

MINUTES OF GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Council, 1892.

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First Meeting.

March 11, 1892. 10:30 A.M.

Present: Olsen, Loughborough, Prescott, Underwood, Kilgore, Jones, and Colcord.

Prayer was offered by Elder Loughborough.

Minutes of meetings held since October, 1891, read and approved.

The Chairman explained why the time for holding the meeting of the General Conference Committee was appointed as it was, and why it had since been changed---in order not to interfere with later arrangements for the last two ministerial Institutes.

The matter of holding a summer council was considered, the members present expressing themselves as opposed to such council. It was therefore---

Voted, That the next council of the General Conference Committee after the present one, be held next fall after the camp-meeting season.

Various matters were talked over in a general way, such as needs of the field in the way of presidents and other laborers, time for holding week of prayer, etc., the chairman enumerating different items which should be considered and acted upon.

It was voted that a committee on camp-meetings and camp-meeting laborers be appointed. The chair appointed J.N.Loughborough, R.M.Kilgore, and R.A.Underwood, as said committee.

Upon motion, D.T.Jones, S.N.Haskell, and W.W.Prescott were appointed as a committee on laborers for the general field.

Voted, That a committee of three also be appointed on week of prayer. The Chair appointed as this committee, S.N.Haskell, R.A.Underwood, and D.T.Jones.

Voted, That devotional exercises be held next Sunday at 9:00 to 10:00 o'clock A.M., at which time further consideration can be given to the time for holding them each day.

The chair announced the program of meetings for several days ahead, after which the Committee adjourned till Sunday,

March 13, at 10:30 A.M.

W.A.Colcord,
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SECOND MEETING.

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March 13, 1892, 10:40 A.M.

Present: Olsen, Haskell, Loughborough, Underwood, Kilgore, Jones, Prescott, and Colcord.

Prayer was offered by Elder Haskell.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The matter of time for holding the next General Conference, and the holding of ministerial Institutes the coming year, were talked over.

It was voted that the next General Conference be held February 17 to March 6, 1893, this to be preceded by a general institute held from January 27 to February 16, 1893.

A communication dated Dec. 28, 1891, from the Corresponding Secretary of the N.R.L. Association, Elder A. Q. Tait, in regard to certain actions of the N.R.L. association Executive Committee touching the employment of W. E. Cornell in the Religious Liberty Office at Battle Creek, the pay and employment of Prof. W. H. McKee in the "American Sentinel", and Allen Moon's going to Washington, D. C., to look after religious liberty work during the present Congress, was read before the Committee.

It was voted that D. T. Jones and W. W. Prescott be a committee to look into the matter of the needs of the N.R.L.A. Office, and the advisability of securing additional help, and report on the

Voted, That the request of the N.R.L.A. Committee in regard to the General Conference paying one-half of Prof. McKee's salary for his work in connection with the "Sentinel", be granted.

Meeting adjourned to Monday, March 13, at 10:30 A.M.

W. A. Colcord, Sec.

THIRD MEETING.

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March 14, 1892. 10:30 A.M.

Present: Olsen, Haskell, Loughborough, Kilgore, Prescott, Underwood, Jones, and Colcord.

Prayer was offered by Elder Kilgore.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the committee on distribution of laborers presented a report, which was considered for a time, amended, and referred back to the committee as amended, for further consideration and additions.

Various matters were talked up, the supplying of the vacancy on the General Conference Committee, needs of improvement in the Sabbath-school work, etc. Two letters were read, one from Elder Hankins in regard to his present location, and Sister Hankins' health, and one from a returned Presbyterian missionary from Bombay, India, a Mr. G.W. Leiler, now of Harrisburg, Penn., who seems inclined toward the views of Seventh-day Adventists, and wishes to know if the Review and Herald Office can not give him some work at translating into the "Marathi" language, the chief language of Bombay.

It was voted that Elder E.W. Farnsworth be invited to attend the Institute soon to be held at Des Moines, Iowa, and take the oversight of it in the way of conducting the opening exercises and directing it as he did the Institute held at Battle Creek last fall.

Meeting adjourned to Wednesday, March 16, 10:30 A.M.

W.A. Colcord,

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FOURTH MEETING.

March 16, 1892. 10:30 A.M.

Present: Oleg, Harkel, Loughborough, Underwood, Wilson, Does, Prescott, Garnsworthy, and Corcoran.
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Elder Garnsworthy was present by request, and in view of the action taken at the last meeting touching the taking the over-
sight of the Des Moines (Ia.) Institute, desired some instruction
as given him to arrange for four days of study each day, two in
the forenoon, and two in the afternoon.
The committee on camp meeting presented a report, which
was read and a motion made that it be adopted. After some consid-
eration, it was voted to lay the matter on the table, with the in-
struction that copies of the report be struck off for the different
members of the committee to look over.
The committee on week of prayer presented a report, in
regard to which it was likewise voted that it be duplicated for the
general consideration of the individual members of the committee.
During the meeting Elder V.J. Bred appeared before the
conference, and presented a matter relating to the wayward course
of a member of the Minneapolis church, which the church committee
of the Minneapolis church and also the Minnesota conference consid-
er we have some difficulty in coming to an agreement as to the
proper way to deal with and rightly adjust. Some correspondence
has been given to Elder Bred concerning the matter, and also a
petition from Sister White touching like difficulties, sent Elder
Bred, were read before the committee. In view of all the circum-
stances it was--

Voted, that the general conference committee approve of
a report that has been given, and suggest that with due consid-
eration it be carried out.
The matter of supplying the vacancy on the general con-
ference committee was brought up for consideration, and it was--
Moved, that H.C. Foster be chosen to fill the vacancy on
the general conference committee made vacant by the resignation
of A.D. Robinson.
Pending this motion, the meeting adjourned.

W.A. Corcoran,

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FIFTH MEETING.

March 17, 1892. 10:30. A.M.

Present: Olsen, Haskell, Loughborough, Prescott, Underwood, Kilgore, Jones, and Colcord.

Prayer was offered by Prof. Prescott.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The motion in regard to supplying the vacancy on the General Conference Committee, pending at the adjournment of the last meeting, was further considered, but in view of some difficulties which presented themselves it was, upon motion, laid upon the table.

The Committee on distribution of laborers again presented a report as follows:--

- ✓ 1. That E.W. Barnsworth go to California and make that his field of labor, with the understanding that he spend a few weeks at the Upper Columbia Conference during the summer.
- ✓ 2. That R.S. Donnell make the Upper Columbia Conference his field of labor.
- ✓ 3. That N.W. Allee labor in Minnesota.
- ✓ 4. That W.S. Hyatt make Missouri his field of labor, and take the presidency of the Conference and Tract Society made vacant by the removal of R.S. Donnell and N.W. Allee.
- ✓ 5. That F.D. Starr labor in ~~Wisconsin~~ Illinois.
- ✓ 6. That H.W. Docker make Indiana his field of labor.
7. That R.H. Brock labor in the Indian Territory, and that the Dist. Supt. supply an assistant from that ~~same~~ District.
8. That the Supt. of Dist. No. 6 supply an additional laborer for Montana.
- ✓ 9. That M.G. Haffman labor in Maine.
- ✓ 10. That R.S. Webber make the Maritime Provinces his field of labor.
- ✓ 11. That O.O. Farnsworth ~~and wife~~ go to Ireland and make that their field of labor.
- ✓ 12. That B.F. Purdus labor in Illinois.
- ✓ 13. That H.S. Snow go to Louisiana and make that his field of labor.
14. ~~That D.A. Ball labor in New York.~~
15. That E.G. Olson labor in ~~South Dakota~~ and take the superintendency of the Scandinavian work in Iowa ~~and Neb.~~
16. That D.T. Jones locate in California with special reference to ~~some of the~~ the interests of the Pacific ~~and other~~ and other institutions located there.
- ✓ 17. That Julia Barnelo and Mina Robinson go to England to engage in the Bible work.

Committee

✓ Dan T. Jones
S.N. Haskell
W.W. Prescott

Upon motion, the first and thirteenth recommendations were referred back to the Committee, and the fourteenth to Elder Olsen to make such arrangements as he may think proper in the case.

With the exception of the recommendations referred to, the report was adopted.

The special committee appointed in the ~~first~~ ^{second} meeting to look into the needs of the N.R.L.A. office in the way of supplying it with help, rendered an oral report to the effect that upon investigation they thought favorably of the idea of engaging some one to take the place of the lady help heretofore employed in the office, with a view of perhaps taking charge of the work sometime in the future, though they were not clear as to the particular individual recommended in the request of the Association.

The report was adopted.

Meeting adjourned to call of chair.

W.A. Colcord,

Sec'y.

SIXTH MEETING.

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March 18, 1892, 12:30 P.M.

Members present: Olson, Haskell, Loughborough, Underwood, Kilgore, and Jones.

Prayer was offered by Elder Underwood.

Upon motion, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was waived.

The committee on distribution of labor presented an additional report which was adopted as follows:--

~~18.~~ That J.H. Durland labor in Michigan.

~~19.~~ That S.S. Shreck go to Kansas and labor among the Germans.

~~20.~~ That G.F. Haffner spend some time in laboring for the Germans in the Upper Columbia Conference, as may be agreed upon by the Presidents of the two Conferences.

✓ ~~21.~~ That the recommendation concerning E.W. Farnsworth be resubmitted.

It was voted that a 40 ft. tent be provided for use in Indian Territory.

Adjourned.

W.A. Colford,

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SEVENTH MEETING.

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March 20, 1892, 11 A.M.

Members present: Olsen, Haskell, Loughborough, Jones, Prescott, Underwood, and Kilgore.

Prayer was offered by Elder Loughborough.

Minutes of the last two meetings read and approved.

It was voted to confirm recommendation thirteen of the committee on distribution of labor as reported in the fifth meeting, and referred back.

Voted, To change recommendation five of the same report so as to read "That F.D. Stary labor in Illinois," instead of indicating Wisconsin as his field of labor.

The matter of the volunteer movement was brought up and discussed for a time, and it was--

Voted, That a committee of three, of which the chair shall be one, be appointed to consider the propriety of plans heretofore laid for inaugurating genuine foreign missionary work in heathen lands.

The chair appointed W.W. Prescott and S.H. Haskell as the other members of this committee.

Missionary work among the Chinese in this country was also considered, and, upon motion, J.N. Loughborough, D.T. Jones, and John Moon were appointed as a committee on this question.

A letter was read from Sister White written to Elder Olsen, in regard to help needed by Sister White in the way of a good cook and a more efficient stenographer, and help in the school, nursing and other lines needed in New Zealand and Australia in order to give a proper hold to the work.

She desires Brother and Sister Satterlee, and others if possible, to be encouraged to locate in these fields.

No action was taken in regard to the requests made in the letter.

Meeting adjourned.

W.A. Colcord,

Sec'y.

EIGHTH MEETING.

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March 21, 1892. 10:30 A.M.

Members present: Olson, Haskell, Loughborough, Jones, Kingore, Prescott, and Underwood.

Prayer was offered by Elder Haskell.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

It was voted as the sense of the Committee that Frank Here should be ordained.

The committee on distribution of labor presented the following additional report:--

22. District No. 5 has sent a petition signed by a number of the leading workers in that District, asking that a Sabbath School superintendant be appointed for that District, and in case a suitable person cannot be found, that C.D. Taylor be permitted to spend several weeks in that District. In view of the fact that we deem it advisable to reduce the number of specialists in the field, we would recommend that arrangements be made for Elder J.H. Burdick, President of the S.S. Association, to attend the camp meetings in that District, and that he be regarded also as a regular camp-meeting laborer.

23. We would recommend that the case of Wm. Baird, of North Carolina, be referred to the superintendent of that District and the President of the General Conference with power to act.

Jones
Haskell.

The report was adopted.

It was voted that the Supt. of Dist. No. 8 arrange for C. Buck to go as tent pastor with Elder G.C. Wilson the coming season.

The following preambles and resolutions touching Dr. Max-
well and wife's connection with the Rural Health Retreat were pre-
sented and adopted:--

Whereas, The Rural Health Retreat has been established
by the providence of God, for the purpose of educating the people
in the laws of health, as well as for healing the sick; and,--

Whereas, Dr. Maxson and wife have connected with the Retreat, with the view of bringing it into a position to do the work for which it was established; therefore,---

Resolved, That we hereby extend to the Drs. Maxson our co-operation, and promise them our moral support in their efforts to develop and teach the principles of health, and to raise the Health Reform, on the Pacific Coast, to the position which the Spirit of God has shown that it should occupy under the third angel's message.

The committee on camp-meetings presented the following report which was adopted:--

We recommend that the District canvassing agents of the several districts shall consult with the General Conference Superintendents of the District in regard to attending camp-meetings.

Committee
J.N. Loughborough
R.M. Kilgore
R.A. Underwood.

D. T. Jones presented the following communication, preamble and resolutions from the Executive Board of the Health and Temperance Association:--

To the General Conference Committee.

Dear Brother:--

After considering the health work in the light of what the Lord has seen fit to say to us on this question, and having a great desire to see this branch of the cause of truth built up in connection with other branches of the same, we have deemed it expedient to prepare the following preamble and resolutions which we would submit for your consideration, hoping that an early and favorable action may be taken on the same.

Very respectfully,

Exec. Board H & T Associa.

Whereas: The Lord has spoken plainly regarding the importance of health reform, in testimonies recently received as is brought to view in the following statement:--

"A responsibility to spread the knowledge of hygienic principles rests upon all who have enjoyed the benefits of health reform. This responsibility should be felt by every man and woman who claims to be a Seventh-day Adventist. . . . God's blessing will rest upon every effort made to awaken an interest in health reform, for it is needed everywhere. . . . There must be a revival in regard to this matter for God proposes to accomplish much through this agency." Therefore,---

1. Resolved: That we recognize in this line of work one important branch of the work of God which should receive its due share of attention from all who have accepted the light which God has given us for these last days, and especially from those who stand in responsible positions as leaders and instructors of the people.

2. Resolved: That we recommend the officers of local conferences to give the health question a reasonable share of attention and instruct their ministers and other laborers to prepare themselves to instruct the people in the principles of healthful living, and also that they encourage competent persons to take a thorough course in theoretical and practical hygiene, that they may be prepared to do ~~an~~ teach others.

3. Resolved: That we request those who visit camp-meetings as camp-meeting laborers, to fit themselves to give instruction on health reform from the standpoint of the Bible and the "Testimonies."

4. Whereas, One special object in the establishment of our denominational schools is to fit young men and women for missionary work by educating them in all branches of the truth, therefore, ---

Resolved: That instruction in health and temperance should be recognized as a part of the regular course in our schools, as soon as competent teachers can be procured, and that such instruction be in harmony with the teachings of the Bible and the "Testimonies," on this subject.

Remarks were made upon the resolutions by Dr. Kellogg (who came in while the report was being considered), and Prof. Prescott, and Elders Underwood, Jones, and Olsen.

The report was adopted.

The meeting adjourned.

W.A. Colcord,

Sec'y.

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3. Resolved: That we request those who visit camp-meetings as camp-meeting laborers, to fit themselves to give instruction on health reform from the standpoint of the Bible and the testimonies."

4. Whereas, One special object in the establishment of our denominational schools is to fit young men and women for missionary work by educating them in all branches of the truth, there-

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Remarks were made upon the resolutions by Dr. Kellogg (who came in while the report was being considered), and Prof. Prescott, and Elders Underwood, Jones, and Olson.

The report was adopted.

The meeting adjourned.

W. A. Colcord,

Sec'y.

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NINTH MEETING.

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March 23, 1892, 10:30 A.M.

Members present: Olsen, Haskell, Loughborough, Kilgore, Prescott, Underwood, and Jones.

Prayer was offered by Elder Jones.

Reading of the minutes of last meeting omitted.

A communication from A.F. Ballenger in regard to remuneration for his wife's work in correspondence for N.R.L.A. and transportation committee work, was presented before the Committee.

A motion to grant the request was amended by a motion to instruct the transportation agent in Chicago to employ the assistance of a stenographer only when absolutely necessary, and that in such cases the time of such work be kept and reported by the hour; and further, that the General Conference must not be expected to pay for work in the line of correspondence which should be done by the state tract society.

The motion as amended was adopted.

It was voted that the General Conference Committee present the question of Brother L.R. Conrad's returning to this country to labor here for a time, with a request that he be recommended to do so.

It was voted as the sense of this committee that L.J. Rousseau should not go to Australia before next year.

Upon motion O.A. Olsen and W.W. Prescott were appointed as a committee to supply a teacher for Australia in Brother Rousseau's place.

The matter of rearranging somewhat the plans and general organizations for carrying on the different lines of work, was talked over, and it was--

Voted, That the chair appoint two to act with himself as a committee to take this matter into consideration, and present plans for the same at the next general council of the General Conference Committee.

It was voted that the superintendency of Dist. No. 1 be left with the President of the General Conference, with the privilege of drawing on such help as he may need to look after the work.

The report of the committee on camp-meetings was considered for a time, but as there was not time to consider it all, action on it was deferred.

Meeting adjourned.

W.A. Colford,
Sec.

TENTH MEETING

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March 23, 1892, 3:00 P.M.

Members present: Olsen, Prescott, Jones, Kilgore, and Underwood.

Prayer was offered by Elder Jones.

Reading of minutes of last two meetings was omitted.

Brother Jones presented certain objectionable features in the "Signs of the Times" which were considered by the Committee, and it was voted that he write the editor of the "Signs" concerning them, with the suggestion that they be remedied.

The report of the Committee on the Week of Prayer was adopted as follows:--

We would recommend that the Week of Prayer be held Dec. 12-18, 1892, and that addresses be prepared on the following subjects by the persons whose initials follow, the addresses to come in the order named:--

- S.H. 1. General Survey of the Field. (O.A.G.)
- S.H. ✓ 2. Christ's Birth. (S.N.H.)
- W.A. ✓ 3. Why Stand Ye Idle? (R.A.U.)
- J.W. 4. Consecration. (A.T.J.)
- W.A. 5. Foreign Fields. (W.A.S.)
- W.A. ✓ 6. Third Angel's Message. (U.S.)
- J.W. 7. Selections from the "Testimonies." (E.G.W.) (By W.A.S.)
- S.H. ✓ 8. Openings Before Us. (S.N.H.)
- J.W. ✓ 9. Scripture Reading on Thanksgiving and Offerings, to be followed by a Praise Service. (J.N.L.)

S.N.Haskell
Committee D.T.Jones
R.A.Underwood.

In addition to this it was voted:--

- 1. That W.A. Colcord and W.A. Spicer be a committee to edit the readings for the Week of Prayer; and,
- 2. That they look after the readings and see that they are gotten in by the first of October.

Meeting adjourned to call of chair.

W. A. Olsen, Chairman

W. A. Colcord, Sec.

Following is the report of the committee on camp-meetings, presented and tabled at the fourth meeting, further considered at the ninth, but not adopted nor definite action taken upon it before the Committee's last adjournment to call of chair--

CAMP-MEETINGS FOR 1892.

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Dist. No. 1.

Maritime Provinces, Moncton, N.B.	May 11--16
New England, (local meeting)	May 20--20
Pennsylvania	May 31--June 7
New York	June 1--14
Canada	June 22--28

Laborers: Olsen, Porter, Van Horn, S.H. Lane, and such help as the Dist. Supt. may need.

Fall Meetings.

Virginia	August 16--25
Maine	August 25--Sept. 5
Vermont	Sept. 6--14
New England	Sept. 15--20
Atlantic	Sept. 20--27

Dist. No. 2.

Tennessee River Conference	August 30--Sept. 5
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Laborers: A.T. Jones, E.M. Kilgore.

Dist. No. 3.

Indiana, (spring meeting)	May 17--23
Ohio	May 24--30
Illinois	June 4--7
Michigan	June 20--27
Indiana	August 9--15
Ohio	August 16--22
Illinois	August 24--30
Illinois, (southern meeting)	Sept. 6--12

Laborers: A.T. Jones, J.N. Loughborough. Dist. Supt. may arrange for such other help as may be necessary.

Dist. No. 4.

Minnesota	-----	May 31--June 7
Iowa	-----	June 7--14
Wisconsin	-----	June 14--21
South Dakota	-----	June 22--28
Nebraska	-----	August 30--Sept. 6

We recommend A.T. Jones, Prescott, and such other help as the Dist. Supt. may call to his aid.

Dist. No. 5.

Missouri	-----	August 3--15
Texas	-----	August 10--22
Arkansas	-----	August 25--Sept. 5
Colorado	-----	August 31--Sept. 12
Kansas	-----	Sept. 15--26

We recommend that O.A. Olsen, J.H. Durland, and such other help as the Supt. may need, be called to his aid.

Dist. No. 6.

Central California	-----	Last of March
Upper Columbia	-----	May 17--24
North Pacific	-----	May 24--31
Montana	-----	June 8--14

We recommend that the meetings in Dist. No. 6 be attended by Elders D.T. Jones, S.N. Haskell, and such other help as the Supt. may select from those in the District.

J.N. Loughborough

Committee

R.A. Underwood

R.M. Kilgore

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

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FIRST MEETING.

July 31, 1892. 10:00 A.M.

Present: Olsen, Loughborough, Underwood, Kilgore, and Prescott.

Prayer was offered by Elder Underwood.

The following resolutions respecting our canvassing work in Oklahoma and Indian Territories, were presented by Elder Underwood, and adopted:--

"Whereas, the work is developing in Oklahoma and Indian Territories so that it is expedient to place a man in charge of that field, as General Canvassing State Agent, therefore,--

1. We ask Kansas to relinquish her present charge of that field.
2. That the General Canvassing Agent select a man to take charge of that field at once.
3. That the General Canvassing Agent, with the District Agent of District No. 5, select three or four good canvassers to enter this field to start the work at once.
4. That the agents working in that field order their books direct from the Review & Herald Office until other arrangements are made.

Upon motion of Elder Kilgore, it was voted that at the close of the Tennessee River camp-meeting Elder A. L. Jones, in connection with the District Superintendent of District No. 5, visit New Orleans to look after the interests of the work at that place.

It was voted that the Committee approve of the removal of the Tract Society Secretary's office of District No. 2, from Augusta, Ga., to Groveville, Tenn.

Voted to grant the request of the brethren in Florida to organize a conference in that State as soon as circumstances are favorable for doing so.

Upon motion the chair was empowered to appoint a special

The next meeting of the General Conference Committee, the Institute
of the General Conference, and held just before the next General Conference, and held
at the General Conference.

R.A. Underwood, R. H. Hillmore, and W.A. Colecord were appointed
to this Committee.

The Committee presented a report which was considered
and approved, but no action was taken upon it.

Adjourned to 8:00 P.M.

O.A. Olsen,
Chairman.

W.A. Colecord,
Secretary.

The matter of instructors and course of instruction for the Institute not being fully determined, the recommendations in regard to the Institute and the time for the next meeting of the General Conference Committee were withheld for final action until the next meeting.

Upon motion it was voted that the Secretary of the Committee present the matter of holding the next General Conference at Battle Creek, before the church committee of the Battle Creek church and ascertain their views as to the willingness of the church in the matter.

It was voted as the sense of the Committee that Brother W.C. Dalbey should be advised to engage in some mechanical work in connection with some of our offices, as being better fitted for such work than that of the ministry.

Voted that Wm. Holbrook, of the Upper Columbia Conference, be advised to go to Texas, providing the Texas Conference does not so invite him to come and labor in that field.

Voted that in case Elder G.E. Wilson is removed from Georgia, W.A. McCutchen be

requested to labor in such No. 2

A report from the W.A.L.A. Committee, to the effect that a number of religious liberty work in District No. 2 and Pleasant Hill, Mo., was read before the Committee. James Chambers, of the Bible & Herald, and Elder Stone, of West Virginia, were suggested as suitable persons for the places, provided their labors can be secured.

Adjourned to 9:00 A.M., August 1st.

W.A. Colcord,
Sec'y.

THIRD MEETING.

Aug. 1, 1898. 9:00 A.M.

Present: Olsen, Louzborough, Kilgore, Underwood, Prescott.

Prayer was offered by Prof. Prescott.

The Secretary of the Committee stated that in conversation with Brother D.W. Keay and Brother R. Hart, proposed a visit to go to Pittsburg, Pa. and engage in circulating real and liberty literature in that place if the Committee should desire to do so. He also reported that in a meeting of the British Creek church committee held last evening it was unanimously voted to invite the General Conference to hold its next session at that place.

The report of the committee on recommendations for the time for the next meeting of the General Conference Committee, and the Institute to be held from Friday, January 7th, to Thursday, February 18, 1898, just preceding the General Conference, was considered, and after a few changes was adopted as follows:

1. That the next meeting of the General Conference Committee convene Wednesday, January 31st at 10:00 o'clock A.M. and hold to Thursday, January 30th.

2. That there be two regular sessions per day in the Institute to be held just before the next session of the General Conference, one in the forenoon, and one in the evening, as follows:

FORENOON SESSION--9:30 to 1:00 A.M., with first half hour of time for devotional exercise, and ten minutes intermission between the two hours study.

(Council addresses the meetings from 2 to 5 P.M.)
EVENING SESSION--7:00 to 9:00 P.M., with ten minutes intermission.

INSTRUCTORS.--

- For Morning Sessions--
- (1) J.S. [unclear]--5 hours--Study of the Bible.
- (2) J.N. Louzborough--5 hours--Study of the Testimonies.
- (3) O.A. Olsen--6 hours--The Ministry.
- (4) R.A. Underwood--5 hours--Recognition of God's Ownership and of our Redemption.
- (5) S.N. Biskell--6 hours--Missions and Missionary work.
- (6) J.H. Kellow--6 hours--Medical Missionary work.
- For Evening Sessions--

(To run through both the Institute and the General Conference)

- A.I. Jones---The Khira Angel's Message.
- W.W. Prescott---The Promise of the Holy Spirit.
- R.C. Porter---The Mind of Christ.

4. That a chairman be elected, who shall preside during the entire session.
5. That the General Conference BULLETIN be issued from the publishing office of the Institute, with as many full reports of the sessions as are appearing in it as can be sent, and that the price of the same be fixed at fifty cents.
6. That an editorial committee of five be selected by the General Conference Committee at this session, to take charge of the BULLETIN, who shall begin to work on the list of subscribers at least three months before the Institute begins.
7. That all delegates to the General Conference be requested to attend the Institute.

H.A. Underwood
 Committee
 W.A. Colcord

The following named persons were selected as editorial committee for the General Conference BULLETIN: W.A. Colcord, W.A. Underwood, A.O. Taylor, M.E. Kellomaki, L.A. Smith.

A communication from the Secretary of the Health and Temperance Association, Mr. E.H. Hultner, in regard to securing ministerial credentials for those regulated by the Health and Temperance Association as medical missionaries, and another from Geo. L. Miller, ministerial live credentials for his wife, were presented for consideration. The Committee thought it hardly within their province to grant credentials to such, as they are not in the employ of the General Conference, and therefore suggested that if they desired to secure rates on the railroads they make application for rates to some member of the Transportation Committee.

The following communication from Brother G.H. Derrick was presented for action:--

"Salt Lake, Utah, July 12, 1894
 to the General Conference Committee of Seventh-day Adventists.

Dear Brethren:--Kindly advise by their presence my resignation as District Canvassing Agent of District No. 6, and release of my duties and responsibilities of that office.

G.H. Derrick

The resignation was accepted, with the understanding that the effect as seen at some can also can be selected by the Canvassing Agent and assigned to all his place.

whatever expense was incurred above that met by contributions received by the churches of the Sabbath School...

A request from Elder C.L. Boyd to the General Conference Committee, under date May 31, 1892, for a lay Bible worker for Nashville, Tenn., was read, and the Secretary instructed to write Elder Boyd suggesting that according to the plan it might prove to be advisable that Sister Boyd be relieved from the office of Tract Society secretary, and be allowed to devote herself to the Bible work, and the Tract Society secretary to be supplied by some other person, I.S. Lloyd being suggested for the place.

It was voted in the sense of the Committee that Elder O.A. Olson attend the same meetings in Dial Hill, with the understanding that Elder Louchborough attend the Nebraska conference.

Voted, to recommend that Elder Wm. Covert, of Indiana, go to Vermont to labor in that field.

Voted, that the same committee be appointed for the Year Book for 1893 as for the last Year Book, - Colburn, Spicer, and Fair - and that the book be issued as soon as possible after the next General Conference.

Adjourned to call of chair.

W.A. Colburn
Sec'y.

FOURTH MEETING.

Aug. 1892, 5:00 P.M.

Present: O. A. Olson, Prescott, Loughborough, Kilgore and Underwood.

Prayer was offered by Elder Underwood.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

It was voted that the District Superintendents of Dis-

tricts Nos. 2 and 3, in connection with the President of the General

Conference, be a committee to supply another laborer from Ind-

iana for District No. 3.

Voted that O. A. Olson, W. H. Edwards and W. A. Colcord be a

committee to audit W. W. Prescott's account for the work he has done

for the General Conference during the first half of the year 1892.

Adjourned to call of chair.

W. A. Colcord,

Sec'y.

FIFTH MEETING.

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August 4, 1892. 6:00 P.M.

An informal meeting of four members of the General Conference Committee (Olsen, Loughborough, Kilgore, and Prescott) was held at Elder Olsen's house, August 4, 1892, at 6:00 P.M.

Voted, That it be the sense of those present that the recommendation concerning Elder F.D. Starr be changed; that he remain in Indiana, and that Elder Decker go to Illinois in his place.

Voted, That the interests of the canvassing work be considered in the meetings preceding the sessions of the General Conference, but that no separate canvasser's institute be announced.

Adjourned.

W.W.Prescott,

Sec., pro.tem.