

FIFTY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 6, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, C S Longacre,
B G Wilkinson, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, J L Shaw, W A Spicer;
also T E Bowen, F M Wilcox, R E Harter.

Prayer by N Z Town.

INDIA SANITARIUM:

A communication was received from H R Salisbury, enclosing the report of the committee that had been investigating openings for sanitarium work in Simla. Counsel was asked as to what the Committee could authorize in the way of funds for sanitarium work.

VOTED, That reply be made in the following lines:--

1. The treasury has received \$12,800 for the medical work in India as returns from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, which made the India sanitarium and medical work the special object of gifts in September last.
2. The only funds aside from this available for a sanitarium or hospital enterprise must be in trust funds in hand in the India treasury for this purpose.
3. In view of the pressing needs of the work as it stands throughout the world, the Committee cannot hold out any hopes of further appropriations for sanitarium work in India during the next two or three years.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 9, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, N Z Town,
J L Shaw, B G Wilkinson, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, W A Spicer;
also T E Bowen and L A Hansen.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

H N GEMON--WEST INDIES:

Word was received from H N Gemon concerning the probability of his going to the West Indies, and reporting himself as in need of some assistance in his outfitting expense in preparing for a change from a northern to a tropical field.

VOTED, That H N Gemon be allowed \$50 outfitting expense, in case arrangements are made for his return to the West Indies.

SOUTH AFRICAN APPROPRIATIONS:

A communication was received from South Africa, reporting the need of further appropriations to some of the African mission stations who estimates were not in at the time appropriations were voted.

After study of the estimates and consideration of the financial situation, it was voted to make appropriations as follows: \$1000 to the Barotseland Mission, Northwest Rhodesia; \$1000 to the Solusi Mission, in Southern Rhodesia.

MAX TRUMMER:

N Z Town presented a letter from Max Trummer, South American canvassing agent, reporting a plan to come on to this country from Ecuador, to spend a few months in perfecting his naturalization papers, and being married to a lady in America. He proposed to pay his own expenses from Ecuador to this country.

VOTED, That we agree to the plan of Max Trummer with reference to a brief return from South America, the General Conference to appropriate to the South American Union to meet the return expenses to South America, via Europe, of Brother Trummer and his wife.

E R JOHNSON--MEXICO:

Word was received from Mexico rather , urging the sending on of E R Johnson and wife, whose services are needed in Mexico City.

After discussing the Mexican situation in view of the defeat of the Federal forces in North Mexico and the renewed warning from the State Department to Americans not to return at the present time, it was agreed that we would wait a week or so before taking action to send on Brother E R Johnson and wife.

MISS GRAHAM TO UNION CONFERENCE SESSIONS:

VOTED, That we ask Miss E M Graham, of the Home Missionary Department, to attend the union conference meetings in the Central West, in the interests of the home missionary work.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

L A Hansen, assistant secretary of the Medical Department, asked counsel regarding his plans of work for his department, and presented the following outline of work which he has in mind:--

Regular Work. (Now being done.)

In connection with, and by counsel of the medical secretary of the North American Division, give attention to medical items in this field as follows:--

Secure suitable workers to fill calls from institutions or conferences.

Find suitable openings for available persons.

Obtain information as to fitness and qualifications of candidates for positions.

Give attention to requests for the establishment of treatment rooms, cafes, etc. Give counsel to parties contemplating starting such enterprises.

Keep in touch with field and institutional medical workers, obtaining from them items of interest for publication and for passing on to others; also encourage by letters of counsel, information on the progress of the work, etc.

Prepare articles for the Review, giving items of interest pertaining to the progress of the health work and experience of workers.

Extension Work.

Secure a fuller cooperation of members of the Department located in foreign fields. Solicit from them reports and articles for publication that will give a wider representation of our medical missionary work. Encourage suggestions that will strengthen and develop the Department. Send out as frequently as consistent letters of information, plans, items of interest, etc., that will be helpful to members of the Department and that may be used in matter that is in turn passed on to others.

Get in closer touch with other medical workers in foreign fields. Secure from them items of interest and progress for publication in the Review and the Medical Evangelist; also obtain from them ideas on methods and plans of work for passing on to others. Make the Department a clearing-house for information, etc., that will be a help to those interested in any phase of medical missionary work.

Endeavor to make the Department helpful to other workers in foreign fields by securing and giving out such matter as will help to safeguard their health.

Develop a carefully planned campaign of instruction regarding the history and development of our health work, its place in the message, and its value to our own people and the world at large. Make judicious use of the material in the Testimonies in a series of articles in a well-studied and thoughtful way, building up a substantial and well-grounded interest.

Educate our own people on the nature and value of real medical missionary work, including Christian help work, dissemination of rational health principles, holding home schools of health, interesting sick friends in our sanitariums

Develop a line of simple studies on the main features of our health principles that may serve as lessons to be used in home schools of health. Endeavor to have these appear in regular form and order. Make them intensely practical, interesting, and generally attractive, so as to insure the appreciation of our own people and to create a desire to impart to others. Give instruction on how to teach others. If demanded, provide a line of inexpensive literature for distribution.

Secure the names of nurses now in private work, and get in touch with them in a sympathetic way and endeavor to create and hold their interest in and love for the truth and its interests. Show a personal interest in their welfare. At present, there are many without anything in particular to tie them to the denomination. Names can be obtained from conference officers and others, and an index file kept which may be used for information regarding their moves. A letter to some of our people, officers or others, may put them in touch with nurses in their city, soliciting their interest to secure church attendance.

Instead of our field nurses feeling compelled to work for drug-giving physicians, we may help them to take up private treatment work, either in the residences of patients or in their own rooms. They can be encouraged to combine other lines of missionary work with their nursing.

Get in touch with the work of state boards of health, securing data, literature, charts, etc., and making selections of material that we can pass on to our own people.

Obtain vital statistics from government and other sources, and put them in shape for suitable use by our workers. Keep informed on current literature and other material bearing on health, hygiene, and temperance, and thus be prepared to refer others to same. Keep proper index record of all such material.

Secure suitable material from various sources on temperance, and adapt it for use by our own workers.

Praper charts, showing comparative statistics on the evils of liquor, tobacco, etc., these to be published occasionally in our papers. If deemed practical, a few might be put into shape for public use. In other words, make our Medical Department a source of information on material that can be used to advantage in health and temperance work. This might become such a useful factor that outside people would look to us for material on true temperance reform. We have already had a number of inquiries.

The Committee approved of the outline presented.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY--THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 26, 1914

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, Mrs L F Plummer, E R Palmer,
C S Longacre, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

WEST AFRICA:

A communication was presented from L R Conradi, reporting the councils with the West African Mission Committee, and the plans for opening new work in that field, Elder D C Babcock to enter Nigeria, Elder W H Lewis to go to the Gold Coast.

He reported that Brother Lewis, through sickness and possible lack of management, had incurred a deficit in his account, and it was the request of the committee that this overdraft be canceled, on account of sickness and special circumstances with the understanding that accounts would be kept even in the future.

It was decided that inasmuch as our accounts here hold nothing against Brother Lewis, all matters having been adjusted so as to leave a working balance at the beginning of the new year in the field, we agree that if the field so desires, the debit account on the local books against Brother Lewis be canceled, if thought wise by the new mission committee.

SOUTH CHINA TREASURERSHIP:

A communication was presented from C N Woodward, secretary of the Asiatic Division, passing on recommendations developed during the recent visit of Elder R C Porter to various mission fields in Central and South China.

VOTED, That we approve of the recommendation of the officers of the Asiatic Division, that O J Gibson take the secretary and treasurership of the South China Mission, in place of B A Meeker.

HAKKA SCHOOL:

Requests were presented for some further appropriations, to secure land for needed school enterprises, \$200 required to purchase a school site for the Hakkas seeming especially pressing. After further review of the situation and the prospects, it was--

VOTED, That in view of the condition of the treasury, and the necessity of keeping within the bounds of financial safety, we send word to China that it still seems impossible to add further to the appropriations for this year.

It was hoped by the Committee that within the appropriations as listed the China Mission fields may find some place where at least the \$200 might be saved in order to secure a site for the Hakka school, under terms that seem especially advantageous.

W C HANKINS:

A communications from China reported that the work in the Amoy district urgently demanded another laborer. It was hoped that Elder W C Hankins, remaining in this country on account of Sister Hankins' health, might be able to return. Failing this, it was felt that a substitute should be sent.

VOTED, That correspondence be taken up with Elder W C Hankins, and that in case it is found that Sister Hankins cannot safely plan to return to China, a substitute be found and sent forward to the field.

THIRTEENTH SABBETH OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That the following enterprises be named as the objects for Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings during the last three quarters of the year:—

Second quarter: Japan Mission, to aim at reaching the amount of Mission Board appropriations for entire year.

Third quarter: Northwest Union Mission Field of South America.

Fourth quarter: The Malaysian Mission Field.

SUSTENTATION FUND--TRACT SOCIETIES:

In response to inquiries from some secretaries of tract societies regarding the percentage that the societies are to pay into the general Sustentation Fund, it was --

VOTED, That W T Knox and E R Palmer be a committee to prepare a statement for the information and guidance of tract society secretaries in making up their reports of volume of business on which the percentage is set aside for the Sustentation Fund, in aid of colporters who have grown old in the service.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 27, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, C S Longacre, J L Shaw,
Mrs L F Plummer, W W Prescott, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen,
L A Hansen, C L Benson.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

At the opening of the meeting, Elder A G Daniells,
the chairman, gave a report of the institute and Central Union
Conference at College View.

I F BLUE--INDIA:

The chairman reported that I F Blue and wife
had definitely accepted the call to India, and that Professor
Blue was to be ordained to the ministry before the close of the
College View meeting.

J S YATES--SUMATRA:

Elder Daniells also reported that Elder J S Yates
had been recommended at the Central Union Conference for service
in Sumatra, East Indies.

VOTED, That we invite Elder J S Yates and wife,
of Kansas, to go to the Malaysian Mission Field.

E E DENHAM--PORTO RICO:

On report from Elder Daniells, it was--

VOTED, That we invite E E Denham, of the Central
Union, to make Porto Rico his field of labor.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 4, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, O S Longacre,
E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox and T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

J A WESTERMEYER—CHILE:

Correspondence was submitted from the Clinton German Seminary regarding the call for a secretary and treasurer for the Chile Conference. J A Westermeyer, secretary and treasurer of the Seminary had volunteered, and the Seminary felt willing to release him.

VOTED, That we ask J A Westermeyer, of the Clinton German Seminary, to go to Chile, S.A., and that we invite the Seminary and the Central Union Conference to arrange for his release.

C H MILLER DECLINES APPOINTMENT:

A letter was received from C H Miller, of Nebraska, declining the call to the West Caribbean field on account of general health conditions in the family.

A G CHRISTIANSEN--DENMARK:

A letter from J C Raft, president of the Scandinavian Union, was presented, asking for an exchange to be arranged between C C Jensen, formerly of Denmark, and A G Christiansen, of the Pacific Union. Elder Jensen had been compelled to leave Denmark on account of his wife's health and had taken her to California. Denmark would be glad to have work arranged for Elder Jensen on the Pacific Coast, and to receive Elder Christiansen for the presidency of the Denmark Conference.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division and the Pacific Union Conference to endeavor to arrange for C C Jensen to labor in the Pacific Union, and for A G Christiansen to accept the invitation to labor in Denmark.

W EHLERS:

On information from Europe it was--

VOTED, That the furlough pay of W Ehlers, of Brazil, while on sick leave in Europe should be \$13 per week .

LOAN TO WASHINGTON SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That the General Conference Corporation be authorized to advance \$2,000 to the Washington Sanitarium Association as a temporary loan, in harmony with the action at the time of the autumn council looking toward giving temporary relief while waiting for the decision of the Review and Herald and the Pacific Press in the matter of giving aid to this institution to meet current interest account.

C N LAKE:

Word was received from Japan that C N Lake and wife were returning to this country under medical advice, physicians having recommended that Sister Lake return at once.

VOTED, That we recommend the Review and Herald and the Pacific Press to consider ways of utilizing the services of C N Lake in connection with our publishing work on his return from Japan on account of Mrs Lake's health.

VOTED, That furlough pay be continued to C N Lake on his arrival in this country for such time as may be necessary to allow him to make arrangements for future service.

HELP FOR TREASURY DEPT:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure an additional helper in the accounting department.

STENOGRAPHIC HELP:

VOTED, That W T Knox and W A Spicer be authorized to secure the additional stenographic help required in the General Conference office.

LUMBER TO SANITARIUM:

The case of Elder Casebeer's little daughter, detained in quarantine at the Seminary just before sailing for

South America, led to a discussion of the desirability of a small cottage at the headquarters that could be utilized at such times. The Washington Sanitarium Board presented a proposition to build and maintain such a house for quarantine purposes, and asked that the General Conference contribute sufficient lumber from the stock left over from the General Conference to build a small cottage.

VOTED, That we grant the request of the Washington Sanitarium Board for sufficient lumber from the stock left over from the General Conference remaining on the Seminary grounds, to put up a small four-room cottage, to be used as a quarantine hospital in case of need.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That the objects set before the Sabbath schools for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings during the remaining quarters of 1914 be as follows:--

Second quarter, Japan Mission; third quarter, new Northwest Union Mission, South America; fourth quarter, The Malaysian Mission.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 10, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by A G Daniels.

W G KNEELAND--WEST INDIES:

A request was received from the West Indian Union for W G Kneeland to go to the West Caribbean Conference.

Inasmuch as it was known that the Columbia Union and the West Virginia Conference were willing to release Elder Kneeland, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Elder W G Kneeland to go to the West Indies, provided the health of his family will permit.

C E HAMMOND--BUSINESS MAN:

A telephone message and a letter had been received from W T Knox, from Buffalo, reporting his interview with Brother C E Hammond, a business man of that city, who has long been desirous of connecting with our work. Elder Knox felt that his experience was such that the denomination would be justified in some expenditure to allow him to become acquainted with our institutional business affairs, with a view to acting as business manager at some needy point. It was--

VOTED, That we invite C E Hammond, on closing his business affairs, to connect with the organized work under the counsel of the General Conference Committee, and that for the present he come to Washington and join L M Bowen in the Washington Sanitarium interests until further arrangements shall be made for his permanent work..

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 19, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, C S L Longacre, M E Kern, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by A G Daniells.

LAURA G WHITGROVE:

VOTED, That a special grant of \$50, on account of years of service in foreign fields, be made to Mrs Laura G Whitgrove, whose case has been presented to the Sustentation Committee for future arrangements; this grant being made without reference to future plans, merely to tide over present necessities while other work or permanent support are being considered.

R L HINER --JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we invite R L Hiner and wife, nurses, of the Foreign Mission Seminary and the Sanitarium, to respond to the call for nurses for the Jamaica treatment rooms.

W H STERLING--ARGENTINE:

VOTED, That we invite W H Sterling, of Michigan, to respond to the call from Argentine for an experienced cook needed by the River Plate Sanitarium.

C E MOON--PORTO RICCO:

VOTED, That we invite C E Moon and wife, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, to go to Porto Rico.

JESSIE C BUTLER--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That we invite Miss Jessie C Butler, nurse, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, to go to Porto Rico.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-EIGHTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 20, 1914

P R E S E N T :

A G Daniells, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, E R Palmer,
C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

W A COLCORD'S WORK:

VOTED, That on notification by the Review and Herald Board that they have terminated their period of employment of Elder W A Colcord, and refer his future work to the General Conference Committee, we recommend that (although arrangements for future work in this country must now be made by the North American Division Conference) in view of past services in connection with the denomination, we grant to Brother Colcord an allowance to enable him to take a vacation from work for a period; and that to this end we authorize the General Conference treasurer to continue to pay to Elder Colcord the same weekly rate which he has been receiving from the Review and Herald until October 1, 1914, this arrangement to go into effect on receipt of notice from the Review and Herald Board that they have ceased to pay wages to Elder Colcord, and that satisfactory adjustments have been made between them and him for all services rendered by him while in their employ.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS , Chairman
W A SPICER, Secretary.

FIFTY-NINTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 24, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, O A Olsen, W W Prescott, J L Shaw,
M L Kern, N Z Town, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen,
R W Brown.

Prayer by O A Olsen.

A G STEINERT RELEASED:

Word was received from G F Haffner, reporting that A G Steinert, of West Kansas, who was recommended to Brazil at the time of the General Conference, was still needed in the German work in Kansas, being the only German minister in the conference where he is located.

VOTED, That we release Elder A G Steinert from appointment to Brazil.

VOTED, That further endeavor be made to secure some evangelist for the Brazilian field.

WEST INDIAN CANVASSERS:

A communication was presented from A H Haysmer, asking that four canvassers for English books be secured, to work permanently in Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Panama, on the self-supporting basis, the union to stand by in any emergencies.

VOTED, That we ask the secretaries of the General and North American Division publishing departments to take up search for four men to respond to this call for bookmen in the West Indies.

E R JOHNSON:

The Committee considered the case of E R Johnson and wife, at the Foreign Mission Seminary, under appointment to Mexico. Mexico desires them to come on. However, in the

disturbed condition of affairs, with the government warning Americans not to go to Mexico at this time, it has seemed to the Committee unwise to send further workers just at this juncture, who may have to receive government protection in case of outbreaks a little later.

The Foreign Seminary reported that they would like to use Brother E R Johnson as preceptor of the men's dormitory in place of C E Moon, who has been appointed to Porto Rico.

In view of the uncertainty in the Mexican situation, it was--

VOTED , That we release E R Johnson and wife from going to Mexice until the end of the school year, allowing the Foreign Seminary to utilize Brother Johnson's services as preceptor until the end of the school year.

COMMITTEE ON OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS:

In the absence of all the officers of the General Conference for the next few weeks, during which time the addition to the office building, to accommodate the North American Division and other offices, will be finished, it was--

VOTED, That the following named persons be a committee of counsel on the finishing off of rooms and the furnishing of the same, so far as required before the return of the treasurer: --

J L Shaw, E R Palmer, L A Hansen, S E McNeill,
H E Rogers.

COMMITTEE ON SEMINARY APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That the following be a committee on Seminary appointees, to confer with those under provisional appointment, and to advise them with reference to future work:--

M E Kern, J L Shaw, N Z Town, W A Spicer.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, California, March 24, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, T C White, E E Andross, Chas Thompson, G F Watson, S E Tipt, O Montgomery, B G Wilkinson, R D Quinn, C H Jones, F Griggs, W A Spicer; also E W Farnsworth, H C Childs, M C Wilcox, T T Eastman, W D Salisbury, J A Burden, C Santee, C McReynolds, Dr Abbott, Dr W A Ruble, Walter Harper, Geo M Price, A O Tait, Dr Evans, W L Burgan.

Prayer by E W Farnsworth and E E Andross.

GEO F ENOCH--FURLOUGH:

On receipt of information from the India Mission Committee that Elder Geo F Enoch and family should have a furlough beginning this year, it was--

VOTED, That furlough be granted to Elder Geo F Enoch and family, and that he be advised to return by way of the Pacific, Western Washington being his home location.

C E WEAKS:

The Committee was informed that C E Weaks, who was returned from India on account of his wife's health, has been appointed by the Pacific Union to the union conference book work. It is his desire, however, as soon as his wife recovers sufficiently to visit Ohio, here her people and his own people live.

VOTED, That the time and transportation of C E Weaks and wife be allowed to their Ohio home, with the suggestion that the Pacific Union return them from that point to the work on the Pacific Coast.

SOUTH INDIA APPOINTEE:

The earnest request of J S James for the selection of a man to accompany him to South India on his return this summer was considered. While the Committee felt itself unable to add to the appropriations in the fields, it was considered that the return of C E Weaks and Miss Shryock might warrant the appointment of another field worker, and it was understood that the India Mission Committee desired help for South India.

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to secure an additional man for India, to accompany J S James, if possible, on his return, with the idea of working in South India, provided that portion of the field seems in the most urgent need of assistance when the India Committee is able to review our action.

TEACHER FOR SHANGHAI:

Information was presented by letter from Elder R C Porter, concerning the need of providing for the instruction of the children of our missionaries in China.

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to secure a teacher, to engage in school work in China.

ATTENDANCE AT ASIATIC DIVISION MEETING:

Elder Porter asked counsel regarding attendance of foreign workers at the Asiatic Division meeting, which is appointed to be held in Shanghai at the end of 1914. It was felt by the Committee that foreign workers generally should be in attendance, but that those only recently entering the field and but fairly getting settled in their work in 1914 should not be called from distant points.

VOTED, That we advise the attendance at the Asiatic Division meeting of all foreign workers located in their fields prior to the last year, advising that in general those living at a distance who have only reached the field within the last few months should not be expected to attend.

ASIATIC DIVISION MEETING--GENERAL HELP:

VOTED. That W A Spicer be invited to visit the Asiatic field this autumn, and to attend the biennial meeting in Shanghai at the end of the year.

VOTED, That W T Knox be invited to attend the Asiatic Division meeting at Shanghai, provided conditions at the time seem to warrant his absence from the headquarters.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNION MEETING --GENERAL HELP:

VOTED , That W A Spicer be asked to go on from the Asiatic Division to the South African field, to attend the South African Union meeting, April 1, 1915.

W C HANKINS--CHINA:

On receipt of information from Elder W C Hankins that medical examination was favorable to his wife's return to China, it was--

VOTED, That we request Elder W C Hankins and family to return to China the coming season.

MALAYSIAN APPOINTMENTS:

VOTED, That help be authorized for the Malaysian Mission as follows:--

K M Adams and wife, of the North Pacific Union, to the educational work in Singapore.

Roy Mershon and wife, of the North Pacific Union to accompany Elder F A Detamore to the Malaysian field for evangelistic work.

Allen Thompson and wife, of the North Pacific Union, to the evangelistic work.

F H JORNADAL:

VOTED, That we advise Brother F H Jornadal, the Filipino boy now at Lodi, to continue another year in this country, if it is found that he can arrange to secure further school advantages at Lodi; but that if it is found impracticable for him to remain another year, the Board will supply transportation to the Philippines.

J J WESTRUP:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to find a place in the work for Elder J J Westrup on his return from China the coming season, his return being advised on account of the inability of his wife to join him in the China field after two years of waiting to make satisfactory recovery of her health.

SOUTH AFRICAN SECRETARY:

Word was received from the South African Union, requesting the appointment of an experienced tract society secretary for South Africa.

VOTED, That we invite W R White, of the International Tract Society of Great Britain, to go to South Africa in response to this call, provided the British Union can arrange for his release.

VOTED, That the transportation of the secretary to South Africa be allowed in addition to the current estimates.

GLENDALE MISSION, SOUTH AFRICA:

Word was received from the South African Union to the effect that the new Glendale Mission, which is an extension of the Selukwe Reserve Mission, could not be stocked and operated without the additional appropriation called for at the time of the last autumn council, all additional appropriations being refused at that time.

By study of the situation it appeared that the European workers, whose estimates were included in the budget for Glendale, would require \$1,265 for their support during the year.

VOTED, That we authorize the addition of \$1,265 to the South African appropriation for the support of the European workers listed under the Selukwe and Glendale calls, in case it is found that there is no provision for these workers in the budget already voted.

DR HARRY HANKINS--NATIVE WORK:

In response to the call for an appropriation to enable Dr Harry Hankins to take up work in the South African mission field among the natives, it was--

VOTED, That we appropriate \$1000 for medical outfit and equipment and facilities, and that additional appropriation be made to South Africa for Dr Hankins' salary for six months in 1914, at the rate of \$20 per week.

WEST INDIAN UNION MEETING:

VOTED, That W A Spicer be authorized to attend the meeting of the West Indian Union Conference Committee and the Jamaica Conference, at Kingston, May 1.

MIDSUMMER OFFERING:

VOTED, That the time of the Midsummer Offering be set for Sabbath, July 4, and that appeals for the same be prepared by Elders A G Daniells and W T Knox.

BAHAMA ISLANDS--BIBLE WORKER:

On information from the Bahama Islands that they would be able to support a Bible worker from their appropriations and local income, it was--

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to secure a Bible worker for the Bahama Islands Mission.

LUTHER WARREN--HONOLULU:

In response to a call from Elder F H Conway for Elder Luther Warren to join him for a few months' effort in Honolulu, it was--

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to arrange for Elder Luther Warren to go to Honolulu, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made.

THE DRs JESPERSSON:

VOTED, That we release all claims to the Drs Jesperason, of College View, formerly engaged in mission field service, and that the North American Division be authorized to arrange with them, if deemed advisable, to connect with the Swedish Seminary, in Illinois.

A N DURRANT:

On receipt of a letter from Elder A N Durrant, of Pittsburgh, reporting financial difficulties, it was--

VOTED, That the communication from Elder A N Durrant be referred to the Columbia Union Conference for investigation.

GUADALAJARA PHYSICIAN:

A letter was received from Dr Alice M Swayze, of Guadalajara, Mexico, earnestly appealing for the appointment of a physician to take up work in Guadalajara, Dr Swayze feeling it impossible to continue her service there.

VOTED That the secretary be instructed to take up correspondence with Dr Parker, of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium, with reference to the Mexican field, and also to take up correspondence with Mexico, with a view to responding to this call from Guadalajara provided suitable arrangements can be made for support.

WEEK OF PRAYER:

VOTED, That the week of prayer for 1914 be set for December 12 to 19, and that the schedule of readings be as follows:--

The Keynote of the readings to be "The Coming of the Lord." Suggested topics and writers as follows:--

Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand.
--A G Daniells.

Every Member a Soul-Winner.-- I H Evans.

Readiness to Meet the Lord, and Signs of the End.--Mrs E G White.

The Spirit of the 1844 Movement as a Lesson for the Closing Hour.--E W Farnsworth.

Fellowship with Christ in Service; "Lo, I am With You Always."-- L R Conradi.

Prayer and Bible Study, and the Victory over Sin.--S N Haskell.

Cheering Words and Messages from Mission Fields and Calls of Need.--W A Spicer,

Transfer of Treasure as the End Nears; Why the Mission Funds must be Increased.--W T Knox.

Children's Studies to be arranged for by the Sabbath school department.

STEREOPTICON:

In response to a call for stereopticon pictures showing our mission fields, it was--

VOTED, That W T Knox, W A Spicer and T F Bowen be a committee on consideration of the supplying of a series of slides illustrating our missionary work.

GENERAL CONFERENCE DIARY:

A letter was presented from H Z Towne, of the General Conference Publishing Department, suggesting that arrangements be made for the Pacific Press to incorporate in its Diary the data called for by our workers which led to the issuing of a Diary by the Publishing Department.

VOTED, That we advise the Publishing Department to discontinue the publication of the Diary, and that it cooperate with the Pacific Press in supplying statistical data for inclusion in the Diary which the Pacific Press has regularly issued for some years, N Z Town and H E Rogers to supply this data, the same to be in hand by September 1.

INGATHERING REVIEW:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to order 500,000 copies of the Ingathering REVIEW, with the privilege of increasing the order to 700,000.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT PERIODICAL:

In response to a request from Dr W A Ruble, of the Medical Department, it was--

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed on the issuing of a periodical for the Medical Department.

Name: Dr W A Ruble, V T Knox, G B Thompson, C H Jones, W A Spicer.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, California, March 26, 1914

At a meeting called by I H Evans, Chairman, following a session of the North American Division Committee, the following actions were taken:--

PRINTING HOUSE SUPPLIES FOR MISSIONS:

VOTED, That the Pacific Press be invited to supply from its tithe fund, set apart for the work in mission fields, printing machinery as follows:--

A type-casting machine for India, estimated value \$2,700.

A cylinder press for South Africa, estimated value \$2,000 to \$2,500.

COLUMBIA UNION REFUND:

The Committee considered the matter of the Columbia Union campaign in behalf of Mt Vernon College in its relation to the general plan of institutional relief made a part of the twenty-cent-a-week fund at the last General Conference. Inasmuch as before the adoption of this twenty-cent-a-week plan the Columbia Union had placed collecting cards throughout the Union securing definite pledges for Mt Vernon College, these pledges having been turned later into the twenty-cent-a-week fund, it was felt that the amount so raised above fifteen cents per week for missions, in justice should be returned to the Columbia Union for the Mt Vernon relief fund.

VOTED, That the treasurer be instructed to return to the Columbia Union \$5,443, or approximately that amount, which is understood to be the sum due the Mt Vernon College under the arrangements of the union conference with reference to relief work.

EVANGELIST FOR SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That the call from South Africa for an evangelist for city work be referred to the officers of the Committee with power to act, the treasury to bear the expense of placing the worker in the field, South Africa to assume support.

LOAN TO WASHINGTON SANITARIUM:

It was stated that further temporary loans might be needed by the Washington Sanitarium in order to take up and replace notes falling due, the business manager of Sanitarium, L M Bowen, being held still in the West on Finance Committee work.

VOTED, That the General Conference Corporation be authorized to make loans as necessary to the Washington Sanitarium to the amount of \$8,000, if deemed necessary in meeting emergency needs for the time being.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Loma Linda, California, March 28, 1914

A brief meeting was called in connection with a session of the North American Division Committee, to consider the matter of a hymn book. It was felt by representatives of a number of unions that either the old hymnal should be revised at once, or that it should be settled as a policy that the book would be permanently adopted with revision, inasmuch as the talk of a revised hymn book made the churches uncertain as to whether they should purchase a supply of the old edition. It was reported that in many quarters there was a strong sentiment in favor of the use of the church hymnal for the general church services.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to consider the preparation of a church hymnal, to gather data, and to make a definite report at the time of the next autumn council, with a view either to securing a revision of the church hymnal or to settle upon the adoption of the old book as a permanent hymnal for church use.

Committee named: W. T. Knox, W. W. Prescott, F. Griggs.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., April 6

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, M E Kern,
J L Shaw, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen,
C L Bensen, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, W E Howell.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

AUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, That the time of the autumn council be fixed for October 25 to November 3, coinciding with the meeting of the North American Division Committee; the place of meeting to be Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.

L R CONRADI INVITED:

The chairman stated that he had received from Elder Conradi a request for counsel as to his attendance at the next autumn council in America.

It was felt by the Committee that with the intimate relation between the work in Europe and the work in America, and with the many world questions coming up for consideration at the time of the autumn council, the president of the European Division should plan as a regular thing to attend the autumn councils of the Committee.

VOTED, That we express to Elder L R Conradi, president of the European Division, our conviction that he should plan to attend the autumn councils of the General Conference Committee as regular appointments, the autumn councils being the time when the annual appropriations are made and leading questions of policy throughout the world given study.

A E SANDERSON—SOUTH AFRICA:

Considering the call for an evangelist for South Africa, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Elder A E Sanderson, of Boston, to respond to the call from South Africa, to engage in evangelistic work, and that we request the Atlantic Union and the Massachusetts Conference to arrange for his release in case he can see his way clear to accept this invitation.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman .
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 8, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, M E Kern,
E R Palmer, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, G B Thompson, W A Spicer;
also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by W T Knox.

H H VOTAW--BURMA:

A letter was received from Dr G T Harding, of Ohio, brother-in-law of H H Votaw, of Burma, expressing his conviction as a physician (being a nerve specialist) that an attack from which Elder Votaw has suffered in Burma indicates the possibility of very serious breakdown, and urging that the Committee insist upon his getting away from the field and taking absolute mental rest.

VOTED, That in view of the information given us by Dr G T Harding, we urge the India Mission Committee to give earnest consideration to the case of Elder H H Votaw, taking the best expert medical counsel, and that we advise that he be given a furlough from India, unless medical counsel on the ground clearly establishes the fact that his release from India is not necessary at this time.

DATE OF SHANGHAI MEETING:

A letter was received from Elder R C Porter, stating that the consensus of opinion among the workers in the Asiatic Division was that the middle of November would be a better time for their meeting than the first of January, as formerly planned. In studying the matter over, it was felt that if they could put the date of the meeting November first, Elder Daniells might be able to cut short his stay in Australia and take in the Shanghai meeting on his way to India, without disarranging the India program seriously. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we cable Shanghai the date, "November first," and that we invite Elder Daniells to limit his time in Australia, if necessary, in order to attend the Shanghai meeting on his way to India.

J WIBBENS TO AMERICA:

The Committee had before it a letter from Elder J Wibbens, of Holland, reporting that his wife, who is in the Lake Union, had had an interview with Elder Allen Moon, and reported to him that there was an opening for work in the Lake Union. In consideration of her urgent plea that he return to this country, Elder Wibbens reported that he had resigned from the work in Europe and was planning to return to America May first.

VOTED, That we invite the North American Division to interest itself in making arrangements for the details of Brother J Wibbens' work in this country, and that the General Conference pay the transportation of Brother and Sister Wibbens from Holland to the Lake Union, or such other point as may be indicated.

N Z TOWN:

Word was received from N Z Town regarding plans for his work in Europe, and the suggestion of the European brethren that he take in some of the Danube Union and other meetings following the British Union meeting in August.

VOTED, That while this matter is left for Brother Town to arrange in conference with the brethren in Europe, it is the general impression of the Committee that it would be well for Brother Town to return to the general office following the British Union meeting.

WEST INDIAN UNION CHANGES:

In view of the secretary's probable attendance at the West Indian Union Committee session in Jamaica at the end of this month, the Committee considered the question of making Porto Rico, Cuba, Haiti and Santo Domingo a mission field under General Conference administration, this having been an old question talked of for a considerable period.

VOTED, That the Committee advise that Cuba, Haiti, Porto Rico and Santo Domingo be separated from the West Indian Union, to come under General Conference administration.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 9, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, C S Longacre,
J L Shaw, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also
T E Bowen, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

MISSION CONFERENCE REPORT:

A request was received from the secretary of the Conference of North American Missionary Societies, held in New York that we should inform him as to the number of copies of the report of the Conference we would like to have sent to our missionaries, at fifteen cents per copy.

VOTED, That we order 300 copies, about 200 to be sent to missionaries in the field and members of the General Conference Committee, the balance to be held for future distribution.

A G DANIELLS—HONOLULU:

VOTED, That we approve of the suggestion that Elder A G Daniells sail June 3, a little in advance of his intended date of sailing for Australia, in order that he may stop over one week in Honolulu, being able to do this without any additional expense for transportation.

FOREIGN APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That J L Shaw, W T Knox, M E Kern and W A Spicer be a committee on provisional appointees for the Foreign Seminary Department for the next school year.

~~**~~—BAASCH—INDIA:

A letter was received from H R Salisbury, addressed to Professor Shaw, reporting that a Brother Baasch has accepted the truth in India, and has proven himself an earnest believer and a good worker. Having spent years in Siam, this brother, who is a German, speaks the Siamese. He is anxious to attend one of our schools for a time, and the India brethren would be glad to see him placed under provisional appointment.

VOTED, That we place Brother -----Baasch, of India, under provisional appointment for attendance at the Foreign Mission Seminary next school year, the General Conference to be at no expense for his transportation to this country.

O F SEVRENS:

Report was made on the case of Brother O F Sevrens, who received the truth in the Philippines, and has been attending school at the Pacific Union College. Brother Sevrens has desired to take some special work preparatory to entering the evangelistic work in the mission fields.

VOTED, That we place Brother O F Sevrens under provisional appointment for attendance at the Foreign Mission Seminary next year.

AUSTRALASIAN AND ASIATIC DIVISION MEETINGS:

Consideration was again given to the matter of Elder Daniells' visit to Australia, and the plan for him to be at the Shanghai meeting of the Asiatic Division in November, on his way to India, change in the date of the Asiatic meeting making this possible. It was felt by the Committee that with the many matters pertaining to the General Conference mission fields coming up at the time of the autumn council, when appropriations are made, that in the absence of the president, the treasurer and the secretary should not be absent at the end of the year, when the new year's arrangements are being made with the mission fields. It was therefore felt that if some one else could join Elder Daniells at the Shanghai council it would be better.

In the discussion it was felt that it would be a great help to the Australasian work if Elder O A Olsen, who was for years president of that union, could go on to the field in time to join Elder Daniells in the institute and union conference, and that this plan would supply the strong help needed for the Asiatic Division meeting as well, and in an economical way so far as transportation is concerned. It was therefore,--

VOTED, That Elder O A Olsen, of the North American Division, provided his release from the Division can be arranged, be invited to join Elder Daniells in the Australasian institute and union conference meetings, and accompany him to Shanghai for the Asiatic Division institute and conference, returning from that point to America, while Elder Daniells proceeds to the India meetings.

"CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS":

A proposition having been made to the Review and Herald office for the use of "Christ's Object Lessons" in a special plan of relief for Mt Vernon College, and also a question raised as to the use of the book as a help for the Sabbath school lessons in 1915, it was felt that correspondence should be had with the author regarding these matters.

VOTED, That in the absence of the secretary of the Publishing Department we request E R Palmer, of the Review and Herald, to take up correspondence with the author.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 11, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A B Daniels, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott,
M E Kern, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

E L MARLEY'S ACCOUNT:

The treasurer presented an account of expense for the care of Mrs E L Marley, one of the provisional appointees at the Foreign Seminary awaiting appointment to the mission fields, and requested counsel as to the account.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay the account of Mrs E L Marley, incurred during her recent illness and operation at the Sanitarium, and that the account be held against Brother Marley until his future work is settled upon.

CHAS NELSON--MANITOBA:

The treasurer presented information regarding an old account concerning which correspondence had been had between the Swedish department and the Manitoba Conference.

VOTED, To authorize the payment of the bill of Manitoba for the support of Chas Nelson, engaged in the Swedish work there in 1913, amounting to \$79, the arrangements at that time being in the hands of the General Conference, the Division Conference not being organized.

JAPAN HEADQUARTERS:

The treasurer reported that the Japan Mission had at last secured a property for a headquarters of the Mission and publishing work. The arrangements for this work had been deferred several years owing to the difficulty experienced in securing permission of the government for the Seventh-day Adventist Mission to own property in Japan. Land had now been secured under 999 years lease, with the privilege of purchasing at some future time, if mutual arrangements can be made.

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to send forward the amount of Japan's appropriation from the \$300,000 fund, which has been held in trust awaiting the time when the Japan Mission could make the investment on a proper basis.

ASIATIC DIVISION POLICY:

The treasurer presented a detailed statement of a plan drawn up by the Asiatic Division for the handling of the financial side of their accounts and for the dealings with all the various local missions of the Division. Under this plan, with the systematic method of reporting arranged for, it is desired by the Division that the General Conference treasury send each month the appropriations for the local missions direct, thus saving the expense of one or two bank exchanges.

Without action, the plan and policy seemed to the Committee a very carefully worked out and practical plan of operation.

Adjourned.

E G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY--SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 13, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, O S Longacre,
M E Kern, W A Spöer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, Dr V Pampaian.

DR V PAMPAIAN:

A little time was given to Dr Pampaian to make a statement of his experiences in the work, having spent ten years in Asia since he left this country under appointment to the European Division field. On account of his wife's health he has returned. They had buried two children in the field, and their remaining child not being well, Sister Pampaian had felt it impossible to continue abroad. They have been stopping with his wife's people in New Jersey.

It was suggested that he counsel with Dr Miller, of the North American Division medical department, also suggested that he endeavor to qualify for medical practice in New Jersey. Though a graduate of the Battle Creek school, he went abroad without registering in this country, expecting to devote his service among the Armenians and Turks for life.

MISS FLORENCE WILSON:

Canvassing the request of the Asiatic Division for a teacher for the English school for missionaries' children in Shanghai, it was--

VOTED, To invite Miss Florence Wilson, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, to go to Shanghai, to engage in English school work.

PROF M E CADY:

An item of unadjusted transportation dating from before the last General Conference was introduced. Professor Cady was called to the East to take up educational work in the Atlantic Union. Being disabled in health soon after coming East it was decided by the Union to discontinue its arrangement. In the meantime Professor Cady had brought his wife and child on as far as Michigan, where they now are, and the transportation to Michigan amounted to about \$100.

VOTED, That a special appropriation of \$100 be allowed, for transportation of Mrs M E Cady and child from the North Pacific to Michigan, inasmuch as the invitation was given Professor Cady early in 1913, before the North American Division was organized, the item thus coming as a charge to the General Conference.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 19, 1914

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, W T Knox, B G Wilkinson, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen and L A Hansen.

Prayer by B G Wilkinson.

ERNEST MORROW--INDIA:

A letter was received from J S James, reporting that he had taken counsel with the Pacific Coast brethren regarding Brother Ernest Morrow and wife, of Southern California, as candidates for India.

VOTED, That we invite Ernest Morrow and wife to make India their field of labor, accompanying Elder J S James on his return, the appointment being subject to satisfactory medical report.

DR V PAMPAIAN:

Further consideration was given to Dr Pampaian's case. It was understood that his pay with the European Division had terminated February 1, so that Dr Pampaian is very nearly without resources, having stopped for some time with his wife's people in New Jersey.

VOTED, That a furlough rate of \$12 per week from February 1 to April 30 be granted to Dr V Pampaian, allowing him support while endeavoring to make permanent arrangements for Employment; and further that we request the North American Division medical department to endeavor to place Dr Pampaian in the work at an early date.

JUDSON CENTENNIAL:

An invitation was presented from the Baptist Foreign Mission Society for the Seventh-day Adventists to send a word of greeting, to be presented on the occasion of their Judson Centennial celebration, to be held in Boston, in June, marking the hundredth anniversary of Judson's landing in India, which led to the founding of the Baptist Mission Society.

VOTED, That we send a word of greeting to the Baptist Missionary Society on the occasion of the Judson Centennial the form to be prepared by J L Shaw and W A Spicer.

L H WOOD--BURMA SCHOOL:

In response to a call from H R Salisbury for further help, the name of Prof L H Wood, of College View, Nebr., was considered, it being understood that Professor Wood might be free to accept a call to the mission fields.

VOTED, That correspondence be taken up with Professor L H Wood with reference to the possibility of securing him for the work in India or Burma, the immediate occasion of this inquiry being the call for help at the Meiktila school, Burma.

MISS V P EARP:

A letter was received from Miss V P Earp, stenographer of California, indicating a desire to qualify for Bible work or teaching, with a view to going to the mission fields.

VOTED, That we place Miss V P Earp under provisional appointment at the Foreign Seminary for the work in the mission fields, provided medical examination proves satisfactory.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SIXTY-NINTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 27, 1914

P R E S E N T :

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
M E Kern, W W Prescott, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, G S Longacre,
B G Wilkinson, W A Spicer. Also L A Hansen, O L Benson, T E
Bowen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by M E Kern.

AUSTRALASIAN AND CHINA MEETINGS:

The chairman reported that he had information from Elder O A Olsen that on account of Sister Olsen's condition of health it did not seem advisable for him to plan to be absent so long at this time as would be required to attend both the Australasian and the China meetings. Elder Olsen, however, wished to respond so far as consistent, and felt that if so desired he could make the Australasian trip alone.

In the discussion of the matter the Committee felt that it would perhaps not be advisable to spend the money for the Australasian meeting alone, and it was considered that in view of the fact that Elder R C Porter is newly arrived in the Asiatic Division and has just made the round of all his fields, it would be sufficient, perhaps, at this time, for Elder Daniells alone from abroad to join Elder Porter in the Asiatic Division institute. Action was therefore taken as follows:--

VOTED, That in consideration of the conditions we counsel that Elder Daniells plan to attend alone the meetings in Australasia and in the Asiatic Division, taking in the latter on his way to India.

BURMA SCHOOL:

Report was received from Prof. L H Wood, of Union College, with whom correspondence had been had with reference to service in India or Burma, saying that it was rather his conviction and the counsel of his associates that he would better accept the call that had come for him to take charge of the Graysville school.

It was considered by the Committee that this should settle the matter, and it was--

VOTED, That we request the Educational Department to advertise for an industrial teacher for the Burma school.

EVANGELIST FOR SOUTH AFRICA:

A letter was received from Elder A E Sanderson, reporting that in counsel with his associates and after study of the question, he had decided to decline the call to South Africa.

VOTED, That we release Elder A E Sanderson from appointment to the South African field.

M E EMMERSON:

A cable message was received, reading: "Advise Emmerson's return. Cable." It was understood that the cable meant that either on account of the health of his family or on account of his inability to fit into the work, the South African brethren felt that Brother Emmerson should return, having had some unfortunate experiences in years past in South Africa through becoming involved in debt and discouragement.

VOTED, That answer be returned approving of the action of the South African Committee ^{and} that the treasurer be authorized to remit for the return expenses.

SOUTH AFRICAN MISSION POLICY:

A letter was received from Elder W B White, president of the South African Union, giving some particulars regarding the difficulties experienced in manning the mission stations in South Africa. ~~()~~ owing to sickness among the workers, the last season having been an especially unhealthful one apparently. The report brought up again before the Committee the question of further extension of the large farm stations, requiring heavy work to manage, and the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That with a number of industrial farm mission stations now established in South Africa, putting the union committee to the stretch in manning them, we counsel the South African Union Committee to give consideration to the question of planning for outlying regions on a basis, if possible, of less heavy investments in a station and less tying down of missionaries to the labor involved in successfully operating the large farms;

we suggest this with deepest appreciation of the results achieved and the heroic work done by our brethren in these farm centers; but with the call to push ever onward and with the wearing out of the missionaries by the climatic conditions and the strenuous physical labor involved, we feel to advise against further extension of the large industrial farm idea for the present, and ask that earnest study be given to some plan of pushing out from these industrial training centers already established on a policy that will minimize the commercial and industrial features in new stations and give the missionaries the maximum of opportunity for direct evangelistic work among the people.

MISS HELEN KNIGHT:

On information from Elder J W Westphal, of the South American Union, that Miss Helen Knight, daughter of Elder C.E.Knight, wished to return to America to complete her education, doubtless to take a medical course at Loma Linda, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the return fare of Miss Helen Knight from South America to this country, she having gone out with her parents some years ago.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

The sub-committee on consideration of candidates for the mission fields desiring to take some special work under the provisional appointment plan to spend some time in the Foreign Seminary made a report. > The following persons were accepted under the provisional appointment plan to spend some time in the Seminary:--

Miss Fontana, formerly of Uruguay, at present in America.
 Colorado; Miss Olive Boettcher, of Russia. L. Bacus, of
 Miss Clara Huenegardt, of Kansas.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
 W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 12, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, B G Wilkinson,
G B Thompson, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, Mrs L F Plummer,
Dr H W Miller, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen, W W Eastman,
L M Bowen.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

MISS GRACE WHITE--MEXICO:

A letter was presented from Miss Grace White, of Guadalajara, who had left Mexico under counsel of the authorities. It was understood that she would be continued under support until she could reenter Mexico or other disposition be made.

It was agreed by the Committee that our American workers in Mexico should obey orders of the consuls and government representatives when asked to leave.

MISSIONARY LICENSE:

VOTED, That missionary license be granted to the following persons:--

Dr. Ollie Oberholtzer-Tornblad, now in America, proceeding on her own account to Burma.

Mrs. Mary E Daniells, accompanying Elder Daniells in the visit to Australia and the East.

E R JOHNSON--CUBA:

VOTED, That E R Johnson and wife, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, under appointment to Mexico, be advised to go to Cuba at the end of the school year, there to engage in service until the way is open for them to enter Mexico.

DR H P PARKER--GUADALAJARA:

On receipt of a letter from Dr. H P Parker, saying that he felt free to accept the call to medical work in Guadalajara whenever conditions should allow, it was--

VOTED, That Dr H P Parker, of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium, California, be invited to plan to take up medical work in Guadalajara, Mexico, whenever circumstances permit.

Dr. Parker's name was recommended to the Committee at the time of the meeting in Loma Linda.

ROLAND LOASBY--BAHAMA ISLANDS:

A letter was presented from Elder Jas H Smith, of the Bahama Islands Mission, explaining that in case the school building which the citizens are to put up at Nassau is not ready for service by autumn, it is proposed to rent a building, therefore he has made his call for a teacher.

VOTED, That we ask Roland Loasby and wife, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, to respond to this call from the Bahama Islands, Brother Loasby to take charge of the proposed school work.

VOLUNTEER CANVASSERS--ARGENTINE:

A letter from Prof H S Prener, of Keene, Texas, reported that two young men of that school were making a proposition to go to Argentine for fifteen months' canvassing, provided the General Conference would advance their transportation, the same to be repaid out of book commissions, it being their purpose to return to Keene for further school work in 1915-16.

VOTED, That inasmuch as we hardly have the authority to send workers into Argentine for the book work without a call from that field, and in view of the long distance and expensive transportation, we refer this matter to the Publishing Department, suggesting that a field be found either along the Mexican border, or in Cuba or Central America.

W R WHITE DECLINES AFRICA:

Letters were received from Europe stating that in view of the need of his services in connection with the Watford (England) headquarters, it did not seem wise to release Brother W R White to respond to the call from South Africa for a tract society worker and accountant.

VOTED, That we release W R White from the invitation to South Africa, and that correspondence be taken up with other parties qualified for this work.

MRS ADA ROBINSON--HONOLULU:

VOTED, That Elder F H Conway be authorized to employ Miss Ada Robinson in the Bible work in Honolulu, especially among the Japanese, whose language she speaks, fixing a rate of six dollars per week for her, allowing her to supplement this income by sales of publications in connection with her work.

ACCOUNT OF B B ALDRICH:

A letter was presented from B B Aldrich, of the Canary Islands, which now is a part of the European Division. Brother Aldrich referred to an account against him at the Foreign Mission Seminary, he having paid his own way during his attendance at the Seminary, leaving a balance against him. Last year he had paid \$50 on this, but with the readjustment of wage rates he feared he would not be able to meet this account so readily.

VOTED, That the secretary and treasurer be authorized to look up the amount of the account still owing at the Seminary by B B Aldrich, with authority to adjust the matter according to their best judgment.

BERMUDA TEACHER:

A letter was presented from H F Taylor, of the Bermuda Islands, whose wife is teaching the Bermuda school while Elder Taylor is conducting evangelistic efforts. He reported that he and his wife felt that they should not remain in the field longer than next autumn, and advised that a married man be sent on to Bermuda to take the school work for another year, owing to the need of having some one able to lead in the local church work.

VOTED, That we ask the Educational Department to secure a male teacher for the Bermuda school, to enter upon his work in the autumn of 1914.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 13, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, J L Shaw, W W Prescott,
Dr H W Miller, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer, G B Thompson, W A Spicer
also W W Eastman and T E Bowen.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

WILLS AND MISSION FUNDS:

The treasurer asked for instruction as to how to handle credit on the twenty-cent-a-week fund in the case of money coming through wills to the General Conference.

VOTED, That all funds coming to the General Conference by wills, specified for foreign mission work, be counted to the credit of the conference of which the deceased was a member, on the regular twenty-cent-a-week fund.

WASHINGTON DISPENSARY:

It was stated that the Washington city dispensary which has been calling for donations from members locally, could make use of some of the things left over from the General Conference camp equipment.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to donate to the dispensary such miscellaneous articles of camp outfit as he thinks would be of profitable service to the dispensary work.

SOUTH AFRICAN APPROPRIATION:

On request from South Africa, it was--

VOTED, To add 70 pounds to the South African appropriation for the current year, on account of expense of Elder F B Armitage's furlough transportation, not fully provided for in the estimates.

SHANGHAI GENERAL MEETING:

The Mission Board treasury had received a letter from the treasurer of the Asiatic Division, asking counsel regarding funds for transportation of workers to the Shanghai meeting.

The letter was written before the receipt of the suggestions made in a recent council, that the new workers appointed to the Division since the last General Conference be not called in to that general meeting. It was--

VOTED, That we reaffirm the counsel of a former meeting advising that workers sent to the Asiatic Division since the General Conference, having only just gotten settled in their fields, be not called in to the Shanghai general meeting--except such as may have been located in the East China Mission, where the meeting is to be held; and that we suggest that if it would be more satisfactory to the Division to postpone the meeting one year and then call in all foreign missionaries save such newly arrived workers as at that time may now have been more than a year in the field, this would be all right in the view of the General Conference

MISS SCHILBERG'S FURDOUGH:

On receipt of information that Miss Pauline Schilberg who is entitled to a furlough, was contemplating bringing a little Chinese girl adopted by her to this country, it was--

VOTED, That we advise Miss Schilberg to arrange to leave the Chinese girl that she has adopted in China until her return from furlough, and that under no circumstances should she attempt to bring the child to America without a consular certificate guaranteeing permission to bring the child into the United States.

MISS GINTHER'S RATE:

VOTED, That Miss Rose Ginther, assistant secretary in the Sabbath School Department, be given a rate of \$12 per week.

MEXICO WORKERS -CUBA:

The question of the work of the missionaries from Mexico, expected soon to arrive at New Orleans, was discussed.

VOTED, That we advise the missionaries from Southern Mexico, arriving in New Orleans, to engage in work in Cuba while waiting for conditions to settle in the Mexican field, Cuba being within short steamship touch with Vera Cruz.

GENERAL AND DIVISION DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That a committee of four be appointed to give some study to the relationship in their work between the departments of the North American Division and the General Conference. Named: I H Evans, G B Thompson, W T Knox, W A Spicer.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTH-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 21, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, Mrs L F Plummer, Dr H W Miller, M E Kern, E R Palmer, G B Thompson, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, W W Eastman, F W Paap, L M Bowen, and Prof G W Caviness, of Mexico.

Prayer by F W Paap.

MEXICAN SITUATION:

Time was given to Professor Caviness to report upon the situation in Mexico. The mission headquarters in Mexico City has not been molested, and apparently the workers might have risked it to remain there, but it was the desire of the United States government authorities that Americans should leave, and with the possibility of a heavy siege of Mexico City in the near future, and of anarchy and rioting, the workers felt it wise to accept the advice of the consular representatives. Hence all the American workers came out, leaving the headquarters and the printing office in charge of native Mexican workers, while a well-to-do sister in Mexico City, a Mexican, takes the responsibility of keeping up the pay of the local workers until quiet is restored.

On arrival in New Orleans the workers were furnished transportation free to any point desired, and most of them scattered to points in the West and Southwest, where they can easily reach the northern border of Mexico. Professor Caviness said their plan had been to go into the northern states of Mexico, where we have interests and believers, just as soon as matters are settled. It was agreed that this would be a good plan, though in case intervention comes, or further revolutionary movements are started, it may be best for the Mexican workers to go over to Cuba, there to labor till the door is open in Mexico once again.

PROFESSOR CAVINESS' WORK:

It was agreed that Professor Caviness would do some translating on Sabbath school lessons here for the next week or ten days, and then plan to go to the Southwest, taking in some of the camp meetings in the Northern and Central Unions on his way.

CUBA, HAITI AND PORTO RICO:

A letter was received from Elder A J Haysmer, and letters from others, reporting a good meeting in the Jamaica Conference and the West Indian Union Committee session in Kingston. The union had decided to accept the suggestion that Cuba, Haiti, and Porto Rico come as mission fields under direct General Conference supervision, this in harmony with the General Conference Committee suggestion, to be so handled until further arrangements can be made.

SUGGESTION RE CENTRAL AMERICA:

The union, however, also suggested that the General Conference take the Central American Conference and the Guatemala Mission, inasmuch as those fields are even more remote from the union headquarters than Cuba and Porto Rico.

It was decided by the General Conference Committee that consideration of this matter should be deferred until Brother J B Stuyvesant is present, it being understood that he is coming by way of Washington on his return to Guatemala. It was the conviction, however, of the Committee that it would not be best to take over the Central American work, which is largely English, or the Guatemala Mission, at the present time, it being felt that the matter should remain as it is until the Panama Canal is opened and the new trade route settled and matters further developed.

It was suggested that possibly at some future time, with Mexico well settled, it might be possible to join the northern Central American fields with Mexico as a mission.

H C GOODRICH--CUBA:

Letters were received from Elders A N Allen and H C Goodrich, reporting the suggestion from the West Indian Union that Elder Goodrich be transferred to the Isle of Pines, Cuba, to work among the English, Elder Goodrich feeling the pressure of age and the wear and tear of his fourteen years in the tropics.

While under ordinary circumstances the Committee would not be favorable toward adding a worker to Cuba just now, it was felt that in Brother Goodrich's case his plea for a change northward to less wearing work was a reasonable one. It was therefore,--

VOTED, That we approve of the suggestion that Elder H C Goodrich remove from the Canal Zone to the Cuba Mission, to labor among the American colonists in the Isle of Pines, Cuba.

MISS GRACE WHITE:

A letter was received from Miss Grace White, who had come to the United States from Guadalajara, Mexico, where she was engaged in the Bible work. She asked counsel as to what she should plan to do. It developed that her experience had been more largely in teaching work than in Bible work, and it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Educational Department to take up with Miss White the question of work in connection with some of our schools, she being an experienced teacher in German, Spanish, or Latin.

COMMITTEE ON VACATIONS:

VOTED, That W T Knox, G B Thompson, W A Spicer be a committee to arrange the matter of time when members of the stenographic force in the General and Division offices should take vacations, if such are desired, the plan being to take advantage of the absence of department heads in camp-meeting work to allow office workers to get their vacations at the most favorable time.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 26, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, Dr H W Miller, M E Kern, Mrs E F Plummer, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen, W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, and J B Stuyvesant, of the Guatemala Mission, the latter returning by way of this country from the West Indian Union Committee meeting in Jamaica.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

W F HILLS' RETURN FROM CHINA:

Communications were presented from the Asiatic Division, advising that Elder W F Hills return from China, he having pursued an injudicious course which has led to difficulties that the brethren there feel must hurt his influence among the Chinese. They had given consideration to transferring him to other parts, but in view of the circumstances, and in view of medical advice that the little daughter of Elder and Mrs Hills ought to leave China, the officers were united in recommending his return, and requested a cable assenting to this.

VOTED, That in view of the report from the Asiatic Division, we approve of the return of Elder W F Hills, of China.

FURTHER HELP FOR CHINA:

In view of the return of Elder Hills, who had been occupying an important place in the Swatow District, and of the death of Elder E H Wilbur, superintendent of a station in South China, the Asiatic Division appealed most earnestly for workers to take charge of station work in South China.

VOTED, That the officers be instructed to secure two couples for South China, to go forward at the earliest possible date.

ELDER DANIELLS' TRIP:

A telegram was received from Glendale, Calif., addressed to Elders Evans and Knox, signed by E E Andross and Dr T J Evans, concurred in by Brethren White, Burg and Ruble, stating the conviction that in Brother Daniells' present condition of health they felt he should not make the proposed trip to Australia and the Orient alone, and that for his sake and in the interests of the cause they urged the sending of a second man, suggesting Elder G B Thompson as the one who could best render the needed help.

The matter was discussed by members of the Committee in Washington, and it was agreed that reply should be sent, advising that Elder Daniells carefully take stock of his physical strength, and plan his trip and his work in harmony with his condition of health, cutting it short or suspending it, and undertaking less burden in the work, according to his physical condition, keeping in mind the necessity of maintaining health and strength.

It was felt, however, that in view of the financial situation and the needs of the work in the Division, and the pressure for help to be rendered at various points, the Committee would not be warranted in sending a second man on this trip.

JAPAN PRINTER:

A request was received from Elder F H DeVinney, of Japan, for a printer who also might act as treasurer of the field, inasmuch as the arrival of a leader of the book work seemed to the local committee to promise the development of their printing work to a stage which would require more than the inexperienced helpers in the Japan office since the return of C N Lake. It was agreed that earnest search should be made for this help for Japan subject to confirmation of this call by the Asiatic Division officers.

VOTED, That the officers be authorized to take up the search for a printer for Japan, in counsel with members of the Committee present in Takoma Park.

J P CASEY--SOUTH AFRICA:

A letter was received from J P Casey, accountant and secretary, now at Loma Linda, stating that he and his wife felt willing to respond to the call to South Africa, correspondence having been had with him with reference to the call for a tract society secretary and treasurer.

VOTED, That we invite J P Casey and wife to make South Africa their field of labor, in response to the call for a tract society secretary and treasurer, and that we ask the Pacific Union Conference and the Loma Linda Board to release Brother Casey for this purpose.

GUATEMALA AND CENTRAL AMERICA:

J B Stuyvesant, superintendent of the Guatemala Mission, was present and presented the action of the West Indian Union Committee, inviting the General Conference to take over the Central American Conference and the Guatemala Mission, inasmuch as these fields are more directly in touch with the United States than with the West Indian Union headquarters.

After a discussion of the matter, however, it was--

VOTED, That consideration of the West Indian Union Committee action regarding Guatemala and Central America be deferred until the time of the call council, when Elder Haysmer, president of the West Indian Union, will be present; and that in the meantime the administrative work in these fields be continued by the West Indian Union as heretofore.

ENGLISH SCHOOL--GUATEMALA:

Some consideration was given to the question of the English school in Guatemala City, which has been conducted for several years. If continued it is stated that a new head for the school will need to be secured, and probably another teacher as well. Elder Stuyvesant reported that the school this year was evidently meeting all expenses, and that aside from this the tithe of the workers connected with it brought about \$300 into the mission treasury.

It was agreed that merely as a school enterprise the General Conference did not favor the sending of workers into the mission fields merely to teach English. However, if a good missionary purpose could be served by such a school temporarily conducted in a Catholic land, and if the school can make its way and workers readily be found willing to give themselves to this kind of service, it might be considered as an enterprise to be fostered and continued.

VOTED, That we ask the West Indian Union to look into the matter of the policy and practicability of conducting English school work in Guatemala, it being understood that Elder Haysmer will be able to visit the field the first of July.

GUATEMALA CANVASSERS:

Elder Stuyvesant presented the need of one or two colporters in Guatemala, this field having long called for help in this department.

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to recommend to the officers of the Committee one or two men to pioneer the way in the colporter work in Guatemala, and that an appropriation up to \$150 be made in aid of this enterprise in case the workers are found.

MEXICAN PAPER:

Prof. G W Gaviness asked counsel regarding the continuance of the Mexican paper, even though it may be necessary to bring out one or two numbers in the United States. The subscription list calls for 3,000 copies in Porto Rico, and many copies are also taken in Cuba and in the southwestern part of the United States and other parts abroad.

VOTED, That we authorize the Mexican Mission to continue publishing the Mexican paper, issuing it either in Mexico City or in the States as may be found necessary during the time of change in Mexico.

A E HOLST--JAMAICA:

On recommendation of W W Eastman, of the Division Publishing Department, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Alfred E Holst, of Ohio, to go to Jamaica, to engage in the canvassing work, the treasury department being authorized to pay the transportation of the worker.

W H AND MRS ANDERSON:

On receipt of information that Brother and Sister W H Anderson will require a decided change from Bartoseland after the last season's serious battle with the fever, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest to the South African Union that arrangements be made for Brother and Sister Anderson to take a complete change by furlough to the colonies, or to some decidedly healthful point in the colonial mission fields.

BAROTSELAND MISSION:

Not knowing just what arrangements it may be possible for the union conference to make to take care of the Barotse land mission work in the anticipation that Brother and Sister W H Anderson may not be able to return to that field for any length of time, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest to the South African Committee that earnest study be given to the health question in Bartoseland, and that if it is apparent, as seems from our past experience, that the region is fatal to the European who remains in it any length of time, the plan of manning the station by relays of help be considered, after the method of the British government in dealing with the deadly West African coast, where workers are taken out of the field every other year, sick or well, thus avoiding complete breakdowns in health, although naturally the interruption of continuous managements must work to the disadvantage of a station.

RHODESIAN MISSION ORGANIZATION:

A letter was received from Elder W B White, of the South African Union, stating that he and others of the committee felt that the work in Rhodesia, which now has quite a number of stations and a large company of workers, might well be organized as a union mission field of the union conference, with a superintendent in charge. The distance is so great from Cape Town, the headquarters of the union, that it is difficult to administer detail successfully. Counsel was asked as to the mind of the Committee in this matter.

VOTED, That we approve of the suggestion that the work in Rhodesia be organized as a union mission field of the union conference, with a Rhodesian superintendent, at such time as the union committee may see fit to arrange.

MRS MOOKERJIE--FURLOUGH:

A letter was received from Mrs L G Mookerjje, of Bengal, India, before her marriage Miss Loveday, of England, stating that she felt that she needed a furlough to England on account of her health, asking only for her transportation.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to the India Mission Committee, with power to grant the request if considered reasonable, no further payment being involved than the transportation item, inasmuch as Mrs. Mookerjje reports that her husband is not at present in the employ of the India Mission.

LUMBER TO COLLEGE:

In clearing up the remnants of General Conference lumber stored on the Seminary grounds, it was learned that a hundred pieces 2 x 12 16 ft. length, remain unsold.

VOTED, That this lumber be donated to the Washington College.

BATHTUB TO SANITARIUM:

VOTED, That a bathtub belonging to the General Conference be given to the Sanitarium.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY*FOURTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 5, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, E R Palmer,
C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen.

W H ANDERSON--FURLOUGH:

The secretary presented a review of correspondence from W B White, of South Africa, regarding the possibility of a furlough being requested for W H and Mrs Anderson, of the Barotse-land Mission. These workers have both been very seriously ill, Mrs Anderson having had blackwater fever. In May, the Committee had recommended that a furlough be arranged for them in the colonies. A letter had been received from Mrs Anderson, however, indicating it as the mind of herself and husband that they needed to get right away from Africa for a season, in order to get clear of the malaria, and bringing information that they were anxious to make full recover, so that they might return to the same station and go on with their work, as they believed they would be able to do. At the time this letter was written Elder W B White was expected at the mission.

The Committee had recently received a telegram from Elder White, dated Bulawayo, evidently sent on his return to that point from his visit to Barotse-land. The cable message read: "Advise Anderson furlough. Wire." Discussing the matter, it was agreed to send the following cable in reply: "Concur furlough if union advises."

M E EMMERSON:

Recently M E Emmerson, of South Africa, had returned to this country, in accordance with the cabled advice from South Africa, concurred in by the General Conference. Brother Emmerson had become involved financially while connected with the Basuto Mission work, and this for a time discouraged him and took him out of the work. The union had later welcomed him back, and had endeavored to utilize his services; but with some indebtedness still hanging over him, and with the need of getting a new start in a new place, they had advised his return.

The General Conference treasury had supplied funds to Brother Emmerson on his arrival here to reach his people in North Dakota. The medical report from South Africa showed that Sister Emmerson had some active tubercular trouble in her lungs, but that with fair conditions she had a good chance for recovery. It was--

VOTED, That we grant Elder M.E. Emmerson three months' pay from June 1, 1914, that being the point to which South Africa had paid him, and that we request the North American Division to interest itself in placing Brother Emmerson in the work, provided we can secure satisfactory information from him regarding his attitude toward outstanding indebtedness against him in South Africa, and assurance that he means really to keep his financial affairs straight hereafter, as befits a worker in the ministry.

VOTED, That we ask Brother Emmerson for a full statement of his indebtedness in South Africa, and for information as to his own plans for taking care of the same.

PORTO RICO:

On request of the West Indian Union Conference in releasing Porto Rico from its territory to become a General Conference mission field, it was--

VOTED, That papers should be granted as follows to new workers in Porto Rico: Ministerial credentials to Wm. Steele; ministerial license to C.E. Moon; missionary license to Mrs. C E Moon, Miss Jessie Butler, J D Raff, Mrs M E Steele, Rafael Lopez Miranda, and W F Mayers.

R E LOASBY RELEASED:

R E Loasby, who has been under appointment to the Bahama Islands, reported that owing to a serious operation required for his wife, with a long period of nursing and medical care, he had a bill of something over \$200 to meet. He was willing to go to the Bahama Islands for teaching work if help could be supplied on account of this emergency expenditure, but otherwise felt that he would be compelled to remain in this country to work at his trade to clear off the indebtedness.

After discussing the matter it was felt that under the circumstances it would be advisable to release Brother Loasby from appointment, and allow him to continue his plan of working to get clear from indebtedness.

VOTED, That we release R E Loasby from appointment to the Bahama Islands, in order that he may attend to his financial obligations, expressing sympathy with him and Mrs Loasby in the illness which had stood in the way of their going forward to the field at this time.

MISS DELLA BURROWAY:

Miss Della Burroway, on furlough from India, reported that the time of her return would naturally be the coming autumn. She was convinced, however, that her health was not such as to warrant her in returning at this time, fearing that troubles which she has had during the last summer season would make it impossible for her to do what would be expected of her in India. She proposed trying to do something else in this country, or to work at a low rate.

It was agreed that in order for her to make a quick and prompt recovery and get back to India next year, she ought to make it her first work to recover her health, avoiding strenuous and nervous work such as Bible work and public meetings, in which line she has been considerably engaged.

VOTED, That Miss Della Burroway be granted a rate of \$5.00 per week for the coming winter season, with the suggestion that she give herself fully to the work of recuperating and getting ready for the India mission field again.

PAUL V THOMAS AND FLOYD E BATES--SOUTH CHINA:

The call for workers in South China was considered. The death of Elder E H Wilbur and the return of Elder W F Hills made it essential that two evangelists should be secured for South China, to take up their work. Names were considered, and it was--

VOTED, That we invite Paul V Thomas and wife, of the Wyoming Conference, to make China their field of labor, asking the Wyoming Conference and the Central Union to concur in their release.

VOTED, That we invite Floyd E Bates and wife, of the Iowa Conference, to make China their field of labor, asking the Iowa Conference and the Northern Union to concur in this recommendation, releasing them for this purpose.

M B BUTTERFIELD AND V NUTTER--WEST INDIAN UNION:

The call from the West Indian Union for ordained ministerial helpers was further considered. They ask for two ordained ministers to take places for which the fields already have the financial resources to carry further workers. From the South Caribbean Conference the request was repeated for Elder M B Butterfield, of Iowa, who had been under appointment for that field at the time of the last General Conference, but whose appointment was deferred, owing to the uncertainty in the union as to their exact financial resources.

With the understanding that these workers can be supported by the union without calling for extra appropriations, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Elder M B Butterfield, of Iowa, to make the West Indian Union his field of labor, asking the Iowa Conference and the Northern Union to release him for this purpose.

VOTED, That we invite Elder V Nutter, of the East Pennsylvania Conference, to make the West Indies his field of labor, asking the East Pennsylvania Conference and the Columbia Union to release him for this purpose.

G G LOWRY--INDIA:

A report was received from Elder G G Lowry, on leave of absence from India on account of Mrs Lowry's health. At the time they left India her difficulty was diagnosed as tubercular. However, on arrival in Europe she was advised that her trouble was not tubercular, and now Elder Lowry sends report of a recent examination, confirming this diagnoses.

Having spent over a year in this country, they have felt anxious to return to India. Sister Lowry, according to the medical report, is not vigorous and rugged, but from the report she evidently is in fair condition. Elder Lowry reported that they felt that Sister Lowry was really in some ways stronger than when she first went out to India, and with their knowledge of conditions and with proper care they believed she would be able to live and work in India.

Under the circumstances, these workers having spent some years in the field at language study, it was felt that the Board would be justified in running the risk of returning them to the field this autumn. It was therefore---

VOTED, That we encourage Brother and Sister G G Lowry to return to India the coming autumn, with the understanding that their work will be arranged with due regard to Sister Lowry's requirements for giving herself the best possible chance to live and work in India.

C J FOSTER:

A report was received from C J Foster, formerly of Chile, South America, showing transportation expenses of \$383.62 for himself and family from Chile to Southern California. Several years ago it was agreed that Brother Foster, who had not fitted, apparently, into the work in South America, would be returned to this country if he so desired. He had, however, a trade which he was able to make available for good remuneration in Chile, and reported that he would gladly go on with self-supporting work if his return fare could be supplied him when the time came that he felt he should return to America.

This was agreed to at the time, and now when owing to ill health he felt it necessary to return to Southern California it was--

VOTED, That the return expenses of C J Foster and family from Chile to Southern California be allowed, according to the former agreement.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 9, 1914

P R E S E N T E

W T Knox, J L Shaw, W W Prescott, G B Thompson,
Dr H W Miller, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen,
L A Hansen.

Prayer by M E Kern.

PORTO RICO AND SOUTH AMERICA:

Elder Steele, superintendent of Porto Rico, reported that Brother G D Raff, leading colporteur of the Porto Rico field, was engaged to be married to Miss Frankie Stout, a nurse in Uruguay, South America. It was his request that Miss Stout be invited to come to Porto Rico. After considering the matter, the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That we advise Porto Rico that the Mission Board is willing either to send Brother G D Raff to South America or to bring Miss Frankie Stout from South America to Porto Rico for their contemplated marriage; but that in our judgment, if the South American field is ready to accept an additional worker, it would seem an economy in administration to allow Brother Raff to go on to South America.

DON C LUDINGTON--BURMA:

The long-pending question of a teacher for the Meiktila school, Burma, was considered, and the name of Don C Ludington, principal last year of the Battle Creek Academy, and a graduate of Emmanuel Missionary College, was suggested.

VOTED, That we invite Don C Ludington and wife to make Burma their field of labor, Brother Ludington to respond to the call from Burma for educational work in connection with the Meiktila Industrial School.

ROBT H TREIBLE--BERMUDA:

On information from Elder H F Taylor that he and his wife, the latter being a teacher in Bermuda, felt that they should return to this country this autumn, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Robt H Treible, of New York, to take the Bermuda school the coming year.

G G COFFIN--BAHAMA ISLANDS:

In place of R E Loasby and wife as teacher for the Bahama Islands, their appointment being rescinded at a former meeting, on information from the Educational Department, it was--

VOTED?, That G G Coffin and wife, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, now working with a tent company in Maryland, be invited to respond to the call from the Bahama Islands for teachers for the new school being started by Elder J H Smith in Nassau, the capital.

GEO F FURNIVAL--INDIA:

Consideration was given to the urgent call from the Mussoorie hill station in India for experienced teachers, man and wife, to take charge of the school for European children, Mrs Bruce the present principal, being unable to continue beyond the current year.

It was learned that Brother and Sister Geo F Furnival, of Jamaica, formerly of South Lancaster Academy, were graduates from the normal course and of good ability in handling young people. Their school work in Jamaica has apparently been only of the church school grade, and the Jamaica brethren had suggested that they would have to release them, as the school was not able to furnish the support which they ought to have.

In the meantime, however, further notice had come from the West Indies that Jamaica was endeavoring to hold the workers, arranging to strengthen the school and to engage Brother Furnival in the field during the summer.

In view of the specially urgent need in India, however, with the difficulty of getting just the right couple for such a school as that at Mussoorie, and in view of the general impression that Brother and Sister Furnival would fit into the situation, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Geo F Furnival and wife to make India their field of labor, in response to the call for a teaching couple at the Mussoorie school, asking the Jamaica Conference and the West Indian Union to release them for that purpose.

INGATHERING WORK ABROAD:

VOTED, That we allow mission fields abroad, that desire to use the Ingathering Review to solicit funds for missions, to retain the receipts for local use, the field paying for the papers as ordered.

MISSES HELENA RICHARDS
AND MINNIE MARTIN--PORTO RICO

The Medical Department had been requested to get two nurses for Porto Rico, to engage in outside work in connection with sugar factory settlements, but called for by the mission as helpers in the general missionary effort in Porto Rico.

VOTED, That we invite Misses Helena Richards and Minnie Martin, of the Foreign Seminary and Sanitarium postgraduate nurses' course, to respond to the call from Porto Rico, sailing at an early date.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 14, 1914

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, G B Thompson,
C S Longacre, W A Spicer.

W T Knox in the chair.

J J WESTRUP:

Report was received that Elder J J Westrup had reached this country, having been recommended to return from China inasmuch as after nearly three years of waiting it appears that Sister Westrup will not be able to go to China soon on account of physical condition. The Division Conference already has in hand the matter of searching for a place for Brother Westrup in the Swedish work.

VOTED, That Elder J J Westrup be allowed a rate of \$14 a week for the present, while recuperating with his family pending arrangements for his future work in the North American Division.

G F ENOCH'S FURLOUGH RATE:

Report was also received of the arrival in Oregon of Elder G F Enoch and family from India, Elder Enoch reporting that Elder Andross, of the Pacific Union, had invited him to attend the Southern California camp meeting while on the coast.

VOTED, That we approve of Brother Enoch's plan to recuperate for a few weeks in Oregon, attending the Southern California camp meeting and the Western Washington meeting during August, and spending the autumn and winter at Sanitarium, Calif., engaging in literary work and study in the interests of publications in the India vernaculars; and that we fix a furlough rate of \$14 per week beginning September 1.

MRS EMMA ESHELMAN-ROSSEAU:

The matter of Mrs Emma Eshelman-Rosseau's account at the Washington Sanitarium was considered. Sister Rosseau, as widow of Elder L J Rosseau, who died in Australia, was granted Sustentation allowance of \$6.00 per week several years ago, being at that time very seriously ill and apparently incurably so.

Arrangements were made by friends for her to go into the Washington Sanitarium, the Sanitarium making a special rate although her case required considerable care. It was informally agreed by the Committee that she should go into the Sanitarium, and it was understood that her relatives in Iowa and Tennessee would make provision for her, supplementing the Sustentation allowance. It was supposed that this support from her relatives was really assured, from correspondence which the chairman of the Committee had had with some of them at least.

Sister Rosseau lingered between life and death for a year or more, and then began to mend until some time ago she was able to leave the Sanitarium, and is able to care for herself with the Sustentation allowance now being paid to her.

The treasurer reports, however, that there has been practical failure to receive the expected funds from the relatives, recent correspondence in the matter being left unanswered.

It was agreed by the Committee that the Sanitarium should not be left to lose the account of about \$1200. It was felt that though the Committee had never taken formal action, it had in a way been party to the agreement with the Sanitarium. It was therefore,--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to accept the transfer of the Sanitarium account, holding the matter as an open account against Sister Rosseau, and that the treasurer be asked to give personal attention to efforts to persuade the relatives to come forward with the help needed, in order that a little sum of several hundred dollars which Sister Rosseau has herself may not have to be turned to this account, she feeling that if possible she would like to hold this sum in order to begin business again in a little time, when she hopes to be able to resume work and care for herself.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 26, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, E R Palmer,
F Griggs, J L Shaw, M E Kern, C S Longacre, W W Prescott, B G
Wilkinson, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, W W Eastman.

Prayer by M E Kern.

ALLOWANCE TO MISS SHULL:

The Committee was informed that Miss Shull, who is assisting Elder Daniells with his writing while en route to China by way of Australia, had volunteered to make a donation of her time. Inasmuch as this will mean at least four months of service, it was felt that the Committee should make some lump allowance to Miss Shull, to cover incidental personal needs. It was therefore--

VOTED, That a special allowance of \$75 be made to Miss Florence Shull, en route to the Asiatic Division.

W F HILLS, CHINA:

A memorial from native Chinese brethren was received through Elder R C Porter, the memorial dealing with charges made against Elder W F Hills, in the Swatow region. Owing to these charges Elder Hills had determined to ask to be released from that field. The memorial, signed by thirteen of our brethren in that region, including influential workers among the Chinese, set forth the facts which convinced them that Elder Hills had been falsely charged, and expressed the conviction that he should not allow himself to be driven away by those whose character was known to be disreputable.

Understanding that there was still some question as to whether Elder Hills would consent to remain or not, the Committee--

VOTED, That the following cable message be sent to China: "Urge Hills remain."

MISS FLORENCE WILSON:

Information was received that in work at the Washington Dispensary, Miss Florence Wilson, under appointment to China, contracted scarlet fever, and through her sickness had an indebtedness against her of \$34.

VOTED, That inasmuch as Miss Florence Wilson was giving her services at the Dispensary without pay, in order to qualify for stronger work in China, the General Conference Committee appropriate to make up the amount of her indebtedness through sickness.

JAMAICA SCHOOL:

A letter was presented from Elder E C Boger, of the Jamaica Conference, saying that the conference would gladly release G F Furnival and wife, teachers, in order that they might go on to India, but that plans had been laid in Jamaica for strengthening their school work, so that they could not release these teachers until others had been secured to take their places.

VOTED, That we ask the Educational Department of the North American Division to endeavor to secure a man and wife, teachers, for the Jamaica church school, in order that Brother and Sister Furnival may be released to take the school in Mussoorie, India.

D C LUDINGTON:

VOTED, That D C Ludington and wife, now of New Jersey, under appointment to Burma, be permitted to proceed to their field by way of Cuba, in order to visit their people.

CUBA SCHOOL:

The Committee gave consideration to correspondence from Cuba setting forth plans for beginning a small mission school for the training of workers in Cuba, the school to be established in rented quarters, and to be confined to modest investment.

VOTED, That we concur in the proposition to start a modest training school work in Cuba, the same to be established on rented property and kept within the financial limits to be agreed upon from step to step in the proceedings.

It is the Board's desire also that Brother A.N. Allen, superintendent of the Cuba Mission, shall have Elder H.C. Goodrich closely associated with him in #playing plans for the school, Elder Goodrich having a long experience in the mission fields and in handling affairs.

APPROPRIATION TO A N ALLEN:

VOTED, That a special allowance of \$148 be made to A N Allen, in view of extra expenses to which he had been put in removing his family from Peru and settling in Cuba, including a bill for his wife's detention and operation in the Cristobal hospital on the Canal Zone.

ANNUAL FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT:

The Committee considered the advisability of printing in the Year Book each year a review of the preceding year's work in mission fields, in order that the Year Book, which contains the statistics of the denomination, may also contain a brief review of missionary progress year by year.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan to include in the Year Book an annual survey of the mission fields, and that we request each field to send its review in order to reach the office early in December, closing their survey of the work November 1, where necessary.

A F PRIEGER, FURLOUGH:

Word was received from Elder A F Prieger, saying that it had been understood with the West Indian Union before Haiti was taken under direct General Conference supervision that he and Sister Prieger would have a furlough for a few months this autumn, both being sufferers from malaria.

VOTED, That a furlough be granted to Elder A.F. and Mrs. Prieger, for a few months the coming autumn and winter.

E A CURDY, HAITI:

The Committee gave consideration to the great need of a second man in Haiti, so that when one worker falls and must take a furlough there will be some one else in the field to keep in touch with the work. Information was received from the North American Division that Southern Missouri was utilizing the services of Brother E.A.Curdy, a French brother who is laboring in the English language.

VOTED, That we invite E.A.Curdy, of Southern Missouri, to make Haiti his field of labor, and that we ask the Southern Missouri Conference to release him for this purpose.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 29, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs,
J L Shaw, M E Kern, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also
T E Bowen, C L Benson.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

MRS PHOEBE FROST'S TRANSPORTATION:

The treasurer asked counsel regarding the fare from England to this country, advanced by the transportation agent in London to Mrs Phoebe Frost, returning from South Africa with Elder Emmerson and wife, Mrs Frost being Mrs Emmerson's mother. Letters have been received from the South African brethren speaking very appreciatively of Mrs Frost's services in South Africa, where she had gone at her own charges. Under the circumstances, it was-

VOTED, That the transportation of Mrs Phoebe Frost from England to the United States be allowed.

RENTS, ASIATIC DIVISION:

In response to communications regarding the handling of the rent question in the Asiatic Division the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That the Asiatic Division be advised to adhere to the policy of the collection of all rents on mission houses by the Division treasurer monthly, the same to be held in the Division treasury as a trust fund for use in putting up new mission homes or making repairs.

Recess was taken to a later hour.

On resuming, prayer was offered by W W Prescott.

C.S.Longacre present in addition.

E HILLIARD:

The treasurer asked counsel regarding the account of Elder E Hilliard, for many years in Australia, now in this country, in Minnesota.

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to give Elder E Hilliard a furlough rate up to September 1 at \$12 per week, and that the North American Division be asked to find a place for Elder Hilliard in the work.

VOTED, To allow the incidental expenses of Elder E. Hilliard and family from California to Minnesota, amounting to \$33.25, the Australasian Union having provided for his regular railway fare to that point.

PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION:

The treasurer had received communications from Brother C H Jones regarding plans for work in connection with the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to the autumn council.

R W MUNSON, ST HELENA:

A letter had been received by the treasurer from Elder E E Andross, suggesting that Elder R W Munson could render some service to the St Helena Sanitarium as assistant chaplain, and that the St Helena Sanitarium might be willing to bear a portion of his salary on this account.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to correspond with Elder Munson and the St Helena Sanitarium with reference to this matter.

B JUDGE--FURLOUGH RATE:

Information was received that B Judge and family, of Java, had reached Australia on furlough.

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make a furlough rate to B Judge of \$12 per week while in Australia on furlough.

SIGUATEPEQUE SCHOOL:

Consideration was given to the matter of a gift to missions by a brother in the North Pacific Union. He had made a pledge at the last General Conference for missions, and had paid

it in to the regular funds of the Upper Columbia Conference. After the General Conference he visited Cuba and Central America, and seems to have understood that it would not be out of harmony with the payment of the pledge through the regular fund to have a portion of the money go to special interests outside the appropriations.

The matter having been worked up somehow through the Madison (Tenn.) school managers, expectation and assurance had been given to Brother Karl Snow, of Honduras, that the Siguatepeque school, which he took over from Brother Herbert Owen, would receive some assistance from the gift. Unlike the former Honduras school project, Brother Snow has manifested throughout a desire to work in full harmony with the denomination. Under the circumstances it was therefore--

VOTED, That a special appropriation be made of \$330 for the Siguatepeque school, in Honduras, the same to be taken from regular mission funds.

**INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL MISSIONARY
AND BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION FAILURE:**

The Receiver of the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, W T Knox, reported that he had received from the court the final decision in the matter of claims against the Association. The Receiver had now only to distribute the resources available. He reported that roughly speaking, the approved claims were about \$89,000, while the resources for distribution were \$21,000. This would admit of paying the creditors about 23 3-4 cents on the dollar. Obeying the orders of the court in distributing the assets of the Association pro rata to the creditors holding approved claims, the Receiver obtains his discharge and the affairs of the insolvent Association are closed.

In considering what relief might be extended by the General Conference to individuals who have sustained loss, it was---

VOTED, That the matter of the relief of sufferers by the failure of the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association be referred to a committee of three, this committee to correspond with such individuals, and to act in necessary cases.

Named as the committee: W T Knox, I H Evans,
E R Palmer.

MISS STOUT'S RATE:

VOTED, That the rate of Miss Bessie Stout's in the Mission Board department be fixed at \$9.00 per week.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 31, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, T T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott,
J L Shaw, F Griggs, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen,
W E Howell, C L Benson.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

E W WEBSTER:

The West Indian Union having suggestee that Elder E W Webster return to the field, correspondence had been carried on with him. It was reported that on account of his health it did not seem wise for him to return to tropical fields.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

Applications from a number of candidates for the foreign fields were gone through, and it was agreed that the following named persons should be accepted under the provisional appointment plan for work in the Foreign Seminary department of the Washington College:--

Ruth McCully, of St. Helena, Cal., and Wyoming.

Ray H. Miller and wife, of California.

S. Leddington and wife, of Melrose, Mass., nurses of the Caterham Sanitarium.

J.A.Dominski (Pole), of Graysville Academy.

H.S.Mould, of Massachusetts and Berrien Springs.

I.H.Evans, Chairman. W.A.Spicer, Secretary.

EIGHTIETH MEETING
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 4, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson,
 M E Kern, F Griggs, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also
 L A Hansen, W E Howell, C L Benson, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

J P REDDING--JAMAICA:

Professor Griggs, secretary of the North American
 Division Educational Department, reported results of his search
 for teachers for the Kingston church school.

VOTED, That we invite J P Redding and wife, of
 Keene, N H., to respond to the call from Jamaica for school work,
 to release G F Furnival and wife for India.

B E R M U D A:

It was reported that Robt H Treible, invited to
 take school work in Bermuda, accepted the call and would prepare
 to sail at an early date.

Discussing appeals from Bermuda for further
 ministerial help, it was felt that inasmuch as the little field
 had been self-sustaining for years, it would be profitable to
 send a minister over for special exangelistic work this autumn
 and winter.

The North American Division reported that Elder
 Eugene Leland, formerly of Ontario, now in Michigan, might be
 available.

VOTED, That we invite Elder Eugene Leland, of
 Michigan, to engage in evangelistic work in Bermuda.

PRINTER FOR JAPAN:

Communication was received from Elder R C Porter,
 of the Asiatic Division, concurring in Japan's request for a
 printer who should be also secretary and treasurer of the Japan
 Mission

It was agreed by the Committee that this request should be favorably responded to, and the secretary was asked to take up correspondence with various parties regarding the matter.

G D RAFF--PORTO RICO:

At a former meeting action was taken suggesting that G D Raff, of Porto Rico, go to South America, where his intended is engaged in service, provided South America needed such help. Correspondence was received from Porto Rico, however, indicating that Porto Rico urgently needed Brother Raff's services. With little prospect of a call from South America at this time for further book leaders, and with the plea of Porto Rico in mind, it seemed to the Committee unwise to press the situation. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we rescind the former action regarding the transfer of G D Raff to South America, and that we invite the South American Union and the Uruguay Conference to release Miss Frankie Stout, of Montevideo, to go to Porto Rico.

MRS E P EVANS--PORTO RICO:

The superintendent of the Porto Rico Mission suggested that Miss Stout be appointed secretary and treasurer of that mission. However, it was felt by the Committee that where possible these fields should have experienced accountants. It was therefore--

VOTED, That Mrs E P Evans, of the Foreign Mission Seminary, experienced accountant, be recommended to Porto Rico as secretary and treasurer.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

Further applications were considered from candidates for mission fields who desire to come to the Foreign Mission Seminary department for a time. After consideration the following names were listed:--

Melvin Munson and Albert Munson, of California.

Miss Ruth Merryweather, of Texas, these names being subject to the usual investigation and counsel.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 13, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, J L Shaw,
W.A.Spicer; also T E Bowen, H E Rogers.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

B E CONNERLY--FURLOUGH:

A communication from the West Indian Union was received, recommending that B E Connerly and wife, of Bocas del Toro Central America, be granted a furlough for a few months in America, these workers having long desired a change for a time and having suffered from the fever.

VOTED, That a furlough for six months be granted to Elder B E Connerly and wife, the Mission Board bearing the expense.

H A I T I:

Time was taken to read correspondence from Elder A F Prieger, of Haiti, describing the warfare in that island and the destruction of one of our churches.

It was agreed that a portion of the report should be printed, but that any question of relief for rebuilding purposes be held in abeyance until it is seen that matters have settled down.

MISS SCHILBERG:

The treasurer reported for the information of the Committee that Miss Pauline Schilberg, who had left China for America on furlough the last of June, was reported by the State Department at Washington as stranded in Egypt owing to the interruption of sailings. The treasurer said that \$250 had been paid in to the State Department, which would endeavor to deliver the same to Miss Schilberg through consular representatives.

I F BLUE:

The treasurer asked counsel as to when the time of Prof I F Blue should begin to be reported to the General Conference he being under appointment to India.

In view of the fact that his support ceased with the school year in Nebraska, it was--

VOTED, That the time of I F Blue with the India Mission begin July 1.

A L SHIDLER:

The treasurer asked counsel regarding an account of \$75 held against A L Shidler, being money paid to him at a time when he was planning to go on to Venezuela, as voted at the last General Conference.

The West Indian Union, however, found its finances short and ordered the holding up of all new recruits. It was felt that owing to this countermanding of plans it would not be just to hold Brother Shidler responsible for this expense, and it was therefore---

VOTED, That the treasury cancel the charge against A L Shidler for money advanced him while waiting under appointment to go to Venezuela, the same to be charged to the special appropriation account.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEE:

Information was brought before the Committee regarding another candidate for foreign fields, and it was--

VOTED, That Miss Rosslyn E Gallion, of Oklahoma, experienced teacher, be placed under provisional appointment at the Foreign Mission Seminary department of the Washington College.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 14, 1914.

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, C S Longacre, E R Palmer,
W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, L A Hansen.

Prayer by W T Knox.

The meeting was a hastily called session to consider letters received from Europe, the first since the outbreak of the war. Letters were read from N Z Town and L R Conradi.

After considering the suggestions which Elder Conradi made, it was agreed that if the war continued several months the General Conference treasury should prepare to stand by the work outside the war zone which has been dependent upon the European Division mission treasury. The following plan was agreed to:--

1. That W T Knox should print the letter from Elder Conradi, with an appeal, in the REVIEW, for special contributions to an emergency fund, the same to be a part of the regular twenty-cent-a-week mission fund, the purpose of this fund being to help in the European Division mission support if it is necessary, or elsewhere as may be required.

2. That all our mission fields receiving appropriations from the General Conference be asked to husband their resources, and to plan no new work involving extra outlay of means, and to defer all building operations not under way, in order that with the possible extra demands coming upon the treasury distress may not be brought upon the work at any point.

It was stated by the treasurer that he had received a cable from W R Pohle, of Bolivia, reading: "Distressed. Cable \$500."

It was agreed that the treasury should correspond with the South American Union, looking toward more regularly supplying outlying fields, in order that these cable calls may not be necessary, involving as they do, the necessity of acting without real knowledge as to the needs and conditions.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 19, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, C S Longacre, W W Prescott,
W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, F M Wilcox, L A Hansen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

H E MEYER--MEXICO.

The probable soon return of the Mexican workers to the Mexico field was discussed, and it was agreed that on their return we should ask H E Meyer, appointed as secretary and treasurer, to take over the treasurership work.

VOTED, That we reaffirm our selection of H E Meyer as secretary and treasurer of the Mexico Mission, and that his responsibilities include the keeping of the accounts and the custody of the funds of all branches of the Mission.

H O L L A N D:

A LETTER WAS RECEIVED BY THE TREASURER FROM Elder J Wibbens, president of the Holland Conference, saying that they were in need of funds, but unable apparently to get in touch with either Germany or England.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit funds for current needs to Elder J Wibbens, charging the European Division, the charge to be held for return from the Division treasury after the war. It was agreed that remittance up to 1,500 guilden should be authorized.

SECOND SABBATH READING APPEAL:

VOTED, That the treasurer be asked to append a statement to the September Second Sabbath Reading, setting forth the need of additional mission funds on account of these calls from fields dependent on the European Division treasury.

FRANK MILLS' RETURN:

Word having come by cable that Frank Mills, printer of the Korean Mission, is returning to this country, threatened with tuberculosis, it was--

VOTED, That we advise Frank Milles to go up to St. Helena on landing in California, getting an examination and medical counsel, and suggesting to him that he spend some months in Colorado or further West, in case medical advice points in this direction.

R W MUNSON:

VOTED, That we accept the Pacific Union Conference offer in Elder R W Munson's case, and provide from this side \$10 per week on account of Elder Munson's support, the Pacific Union to locate him in such work as will give him an additional salary sufficient to make up the balance required for a living wage.

T E BOWEN:

The treasurer reported that owing to Sister Bowen's illness, Brother T E Bowen had been in need of some assistance in handling expenditures, having fallen in arrears. It was--

VOTED, That under the circumstances a special appropriation of \$50 be made to T E Bowen on account of extra expenses.

AUDITING EXPENSE ACCOUNTS:

The Auditing Committee having fixed wage rates in advance at the time of the autumn council, recommended that a committee pass upon items of traveling expense reported.

VOTED, That W T Knox, I H Evans, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, and W A Spicer be a committee to review the monthly reports of expense of General Conference and North American Division laborers.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 26

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, N Z Town,
Dr H W Miller, W A Spicer, also T E Bowen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

The chairman called for the first item to be considered as a joint meeting of the North American Division Committee members with the General Conference Committee members.

LOMA LINDA:

The following telegram was read from Elder E E
Andross:--

"Union Committee and Loma Linda Board, including Ireland, have agreed accept Dr Ruble's resignation as president of faculty and call Dr Newton Evans to position. Latter wires acceptance. Ruble remains on faculty. Reason which appears to us strong leads to this conclusion. Await your approval. Wire reply St Helena Sanitarium."

Discussing the matter, the Committee felt that while the telegram referred to reasons on which the local board acted, it could not, of course, transmit those reasons here. Evidently the local board considered them sufficient to accept Dr. Ruble's resignation and to move in the appointment of Dr Newton Evans as president of the faculty, Dr Evans having already accepted the position. It was felt by the members meeting in joint Committee that reply should be made as follows:--

"Lacking information, the Committee cannot take responsibility. Regret Ruble's resignation."

W F HILLS- W D BURDEN:

Mission Board matters being taken up, a letter was read from R C Porter, saying that the Committee's telegram urging Hills to remain was received just in time to stop Brother Hills in Japan, he having already started toward America. There had been some suggestion that he might go into the work in Japan, allowing W D Burden, of Japan, to supply the call in South China for a secretary and treasurer.

As the Committee discussed this idea it was recalled that Brother Burden was not a strong man in accounts or the handling of such matters, and as he has never been able to learn the Japanese for field work, it was questioned whether it would be wisdom to send him into South China.

VOTED, That we ask the Asiatic Division Committee to give careful consideration to the matter before placing Brother W D Burden in South China, he never having been able to learn the Japanese language, and not being an experienced amountant.

While the exact location of Elder Hills must be settled by the Division Committee, knowing all the circumstances, it was felt by the members that if he were able to return to the Swatow District, with the cooperation of our leading native members, much effort would be saved and the years of study put into the Swatow dialect be still saved.

E M TRUMMER'S EXPENSES:

The treasurer presented a report from E M Trummer, South American field agent, reporting expenses he had been to in responding to the invitation to spend a little time in Panama and Cuba in the interests of the book work while on his way to this country.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow the expense report of E.M.Trummer, amounting to \$20.45.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 7, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town, J L Shaw, M E Kern,
W A Spicer.

SALARY OF EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY:

Consideration was given to the fact that Professor Shaw, secretary of the General Conference Educational Department, ~~will be~~ devoting a large proportion of his time for some months now to the interests of the Washington College. Discussing the matter, it was felt that with the attention he would give to the Foreign Seminary Department and to the General Conference educational work, it would be expected that the General Conference would continue his salary as Educational Secretary. It was therefore--

VOTED, That the General Conference continue the salary of Prof J L Shaw as secretary of the Educational Department of the General Conference, although for some months he will be devoting a large proportion of his time to the College work.

TEACHER IN SEMINARY DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That, owing to arrangements for the Washington College to maintain a special Foreign Seminary Department for the benefit of appointees en route to the fields, the General Conference assume the salary of one teacher in the Foreign Seminary Department.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That Floyd L Blandford and wife, now of the Melrose Sanitarium, recommended by the brethren in New England as suitable candidates for the mission fields, be placed under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department.

VOTED, That transportation be provided for S H Miller and wife, of California, who have been placed under provisional appointment to the mission fields.

SPANISH MORNING WATCH CALENDAR:

The secretary of the Young People's Department presented a request from the Spanish fields for a Spanish edition of the Morning Watch Calendar. It was stated that necessarily the demand for this Calendar in Spanish would not warrant the edition financially, but it was felt by the department that it would be a great blessing to the young people of the Spanish fields, and would help to strengthen the hands of the departments working among them. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald, printers of the English edition of the Morning Watch Calendar, to bring out a Spanish edition, being prepared to bear whatever loss may be involved for the benefit of the Young People's departments in the Spanish fields.

SPANISH YOUNG PEOPLE'S LITERATURE:

Request had come to the Department for the issuing of some of the department leaflets in Spanish for the benefit of the young people in South America and other Spanish fields.

VOTED, That the question of printing Missionary Volunteer literature in the Spanish language be referred to the Spanish publishing committee, which is representative of all the Spanish fields.

INGATHERING REVIEWS TO JAMAICA:

A letter was presented from Elder A J Haysmer, of the West Indian Union, stating that the Jamaica Conference had requested a grant of 3,000 copies of the Harvest Ingathering REVIEW, free of charge, the conference proposing to raise sufficient from these papers so that the conference would not call for any appropriation for the year 1915. The current year's appropriation was something over \$1200.

VOTED, That we grant the request of the West Indian Union Conference in behalf of the Jamaica Conference, expressing appreciation of the proposal of that conference to secure from these REVIEWS the funds needed for 1915, so far as appropriations are concerned.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 10, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, N Z Town, J L Shaw, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING:

The chairman asked consideration of the question of the call issued by the President of the United States for the first Sunday in October to be made especially a day of prayer in view of the war situation in Europe. Many among us already had suggested a day of fasting and prayer in behalf of our work, and in behalf of the peoples of Europe. After discussion of the matter, it was--

VOTED, That the chairman be requested to make a call in the REVIEW for the observance of a day of special prayer and fasting, suggesting that in the spirit of the President's call our people devote the first Sabbath in October to this cause, praying for our brethren and sisters involved in the trouble in Europe, and in behalf of the cause and the work there, as well as for the winds of strife to be restrained; also that the suggestion be made there where our people have public service on Sunday, this matter be also remembered on that day.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 16, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, B G Wilkinson, W W Prescott,
C S Longacre, M E Kern, N Z Town, W A Spicer; also W E Howell,
F M Wilcox, F W Paap, H E Rogers.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

PRINTERS--JAPAN AND KOREA:

Discussion was devoted to the calls from Japan and Korea for a printer in each field, the printers to be also accountants.

VOTED, That the officers be requested to secure two printers at an early date for Japan and Korea.

GUATEMALA BOOK WORK:

VOTED, That we invite Brother John Haynes, of the Southwestern Union, who has been a candidate for Spanish fields for some time to plan to go to Guatemala when the way may open.

GEO HARLOW RETURNING:

Word was received from Elder R C Porter, of the Asiatic Division, reporting that on medical advice Elder Geo Harlow, superintendent of the South China Mission, is planning to return to the States. His difficulty has been diagnosed as sprue, but by getting favorable conditions at the beginning, medical opinion is that he may be able after a year to return to China.

G G LOWRY--INDIA:

Discussing the future work of G G Lowry and wife, who had expected to return to India this autumn by way of Europe, it was felt that under all the circumstances they would better push on to India by way of the Pacific, and it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to arrange transportation for Elder G G and Mrs Lowry at the earliest practicable date.

INDIA HOSPITAL AND TREATMENT ROOM S:

The treasurer reported that the Thirteenth Sabbath offering for medical work in India, taken up last year, made \$12,000 available. \$6,000 of this the India Mission calls for in order to establish native hospital work in the Punjab, dr V L Mann being ready to go forward with the enterprise. An appropriation made a year ago for treatment room work in Bombay was also in hand.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to send forward to the India Mission \$6,000 for hospital work in the Punjab and \$2,000, special appropriation available for treatment room work in Bombay.

E M TRUMMER, FURLOUGH:

The case of E M Trummer was considered. From his work in the northern part of South America he had come on to the United States for a short furlough, and among other plans intending to perfect his United States citizenship papers.

VOTED, That we grant sixty days furlough rate to E M Trummer, at \$14 per week, advising him to plan to return early to South America or to accept work in this country.

ADJOURNED.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 21, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, E R Palmer,
N Z Town, C S Longacre, Dr H W Miller, J L Shaw, F Griggs,
W A Spicer; also L A Hansen W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, F W Paap,
W E Howell.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

SHANGHAI MEETING:

A cablegram was received from China, announcing that the Shnghai meeting had been withdrawn.

EUROPEAN DIVISION MISSION FIELDS:

Further consideration was given to the matter of furnishing support to the European Division mission fields cut off from the Division treasury. Elder Fitzgerald, of the British Union, had reported that they had written to some of the fields to get in touch with them. The General Conference treasurer had also cabled England to send some funds to Portugal. Elder Fitzgerald reported that he would send on any information that he received.

Discussing the whole question, with the possibility of a continuance for months of the war in Europe, it was felt that definite communications wherever possible should be established with the mission fields, so that regular remittances may be made to them where needed. It was therefore--

VOTED, That in harmony with the request that has come from the European Division Conference office, we ask those in charge of the mission fields of that Division to cut down all plans for new work involving increased expenditure, or for work that may demand liberal outlay, so that expenses in the field may be held to the mere cost of the necessaries of life; but in addition, in behalf of our brethren and sisters in the churches of North American Division, we send greetings to our workers in the mission fields of the European Division, assuring them that we are not only praying for them, but that the believers are making special gifts so that help may be extended from the General Conference treasury to keep the workers sustained in gospel service during these troublous times; and we urge all the missionaries, while cutting down plans involving general expenditures, to give themselves more actively and earnestly than ever to the preaching and teaching of the Word of God and every kind of soul-winning service. The work must not cease in these times when the hearts of men are led to turn more solemnly than ever toward God. And it is the hope of the General Conference that with the help it may supply, and with the development of every local resource, none of the evangelistic workers may have to turn to secular pursuits.

MISS BELLE SHRYOCK:

A letter was received from Miss Belle Shryock, of Seattle, Wash., stating that having made recovery from her illness, and having settled her bills, she felt that she was prepared to receive less than the seven dollar rate which had been paid her.

VOTED, That Miss Belle Shryock, on sick leave from India, be granted a furlough rate of \$5 per week.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

The Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the current quarter had been assigned to the Malaysian Mission Field. However, the situation in Europe and the need of giving special help to outlying mission fields on account of the war, seemed to be a more urgent enterprise. It was therefore;

VOTED, That we appeal to the Sabbath School Department to make the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, for December 26, the support of the African missions of the European Division Conference, comprising the Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, and Nigeria missions in West Africa, the Pare Mountain and Victoria Nyanza missions in German East Africa, the British East Africa missions on the Victoria Nyanza, the Abyssinian mission and the mission fields of Upper and Lower Egypt and Algeria; further, that in order to give this special relief in time of the world's great war we authorize the Sabbath School Department to postpone the offering appointed for this quarter in behalf of the Malaysia Mission until later.

HAITI RELIEF:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to send \$100 to Haiti as a relief fund for immediate outlay by Brother Prieger, in case brethren are suffering on account of the revolution, which has destroyed houses and property at various points where we have companies.

JOINT MEETING OF GENERAL AND DIVISION COMMITTEES

The chairman called a joint meeting of the North American Division and General Conference Committees to discuss plans for the autumn council, opening October 25, and to consider requests from the Washington Missionary College. The following actions were taken:--

BIBLE TEACHER IN COLLEGE:

VOTED, That we comply with the request of the Washington College, that the Division Conference meet the salary of the Bible teacher in the College.

AUTUMN COUNCIL:

VOTED, That, in harmony with the general consensus of opinion, as expressed in correspondence from union conference presidents, we do not invite local conference presidents to attend the approaching autumn council.

VOTED, That we invite Elder Allen Moon and Elder E T Russell to be present at the autumn council, provided the respective union conferences concur and provide transportation.

VOTED, That the council meetings be held in the chapel of the General Conference office.

VOTED, That the following named be a committee on entertainment of delegates: F W Papp, C S Longacre, H E Rogers.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

AUTUMN COUNCIL

EIGHTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., October 25, 1914

The first meeting of the Council was called at 9 A.M., October 25, I H Evans in the chair.

Prayer by O A Olsen and R A Underwood.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

I H Evans, W T Knox, O A Olsen, R A Underwood, E E Andross, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, O Montgomery, B G Wilkinson, Chas Thompson, C H Jones, M N Campbell, W W Prescott, R D Quinn, S E Wight, F Griggs, A J Haysmer, N Z Town, G F Watson, Dr H W Miller, M E Kern, J L Shaw, H S Shaw, L H Christian, C W Flaiz, W A Spicer.

The chairman spoke of the absence of the president, Elder Daniells, now in Australia, also of the absence of Elder Conradi, who had planned to be at the Council, but is kept away by the European war situation.

He stated that there were brethren in Takoma attending the Auditors' Convention and meeting of Publishing House Managers.

VOTED, That we invite these brethren to meet with the Committee, also the editor of the REVIEW and the General and Division department secretaries.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Of these there were present: H G Childs, H H Hall, W H Williams, S N Curtiss, W L Burgan, H H Cobban, C L Benson, W E Howell, F W Paap, M MacGuire, L W Graham, E L Richmond, J W Mace, F M Wilcox, Claude Conard, W H Edwards, A N Anderson, J J Ireland, G G Roth, T D Gibson, A H Brigham, S J Lashier, I A Ford, C L Kilgore, Miss E Graham, W J Hoffman, R T Bowsett, C E Smith, W A Harvey, E H Curtis, C B Stevenson, L A Hansen, T E Bowen, C C Lewis, W W Eastman, R L Pierce, C Sorenson, S Mortenson, V O Cole, S E McNeill.

P R O G R A M:

It was agreed that the program should be:
General Conference Committee, 9 to 12 A.M.; Division Conference
Committee, 2:30 to 5:30 P.M. Evenings for committee work, or for
sessions, as may be needed.

TREASURER'S PARTIAL REPORT FOR 1914:

The treasurer presented a financial report for
1914, up to October 18, the summary appearing as follows:--

Revenue received to date, 10-18-14	\$281,613.25	
Expenses to date	<u>347,178.59</u>	
Expenses in Excess of Revenue		65,565.34
January 20, 1914, Surplus	208,402.30	
Deficit on Operating 1914	<u>65,565.34</u>	
Present Surplus, Oct. 18		142,836.96

CASH STATEMENT

Present Worth 10-18-14	142,836.96	
Less Accounts Receivable	<u>50,086.48</u>	
Net Cash Available for Operating		92,750.48
Trust Funds in Holding		<u>12,868.26</u>
Cash Balance 10-18-14		105,618.74

SUSTENTATION FUND

Receipts for 9 months	56,368.00	
Disbursements	<u>57,662.00</u>	
Excess of Disbursements		1,294.00

AUDITING COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the chair name the eight additional
persons required by the Constitution to act with the union
presidents and the officers in the capacity of an auditing
committee.

Named: C H Jones, W H Edwards, S J Lashier,
R L Pierce, W H Williams, R T Dowsett, S N Curtiss, O A Olsen.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1915:

The treasurer presented the calls from the mission fields for appropriations. He stated that the fields had figured very carefully and conservatively in view of the emergency situation created by the war. The net increase in the whole budget for 1915, as presented for consideration, was but \$10,833 over the appropriations for 1914.

Field by field the Committee reviewed the calls, voting some minor changes, which will be figured in the full list of appropriations when the budget is adopted.

The time for adjournment came while the budget was still under consideration.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 26, 1914

The second meeting of the Council was called at 9 A.M., October 26.

Prayer by W C White.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

Mrs L F Plummer, W C White, Dr W A Ruble.

Minutes were read.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1913:--

The treasurer presented his annual report for 1913, with the auditor's statement, as follows:--

GENERAL CONFERENCE REVENUE STATEMENT
OF MISSION FUNDS
January 20, 1914.

INCOME

Annual Offering	\$51,904.10	
Mid-Summer Offering	26,131.09	
Harvest Ingathering	56,282.99	
Missions	98,811.07	
Sabbath School Offering	235,430.72	
Weekly Offering	16,652.82	
Sundries	17,478.75	
Colored Work	1,094.35	
Religious Liberty Fund	<u>1,059.49</u>	
		504,845.38
Surplus Tithe	59,948.92	
Tithe	<u>9,721.65</u>	
		69,670.57
Legacies	2,978.60	
Interest on Deposits	1,468.42	
Sale of Riversdale Property	1,733.80	
Sundries	<u>6,280.34</u>	
		12,461.16
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Total Receipts		586,977.11

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EXPENSES

FOREIGN MISSION FIELDS:

Asaitic Division	\$91,725.67	
Bahama Mission	392.88	
Bermuda "	115.40	
Brazil Union Conference	11,454.31	
Canary Islands Mission	54.42	
Hawaiian Mission	189.33	
India "	51,811.93	
Korean "	23,374.29	
Japan "	14,568.67	
Malaysian "	9,103.87	
Mexican "	10,000.00	
Philippine "	10,956.18	
South African Union Conf.	34,523.84	
South American "	40,428.51	
West African Mission	7,790.09	
West Indian Union	<u>18,301.16</u>	324,790.55

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE:

Educational Dept.,		
Salary	2,480.75	
Traveling Exp.	879.11	
Office Exp.	<u>213.59</u>	3,573.45
Executive Dept.,		
Salary	10,243.74	
Traveling Exp.	1,441.61	
Office Exp.	<u>3,535.78</u>	15,221.13
Home Mis. Branch,		
Salary	719.50	
Traveling Exp.	21.78	
Office Exp.	<u>369.37</u>	1,110.65
Medical Dept.,		
Salary	1,551.68	
Traveling Exp.	26.60	
Office Exp.	<u>96.70</u>	1,674.98
Mis. Vol. Dept.,		
Salary	2,310.48	
Traveling Exp.	358.18	
Office Exp.	<u>404.23</u>	3,072.89
Press Bureau,		
Salary	632.57	
Traveling Exp.	6.46	
Office Exp.	<u>238.91</u>	877.94

Publishing Dept.,			
Salary	1,637.95		
Traveling Exp.	218.80		
Office Exp.	<u>871.43</u>	2,728.18	
Religious Liberty Dept.,			
Salary	1,166.92		
Traveling Exp.	510.30		
Office Exp.	<u>312.95</u>	1,990.17	
Sabbath School Dept.,			
Salary	1,795.50		
Traveling Exp.	243.35		
Office Exp.	<u>1,051.66</u>	3,090.51	
Jewish Dept.,			
Salary	388.27		
Traveling Exp.	143.55		
Appropriation	<u>625.00</u>	1,156.82	
Negro Dept.,			
Salary	517.69		
Traveling Exp.	<u>84.35</u>	602.04	
N. Am. Foreign Dept.,			
Salary	2,588.69		
Traveling Exp.	1,025.87		
Appropriation	<u>605.00</u>	4,219.56	39,318.32
HOME FIELDS:			
Atlantic Union		10,100.75	
Canadian "		5,244.15	
Columbia "		8,791.00	
Sout heastern Union		3,025.00	
Southern "		5,300.00	
Southwestern "		2,338.25	
S. Missouri Conf.		500.00	
District of Columbia		600.00	
International Pub. Ass'n		<u>625.00</u>	36,524.15
NEGRO DEPARTMENT:			
Southwestern Union		1,041.00	
Southeastern "		2,848.50	
Southern "		4,651.06	
Oakwood Industrial School		<u>2,335.80</u>	10,876.36
LABORERS:			
Dept. Laborers' Salary Audit 1912		1,271.42	1,271.42
Gen'l Field Laborers' Salary 1913		7,072.22	
" " " Expense "		<u>1,808.47</u>	8,880.69

MISCELLANEOUS:

Five per cent Fund	\$ 28,763.31	
Special Appropriation	37,299.60	
Harvest Ingathering	17,717.77	
Foreign Fields Spl. Appro.	1,532.00	
Missionary Appointees' Sal. & Exp.	9,652.91	
Christian Record	1,841.22	
Gen'l Conference History	1,273.69	
Loma Linda	4,166.67	
Furlough Account	4,526.14	
Echo Pub. Co., (Old Acc.)	5,311.16	
Gen'l Conf. Session Deficit	11,204.35	
Sundry Items, (4,517.31 & 908.28)	<u>5,425.59</u>	130,714.41
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Total Disbursements		550,375.90

SUMMARY

Income for 1913	586,977.11	
Expenses for 1913	<u>550,375.90</u>	
Income over Expenses		36,601.21
Jan. 20, 1913, Balance		<u>171,801.09</u>
January 20, 1914, Present Worth		208,402.30

CASH STATEMENT

Present Worth Jan. 20, 1914	\$208,402.30	
Less Deferred Appro.	1,416.18	
" Com. Accs. Rec.	<u>44,816.99</u>	<u>46,233.17</u>
Net Cash Available for Operating		162,169.13
Trust Funds in Holding		<u>34,499.70</u>
Cash Balance January 20, 1914		196,668.83

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GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 20, 1914.

ASSETS:

Cash on hand		\$196,668.83	
(a)Accounts Receivable		13,206.63	
(b)Conf. and Tract Societies		1,445.79	
Correspondence School		2,329.58	
(c)Notes Receivable		6,201.56	
Gen'l Conf. Bldg.(New Add.)		2,879.96	
Deferred Appropriations		1,416.18	
Loma Linda Hospital		8,039.72	
N. Am. Div. Conf.		6,720.75	
Aust. Union Conf.		8,009.88	
European Division		3,530.94	
London Trans. Agt.		1,631.05	
Publishing Houses		1,319.41	
Inventories			
Gen. Conf. Library	1,538.39		
Stock Room	774.23		
S. S. Dept.	74.55		
Gen. Conf. Sessions	2,000.00		
Mission Board	.80		
Exec. Dept. Salary	247.00		
			<u>2,247.80</u>
			258,035.24

LIABILITIES:

Trust Funds -			
\$300,000 Fund	32,918.71		
Sustentation Fund	2,110.44		
(e)Miscellaneous Fds.	<u>7,513.27</u>	42,541.42	
Accounts Payable -			
(f)Conf.& Tr.Societies	544.19		
(g)Treas.Cr.Checks	1,120.45		
Gen.Conf. Corp.	485.44		
(h)Pub. Houses	1,885.74		
(i)Miscellaneous Accs.	<u>2,147.42</u>	6,183.24	
Adjustments - Mission Board Inv.		<u>908.28</u>	
			<u>49,632.94</u>
Present Worth			208,402.30

TAKOMA PARK, WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 30, 1914

TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS:

This is to certify that I have made a careful examination of the books of account and the vouchers on file for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists covering the last fiscal year, and the attached Revenue Statement and Balance Sheet are correct reports of the condition of business as at the close of January 20, 1914, as revealed by said books of account.

It should be noted that the expenses of the departmental work in Washington are carried down to the date of the closing of the books, while the expense of the general laborers are up to December 31, 1913.

The Correspondence School department has been carried as an expense account.

The following is a statement of the Sustentation Fund for the year:

January 20, 1913, Balance on hand	\$ 3,624.37
Receipts for the year	<u>66,867.15</u>
	70,491.49
Less Disbursements	<u>68,381.05</u>
January 20, 1914, Balance on hand	2,110.44

The accounts of the department are neatly and accurately kept, and the accountants take pride in keeping their records in proper shape.

(Signed) J. J. Ireland,

Auditor.

accepted. VOTED, That the report of the treasurer be

GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION:

The treasurer rendered the financial report of the General Conference Corporation for 1913, and presented the auditor's statement, as follows:--

REVENUE STATEMENT

Of

GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION S. D. A.
For Year Ending December 31, 1913

Income and Gains

Donations		\$ 750.00	
Rents		995.58	
Gen'l Conf. Corp. Fund		3,700.40	
Interest Earned		16,648.37	
Paid	\$6,758.19		
Accrued	9,890.18		
Special Corporation Fund		<u>20,566.72</u>	\$42,661.07

Expenses and Losses

Real Estate		982.62	
Interest		11,760.19	
Paid	6,641.24		
Accrued	5,118.95		
Annuities		1,412.58	
Taxes		964.81	
Current	301.16		
Old	663.65		
Insurance		40.52	
Salary		247.00	
Expense		438.18	
Depreciations		1,103.00	
Buildings	300.00		
Furnishings	803.00		
Special Corporation Fund		<u>3,717.44</u>	<u>20,666.34</u>

Net Gain

21,994.73

Regular
Special Reserve

5,145.45
16,849.28

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION S. D. A.
December 31, 1913.

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RESOURCES		
Cash on hand and in Bank		\$ 42,981.12
Notes and Accounts		255,164.86
Notes Receivable	256,671.56	
Less Reserve for Depreciation	<u>4,310.84</u>	252,360.72
Accounts Receivable		<u>2,804.14</u>
Accrued Interest		9,890.18
Insurance Premiums Enexpired		70.16
- Inventories -		
Real Estate		12,564.20
In District & Maryland		10,841.77
District of Columbia	4,417.58	
Maryland	<u>6,424.19</u>	
In Cuba		909.35
In Dakota		<u>813.08</u>
Buildings		18,798.99
General Conference Office	14,740.77	
Less Reserve for Depreciation	<u>1,300.00</u>	13,440.77
Takoma Park Church Equity		5,358.22
Furnishings		
Office Furniture & Fixtures	3,957.25	
Less Reserve for Depreciation	<u>682.49</u>	3,274.76
Duplicating & Computing Mach.	810.50	
Less Reserve for Depreciation	<u>223.65</u>	586.85
Typewriters	1,888.44	
Less Depreciation Reserve	<u>553.32</u>	1,335.12
Electric Fans		<u>292.94</u>
Total		344,959.18

LIABILITIES		
Notes and Contracts		198,715.02
Notes Payable	169,065.02	
Annuity Contracts	<u>29,650.00</u>	
Certificates of Deposit		7,988.80
Deposit Accounts		66,599.38
Provisions for		
Accrued Interest	5,118.95	
Donation	230.00	
Annuities	<u>283.09</u>	
		<u>278,935.24</u>
Surplus January 1, 1913	44,029.21	
Net Gain for year '13 per Revenue State.	<u>21,994.73</u>	
Surplus December 31, 1913		66,023.94
		<u>344,959.18</u>

Division of Surplus:-

Regular	49,174.66
Special Reserve	<u>16,849.28</u>
	66,023.94

Elder I. H. Evans, President,
Elder W. T. Knox, Treasurer,
General Conference Corporation, S.D.A.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Brethren:

I have completed the audit of the books of account of the General Conference Corporation of S. D. A. for the last fiscal year, and the Revenue Statement and Balance Sheet for this period are attached. They present a correct presentation of the affairs of the Corporation as at the close of December 31, 1913, according to the books of account.

The losses noted in extra taxes and in the Real Estate account come from adjustments that do not belong to the present year.

(Signed) J. J. Ireland, Auditor.

Dated this 30th day of June, 1914.

TAKOMA PARK WASHINGTON, D. C.

VOTED, That the report be accepted.

APPROPRIATIONS:

The Committee continued the study of the calls for appropriations, making minor changes in the calls. Most of the requests for specially new work were cut out, in accordance with the plan of holding through this year just about as matters stand at present.

In the matter of a call for an appropriation of \$487, to meet accounts of M E Emmerson left in South Africa on his return to America, the same being owed to private parties, bringing disrepute upon the cause, it was stated that Brother Emmerson, now engaged in business in Dakota, promises to repay these amounts.

VOTED, That this \$487 be not placed in the appropriation, but that the General Conference advance the amount to South Africa, holding it on the books as an open account here with M E Emmerson.

The budget of appropriations for 1915 was adopted as follows, the West Indian budget being referred for adjustment to W T Knox, W A Spicer, and W W Prescott, in counsel with A J Haysmer:--

Asiatic Division:	
General	\$ 12,069.70
Signs of Times Pub.	4,840.65
China Mis. Tr. School	4,269.60
East China Mission	8,911.96
West China Mission	4,669.71
Central China Mission	20,069.12
South China Mission	24,445.20
Japan Mission	15,683.30
Korea Mission	17,212.31
Philippine Mission	9,017.25
Malaysian Mission	13,164.31
Manchuria	2,602.58
Bahamas Mission	267.00
Brazil Union Conference	11,633.52
Cuban Mission	4,325.00
Hawaiian Mission	1,000.00
Haytien Mission	2,300.00
India Union Mission	66,000.00
Mexican Mission	8,893.19
Porto Rican Mission	1,986.74
South African Union Conference	40,000.00
South American Union Conference	25,000.00
West Indian Union Conference	15,385.78

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Executive Department	\$ 17,000.00
Educational Department	2,500.00
Mis. Vol. Dept.	3,000.00
Medical Department	2,500.00
Publishing Department	2,500.00
Home Mis. Dept.	3,000.00
Sabbath School Dept.	4,000.00
Harvest Ingathering	17,000.00
Mis. Appointee Salary	7,500.00
General Laborers	6,000.00
Gen. Conf. Corporation	25,000.00
Emergency Fund	75,000.00
Special Appropriations	<u>30,000.00</u>
Total	\$508,746.92

GENERAL CONFERENCE FINANCIAL POLICY

The Committee discussed the matter of the General Conference financial policy. The chair asked the treasurer to present the matter. The treasurer explained the need of providing for a suitable working capital to tide over the lean portion of each year, as well as an emergency fund to be available for unforeseen emergencies, or times of crisis when income may be reduced. He also discussed the question of policy in the Corporation, in regard to handling money offered by our people at low interest. Many wish to place money with the General Conference. The treasury felt the need of a thoroughly well-defined policy to work to.

He presented an outline statement which was discussed and adopted as follows:--

1. That a reserve fund, aggregating \$75,000, be set aside as soon as may be practicable, to be invested in guaranteed securities readily convertible into cash, to be known as an Emergency Fund with which to meet a financial crisis, and from which to draw for the carrying forward of the work in case of financial embarrassment to the General Conference. This reserve fund shall not be used in the current work of the General Conference, but be held strictly for an emergency, and when decreased by drafts shall be reimbursed and kept as nearly intact as conditions will allow.

2. That the General Conference preserve a working capital, equal to its administrative expense for three months, this working capital to be the available cash on hand, so that the work in foreign fields will have regular remittances should there be a temporary shortage in receipts.

3. That the General Conference Committee shall appropriate funds from time to time from the General Conference treasury to recoup the General Conference Corporation, not to exceed 10% of the General Conference income, with the understanding that it is the policy of the General Conference Executive Committee that the Corporation does not have to carry obligations which it has no funds to liquidate.

4. That the general policy now followed, of appropriating to mission fields, be continued; that no debts be incurred in mission fields; and that the General Conference shall not be in debt to make good its appropriations.

Pending discussion of the policy of the legal Corporation, the meeting adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 27, 1914

The third meeting of the Council was called at 9 A.M., October 27.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

C.S.Longacre.

Prayer by H S Shaw. Minutes were read.

CORPORATION POLICY:

The treasurer was asked to present the topic of the financial policy of the General Conference Corporation.

The following statement of policy was submitted for discussion:--

1. To hold property for the General Conference (unincorporated), in all parts of the world, in its legitimate fields of activity, where such holdings are permissible by the laws of the country.

2. To receive wills and legacies, from our people everywhere, for the prosecution of the third angel's message in General Conference territory.

3. To receive gifts, for which an annuity is paid, when its Executive Committee feels that said gifts will prove a benefit to the Corporation.

4. That all gifts received, on which annuities are paid, shall be held intact by safe investment till annuity ceases, when said gifts may become available for promoting the work of the General Conference.

5. That it shall not receive loans on which interest is asked other than such sums as are necessary to care for its already existing obligations.

6. That its officers collect outstanding accounts, and that we urge our people and institutions owing said Corporation to liquidate as rapidly as possible.

7. That this Corporation shall not become responsible for any new financial obligation without money in hand with which to meet the responsibility.

8. That this financial policy shall be adhered to by the General Conference Corporation unless otherwise ordered by the General Conference Executive Committee.

On motion to adopt, question was called on each item, and pending final action on the outline, the meeting adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-SECOND MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 28, 1914

The fourth meeting of the Council was called at
9 A M, October 28.

W T Knox was asked to take the chair

Prayer by A J Haysmer. Minutes were read.

GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION POLICY:

The pending motion to adopt the outline submitted
as policy for the Corporation was further considered.

Question was called on the motion, which was adopted.

In order that the Auditors' Convention might make
its report to the North American Division Council, the General
Conference Committee took a recess.

HENDERSON ESTATE:

Following recess, the chair asked counsel regarding
the handling of the estate of the late W S Henderson, willed to the
Colorado Conference for work in the South. The Colorado Conference
has voted to leave the disposition of the matter to the General
Conference.

VOTED, That we refer the matter to the North
American Division Committee on Appropriations.

HARVEST INGATHERING FOR 1915:

The matter of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for
1915 was considered.

C H Jones, in behalf of the Pacific Press, made re-
quest that the Signs weekly or monthly be made the medium for the
1915 campaign.

VOTED, That the next year's medium for the Harvest
Ingathering Campaign be either the Signs Magazine or Weekly.

VOTED, That the Mission Board department secure the
matter for the paper.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 29, 1914

The fifth meeting of the Council was called at 9 A M , October 29, I H Evans in the chair.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

S N Haskell.

Prayer by O A Olsen. Minutes were read.

The Mission Board Agenda Paper was taken up, with the following decisions:--

DETACHED ISLAND AND SPANISH FIELDS:

VOTED, That we ask Elder N Z Town to take supervision of the work in Porto Rico, Haiti, Cuba, Mexico, and detached Spanish fields which are placed under General Conference direction awaiting the time when further organization may be perfected.

COLPORTEURS--CUBA:

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to secure two or three colporteurs for service in the Spanish work in Cuba, with the understanding that later one or two may be called to go forward into Central American fields.

GENERAL AGENT--WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to endeavor to secure a general agent for the West Caribbean Conference, with the understanding that appropriations be made to cover half his salary for 1915.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES:

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to give counsel concerning the relationship of the General and Division Publishing Department secretaries.

Named: W A Spicer, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
C W Flaiz, R A Underwood.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK IN FOREIGN FIELDS:

Prof. M E Kern made a statement concerning the plans for the Young People's Department in foreign fields. It seemed to the Department that much more should be done to strengthen the organization and work for our young people in other lands. In many of these countries the young people come to us from Roman Catholic or even heathen environment, and much more attention should be given to lines of study and literature adapted to their needs.

No action was taken, but the assent of the Committee to the plans outlined was evident.

JAPAN AND KOREA PRINTERS:

VOTED, That the calls from Japan and Korea for a man in each field to act as manager of the publishing house, also to do the work of secretary and treasurer of the mission, be referred to the printing house managers meeting daily in council, for consideration and report.

FURLOUGHS--ASIATIC DIVISION:

The Committee gave consideration to the fact that furloughs were due Elder R F Cottrell and wife, of Central China, and Dr Riley Russell and wife and Miss May Scott, of Korea.

VOTED, That we express appreciation to Elder and Sister Cottrell, of Central China, who have volunteered to defer their furlough for a year and a half on account of the extra pressure upon the work during this year of European war. It is, however, the mind of the Committee that if their associated feel that they really ought to have the furlough at this time to properly conserve their strength, that it would be better for them to take the furlough now, as originally planned.

VOTED, That we concur in the suggestion from the Asiatic Division that Dr Riley Russell and wife and Miss May Scott be granted a furlough.

Inasmuch, however, as Dr Russell had expressed the desire to make his furlough coincide with the meeting of the North American Division Conference, we would call attention to the fact that the North American Division Committee has postponed the holding of that conference until 1917, when it is planned to hold it in connection with the General Conference. This being the case, it is possible that Dr Russell would prefer to postpone the furlough until a later date.

J J WESTRUP'S WORK:

VOTED, That we request the North American Division Committee on Distribution of Labor to take into consideration the location of Elder J J Westrup, who was compelled to return to this country from China on account of Sister Westrup's health.

Requests contained in letters from Prof H R Salisbury, of the India Union Mission, were considered.

DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS FOR INDIA:

VOTED, That the call from India for two division superintendents of experience be referred to the North American Division Committee on Distribution of Labor.

ENGLISH PREACHER FOR INDIA:

VOTED, That the call from India for an English preacher for city work be referred to the same committee.

VERNACULAR TRAINING SCHOOL:

VOTED, That the request from India for a Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the building of a vernacular training school be deferred for the time being, in harmony with the general plan not to inaugurate new building enterprises in this time of extra stress on account of the European war.

DR VINTON SCOTT:

VOTED, That the Mission Board advance transportation to India for Dr Vinton Scott and wife, of Portland, Oregon, who volunteer for self-supporting work and purpose to refund the transportation when their work in India enables them to do so.

Requests contained in letters from Elder W B White, of South Africa, were considered.

MISSION SUPERINTENDENT FOR RHODESIA:

VOTED, That the request for a mission superintendent for Rhodesia be referred to the North American Division Committee on Distribution of Labor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S HOME, RHODESIA:

VOTED, That the matter of an appropriation for a home for the Rhodesian superintendent, in Bulawayo, be referred to the minority quorum of the General Conference Committee, to deal with when the superintendent is secured and the war situation clears.

M A ALTMAN--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we invite Elder M A Altman, of Colorado, to consider an invitation to South Africa, with the plan of going forward to the field when the uncertain situation brought about by the European war seems more favorable.

EVANGELIST--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That the request for a second evangelist for South Africa, with support for one year, be referred to the minority quorum of the Committee for consideration when the war situation is clearer.

PRINTING PRESS--NYASALAND:

VOTED, That we invite the South African Union Conference to renew their request for a small press for Nyasaland a little later, when conditions seem more settled in the mission fields and means of transport can be insured.

STONES FOR MISSIONARY GRAVES:

VOTED, That we authorize the South African Union Conference to erect stones to mark the graves of our missionaries whose burying places are reported not marked by any head stone.

LAKE TITICACA TEACHER:

VOTED, That the call for an additional teacher for the Lake Titicaca Mission, be referred to the minority Board.

MISSION HOMES IN LIMA, PERU:

VOTED, That action on the request for an appropriation for mission homes in Lima, Peru, be deferred for a year, and that in the meantime we ask the South American Union to submit more definite estimates and particulars.

M H SCHUSTER TO BRAZIL:

G F Haffner, of the German Department of the North American Division, recommended M H Schuster, student at Clinton, for work in Brazil.

VOTED, That we invite M H Schuster, of the Clinton German Seminary, to go to Brazil at the close of the school year, in response to the call from Brazil for another evangelist.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES:

VOTED, That Advisory Committees be appointed as follows:--

Porto Rico Mission: Wm Steele (superintendent),
Dr J F Morse, G D Raff (field agent), Rafael Lopez.

Cuba Mission: A N Allen (superintendent), S H
Carnahan, (secretary and treasurer), H C Goodrich, J E Anderson,
A E Doering, A U Cochran (field agent).

Haiti Mission: A F Prieger (superintendent),
E A Curdy, Nord Isaac.

Hawaiian Islands Mission: F H Conway (superintendent)
Robert McKeague, I N Bartholomew.

A J Haysmer presented West Indian Union items.

SALARY RATE IN WEST INDIES:

Elder Haysmer stated that there was considerable agitation in the West Indian fields on the part of native laborers in favor of raising their rate of wage to the North American standard.

VOTED, That we ask the Auditing Committee to frame a statement as to the general basis on which salaries are set in every country.

GUATEMALA AND CENTRAL AMERICA:

Elder Haysmer presented the request from the Central American Conference and the Guatemala and Salvador Mission field to be under General Conference direction, owing to the fact that their lines of communication are much more direct with the United States than with the West Indian Union headquarters.

VOTED, That we concur in the suggestion from the West Indian Union, and grant the request of the Central American Conference and the Guatemala and Salvador Mission, taking these fields under the direct supervision of the General Conference, until some plan of organization of the northern Gulf Spanish fields may be perfected.

CITY EVANGELIST FOR WEST INDIES:

VOTED, That the call for a city evangelist for the large English cities of the West Indian Union be referred to the North American Division Committee on Distribution of Labor.

CHURCH SCHOOLS IN WEST INDIES:

Elder Haysmer asked for counsel as to the proper policy in the mission field for the support of church schools.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to the minority Committee.

Time for adjournment having come, further West Indian topics were deferred and the meeting adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 29, 1914, 2:30 P.M.

The sixth meeting of the Council was a joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the North American Division Committee, called at 2:30 P.M., October 29.

W.T.Knox in the chair.

WASHINGTON SANITARIUM:

The committee appointed by the North American Division Council to study the question of relief of the Washington Sanitarium made the following report:--

"Your committee to suggest financial relief for the Washington Sanitarium would respectfully submit the following:--

"Whereas, The Washington Sanitarium, located on the Sligo, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., was provided because of the removal of the denominational headquarters from Battle Creek, Michigan, to Washington, D.C., and, notwithstanding the incorporators provided a constituency and local Board of Management, the denomination has ever regarded the Sanitarium as a General Conference institution; and,--

"Whereas, At the present time it is greatly embarrassed financially, and from time to time has received large loans from the General Conference Corporation; and,--

"Whereas, Its Board of Management appeals to the General Conference for financial help in liquidating its indebtedness of more than \$180,000; therefore,--

"We recommend, 1. That the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists take title to the real estate, equipment, and all belongings, whether real or personal, of the Washington Sanitarium Association; and,--

"2. Provide for the liquidation of its indebtedness; and,--

"3. That the North American Division Conference provide for the appointment or election of a Board of Management."

After the reading of the report, a recess was taken of the joint meeting, in order to allow the regular Division Council to go on with the discussion of unfinished business on the Agenda Paper.

At 4:30 the Division Council adjourned, and the joint meeting was continued. The report on the Washington Sanitarium was considered, and it was--

VOTED, That the report be adopted.

Adjourned.

W.T.KNOX, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 30

The seventh meeting of the Council was called at 9 A M , October 30. I H Evans in the chair.

Minutes of two previous meetings were read.

J D HAYNES AND C F INNIS TO CUBA:

N Z Town reported names for appointment as col-porteurs in the Spanish fields.

VOTED, That we invite J D Haynes, of Texas, and C F Innis, of Colorado, to go to Cuba, to engage in the colporteur work.

A J Haysmer continued the presentation of West Indian Union items.

Some items of detail were left for counsel with the officers or the minority quorum.

CHURCH SCHOOL POLICY IN MISSION FIELDS:

VOTED, That the request for counsel as to church school policy and support in mission fields be referred to the minority quorum.

INDIAN WORK IN WEST INDIAN UNION:

Calls for work among the Indians of the Guiana interior continue to come. Elder Davis some years ago lost his life in the effort to respond to these calls. The union feel that when work is opened in that wild and unhealthful region two workers should be associated.

VOTED, That we encourage the union conference to continue to keep watch of the openings for work among these Indians, to report plans later when the Mission Board may be better able to make appropriations.

UNION CONFERENCE AND INSTITUTE:

No regular union conference session had been called in the West Indian Union field for five or six years, and without an extra appropriation to help in meeting the expense, it is impossible for these separated island fields to get their delegates and workers together. It is very desirable to hold a union session and workers' institute the coming February or March, on the Canal Zone.

VOTED, That \$1000 be added to the West Indian appropriations to aid in meeting the expense of the coming union session.

HOLDING TITLE TO PROPERTIES GIVEN TO THE CAUSE:

Mission field items having been concluded, the treasurer raised the question as to policy to be pursued in receiving title to properties given for mission work. Should an individual solicitor accept deed to a property in his own name while undertaking the responsibility of handling the property in behalf of missions.

Action was taken as follows:--

Whereas, There are many of our people who desire to make such disposition of their property as will benefit the cause of God; and,--

Whereas, In some instances in seeking to accomplish this, parties have passed deed of property thus devoted to private individuals instead of to the conference or institution designed to be benefitted, thus making it possible, through the uncertainties of life, that the cause might suffer loss; therefore,--

We recommend, That when individuals desire to give real estate to any feature of our denominational work, they be advised to place the title of same in the conference or institution to be benefitted; and that if for any reason this may seem inadvisable, a proper contract for deed or other suitable instrument be executed between the conference or institution and the individual receiving the title, and that all papers pertaining to the transfer be placed in the custody of the interested corporation. Also, that title to all church property be vested in the conference association or in a properly elected board of trustees.

AUSTRALASIA'S GIFT TO EMERGENCY FUND:

The plans of Elder A G Daniells for his further visit in the Far East were stated to the Committee, as outlined in recent letters, his plan being to leave for India next week, to spend the winter in that field. In the spring he may either return by way of the Asiatic Division or by Europe, as conditions may indicate. Elder Daniells reports that the Australasian Union in its recent session voted \$5,000 to the General Conference for the war-time Emergency Fund.

VOTED, That we express to our brethren and sisters of the Australasian Union Conference our hearty thanks for this liberal gift of \$5,000 from their funds, and our sense of appreciation of this another manifestation of their readiness to help in all the world-wide work beyond the borders of their own extensive mission fields; and we assure our brethren in Australasia of our thankfulness to God that he has so signally blessed and prospered the work committed to their hands.

Adjourned.

I H. EVANS, Chairman.

W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 3, 1914

The eighth meeting of the Council was called at 9 A M , November 3. I H Evans in the chair.

Prayer by S N Haskell. Minutes of previous meeting were read.

The Committee on Distribution of Labor made a report, on which action was taken as follows:--

C A BURMAN TO SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That the West Canadian Union be requested to release Elder C A Burman, to labor in South Africa, at the close of the school year.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT ITEMS

The Publishing Department made a report, the following recommendations of the department being adopted:--

We recommend, The Council of the General Conference to appoint a committee on foreign literature, especially on the question of what subscription, home-workers, and trade books should be translated, and we further suggest that the following individuals be members of this committee:--

N Z Town, W W Eastman, O A Olsen, L R Conradi, R L Pierce, H H Hall, I A Ford, S N Curtiss, L W Graham, L H Christian, S Mortensen, J H Shilling, J C Raft.

In order that our standard literature may represent as nearly as possible the position and aims of this great advent movement,--

We recommend, 1. That the publishing committees of our leading publishing houses arrange for the necessary revisions of this literature, in order,--

(a) That any errors which may exist may be corrected.

(b) That all statistical matter may be brought up to date.

(c) That historical matter may be made as strong and reliable as possible.

2. That as far as possible all corrections and revisions be arranged for with the authors of their representatives; but when on account of the death of the author or for any other reason the corrections and revisions cannot be arranged for in this way, that the publishing committee make other arrangements for the revisions, placing in the preface of the book a statement regarding the manner in which the corrections and revisions were made.

M D WOOD'S CHILDREN:

The sub-committee on the support of the children of M D Wood, of India, in Union College, made the following report:--

"Your committee finds upon investigation that the school expenses of Elder M D Wood's children in Union College for the years of 1911-12 and 1912-13 have been met by the General, Central Union, and Nebraska Conferences, each paying one third; that the expenses for the past year and for this current year are not provided.

"We would recommend that the treasurer be instructed to remit to Union College for last year's expenses and also for this current year. We would further recommend that I H Evans, W T Knox, W A Spicer, J L Shaw, and Frederick Griggs be a committee to make a study of this question of the education of the children of our workers in foreign fields, and to suggest a policy to be followed by us in dealing with this and similar cases in the future."

The report was adopted.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That Frederick Griggs and W E Howell be added to the Missionary Volunteer Department Committee.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 8, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W B White, W W Prescott,
F Griggs, N Z Town, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, J L Shaw,
M E Kern, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F W Paap,
F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

Geo F Crawford, Bermuda:

The teacher of the Bermuda Islands school having returned to this country ill, it was felt necessary to find some one to continue the work there at once. On recommendation of the Educational Department of the North American Division, it was--

VOTED, That Geo F Crawford, of Tennessee, be invited to take up school work in the Bermuda Islands.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS COLPORTEUR:

A letter was received from Sister Macmillan, of Vancouver, giving reply to an invitation for her and her husband to go to the Hawaiian Islands. On report that their health was not very strong, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother and Sister W M Macmillan from the invitation to go to the Hawaiian Islands, and that we request the North American Division Publishing Department to endeavor to secure an experienced bookman, to engage in self-supporting book work in Honolulu and the islands.

ROBERT McKEAGUE:

VOTED, That we grant Robert McKeague, of the Hawaiian Islands Mission ministerial license.

CLARENCE HALL--JAPAN:

On recommendation of the Publishing Department, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Clarence Hall, of the Pacific Press, to make Japan his field of labor, responding to the call for a printer.

S W VAN TRUMP--KOREA:

VOTED, That we invite S W Van Trump, of the Review and Herald, to make Korea his field of labor, responding to the call for a printer.

MALAYSIA MISSION CALLS:

A letter was read from Elder F A Detamore, of the Malaysia Mission, reporting the urgent need of three workers, one to lead out in the work in Battakland, Sumatra, where now permission has been secured for a foreigner to enter. The other two are sorely needed for Java, where the workers at present in charge must be relieved. The Malaysia Mission feels that it can undertake the support of two of these men without increasing the budget, and that even the third may be added without asking for additional appropriations, if the appointment is not made until toward the middle of next year.

Under the considerations, it was--

VOTED, That we endeavor to secure the three new workers called for by the Malaysia Mission, the secretary to take up negotiations and correspondence to this end.

Study of the calls for help from South Africa was further continued.

W S HYATT:

VOTED, That we inform the South African Union that if at any time it seems wise for Elder W S Hyatt to make a change in his field of labor that we will welcome Elder Hyatt to America, and be ready to cooperate in every way possible in finding him a place of service in the work on this side.

H J EDMED:

A letter was read from Elder H J Edmed, suggesting that he really felt that after the many years of service in that one field he might well be given a change of field.

Considering Elder Edmed's experience as an evangelist, the Committee took the following action:--

VOTED, That we take under consideration the question of securing Elder Edmed to answer the urgent calls from India for experienced city evangelists to work in their great cities, where the public services are conducted in the English, it being understood that negotiations toward such transfer will have to await a settling down of the present disturbed conditions owing to the war.

J J WESTRUP

VOTED, That the General Conference continue the support of Elder J J Westrup, formerly of China, for nine months, from October 1, and that we ask the North American Division Conference to arrange to place him in the work during this time.

W F HILLS:

A letter was received from Elder W F Hills, reporting that he had returned to this country.

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to continue the support of Elder W F Hills for three months, from the time his support was discontinued by the China Mission, and that we advise Brother Hills to take up some line of secular employment.

HYMN BOOKS:

A proposition was submitted from F E Belden regarding rights to the use of hymns written by him, provided a revision of the hymn books was intended.

VOTED, That in view of the fact that the recent North American Division council has just decided not to revise either "Hymns and Tunes" or "Christ in Song," but to continue their use as at present, we do not see the necessity of investing further in these books.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman,
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 9, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W C White, G B Thompson,
N Z Town, Mrs L Flora Plummer, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, M E Kern,
W W Prescott, E R Palmer, F Griggs, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen.

Prayer by W B White.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That the following changes be made in the Publishing Department Committee:--

V O Cole in place of C J Tolf; D W Dillon in place of V O Cole; and that J H McEachern and J H Wilcox be added to the committee.

W A COLCORD:

On request from the North American Division Conference, it was--

VOTED, That an appropriation of \$800 be made to the Atlantic Union Conference, on condition that arrangements are made by that union for Elder W A Colcord to engage in labor in their territory.

W D SALISBURY:

A request was presented from the North American Division Conference regarding the support of W D Salisbury, for many years engaged in our publishing work, and until lately business manager of the Loma Linda Sanitarium. On account of the change there, and the impossibility for the present of removing his wife from Southern California on account of her health, the question of locating him had been difficult. In the meantime it was desired not to leave him without support.

VOTED, That we comply with the request of the North American Division, agreeing to share with the Pacific Union Conference in the support of W D Salisbury until arrangements can be made for his future work.

SISTER E G WHITE'S BOOKS:

Brother W G White presented before the Committee work which had been going forward in recent years on manuscripts for foreign editions of Sister White's works. Efforts had been made to make compilations and to abbreviate some of the larger works with a view to providing for the needs in foreign countries where the large works could not well be issued. Brother White presented before the Committee copies of manuscripts as follows:--

"Patriarchs and Prophets," "Desire of Ages," and "Great Controversy" in abbreviated form; also "Early Writings" combined with "Experience and Views," and a study on "Spiritual Gifts," made up with special reference to the needs in the Orient.

A manuscript for an edition of "Early Writings" had also been prepared by representatives of the Foreign Department, looking toward providing something especially for the Scandinavian and German languages.

A request had come from Europe for a revision of the book "Health and Temperance."

During the last year or so some of our foreign workers on furlough, Elder Munson, of Malaysia, Elder James, of South India, and Brother Burgess, of North India, had spent considerable time on these manuscripts, as well as the workers engaged in Sister White's office. It was felt important to prepare these materials at this time.

It was a fact, however, that this class of books could hardly be expected to bring much in the way of financial returns. It had been the desire of those associated with Sister White that books in the main European tongues that might have a good circulation should be so handled as to allow the profit arising from them to help carry the expense of those less promising financially.

In this work of preparing Sister White's writings for future service and usefulness no little expense had been involved. Brother White reported that there was need of further funds just now in handling the business, and made request that the General Conference Corporation make another loan to Sister E G White of from \$5,000 to \$8,000.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of seven, himself to be one, to make recommendation in this matter.

Named: W T Knox, W A Spicer, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, N Z Town, E R Palmer, I H Evans.

CUBA CHURCH:

VOTED, That we appropriate \$25.00 to the Cuba Mission, authorizing the Mission to invest the same in a union church enterprise at Santa Clara.

EUGENE LELAND'S RATE:

VOTED, That we authorize Elder Eugene Leland, of the Bermuda Islands, to draw a salary at the rate of \$17.00 per week.

DR LAW KEEMZ-CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend the Asiatic Division to allow the time of Dr Law Keem while in the United States on furlough the extension of his furlough period being understood at the time between the Mission Board and the Asiatic Division superintendent.

DR CAVE--WEST INDIES:

VOTED, That by appropriation to the West India Union we release Dr Chas Cave, of Barbados, from the account of \$400 held against him on our books, the same being aid supplied in securing his medical education, it being reported from the West Indies that Dr Cave is doing good work and cooperating in every possible way with the union missionary endeavors.

CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That ministerial credentials be issued to J B Stuyvesant and Isaac Baker, of Central American, which field, beginning January 1 will come under General Conference direction.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

NINETY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 10, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W C White, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, F Griggs, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Mrs L Flora Plummer, M E Kern, J L Shaw, N Z Town, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

SISTER E G WHITE'S PUBLISHING WORK:

The committee appointed in the former session made the following report:--

"Your committee appointed to consider the propositions of Elder W C White, concerning the bringing out of various books of his mother's writings, financing the same, and his suggestion of a loan of from \$5,000 to \$8,000 to place some of his mother's books on the market, and to help meet existing obligations against his mother's estate, would respectfully submit the following:--

"Whereas, Elder W C White has made a financial statement to Elder W T Knox, treasurer of the General Conference, concerning the assets and liabilities of his mother's estate, showing an increase during the last year of some \$15,000 in liabilities, bringing the present indebtedness of the estate up to about \$75,000; and,--

"Whereas, Elder White has the manuscripts in preparation for quite a number of books, some of which give little evidence of bringing returns to the estate in the near future; and,

"Whereas, Elder White has asked advice in regard to placing these books in print and on the market; and further,--

"Whereas, He has asked for a loan of from \$5,000 to \$8,000 to help finance the same and to meet obligations against his mother's estate, your committee would respectfully recommend the following:--

"1. That while the General Conference Executive Committee has a strong desire to see the writings of Sister E G White printed in many languages for the instruction and upbuilding of our denominational work, yet it does not believe this should be done contrary to the financial policy again and again announced by the General Conference, that everything connected with the Lord's work should be carried on on a cash basis.

"2. That neither the General Conference, the North American Division Conference, nor any institution or corporation of the denomination can be in any way held responsible financially for the indebtedness of the estate of Sister E G White.

"3. That the Executive Committee of the General Conference feels anxiously concerned at the increasing indebtedness of the estate, and would make a friendly suggestion to those managing said estate, that henceforward they endeavor to conduct its affairs on a cash basis, in harmony with the accepted financial policy of the General Conference.

"4. That, in order to relieve the estate of increasing indebtedness, we would suggest that arrangements be made with our publishing houses and mission fields to put out, at their own expense, such works as are thought advisable to be placed upon the market by those in charge of the respective fields.

"5. That all manuscripts prepared for circulation in mission territory be arranged for by the General Conference Executive Committee, and that the cost of preparing such manuscripts be borne by the General Conference.

"6. That we suggest, if expedient, that office expense and clerical help in the preparation of these manuscripts be minimized.

"7. That, in harmony with the action of the General Conference Executive Committee at its late session, that the General Conference or the General Conference Corporation should not borrow money to reloan, we do not see how it would be consistent for us to make an additional loan, as requested; and in order to bring in ready money with which to liquidate existing obligations, we suggest that book plates could possibly be sold to our leading publishing houses on terms that would afford relief to the estate."

VOTED, That the report of the committee be adopted.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDREDTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 18, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, J L Shaw,
M E Kern, Dr H W Miller, N Z Town, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman,
F M Wilcox, T E Bowen,

Prayer by W W Prescott.

H H VOTAW:

A letter was presented from Elder E K Slade, of the Ohio Conference, making request that they be allowed to utilize the services of Elder H H Votaw while on furlough. Elder Slade desired to give him light work in Columbus, and reported that Dr Harding, his medical adviser, would consent to his undertaking light duties. The Ohio Conference proposed to add as necessary to his furlough rate.

VOTED, That we agree to the proposition from the Ohio Conference that they be allowed to utilize the services of Elder H H Votaw, under counsel with Dr Harding, making such arrangements as they feel necessary for any extra expense he may be put to in carrying out the plans.

MISS MINNIE MARTIN:

Word was received from Porto Rico that Miss Martin, who was sent to Porto Rico to respond to a call from a sugar concern that desired a visiting nurse on their estate, had found on arriving there that a change of management had changed the plans, so that Miss Martin was having to go out into regular line nursing. She had made no complaint concerning the matter, but felt that she would better earn the money and return to this country. As she went forward in good faith, it was---

VOTED, That we suggest to Porto Rico that they may be able to utilize the services of Miss Martin in their mission work to good advantage, and if not, that we feel her return passage should be paid by the Mission, provided she desires to return to the United States.

MISSIONARY RECRUITS FROM AUSTRALIA:

The Board considered the following action taken by the Australasian brethren at their recent conference:--

"Whereas, A large number of young people are now in training in this field and there is prospect of the supply continuing; and,--

"Whereas, This union possesses excellent facilities for the training of young people for every line of mission activity; and,--

"Whereas, The population of this union is so small that it will be impossible to find outlet for the tide of promising young people offering themselves for service in the cause; therefore,--

"Resolved, That we lay before the General Conference Committee the suggestion that they make this field a recruiting ground for workers for the Asiatic Division, India, and Africa."

In response to this resolution the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That we express to the brethren of the Australasian Union our appreciation of their action in throwing wide open the way for the Mission Board to call on the young people of Australasia for missionary service in fields beyond the Union borders, and we assure them that we shall hope to call more frequently in the future for just such young people as in the past have gone out from Australasia to do strong and faithful service in the Asiatic and other missions; and we ask the Union officers to keep us informed as to available recruits, giving particulars as to experience, qualifications, and fitness for various lines of work or special fields.

AUSTRALASIA AND BOOK WORK IN ASIA:

Further action was reported from the Australasian Union Conference as follows:--

"Whereas, The population of this Union is so small, and we have a well equipped publishing house possessing facilities for the production of our high class books,--

"Voted, That we request the General Conference to set apart the Asiatic Division and the India Mission as subscription book territory for the Signs Publishing Company, Ltd., provided the representatives of the General Conference in those fields are agreeable.

"Voted, That we request Pastor Daniells to present to the brethren in the India Mission and the Asiatic Division the above resolution, and if the proposition meets with a favorable response from the India brethren, that he endeavor to appoint a meeting of the superintendent of the India Mission, the president of the Asiatic Division, and the president of the Australasian Union Conference, somewhere in the Asiatic Division, to complete details."

Considerable time was devoted to the discussion of this proposition, and the following action was taken in response:--

VOTED, That in the matter of the suggestion that the English book business of the India Union Mission and the Asiatic Division be assigned to the Australasian Publishing House, provided those fields are favorable, the Committee gives counsel as follows:--

We appreciate the fact that the Australasian House possesses facilities for producing a large volume of publications; we would rejoice to see its output extended, and gladly cooperate to that end; our repeated experience, however, is adverse to the idea of encouraging any of our union publishing houses to establish branch offices in other unions or divisions

It has seemed everywhere to work to the best advantage of the cause when the local field organization operates its own publishing department, securing its books from the source that may best serve the interests of the field.

The Committee does, however, look with favor upon the policy of encouraging the India Union Mission and the Asiatic Division to draw colporteurs from the near-by Australasian Union for the work of the English-speaking portions of those fields.

PUBLISHING HOUSES AND FOREIGN PERIODICAL ORDERS:

The brethren in Australasia having asked counsel regarding the general plan of handling the periodical business between conference tract societies and foreign publishing houses from whom members might wish to order publications, the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That, while the general plan of operating leaves the periodical business with each publishing house to supply orders direct or through conference tract societies, we favor the plan of leaving it open to any remote union conference to arrange its system of ordering and billing periodicals in whatever way may seem most advantageous to those in charge,

subject to the general business rule that bills shall be rendered to the party ordering, so that invoices may be promptly checked and mistakes in filling orders quickly remedied; and with this in view we would suggest that conference tract societies in Australasia order through the union office or the union publishing house, the union sending on the order and receiving bill therefor, or that tract societies be authorized to order direct of foreign houses, receiving bill direct, the latter method being the one generally followed.

MINISTERIAL READING COURSE:

Prof. J.L. Shaw, secretary of the Educational Department, presented the following report, being recommendations of a sub-committee on the shaping of the Ministerial Reading Course:--

For the continuation of the Ministerial Reading Course, we recommend:--

1. That a suitable sequence of reading for the next four years be kept in mind, with a view to issuing a certificate at the end of five years, including 1914, following the issuance of annual credit cards.
2. That the sequence of reading follow these general lines: History, Science, and Homiletics, Missions, Devotional, or Educational.
3. That the books be definitely selected for only one year at a time.
4. That for 1915 we offer "Medical Science of Today," "Gospel Workers," "History of the Ancient World," by Goodspeed.
5. That we combine the journal Christian Education with the book offers as a part of the course, with a view to making it the medium of promoting the course and of assisting the readers with notes and supplementary matter of a nature to strengthen the course.
6. That we add "The Minister as Shepherd," by Jefferson, if the total cost for the course can be kept within five dollars.
7. That we add an optional list of books for those who desire to do wider reading, designating the regular work as Required Reading, and the supplementary work as Optional Reading; that in the latter be included one book on health and two on history.

VOTED, That the report be adopted.

OUTLINE OF MISSIONS:

A request had been presented from the Educational Department, also from the Missionary Volunteer Department, that the booklet, "Outline of Missions," published by the Mission Board, be brought up to date, for use by teachers and Volunteer societies.

VOTED, That we accede to this request, bringing out a new edition of "Outline of Missions," and that the work be assigned to the Washington College Press.

COMMITTEE ON MAPS:

Professor Kern, of the Missionary Volunteer Department, presented a request for consideration of the propriety of getting out a series of outline maps for use by the societies in mission study.

VOTED, That M E Kern, W E Howell, W A Spicer be a committee to consider the matter.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That Dr W C Dunscombe be appointed a member of the General Conference Medical Department Committee, in place of Dr H J Williams.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FIRST MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 2, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, F Griggs,
N Z Town, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also
T E Bowen, L A Hansen, W W Eastman, W E Howell.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

The following persons were placed under provisional appointment:--

Miss Della Burroway, on furlough from India.

Elder C.B.Achenbach and wife, the treasurer and secretary to arrange allowance.

Miss Hazel Stout, subject to counsel from J L Shaw, W T Knox, W A Spicer.

Miss Lipkaman, of Denver, Colorado, on condition that medical examination is satisfactory.

W W EASTMAN--PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That W W Eastman be appointed assistant secretary of the General Conference Publishing Department.

MANUSCRIPTS FOR FOREIGN TRANSLATIONS:

VOTED, That Miss Pauline Schilberg, on furlough from China, be asked to give some time to the examination of manuscripts prepared for abridged editions of some of Sister White's works in mission fields, Miss Schilberg having had good editorial experience in China and being competent to give counsel from the Chinese standpoint.

VOTED, That we ask G F Enoch, on furlough from India, to spend a month or six weeks following the school year in working with Sister White's helpers on a manuscript for a work on Christian Temperance, for publication in mission fields, it being understood that Elder Enoch will receive full pay during the time spent on this work.

DR A G LARSON--CHINA:

On information from Elder R C Porter, of the Asiatic Division, it was--

VOTED, That we concur in the recommendation of the brethren in China, that Dr A G Larson be relieved from work in China on account of ill health.

VOTED, That the officers be instructed to find a secretary and treasurer for Central China, to take the place of Dr A G Larson.

PRINTER FOR KOREA

Report was made on the medical examination of S W Van Trump and wife, invited to Korea. The report being unfavorable in Mrs Van Trump's case, it was--

VOTED, That the officers be asked to investigate the qualifications of others, and to act as soon as practicable.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That Joseph Mills be made a member of the Educational Department Committee, in place of George Teasdale, both of Australia.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 3, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town, M E Kern, F Griggs, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, W W Eastman, W E Howell.

W A COLCORD'S WORK:

Information was presented from Elder R D Quinn, of the Atlantic Union, reporting that it seemed impossible for the Southern New England Conference to accept the labors of Elder W A Colcord unless the appropriation made by the General Conference at the time of the autumn council could be extended somewhat to include his full support and transportation.

Under the circumstances, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to increase the appropriation sufficiently to give Elder Colcord a rate of \$18 per week, and to move him to the field, provided the arrangement for him to connect with the Southern New England Conference is carried through.

MISS GRAHAM--CONVENTION WORK:

On suggestion from members of the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Miss E M Graham to attend the conventions at Nashville and Takoma Park.

OUTLINE MAPS:

M E Kern, of the Missionary Volunteer Department, reported for the sub-committee appointed to give consideration to the preparation of a series of outline maps for use in mission studied in the Young People's Societies.

It was agreed by the Educational Department that these maps might be of great service in the school work generally.

VOTED, That we invite the Review and Herald to get out a series of ten wall maps, on paper, and that M E Kern, F Griggs, W E Howell, and W A Spicer be a committee to arrange for this work.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 10, 1914

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, B G Wilkinson, W W Prescott,
Dr H W Miller, Mrs L Flora Plummer, J L Shaw, N Z Town, E R Palmer,
C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F W Paap, T E Bowen,
Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by F W Paap.

MRS ALMEDA NELSON:

VOTED, That the rate for Mrs Almeda Nelson, in
the Bible work in the Bahama Islands, be fixed at \$9.00 per week.

INCA UNION MISSION WAGE RATES:

The treasurer presented a communication from Elder
J W Westphal, of the South American Union, passing on reports
received, mainly from the workers in Bolivia and Peru, telling of
the extraordinary increase in expenses since the war broke out,
and of former difficulties experienced in maintaining proper con-
ditions on salary rates fixed. It was understood that in Bolivia
and Peru, and possibly Ecuador, where nearly all the territory is
high mountain tableland, expenses have been found very high, owing
to the fact that little is manufactured or produced of the common
necessaries of life, with high tariff on importations.

It was felt by the Committee that we could not
allow our brethren in these fields to become discouraged and leave
the field on account of the difficulty in supporting their families.
It was therefore,--

VOTED, That we authorize the South American Union
to increase the wage rates in the Inca Union Mission from ten to
fifteen per cent in such cases as appear advisable to make adjust-
ments.

RELIEF ALLOWANCE:

VOTED, That in view of the extra heavy pressure
that some of the workers with families have been under during this
war time, we authorize the treasury to make a special emergency

remittance of from \$25.00 to \$50.00 to the several workers with families whose wage has not been fixed on the basis of a family rate.

CREDENTIALS:

VOTED, That papers be issued as follows to workers in the detached mission fields that have been taken under direct General Conference supervision:--

Cuba, ministerial credentials to A N Allen, J E Anderson, H C Goodrich; and missionary license to A U Cochran, H A Robinson, Mrs Mildred Anderson, Mrs A F Burgos, S H Carnahan, Mrs Ida Fischer Carnahan, Pedro Cruz, C F Innis, J D Haynes.

In Porto Rico, missionary license to C N Moulton.

In Haiti, ministerial credentials to Albert F. Prieger; ministerial license to Michael Nord Isaac; and missionary license to Arioste Pean, Mrs M E Prieger, Jules Jean Baptiste.

FIELD AGENT FOR SOUTH AFRICA:

N Z Town, of the Publishing Department, presented a communication from the South African Union, reporting that Brother G H Clark, their field agent, had resigned from the work, making it necessary that a new agent be appointed. It was felt impossible to secure the kind of a man wanted in South Africa, and request was made for a man from outside.

VOTED, That the Publishing Department be authorized to secure a field agent for the South African Union Conference.

MRZ R S GREAVES:

A letter was received from Mrs R S Greaves, wife of Elder Greaves, superintendent of the Sierra Leone Mission, West Africa. At the time the war broke out she was visiting friends, and is now waiting for the situation to clear, anxious to return to the West Coast, to rejoin her husband. She wrote suggesting that if while she is waiting she could get the benefit of some experience at the Washington Dispensary, she would be very pleased.

It was felt by the Committee that it would be a profitable thing in strengthening her for her work if she could have the privilege of a month or six weeks at the Dispensary while waiting for sailing schedules to settle.

VOTED, That under the circumstances we place Mrs R S Greaves under the provisional appointment plan in the Seminary Department for some weeks, suggesting that she be given special opportunities in the city dispensary work.

B R OWEN--KOREA:

Further consideration was given to the question of a printer for Korea, who should act also as secretary and treasurer, and it was--

VOTED, That we invite the Pacific Union and the Loma Linda Board to release Brother B R Owen, of the Loma Linda printing office, and that Brother Owen be invited to make Korea his field of labor.

R J BROWN--CENTRAL CHINA:

A former meeting having authorized the selection of a secretary and treasurer for the Central China Mission, several names were considered.

VOTED, That we invite the Columbia Union and the District of Columbia Conference to release Brother R J Brown, secretary of the District Conference, and that we invite Brother Brown to make China his field of labor.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

VOTED, That we request the Sabbath School Department to take for the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering on the thirteenth Sabbath of the second quarter of 1915, the Northern Spanish mission fields which are under direct General Conference supervision, the fields being Porto Rico, Haiti and San Domingo, Cuba, Mexico, Guatemala and Salvador, and the Central American Conference.

VOTED, That we invite the Sabbath School Department to take as the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the third quarter of 1915, the mission fields of Rhodesia, which are being constituted by the South African Union a new union mission field, occupying the vast territory of Rhodesia on both sides of the Zambesi River, and including the following mission stations: Barotseland, Glendale, Solusi, and Tsungwasi.

VOTED, That in view of the efforts of the Asiatic Division to open new provinces, we request the Sabbath School Department to take as the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the last quarter of 1915, the support of the work for one year in the newly opened Manchuria and West China mission fields, including also the support of the work in the East China mission.

WORD OF COUNSEL RE WAR SITUATION:

In view of the fact that our publications go to many countries, and in view of the fact that sometimes with the best endeavor statements made by workers are not accurately reported in the newspaper press, it was felt by the Committee that it might be an good season to pass on a suggestion of caution to the workers generally.

VOTED, That we ask the Chairman to write a letter to the field, advising the need of caution and care in speaking and writing regarding issues developed by the European war.

M A ALTMAN--SOUTH AFRICA:

Owing to the unrest in South Africa, it had been felt that possibly we would not urge the release of Elder M A Altman until the war situation cleared.

On receipt, however, of word from South Africa that the situation seems quiet, and the need great, it was--

VOTED, That the secretary be instructed to take up negotiations looking toward the release of Elder M A Altman and his going to the field at an early date, if arrangements can be made.

VISIT TO CUBA:

VOTED, That we recommend that N Z Town make a visit to Cuba following the Nashville Publishers' Convention, and that we authorize the treasurer to arrange, if possible, for Brother S E McNeill, of the Finance Commission, to visit Cuba at the same time, to audit their books and aid in arranging for the keeping of their accounts.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 17, 1914

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, E R Palmer,
A J Haysmer, C S Longacre, W W Prescott, W A Spicer; also W W
Eastman, L A Hansen, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

Prayer by A. J Haysmer.

The meeting was called particularly to consider
West Indian Union matters with Elder Haysmer, who was passing
through, to sail from New York.

WEST INDIAN PRINTER:

In response to the request for the consideration
of the name of Albert Baker, of Ohio, as a second printer to
assist in the West Indian Union publishing house, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the field to investigate the
possibility of securing a second helper from among the believers
in the West Indies, together with the consideration as to
whether the business of the office can properly bear the salary
of an experienced American printer.

WEST INDIAN UNION MEETING:

The Committee recognized the extra expense that
would be involved in the calling of a union conference session
during this time when increased fares prevail; but on the other
hand, it was felt that in the interests of the work the repre-
sentative laborers should be called together, if possible, the
recent autumn council have provided a special appropriation of a
thousand dollars to assist in meeting the expense. It was
therefore--

VOTED, That we recommend the union officers to go
forward with the arrangements for holding a union conference
session.

WEST INDIAN EVANGELIST:

HELP AT UNION MEETING:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to arrange, if possible, for Elder G B Thompson to attend the West Indian Union meeting and workers' institute.

VOTED, That we ask Elder W T Knox to attend the union conference and institute.

VOTED, That, in harmony with the advice given at the time of the autumn council, we ask Elder M E Kern to plan to attend the local meetings of the West Indian Union, also the union session.

RELIEF--OBERG:

In consideration of the fact that Mrs S A Oberg has been having a very serious time with sickness, which requires special care, and has brought special expense upon the family in their effort to prevent the necessity of a return to a northern climate,--

VOTED, That a special appropriation of \$75.00 be made to S A Oberg, of Venezuela, on account of Sister Oberg's ill health.

It was further agreed by the Committee that the question of Brother S A Oberg's future movements should be left for the West Indian Union to give him counsel, with the understanding that if it seems necessary for Sister Oberg to return to the States the General Conference will cooperate in placing them in whatever portion of the field they desire to reach.

B E CONNERLY--VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That, in case Brother and Sister S A Oberg are compelled to return from Venezuela, we suggest to the West Indian Union that Elder B E Connerly and wife, now on furlough, be considered for appointment to the Venezuelan work.

WEST INDIAN EVANGELIST:

Further consideration was given to the call from the West Indian Union for an evangelist to labor in the large cities. On account of the special pressure during this year of the European war, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the West Indian Union to defer urging this need for the present.