literature be produced, promoted, and distributed to the churches through regular channels.

6. That the foreign language internships provided by the Autumn Council each year shall be distributed by the North American Committee on Administration.

JEWS LITERATURE

Tracts

We recommend, 1. That the Pacific Press at Brookfield be authorized to publish a series of Jewish tracts in English.

2. That the General Conference Committee, in consultation with the Pacific Press, appoint someone to write or edit manuscripts for this series of tracts.

3. That these tracts be printed without a Yiddish title line at the top of the front page, and that ample blank space be provided on the back page where the imprint of the conference or evangelistic meetings may be placed.

Periodical

We recommend, That the General Conference Committee consider the possibility of publishing a monthly or quarterly periodical for the Jewish people, one number of which shall be a special Ingathering number, the details of financing the project, to be referred to the Finance Committee at the Autumn Council. It is further recommended that in case authorization is not given for the publication of this Jewish periodical, the Jewish Ingathering magazine be published each year as usual.

Patriarchs and Prophets

We recommend, That the North American Division Committee on Administration study the feasibility of publishing a special English edition of Patriarchs and Prophets, for the Jewish people.
READING COMMITTEES FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGE MANUSCRIPTS

We recommend, That the North American Division Committee on Administration appoint a reading committee for each language group, similar to the reading committees in our publishing houses, and that all foreign language manuscripts submitted for publication be read carefully by the proper committee before authorization is given to print.

BEARING ARMS BY WATCHMEN

WHEREAS, The practice of bearing firearms by some of our institutional watchmen is inconsistent with our position on noncombatancy and is contrary to the teaching of the church with regard to the bearing of arms in any capacity,

We recommend, That all our institutions and conferences insure that Seventh-day Adventists appointed as watchmen refrain from carrying firearms.

W. B. Ochs, Chairman
H. T. Elliott,
J. I. Robison, Secretaries
Mary Paul, Recording Secretary

Forty-fifth Meeting of
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Cleveland, Ohio

October 24, 1951, 7:00 P.M.

The following actions were taken during a meeting of the General Conference Committee in executive session:

BETTY BUCKLEY AND BETTY FLEMING - NORTH PACIFIC UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference the calls from the North Pacific Union for Miss Betty Buckley and Miss Betty Fleming to connect with the Upper Columbia Conference.

E. L. BECKER - PARADISE VALLEY SANITARIUM

VOTED, To pass on to E. L. Becker, returned from the Philippines, the call from the Pacific Union Conference, to connect with the Paradise Valley Sanitarium as assistant business manager.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman
H. T. Elliott, Secretary
Elizabeth Zeidler, Recording Secretary pro tem
PRESENT: Delegates to the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR

The following calls were voted on recommendation of the Committee on Distribution of Labor:

Harold J. Brendel - Canadian Union

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and Southern New England Conference the call from the Canadian Union for Harold J. Brendel to connect with the Ontario-Quebec Conference.

A.E. Neil - Columbia Union
W.K. Mansker - Texico

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and the Texas Conference the call from the Columbia Union for A.E. Neil to connect with the Chesapeake Conference for district work; and to pass on to the Columbia Union and the Chesapeake Conference the call from the Southwestern Union for W.K. Mansker to connect with the Texico Conference for district work.

Roy E. Eckerman - Lake Union

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Union and the South Dakota Conference the call from the Lake Union for Roy E. Eckerman to connect with the Michigan Conference.

Donald Lee - North Pacific Union

VOTED, To pass on to Donald Lee, returned from the Far East, the invitation from the North Pacific Union and Oregon Conference for him to serve in the Laurelwood Academy.

Lawrence Heath - North Pacific Union

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conference the call from the North Pacific Union for Lawrence Heath to connect with the Upper Columbia Conference as Assistant Publishing Department Secretary.

Raymond Norris - Loma Linda Food Company

VOTED, To pass on to Madison College the call for Raymond Norris to connect with the Loma Linda Food Company at Mount Vernon, Ohio.
Mrs. E. V. Porter - Pacific Union

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union and Central States Conference the call from the Pacific Union for Mrs. E. V. Porter to connect with the Northern California Conference as Bible instructor.

Mrs. Myrtle Justice - Southern Union

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and Indiana Conference the call from the Southern Union for Mrs. Myrtle Justice to connect with the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference for service as a colporteur.

The following further report from the Plans Committee was presented and adopted:

LETTERS PROTESTING APPOINTMENT OF AMBASSADOR TO THE VATICAN

WHEREAS, In the appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican by the President of the United States, we see a deplorable disregard of Protestant and democratic sentiment and a further departure from and weakening of the constitutional principle of the separation of church and state, also an inevitable deepening of religious rivalries and controversies;

We recommend, That our official protest against this appointment be implemented by:

1. Asking our conferences, churches, societies, institutions and church members in the United States to write letters to their senators, urging that confirmation of any ambassador to the Vatican be withheld; and,

2. That in an earnest effort to defeat this un-American connection with a totalitarian church-state, the General Conference Religious Liberty Department be asked to supply information regarding effective ways and means of exerting influence on their senators and particularly on the members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and to supply names and addresses of these men.

CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER RELIEF

WHEREAS, The endeavor which we began a year ago through the War Service Commission in association with the Medical, Home Missionary, Educational, and Missionary Volunteer departments, to cooperate with governmental and Red Cross civil defense, disaster relief, and first aid measures, has most encouragingly resulted in thousands of our members taking the Red Cross first aid courses and produced 85 accredited Red Cross first aid instructor-trainers, 400 instructors, and approximately 8,000 who have completed either the junior, standard, or advanced first aid courses; and,

WHEREAS, Such recent disasters as the Missouri and Kansas floods emphasize the importance of skilled preparation to meet adequately natural and war emergencies, and both governmental civil defense and American Red Cross first aid agencies are earnestly urging our continued and further cooperation in training our entire membership in emergency measures, such as the building of blood banks, emergency feeding and emergency food supply,
advanced first aid training, and the establishment of first aid stations, registration and information, as well as radiological monitoring teams, and the organization of child care and day nursery centers for mothers, and groups of adult women especially qualified for civil defense services;

We recommend, 1. That regional representatives of the War Service Commission in union and local conferences be urged to consult with civil defense directors in each state and endeavor to coordinate the local conference civil defense program in these states in energetic promotion of all these lines of civil defense and disaster relief, working out with the state civil defense directors details and plans for adapting and integrating Adventist programs with those of the community and state civil defense programs.

2. That educational superintendents in the local conferences do their utmost to place the junior Red Cross first aid training course in our church schools.

3. That War Service Commission and medical representatives endeavor to have all our members who have completed the standard first aid training course proceed to take the advanced course, and that those who have completed the advanced course be encouraged to take the instructor's course.

4. That every endeavor be made to increase the present number of 8,000 who have received certificates in Red Cross first aid training to 30,000 by January 1, 1953.

5. That we urge our union conferences to enlarge the number of accredited Red Cross first aid instructors in their respective territories, and that instructor-trainers be sent to locations agreed on in consultation with regional Red Cross authorities, for the procurement of such training as shall be needed to implement this program.

H.L. Rudy, Chairman
H. T. Elliott, N. W. Dunn, Secretaries
Elizabeth Zeidler, Recording Secretary pro tem

Forty-seventh Meeting of
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Cleveland, Ohio
October 28, 1951, 9:45 A.M.

PRESENT: Delegates to the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee.

A report of the Plans Committee was submitted and adopted as follows:

BILL TO BAR NATURALIZATION OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

WHEREAS, A bill (S.2055) entitled "The Immigration and Nationality Act" has been introduced into the U.S. Senate, one provision of which (Section 337) would bar the naturalization of all conscientious objectors, including those opposed to both combatant and noncombatant military service, thus completely destroying the gains made in the Girouard and Cohnstadt cases,
We recommend, 1. That this Council go on record as respectfully asking the appropriate committees in Congress to bring the terminology of Section 337 of S.2055 into harmony with the wording of the National Security Act of 1950 and the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in the Girouard case when dealing with noncombatant service in the armed services as an alternative to bearing arms; and,

2. That our conferences, churches, and people throughout the United States be urged to write to their senators between now and January 8 requesting that in the consideration given the proposed "Immigration and Nationality Act" the terminology of Section 337 be so amended as to bring it into harmony with the "Internal Security Act of 1950," in which a noncombatant applying for citizenship in the United States is given a choice as between bearing arms and performing noncombatant service in the military forces.

RESOLUTIONS ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

WHEREAS, The Calendar Reform issue is once again becoming serious, and the forces in favor of it are gaining great strength, and are putting forth tremendous efforts to bring the Blank Day Calendar into being on January 1, 1956; and

WHEREAS, The Green River Law and similar "nuisance" laws are being enacted in numerous cities in the United States since the Supreme Court action of June 1, 1951, upholding the legality of such laws, and are creating difficulties for our colporteurs, and in some cases in the solicitation of funds; and

WHEREAS, Agitation for Sunday Blue Laws is on the increase in a number of cities and states; and,

WHEREAS, The recent nomination of an ambassador to the Vatican, subject to Senate approval, is another indication of the trend toward the union of church and state;

We recommend, 1. That the Religious Liberty Department be requested to prepare and promote the circulation of suitable literature dealing with these movements, setting forth the jeopardy in which they place the principles of religious liberty.

2. That every conference urge the pastors and local elders to plan and present a strong Religious Liberty Program on Religious Liberty Day, January 26, 1952.

3. That a desirable hour be allotted at each camp meeting for a Religious Liberty meeting, to acquaint our people with developments on the Religious Liberty front, and that a conference, union or General Conference Religious Liberty secretary lead out in this service.

4. That, in view of increasing violations of the Constitutional guarantees of separation of church and state and the threat to the free propagation of the gospel, and recognizing the beneficial influence of Liberty Magazine upon judges, administrative officers, professional men, and laity, we urge that a greater effort be put forth to circulate this important journal.

W. H. Branson, Chairman
E. D. Dick, H. T. Elliott, Secretaries
Elizabeth Zeidler, Recording Secretary pro tem
Forty-eighth Meeting of
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Cleveland, Ohio

October 29, 1951, 9:45 A.M.

PRESENT: Delegates to the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee.

SCHEDULE OF 1952 MEETINGS - NORTH AMERICA

The committee to whom was referred the question of meetings to be held in 1952 submitted their report, which was adopted as follows:

We recommend, 1. That the following schedule of councils and conventions for 1952 be approved:

Divisional

Sabbath School Department Council
(Union and Local Conference S.S. Department Secretaries) (Suggesting it be held in a central location) Jan. 15-18

Biennial Council of College Administrators
(Presidents, Business Managers, and Deans) In June

Quadrennial College Teachers' Council
(Heads of departments of Science, Mathematics, Nursing, and School Home Deans) In June

Two National Medical Cadet Corps Training Camps
(Training officers and draft age men: One in United States in August; one in Canada)

Spanish Workers' Meeting
(Sandoval, N.M.) In January

Regional

Two Missionary Volunteer Camp Leaders' Camps) To be held together in early May - places to be arranged

Two Educational Departmental Councils

Two Councils on Industrial Relations

Two Press Bureau Workshops
(Union and Local Conference Secretaries) Dates and places to be arranged

Three Publishing Department Regional Meetings
(Union and Local Conference Publishing Department Secretaries, Book and Bible House Managers, Union and Local Conference Home Missionary Secretaries) Autumn

We further recommend, 1. That in the future these Publishing Department regional meetings be held once in four years.

2. That we refer to the 1952 Autumn Council for favorable consideration the holding in 1953 of a National Temperance Council, including Union and Local Conference Temperance Secretaries.

L.K. Dickson, Chairman
E.D. Dick,
H.T. Elliott,
E.E. Roenfelt, Secretaries
Elizabeth Zeidler, Recording Secretary pro tem
Forty-ninth Meeting of
NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
Cleveland, Ohio
October 29, 1951, 1:15 P.M.

PRESENT


(This was a meeting of the General Conference Executive Committee, in which the following actions were taken.)

E H CRAIG - CENTRAL UNION
C J SUMNER - LAKE UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and the Michigan Conference the call from the Central Union for E.H. Craig to connect with the Nebraska Conference as manager of the Book and Bible House; and to pass on to the Central Union and Nebraska Conference the call from the Lake Union for C.J. Sumner to connect with the Michigan Conference as assistant in the Book and Bible House.

R A BATA - CENTRAL UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and the Ohio Conference the call from the Central Union for R.A. Bata to connect with the Nebraska Conference as pastor-evangelist.

R H ROBERTSON - LAKE UNION
T M FOUNTAIN - PACIFIC UNION

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Southern California Conference the call from the Lake Union for R. H. Robertson to connect with the Lake Region Conference for evangelistic work; and to pass on to the Lake Union and the Lake Region Conference the call from the Pacific Union for T.M. Fountain to connect with the Southern California Conference as pastor of the West Long Beach church.

L K Dickson, Chairman
H T Elliott, Secretary
Elizabeth Zeidler, Recording Secretary
pro tem