

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTIETH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 2, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Danielis, I H Evans, W T Knox, R C Porter,
G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson, M E Kern, C S Longacre, F Griggs,
Dr H W Miller, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox,
Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

R B THURBER:

A letter was received from Professor R B Thurber, of Burma, saying that he was sailing, under medical counsel on account of his wife's health, and would reach America some time in January.

It was understood that the Lake Union would be glad to have Brother Thurber unite with them in the work on his arrival. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we recommend Professor R B Thurber to the division Conference for work in this country wherever it may be possible to arrange on his arrival.

C U B A:

The resignation of A N Allen as superintendent of the Cuban Mission was presented.

While appreciating the good work Elder Allen has done in Cuba, the Committee agreed with his decision that it would be better for a new appointment to be made for the superintendency there.

VOTED, That the resignation of A N Allen as superintendent of the Cuban Mission be accepted.

VOTED, That A N Allen be requested to remain in Cuba, to engage in evangelistic work.

J E BOND--CUBA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of Elder J E Bond, of Arizona, provided it is possible for him to accept the call to the superintendency of the Cuba Mission.

CUBAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Advisory Committee of the Cuban Mission be constituted as follows: The superintendent, the secretary, the general agent, the school principal, and A N Allen, J E Anderson, H C Goodrich, and A E Doering.

CANVASSERS FOR CUBA:

In response to counsel regarding the securing of canvassers from some of the schools for vacation scholarship canvassing in Cuba, it was--

VOTED, That we notify the Cuban Mission that they must meet all bills for transportation of canvassers, and that their plans must be shaped accordingly.

FORREST WASHBURN--CUBA:

The Cuban Mission having reported that Brother Forrest Washburn, of Philadelphia, was desirous of canvassing in Cuba, it was--

VOTED, That we agree to pay the transportation of Brother Forrest Washburn to Cuba, the same to be an addition to the Cuban Mission budget.

SALVADOR:

A letter from J L Brown, superintendent of Salvador, reported that a worker formerly with the Baptists, and before that an ex-bishop of the Roman church, had accepted the truth, and was thoroughly in earnest and apparently well established in it. Brother Brown appealed that he be authorized to engage the brother to assist him in the work.

In studying the budget for Salvador, it was seen that there were some calls agreed to that might be postponed, and it was--

VOTED, That the Salvador Mission be authorized to employ the new brother at a bare living wage while he is getting acquainted with the truth more thoroughly and proving himself in the work, the rate of remuneration to be \$10 per week.

NURSES FOR PORTO RICO:

On call from Porto Rico, suggesting that further nurses could be utilized, it was--

VOTED, That if the Porto Rico Mission is prepared to pay the transportation of the nurses out of their budget, and to meet their support, the Committee will agree to find the nurses

H A I T I:

A F Prieger, of Haiti, made request for permission to employ a young Haitien who is just finishing his school work at Huntsville this year.

VOTED, That the Haitien Mission be authorized to employ the young man from Huntsville, provided the budget as voted at the autumn council will allow them to do so.

SECRETARY TO THE WEST INDIES:

VOTED, That the secretary of the Committee be advised to join the West Indian Union Conference Committee in their council meetings in February, on the Canal Zone, visiting other portions of the West Indian field while abroad.

C P MARTIN:

G W Caviness, superintendent of the Mexico Mission, recommended that Brother C P Martin, of the Mexico Mission, be allowed \$10 per week audit for 1915, and that his rate be set at \$14 for 1916, so that his time can be given more fully to evangelistic work.

VOTED, That the rates be fixed accordingly, with the understanding that the Mexican budget as voted at the autumn council will be made to cover this item for 1916.

E W SNYDER:

A letter was received from Elder E W Snyder, enclosing medical certificates, certifying that neither he nor Sister Snyder were in physical condition to accept the call to Southern Mexico. Brother Snyder requested that he be allowed to change his occupation for a time, so as to secure the rest and out of door life recommended. After something over twenty years of work in the Spanish fields he felt the need of this.

VOTED, That Elder E W Snyder be released from the call to Mexico, and that under the circumstances we ask that he be placed on the Sustentation Fund for one year, at a rate of \$10 per week.

G F ENOCH:

The treasurer asked counsel regarding the furlough rate of Elder G F Enoch during the last year.

Inasmuch as Brother Enoch had been subject to call here and there in camp meeting work and other work since his return to this country, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to credit G F Enoch with the difference between his furlough allowance as formerly voted, and the regular wage.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 11, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, J L Shaw, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also T E Bowen, W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, F W Paap, R E Harter, G F Enoch.

DEATH OF PROF H R SALISBURY:

The meeting was called to consider the steps to be taken in behalf of the India Union Mission, now that the lapse of time brings assurance that Brother H R Salisbury must have lost his life in the sinking of the steamship "Persia," on December 30, 1915, while en route to India from Marseilles.

Prayer was offered by several in behalf of the work and workers in India, especially remembering Sister Salisbury. Divine guidance was also asked in considering the situation of the India work.

M N CAMPBELL:

After canvassing the situation, it was--

VOTED, That we invite Elder M N Campbell, of the East Canadian Union, to take the presidency of the India Union Mission, and that we request the North American Division to arrange for his release provided it is found possible for him to accept the call.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 18, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, M E Kern,
F Griggs, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, F M Wilcox,
T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

NORTHERN LATIN FIELDS:

Consideration was given to the need of supervising help in the Northern Latin mission fields, formerly looked after by Elder N Z Town.

Consideration was given to the fact that in these Spanish and French territories there is a population of twenty-four millions of people, with every part of the field practically entered by us, and with a growing work needing supervision.

VOTED, That we invite I A Ford, of the Review and Herald, to take the superintendency of the North Latin American fields.

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

Attention was given to the propriety of holding a memorial service for Professor H R Salisbury.

VOTED, That I H Evans, W A Spicer and J L Shaw be a committee to arrange for such a service.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 19, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
J L Shaw, F Griggs, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also
W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, W E Howell, F M Wilcox,
F W Paap.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

SECRETARY-TREASURER, SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to secure the release of W H Williams, secretary-treasurer of the Southeastern Union Conference, and that we invite him to take the secretary-treasurership of the South American Division Conference.

APPOINTMENTS TO ASIATIC DIVISION:

Further appointments were made to the Asiatic Division as follows, the North American Division being requested to secure the release:--

S.L.Frost, of South Lancaster Academy, to take the secretaryship of the Educational and Young People's Department.

Miss Jessie Fulton, of the Glendale Sanitarium, to engage in office work at Shanghai.

Nathan Brewer, of Maine, as field agent of the colporteur work in Eastern China.

Dr. John N. Andrews, of Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., to Western China.

Otto B Kuhn and wife, of the Washington Sanitarium, to Honan, China.

Lyman Bowers, of South Lancaster Academy, to evangelistic work in China.

Milton Conger, of the Washington Missionary College, to evangelistic work in China.

Harry Cooper, of Union College, to evangelistic work in China.

On receipt of a letter from Geo. L. Wilkinson, declining the call to China for the present, it was--

VOTED, That Clarence Morris, of the Washington Missionary College, be substituted in his stead, for evangelistic work in China.

P.L. Thompson, of Bethel, Wisconsin, for school work at Swatow, China.

Louis Machlan, of Williamsdale Academy, Nova Scotia, for school work in China.

R.J. Brines, of Washington Missionary College, to East China, for evangelistic work.

Paul ^{Pearce} Pierce, of Union College, to Java, the Review and Herald being requested to afford him opportunity to spend some months in work during the summer in connection with the editorial department.

INDIA SUPERINTENDENCY:

The Committee considered the report of the medical examiner in the case of Mrs. M.N. Campbell. The examining physician gave it as his judgment that Mrs. Campbell ought by no means to go into the tropics to live. Therefore, to the regret of the Committee it was--

VOTED, That Elder M N Campbell be released from appointment to the superintendency of the India Union Mission.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 20, 1916

P R E S E N T : *

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
M E Kern, E R Palmer, F Griggs, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also
W E Howell, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, T E Bowen,
W W Eastman.

Prayer by F W Paap.

ASIATIC DIVISION APPOINTMENTS:

The following were invited to the Asiatic Division,
the North American Division being requested to secure release--

C E Blandford, of Washington Missionary College,
to the Asiatic Division, for West China.

Irving Steinel, of South Lancaster Academy, to
the Philippines, as principal of the Manila training school.

M N Helligso, of Unkōn College, to Manchuria.

Walter J McComb, of Union College, to India, to
engage in school or evangelistic work.

C L Premer, of Union College, to India Union
Mission, with a view to taking the superintendency of one of the
great provincial divisions of the field.

M M Hare, of the East Canadian Union, to the India
Union Mission, with a view to taking the superintendency of one
of the great provincial divisions.

S G Jacques, of Washington Missionary College, to
Japan.

HOME MISSIONARY MANUAL:

The committee appointed in a former meeting to
give counsel regarding the bringing out of a manual of instruction
for home missionary secretaries brought in a report, which was
adopted as follows:--

1. That the name be "Home Missionary Manual."

2. That the Review and Herald be asked to publish 1,000 copies of this manual in form and style of binding similar to the canvassers' manual.

3. That each publishing house be asked to furnish this manual free to all union and local tract society and home missionary officers in their respective territories.

4. That the Review and Herald be asked to furnish the manual at cost of manufacture to other publishing houses for free distribution.

CAROLYN BRUNSON:

Inasmuch as the advisability of the return of Miss Carolyn Brunson to India had been seriously questioned on account of her general nervous temperament, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend Miss Brunson for the present to give up all thought of returning to India, and that she be advised to take up other work.

R D LOVELAND:

A letter was received from the parents of R D Loveland, making request that the young people before going to China be allowed to make a visit to their home people. Having already one daughter for years in China, Mrs. A.C. Selmon, and hoping that their son would continue likewise in the field, they were emboldened to make this request.

VOTED, That the treasury department be authorized to grant the request of the parents of R D Loveland.

J E BOND:

A letter was presented from Elder J E Bond, expressing his willingness to accept the call to Cuba, but stating circumstances which appeared to the Committee sufficient to warrant further search for the Cuba superintendent before pressing the matter of Brother Bond's acceptance.

VOTED, That we rescind the invitation to Elder J E Bond to make Cuba his field of labor, on account of the difficulty that would be experienced just now in arranging his family affairs.

F G LANE, CUBA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of Elder F G Lane, of Southern New England, and that we invite Elder Lane to take the superintendency of the Cuba Mission.

V D HAWLEY:

VOTED, That we advise V D Hawley, retiring secretary and treasurer of the Cuban Mission, that we are agreeable to his returning early in February, in order to take advantage of an opportunity for out of door work in Dakota to build up his health, and that we ask the Cuban Mission to make temporary provision for the office work until the new secretary, S E Kellman, arrives.

J J IREEAND:

VOTED, That we ask the treasurer to arrange for J J Ireland to visit Cuba on his return journey from Colon, to audit the books of the Cuban Mission.

DR E F OTIS:

A letter was received from the Drs Otis, in Santo Domingo, asking counsel as to where they might locate to the best advantage to help in the work, in case of their removal from Santo Domingo.

VOTED, That we recommend to the Drs Otis that if they consider it a proper location they take up work in San Juan, Porto Rico, we on our part assuring them of our hearty sympathy and cooperation, thanking them for wishing to make their work count to the utmost in forwarding the missionary cause in the Spanish fields.

R G SCHAFFNER:

A communication was read from F A Stahl, of the Inca Union Mission, telling of the interests round Lake Titicaca, and urging more foreign workers to occupy the Indian field now that religious liberty has come. The people expect us to enlarge our work.

VOTED, That we withdraw the appropriation for a second worker in Guatemala, in favor of South America, and that we invite R G Schaffner, of the Washington Missionary College, to go to South America, this action being taken with the Inca Union Mission in mind, though leaving the assignment of Brother Schaffner to the South American Division.

BRITISH GUIANA:

VOTED, That the North American Division officers be asked to endeavor to secure a minister for British Guiana while in attendance at the union conference sessions.

REVIEW FILES FOR EUROPE:

A letter was received from Guy Dail, of the European Division, telling of their earnest efforts to make up as nearly as possible a complete file of the REVIEW. Inasmuch as the General Conference has two files and a partial third one, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the treasury to supply Europe with such numbers of the incomplete REVIEW AND HERALD file as may be required.

H A I T I:

In view of the difficulty of getting transportation between Panama and Haiti, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Haitien Mission to indefinitely postpone its meeting until arrangements can be made for the secretary to visit the field at the time of the meeting.

NORTH HONDURAS CAMP MEETING:

A letter was received from Elder Isaac Baker, superintendent of the North Honduras Mission, asking counsel# regarding his camp meeting this year. Last year Elder Town was present able to assist in the Spanish. Without Spanish help it seems to him impossible to conduct a camp meeting in Honduras the coming season.

VOTED, That we advise Honduras to allow the camp meeting to go over this year, and that we ask Elder J B Stuyvesant and wife, of Guatemala, to respond to the call, if Honduras desires their services for a short series of local meetings.

SUSIE BROWN, SALVADOR:

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to advance the transportation of Miss Susie Brown, nurse, sister of John L Brown, of Salvador, provided Brother Brown thinks she should join him, with the understanding that she will refund the transportation from her earnings.

Adjourned.

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

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 25, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, B G Wilkinson, F Griggs,
M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Dr H W Miller,
W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen,
F M Wilcox.

Prayer by M E Kern

APPOINTMENTS WITHDRAWN:

On receipt of medical reports the following appointments were withdrawn, the certificate showing that in each case the wife was not physically fit for service in the tropics:--

I A Ford, of the Review and Herald, invited to the Northern Latin-American field.

Lyle Shepard, of the Lake Union, to India.

E S Copeland, of the Lake Union, to India.

J J WESTRUP:

On receipt of information that J J Westrup had been brought into financial embarrassment by the expense entailed on his arrival from China in securing proper care for Sister Westrup, and in view of the fact that they had been separated for several years in the endeavor to hold to the work in China, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to remit to Elder J J Westrup a special appropriation of \$100.

F E STAFFORD:

Inasmuch as the General Conference Committee had advised F E Stafford to give up all thought of returning to China for the present, and to find work in this country, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the bill for Brother Stafford's wife at the Glendale Sanitarium, but that Brother Stafford be expected to return the \$100 which he had drawn on account at Glendale.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 29, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs,
Mrs L F Plummer, M E Kern, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, W E Howell,
L A Hansen, C C Lewis, T E Bowen, Miss E M Graham.

CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL:

The Educational Department made a report concerning the Correspondence School and its work. It reported a course of study for elders in preparation.

VOTED, That we feel that the Correspondence School should be promoted vigorously, and that we ask the Educational Department to arrange for the release of Prof C C Lewis from work at the College as soon as possible, in order that he may give his entire time to the Correspondence School work.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT:

In joint meeting with the North American Division Committee, the following appointments were made:--

Miss Matilda Erickson, Assistant Secretary.

Meade MacGuire, Field Secretary.

Mrs I H Evans, Office Secretary.

H A I T I:

On receipt of information from Haiti that their general meeting was appointed and plans in preparation for it, matters here evidently being in such shape that postponement would lead to confusion, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to release Elder G G Roth for two months, in order that he may attend the Haiti meeting, and that if possible Elder W T Knox arrange also to attend.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, That we add the name of Dr R G Klingerman to the departmental committee of the Medical Department.

J M COMER'S CHILD ALLOWANCE:

Inasmuch as friends are caring for the little girl sent home from India by Elder J M Comer, it was--

VOTED, That the amount of \$50 per year allowed in the India remittance on account of the care of the little girl be withdrawn and that the amount be paid to the parties caring for the child.

W P BARTO:

VOTED, That we invite W P Barto, of the Washington Missionary College, to make Cuba his field of labor, with a view to taking charge of the Cuban school another year.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 15, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, B G Wilkinson, J L Shaw,
C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer; also L A Hansen, F M
Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by B G Wilkinson.

SPANISH CHILDREN'S LESSONS:

A request having been presented to the Sabbath
School Department for children's lessons in the Spanish, to supply
the Northern Latin mission field particularly, though other fields
need the lessons, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference Sabbath School
Department be requested to furnish copy in English to the Review and
Herald Publishing Association for a small edition of children's
lessons in Spanish, to be published in pamphlet form, the expense
to be met by the General Conference.

PORTLAND, MAINE:

In view of the great interest created in Portland,
Maine, by the meetings recently held by Brother Daniells, and the
very urgent request from the Atlantic Union Conference that he re-
turn to assist further in the effort there, it was--

VOTED, That we approve of the arrangements made for
Brother Daniells to connect with the Portland effort for a reasonable
length of time, or until other laborers are able to carry on the work.

VOTED, That we request the North American Division
to arrange for W L Burgan to connect with the Portland effort, that
newspapers throughout the State as well as the city papers may be
furnished with reports of the meetings.

TYPewriter FOR S L FROST:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to procure
a typewriter for S L Frost, for use in Young People's work in the
Asiatic Division, in time for him to have the benefit of its use in
making preparations for the field.

F M WILCOX TO GREATER NEW YORK:

VOTED, That we invite F M Wilcox, if he can arrange to do so, to attend the Greater New York Conference, beginning Wednesday, March 1.

DR ROBERT L STOKES TO CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite Dr Robert L Stokes and wife, of Spartanburg, S C, to make China their field of labor, and that they be invited to spend some time in Washington, in connection with the Washington Sanitarium work before going to the field.

R B THURBER'S FURLOUGH RATE:

VOTED, That R B Thurber's furlough rate be placed at \$16 per week.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 16, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, E R Palmer, C S Longacre,
B G Wilkinson, Mrs L F Plummer; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham,
T E Bowen.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

I A ARMSTRONG TO CHINA:

VOTED, That I A Armstrong, of South Lancaster, be invited to make China his field of labor.

STENOGRAPHIC HELP FOR G W CAVINESS:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to provide for stenographic help to assist G W Caviness in revising the Spanish manuscript for "Heralds of the Morning," being published in Spain.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN WORK IN LATIN AMERICA:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasurer to order one half dozen copies of the Report of the Congress on Christian Work in Latin America, for the Mission Board office and our advanced schools.

HERBERT MOULD--EVANGELISTIC WORK:

VOTED, That we concur in the action of the Cuba Mission Committee in inviting Herbert Mould to enter upon evangelistic work at the close of the present school year.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 16, 3 P.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, B G Wilkinson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

CAVINESS PROPERTY IN MEXICO:

At his request, G W Caviness appeared before the Committee and made a statement regarding his property in Mexico. He would be pleased to have the Mission Board take it over, as it is adjacent to and really should be connected with the mission property in Mexico City. He offered it to the Mission Board at actual cost.

SUSIE BROWN--HONDURAS:

Consideration was given to the suggestion that Miss Susie Brown, of California, be advanced transportation to Washington, and allowed three months' provisional appointee pay while connected with the dispensary, with a view of accompanying her brother to Honduras for self-supporting work.

The matter was referred to W T Knox and J L Shaw for further consideration, with power to act.

SETTLEMENT WITH U S TREASURY:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to settle with the United States treasury for funds advanced to D P Gaede on his departure from Russia, leaving the question of reimbursement for further consideration.

F E STAFFORD:

VOTED, That inasmuch as F E Stafford has been unable to obtain employment, the treasury be authorized to resume his furlough pay from January 1, 1916, to continue until such time as he is able to secure work.

FOREIGN APPOINTEES--FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

VOTED, That we pay to all appointees to the mission fields, taken from our schools either as students or teachers, and sailing the first of August, one month's salary, to assist them in meeting expenses during the interim between the close of school and their departure for the fields, during which time farewell visits will be made, it being understood that their regular time would begin to be reckoned about two weeks before the date of sailing

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

MINORITY MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 23, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, M E Kern, J L Shaw, Dr H W Miller; also
F W Paap, F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, W W Eastman, C E Hammond, Miss
E M Graham, T E Bowen.

R E P O R T E R:

VOTED, That in view of his condition of health, we recommend R C Porter to defer his return to the East for the present.

LANTERN SLIDES:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to take over 200 lantern slides illustrating our work and the conditions in China, prepared and owned by F E Stafford, consideration \$100.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 20, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, Dr H W Miller; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by Dr Miller.

F C VARNEY TO INCA UNION MISSION:

VOTED, That we invite F C Varney, of Graysville, Tenn., to make the Inca Union Mission, in South America, his field of labor, with a view to taking the work of secretary-treasurer, as requested by the South American Division Conference Committee.

J P ANDERSON:

VOTED, That we concur in the invitation extended by the California Conference to J P Anderson, returning from South China, on account of his wife's illness, to labor in San Francisco among the Cantonese-speaking Chinese.

H H HOWARD RELEASED

H G PATCHETT INVITED:

VOTED, That H H Howard be released from the invitation to South Africa, and that H G Patchett, of Beechwood Academy, be invited to connect with the Claremont Union College, South Africa, with a view to taking the work of preceptor.

"WORLD'S CRISIS" IN SPANISH:

A request having been made by Mexico for permission to get out "World's Crisis" in Spanish for that field, it was--

VOTED, That W T Knox, E R Palmer, and G W Caviness be a committee to prepare recommendation giving answer to Mexico.

C S PROUT TO CHINA:

VOTED, That C S Prout and wife, of Northwestern California Conference, be invited to make China their field of labor.

RICHARD FARLEY TO KOREA:

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to secure the release of Richard Farley, of Virginia, and that he be invited to make South Korea his field of labor.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Battle Creek, Michigan, March 10, 1916

The meeting was held at the Tabernacle, in connection with a meeting of the North American Division Committee and the Lake Union Conference Committee.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, R A Underwood, Chas Thompson, M E Kern, L H Christian; also G F Haffner, P E Brodersen, C F McVagh, B E Miller, J B Blosser, P A Hanson, A J Clark, W A Westworth, O J Graf, J J Irwin, J W Mace, E A Bristol, C A Russell, G E Nord, A N Anderson, J H Morrison, Wm Guthrie

Prayer by J H Morrison.

TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND:

I H Evans stated that the question to be considered was the action passed at the recent fall council concerning the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund. The brethren in the Lake Union feel that this action, as it now stands, will greatly embarrass them in the work of paying their debt and raising the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund, and that it will necessitate their inaugurating some other plan for

creating a fund to liquidate their indebtedness. Fears were expressed that if the action of the Loma Linda council prevails, it will result in destroying the Twenty-cent-a-week plan.

Elder Evans further stated that the question had been raised whether it would not be advisable to let the plan of 1915 prevail until the time of the next General Conference, when some other plan can be inaugurated to provide for the growth of the work abroad. The question was discussed at considerable length, and it was--

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair, to give the question study and report. The following persons were appointed as said committee: A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, Chas Thompson, L H Christian.

Recess was taken to 4:30 P M.

On reassembling, prayer was offered by W T Knox.

✓ The committee appointed to make recommendation with reference to the future plan of the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund presented their report as follows:--

Whereas, The recommendations concerning the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund, adopted at Loma Linda, seem to be difficult to carry out, and indications seem to point out that the mission funds will not be increased by the plan, while some of the union conferences feel they will have to raise a special fund to apply on their indebtedness; and,--

Whereas, The General Conference needs additional funds for its extended work in the needy mission field; therefore,--

Resolved, 1. That we rescind the Loma Linda action concerning the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund.

2. That during 1916 we work on the plan of 1915.

3. That beginning with 1917 we send to the General Conference seventeen cents instead of fifteen cents. All above this to be returned to the union on the same basis as 1915.

4. That we increase the donations to the General Conference one cent a year thereafter till the General Conference is receiving twenty cents a week for missions, and the remainder of the offerings from any union to be returned as in plan of 1915. ✓

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
G B THOMPSON, Sec. pro tem.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D.C., April 4

P R E S E N T : ©

A G Daniells, W T Knox, M E Kern, C S Longacre,
J L Shaw, R F Cottrell; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham,
F M Wilcox, F A Paap, T E Bowen.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

ROBERT L STOKES:

VOTED, That Dr Robert L Stokes, under appointment to China, be placed upon provisional appointment pay, this allowance to date from the time of his taking up work at the Washington Sanitarium and College.

R G SCHAFFNER'S TRANSPORTATION TO CALIFORNIA:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to pay \$50, or one half of the extra traveling expenses involved in R G Schaffner's returning to California before going out to Peru in the autumn.

GUY CORDER AND THERLOW HARPER:

VOTED, That the Publishing Department be requested to take up correspondence with the North American Division, with a view to securing the following colporteurs: Guy Corder, for Honduras, and Therlow Harper, of Michigan, for Cuba.

TEACHER FOR BEDOYA BOYS:

VOTED, That W T Knox and J L Shaw be a committee to suggest a teacher, from the applications received by the Board, for Mr Bedoya's two sons in Peru, it being understood that this is not a Mission Board appointment.

HELP FOR SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That we recognize South Africa's official call for two couples for mission work, and that we endeavor to secure them as soon as possible, provided South Africa is able to meet this extra expense from their 1916 appropriation.

DR W C DUNSCOMBE:

VOTED, That we concur in the request of the North American Division for Dr W C Dunscombe, now in self-supporting medical work in South Africa, to connect with the work in the Lake Union Conference, and recommend his return for this purpose.

LOUISE SCHOLZ:

VOTED, That the European Division be requested to provide work for Miss Louise Scholz, returned missionary from India.

W R WHITE:

VOTED, That we recommend W R White, who has requested to be returned to America from England, to give consideration to the call from South Africa for a man to take charge of their publishing work, rather than to return to the United States.

BOWERMAN FOR HONOLULU:

VOTED, That the Loma Linda Sanitarium be requested to release Brother Bowerman and wife, to connect with the treatment room work in Honolulu.

BRAZIL'S \$2000 for SCHOOL:

VOTED, That Brazil be asked to include the \$2000 called for as an extra appropriation for their school in the 1917 budget, rather than that it should be expected in this year's appropriation.

PRINTER FOR WEST INDIES:

VOTED, That W T Knox, J L Shaw and M E Kern be a committee to recommend a printer for the West Indies, to take the place of A H Haines, returned.

EXPENSE OF ENTERTAINING VISITORS TO HAWAII:

VOTED, That we ask F H Conway to report to the Mission Board any expenses incurred for the entertainment of missionaries passing through Honolulu, with a view of these legitimate expenses being met by the mission treasury.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS
W T KNOX, Chairmen.

T E BOWEN, Ass't Sec'y.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 13, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, W C White, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, E R Palmer, M E Kern, F Griggs, R F Cottrell, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, T E Bowen, F W Paap, W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, W E Howell.

Prayer by R F Cottrell.

The time was given to Elder R F Cottrell, to report upon his work in behalf of China in this country, and to present matters of business.

ASIATIC EDITORIAL BUREAU:

Elder Cottrell made a plea for some one to act as central editorial helper in China, some one who would be able to work out matter and manuscripts for publications, and receive manuscripts from different divisions of the Eastern field, so that whatever is done in one place would be available for all the fields without duplication of effort.

No action was taken by the Committee, the matter being left for discussion by the Asiatic Division Committee.

O B KUHN--HUNAN SUPERINTENDENCY:

Elder R F Cottrell reported that he had been unable to ascertain with any definiteness as to when Dr Landis would be able to reach China, and asked the Committee to make some suggestion regarding the superintendency of Hunan, the post for which Dr Landis had been suggested.

VOTED, That we recommend O B Kuhn, formerly designated as medical evangelist for Honan, for the superintendency of Hunan; and that we request Brother and Sister Kuhn to plan their work so as to sail with the July party for China.

MANUSCRIPT FOR CHINESE BOOK:

Brethren W C White and R F Cottrell spoke of work which had been done in preparation of manuscript for a small book, something after the order of "Coming King," partly original matter prepared by Elder Cottrell, and partly adaptation. The question had been raised as to remuneration for this time spent, whether it should be by royalty or otherwise.

Inasmuch as the Committee has been working with the general understanding that there would be no royalty on books issued in the Oriental languages, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make up to Elder R F Cottrell the difference between his regular wage and the furlough allowance while in this country, in view of the fact that Elder Cottrell has been engaged fully in the work even while taking his furlough.

LENA MEAD--SINGAPORE@

A letter from Elder R C Porter presented the matter of Miss Lena Mead, a church school teacher of California, who is desired to assist in the school work in Singapore, and who had reported to him her readiness to go.

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to allow its Educational Department to negotiate with the proper parties for the release of Miss Lena Mead, and that we invite her to go to Singapore, to engage in school work.

TEACHERS FOR PADANG AND BATTAKLAND:

On further request from Elder Porter, it was--

VOTED, That we endeavor to secure a teacher for Padang, and a teacher for Battakland, and that we request the North American Division to allow the Educational Department to investigate candidates for recommendation to these posts.

H G PATCHETT--SOUTH AFRICA:

The Educational Department Secretary, F Griggs, recommended Prof H G Patchett, of Beechwood Academy, Indiana, for the preceptorship of the South African training school.

Owing to the difficulty in these war times of visiting his people, and to the present uncertainty of safe transportation through the submarine zone on the European side, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend Professor Patchett to take advantage of the offer of tent work this wummer in the Indiana Conference, holding himself in readiness to go forward to the field in the autumn.

S. A NAGEL'S RETURN TO CHINA:

VOTED, That we recommend S A Nagel, on furlough from China, to plan to return with the autumn party, provided the health of himself and Sister Nagel is found satisfactory.

MISSES SHRYOCK AND SHOFF:

VOTED, That we recommend Miss M Belle Shryock, on furlough from India, and Miss Vera Shoff, of Oregon, under appointment to India, to plan to sail this autumn for the India mission field.

C F LOWRY--BURMA:

Elder Cottrell presented the name of C F Lowry for appointment to the Asiatic Division, having had him in mind for China.. He reported that he had talked with the Tennessee brethren, and with the North American Division brethren, and that while none wished to spare him, he understood the way was open to extend an invitation to Brother Lowry.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to open the way for negotiations with Elder C F Lowry, of Tennessee, with a view to his going to the Asiatic Division, to take the superintendency of the work in Burma.

MANUSCRIPT FOR FOREIGN BOOKS:

Brother W C White presented manuscripts which had been prepared by the helpers at Elmshaven, being abridgements of some of Sister White's works, prepared with a view to translation into the Oriental languages. He wished to know what would be the method of handling these manuscripts. It was--

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department of the General Conference to take charge of the manuscripts prepared by W C White, and to study their use in Oriental and non-European languages; and that we ask that steps be taken by the Department for the appointment of a literary sub-committee to promote the production of books in foreign tongues.

Adjourned.

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

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 17, 1916

P R E S E N T:

* W T Knox, C S Longacre, W C White, M E Kern,
E R Palmer, F Griggs, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also J E White,
F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham, J J Ireland.

Prayer by C S Longacre.

J A CHANEY'S RETURN SUGGESTED:

E R Palmer presented the situation of Sister J A Chaney, now on the Pacific Coast, conditions seeming to suggest opening the way for the return of Brother J A Chaney, of New Zealand. He stated that after seventeen years abroad, Sister Chaney had returned to this country with her children. An old difficulty with her lungs seems to require constant battling with. She had returned to Southern California at her own expense, in order to secure a change and favorable conditions for a time. While her condition seems hopeful, yet with the care of two children she finds it difficult, and through her acquaintance with Brother Palmer felt free to state her conviction that really she ought to remain under favorable conditions, and naturally it was her desire that her husband might return to this country.

While there had come no formal request, and while it was a question of the release of Brother Chaney from the Australasian Union, it was felt under the circumstances that we should inform Elder and Sister Chaney and the brethren in Australia what our attitude would be. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we supply transportation from New Zealand to such point on the Pacific Coast as may be selected, provided it seems wise for Brother J A Chaney to return to this country, with the understanding that the General Conference Committee can take no responsibility as to placing him in conference work on this side, although standing ready heartily to cooperate with him in any way possible in the matter.

R HOOK, JR., BRITISH UNION:

Communication from presented from Elder W J Fitzgerald, of the British Union, reporting that the British Union Committee had taken action requesting the release of R Hook, Jr.,

treasurer of the Review and Herald, and inviting him to take the management of the International Tract Society and allied interests in Great Britain.

The matter having been under consideration for some time, it was--

VOTED, That in response to the call from Great Britain, we ask the North American Division and the Review and Herald to release R Hook, Jr., and that we invite him to accept the call extended by the British Union Conference.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 18, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, F Griggs, E R Palmer, M E Kern, W A Spicer, J L Shaw; also F M Wilcox, J E White, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

Most of the time of the Committee session was devoted to counsels with Brother J E White regarding his future work and business affairs.

Some time was spent in considering West Indian items, on which action was taken as follows:--

FLORENCE KNEELAND:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make a special appropriation of \$45 toward the transportation of Miss Florence Kneeland to Colon, to join her family, Miss Kneeland not having gone forward to the field at the time when Elder Kneeland went to Colon.

C U B A :

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow the full amount of the Cuba appropriation voted at the autumn

council, not deducting from remittances the amount saved by the discontinuance of two lady workers in that field, this arrangement being necessary from the fact that Cuba's original budget contained no call for the expense of the transportation of workers to and from the field.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add \$300 to the Cuba appropriation in order to allow an increase in the rate of the foreign missionaries to the amount of one dollar per week, it being understood that the rate of Elder H C Goodrich in the Isle of Pines remains as before.

F G LANE'S SANITARIUM ACCOUNT:

Inasmuch as Elder F G Lane, of the Atlantic Union, had felt it impossible to respond at once to the call to take the superintendency of Cuba while leaving an obligation at the Melrose Sanitarium, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to make a special appropriation to meet F G Lane's sanitarium bill at the Melrose Sanitarium, the amount not to exceed \$100.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 25, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs, J L Shaw, M E Kern, C S Longacre, Mrs L F Plummer, Dr H W Miller, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen, F M Wilcox, F A Paap, L A Hansen.

Prayer by I H Evans.

A C GILBERT--SOUTH AFRICA:

A cable message having been received from South Africa, asking for reply as to the prospects of securing a president for the Cape Conference, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to ascertain by telegraph if Elder A C Gilbert, president of the Saskatchewan Conference, Canada, would be available to accept the presidency of the Cape Conference, South Africa.

SOUTH AFRICAN PHYSICIAN:

Consideration was given to the call from South Africa for a physician to take charge of the Cape Sanitarium, and to give his time to conference health and temperance work.

VOTED, That we ask Elder Daniells to correspond with Australia regarding the possibility of securing a man from that field, with British qualifications, and that in the meantime we watch for any other avenue of relief for our brethren in South Africa.

CALL FOR THREE COUPLES FROM SOUTH AFRICA:

Attention was given to the action of the South African Union Conference Committee calling for at least two couples for the native mission stations, preferably a third couple, all of these being needed immediately in order to enable the South African brethren to man their fields.

The urgency of the call was recognized, but it was felt that it would hardly be possible before the latter months of the year to determine whether the treasury could safely assume further responsibility for expansion in the fields. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we recognize the urgency of the call from South Africa for additional workers for the mission stations, but that we return answer that it will be necessary to wait until the last months of the year in order to ascertain whether the treasury will be able to increase the South African appropriation.

J V WILLSON'S RETIREMENT:

Letter was received from Brother J V Willson, for many years engaged in the service in South Africa. He reported that he and his wife, with increasing age and weakening of forces, felt that they would have to retire from the regular work.

VOTED, That we express to Brother and Sister J V Willson our appreciation of the years of faithful service they have rendered this cause in South Africa, and on receipt of information that they feel they must, with advancing years, be relieved of the heavy work which they have been carrying, we recommend the Sustentation Committee to grant a retiring allowance to these workers from the Sustentation Fund, leaving the question of their location to their own judgment and the counsel of the brethren, whether in South Africa or in America.

J R CAMPBELL:

A communication was received from South African Union, asking for advice as to the question of Brother J R Campbell's return to America. Three considerations entered into the matter. Brother Campbell's health has been under pretty heavy strain through fevers while up country, giving himself and others some anxiety. Again, just at this juncture a friend of Brother Campbell's has offered him something over two thousand dollars to enable him to complete his education, and as an additional factor the death of Sister Campbell's mother leaves a situation where she feels that she is needed sorely at home for a time.

Taking all these factors into consideration, with the probability that Brother Campbell would possibly soon have to take a furlough to build up his health, it was felt by the Committee that the proffer of funds by his friend should be taken advantage of, thus relieving mission funds of the necessity of bearing the expense of his furlough time. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we counsel the South African Union that we will approve the granting of a furlough to Brother J R Campbell, if thought wise by the committee, and that the expense of his transportation to California will be considered an extra to be added to the South African appropriations.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 26, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson,
F Griggs, C S Longacre, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, H L Shaw,
W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, T E Bowen, W W Eastman.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

C S PROUT RELEASED:

Communication was received from Elder C S Prout, of the Pacific Union, reporting the medical findings in his wife's case, and leaving it to the Committee as to whether he was warranted in accepting the call to China. In view of the medical report, it was--

VOTED, That we release Elder C S Prout from the call to China, on account of Sister Prout's health.

ALBERT MUNSON--PADANG:

VOTED, That we withdraw the call for a teacher for the Padang school, allowing Albert Munson, the teacher already under appointment, to return to Malaysia, answering this call from the Padang school.

BOOKMAN--INDIA AND MALAYSIA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to allow the Publishing Department to make recommendation regarding field missionary secretaries to take charge of the book work in India and in Malaysia.

H O SWARTOUT--CHINA:

A letter was received from Elder R F Cottrell, reporting that he had interviewed Prof H O Swartout, of Mount Vernon, and also the management of the College, with reference to the calling of Professor Swartout and wife to China for school work. He reported that Professor Swartout had volunteered for that field.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to negotiate for the release of Professor Swartout, and that we invite him to make China his field of labor.

REQUEST TO AUSTRALASIA:

Discussing the pressure of need in the Asiatic Division, and the necessity to safeguard the treasury department in taking on additional obligations, it was suggested that possibly the Australasian Union might from its surplus be able to extend some help in the Far Eastern field during this initial time of reorganization, when effort is being made to thoroughly establish the headquarters in the various fields of the new Division.

VOTED, That we ask the Australasian Union to set apart from their surplus \$10,000 as a special appropriation for the Asiatic Division, with the understanding that the Australasian

Union shall be released from response to a variety of minor calls such as the Philippine tent fund, etc.

TAGALOG WORKER:

Through Elder R C Porter the request was presented from Elder L V Finster, making urgent plea for a man to be sent out either to take charge of the entire Philippine work, so that Elder Finster might take charge of the rapidly growing Tagalog work on the island of Luzon, or a man to take charge of this latter work. Elder Porter asked for the consideration of the latter proposition.

VOTED, That in view of the urgent need of help at this point, we ask the North American Division to provide a man to look after the Tagalog work on Luzon, so that Elder Finster's hands may be free for the general superintendence of the field.

G F ENOCH--INDIA:

Elder R C Porter presented a request from G F Enoch that he be allowed to return to the India field on the conclusion of his present work in this country.

VOTED, That Elder G F Enoch be recommended to return to India when his present work is completed.

LEO K CHANG:

A communication from Elder Porter reported negotiations with the brethren in Korea regarding the return to that field of Brother Leo K Chang, graduating from Union College.

In view of the fact that a little time is necessary to carry on negotiations regarding the question of Brother Chang's return to Korea, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to find a place for Brother Chang, where he can engage in English work in this country, in connection with some conference tent effort, so as to gain an experience in the evangelistic field, giving time for the Asiatic Division to take up the question of the possibility of utilizing his services later in the mission field.

Recess was taken to 1:15 P.M.

On reassembling, prayer was offered by A G Daniells.

BRAZIL TRAINING SCHOOL:

Communications were presented from W W Prescott and O Montgomery, making call for a strong school man to take charge of the new training school which is being established by the Brazilian Union Conference. They urged very earnestly the importance of giving this school strong leadership, so that it may accomplish for Brazil the work that is being done by the River Plate school for the Spanish-speaking portion of South America.

After thorough discussion of the proposition, it was---

VOTED, To ask the North American Division to arrange, if possible, for the release of Professor Gordon Andrews, of Union College, and that he be invited to take charge of the Brazilian training school.

VACCINATION:

Attention was given to the matter of vaccination, particularly against typhoid, and the Committee was asked to take action regarding its policy.

VOTED, That we require all candidates for missionary appointment to be vaccinated for defense against smallpox, and to take the anti-typhoid vaccination against typhoid fever before proceeding to the fields.

MRS R B THURBER:

In view of the fact that Mrs R B Thurber, just returned from Burma, is in a very serious condition with sprue, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference Committee be asked to arrange for special medical care of Mrs Thurber.

MRS J P ANDERSON:

Word was received that J P Anderson had been compelled to bring his wife from China to this country because of a serious attack of sprue. They had reached Garland, Wyoming, where they are stopping, and from reports it was evident that Mrs Anderson's case is a very serious one, requiring special care.

Inasmuch as Dr Miller, formerly of China, has given special attention to this tropical disease, it was--

VOTED, That we advise J P Anderson to bring his wife to the Washington Sanitarium, to be under Dr Miller care, and we authorize the treasurer's and secretary's departments to make such arrangements as are necessary to aid Brother Anderson in the effort to save Sister Anderson's health for future service

JOHN HOLDER--WEST CARIBBEAN:

W W Eastman, of the Publishing Department, reported, recommending John Holder, of Ohio, as field missionary secretary for the West Caribbean Conference.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to allow its Publishing Department to negotiate for the release of Brother John Holder, and that we invite him to labor in the West Caribbean Conference.

BROTHER BOWERMAN RELEASED:

Action having been taken, inviting Brother Bowerman and wife, of Loma Linda, to take charge of the treatment rooms in Honolulu, report was received from L M Bowen, of Loma Linda, that Sister Bowerman on account of health and the care of her family did not feel that she could take full charge of work in the treatment rooms. Inasmuch as the Honolulu call has emphasized the importance of the woman's department of their treatment room work, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother and Sister Bowerman from the call to Honolulu, and ask the Medical Department to search further for some one to answer this call.

JAMAICA PRINTER:

VOTED, That the secretary be authorized to secure if possible, Brother E R Button, of the Washington Missionary College printing department, to temporarily take charge of the printing house in Jamaica, while Brother A F Haines, the present manager, is on furlough to this country on account of his health and the necessity of arranging some plan for the care of his aged mother.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 30, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, E R Palmer, F Griggs, G B Thompson, C S Longacre, M E Kern, J L Shaw, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, F W Paap, W E Howell, Miss E M Graham, F M Wilcox, L A Hansen.

G G ROTH'S REPORT ON HAITI:

The meeting was called in connection with a session of the North American Division Committee, to listen to a report from Elder G G Roth regarding his recent trip to Haiti.

Brother Roth reported himself surprised and delighted with the evidence he saw of growth and strength of the work in Haiti. Thirty-two were baptized at the camp meeting. He felt that the believers were thorough Seventh-day Adventists, and that our work has a good foundation for still further growth.

It was the request of Elder A F Prieger and of the brethren that further help come down, it being their desire that a superintendent for the field be found who can learn the French language. No action upon the matter was taken by the Committee.

GORDON MACKENZIE TO PERU:

In response to a call from Peru, by a private gentleman there, for a tutor in his family, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend Brother Gordon Mackenzie and his intended, Miss Bollman, to accept this call, proceeding to the field on their marriage, under the arrangement proposed by Mr. Bedoya, of Peru.

Adjourned.

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

MINORITY MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 4, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs, E R Palmer,
W A Spicer; also T E Bowen and L A Hansen.

Prayer by F Griggs.

CUBA--"WORLD'S CRISIS":

Correspondence was considered, bringing the plea of our brethren in Cuba to be allowed to bring out the Spanish 'World's Crisis,' substituting some portions by portions from the more recent pamphlet "Armageddon." It was felt they could handle this pamphlet to good advantage and successfully just now, and figures had been obtained by a local printer.

VOTED, That we agree to Cuba's proposition to be allowed to issue an adapted edition of "World's Crisis" in Spanish, recommending that they limit the edition to 10,000 copies; and that the treasurer be authorized to advance on appropriations an amount up to \$1,000 for the purpose of financing the enterprise, with the understanding that this advance will be returned by Cuba into its current operating fund before the end of 1916.

Adjourned.

WT KNOX, Chairman.
W A SPICER, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 9, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox,
G B Thompson, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, F Griggs, W A Spicer;
also F M Wilcox.

Prayer by E R Palmer.

WEEK OF PRAYER:

The report of the sub-committee on the Week of Prayer was considered, and with amendment was adopted as follows:-

Time, December 2 - 9, 1916

Sabbath, December 2

The Week of Prayer: What it should Bring.--I.H.Evans.

Sunday, December 3

Signs and Issues of our Time.-- W W Prescott.

Monday, December 4

The Personal Experience Called For.

Selections from the Testimonies.--C C Crisler.

Tuesday, December 5

Lessons from Present-Day Conditions.-- L R Conradi.

Wednesday, December 6

Religion in the Home Life.--M.E.Kern.

Thursday, December 7

Our Response to the World's Cry: Tithes and Offerings.--

G.B.Thompson.

Friday, December 8

The Call of the Fields: Our Message to the World.--W.A.Spicer.

Sabbath, December 9

Surrender and Consecration.--A G Daniells.

Children's Lessons

To be arranged for by the Sabbath School Department,
Mrs. L F Plummer, secretary.

MIDSUMMER OFFERING:

VOTED, That the date of the Midsummer Offering be July 29, and that the readings be prepared by W T Knox, I H Evans, and R C Porter.

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to arrange with the Home Missionary Department to make the Sabbath preceding the day of offering a preparatory service for the Midsummer Offering.

MRS HELEN WILLIAMS:

In view of the fact that when Mrs Helen Williams returned from South Africa she engaged at once in school work, and is in need of a rest,--

VOTED, That we grant Mrs Helen Williams a furlough until the opening of the school year in September, continuing her pay at \$12 per week.

TIME OF NEXT GENERAL CONFERENCE:

At a meeting of the North American Division Committee, with representatives of the General Conference in attendance, held at Pittsburgh, the question of postponing the General Conference and Division Conference sessions was considered.

In view of the conditions in the world, and the probability that leaders in our work abroad would find it difficult to leave their fields during the next summer period, it was agreed that letters should be sent to members of the Division and General Conference Committees within reach, asking counsel regarding the postponement of the next quadrennial session.

Returns having come in, it was found that the vote by letter was unanimous in favor of postponement.

In joint meeting with the North American Division Committee, the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That, acting with the North American Division Committee, we plan to postpone the next quadrennial session from the summer of 1917 to the earliest convenient time thereafter, the date to be fixed by the autumn council of 1916.

R HOOK, JR.--ENGLAND:

VOTED, That we ask the British Union to defer the time suggested for the arrival of R Hook, Jr., in England, allowing him until August 1.

Recess was taken to 1:30 P.M.

On reassembling, prayer was offered by J L Shaw.

BAASCH--INDIA:

A letter was received from W J Fitzgerald, giving information regarding a Brother Baasch, formerly of India, who has been taking school work in England.

VOTED, That we encourage Brother Baasch to get his further medical missionary training in Great Britain, preparatory to returning to the Asiatic Division, and that we assume \$ 20 of his training indebtedness on his departure for the field.

WALDEMAR EHLERS:

On request of the South American Division, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the European Division to arrange work for Elder Waldemar Ehlers, formerly connected with the Brazil Union, which union has been supporting him in Europe during the last several years while he has been seeking to regain his health.

R DIETRICH:

On report from the South American Division that R Dietrich, formerly of Germany, has not seemed able to make any progress with the Portuguese language, so essential to his efficiency in the work, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the European Division to arrange work for Elder Dietrich in the German field in Europe.

INCA UNION SECRETARY:

On request of the South American Division, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure for us a secretary and treasurer for the Inca Union Mission.

U BENDER:

A letter from Elder U Bender, appointed as superintendent of the Rhodesian Union Mission, reported that there was good prospect that he would be released from the Montana Conference the first of July. Inasmuch as on his return from the West Indian field several years ago, he went at once to Montana, he felt this time his family should spend a little time in meeting his people and Sister Bender's people.

VOTED, That we authorize Elder U Bender to spend a month or six weeks visiting his people before arranging to proceed to South ~~America~~ *Africa*.

APPEAL FROM MOTHER ANDERSON:

An appeal was presented from Sister Naomi Anderson, the aged mother of Elder W H Anderson, of Rhodesia, asking that her son be allowed a furlough in order that she might have him with her for a little time in her last days.

Inasmuch as the South African Union some time ago recommended a furlough for Brother and Sister Anderson, it was the understanding of the Committee that he would doubtless be taking this furlough about the time of the next General Conference.

It was agreed that the letter from Mother Anderson should be sent on to the South African Union Committee.

O F SEVRENS:

VOTED, That O F Sevrens, under appointment to school work in the Philippines, be allowed his fare to visit his home people, and the month's salary allowance before sailing that has been agreed upon in the case of students leaving school.

PAULINE SCHILBERG:

VOTED, That we continue the furlough allowance to Miss Pauline Schilberg, in this country from China, until next school year, and that we urge Miss Schilberg to use her furlough time to the utmost in physical recuperation, so that she may be able to return to China.

APPOINTMENTS DECLINED:

Letters were received from candidates invited to the Asiatic Division declining the appointment.

VOTED, That we release from appointment Brethren Farley, Ahrens and Armstrong.

J J WESTRUP:

VOTED, That we refer the case of J J Westrup, formerly of China, to Elder R C Porter, asking him to see Brother and Sister Westrup, and to give counsel regarding the possibility of their return to China.

CABLES FROM INDIA:

Cable messages were received from India as follows: One reporting opening in Bombay for treatment rooms and asking for Dr Semmens, with cable as to date of departure; one from Mussoorie, reporting that the Mussoorie school was to be registered under government inspection, asking that a teacher be sent immediately, with cable of qualifications and date of departure.

Inasmuch as the Committee had no information regarding the Bombay situation, and whether equipment had been secured, and whether the brethren expected a physician to do the treatment room work; and in view of the fact that no teacher is under appointment for India, and the Committee has little information regarding what may be involved in changing the status of the school, --

It was agreed to cable India as follows: "Continue school as heretofore. Write Bombay needs."

MALAY TRANSLATING:

A letter received from Elder R W Munson, enclosing a letter from Elder Detamore with regard to work in Malay translating, was referred to Elder R C Porter.

MISS LENA MEAD--SINGAPORE:

Information was given that Miss Lena Mead, church school teacher of California, accepted the call which has been extended to her to engage in school work in Singapore.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 11, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, F Griggs, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, W E Howell, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen, Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by A G Daniells.

J J WESTRUP:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to grant furlough pay to Elder J J Westrup until Elder Porter has seen him or made report regarding China.

H L PEDAN:

VOTED, That H L Pedan, of Maryland, be placed under provisional appointment for the field for next year to the extent of \$74.

HARVEST INGATHERING SIGNS:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to place an order with the Pacific Press for 600,000 copies of the Signs Ingathering number, asking the publishers to be prepared to receive an order for 200,000 copies more if required.

CAPE PRESIDENT--SOUTH AFRICA:

Word was received from Elder C F McVagh, of the Western Canadian Union, reporting that on account of Sister Gilbert's health, Elder A C Gilbert, president of the Saskatchewan Conference, had felt compelled to decline the call to the presidency of the Cape Conference in South Africa. In the meantime a cable message had been awaiting answer, South Africa asking for report regarding the appointment.

It was agreed that we would cable South Africa: "Cannot report yet."

Recess was taken till afternoon.

ACCEPTANCES:

A letter was received from Guy Corder, of Ohio, accepting the call to the book work in South Honduras; also from John Holder, of Ohio, accepting the call to the West Caribbean Conference as leader of the book work.

H A I T I:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$200 for church and school building enterprises in Haiti.

VOTED, That \$150 be granted to Dr D E Blake, recently landed in Haiti from Panama to take up self-supporting medical missionary work, this amount being a grant in aid, to encourage him in establishing work at Cape Haitien.

BERGER JOHNSON:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division and the Pacific Union Conference to release Brother Berger Johnson and that we invite him to make the West Caribbean Conference his field of labor.

SECRETARY WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to assist in securing a secretary and treasurer for the West Caribbean Conference.

E W THURBER--CUBA SCHOOL:

VOTED, That we release W P Barto from appointment to the school work in Cuba, and invite E W Thurber to take on this school work, Elder Thurber having left Mexico for Cuba on account of the political situation.

W P BARTO--BATTAKLAND:

VOTED, That we invite W P Barto to make the Malaysia Mission his field of labor, with a view to answering the call for a teacher in Battakland, where only teachers are allowed by the government.

U COCHRAN--CUBA:

VOTED, That we take under consideration the request of Brother U Cochran to be released from the general direction of the book work in Cuba, and that we ask the Publishing Department to search for a proper man to take the work; but that we notify Cuba that it is difficult to secure the release of strong leaders within a short time, and that Brother Cochran be urged to carry forward the work strongly until provision can be made.

JOSE VEIGA:

VOTED, That Jose Veiga, of Cuba, be placed under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College for the coming school year.

TEACHER--CUBA:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the transportation of a teacher to Cuba, to engage in a private school in an American colony where a number of children of our missionaries will be in attendance, and that we request the Educational Department to endeavor to secure the teacher.

CUBA HEADQUARTERS:

Communication was received from Cuba regarding office headquarters. The present place is considered but temporary in Santo Domingo. Havana was the choice of all, but it was stated that Cuba would require further financial assistance if the office were transferred to the city.

VOTED, That under the present conditions we do not advise the transfer of the headquarters of the Cuba Mission to the city of Havana.

CARNAHAN SCHOOL:

Elder F G Lane, of Cuba, presented by letter a proposition from Sister Carnahan concerning the school Brother and Sister Carnahan are operating at San Claudio, western Cuba. Some gifts had been made by philanthropic societies, or individuals connected with the society for the prevention of cruelty to children, and Sister Carnahan raised the question if some sort of corporation should not be formed, so that their school work, which is private, should be more organically connected with the organized work.

VOTED, That we counsel Brother and Sister Carnahan that under the circumstances we feel it would be better for them to make any provision they may wish by will regarding the disposal of the property placed in their hands, rather than to try to form a corporation of a denominational or semi-denominational character.

NURSES--PORTO RICO:

VOTED, That we ask the Medical Department to endeavor to secure two nurses for Porto Rico.

DR ROBERT L STOKES:

Owing to the fact that Dr Stokes, under appointment to work in China, seems too far along in years to learn the language successfully, and owing to the fact that the Asiatic Division seems not to have funds and facilities for the hospital work which Dr Stokes has had in mind---

VOTED, That we release Dr Robert L Stokes from appointment to China, and that he be recommended to the North American Division for service in connection with ~~care~~ of our institutions.

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

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 15, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, W A Spicer, F Griggs; also W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, W E Howell.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

NORTH BORNEO:

Correspondence was received through Elder R C Porter, bringing further particulars regarding the property in North Borneo which the Malaysia Mission felt essential to the development of the work in that field. The property could be secured for \$5000, option on the same extending only to June 1.

Inasmuch as the appropriations-already voted promise to consume the full amount which the General Conference treasury has expectation of receiving, and in view of the fact that this call is felt so urgent by Malaysia, it was--

VOTED, That we request the Review and Herald to appropriate from their reserve fund \$5000 for the work in Borneo, for the specific purpose of securing a headquarters in that field.

APPOINTMENT TO FIELDS:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to open the way for the following persons to be invited to the fields, and that their release be requested:--

W I Hilliard and wife, nurses of Glendale, to Honan, China, as medical evangelists.

G Avery Davis and wife, of Battle Creek, Mich., to Foochow, China, for training school work.

W P Dayton, of Lodi, California, to Swatow, China, for training school work.

H P Gray, of Idaho, to India, for evangelistic work, with a view to answering the call for a Telugu laborer#

Dallas Kime, of College Place, Wash., to Malaysia.

Miss Gladys Bowen, of South Lancaster, to China, for stenographic work.

ALBERT MUNSON:

In view of the renewed call from the Asiatic Division for another evangelist for Java, it was agreed that Albert Munson, who had been counted as the teacher for the Padang school, should be recommended for evangelistic work in Java, having the use of the Malay language.

M M HARE:

It having been ascertained that Elder M M Hare, appointed to India, cannot obtain passport for India in this war time without considerable delay and difficulty, it was--

VOTED, That we withdraw the appointment to India on account of the passport difficulty, and that we invite Elder M M Hare to go to the Philippine Islands, to take charge of the work in the island of Luzon, provided the Asiatic Division will release appropriations from some unfilled calls made for workers in China.

W D BURDEN--JAPAN:

The matter of Brother W D Burden's condition in Japan having been further considered, it was--

VOTED, That we advise a continuance of the allowance formerly made to Brother Burden, pending further counsels regarding his work.

BURMA HILL STATION:

On information that the India Union Mission did not have sufficient funds in hand, or at least allotted for the purpose, to enable the workers in Burma to accept the government gift of a site for a hill station, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to correspond with the superintendent of India concerning the matter; and we advise that the Burma workers be given furloughs to the India hill stations when requiring release from the heat of the plains, until arrangements can be made for a proper station in Burma.

BRAZIL SCHOOL:

Report was received through the Educational Department that the way was not clear for the release of Professor Gordon Andrews to accept the call to the Brazil school, and the Central Union brethren reported, recommending Professor J I Beardsley for this appointment.

VOTED, That we withdraw the invitation for Prof Gordon Andrews to go to Brazil, and that we accept the suggestion of the Central Union, and invite Prof J I Beardsley, Educational Secretary of the Nebraska Conference, to go to Brazil, to take charge of the Brazilian Union training school, requesting the North American Division to arrange for his release.

L A HANSEN--A G DANIELLS:

Elder A G Daniells explained his need of assistance in handling his correspondence while he is absent so much from the office, and in other ways. He made request for the services of Brother L A Hansen for a part of his time.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to allow Brother L A Hansen to divide his time with the General Conference, and that we request him to serve as private secretary to Elder A G Daniells, making this latter service his primary work.

STENOGRAPHERS' WAGES:

A sub-committee on wages of office helpers reported that it was their conviction that the wage of the stenographic helpers in the General Conference office should be raised in view of the present increased cost of living.

VOTED, That the wage of the stenographic and other subordinate helpers in the general conference office be raised one dollar in each case, making the salary of the least \$7.00 per week, and that of the highest \$12.50.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED NINETIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 16, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, M E Kern, F Griggs, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also G F Enoch, L A Hansen, T E Bowen, W E Howell, G W Caviness, Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by G F Enoch.

M E X I C O:

Prof G W Caviness presented a letter of instruction which was given to H E Meyer, of Mexico City, regarding the handling of affairs at the headquarters there in case he should decide to leave Mexico,

It was agreed that the counsel to close the office should be approved.

ANDREW ROTH--HAITI:

VOTED, That we invite Brother Andrew Roth, of the Washington Missionary College, to labor as an evangelist in Haiti, with a view later to his succeeding to the superintendency of the Haitien Mission, provided he develops in evangelistic work.

I G KNIGHT--BRITISH GUIANA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division and the North Pacific Union to release Elder I G Knight, and that we invite him to make British Guiana his field of labor.

C P CRAGER:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to arrange work for Prof C P Crager, formerly of South Africa, in connection with the young people's work, or work of similar character, beginning about October 1, by which time it is felt he will have health re-established so that he can put full strength into the service.

FREIGHT ON MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS:

The question of counting musical instruments as a part of freight allowed to be taken to the mission fields at mission expense was considered.

VOTED, That appointees possessing a musical instrument be allowed transportation charges on the same to the mission field.

INSTRUCTION LEAFLET:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to prepare a leaflet of information and instruction regarding outfitting and transportation, with suggestions to appointees preparing to go to the fields.

BAHAMA ISLANDS TEACHER:

VOTED, That we ask the Educational Department to endeavor to secure a teacher for the Bahama Islands school.

W W FLETCHER--INDIA:

Endeavors to secure a president for the India Union Mission in place of Prof H R Salisbury, deceased, having thus far failed of success, it was--

VOTED, That we suggest to the Asiatic Division that they consider the transfer of Elder W W Fletcher, of Australia, to India, to take the presidency of the India Union Mission.

COMMITTEE ON BLANKS:

VOTED, That J L Shaw, W A Spicer, W T Knox, M F Kern, F Griggs act as a committee on preparation of blanks for listing of possible candidates for the mission fields.

BRITISH MEETINGS:

VOTED, That W A Spicer be asked to go to England for the British meetings, beginning the first of August.

Adjourned.

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

MINORITY MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 23, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, M F Kern, C S Longacre,
J L Shaw, B G Wilkinson, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

DEATH OF J V WILLSON:

Cable was received from South Africa reporting the death of Brother J V Willson, of the Kimberley treatment rooms.

VOTED, That the secretary be authorized to express to Sister Willson the sympathy of the Committee in this bereavement, and that we place on record our appreciation of Brother Willson's faithful service during nearly twenty years in the field.

E R BUTTON--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald to give Brother E R Button special opportunities for learning the cylinder press work during a course of ten days or two weeks, and that we ask the office to make his salary during this time as a gift to missions, with a view to preparing Brother Button to go on at an early date to Jamaica, to take charge of the West Indian printing office during the furlough of Brother A F Haines.

HENRY BROWN--SOUTH HONDURAS:

VOTED, That Henry Brown, appointed to the superintendency of South Honduras, be granted ministerial license, and that Mrs Brown be granted missionary license.

VOTED, That we ask Elder Isaac Baker, of Honduras, to arrange to meet Brother Henry Brown at some appointed time in Siguatepeque, there to organize a church, and to ordain Brother Brown as elder of the same.

JOHN BROWN--SALVADOR:

VOTED, That we request Elder J B Stuyvesant, of Guatemala, on his visit to Salvador to unite with Brother John Brown in the organization of one or more churches in Salvador, ordaining Brother Brown as the elder.

PORTO RICO TEACHER:

VOTED, That we request the Educational Department to secure a strong male teacher, to take charge of the church school work in Porto Rico.

HONOLULU TREATMENT ROOMS:

The Medical Department not having secured a man and wife for the treatment rooms in Honolulu, and the Honolulu brethren having called for Brother Bowerman, of Loma Linda, it was

VOTED, That we send Brother Bowerman to take charge of the Honolulu treatment room work.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to return Brother Barthobomew and his family from Honolulu to this country, and that he be granted three months' furlough pay at \$14 per week, unless within the time he has been able to secure work in this country.

MRS ELIZABETH WRIGHT--PORTO RICO:

L A Hansen, of the Medical Department, reported regarding his search for nurses for Porto Rico.

VOTED, That on recommendation of the Medical Department, we submit the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Wright, of Michigan, to Porto Rico, for nursing and Bible work.

SOUTH AFRICAN PRINTING:

Letter was received from the South African Union Committee making request for assistance in securing a cutter, stapler, and other appliances and assistance in strengthening their publishing work. They asked if the Review and Herald might not be able to give assistance at this time.

VOTED, That we pass to the Review and Herald Board the request from South Africa for consideration.

MISS PANE--JAVA:

Word was received from Elder R C Porter, approving of a proposition submitted by Miss Petra Tunheim, to pay the transportation of a nurse to accompany her to Java, and to be a self-supporting worker in that field.

VOTED, That on recommendation of Miss Petra Tunheim, we invite Miss Pane, of the Loma Linda School of Medical Evangelists, to accompany Miss Tunheim to Java, to engage in self-supporting work as a nurse, Miss Tunheim providing the transportation.

HARRY McWHINNY--CHINA:

A letter was received from Elder E E Andross, of the Pacific Union, recommending Brother Harry McWhinny, an evangelist of Southern California who had expressed a willingness to labor in China.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division and the Pacific Union to release Brother Harry McWhinny, and that we invite him to go to China, with a view to locating in the Hakka work at Wai Chow.

J J WESTRUP:

In reply to the propositions submitted by the Committee, Elder R C Porter wrote, consenting to the return of Elder J J Westrup to China, provided his wife is able to accompany him.

VOTED, That we agree with the Asiatic Division in arranging for the return of Elder J J Westrup to labor in China whenever the physical condition of his wife makes it possible for her to return with him to the field.

W T KNOX, Chairman. W A SPICER, Sec'y

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 1, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, J L Shaw, N Z Town, M E Kern,
C S Longacre, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also L A
Hansen, Miss E M Graham, F M Wilcox.

LEITSMAN ESTATE:

The treasurer presented a proposition from Mr George Leitsman regarding bequests from his mother's estate, the mother intending to divide her property between the cause and her son. She had bequeathed, however, cash to the cause and a note to the son, secured by the publishing interests operated by Brother J E White.

Under the circumstances, the son proposed that it would be acceptable to him if the General Conference instead of upwards of \$4000 received \$1900, he sharing the balance of the cash and being willing to turn over the note.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to accept the Leitsman proposition, not, however, calling for the note to be turned over.

E E MORROW:

VOTED, That E E Morrow, returned from India, be granted three months' pay at furlough rate of \$14 per week.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to arrange work for Brother E E Morrow.

REVIEW & HERALD GIFT TO SOUTH AFRICA:

The Review & Herald Board reported to the General Conference that in joint session with members of the General Conference Committee the Board had voted to respond to South Africa's request for help in their publishing work, supplying machinery and other facilities to the extent of about \$700, more or less.

Voted, That the Committee extend thanks to the Review and Herald for this gift for missions.

MISS ROSE BOOSE--INDIA:

Letter was received from Miss Rose Boose, of India, bringing a rather unfavorable account of her health. While no definite action was taken, it was understood that we would inform the India Mission that in case it seems assured that Miss Boose cannot work to advantage in India she should have liberty to return to this field, where she might hope to regain health and continue service as a Bible worker in the cause.

PADANG SCHOOL:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to allow its Educational Department to secure an assistant teacher for the Padang school, Sumatra.

W A JOHNSON--KOREA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to negotiate to open the way for an invitation to be extended to Elder W A Johnson, of California, to make Korea his field of labor.

MELVIN MUNSON--MALAYSIA:

Letter was received from Brother Melvin Munson, from Honolulu, where he is assisting Elders McCord and Conway in a public effort. He reported his own convictions as to his health, and it was--

VOTED, That on the strength of Brother Melvin Munson's own convictions regarding his health, and on the strength of the medical certificate supplied by Dr. Klingerman, and the consent of Elder Porter, of the Asiatic Division, we take action recommending Brother Melvin Munson's return to Malaysia, with a view to his engaging in editorial work as originally planned at the time of the autumn council.

E R JOHNSON--CUBA SCHOOL:

VOTED, That we ask the Mexico Mission to allow E R Johnson and wife to take the Cuba institute and school work planned for during the last five months of this year, Brother and Sister Johnson having recently arrived in Cuba from Mexico.

J I BEARDSLEY:

A letter was received from Prof J I Beardsley, stating reasons why he did not feel it wise to accept the invitation to school work in Brazil.

VOTED, That we released Prof J I Beardsley from the call to Brazil.

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

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

June 2, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, N Z Town, J L Shaw, E R Palmer,
M E Kern, W A Spicer; also Miss E M Graham, W E Howell.

Prayer by N Z Town.

GLADYS BOWEN RELEASED:

Letter was received from A G Daniells, stating that Miss Bowen, of South Lancaster, had reported to him that she did not feel free to accept the call to stenographic work in Shnghai, desiring to take further school work here.

VOTED, That we release Miss Gladys Bowen from the invitation to Shanghai, China.

F C VARNEY--INCA UNION:

Letter was reported from Brother F C Varney, who had formerly been invited to take the secretary- and treasurership of the Inca Union Mission, to the effect that the plans which led him to decline the invitation had not materialized, and he was possibly open for service.

VOTED, That we request F C Varney to make the Inca Union Mission field his field of labor, to act as secretary and treasurer of the mission.

WEST INDIAN PUBLISHING BRANCH:

The secretary reported findings in reference to the proposition for one of the publishing houses to establish a Branch at Colon, for the service of the West Indian and Northern Latin fields. Acting on this report, it was--

VOTED, That the Publishing Department be asked to gather further information regarding the publishing work in the West Indian and Northern Latin fields, the same to be considered at some time in the future when all interests are represented in council.

MISS FLORENCE CROUCH--CUBA:

It was agreed that the Educational Department should take up investigation of the possibility of securing Miss Florence Crouch, of Michigan, for school work in Cuba.

BOOKMAN--INCA UNION:

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing departments of the North American Division and the General Conference to bring in nomination of a bookman for the Inca Union Mission field.

SABBATH SCHOOL MISSIONS QUARTERLY:

VOTED, That I H Evans, W T Knox, E R Palmer, and N Z Town be a committee to make recommendation regarding the proposition of the Sabbath School Department that the Sabbath School Missions Quarterly be issued by the Mission Board Department

BIBLE ENCYCLOPEDIA:

VOTED, That the Library Committee be authorized to secure a copy of the International Standard Bible Encyclopedia for the General Conference reference library, it being understood that the price of the work is about \$27.00.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 11, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, N Z Town, Dr H W Miller, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham. Also J T Boettcher, of the Committee, recently arrived from Russia.

Prayer by J T Boettcher.

A G ROTH:

A letter was presented from Brother Andrew G Roth, accepting the call to Haiti, and in joint session with members of the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we join the North American Division in employing A G Roth during the summer in French work in this country, until his departure to Haiti in September, asking the Atlantic Union to assign him a place of labor; it being agreed that his rate should be \$14 per week.

E E MORROW:

Considering the matter of securing a place in the work for E E Morrow, recently returned from India, it was--

VOTED, That I H Evans be requested to endeavor to make arrangement for Brother Morrow to labor on the Pacific Coast, having in mind the possibility of making exchange in his case with another laborer who might be released to the mission fields, in case the conferences are found to be fully staffed on the Coast so that they can not well take an additional laborer.

CREDENTIALS:

The following workers were voted missionary license: J. Garfield Smalley, entering Honduras as a self-supporting worker; Harry Brown, entering South Honduras as leader in the book work.

MRS EDITH E BRUCE:

Communication was received from Mrs Edith E Bruce, for years of the India Mission, reporting her arrival in this country. After spending some time with friends near Seattle, she asked instruction as to what she should do.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to continue furlough pay to Sister Edith E Bruce until autumn at the furlough rate of \$6.00 per week, and that we ask the North American Division to arrange work for her, if possible, it being stated by those acquainted with her work in India that her service is of a very superior order either as preceptress or sanitarium matron.

BOOKMAN--SALVADOR:

VOTED, That we ask the Publishing Department to endeavor to secure a bookman for Salvador.

MISS BLOSSER--SOUTH AFRICA:

On action of the South African Union Conference, requesting the services of a teacher for the normal department of the South African College, naming Miss J Augusta Blosser as their first choice, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to allow its Educational Department to negotiate for the release of Miss J Augusta Blosser, of Northern Michigan, and that she be invited to go to South Africa.

This action was taken with the understanding that South Africa's provision for her financial support is assured.

F C VARNEY:

A letter from F C Varney, invited to the secretary- and treasurership of the Inca Union Mission was considered, and Brother Varney was accepted for the post.

DR LANDIS:

Telegrams from R C Porter, in California, were considered.

It was agreed that Dr Landis, of California, formerly invited to the superintendency of Hunan, was a man whose services were to be earnestly desired in China. However, as another medical man was sent forward last year to fill the original call, and inasmuch as no provision appears in the budget for a general medical secretary, it is agreed that a telegram to this effect should be sent to Elder Porter, with the suggestion that unless it is clear that the China missions can provide finances, it would seem better to allow Dr Landis to continue another year, closing up his affairs, with a view to entering the field later.

E J URQUHART--CHINA:

VOTED, That we invite E J Urquhart to go to China.

STENOGRAPHER--ASIATIC DIVISION:

VOTED, That in the matter of stenographic help, we advise Elder Porter that there seems to be no provision in the appropriations for stenographic assistance other than the amount voted to Miss Shull; that we leave the choice of stenographic helpers to Elder Porter, provided the field can finance the matter, agreeing certainly that efficient stenographic help should be provided for the Shanghai headquarters.

HARRY McWHINNY--CHINA:

Letter of acceptance, with medical certificates, was received from Harry McWhinny, of Southern California, who, it is understood, is assigned to the Hakka district, as associate worker with S A Nagel.

BERGER JOHNSON--BOCAS DEL TORO:

Letter was received from Berger Johnson, of California, accepting the call to Bocas del Toro, Central America.

S M COBB:

LETTER WAS received from Elder S M Cobb, of Australia, who for two years has been engaged in self-supporting work in Queensland. Under the circumstances of his family, after ten years of service in the Australasian field, Elder Cobb reports that they are convinced they should return to this country, holding himself in readiness either to engage in the work if desired, or to engage in business.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to arrange for the transportation to America of Elder S M Cobb and Mrs Cobb and their daughter.

L O MACHLAN'S RETURN FARE:

VOTED, That the secretary and treasurer be a committee to look into the matter of the return expenses of L O Machlan from Australia to this country, it being learned that this item had been met by the young man himself and had never been considered by the Committee.

JAMAICA TREASURERSHIP:

Letter was received from E C Boger, reporting the necessity of the return from Jamaica of Brother Charles Degering on account of Mrs Degering's health. In the absence of Elder Haysmer, the president, Elder Boger reported that he felt he must appeal directly to the General Conference for search to be taken up for a secretary and treasurer for the Jamaica Conference.

VOTED, That we endeavor to secure a secretary and treasurer for the Jamaica conference.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 12, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, F Griggs, C S Longacre, N Z Town, J T Boettcher, Dr H W Miller, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also F M Wilcox, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham, W E Howell, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

AUTUMN COUNCIL:

In joint session with the North American Division Committee, it was--

VOTED, That we set the time of the autumn council October 17 to 31.

GUATEMALA--C F INNIS:

Letter was received from J B Stuyvesant, of Guatemala, requesting the privilege of employing C F Innis, now engaged in the book work, to assist in some special meetings he is planning to hold.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to transfer to this purpose, \$85.00 listed in the Guatemala appropriations for a nurse, the nurse not having been sent.

A U COCHRAN:

On report from Cuba that A U Cochran, leader of the book work in that mission, required a change, it was--

VOTED, That in case of necessity on account of health, we authorize Brother A U Cochran to return to the States for a month or two of rest, with the hope that he may continue in the Spanish fields as calls for help come in.

C P MARTIN--CUBA:

VOTED, That we invite C P Martin, formerly of the Mexican Mission, now engaged in the book work on the Texas border, to go to Cuba, to take charge of the book work in that field.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 16, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, W A Spicer, G B Thompson, F Griggs, N Z Town, J T Boettcher, J L Shaw, Dr H W Miller, also F M Wilcox, T E Bowen, Miss E M Graham, F W Paap.

Prayer by F Griggs.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

VOTED, That the treasurer and secretary be authorized to determine the objects to be set before the Sabbath School Department for the first two Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings of 1917.

H G PATCHETT--SOUTH AFRICA:

VOTED, That Prof H G Patchett be advised to plan to sail for South Africa about October 1, the route to be determined later according to circumstances.

C T COLE--VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to arrange for the release of Elder C T Cole, of South Dakota, and that he be invited to make Venezuela his field of labor.

H C KEPHART--WEST CARIBBEAN:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure the release of H C Kephart, of Western Washington, provided his conference can recommend him for secretary and treasurer's work, and that he be invited to go to Panama as secretary and treasurer of the West Caribbean Conference.

E C BLUE--BRAZIL:

The Educational Department having been requested to nominate a man as head of the Brazilian school, reported the name of Prof E C Blue, of Nebraska.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to endeavor to secure the release of Prof E C Blue, and that he be invited to make Brazil his field of labor, to take charge of the training college in that union.

J T BOETTCHER--FOREIGN DEPARTMENT:

On request of the North American Division, it was--

VOTED, That following the camp meetings season we recommend Elder J T Boettcher to assist in the North American Division, in connection with the Foreign Department, until the way opens for return to his field of labor.

MRS A H WILLIAMS:

On information supplied by the Treasury Department it was--

VOTED, That the fare of Mrs A H Williams, wife of the India Mission secretary and treasurer, be allowed from England to India, Brother Williams having been called from England to India at a time when he and his wife were visiting his home country, and it being considered proper that the wife's transportation should be paid to the field to which the husband was called by action of his committee.

M M HARE:

The treasurer asked counsel in the matter of expenses incurred by Elder M M Hare, who had accepted a call to India while laboring in Eastern Canada, and had proceeded as far

as California when it was ascertained that there would be difficulty regarding securing passports, Brother Hare being a British citizen while his wife is of German parentage. It was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow Elder M M Hare one month's salary at \$18 per week, and fare and expenses on goods as reported, amounting to \$147.38.

J M HOWELL:

The treasurer reported that at the time of his departure to Peru, no outfitting allowance was received by J M Howell and wife.

VOTED, That an outfitting allowance of \$75 be granted to J M Howell, of Peru.

Adjourned.

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

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 18, 1916, 10 A.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, N Z Town, F Griggs, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, R B Quinn, J T Boettcher, B G Wilkinson, Dr H W Miller, J L Shaw; also T E Bowen, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, W E Howell, R E Harter, W C Moffett, A R Sandborn, B F Machlan, Dr D H Kress, G A Stevens, F H Robbins, J O Miller, J W Hirlinger, R T Dowsett, H M J Richards, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

The meeting was called in connection with the North American Division Conference Committee, to consider the time and place of the autumn council, and to hear the report of Elder J T Boettcher on his return to America from Russia.

AUTUMN COUNCIL:

After some consideration of proposed dates for institutes in the Asiatic Division having a bearing on the time of the autumn council, it was--

VOTED, That the autumn council of the General and North American Division Conference Committees be held at Takoma Park, October 17 to 31, inclusive.

N Z TOWN--AUSTRALIA:

A request from the Australasian Union Conference Committee was presented, asking that N Z Town attend the publishers' convention to be held at Warburton, Australia, during the Christmas and New Years season.

This brought up the question of dates and places of institutes in the Asiatic Division during the coming fall and winter, and what members of the Committee should attend these meetings and the Asiatic Division Council.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of four to meet with himself, to bring in recommendations to the Committee. Named: A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, W W Prescott, J L Shaw.

J T BOETTCHER'S REPORT ON RUSSIA:

Brother Boettcher gave a general survey of the Russian field, from Petrograd in the West to Vladivostok in the East. Owing to the war the organization of the work has been necessarily changed to meet present conditions. He felt to thank God for his fostering care over the work, notwithstanding many difficulties. Sufficient funds have been received to pay all workers. The membership of the West Russian Union has been reduced 1000, owing to territorial changes which the war has made. These have been gained to the East Russian field. He was glad to report the war has caused the death of only one believer. Several incidents were given showing the hand of God ready to deliver his servants in times of difficulty and trial. The location of various workers was pointed out on the map, and the circumstances under which they labored. The war has set the people to serious thinking. The importance of the message is more fully realized by our brethren in Russia and the funds have been kept up because they see of how little value is money and how important that God's work be maintained.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 18, 1916, 3 P.M.

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, N Z Town, F Griggs, E R Palmer, J L Shaw, C S Longacre, J T Boettcher, R D Quinn; also T E Bowen, F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen.

Prayer by R D Quinn.

Joint meeting of the General and North American Division Committees.

ATTENDANCE AT AUTUMN COUNCIL:

I H Evans stated that nearly every union conference president favored asking only members of the Committee to attend the council.

VOTED, That in harmony with this advice, members of the General and North American Division Committees in North America, only, be invited to attend the autumn council.

WORKERS FOR SOUTH AMERICA:

Prof W W Prescott requested on behalf of the South American Division three workers,--a Home Missionary Secretary and an Educational and Young People's Secretary for the Austral Union Conference, and an ordained minister for the Rio Grande do Sul Conference, these workers' salaries being already provided for without additional appropriation.

ANDREW ROEDEL:

The name of Andrew Roedel, of the North Dakota Conference, was suggested to fill the call for Home Missionary Secretary for the Austral Union Conference.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of Andrew Roedel, and that he be invited to go to South America, to act as Home Missionary Secretary of the Austral Union Conference.

EDUCATIONAL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRETARY -AUSTRAL UNION:

VOTED, That the Educational and Young People's Departments be asked to secure an Educational and Young People's Secretary for the Austral Union Conference.

MINISTER FOR BRAZIL:

VOTED, To ask the North American Division to select an ordained minister, thirty or thirty-five years of age, to go to the Rio Grande do Sul Conference to labor.

STENOGRAPHER--SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

In making up the budget for the South American Division, no provision was made for a stenographer for the Division office.

VOTED, That the appropriation be increased to meet the need of a stenographer for the South American Division, and that we ask the North American Division to secure such a stenographer, the name of Brother Fred Williams being suggested.

R G SCHAFFNER'S DEPARTURE:

VOTED, That the departure of R.G.Schaffner for Peru be postponed until Jan. 1, 1917.

P A RICK AND WIFE--RETURN TO AMERICA:

Correspondence from J E Fulton recommends that Brother P A Rick and wife, who went to India as canvassers in 1912 and afterward to Australia to attend school at Avondale, be returned to America because of the poor health of Sister Rick.

VOTED, That we advise the Asiatic Division to arrange for the return of Brother P A Rick and wife to America, it being understood that their transportation will be met from the funds of the India Union Mission.

WM KIRSTEIN'S MOTHER:

Owing to the war, Brother William Kirstein's mother (who is a German and whose husband was never naturalized) being unable to secure a passport, cannot go to South America to join her son, who is in some measure responsible for her support.

VOTED, That W W Prescott and W T Knox be requested to take up her case and make necessary arrangement for her stay in the United States until war conditions change.

INDIA'S REQUEST FOR THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

VOTED, That the request of the India Union Committee for a Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, to be devoted to the erection of church buildings in India, be placed on the minutes, and explanation be made to the brethren in India concerning the use of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering in fields to which it is given.

WORKERS FOR INDIA:

VOTED, That a committee of four, with the chairman, take up India problems and bring in recommendation of workers for that field. Named: A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, J L Shaw.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

ONE HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 19, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, N Z Town, F Griggs, W W Prescott, J L Shaw; also F W Paap, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

ASIATIC DELEGATION:

Resolutions presented by the sub-committee to arrange delegation to visit the Asiatic Division were acted upon as follows:--

In view of the change of plan for meetings to be held in the Asiatic Division, it was--

VOTED, That we rescind the action of December 31, 1915, arranging delegation to attend meetings in the Asiatic Division.

VOTED, That the following persons be asked to attend the Asiatic Division general meetings, planning to attend other meetings in the Division as may be arranged: A G Daniells, W T Knox, W A Spicer, F Griggs, N Z Town.

VOTED, That we request the Pacific Press to send H H Hall to attend meetings in the Asiatic Division during the coming fall and winter, in the interests of the publishing work, it being understood that the managers of the Pacific Press have expressed themselves as favorably inclined toward sending at different times some publishing house representative to the Orient under pay of the house, to give assistance to the growing publishing work in the mission fields.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman
J L SHAW, Sec'y

PORTO RICO TEACHER:

VOTED, That the Educational Department be authorized to secure a man and his wife to take the school in Porto Rico, it being understood that Porto Rico is able to finance this additional help without extra appropriation, with permission to use a portion of their mission funds.

HARRY McWHINNY:

VOTED, That we concur in the request of Harry McWhinny, under appointment for China, that he be allowed to take one year of training at Loma Linda along medical missionary lines; and that we ask the Medical Department to see for a trained medical missionary to take Brother McWhinny's place as associate worker with S A Nagel in the Hakka field.

C E RENTFRO:

VOTED, That in view of the effort for some time to transfer C E Rentfro, by his request, from Portugal to some other field, the further fact that war conditions have isolated Portugal from the European Division, and Brother Rentfro's desire to connect with one of the educational institutions in the States for further study, we offer no objection to his accepting the offer of Professor Morrison to connect with Union College.

C P CRAGER--AUSTRAL UNION:

VOTED, That C P Crager be invited to take the Educational Secretaryship of the Austral Union Conference, South America.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
 July 27, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, N Z Town; also
 F W Paap, F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by N Z Town.

MANCHURIA--SPECIAL APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, That we instruct the treasurer to forward two thousand dollars as a special appropriation to Manchuria, as advised by R C Porter.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
 G B THOMPSON, Sec'y pro tem.

TWO HUNDREDTH MEETING
 GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
 July 30, 1916

PRESENT:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, F Griggs,
 W W Prescott, S C Longacre; also F M Wilcox, Miss E M Graham,
 L A Hansen, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

The question of the time for holding the general meetings in the Asiatic Division Conference was taken up for careful consideration before R C Porter should leave America for the Far East. After considerable discussion, it was--

VOTED, That a committee of four, consisting of A G Daniells, W W Prescott, W T Knox, and G B Thompson be appointed to give further study to the arrangements for the meetings in the Asiatic Division, and representatives to attend, this committee to report later.

After recess, the sub-committee reported, and the report was adopted by vote as follows:--

FALL COUNCIL:

1. That the Fall Council be advanced one week, being held October 10 to 24, instead of October 17 to 31.

ASIATIC DIVISION MEETINGS:

2. That the visiting in the Asiatic Division be arranged in two sections.

3. That the meetings be held as follows:--

First Section

(a) India, January 5 - 15, visiting to be done three weeks before.

(b) Burma, January 15 - February 7.

(c) Visiting Malaysia, February 8 - 28. General meeting for Malaysia, March 1 - 8.

(d) South China, visiting field and general meeting, March 9 - 25.

(e) Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, March 26- April 3.

(f) Asiatic Division Conference, Shanghai, April 5 - 26.

Second Section

(a) Philippine Islands, December 20 - January 8.

(b) Japan, January 15 - February 5.

(c) Korea, February 6 - 20.

(d) Manchuria, February 21 - 26

(e) Honan, February 27 - March 8.

(f) Central China (Hankow), March 9 - 23.

(g) East China, March 24 - April 4.

(h) Asiatic Division Conference, Shanghai, April 5 - 26.

DELEGATION TO ASIATIC DIVISION:

4. That the laborers attending meetings in the First Section be A G Daniells, W T Knox, and one of the officers of the Asiatic Division.

5. That W A Spicer, H H Hall, and one of the officers of the Asiatic Division attend the meetings in the Second Section; and that W A Spicer be requested to visit other parts of the Asiatic field after the conference at Shanghai.

6. That we ask the North American Division to so arrange his work that J J Ireland may take the work of the Treasury Department while the treasurer is absent in the Orient.

7. This program has been arranged so as to allow the visiting brethren from America to return in time to attend the early camp meetings in the North American Division.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 4, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, G B Thompson, F Griggs, N Z Town, M E Kern, W W Prescott; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen.

Prayer was offered by L A Hansen.

C P CRAGER--MINISTERIAL LICENSE:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to C P Crager.

C G HOWELL--BAHAMAS:

VOTED, That we invite Prof C G Howell, of Daylight, Tenn. to make the Bahama Islands his field of labor, to take charge of the school work at Nassau.

C P CRAGER--OUTFITTING:

VOTED, That we allow C P Crager \$100 as outfitting fund.

J J JUTZY--KOREA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of J J Jutzy, of North Dakota, and that he be invited to Korea, to act as field missionary secretary.

A J WEARNER--SOUTH CHINA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of A J Wearner and wife, nurses connected with the St Helena Sanitarium, and that they be invited to connect with the work in South China.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 7, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, F Griggs, M E Kern, N Z Town; also T E Bowen.

W G McCREADY--HAWAII:

VOTED, That the North American Division be asked to secure W G McCready for school work in Hawaii.

J C BROWER--TRANSPORTATION:

VOTED, That we grant the request of the Austral Union Conference, that the \$500 asked for in the 1916 budget to pay the transportation of a school manager to Argentine, be allowed on the transportation of J C Brower and family from the United States to Chile.

SABBATH SCHOOL MISSIONS QUARTERLY:

VOTED, That the editorship of the Sabbath School Mission Quarterly remain with the Sabbath School Department.

CHURCH OFFICERS' GAZETTE:

VOTED, That the editorship of the Church Officers' Gazette be changed from Misses Edith Graham and Matilda Erickson to the Home Missionary and Young People's Missionary Departments.

Adjourned.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 10, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W T Knox, N Z Town, F Griggs, C S Longacre; also L A Hansen, W W Eastman, T E Bowen.

LOMA LINDA HOSPITAL DAY:

Consideration was given to the program to be prepared for the Loma Linda Hospital Day, appointed for Sabbath, October 14. It was recommended that readings be prepared, setting forth the need of the Loma Linda medical school for this hospital; the readings to be prepared by I H Evans, Dr Newton Evans, P T Magan, and Mrs S N Haskell.

MINISTERIAL READING COURSE:

VOTED, That the books recommended by the Educational Department for the Ministerial Reading Course for 1917 be accepted, which are: "The Papacy," by Wylie; new book by Mrs. E.G. White ("Major and Minor Prophets"); "Church and State," by A. Taylor Innes, and "How to Write," by Baldwin.

LESSONS FOR CHURCH ELDERS:

VOTED, That the following recommendation of the Educational Department concerning lessons for church elders be adopted:-

"Whereas, It is desired by the General Conference and Division Conference Committees to give a course of ten lessons to local church elders, on the duties of that office, and since it was proposed to conduct the course through the Fireside Correspondence School, Principal Lewis was requested to present to the Committee an estimate of the cost of conducting such a course; and,-

"Whereas, This estimate was considered by the General Conference Committee, and referred back to the Educational Department, with the request that it present a plan for adjusting the expense of the course between the school and the Conference; it was-

"Voted, To present the following plan to the Committees:-

"Whereas, The Department of Education has for some time given earnest attention to the matter of supplying our church elders with a series of lessons to aid them in the discharge of their duties; and,--

"Whereas, A careful estimate shows that it will cost more than \$2,000 to carry out this plan if it should be made general; therefore,--

"We recommend, 1. That these lessons be prepared by the president and the secretary of the North American Division.

"2. That the distribution and correction of the lessons be made by the Fireside Correspondence School through its regular agencies.

"3. That the tuition of these lessons be free, the student being charged only the regular enrollment fee of one dollar, and the return postage fee of 25 cents.

"4. That the Correspondence School keep an accurate account of the cost.

"5. That the North American Division Conference and the General Conference be requested to share equally the deficit, if there be any, in the expense of carrying out these recommendations."

CHAS BAINER--PERU:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure Chas Bainer, of Oklahoma, to answer the call for a field missionary secretary for Peru.

W T KNOX, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 20, 1916

P R E S E N T

A G Daniells, W T Knox, C S Longacre; also L A Hansen,
W E Howell, T E Bowen.

DR CARO OFFERING:

At the time of Brother Daniells' visit to Australia, Dr Caro, who has a thriving medical practice there, desired to place some money at the disposal of Brother Daniells, to be used in different ways to help in the mission fields, especially along medical missionary lines. Some appropriations from it were made. This money was sent to the Mission Board treasury, and entered as regular mission funds. Later Dr Caro sent £ 100, and also sent a young man to be educated here in the States. To secure this money for use as originally designed, it was--

VOTED, That £ 100, or \$487.00, be appropriated from mission funds for use in educating Brother David Atchison, the money to be dispensed for him by A G Daniells; and that whatever may be left from the original Dr Caro offering, not already especially appropriated as designed by him, be transferred to an account to be known as the Caro Special Fund.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 21, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, E R Palmer, C S Longacre; also
L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

ALTA CLAPPER:

VOTED, That Miss Alta Clapper, of Columbus, Ohio, be invited to connect with the Washington Missionary College the coming year under provisional appointment.

DR A G LARSEN--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That Dr A G Larsen, returned from China, be given a post graduate course, and that during this time he be placed on furlough allowance.

TEACHERS FOR ANNFIELD:

VOTED, That we ask the Educational Department to find a couple, man and wife, both teachers, the wife capable of acting as matron, for assistant teachers at the Annfield school, Mussoorie, India.

A N Allen--Return from Cuba:

VOTED, That we invite A N Allen, of Cuba, to return to the States, and that we request the North American Division to arrange work for Brother Allen, preferably near some school, affording educational advantages for his children.

BIBLE WORKER FOR WEST INDIA:

VOTED, That a Bible worker be secured for West India, to labor in connection with the Bombay effort.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

TWO HUNDRED AND FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

August 30, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniels, N Z Town, C S Longacre, M E Kern, E R Palmer, Mrs L Flora Plummer; also F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, T E Bowen

Prayer by A G Daniels.

JESSE S BARROWS TO ASIATIC DIVISION:

VOTED, That we invite Jesse S Barrows, of the Review and Herald, to make the Asiatic Division his field of labor.

J J STRAHLE TO KOREA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of J J Strahle, of South Dakota, for field missionary secretary in Korea.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

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INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 3, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W W Prescott, N Z Town, E R Palmer, M E Kern also F M Wilcox, W W Eastman, G W Caviness.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT:

The summary of the world literature sales during 1915 amounts to \$2,132,000, a gain of \$23,000 over 1914. The prospects are that the sales for 1916 will be even greater. During the last eighteen months the Review and Herald has sent out over 1,100 prospectuses for "Bible Readings," and during one single month recently the Pacific Press bound up 800 prospectuses for the same book.

D A REES TO PERU:

VOTED, To ask the North American Division to secure the release of D A Rees, of the District Conference, and that he be invited to go to Peru, South America.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

Two *Third*
~~ONE~~ HUNDRED ~~SECOND~~ MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 5

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, M E Kern,
 N Z Town, C S Longacre, I H Evans, G B Thompson; also F W Paap,
 Miss E M Graham, H H Cobban, E L Richmond, W E Howell.

Prayer by W E Howell.

W E GILLIS:

A cablegram from Shanghai, China, was presented, asking
 that W E Gillis be sent to Central China as treasurer.

VOTED, That we concur in this this request, and invite
 W E Gillis to go to China to act as treasurer of the Central China
 Mission.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That W T Knox, W A Spicer, J L Shaw, M E Kern,
 and B F Machlan be a committee to consider provisional appointees
 desiring to attend the Washington Missionary College.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
 J L SHAW, Secretary.

Two *Fourth*
~~ONE~~ HUNDRED ~~THIRD~~ MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 6, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W W Prescott, G B Thompson,
 M E Kern, J L Shaw; also Miss E M Graham.

Prayer by M E Kern.

E C BLUE APPOINTMENT RESCINDED:

VOTED, That the action of July 16, 1916, appointing E C Blue to educational work in Brazil be rescinded.

BRAZIL SCHOOL:

VOTED, That W W Prescott, J L Shaw and W E Howell be a committee to secure a man to take charge of the Brazil school.

Adjourned.

A G DANIELLS, Chairman.
J L SHAW, Secretary.

TWO HUNDRED FIFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 8, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, N Z Town, J L Shaw, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also F W Paap, W W Eastman, W E Howell, H H Hall.

Prayer by H H Hall.

N Z TOWN--AUSTRALIA:

A cable had been received from Australia, notifying of the indefinite postponement of the bookmen's institute which had been contemplated.

It was the mind of the Committee that Elder N Z Town, of the Publishing Department, should go on as planned to Australia, on his way to India and Malaysia, his visit to the Far East not being conditioned upon this contemplated convention in Australia.

SALVADOR BOOKMAN:

VOTED, That we invite the North American Division to release U M Cook, of Texas, for the book work in Salvador, and that the Publishing Departments be requested to arrange for him to go to that field when the way is clear, to take charge of publishing interests.

"CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS" TO THE SOUTH:

The treasurer reported a request from W C White that he might be allowed to make use of a supply of defective "Christ's Object Lessons" lying in the Pacific Press, which might be turned to some advantage at least of the work in the South. H H Hall reported that these copies were set aside as defective, and had been in storage for years.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to turn over to W C White these defective "Christ's Object Lessons" for use in any way that will be a benefit to enterprises in the South.

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

TWO HUNDRED SIXTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 13, 1916

P R E S E N T:

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

I H Evans in the chair. Prayer by W T Knox.

J B STUYVESANT:

On receipt of information from Elder J B Stuyvesant,
superintendent of the Guatemala Mission, that he required a
surgical operation, and that through friends in this country he
had been offered surgical aid free of charge, it was--

VOTED, That we grant a furlough to Elder and Mrs.
J B Stuyvesant, so that both may come together for this change
after twelve years in the tropical field, and that we advise them
to leave affairs in Guatemala in such shape that they need not
necessarily return to that field, it being understood that this
action means that the Mission Board will supply transportation and
a furlough rate for a period in this country.

C F INNIS--GUATEMALA:

VOTED, That C F Innis, now in charge of the book
work in Guatemala, be asked to take temporary charge of the work in
Guatemala during the absence of the permanent superintendent, it
being understood that he will be paid a salary rate, but that he
will be expected to push the book work also.

S A NAGEL--CHINA:

Correspondence from Elder S A Nagel, of the North
Pacific, was brought to the attention of the Committee, in view of
the proposition that Brother Nagel's brother should go out to China
to start a broom-making industry in connection with Brother Nagel's
mission, this industrial enterprise being started on their own re-
sponsibility.

In the mind of the Committee it did not seem ad-
visable that plans should be laid for the starting of industrial
enterprises, nor did the Committee feel clear in assenting to the
plan for Brother Nagel's brother to return with him to China, even
though not at the expense of the Mission Board. It was therefore--

VOTED, That S A Nagel be communicated with by wire, and advised that we do not favor going ahead with any plans for industrial work at the present time, all such plans being within the jurisdiction of the Asiatic Division Committee, and that we advise that his return to China should be regardless of whether at any future time his brother may be appointed to that field, associate workers for the Hakka station being already under appointment and ready to go with Brother Nagel on his return to the field.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED SEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 14, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, C S Longacre, N Z Town, Mrs L F Plummer, J L Shaw, W W Prescott, M E Kern, E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, Miss E M Graham, W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, F W Paap, W E Howell.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

W W FLETCHER:

The chairman read a letter from W W Fletcher, of Australia, reporting that after giving consideration to the invitation extended by the Committee and the Asiatic Division, the Australasian Union had agreed to release him, and he felt free to accept the call to the India superintendency.

A F HAINES:

A communication was received from the secretary of the West Indian Union Conference, reporting the arrangements made for the temporary conduct of the work of the Watchman Press in Jamaica. Owing to the fact that changes are contemplated in the handling of the publishing work in the West Indian Union, with the possibility of removing the printing work from Jamaica, it was felt by the West Indian Committee that Brother A F Haines should not plan to return to Jamaica on the conclusion of his furlough. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we ask the treasury department to endeavor to secure a position for A F Haines in connection with one of our printing houses which might be in need of his services.

C H KESLAKE:

The West Indian Committee reported that in view of the great increase in the cost of paper, and the difficulty in the handling of the output, owing to the disarrangement of transportation, the committee had planned to issue the West Indian Watchman only once in two months; this making it necessary to greatly reduce their staff of workers, the committee requested the General Conference to arrange either for the full support of Elder C H Keslake by appropriations, or for his transfer to work in some other field.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to give consideration to the work of Elder C H Keslake, and to endeavor to find a place for him in the North American Division, the General Conference to move him to whatever place may be open for his services.

H BAASH:

The secretary reported an interview with Brother H Baash, of London, Brother Baash having formerly been connected with the India Mission, and having a good start in the language of Siam. He has now desired to come to America in order to secure such advantages in medical missionary lines as were afforded by the dispensary work in Washington. He is ready to pay his transportation to this country this coming winter in order to secure these advantages, and is recommended by the brethren in Great Britain. Owing to his being a foreigner of Venezuelan citizenship, he is not able to secure these advantages in Great Britain at this time.

VOTED, That we place Brother H Baash under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College for such portion of the school year as he may be able to avail himself of at the conclusion of his business engagement in London, this being with a view to fitting himself for possible future service in Siam when we are able to open that field.

F E PARRISH--PORTO RICO:

The Educational Department reported the name of F E Parrish, of Michigan, as being a candidate available for school work in Porto Rico. It was stated that all local parties interested had been in touch with this matter, and that the way was open.

VOTED, That we request the North American Division to allow the Educational Department to arrange for F E Parrish, of Michigan, to go to Porto Rico to engage in teaching.

DR A W SEMMENS:

A request was presented from Loma Linda that consideration be given to the possibility of the General Conference paying the transportation of Dr A W Semmens and family to New Zealand, to take up a medical practice which would be laid down by the Drs. Kellar, in order that the matter may connect with the work at Loma Linda.

VOTED, That the Committee does not feel free to appropriate for this item of transportation, which would involve the return of Dr Semmens to the Australasian Union to engage in private practice.

REPORT ON GREAT BRITAIN:

The secretary was given time to make a report of his visit to Great Britain, to attend the British Union Conference biennial session. The report testified to the good courage of the brethren and sisters in that field, and to the encouraging progress in the work there notwithstanding war conditions.

Recess was taken to 4 P.M.

On resuming at 4 P.M., there were also present I H Evans and G B Thompson.

Prayer by W W Prescott.

R C WANGERIN:

The treasurer presented correspondence with Brother R C Wangerin, returned from Korea, and now endeavoring to recover from tuberculosis.

VOTED, That R C Wangerin be granted the same allowance for the present as when in Korea, the treasurer to counsel with him regarding his location.

ACCOUNTS OF S A OBERG AND ROLAND LOASBY:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to share with the Iowa Conference in meeting the expense at the St Helena Sanitarium of Mrs S A Oberg, who was ill there after her return from Venezuela, the amount of the account being \$180.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to meet the account of Roland Loasby, of India, for operation and care of Mrs Loasby at the Washington Sanitarium, the amount being \$171.51.

. TENT FOR CUBA:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to secure for Cuba a meeting tent, 40 x 60 feet.

JOHN W COLE--SOUTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That we invite John W Cole to go to South America, to act as stenographer for the South American Division officers.

LEO K CHANG--HAWAII:

The Committee had before them correspondence with Brother Leo K C^hang, a Korean graduate of Union College, Nebraska. It being understood that the Asiatic Division is considering the matter of his employment in Korea, it was felt by the Committee that something should be done to encourage him into the work while waiting for the decision. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we invite Brother Leo K Chang to engage in the work in the Hawaiian Island Mission, laboring for the Koreans, his salary rate to be ten dollars per week, this action being taken with the understanding that it does not contemplate permanent service in the Hawaiian Islands.

MOTHER KIRSTEIN--SOUTH AMERICA:

W W Prescott presented correspondence with Wisconsin regarding the mother of William Kirstein, of Argentine, who has been expecting to go out to South America to join her son. Owing to passport difficulties in war time, her transfer to South America according to arrangement when the son went out, seems difficult.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to grant to the mother of William Kirstein \$2.00 per week for a limited time, to aid in her support while endeavors are made to make arrangements for her to join her son in South America.

DR DUNSCOMBE:

A letter was presented from Dr W C Dunscombe, of South Africa, calling in question the advisability of his returning to America. Inasmuch as the return to America was formerly a matter of the Doctor's own suggestion, and inasmuch as the North American Division officers felt that the need in this country was not such as to call for any action urging the Doctor's return, it was--

VOTED, That we withdraw the call to Dr W C Dunscombe to return to America.

H G PATCHETT:

VOTED, That ministerial license be granted to H G Patchett, under appointment to South Africa.

MINISTERIAL READING COURSE:

Consideration was given to the Ministerial Reading Course program, and it was--

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to act with the Educational Department, to recommend books to the Department for the Ministerial Reading course. The chairman named: W E Howell, M E Kern, W W Prescott, F M Wilcox, J L Shaw.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED EIGHTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 18, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, W A Spicer; also W E Howell, Miss E M Graham.

BOULDER SANITARIUM NOTES:

A brief meeting was called to consider a proposition which the treasurer presented from the Central Union Conference, regarding the Central Union notes held by the General Conference Corporation on account of the Boulder Sanitarium. The treasurer reported that in negotiations with the Central Union the proposition had been made to compromise the indebtedness by the payment of \$15,000 cash, as against the \$32,000 in Central Union notes. The president of the Central Union, Elder R A Underwood, had written making an offer of \$10,000 cash for the discharge of the obligations

After discussion of the proposition, it was--

VOTED, That the General Conference Corporation be advised to accept the offer of \$10,000 cash on the Boulder Sanitarium obligation, on condition that the Central Union Conference pays this amount during the year 1916.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 21, 1916

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, E R Palmer, C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also L A Hansen, F W Paap, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F W Paap.

R J BENNETT:

A telegram had been received from Elder E E Andross, stating that Brother R J Bennett, a returned missionary from India, who had recently accepted the truth, was awaiting word from the General Conference as to whether it would be possible for him to attend Pacific Union College this coming school year, the telegram stating that Elder Porter met Brother Bennett while in California, and desired that some provision should be made for him to get acquainted with the truth and our work, with a view of his possible return to India.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to grant an allowance of \$12.00 per week to R J Bennett and family, provided this will open the way for him to attend college, the allowance not to continue beyond the present school year.

C H KESLAKE:

A communication was received from Elder A J Haysmer, of Jamaica, stating that since the action was taken asking for the return of Elder C H Keslake to America matters had been reconsidered and it was felt that if at all possible to provide for his support they should have his services in connection with their printing work during the remainder of this year.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to add to the West Indian appropriation a further \$7.50 per week on account of the salary of C H Keslake for the remainder of 1916.

J A LELAND:

The Committee had before it a letter from Elder J A Leland, written to N Z Town, speaking of his having under consideration a change from the Texas field, and raising the question as to whether he ought not to be engaged in Spanish work, inasmuch as he has fluent use of the Spanish tongue. Consideration was given to the matter, and it was--

VOTED, That we request the North American Division and the Southwestern Union Conference for permission to take up with Elder J A Leland the practicability of his engaging in work in Mexico for the present, with a view to keeping him in the Spanish work if the endeavor proves satisfactory, this action being taken with a view that we will endeavor to utilize Elder Leland's services for one year at least, the salary rate being \$16.00 per week.

It was agreed that he should be advised for the present to leave his family in Texas, while planning to spend a few months in Monterey, Mexico, and the regions round about.

J W RICH--BRAZIL:

A report was presented to the effect that the Pacific Union was prepared to release Elder J W Rich for Brazil, and a letter from Elder Rich brought his consent to the appointment if thought advisable.

VOTED, That the Committee accepts Elder J W Rich for work in Brazil, and that he be advised to go forward as soon as practicable, with a view to engaging in the work in the Rio Grande Conference.

C C LEWIS:

A request was presented from the Washington Missionary College that C C Lewis, of the General Conference Correspondence School, be allowed to teach two classes a week in Public Speaking.

VOTED, That the request be granted, and that Professor Lewis be authorized to devote to the College the time between eight and ten A.M. on two days a week.

MRS H R SALISBURY:

On information presented by the treasurer, it was--

VOTED, That Mrs H R Salisbury, returned from India, be granted \$5.00 per week as a furlough rate, in addition to an equal amount which she will receive from the Washington Missionary College during the present school year.

MRS EDITH E BRUCE:

VOTED, That \$5.00 per week on account of furlough allowance be paid to Mrs Edith E Bruce, receiving part support from the Washington Missionary College during the school year.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 24, 1916

P R E S E N T:

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

WORK OF W C WHITE:

A communication having been received from Brother W C White, accompanied also by a statement from Brother C C Crisler, consideration was given to plans for the future work of these brethren, and the following actions were taken:--

"VOTED, That as regards the work of Brother W C White and the handling of the affairs of the office at Elmshaven, we recommend as follows:--

1. That the manuscripts and office files be left where they are for the present.
2. That the office library given to the General Conference by Sister White's bequest be transferred to the General Conference office in Zashington when the transfer of property is effected.

3. That as regards Brother W C White's work, we suggest to Brother White that he remain located where he is at St. Helena, to continue his work under the salary and direction of the General Conference Committee.

C C CRISLER:

VOTED, That in view of the call from the officers of the Asiatic Division for the services of Brother C C Crisler in the Asiatic field, and in view of the communication from Brother Crisler, expressing his willingness, if thought best, to unite with the work in the Orient, to assist in the preparation of literature in those fields, we recommend Brother C C Crisler to the Asiatic Division for literary work, suggesting that he locate at the Shanghai headquarters; further, that if Brother Crisler feels it possible to so arrange his work, we invite him to accompany Elders Daniells and Knox to the India and Malaysian fields previous to the general meeting in Shanghai.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED ELEVENTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

September 26, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, J L Shaw, W W Prescott, W A Spicer; and workers in attendance at a council on city evangelistic effort.

A brief meeting was called preliminary to the opening of the council on city mission effort, in order to consider one or two special cases.

OSORIO--PERU:

Request having come from the Inca Union Mission that a Brother Osorio, a public school teacher, who has embraced the truth, be allowed to take a year under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department, in order to become better acquainted with our work in this country, and to be more thoroughly in touch with the message, it was--

VOTED, That we reply that if the young man will meet his own expenses to America, the Committee agrees to place him under provisional appointment for one year in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College.

N Z TOWN'S TRIP:

CONsideration was given to the question of Brother N Z Town's trip, provided it seems impossible for him to secure permission from Australia to enter India,

It was agreed that in this case he should be advised to take the northern round, visiting the Philippines, Japan, Korea, possibly touching at Singapore and Hong Kong on his way to the Philippines.

J E ANDERSON:

A request having come from Cuba that Elder J E Anderson, while on brief furlough in this country be given special opportunities to develop in evangelistic work, it was--

VOTED, To request the North American Division and the Southeastern Union to endeavor to associate Elder J E Anderson with some series of evangelistic meetings for three months in order to give him an experience that will be helpful to him in his work on returning to Cuba.

C E WHEELER:

VOTED, That C E Wheeler and wife, of Kansas, be placed under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College, with a view to going to Africa.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWELFTH MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 5, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott,
E R Palmer, W A Spicer, C S Longacre; also F M Wilcox, W W Eastman,
L A Hansen, W E Howell, Miss E M Graham.

W C SISLEY:

Some time was given to a discussion of the request from the British Union Conference that provision be made for the filling of the vacancy in the International Tract Society when Brethren W C Sisley and W R White leave their work in connection with the Society, as they have planned to do another year. It was agreed that further consideration should be given to the matter of the manager.

The secretary reported that Brother W C Sisley felt that on retiring from more active service, he had thought of Florida as a possible location. It was--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to keep in mind the matter of Brother W C Sisley's location on his return to America, and to consider the possibility of utilizing his services in Florida, if that should seem the field of his choice.

W R WHITE:

The secretary reported that Brother W R White, who for many years has been in connection with the International Tract Society in London, is desirous of returning to this country for a few months' furlough, then to take up work wherever his services might be needed. He is willing to take secretary and treasurer's work in any mission field or aduting work. Inasmuch, however, as Brother White's experience has been so largely in connection with publishing interests, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Review and Herald to study the matter of placing Brother W R White in connection with their work when he shall be ready to return from Europe.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNION SESSION:

A letter was presented from W B White, of the South African Union Conference, making request that Elder Daniells or some other representative of the General Conference plan to attend their biennial conference in the spring of 1917, suggesting that they would change the date if necessary to meet circumstances.

In the discussion of the matter, it was felt that with the probability of the General Conference coming at the end of 1917, it would be better, if the South African brethren were agreeable, to follow in this case the plan that the South American Division has adopted, namely, to postpone the next biennial meeting until after the General Conference. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we recommend to the South African Union Conference that the biennial session of the conference be postponed until after the next General Conference.

W A SPICER TO EUROPE:

Request having come from the brethren on the Continent for some representative to visit that field, to attend winter conferences, it was--

VOTED, That inasmuch as the brethren in Europe have requested the secretary to visit their field for winter conferences, and the secretary feels the conviction that he should respond to the call, we reshape the program for the visit to the Far East, and allow him to use his judgment in the matter of attending European meetings.

A G DANIELLS & W T KNOX:

In view of the above action, it was--

VOTED, That we advise that Elder W T Knox proceed as formerly arranged, to visit India, to attend the mission conference in that field, and that Elder A G Daniells be advised to take the northern round of meetings,--the Philippines, Japan, Korea, and Northern and Central China.

T E BOWEN:

VOTED, That, as it comes to our knowledge that T E Bowen by sickness in his family has been put to extra expense that brings him into embarrassment, we authorize the treasurer to make to him a special appropriation of \$30.00, to aid in this emergency.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED THIRTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 6, 1916

P R E S E N T:

A G Daniells, W T Knox, W W Prescott, G B Thompson, W A Spicer, C S Longacre, E R Palmer, and at the close, Chas. Thompson; also Miss E M Graham, W W Eastman, W E Howell, T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

C F COLE RELEASED:

A letter was received from C F Cole, who had been invited to go to Venezuela. The letter indicated that the condition of Sister Cole's health was such that it would be impossible for them to respond to the call. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we release Elder C F Cole from the invitation to Venezuela.

V E TOPPENBERG:

A letter was received from Brother V E Toppenberg, formerly connected with the German East African Mission. It was written from the British camp on the Victoria Nyanza. Being of neutral citizenship, Brother Toppenberg had been able to remain on his station until it was possible to make his way out of the turmoil and confusion caused by the rising of the tribes, reaching the British camp in safety. Inasmuch as the effects of the black water fever are still felt, he desired to know if he could take a furlough before the rainy season began, in February. It was--

VOTED, To cable him as follows: "Furlough whenever necessary."

J J STRAHLE:

A letter was received from C E Weaks, of the Asiatic Division Publishing Department, urging that J J Strahle be sent on to the Philippines as soon as possible, inasmuch as the book work there requires immediate attention. Brother Strahle had suggested taking some special work in the Foreign Seminary Department before going to the field. It was--

VOTED, That we request Brother J J Strahle to go to the Philippines instead of Korea, and to plan his work so as to be able to leave for the field at the earliest practicable date.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTEES:

VOTED, That the following persons be placed under provisional appointment in the Foreign Seminary Department of the Washington Missionary College: J M Tvedt, under provisional appointment to China; E M Meleen, under provisional appointment to the mission fields, exact location to be determined later.

The treasurer requested that a committee be appointed to study the budget of calls presented by the mission fields for 1917 as a preliminary to presenting the same before the council. The following were named: W T Knox, A G Daniells, W A Spicer, W W Prescott, Chas Thompson.

Adjourned.

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

AUTUMN COUNCIL

TWO HUNDRED FOURTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Takoma Park, D. C., October 11, 1916

The autumn council of the General Conference Committee was called to order by A G Daniells, at 9 A M , Wednesday, October 11. Prayer was offered by M N Campbell.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

A G Daniells, I H Evans, W T Knox, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, W A Spicer, J L Shaw, J T Boettcher, R A Underwood, E E Andross, B G Wilkinson, C W Flaiz, L H Christian, Chas Thompson, M N Campbell, R D Quinn, S E Wight, C F McVagh, W H Branson, G I Butler, S N Haskell, M E Kern, C H Jones, C S Longacre, Dr H W Miller, E R Palmer, Mrs L F Plummer.

OTHERS PRESENT:

F W Paap, C B Stephenson, W W Eastman, L A Hansen, J J Ireland, Meade MacGuire, G W Caviness, Wm Steele, M F Knox, S N Curtiss, H H Hall, I A Ford, L W Graham, T E Bowen, L M Bowen, A O Tait, E L Richmond, G F Haffner, C C Lewis, Miss E M Graham, Steen Rasmussen, H G Childs, W E Howell, Dr E A Sutherland, F M Wilcox, R L Pierce, Dr P T Magan, Dr Newton Evans, B E Miller, W L Burgan, Allen Moon, S E McNeill, H H Cobban, Geo F Enoch.

P R O G R A M:

By informal agreement, the program of the council was fixed as follows:--

General Conference Committee, 9 A M to 12 M.
North American Division, 2 P M to 5 P M
Evenings for committee work, or for such sessions

as may be arranged.

JOINT SESSION

Action was taken going into joint session with the North American Division Committee, for the consideration of certain items in common.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION:

The chairman introduced the question of the next session of the General Conference and of the North American Division Conference, asking consideration as to the time and place. In discussion of the matter the following suggestions were made:--

W H Branson, of the Southeastern Union, invited the conferences to Atlanta, or some other city of the Southeast.

C H Jones and E E Andross presented invitations from the Pacific Coast, particularly mentioning Los Angeles and San Francisco.

A memorial from the Columbia Union was read, inviting the next sessions of the General and Division Conferences to one of the cities of the Columbia Union, offering fullest co-operation. In further explanation, B G Wilkinson described the advantages offered in Pittsburgh, Richmond, Philadelphia, and other parts.

R A Underwood, of the Central Union, presented the advantages of Omaha, with offers of facilities.

R D Quinn, of the Atlantic Union, expressed the welcome that would be given by that union in case the conference should be held in the warm season of the year. If in the winter, however, he felt that the South or West afforded advantages.

M N Campbell, of the Eastern Canadian Union, agreed with the suggestion of the South or West if the winter session were held, but urged the advantages of Toronto in case a summer date is fixed upon.

Brethren L H Christian, C W Flaiz, and Chas Thompson spoke particularly for Chicago, Portland, and Minneapolis.

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of five, to bring in a report as to the time and place of the next General and Division Conference sessions.

Named: W W Prescott, E E Andross, I H Evans, R D Quinn, S E Wight.

WAGE SCHEDULE:

The chairman stated that changed conditions and increased cost of living had brought the suggestion of need of studying the wage schedule adopted some years ago. It was--

VOTED, That the chair appoint a committee of thirteen, to take under consideration the matter of the wage schedule.

Named: W T Knox, I H Evans, B G Wilkinson, C W Flaiz, J T Boettcher, E R Palmer, R A Underwood, Chas Thompson, L H Christian, G B Thompson, Dr H W Miller, B F Machlan, W W Prescott.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

VOTED, That the officers of the two conferences, with the union conference presidents, constitute a joint committee on distribution of labor.

On motion, the joint session was adjourned.

Resuming the General Conference Agenda paper, the matter of counsel to the fields regarding delegation to the next General Conference was introduced.

VOTED, That the officers of the two conferences, with C W Flaiz, B G Wilkinson, and Chas Thompson be a committee to give counsel.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNION SESSION:

South Africa's request for Elder A G Daniells to attend the next session of the South African Union Conference was introduced. It was reported that the Committee had already taken action, suggesting to South Africa that their next union conference session be deferred until after the General Conference. The council concurred in this suggestion.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The report of the treasurer was called for, and was presented as follows:--

(See following pages)

GENERAL CONFERENCE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
REVENUE STATEMENT
FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 20, 1916.

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I N C O M E

<u>TITHE</u>		2,956.68
North American Division	1,412.86	
Mission Fields	652.58	
Individuals	<u>891.24</u>	
TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND		692,477.71
Annual Offering	41,604.44	
Mid-Summer Offering	21,514.40	
Harvest Ingathering	78,333.25	
Missions	176,485.01	
Sabbath School Donations	332,163.14	
Weekly Offerings	9,227.96	
Miscellaneous Offerings	<u>33,149.51</u>	
SPECIAL FUNDS.		24,951.21
LEGACIES		707.42
DEPARTMENTAL INCOMES		2,471.41
INTEREST		5,529.83
APPROPRIATIONS RETURNED.		1,800.00
MISSIONARY READINGS & QUARTERLIES.		2,842.75
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.		<u>539.88</u>
Total Income.		734,276.89

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF S.D.A.
REVENUE STATEMENT---Cont'd.

E X P E N S E S

APPROPRIATIONS REGULAR.		354,313.42
ASIA.		231,703.29
Asiatic Division	25,753.16	
Central China	20,220.12	
East China Mission	9,748.26	
South China Mission	23,856.72	
West China Mission	4,669.71	
Manchuria Mission	5,257.58	
Total for China	<u>89,505.55</u>	
Japan Mission	16,607.09	
Korea Mission	17,406.74	
Malaysian Mission	13,221.92	
India Mission	77,844.39	
Philippine Mission	<u>17,117.60</u>	
SOUTH AFRICAN UNION CONFERENCE.		44,215.54
SOUTH AMERICAN UNION CONFERENCE		42,607.32
Brazil Union Conference	12,633.52	
South American Union	29,225.30	
South American Division	<u>748.50</u>	
MEXICO AND WEST INDIES		35,462.27
Mexico Mission	7,726.82	
West Indian Union	12,996.91	
Porto Rico Mission	2,111.74	
Bahamas Mission	267.00	
Cuba Mission	6,598.28	
North Spanish Mission	374.25	
North Honduras Mission	649.91	
Guatemala Mission	1,500.00	
Haitien Mission	2,299.47	
Salvador Mission	<u>937.89</u>	
HAWAIIAN MISSION.		<u>325.00</u>

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GENERAL CONFERENCE REVENUE STATEMENT CONTINUED

					FOOTINGS FROM SHEET TWO	354,313.42
APPROPRIATIONS (SPECIAL)						23,732.30
FURLOUGHS.						6,164.82
MISSIONARY APPOINTEES						4,204.03
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES						62,733.18
Department	Salary	Tr. Exp.	Office	Total		
Auditing	712.80	191.52	7.09	911.41		
Educational			239.99	239.99		
Executive	9146.22	2410.41	4751.79	16308.42		
G.C. History	1109.87			1109.87		
Home Miss.	991.63	180.22	127.23	1299.08		
Medical	1180.60	266.11	108.09	1554.80		
Miss. Vol.	1276.64	446.48	186.93	1910.05		
Publishing	1411.71	357.78	139.27	1908.76		
Sabbath Sch.	2257.49	222.05	2289.59	4769.13		
Gen'l Field						
Laborers	2854.56	1194.50		4049.06		
Stenographic	<u>275.97</u>			<u>275.97</u>		
	21217.49	5269.07	7849.98	34336.54		
Harvest Ingathering						25877.64
General Office Expense						<u>2519.00</u>
SPECIAL FUNDS.						279,063.10
Sustentation Fund			14,427.54			
General Conf. Corp. Special Fund			96,996.45			
Institutional Relief			167,639.11			
EMERGENCY FUND.						463.44
PROMOTION EXPENSE ON MISSIONARY READINGS AND QUARTERLIES						3,347.86
Miscellaneous Items.						<u>254.74</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR PERIOD.						734,276.89
Total Receipts as shown on page one			734,276.89			
Total Expenses as shown above			<u>734,276.89</u>			
PRESENT WORTH JAN. 20, 1913.						219,828.17

GENERAL CONFERENCE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

BALANCE SHEET

FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 20, 1916.

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A S S E T S

CASH AND SECURITIES.		265,414.75
Emergency Fund	75,000.00	
Operating Fund	<u>190,414.75</u>	
CONFERENCES AND INSTITUTIONS		22,532.39
ACCRUED INTEREST		1,168.89
DEFERRED CHARGES ON 1916 APPROPRIATIONS.		24,810.82
INVENTORIES		<u>6,137.60</u>
Total Assets.		320,064.45

L I A B I L I T I E S

INSTITUTIONS: TRUST FUNDS: AND PERSONAL ACCTS.		71,008.29
Institutions,	1,644.78	
Trust Funds	69,085.10	
Personal Accounts	<u>278.41</u>	
GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION.		25,752.72
TREASURERS' CREDIT CHECKS		1,156.44
PROVISION FOR CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL		1,138.59
RESERVE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS		<u>1,180.24</u>
Total Liabilities.		100,236.28
TOTAL ASSETS AS SHOWN ABOVE,	320,064.45	
LESS TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>100,236.28</u>	
PRESENT WORTH FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 20, 1916.		<u>219,828.17</u>
		320,064.45

REVENUE STATEMENT
of the
GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION
FOR YEAR ENDING DEC.31, 1915.

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I N C O M E

Special Corporation Fund	96,994.94	
Interest Earned	9,684.09	
Washington San. Operating Gain	8,048.90	
Wash. San. Reserve on Taxes to Corp.	150.71	
Surplus Reserve on Securities	2,088.84	
Rents	74.10	
Donations	<u>114.50</u>	
Total Income.		117,156.08

E X P E N S E S

Interest Paid by Corporation	10,453.69	
Interest Paid by Sanitarium	1,205.66	
Annuities Paid by Sanitarium	560.00	
Annuities Paid by Corporation	1,542.39	
Provision for Notes and Interest	13,405.09	
Provision for Depreciation on Sanitarium Buildings	2,926.90	
Sanitarium Insurance	351.65	
Taxes	372.47	
Salary and General Expense	517.89	
Loss on Iowa Circle Branch San.	<u>359.63</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>31,695.37</u>
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT		85,460.71

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BALANCE SHEET

of the

GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION

For year ending Dec. 31, 1915.

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ASSETS

CASH ON HAND AND IN BANK.	9,395.01
NOTES AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	302,626.43
Notes Receivable 239,761.56	
Less Reserve <u>40,870.33</u>	198,891.23
Accounts Receivable	103,735.20
INTEREST ACCRUED.	6,175.10
INSURANCE UNEXPIRED	788.39
REAL ESTATE.	33,307.41
BUILDINGS.	148,297.51
FURNISHINGS	<u>8,125.07</u>
Total Assets	508,714.92

L I A B I L I T I E S

NOTES AND CONTRACTS.	247,227.36
Notes Payable Corp. 169,206.26	
Notes Payable San. <u>8,921.10</u>	178,127.36
Annuity Contracts Corp 58,900.00	
Annuity Contracts San. <u>10,200.00</u>	<u>69,100.00</u>
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.	7,445.27
DEPOSITORS.	40,795.67
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	4,798.28
INTEREST AND ANNUITIES ACCRUED	<u>2,331.55</u>
Total Liabilities	302,598.13
PRESENT WORTH January 1, 1916	<u>206,116.79</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PRESENT WORTH.	508,714.92

The report of the auditor, J J Ireland, was presented as follows: --

In my examination of the General Conference books I have checked all the cash received mail with the entries made in the cash book, and also all disbursements through cash and bank, to the original books of record, and can truly say that everything has been properly recorded in harmony with the vouchers on file. I have also verified the footings of the cash book and checked up the record of the checks issued, and find that the account with the bank in the check register agrees with the bank account, as shown by the pass book. The attached income and expense statement and balance sheet gives the correct showing of the General Conference as of January 20, 1916.

(Signed) J J Ireland,
Auditor.

VOTED, That the report be adopted.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

VOTED, That the officers of the two conferences and the union conference presidents be a committee on appropriations for 1917.

SPECIAL EXPENSES IN FIELDS:

WHEREAS, The present method of drafting the budgets of the respective mission fields calls for the recording of requests for funds for many unforeseen expenses which may be provided for directly in a more satisfactory manner by the General Conference treasurer; therefore,--

WE RECOMMEND, That, from henceforth, we ask our superintendents of mission fields to include in their annual budgets only the items of regular expenses, leaving all unforeseen expenses and heavy items of transportations of workers to be adjusted at the time of their contraction.

SAFEGUARDING FIELD EMERGENCY FUNDS:

For the establishing and safeguarding of our emergency funds,--

We recommend, 1. That we place with our Division treasurers and such Union mission treasurers as may be decided upon special deposits of money to be known as Emergency Funds, which shall be used, not for the local operation of the field, but for special service in the meeting of such unavoidable expenses as may present themselves from time to time.

2. Each treasurer of emergency funds is to report from time to time to the General Conference treasurer full particulars as to why and how these funds are disbursed. When 40% of said money is expended, the detailed report is to be made out and sent with a request to the treasurer of the General Conference for the restoring of the emergency fund to its full or agreed amount.

3. All payments from the emergency fund are to be made only with the approval of the local committee in each Division or Union concerned.

APPEALS FOR ASSISTANCE:

The treasurer reported that since the outbreak of the war and the interruption of ordinary lines of communication with many parts, appeals for assistance from workers or believers cut off from help sometimes came to the General Conference, seemingly requiring action without consultation with the fields which ordinarily would be consulted. He asked counsel as to how such appeals should be treated.

VOTED, That a committee of three be appointed to consider these items and to make report.

Named: W T Knox, J T Boettcher, Chas Thompson.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED FIFTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 12, 1916

The second meeting of the council was called to order at 9 A M , October 12.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

J W Christian.

W W Eastman.

Prayer was offered by L H Christian, M E Kern,

Minutes were read.

AUDITING COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the officers of the General and Division Conferences, the union presidents, and C. H. Jones, E. R. Palmer, A. O. Tait, L. M. Bowen, S. N. Curtiss, D. H. Kress, R. L. Pierce, F. M. Wilcox constitute the Auditing Committee for General Conference accounts.

WEST INDIAN PUBLISHING BRANCH:

The question of a branch publishing house or depository, in the West Indies, for serving the West Indian and North Latin fields, was introduced, and it was--

VOTED, That the matter be referred to the members of the Publishing Department committee, with the addition of W. A. Spicer, M. E. Kern, J. J. Ireland, G. B. Thompson.

BOOK LEADERS:

VOTED, That the calls in the Agenda paper for leaders of the book work in Korea, Inca Union, Salvador, Malaysia, Venezuela, and India be referred to the committee on distribution of labor.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS ON TITHING:

A request was received from the Kansas Conference that a lesson on tithing be presented each quarter.

The secretary of the Sabbath School Department stated that when an effort had been made to follow this plan, considerable objection had come from the field, owing to the breaking of book study by the introduction of a study which obviously did not fit into the general plan of the quarter. It was stated that the Sabbath School Department was always watching for chances to introduce studies on tithing whenever the subject came naturally into the book study, or whenever topical subjects were under review.

The importance of keeping this matter before the people was unanimously agreed upon, and it was--

VOTED, That we request the Sabbath School Department to continue its plan of giving studies on the obligation of the tithe whenever opportunity offers in the Sabbath School lessons.

STANDARD OF ATTAINMENT:

After listening to an interesting report by the secretary of the Young People's Department regarding progress in the work for the youth in other lands, it was--

VOTED, That we recommend a uniform plan for the Standard of Attainment, to apply in all countries.

MISS. VOL. DEPT. COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following persons be added to the Missionary Volunteer departmental committee, these being in the way of substitutes to fill vacancies, or additions to the committee: F Knight, G H Clark, S L Frost, L L Caviness, Howard Lee, C P Crager

F R A N C E:

An appeal in behalf of the work in France had been received from Elder J Vuilleumier, of Montreal. The appeal stated that thirty-six years ago France was entered by our work, but that up to the present time, out of eighty-six departments or provinces, only fourteen had been entered. The appeal asked that encouragement be given to the circulation of literature in France by some method that would enable colporteurs to keep the field. Along with this a plan was suggested for producing magazine and tract literature. It was a very earnest appeal, and at its conclusion, it was--

VOTED, That we report to Elder J Vuilleumier that the council listened to his appeal in behalf of France with greatest interest and sympathy, and that we assure him that the matter will be borne in mind when the way opens for opportunity for counsel with the Latin Union regarding the work in Southern Europe.

WEST INDIAN UNION:

The calls for a superintendent for Venezuela, and for a secretary for the Jamaica Conference were referred to the committee on distribution of labor.

NORTH LATIN FIELD:

THE Calls for a superintendent for the North Latin field, and for two evangelists for Cuba were referred to the committee on distribution of labor.

INDIA UNION MISSION:

The calls for superintendents for Bengal, the Punjab, Central India, and for a lady Bible worker for Bombay were referred to the committee on distribution of labor.

D N WALL:

Information was received that Elder D N Wall, of Australia, formerly a German worker in New York City, was engaging in English evangelistic work. The brethren of the German Department in the North American Division felt anxious that Elder Wall

should be able to devote his strength to evangelistic work in the German tongue, and reported their great need in the cities of the East. It was further reported that the Austral Union Conference, South America, was in great need of an evangelist, such a call having been listed on the Agenda paper. It was therefore--

VOTED, That the matter of Elder D N Wall's future work be referred to the committee on distribution of labor, with the suggestion that he might be transferred to the South American Division.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNION:

The requests of the South African Union for a president for the Cape Conference, teacher for the Zulu Mission, and teacher for the Kafir Mission were referred to the committee on distribution of labor.

W A WALSTON--FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That we grant the recommendation of the South African Union Conference, that Elder W C Walston, and wife, of the Solusi Mission, be granted a furlough, to America, after about twenty years in the South African field.

W H ANDERSON--FURLOUGH:

Information was given that on account of Sister Anderson's health, Elder W H Anderson, of South Africa, was accompanying her to this country, under action of the South African Union Conference. It was--

VOTED, That after a time spent in visiting his people, we ask the North American Division to consider what arrangements can be made for utilizing the services of Elder W H Anderson while in this country, with the idea that his services should be available for at least a year.

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That the request of the Austral Union Conference for a home missionary secretary be referred to the committee on distribution of labor.

In all these references to the committee on distribution of labor, explanation was given to the council as to the urgency of these calls for workers.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED SIXTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 13, 1916

The third meeting of the council was called at 9 A M , October 13.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

\$ Mortensen, Dr W A Ruble.

Minutes were read.

A joint session with the North American Division Committee was called, to hear the report of the committee on time and place of the next General and Division Conference quadrennial sessions.

The report of the committee was adopted as follows:-

We recommend, That the next session of the General and the North American Division Conference be held in Los Angeles, California, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made to hold the meeting in that city, beginning about the first of April, 1918.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DAY:

On request of the Missionary Volunteer Department, it was--

VOTED, That the Missionary Volunteer Day be the first Sabbath in January.

The joint session was adjourned, and the committee continued taking up items in the Agenda paper.

BRAZIL UNION:

The calls from Brazil were explained by W W Prescott and it was--

VOTED, That we refer to the committee on distribution of labor the calls from the South American Division for Brazil, as follows: Union school principal, Union secretary-treasurer, ministers for Rio Grande, Minas Geraes, Sao Paulo, Santa Catharina, and book leaders for North Brazil and Minas Geraes

INCA UNION MISSION:

W W Prescott continued presenting the South American Division calls, describing the needs and openings in the Inca Union Mission. The remarkable work among the Indians of Peru was reported. It was--

VOTED, That the Inca Union Mission calls be referred to the committee on distribution of labor as follows: Superintendent for Peru, superintendent for Bolivia, field agent for Bolivia, evangelist for Bolivia, teacher for Indian work in Bolivia, field agent for the Inca Union, and seven workers for the Lake Titicaca Mission (two of whom have already been appointed).

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 15, 1916

The fourth meeting of the council was called at 9 A M., October 15.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT:

P E Broderson.

Prayer was offered by G F Enoch.

ST THOMAS HURRICANE:

A cable message was received from Elder E C Widgery, of the Danish West Indies, saying: "Devastating hurricane. Great distress. Church party demolished. Help is needed."

VOTED; That the matter be referred to the treasurer and secretary, to report as to the best means of providing help, some of the union conferences having suggested that they might help.

WEST INDIAN AND NORTH LATIN PUBLISHING:

The committee appointed to consider the matter of the West Indian and North Latin publishing work presented a report, as follows:--

Whereas, There is an urgent need for the consolidation and building up of the book and periodical work in the West Indian Union and Northern Latin American Mission fields; therefore,--

We recommend, 1. That the Pacific Press Publishing Association be invited to establish a branch publishing house in the West Indian Union or Northern Latin American Mission field territory at such place as may be decided upon in counsel among the members of the West Indian Union Conference Committee, the Northern Latin American Mission Committee, the Pacific Press Board and the General Conference Committee.

2. That the Pacific Press Publishing Association take over such portion of the present Watchman Press and Mexican Publishing House equipment as may be agreed upon by the General Conference and the Pacific Press Board, and at such valuation as may be decided upon by the General Conference auditor.

3. This publishing branch shall supply literature in all languages to the entire field, and may print or import such English, and foreign periodicals, tracts and books as may be needed in the field.

4. That the branch office shall absorb custom duties to each field up to, but not exceeding, 10%; also consular fees and freight charges to society offices, or to agents on railway or steamship lines, provided such shipments weigh 500 lbs. or more; freight, but not consular fees, to be paid on shipments of 100 to 500 lbs.

5. That this branch office allow the same discounts to societies, missions, and laborers as are outlined in the Recommendations of the General Conference Publishing Department, and shall also pay one half of the salary and expenses of the union field missionary secretary.

6. That the West Indian Union missionary field secretary supervise the book work in the Northern Latin American Mission territory until such time as it shall seem best to appoint a union secretary for that field, the General Conference compensating the West Indian Union for the time he spends in their service.

7. That the book work in each conference and mission field be managed and controlled by the local committee with a field secretary in charge.

8. That the following be the local advisory board: The branch office manager;; president of the West Indian Union; superintendent of the Northern Latin American Mission; union field missionary secretary; president or superintendent of the local conference or mission in which the office is located, and two other resident members to be selected by the foregoing and approved by the Pacific Press Board.

9. That it is understood that the Pacific Press Publishing Association will turn over this branch office to the local field if requested to do so by the General Conference, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the General Conference, the Pacific Press Board and the local fields.

Prof G W Caviness, who was present, expressed his feeling that the press of the Mexico Mission should not be merged into this enterprise, feeling that Mexico, with its fifteen millions needs a printing work there.) It was--

VOTED, That the report of the committee be adopted.

LETTER FROM L R CONRADI:

The secretary read a letter from Elder L R Conradi, posted in Switzerland, speaking of matters relating to the work in Europe.

The council adjourned, in order to give the committee on appropriations opportunity to go forward with their work on the budget for 1917.

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

TWO HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 16, 1916

The fifth meeting of the council was called at 9 A M , October 16.

Prayer by E E Andross. Minutes were read.

ST THOMAS HURRICANE:

The committee appointed to consider the matter of response to the call for help to relieve distress and damage in the Danish West Indies, made a report, suggesting that \$500 be cabled to Elder Widgery, made up as follows: General Conference, \$100; Pacific Union, \$75; North Pacific, \$50; Northern, \$100; Columbia, \$50; Lake, \$75; North American Division, \$50, these amounts being suggested by the various unions.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS:

The secretary of the Sabbath School Department presented a report of the results of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings as follows:--

1912

Cities of India.....	\$ 7,674.33
Selukwe Reserve, Africa.....	12,680.64
Mission Homes in China.....	12,379.82
Schools in South America.....	10,854.42

1913

Korea and Philippine Islands.....	10,924.01
Medical work in India.....	12,807.78
Transportation of 150 missionaries..	17,615.29
Four enterprises.....	13,503.86

1914

Training school for China.....	17,491.65
Year's advance in Japan.....	18,637.62
Inca Union Mission.....	17,145.00
War-time call.....	21,792.06

1915

Malay Missions.....	21,258.23
Spanish-American mission fields.....	22,443.39
African missions.....	20,155.03
Manchuria, East and West China.....	25,097.40

1916

Philippine Islands.....	23,305.10
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Thus, as the secretary of the department said, passing the hat seventeen times has brought \$285,765 to missions.

VOTED, That W T Knox, Mrs L F Plummer, J L Shaw, G B Thompson, W A Spicer be a committee to designate objects for the second, third, and fourth quarters of 1917.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

The committee on appropriations brought in the results of their study.

In the committee on appropriations it had been agreed that sixteen cents should be the amount set aside for missions in the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund in 1917; that from the surplus of the Sustentation Fund \$25,000 should be appropriated to missions; and that the treasurer be authorized to reduce his operating capital by \$55,000, adding this amount to the available funds. This still left \$101,000 to be cut from the calls for 1917 presented by the fields. The work of making this cut had been assigned to a small sub-committee.

The report of this sub-committee was presented by the treasurer, showing that reductions of about \$80,000 had been made in the 1917 estimates by deferring various enterprises called for, and reducing the number of workers requested. The suggestion of the sub-committee was that the \$20,000 shortage be made up by appropriating a further \$15,000 from the Sustentation Fund surplus, and asking Australasia to increase its estimated contribution from \$15,000 or more, to full \$20,000.

The council listened to a brief explanation of the manner in which the cut had been applied, giving an idea of various calls which would have to be deferred. At the same time the arrangement proposed listed a good number of additions to the fields, both in men and means, so that the year 1917 would still be a year of advancement.

By formal action it was then--

VOTED, That for 1917 we appropriate for missions sixteen cents per week from the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund.

That the treasurer be authorized to reduce the proposed working capital, or operating fund, by \$55,000, adding this amount to the funds available.

That \$40,000 be appropriated to missions from the Sustentation Fund surplus.

That we ask the Australasian Union to bring their contribution to the Asiatic Division up to an amount of at least \$20,00.

That with these provisions the appropriations be made according to recommendation.

MISSIONARY APPOINTEES FUND:

Consideration was given the matter of placing students under provisional appointment for the mission fields, with grant of assistance for the final work of preparation. This plan had been used to a considerable extent in the days of the Foreign Missionary Seminary, but had been reduced to a minimum more recently. It was--

VOTED, To eliminate the amount of \$4,200 set aside for this appointee fund in the estimates for 1917, with the understanding that this would not cut off a number who were receiving some help from the fund this school year.

FOSTERING MISSIONARY TRAINING:

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed to make recommendation regarding plans for fostering missionary aims in the colleges, and to help the colleges in developing missionaries for the fields.

Named: W E Howell, J L Shaw, L H Christian, R A Underwood, E E Andross.

The council adjourned in order to give committees time to go on with their work.

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

TWO HUNDRED NINETEENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 16, 1916, 3:45 P.M.

The sixth meeting of the council was called as a joint session with the North American Division at 3:45 P.M., October 16, to receive the report of the joint committee on wage schedule.

WAGE SCHEDULE:

The report of the committee on wage schedule was presented and adopted as follows, the report being as an amendment to the wage schedule report adopted in session some years ago.

	Former Schedule	New Schedule
Licensed Bible workers	\$6.00 to \$12.00	\$6.00 to \$13.00
Licensed ministers	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 15.00
Ordained ministers	14.00 to 18.00	14.00 to 20.00

We recognize the fact that in exceptional cases the requirements of city work may call for the employment on a conference of an evangelist who is expected to take responsibilities and bear burdens of a special nature, in which case the rate of wage might right be equal to that of the president of the conference.

Presidents of local conferences	15.00 to 20.00	15.00 to 21.00
Presidents of union conferences	18.00 to 22.00	18.00 to 23.00
Presidents of Division conferences	22.00 to 24.00	22.00 to 25.00
President of General Conference	23.00 to 25.00	23.00 to 26.00
Secretary and Treas. of Gen. Conf.	21.00 to 23.00	21.00 to 24.00
Secretary and Treasurer and Vice-president Division Conference	20.00 to 22.00	20.00 to 23.00
Heads of 14 and 16 grade schools	16.00 to 22.00	16.00 to 23.00
Medical superintendents and physicians		12.00 to 27.50

The institution to meet expenses for such post-graduate work, medical fees, and medical literature as may be agreed upon.

This increased rate allowed to medical superintendents and physicians is intended to cover the full amount of salary, thus eliminating the provision made in the previous schedule for the addition of 10%.

Business manager publishing houses	18.00 to 22.00	18.00 to 23.00
Business manager sanitariums	15.00 to 22.00	15.00 to 23.00
Business manager colleges	15.00 to 20.00	15.00 to 22.00
Heads of college departments (men)	14.00 to 18.00	14.00 to 20.00
Heads of college departments (women)	10.00 to 15.00	10.00 to 16.00
Principals 10 and 12 grade schools	12.00 to 18.00	12.00 to 20.00

We further recommend,-- 1. That when laborers are sent to any field where rents are excessive, proper allowance be made by conferences and institutional Boards.

2. That the introductory paragraph to the wage schedule be amended by adding in the second line after the word "living" the words "under similar conditions," thus making the paragraph read:--

"From the information we have been able to gather, we find that the cost of living under similar conditions for the same standard of personal and household expenditure, is about the same throughout the world. That is to say, in every country, the necessities of life, such as food, clothing, rents, fuel, etc., can be secured at approximately the same cost. The same is true regarding luxuries. This uniformity is no doubt brought about by railway and steamship service, governmental legislation, trades' unions, manufacturers' combinations, and trusts, etc."

3. That the General Conference Committee at this session appoint a commission to give study to the question of author's remuneration, and payment for articles furnished to our papers, private lessons by teachers, and other supplementary sources of income, as recommended in the wage schedule adopted October 23, 1913, and that this commission make its report as soon as possible.

4. That questions relating to the application of the family wage regulation be referred to this commission on author's remuneration.

Meeting adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 17, 1916

The seventh meeting of the council was called at 9 A^M, October 17.

Prayer by E R Palmer. Minutes were read.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

A partial report of the committee on distribution of labor was presented and adopted as follows:—

The committee on distribution of labor makes the following partial report, all calls from North America being in the form of request to the North American Division.

We invite laborers as follows:--

1. M R Coon, of Western New York, to India, to answer the call for a superintendent of one of the divisions of the India Union Mission field.
2. E L Sheldon, of Minnesota, to India, to answer the call as superintendent of one of the divisions of the India Union Mission field.
3. W M Adams, of the Pacific Union, to India, in answer to the call for a superintendent for the Bengal Mission.
4. Lindsay A Semmens, of California, to India, for mission station work.
5. D N Wall, of Australia, to South America, for evangelistic work.
6. W D MacLay, president of the Kansas Conference to South Africa, to take the presidency of the Cape Conference.
7. W E Baxter, president of the Arkansas Conference, to the superintendency of the Venezuela Mission.

SPECIAL APPEALS IN WAR TIME:

The committee appointed to make recommendation regarding the handling of appeals for assistance under abnormal conditions made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

Whereas, Appeals come to the General, Division, and Union officers for financial assistance to be rendered in times of emergency from persons who are or have been connected with the work in some other portions of the world; and,--

Whereas, There has been no definite statement rendered as to what our attitude or the attitude of the organization to which the appeal is made, should be in such instances, or the responsibility of the field with which such workers are or have been connected should be when assistance is given; and,--

Whereas, We recognize the justness of the plan that no money should be paid to any person on account of some specific field without an order from the executive officers of the field concerned; therefore,--

We recommend, 1. That the officers of the organization to which the appeal is made should satisfy themselves of the worthiness of the applicant and the urgency of the appeal by as thorough an examination as time and circumstances will permit.

2. That when the officers of the field are satisfied of the worthiness of the applicant as to aid requested, they should advance to him the smallest amount necessary to relieve the bare necessities, taking from the person assisted receipts in triplicate for the funds advanced, one receipt to be kept at the office, and the other two receipts to be sent on to the General Conference, with a full statement of all the particulars, besides such other evidences of worthiness as the applicant is able to furnish.

3. That when payment has been made to applicants of this class, it becomes a question for adjustment between the fields concerned.

Opportunity was given for the Educational Department to make a report on the Ministerial Reading Course outline for the next year.

Further report was made by the Department on the Correspondence School work.

PORTO RICO SCHOOL:

Elder Wm Steele was present from Porto Rico, and was given opportunity to present the needs of his field. Reporting for the seven years during which he had been connected with the work in Porto Rico, he stated that \$35,000 worth of publications had been put into the field during that time. The mission had been so nearly self-supporting that he thought that in the whole seven years the amount of appropriations would scarcely average \$700 a year. Two millions of people are within the territory of the mission, which includes Santo Domingo. We have three churches, two church buildings, and 130 members.

The budget of appropriations as adopted had cut out the appeal for \$5000 for school headquarters. Brother Steele made an earnest plea for at least half of this amount for their school enterprise, feeling that it was of first importance that the young people embracing the truth and showing missionary zeal and activity should be trained for service.

VOTED, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair to confer with the officers and to suggest if possible means by which the Porto Rico school enterprise might receive assistance.

N^omed: J W Christian, R D Quinn, E E Andross,
W E Howell, C W Flaiz.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY--FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 18, 1916

The eighth meeting of the council was called at 9 A M , October 18.

Prayer by C F McVagh. Minutes were read.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

The committee on distribution of labor presented a further report, which was adopted, making request of the North American Division for the following workers:--

8. Clyde Lowry, of the Pacific Union, to the West Indies, as secretary-treasurer of the Jamaica Conference.

9. Elder R W Parmele, president of the Cumberland Conference, to take the superintendency of the North Latin Missions

10. Elder M R Broctor, of New Mexico, to Jamaica, for evangelistic work.

PORTO RICO AND HONDURAS:

The committee appointed to consider the requests from Porto Rico and Honduras made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

We recommend, That the request for help for the Honduras school be referred to the officers of the General Conference for further consideration.

Regarding the request of Brother Steele for \$2,500 to establish a school in Porto Rico,--

We recommend, That this matter be referred to the officers of the General Conference for further consideration.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:

VOTED, That we request the secretaries, auditors, and others furnishing matter for the statistical and financial statements to endeavor, as far as possible, to have their reports in the office of the General Conference by July 1 of each year;

and that the auditors of unions in the North American Division endeavor to furnish financial statements by August 15 for all schools in this Division, for the school year closing during the preceding May or June.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 19, 1916

The ninth meeting of the council was called at 9 A M , October 19.

I H Evans in the chair. Prayer by F W Paap.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

The committee on distribution of labor presented a further report, which was adopted, making requests as follows:--

11. Mrs E V Perry, of Portland, Oregon, to Bombay, India, as Bible worker.

12. L B Ragsdale, of Phoenix, Arizona, to South America, as principal of the Brazil Union school.

13. John P Gaede, of the West Pennsylvania Conference, to South America for evangelistic work in Rio Grande do Sul.

14. Herman P Neumann, of South Texas, to the Santa Catharina Conference, Brazil.

15. C E Rentfro, of Portugal, to the Brazil Union Conference, for evangelistic work in Minas Garaes.

16. H G Fish, of Wyoming, to Peru, South America.

17. M E Anderson, of South Dakota, to Bolivia, S A

18. Earnest Lloyd, of California, to the Austral Union, South America, as home missionary secretary.

FOSTERING MISSIONARY TRAINING:

The committee on developing missionaries made a report, which was adopted as follows:--

Whereas, We recognize the need of acquainting the young people in our schools more fully with our missionary work, and encouraging a still larger number to enter the work at home and in foreign lands,--

We recommend, 1. That when possible, the Mission Board place in our various training schools a missionary on furlough, under furlough pay, to spend, if possible, one year in the school promoting missionary work, and perhaps teaching or studying some.

2. That the General Conference men closely connected with the Mission Board make more frequent visits to our colleges, spending a week or more in placing foreign mission interests and problems before the students, and giving opportunity for personal consultation to young men and women who are interested.

3. That our young people be encouraged to complete their education in our own schools, and to keep their eyes continually on the field, planning to enter immediately some branch of the cause on leaving school.

4. That presidents and other laborers in our various conferences in the training school territory keep in close touch with the development of their young men and women in school, with a view to having some definite place to offer them as soon as their course is finished, thus making the field a more active participant with the school in developing new workers.

5. That we urge our school men and visiting brethren to keep before the young men in our colleges the sacred and high calling of the ministry, and before the young women that of the Bible work; and further, that definite instruction in both lines be provided in the school in addition to what visiting brethren may contribute.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 20, 1916

The tenth meeting of the council was called at
9 A M , October 20.

Prayer by J T Boettcher.

DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR:

VOTED, That we make requests of the North American
Division for workers as follows:--

19. Robert Hare, of Maple Plain, Minn., for school
or mission station work in India.

20. Morris Bailey, of Maine, for mission school
work in South Africa.

21. Chester Perkins, of the Atlantic Union, for
mission station work in India.

J L SHAW TO WEST INDIAN COMMITTEE SESSION:

VOTED, That we ask Prof J L Shaw to attend the
West Indian Union Committee meeting at Trinidad, opening November
24.

BRAZIL SCHOOL:

Further consideration was given to the matter of
the Brazil school and the invitation for L B Ragsdale therefor.

VOTED, That action in this matter
be referred to the officers.

J A LELAND'S RATE:

VOTED, That the rate for J A Leland, asked to
labor for a time in Mexico, be fixed at \$17.00.

BEN HOFFIZ:

A letter from Elder E T Russell having presented the case of Ben Hoffiz, a Syrian who desires to become better acquainted with our work and ultimately to offer himself for work in Syria, it was--

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to appropriate \$75.00 to assist this Syrian brother in attending Union College, provided the balance of the amount required can be secured otherwise.

DR D E BLAKE:

A letter was received from Dr D E Blake, of Jamaica, asking assistance to return to this country, he having gone out to Panama in an effort to become a self-supporting helper, and having failed through sickness and otherwise, found it necessary to try to get back to the States, to engage in medical practice, later bringing his family.

Under the circumstances, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to appropriate \$100 to Dr D E Blake, to assist him in returning to the States.

ADJOURNED.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 25, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, J L Shaw,
M E Kern, Mrs L F Plummer, E L Palmer, W A Spicer; also Miss
E M Graham, J J Ireland.

Prayer by J L Shaw.

R W PARMELE RELEASED:

Letter was received from Elder R W Parmele, in reply to the invitation to take the superintendency of the North Latin Mission field. Elder Parmele spoke of conditions of health, and conditions of undertaking the work in the field which led the Committee to feel that it would not be practicable for him to undertake the superintendency.

VOTED, That in view of health conditions of Elder and Sister R W Parmele, and of conditions stated in their correspondence, we withdraw the invitation for him to take the superintendency of the North Latin Mission field.

G D RAFF--VENEZUELA:

VOTED, That we ask the Porto Rico Mission to release G D Raff, and that we invite Brother Raff to go to Venezuela and the South Caribbean, to lead out in the book work in the South Caribbean Conference.

J G PETTEY--LAKE TITICACA:

VOTED, That we ask Brother J G Pettey, of Texas, formerly of the Guatemala Mission, to join the Lake Titicaca Mission staff, with the idea of taking the secretary- and treasurership, and the principalship of the teachers' training school.

J J STRAHLE:

A letter was received from Elder E T Russell, of the South Dakota Conference, saying that the conference, which had released their book leader for the Philippines, would be compelled to take on his successor in February, in order that he might attend the bookman's convention in California.

VOTED, That the General Conference assume the support and direction of Brother J J Stranle from about February 1, or the time when the South Dakota Conference must release him from service in ordxr to take on his successor.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 31, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M E Kern,
J L Shaw, E R Palmer, B G Wilkinson, W A Spicer; also F W Paap,
T E Bowen, W E Howell.

Prayer by M E Kern.

A W PETERSON--BRAZIL SCHOOL:

Consideration was given to the call for a principal for the Brazil Union school, and it was--

VOTED, That we invite A W Peterson, of the Keene Academy, to respond to the call for a principal for the Brazil school, asking the North American Division and the Southwestern Union to release him for this purpose, it being understood that he be called to go at the end of the present school year.

W F FIELD--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we invite W F Field, of North Texas, to take the secretary- and treasurership of the Jamaica Conference, asking the North American Division and the conferences involved to release him for this purpose.

WEEK OF PRAYER--YOUNG PEOPLE:

The Young People's Department having requested that one reading each Week of Prayer be aimed especially to appeal to the young people, it was--

VOTED, That we accept the suggestion and endeavor to work to it in the arrangement of future Week of Prayer programs

ALBERT MUNSON:

A letter was received from Elder Sandborn, of New Jersey, saying that the New Jersey Conference appreciated the services of Brother Albert Munson, who has been working in New Jersey while awaiting the time for his proceeding to Malaysia. He reported, however, that some difficulty with his feet required attention. It was--

VOTED, That Brother Albert Munson be invited to come to the Dispensary in Washington, if arrangements can be made to this effect, with the idea that while taking treatment for this difficulty he will be getting helpful experience in dispensary work which will help him in the mission field.

B L MORSE--B E AFRICA:

Word was received from B L Morse, secretary of the British East African missions, reporting his wife's need of a furlough as soon as travel is safe. He had hoped they might have been released in 1915 while their work was tied up on account of the war, in order that he might proceed to his home in America, and then later to his wife's home in England. Now it is his desire that his wife be given furlough, while he wished to remain a little longer, if able to do so. He had written to the British Union Conference to this effect.

It was recognized that the matter was wholly within the decision of the British Union Conference Committee, but in view of the heavy pressure coming upon the mission funds of that committee, it was--

VOTED, That we assure the British Union Conference of our readiness to come to their aid if necessary to enable them to grant sick leave to Mrs Morse, of British East Africa, or to other workers similarly requiring furloughs.

SOUTH AFRICAN MISSIONS AND COLLEGE ENTERPRISE:

Consideration was given to a letter from Elder W B White, bringing request from the recent meeting of the South African Union Committee.

The Committee in the South African Union advised that they believed one training school in a language area is sufficient to train the teachers needed for out-school work. They therefore recommend that for Matabeleland the old Solusi station and farm enterprise be made the training school, and that the

rented farm at Somabula be discontinued, leaving simply a station there, the missionary in charge overseeing the primary school and giving aid to his out-schools, releasing the second missionary to take an out-station, as at Shangani, and in turn to superintend out-schools. The committee by their experience feel that the best results among the natives are attained, not by bringing them onto a mission farm to live, but by bringing the truth to them in their kraals, where the test is really brought as to their faithfulness in living the truth.

On this plan the committee recommended for Mashonaland that Tsungwesi be the training school, and that the Glendale station be conducted as a main out-school station.

The proposition is also made to endeavor by sale or exchange in the case of the Spionkopp station to get into a more populous part of Zululand in order to conduct training school work for the Zulus.

In connection with this matter the South African Committee further present their convictions that the European training school at the Cape should be moved into a country location

The South African Committee made request for reply to the following proposition:--

"Would you sanction the South African Union Conference selling the greater part of the Glendale farm, if a fair price can be secured, allowing us to use the proceeds toward the purchase of a farm for our (Union) training school?"

"And could we make a shift of the Spionkopp farm, possibly located nearer into Zululand, and not get so large a farm, would you allow us to use a portion of the proceeds of this farm in securing the rural location for the training school? We hardly think the Glendale farm would bring to us enough to secure a farm in a favorable location for the training school, but should Spionkopp be sold and a portion of this land used, we could locate all the farm we need as a training school among the Zulus, and likely add enough to the proceeds of Glendale to get us a good farm for our union training school without indebtedness."

The South African Committee further ask: "If not willing for us to give any portion of the Spionkopp farm, would you be willing that we make a transfer of the Glendale farm to a school in the country for the Claremont Union College? Failing this, would the General Conference grant a Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, or such portion as might be needed in securing a school farm for the Union College?"

The General Conference Committee considered these propositions, and the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That we inform the South African Union Committee that the General Conference Committee here has not sufficient information as to the situation to be able to express decided opinion as to the necessity of removing the Union training school from Claremont at this time, and must leave the responsibility of this move to the Union Committee on the ground.

We state further that so far as we understand the matter, the plan of conducting but one farm training school in a language area recommends itself to our judgment, and we accept the first proposition made by the South African Committee, reported in W B White's letter of September 20, agreeing on our part that if in the judgment of the Union Committee it is practicable to dispose of the Glendale property, or the greater part of it, while still not allowing Mashonaland interests to suffer; and if it is practicable to provide proper facilities for the Zululand training school work, and yet leave a margin over the requirements for that enterprise, whatever amount may be saved shall be used as recommended by the Committee in securing land for a country location for the Union Conference training school.

JOHN BROWN--SALVADOR:

VOTED, That the General Conference Corporation be recommended to make a loan of \$500 to Brother John Brown, superintendent of the Salvador Mission, to enable him to secure a proper home in which to live, Brother Brown to return this amount within a reasonable period of time.

APPROPRIATION TO KARL SNOW:

A letter was presented by the treasury department from Henry Brown, superintendent of South Honduras, reporting that Brother Karl Snow and wife needed to return to this country, Sister Snow being under the necessity of having a surgical operation in order to live. These workers have been generally self-supporting in the field, having taken over the school work formerly conducted by H A Owen. It was felt that they had by their efforts in taking over this enterprise saved the name of the denomination from reproach, and had been working loyally and in full harmony with the mission.

VOTED, That we make an appropriation of \$300, to enable Brother and Sister Snow to spend a little time in the States, to secure necessary medical attention.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS

The sub-committee appointed during the council made a report regarding objects for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings, which was adopted as follows:--

VOTED, That in view of the needs of the work in the West Indian Union field, with its four thousand believers, and with new enterprises calling for extra endeavor at this time, we ask the Sabbath School Department to make the needs in the West Indian field the object of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the second quarter of 1917, aiming to reach at least \$21,245, the minimum amount necessary to carry through the work needing to be done this year in the West Indian Union Conference.

VOTED, That in view of requests that have come in from the Malaysian Mission, which includes Singapore, the Straits Settlements, and the East Indies, with their call for expansion and the opening of new fields, we request the Sabbath School Department to call upon the schools for a special offering for Malaysia on the thirteenth Sabbath of the ~~third~~ ^{first} quarter of 1918, aiming to reach ~~\$27,534~~, which is the lowest estimate of the requirements of the Malaysian Mission in its work for the year. 27.0

^{\$27,000}
Whereas, The Asiatic Division holds within its boundaries half the population of the world, its evangelization calling for our utmost endeavors in every phase of gospel work,--

Resolved, That we ask the Sabbath School Department to rally its forces on the last Sabbath of the year 1917, to achieve, if possible, a Thirteenth Sabbath Offering of \$30,000 --the largest yet--for the prosecution of the publishing work in all the Asiatic Division, thus hastening the time when the message-filled pages shall be falling over that vast field as the leaves of autumn.

DR C C LANDIS--CHINA:

A letter was received from Dr C C Landis, stating that he had received instruction from the Asiatic Division to close out his affairs and plan to take his postgraduate work, preparatory to hastening on to China.

VOTED, That this matter be referred to the officers, with power to act.

BANK DECLARATION:

The following action was taken, making provision for the acting treasurer to conform to the banking requirements:

Resolved, That a savings account be opened with the District National Bank, under the name of General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, J J Ireland, acting treasurer, and that said Bank is hereby authorized to honor checks on said account signed by the Acting Treasurer.

U M COOKE--SALVADOR:

W W Eastman, assistant secretary of the Publishing Department, reported that negotiations had been concluded for the services of U M Cooke, a bookman of Texas, to engage as leader of the book work in the Republic of Salvador.

VOTED, That this recommendation be accepted, and that Brother U M Cooke be invited to Salvador as leader of the book work.

MEETINGS MISSIONARIES AT SAN FRANCISCO:

Suggestion having come from the Pacific Coast that some definitely understood arrangement should be made for meeting missionaries arriving or department from San Francisco, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the California Conference to allow its secretary and treasurer to act in the capacity of agent in meeting missionaries who may require assistance at the port of San Francisco, the conference to bill us monthly the expense incurred in this service.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 3, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M E Kern, W A Spicer; also J J Ireland, W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, W E Howell, Meade MacEire, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

C E KNIGHT--FURLOUGH:

Information was received from the South American Division, recommending that Elder and Sister C E Knight, of Ecuador, be furloughed home on account of Sister Knight's breaking health.

VOTED, That we grant the request of the South American Division providing for a furlough for Elder C.E.Knight and wife, of Ecuador.

ECUADOR SUPERINTENDENT:

The South American Division included in their request a call for a superintendent for Ecuador, to be provided by the General Conference. Inasmuch, however, as Ecuador is a very difficult field in which to give a new man experience in Spanish work, it was--

VOTED, That we ask the Austral Union Conference to supply a successor to Elder Knight for the oversight of the work in Ecuador, selecting, if possible, some South American couple who will have the Spanish language to begin with, and a knowledge of South American ways.

REQUEST FROM LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE:

A request was presented from representatives of the local young people's society, asking for the use of the General Conference chapel for a time, for the Friday evening meetings of the society. They reported that the vestry of the church was too small for the meetings, while the auditorium was so large that it seemed impossible to conduct really spiritual social meetings such as was desired, particularly at this time before the week of prayer. It was felt that if they could secure the General Conference chapel, much more efficient work could be done in their Friday evening meetings. After considering the request, it was--

VOTED, That we grant the request of the local young people's society for the use for a time of the General Conference Committee meeting room.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 6, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M E Kern,
E R Palmer, B G Wilkinson, W A Spicer, also W W Eastman, J J Ireland,
Miss E M Graham, T E Bowen, F M Wilcox, G W Caviness.

E C SILSBEЕ:

Cable was received from South Africa, reporting that Mrs Silsbee could like to come on to America at once, provided Brother E C Silsbee, of Basutoland, was granted a furlough next year. Inasmuch as no provision had been made for a furlough in his case, it was--

VOTED, That we notify South Africa that we do not see how it is possible to grant any additional furloughs for 1917.

R J BENNETT:

A telegram was received from the St. Helena Sanitarium, reporting Mrs Bennett, wife of R J Bennett, of Pacific Union College, as needing an operation. A letter had come in also from Brother Bennett, reporting his desire to return to India, where he accepted the truth some time before returning to this country. It seemed evident that the call for an operation was pressing in view of the expectation of appointment to return to India at an early date, and it was therefore--

VOTED, That we telegraph St. Helena that the Mission Board has not made any appointment in this matter, and that no appropriations have been made for opening work in the field to which Brother Bennett wishes to return. Therefore if the operation is contingent on appointment to the field, we would advise deferring the matter.

R J BENNETT'S RETURN:

A letter was received from Brother R J Bennett, reporting that he felt that it would be better for him to return this winter to India, rather than to spend longer time in school. He was anxious to get back and resume his work in the province of Gugarat.

Inasmuch as this is a matter which it was felt should be considered first by the India Union and the Asiatic Division, provision being made in the appropriations, and inasmuch as the design in assisting Brother Bennett at the Pacific Union College was to allow him to get better acquainted with our work, and the brethren on the Coast to become acquainted with him, it was--

VOTED, That we advise Brother R J Bennett to counsel with the union and local conference workers in California, and to plan to spend a longer time in this country, any call to return to India being subject to arrangement by the Asiatic Division.

J G PETTEY RELEASED:

A letter was received from J G Pettey, of Texas, stating that he did not see light in accepting the call to Lake Titicaca for school and office work, it being his strong desire not to enter school work.

VOTED, That we release J G Pettey from invitation to the Lake Titicaca Indian work.

M R PROCTOR RELEASED:

Letter was received from Elder M R Proctor, of El Paso, Texas, in reply to the invitation to evangelistic work in Jamaica. On account of Brother Proctor's statement as to his condition of health, and a particular weakness of his voice in any damp climate, and his feeling that his work was not public platform work, but rather the quieter house to house and pastoral work, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother M R Proctor from the call to Jamaica.

R N STUDD--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we invite Brother R N Studd, of Colorado, at present free from any conference engagement, to go to Jamaica, to engage in evangelistic work.

CLYDE LOWRY RELEASED:

As the result of exchange of telegrams with Brother Clyde Lowry, making it apparent that in the care of parents he and his wife had financial responsibilities which they could hardly hope to carry on the salary in Jamaica, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother Clyde Lowry from the invitation to the secretary- and treasurership in Jamaica.

J G PETTEY--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we ask J G Pettey, of Keene, Texas, to go to Jamaica, to accept the secretary- and treasurership of the conference and tract society.

R G SCHAFFNER:

A letter was received from R G Schaffner, under appointment to go to Lake Titicaca early in the coming year. Brother Schaffner reported that the young lady to whom he is engaged had been ill, and that it did not seem at all advisable to plan for her to go to a mission field at present. He therefore regretfully asked to be released from the appointment.

VOTED, That we release Brother R G Schaffner from appointment to Lake Titicaca at this time, but that we ask him to hold himself in readiness for appointment to some of the mission fields at some future date.

MRS J P ANDERSON:

A letter was received from Mrs J P Anderson, in Wyoming, reporting favorable progress healthwise, and asking counsel as to returning to China early next year. In view of the fact that she was returned from China with a tropical difficulty that has always proven very stubborn, it was--

VOTED, That we advise Sister J P Anderson to remain in this country at least until next autumn, not returning to China to enter upon the hot season of the tropics.

M R COON RELEASED:

A letter was received from Mrs M R Coon, wife of Elder Coon, of Western New York, in reply to the invitation that they go to India. She reported Elder Coon in poor health, advised by the doctor to cease all labor for a time. They felt therefore compelled to decline the invitation.

VOTED, That we release Elder M R Coon from invitation to India.

W F MAYERS--GUATEMALA:

Information was received that Brother C F Innis, colporteur in Guatemala, was returning to Arizona, broken again in health. Guatemala reported that this would leave them with a considerable stock of books on hand.

VOTED, That we invite Brother W F Mayers, formerly of the Mexico Mission, now canvassing along the border States, to go to Guatemala to engage in the canvassing work on his own account, the General Conference agreeing to pay transportation to the field.

BOOKMEN'S CONVENTION--GUATEMALA:

Brethren J A P Green and H H Hall had written regarding tentative plans for holding a bookmen's convention in Guatemala City in January, about the time of Brother Hall's return from the Caribbean. Inasmuch, however, as we are only just getting bookmen to the Central American fields, and those who have reached the field have not had time to develop local workers as yet, and inasmuch as the winter season is the time for pushing the work in these fields that have had so little attention, it was--

VOTED, That we advise the brethren concerned that the proposed bookmen's convention for Guatemala City be deferred until another season.

L J BORROWDALE:

Correspondence was presented from L J Borrowdale and wife, nurses at Melrose, recommended for service. Inasmuch as Brother Borrowdale is of English nationality, it was felt that we should interview him with reference to possible calls from the African West Coast and other British fields.

VOTED, That we encourage Brother L J Borrowdale and wife to come to Washington for an interview regarding possible future appointment to work in the mission fields.

J J STRAHLE:

VOTED, That we make a rate of \$13 per week to Brother J J Strahle from the time when South Dakota discontinues his services, thus allowing Brother Strahle to spend the time before departure for the Philippines in securing every advantage for his future work, either on the Pacific Coast following the bookmen's convention, or at Union College.

E H WILCOX--PERU:

W W Eastman, of the Publishing Department, presented the name of E H Wilcox for the field missionary secretaryship of Peru and the Inca Union Mission. It was understood that arrangements had already been made with the local conferences for the release of Brother Wilcox. It was therefore--

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to release to us Brother F E Wilcox, of New Mexico, and that we invite him to go to South America, to take the field missionary secretaryship of the Inca Union Mission and of Peru.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 9, 1916

P R E S E N T:

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

CLYDE LOWRY:

A wire was received from Brother Clyde Lowry, accepting the call to Jamaica.

M E ANDERSON RELEASED:

A letter was received from Elder M E Anderson, of South Dakota, reporting that his condition of health was threatening to compel him to retire from active service even in Dakota for a time.

VOTED, That we release Elder M E Anderson from the call to Bolivia, on account of health.

HONOLULU TEACHER--R W SMITH:

A telegram was received from Elder H F Conway, of Honolulu, calling for a lady teacher, or for a man and wife to teach and engage in evangelistic work.

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to open the way for an invitation to be extended to Brother R W Smith, of the Pacific Union, to go to Honolulu, provided the Pacific Union concurs.

MELVIN MUNSON:

VOTED, That we recommend Brother Melvin Munson to proceed to Malaysia at the earliest possible date considered advisable by medical counsel, with^{OLSON} reference to the time of the Shanghai meeting next spring.

MRS SUSAN WILBUR:

The treasurer reported the return of Mrs Susan Wilbur, widow of Elder E W Wilbur, of China, who, with her children is located in Oregon for the present.

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to continue Sister Wilbur's rate of \$11.00 per week for the present.

W D MacLAY:

The Committee considered letters from Elder and Sister W D MacLay, also the medical reports. As was well known to the Committee, Sister MacLay's health is not very good and has not been for years. However, considering the needs in South Africa, and the mild climate of the Cape, it was--

VOTED, That we encourage Elder and Sister MacLay to go forward to South Africa, in response to the call for a president for the Cape Conference.

A J OLSON--INDIA:

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

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division and other conferences involved to grant the release of A J Olson, of Nebraska, and that he be invited to go to India, to take the field leadership of the vernacular publishing work.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 15, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, M E Kern,
E R Palmer, W A Spicer; also W W Eastman, T E Bowen.

Prayer by G B Thompson.

H F NEUMANN:

Letter and medical reports were received from
Elder H F Neumann, of South Texas, who reported his acceptance of
the call to Brazil.

H A FISH RELEASED:

Letter was received from Brother H A Fish, of the
Wyoming Conference, also medical reports. Owing to the medical
report in the case of the little daughter, and also counsel that
Sister Fish could not endure a high altitude, it was--

VOTED, That we release Brother H A Fish from the
call to South America, to act as superintendent of the Peruvian
Mission.

L J BORROWDALE--LAKE TITICACA:

Brother and Sister L.J. Borrowdale met with the
Committee, having come from Melrose for counsel regarding mission
field work. They had decided in favor of accepting the call to
the Lake Titicaca Indian Mission, and it was--

VOTED, That Brother and Sister L.J. Borrowdale,
nurses of Akron, Ohio, be invited to South America, to engage in
work with the Lake Titicaca Indian Mission.

E L SHELDON RELEASED:

A letter was received from Elder E L Sheldon, of
Minnesota, in answer to the invitation to India. On two counts
he felt that the way was not open. The Committee felt the reas-
onableness of the position of Brother Sheldon, and it was--

VOTED, That we release Elder E L Sheldon from
appointment to India.

LAKE TITICACA SPECIAL APPROPRIATION:

Letter received from Elder E L Maxwell, stated that the explosion of an oil stove in the house where Elder Achenbach, of the Lake Titicaca Mission, was living, had resulted in a fire and a loss of \$600.

VOTED, That the treasury make a special appropriation of \$300 to the Lake Titicaca Mission, to aid in replacing the loss by this accident.

H A I T I:

In response to recommendation of Elder A F Prueger, of Haiti, the following papers were voted: E A Curdy, ministerial license; Arioste Pean, ministerial license; J B M Abel, missionary credentials.

SOUTH HONDURAS:

The following papers were granted to South Honduras, on recommendation of Henry F Brown, superintendent: missionary license to Karl J Snow, Mrs Karl J Snow, Howard E Loftin, Mrs Howard E Loftin, Gilbert Schwerin.

W W PRESCOTT TO CUBA:

VOTED, That we ask W W Prescott to attend the general meeting in Cuba early in January.

CUBAN CANVASSERS:

VOTED, That we appropriate \$150 to Cuba, in order to provide a fund for assisting canvassers who arrive without the Spanish language, recommending that \$50 in each case be granted such workers, to tide them over the initial experience in working into service.

BAHAMA ISLANDS:

Consideration was given to a letter from Elder J H Smith, recommending the employment of several native workers who are now in training.

VOTED, That we authorize the Bahama Islands Mission to engage two or three native workers in the service when it is felt that they are qualified for work.

CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARDS:

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to make the usual contribution to the expenses of the meeting of the representatives of all the boards of foreign missions in North America, as in former years, the conference being held in Garden City, Long Island.

COMPUTING MACHINE--PERU:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to provide the Inca Union Mission with a computing machine, in order to assist the treasurer in dealing with accounts where he has a variety of different kinds of money and shifting exchange.

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION BUDGET:

The treasurer reported that no definite budget had been voted the South American Division for 1916. W H Williams the treasurer of the Division, had submitted a budget, calling for \$5,384.

VOTED, That we appropriate \$5,384 for the South American Division for the current year, 1916.

ELMSHAVEN INDEX FILES:

J J Ireland, of the treasury, reported information that the work on the files of Sister White's manuscripts and paper had been carried well on toward completion, but that in order to complete the work, so that any one could refer easily to any part of the whole mass of material, it would require work estimated to cost about \$210.

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to arrange for the completion of the work on the index files.

Adjourned.

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

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 19

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, W A Spicer }
also F W Paap, W W Eastman, L A Hansen, T E Bowen, F M Wilcox,
J J Ireland.

Prayer by W A Spicer.

MRS J V WILLSON:

On report that Mrs J V Willson, of South Africa, widow of Brother J V Willson, of Kimberley, was about to land in this country, it was--

VOTED, That the treasury be authorized to continue an allowance to Sister Willson of \$6.00 per week from the time when she was settled with by South Africa.

J B STUYVESANT'S RETURN:

Letter was received from Elder J B Stuyvesant, and others of Guatemala, reporting the necessity of Brother Stuyvesant's return in order to undergo an operation. He desired a cable as to whether he should sell his cottage or not, the secretary having written them some time ago that he hoped they would not dispose of their property without giving time for counsel.

It was felt that with the growing interest just now manifesting itself in Guatemala, Brother Stuyvesant should plan to return to that field after his operation. It was therefore--

VOTED, That cable be sent to Elder J B Stuyvesant of Guatemala, advising him to plan to return after a short furlough and to hold the matter of the disposition of the property until a later time, it being hoped that the colporteur invited to Guatemala will respond, and possibly be able to occupy Brother Stuyvesant's home during his absence.

LESLIE SPICER:

A letter was received from Mr E H Spicer, of London, reporting communication from his Brother, Leslie Spicer, detained in the prison camp at Ruhlabaen, Germany.

VOTED, That the treasury give to Mr E H Spicer an order on the International Tract Society for \$15.00 per month, if called for, in order to supply the needs of Brother Leslie Spicer, holding the account until later.

R W PARMELE:

A letter was received from Elder R W Parmele, president of the Cumberland Conference, saying that as he and his wife had thought of the invitation to the North Latin superintendency, the field had grown more and more upon them. He had also had opportunity to talk with Elder A N Allen, who had recently come from Cuba to labor in the Cumberland Conference. Elder Parmele sent in their medical certificates, and stated that he and his wife wished to offer themselves unconditionally for service, provided it was still felt desirable.

VOTED, That we appoint Elder R W Parmele superintendent of the North Latin Missions, in harmony with the action taken at the recent autumn council.

R N STUDD--BOLIVIA:

A letter was received from Brother R N Studd, of Colorado, accepting the call to evangelistic work in Jamaica. A letter was also received from Elder E A Curtis, president of the Inter-Mountain Conference, stating that while Brother Studd was not in conference employ, he could wish him Godspeed in the work and recommend him.

VOTED, That in view of the failure to secure a superintendent for the Bolivia Mission, South America, and in view of the fact that Brother Studd is a young man, able to learn Spanish, we request him to allow us to transfer him from the call to Jamaica to the superintendency of the Bolivia mission field.

ROBERT McCracken--HAWAIIAN ISLANDS:

A letter was received from Elder F H Conway, of the Hawaiian Islands, asking that a man and wife be secured to take the treatment rooms on the island of Hilo, now being operated by Brother and Sister McKeague, who are desired in the evangelistic work. Brother L A Hansen, of the Medical Department, presented particulars regarding various candidates, recommended by the fields, and it was--

VOTED, That the Medical Department be authorized to secure, if possible, the services of Brother Robert McCracken and wife, recommended by the St Helena Sanitarium, for mission service, or some other couple for treatment room work in Hilo.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED THIRTIETH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 27, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, E R Palmer, M E Kern, Dr H W Miller, W A Spicer; also J J Ireland, F W Paap, W W Eastman, Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, T E Bowen, F M Wilcox.

DR C C LANDIS:

The treasurer presented a statement from Dr C C Landis, of California, with whom Elder R C Porter made arrangement for work in China. The Doctor is to take postgraduate work. He reported his endeavor to close out his business in such a way as to make his entire medical equipment a gift to the Asiatic Division. He requested, however, an advance of \$1000 in order to clear up all his obligations before going East for post graduate work. Against this advance he has accounts for collection of some \$4000, a portion of it being in the form of notes, which he leaves for an attorney to collect.

In view of the Doctor's effort to get away at an early date to China, and the assurance that by his collections he would be able soon to return the \$1000 advanced, it was--

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to advance \$1000 to Dr C C Landis, on his personal note.

C F INNIS:

A letter was presented by the treasurer from Brother C F Innis, returning to Arizona on account of his health after years spent in self-supporting book work abroad.

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to allow Brother C F Innis's transportation from Guatemala to Arizona by way of his parents' home in Ohio, and that Brother Innis be allowed to report the time on his trip from Guatemala until he is able to reach Arizona.

R C WANGERIN:

VOTED, That the treasurer be authorized to continue to Elder R C Wangerin, of Korea, his Korean rate of \$16.00 per week for one year from the date of his return, in order to aid him in making the fight for recovery from tuberculosis.

CLYDE LOWRY RELEASED:

A telegram was received from Brother Clyde Lowry, of Southern California, reporting that medical examination of Sister Lowry forbade their accepting the call to Jamaica. It was therefore---

VOTED, That we express our sympathy with Brother and Sister Lowry, and release them from appointment to Jamaica.

J G PETTEY--JAMAICA:

VOTED, That we invite J G Pettey, formerly of Guatemala, now in Texas, to take the secretary-and treasurer'ship in Jamaica.

R N STUDD--CUBA:

Telegram was received from Brother R N Studd, of Colorado, under appointment to Bolivia as superintendent, reporting that it would be impossible for them to accept the call to Bolivia, inasmuch as his wife was advised not to live at an altitude higher than eight thousand feet.

VOTED, That we release R N Studd from the call to Bolivia, and that we invite him to Cuba, to labor as an evangelist

ALBERT MUNSON:

VOTED, That we advise Brother Albert Munson to return to his home in California, there to await arrangements for going to Malaysia, and that the treasurer be authorized to make him a grant of \$20.00 for incidental expenses, he to engage in self-supporting work until called to the field.

SOUTH AFRICA--THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING:

On report from the Sabbath School Department that Central China had failed to supply material for the Thirteenth Sabbath Quarterly for the first quarter of 1917, due now to go to press, it was--

VOTED, That we express anew our appreciation and thankfulness for the great blessing the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering plan has been to our missionary cause, lifting, as it does, such heavy burdens as every thirteenth Sabbath comes round; this expression of thankfulness is preliminary to the request that the Sabbath schools lift yet again, on Sabbath, March 31, 1917, this time in behalf of the South African missions.

ARKANSAS:

On receipt of information that the Arkansas Conference was releasing their president, Elder W E Baxter, to respond to the call to Venezuela, and that their conference funds were depleted, it was--

VOTED, That we thank the Arkansas Conference for its generous release of their president, Elder W E Baxter, to respond to the call from Venezuela, and that the General Conference appropriate from \$100 to \$150, as may be required, on the expense of moving a new president to Arkansas.

OUTFITTING ALLOWANCE:

The recent appointments to Central and South American fields having impressed upon the Committee the fact that

responding to these calls and having to close out practically all their household effects are asked to make as heavy a sacrifice as any breaking up home to go to the Asiatic fields, it was--

VOTED, That we make the \$150 outfitting rate applicable to the West Indies, Central America and South America, as well as other parts.

W F HARDT--GUATEMALA:

On request of Elder J B Stuyvesant, superintendent of Guatemala, it was--

VOTED, That missionary credentials be granted to W F Hardt and Mrs W F Hardt, of Guatemala.

BROTHER KUMALAE, MINISTER'S SUPPORT:

A letter was received from Elder F H Conway, of Hawaii, saying that Brother Kumalae, of Honolulu, desired an ordained minister selected to labor on the island of Maui, Brother Kumalae offering transportation and full support, the worker to be under the direction of the mission as a regular staff laborer.

VOTED, That we request Elder I H Evans, on his forthcoming trip to the Pacific Coast, to endeavor to secure such a young evangelist to respond to this call.

W H ANDERSON:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to continue his regular salary to Elder W H Anderson, of Barotseland, from the time when South Africa ceased paying him, until his arrival at home, and that thereafter he receive the usual furlough rate of \$14 per week until arrangements may be made for him to engage in service.

U M COOKE:

The assistant secretary of the Publishing Department, W W Eastman, suggested that Brother U M Cooke, who had been secured to lead out in the Salvador book work, be encouraged to attend the southern bookmen's convention in January, before leaving for his field.

VOTED, That we agree to the suggestion that Brother U M Cooke attend the southern bookmen's convention, and authorize him to begin to report his time from January 1, fixing his salary rate as a single man at \$13 per week

JOHN OHMAN--ABYSSINIA:

In response to a request from Elder Conradi, correspondence had been opened with Brother John Ohman, the young man formerly with Elder Grundset in the Abyssinian Mission, inasmuch as the two men had been compelled to forsake the mission, leaving only Sister Steiner, the wife of the superintendent.

A letter was received from Brother Ohman, telling of his struggles to secure education and training, and of his disappointment in not being able to take the nurses' course in the West. He said that he would be ready to go back to Abyssinia any time it was felt that he should.

In view of this situation, it was agreed without formal vote that we would ask Brother John Ohman to write to Dr Miller at the Washington Sanitarium, with reference to the suggestion that he come on to Washington, to get what help he can in a short time at the sanitarium and dispensary, paying his way by work; the Committee agreeing to meet his transportation from Minnesota to Washington, in case he feels free to give his time in this effort to secure whatever instruction may be possible in nursing and dispensary work, with a view to being ready to return to Abyssinia at any time the call may be extended.

Adjourned.

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

INFORMAL MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 29, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, W W Prescott, W A Spicer;
also W W Eastman, F W Paap, Miss E M Graham, J J Ireland, L A
Hansen, T E Bowen, F M Wilcox.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

E W SNYDER:

On medical report that Sister E W Snyder was in a very serious condition nervously, and unable to be considered as a candidate for mission field service, it was--

VOTED' That we advise the Sustentation Committee to continue its ten dollar allowance to Elder E W Snyder for a six months further period.

BURT BRAY--PERU:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to arrange, if possible, for an invitation to be extended to Elder Burt Bray, of New Mexico, to take the superintendency of the Peru Mission, requesting the Southwestern Union and New Mexico to release him for this purpose, in case he feels clear in responding.

UNFILLED CALLS:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division officers and the union conference presidents to watch for possible candidates to supply the following calls, agreed to by the autumn council, but which still remain unfilled:--

Three superintendents for India provinces.

Three young evangelists for mission station work in India.

Three couples for Lake Titicaca Indian Mission.

One teacher of some school experience for native training school work in Zululand and Kafirland.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 3, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, W W Prescott, M E Kern, E R Palmer,
C S Longacre, W A Spicer; also J J Ireland, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen,
Miss E M Graham, L A Hansen, F W Paap.

Prayer by F M Wilcox.

A W PETERSON RELEASED:

A letter was received from Prof WA W Peterson, of Keene, Texas, giving reasons why he did not feel able to respond to the call to the principalship of the new Brazil Union school, and saying that at some later time he would like to be considered for China, the field of his choice, but feeling that he desired to complete his college course before responding.

VOTED, That we release Prof A W Peterson from the call to South America.

R A HARE RELEASED:

A letter was received from Prof R A Hare, of Maple Pääin, Minn., explaining that he desired to take some further school work, and stating other reasons why he did not feel clear in accepting the call to India at this time.

VOTED, That we release Prof R A Hare from the call to India.

CLARENCE E WHEELER--AFRICA:

It was stated that Brother Clarence E Wheeler and wife, of the Washington Missionary College, were volunteers for mission work in South Africa.

VOTED, That we invite Brother Clarence E Wheeler and wife, of the Washington Missionary College, to go to South Airica, at the completion of the school year, to engage in mission school work.

TENT--WEST CARIBBEAN:

A letter was received from Elder A J Haysmer, reviewing items cut from the 1917 budget at the time of the autumn council. He made a special plea for the tent which had been cut out, inasmuch as this tent was designed for a special campaign in the Nicaragua and Bluefields country, where it seems impossible to do anything without a tent. Under the circumstances it was--

VOTED, To authorize the treasurer to secure a small tent for the West Caribbean Conference, the cost of the same to be determined by the officers of the Committee when figures are secured.

Adjourned.

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

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SECOND MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 12, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, M E Kern,
W W Prescott; also F M Wilcox, Edith M Graham, L A Hansen, F W
Paap, J J Ireland, and T E Bowen.

Prayer by J J Ireland.

W M ADAMS RELEASED:

VOTED, That in view of the unfavorable medical
report, we release W M Adams, of the Pacific Union, from the call
to India.

ALLOWANCE TO NEW MEXICO:

VOTED, That we allow the New Mexico Conference
\$35.00, expense involved in obtaining a teacher from Oklahoma, made
necessary by the call of E H Wilcox and wife to South America.

EXTRA APPROPRIATION TO CUBA:

VOTED, That an extra appropriation be made to Cuba,
if necessary, to provide for the support of R N Studt.

C C CRISLER--LIBRARY:

VOTED, That, in harmony with the request of C C
Crisler that arrangements be made so that he may have the benefit
of the personal library which he turned over to the Ellen G White
estate on an indebtedness, Brother Crisler be permitted to take
this library to Shanghai, with the understanding that the estate
shall be reimbursed by the payment of his personal note, covering
the value of the library, beginning January 1, 1918, at the rate
of \$250 a year until his obligation is canceled; this payment to

to be made through the Asiatic Division treasury if desired.

HARVEST INGATHERING SETTLEMENT:

VOTED, That we authorize the treasury to settle the Pacific Press bill for the Harvest Ingathering Signs at the original contract price, leaving the extra charge for editions over the original order of 800,000 copies for further adjustment.

GIFT OF DOCTORS MORSE:

VOTED, That we accept with gratitude the gift of the Doctors Morse, of Porto Rico, (approximately \$1000), for the support for one year of a missionary to work among the Indians about Lake Titicaca, Peru; with the understanding that this gift shall be applied on the support of one of the regularly appointed workers to that field, and that the appropriation for extending the native work of this mission shall be increased to the amount of this gift.

DEPARTMENTAL PUBLISHING:

VOTED, That inasmuch as bills have come from the Review and Herald for certain losses sustained in the publishing of departmental documents and blanks, we request the Review and Herald Board to appoint a committee of three to join a like committee from the General Conference to give this question study, and report at a joint meeting of the Review and Herald Board and the General Conference Committee, for final settlement. Committee named: J J Ireland (chairman of joint committee), G B Thompson, M E Kern.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-THIRD MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 13, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, E R Palmer, W W Prescott, M E Kern,
G B Thompson; also W W Eastman, L A Hansen, F M Wilcox, T E Bowen.

Prayer by W W Eastman.

DR A G LARSON:

VOTED, That we extend the furlough of Dr A G Larson returned from China, until October 1, 1917, with the understanding that during this time he will endeavor to connect with some sanitarium in permanent employment.

COLPORTEURS FOR CUBA:

VOTED, That we ask the North American Division to secure the release of Earl Shidler, John B Aitkin, of Kansas, and Geo W Saather, of Colorado, for colporteur work in Cuba.

SUSTENTATION INCREASE:

After considering the high cost of living, which affects those supported by the Sustentation Fund, the following action was taken:--

VOTED, That in view of the high cost of living, a ten per cent. increase be granted all who are wholly dependent upon sustentation salaries of \$12.00 and under, for a period of six months, beginning October 1, 1916.

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 19, '16

P R E S E N T:

W W Prescott, G B Thompson, E R Palmer, C S Longacre,
also J J Ireland, W W Eastman, F M Wilcox, F W Paap, Allen Moon,
G F Enoch, T E Bowen.

Prayer by F W Paap.

ORGANS FOR LAKE TITICACA:

VOTED, That we accept with appreciation the offers
of two organs for the Lake Titicaca Mission, and that these be
forwarded for use in that field; one to replace the organ lost
by fire in the home of C V Achenbach, the other for use where most
needed.

NELS JOHNSON:

VOTED, That we do not feel free to start in on the
proposition to provide for the medical education of Nels Johnson
in Argentine, requiring a period of seven years; but that we
recommend that work be provided for him in the educational or some
other line of actual need. If this cannot be done, we recommend
that arrangements be made for his return to the United States.

Adjourned.

W W PRESCOTT, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 21, 1916

P R E S E N T:

W W Prescott, M E Kern, G B Thompson, C S Longacre;
also J J Ireland, L A Hansen, Miss Edith M Graham, W W Eastman,
T E Bowen.

Prayer by L A Hansen.

APPROPRIATION TO AUSTRAL UNION:

VOTED, That we grant to the Austral Union, including the Inca Union Mission, an extra appropriation of \$1482.92, to provide for workers sent on to these fields during 1916 and not provided for until 1917, thus causing an overdraft in the present year's appropriation.

HAWAIIAN MISSION:

VOTED, That an overdraft of \$671 in the Hawaiian Mission account, caused by the exchange of workers, be allowed.

SOUTH HONDURAS:

VOTED, That the shortage of \$285.54 in the South Honduras field, caused by payment for books yet unsold, be allowed, with the understanding that when the books are sold the amount may be made up in 1917.

MEXICAN MISSION:

It was agreed that the overdraft of the Mexican Mission, incurred largely through the publishing work during the past troublous year, be carried over, with the hope that during 1917 this line of work may be placed upon a better financial basis, thus eliminating the deficit.

TYPEWRITER FOR R W PARMELE:

VOTED, That a Corona typewriter with Spanish characters be provided for the superintendent of the North Latin mission field, for use in carrying on his administrative work in that field.

Adjourned.

W W PRESCOTT, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

INFORMAL MEETING
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 29, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, E R Palmer, J T Boettcher, M E Kern;
also F M Wilcox, L A Hansen, T E Bowen.

Prayer by T E Bowen.

J T BOETTCHER'S SALARY:

A salary rate for J T Boettcher not having been decided upon since his return from Russia, although he has been employed most of the time in camp meeting and other work, the following joint action was taken:--

VOTED' That J T Boettcher's rate of salary be fixed at \$22.00 per week, beginning at the time he took up work on returning from Russia, to be paid by the General Conference until such time as he began work for the North American Division, the same rate to be continued thereafter by the Division,

Adjourned.

I H EVANS, Chairman.
T E BOWEN, Secretary.

TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 31, 1916

P R E S E N T:

I H Evans, J T Boettcher, E R Palmer, M E Kern,
Dr H W Miller; also R T Dowsett, W E Howell, Miss E M Graham,
L A Hansen, W W Eastman, J J Ireland, F M Wilcox, B F Machlan,
F W Paap, R E Harter, T E Bowen.

Prayer by R T Dowsett.