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GENERAL BASIS OF COOPERATION
in the Foreign Missions Conference

Adopted by the Committee of Reference and Counsel and
commended to the member boards for their individual
adoption, February 27, 1947.

THE Foreign Missions Conference in accordance with its con­stitution recognizes the complete autonomy of all its member
boards, naturally including determination of the form and
extent of their participation in cooperative processes. The prin­ciple of cooperation may be and is applied in a wide variety
of ways, ranging from denominational administration in accord­ance with interdenominational agreements all the way to joint
administration of cooperative projects by a united agency set
up by the cooperating boards. The constitution states: “The
influence and usefulness of the Conference will depend upon
the thoroughness of its investigations, the soundness of its
methods of procedure, and the reasonableness of its conclusions
and recommendations.” (Article III, Section 2.)

In view of the fact that at the present time less than ten per
cent of the total overseas expenditure of the member boards of
the Conference is appropriated to institutions and other projects
cooperatively administered and that the remainder of their work
is administered denominationally, however, all member boards
are asked to accept the principle that the work administered
denominationally is also part of the single cooperative enter­prise of the Foreign Missions Conference. This means that in
all their planning and execution, they will conduct the work
which they control, not only in a spirit of comity but also with
the recognition and practice of responsibility as trustees for
the use of all the spiritual, personal and material resources en­trusted to them by God in the ways best calculated to promote
the entire work carried on by all the member boards of the
Conference; and also that where control has been shared with
or transferred to national churches or other administrative
bodies, the member boards will do their utmost to influence
their national colleagues to recognize and practice this same
principle.
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ANNUAL MEETING
March 4-5, 1948

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PROGRAM
OF THE
ENLARGED MEETING
OF
THE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE
AND COUNSEL
(including sessions of the Annual Meeting)

Wednesday, March 3
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Presiding—Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer, Chairman
Opening Devotions
Presentation of the Overseas Program, "ONE WORLD IN CHRIST"—Wynn C. Fairfield

PRESENTATION OF THE OVERSEAS PROGRAM BY FIELDS

Latin America .......................................................W. Stanley Rycroft
Africa .................................................................Emory Ross
Europe ...............................................................Marlin D. Farnum

2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The Near East .....................................................W. N. Wysham
India .................................................................James K. Mathews
Southeast Asia—
The Philippines ...................................................E. A. Fridell
Other Areas ........................................................J. L. Hooper
Korea .................................................................Margaret Billingsley

7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

China .................................................................Frank T. Cartwright
Japan .................................................................Luman J. Shafer

Finance and Personnel Aspects of the Program—Wynn C. Fairfield
Evening Prayer

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9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Presiding—Sallie Lou MacKinnon
Devotions
THE PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF THE OVERSEAS PROGRAM
Report of the Committee on Public Presentation

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE
Presiding—Fred Field Goodsell, Chairman

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PROGRAM

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Plans for Public Presentation—continued
  Report on plans of the Student Volunteer Movement to assist in the recruit-
ing of candidates for the advance program—E. H. Johnson
  General discussion of plans for public presentation
Evening Prayer

Friday, March 5

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Business session of the Committee of Reference and Counsel*
Presiding—R. E. Diffendorfer, Chairman

*Adjourned business session of the Annual Meeting*
Presiding—Fred Field Goodsell, Chairman
Adjournment

A special conference on the recruiting and training of the personnel
necessary to implement the advance program under the auspices of the Com-
mittee on Missionary Personnel took place immediately following the adjourn-
ment of the Annual Meeting, with sessions on Friday afternoon and evening
and Saturday morning.
DRAFTING THE PROGRAM FOR ADVANCE

The attention of the Conference during the year 1947-48 has been riveted upon two aspects of the program of advance agreed upon at the 1947 Annual Meeting. Two committees were appointed to deal with these two aspects, the Committee on Overseas Program and the Committee on Public Presentation.

Under the guidance of the Committee on Overseas Program, the representative and standing committees of the Conference with their staffs have endeavored to carry out the mandate of the Annual Meeting “to prepare comprehensive programs with concrete projects for advance and submit them to the Committee of Reference and Counsel.” In that process, the regular staff has had the invaluable assistance of Dr. Thomas S. Donohugh. The processes of consultation with related bodies overseas delayed the submission of these programs until an Enlarged Meeting of the Committee of Reference and Counsel which was held at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, March 3-5, 1948. At that time the programs as formulated to date were assembled in a looseleaf working volume and presented for review by the Committee. The outline of that volume as presented is given on a following page.

During the sessions of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, the Committee on Public Presentation also outlined its plans as developed to date to arrange for the Foreign Missions Assembly to be held in Columbus, Ohio, October 6-8, 1948, and to provide a series of thirty-six regional meetings in which the boards, “according to their own procedures but simultaneously” could “challenge their constituencies for the financial support and the personnel necessary to realize the program.” After discussion and some changes, the Committee of Reference and Counsel then presented the program and plans to the 1948 Annual Meeting, which was concurrently in session. The action taken by the Annual Meeting on both aspects of the program of advance will be found on page 79 in the report of actions taken at the Annual Meeting.

Subsequently, at a Board Members Consultation held at Columbus, Ohio, June 1-3, 1948, the entire overseas program was redrafted in the light of the CRC meeting at Buck Hill Falls and additional reports and information were presented in the bound mimeographed volume “ONE WORLD IN CHRIST, A Program of Advance in Foreign Missions.” After further consideration and discussion by the board members present, the following action was adopted:
ONE WORLD IN CHRIST

A CALL

To Member Boards of the Foreign Missions Conference

from

The Board Members Consultation

From the thorough survey of all the fields presented to the Board Members Consultation at Columbus, Ohio, June 1-3, 1948, it appears that the Christian churches of North America confront at this time in their foreign missions a critical opportunity which is unprecedented, which is not likely to recur and which will not long be available if this crisis be not met at once.

This crisis arises from three principal causes. First, wide-spread need of aid and rehabilitation and also deep spiritual hunger in the wake of the war. Second, the new accessibility of non-Christian peoples to the Gospel. Finally, aggressive competition from militant anti-Christian forces which derive from a general mood of secularism, indifferent to human rights and spiritual values.

To meet this critical opportunity abroad will require not simply the restoration and maintenance of all the agencies and devices now used by our boards in their multiform ministries, but also multiplying and supplementing them. Missions translate the love of God into practical terms which all can understand, to the end that many shall be brought to the personal commitment of faith and a new life in Christ. To do North America's share on the scale which this crisis demands, thousands of new missionaries and tens of millions of new dollars must be found. Only a revolution in our sense of values and habits of giving can accomplish this.

Such a revolution calls for the re-conversion of our churches, their members and their ministers, to the whole project of Christ. We must consciously dissociate the Gospel, for ourselves and for others, from the conscienceless worship of mammon. In generosity and simplicity of living, we must follow the path of true democracy, which is grounded in the example and teaching of our Lord. Like Him, we must dedicate all we have and are to the Giver of every good and perfect gift. To this end, we urge that stewardship be emphasized as a part of our united program.

The men and the money we seek must be found in a future so immediate that it is almost present. "Tomorrow is here!" The resources both human and material are available within our churches. They must and they can be mobilized by a great and urgent appeal for this investment in the Kingdom of Heaven, lest the hope of a peaceful commonwealth of man fall in our day into abysmal ruin and the cause of Christ throughout the world suffer a set-back which might last for centuries.

We therefore call upon all boards in the Foreign Missions Conference of North America to incorporate in their own plans the proposals embodied in ONE WORLD IN CHRIST, the program of advance, both for action overseas and for promotion at home. The hour is upon us for leading our churches into a campaign which shall reach not only the purses, but also and more essentially the hearts and minds of our constituencies. We must lay the full imperative of our one Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ upon the thoughts and purposes, and consciences, and the entire allegiance of His followers.
DRAFTING THE PROGRAM FOR ADVANCE

With this Board Members Consultation, the work of the Committee on Overseas Program is regarded as finished. The program itself is a living thing and will probably never reach a definitive form. It rests with the representative and standing committees of the Conference to implement the sections of the program for which they are responsible, by working out the definite responsibilities to be suggested to their member boards by such steps as:

1. Agreeing upon emphases which all member boards are asked to include in the more than 90% of their work which the boards administer individually;

2. Asking some boards to assume entire individual responsibility for certain projects and other parts of the cooperative program agreed upon by the committees;

3. Developing and strengthening jointly administered projects and programs that can be done more effectively together, and allocating appropriate shares of the cost and personnel of such common projects and programs to the board choosing to participate in them; and

4. Other procedures which also will make it possible for each member board to include its share of the jointly planned programs in its own promotional and recruiting objectives and goals, so that each denomination may move forward in the program for which it takes responsibility in step with its Christian neighbors and with a sense of being a part of this greatly increased effort to make disciples of all nations.

In the year 1948-49, the emphasis of the Conference will be upon so forceful a public presentation of the needs and opportunities for advance in foreign missions to the constituencies of the member boards of the Conference that the volunteers will be found and the greatly increased incomes secured which alike are necessary if those member boards are to implement these proposals which have been worked out so carefully.
ONE WORLD IN CHRIST

ONE WORLD IN CHRIST
A Christian World Recovery Program
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Foreword

Foreign missions, as the main channel through which the North American churches do their part in the world mission of the Church overseas, must undertake a program for Christian world recovery based upon the spiritual unity summed up in the goal of "One World in Christ."

I

Through such Activities as

Section 1. Continuing to help meet emergency physical needs due to war and natural disorders

Section 2. Helping to revitalize the Christian life and institutions of war-devastated and war-weakened areas so that the local Christian communities may take their full share in the world mission

Section 3. Ministering to rural peoples through extending a comprehensive and integrated rural program, helping body, mind and spirit

Section 4. Developing an effective program of ministry and evangelism among the socially uprooted people of industrial and metropolitan areas

Section 5. Grappling with the problems of disease and resultant suffering and economic loss not only through a ministry of healing, but also through cooperating with government and other agencies in a public health program

Section 6. Raising the level and enriching the quality of home and family life

Section 7. Answering the questions, inspiring the spirits and giving constructive guidance to youth as they prepare to assume responsibility for the world's life and welfare

Section 8. Serving the tens of thousands of student guests from other countries in a spirit of Christian goodwill and concern

Section 9. Ministering to American civilian communities overseas, in order that their influence may reinforce the Christian witness abroad
II

By Utilizing

Section 10. The spoken word of individual Christians in the intimate personal relationships of every day life and Christian service

Section 11. The Church, the community of Christian believers organized for fellowship, worship, witness and service

Section 12. The Scriptures, indispensable channel of God's revelation to mankind, oldest tool of the Christian Church and yet perpetually contemporary

Section 13. Modern techniques for conveying ideas, such as the radio, moving pictures and other audio-visual aids

Section 14. Its own newly developed methods for changing illiterates into literates

Section 15. Creative Christian literature for people of all grades of education, from the newly literate to the sophisticated intelligentsia, effectively distributed throughout each language area

Section 16. Vocationally and culturally effective general education under Christian auspices, which will prepare leaders of the Christian community and Christian servants of the whole community, not only pastors and other professional workers within the program of the church, but also interpreters of the Christian message in their normal vocational life

Section 17. Christian religious education, Christian nurture for children and adults, with scientific use of modern techniques of sharing knowledge and forming action patterns

III

In the Areas of

Section 18. Latin America—where an ecclesiastical system has produced a secular society devoid of inward spiritual life, a society of neighbors with whom our destiny is closely linked

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ly need the dynamic power and sense of brotherhood which Christ can supply

Section 23. **Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands**, including

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**IV**

**What this Means for the North American Churches**

Section 28. **Personnel**—Many thousands of young people responding to the call to serve God in the vocation of this varied pattern of service which is the work of foreign missions

Section 29. **Finances**—Many more tens of millions of dollars consecrated to this program of Christian world recovery

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The foreign missionary enterprise as we in North America think of it, including the establishment and growth of "younger churches" with increasing participation in it, is at one of the most critical points in its history.

The world's need for Christ and for fellowship in Him has been demonstrated in recent years in terrifying ways. Anti-Christian forces were prevented from destroying Christian civilization in the lands of the Reformation and in many other areas only by a supreme military effort that involved the use of means abhorrent to the Christian conscience. Long-established patterns of Christian ethics were dissolved in that struggle in which right and wrong were so inextricably confused. Europe which through the centuries has been the refuge and the dynamic center of organized Christianity has itself become once more to a large extent "a mission field," without God and without hope. In spite of the war, the arithmetical rate of growth of population in the countries of Asia has been so great as far to outstrip the geometrical rate of growth of the minority Christian community, so that today in most Asiatic countries there are far more non-Christians than there were before the war or even before modern Protestant missions were begun.

At the meeting of the International Missionary Council at Whitby last July, a review of the world situation revealed not only the almost universal need but also a receptivity to the Christian message that is unprecedented and may not long endure. Whether in Japan in its days of bitter contrition, in divided China and India, in awakening Africa, or in nominally Christian Latin America, there is a fresh outreach for something stable and strong on which to build their life to which we believe only Christ has an adequate response.

At Whitby we gave heartfelt thanks for the loyalty to Christ and fellowship in Him which had persisted through the years of privation and isolation and in the same breath were driven to our knees because, in the face of this situation, there came from every quarter
the same cry for very great strengthening of the quantity and quality of Christian leadership to make possible the maintenance of church life and the extension of Christ’s kingdom. The leadership of the Christian movement overseas has dwindled during the war years. The normal processes of replacement through training have been interrupted. Death through violence and through disease accelerated by malnutrition has taken far more than its usual toll. Terrific inflation has forced many full-time Christian leaders to seek other means of livelihood in order to meet their obligations to their families. Where the state of the world calls for vigorous proclamation of the Christian message, the Younger Churches of the war-torn areas as a rule are able only to fight a rear-guard action.

More than this, Whitby and subsequent developments have made it clear that our comrades of the older churches in Europe are able to carry far less than even their normal pre-war proportion of responsibility for the world mission of the church. The Scandinavian countries (except Finland) have recovered to a large extent, but their missions are caught in the meshes of inflation and exchange complications and find it impossible to secure the much larger sums necessary to maintain their work on the pre-war level, to say nothing of advancing. The German missionary societies who were the third largest in their support of the pre-war programs have continued to raise funds for their overseas work, but are unable to send them out, so that their missions are still “orphaned” and dependent upon Church World Service for maintenance on even a minimum basis. The tiny Swiss missionary societies are struggling to carry their own responsibilities and also the former German share in the joint Basel Mission. France, Holland and even Great Britain are wrestling with the economic situations which make the Marshall Plan essential, and their missionary societies face similar handicaps. In the case of Great Britain, these are accentuated by new government policies restricting the transfer of funds outside the sterling bloc. As with the Marshall Plan, when all these have done their part, their utmost, they must still look to North America for great financial aid to supplement their own resources if their parts of the world mission are not to crumble.

For almost half a century, there has been a determined effort to develop North American participation in that world mission to a degree commensurate with its significance in world life and world order. Under the stimulus of the Student Volunteer Movement and the Laymen’s Missionary Movement and partly under the psychology of a war effort which had led the people of our two countries to “do their part” in unified ways, both offering of life and giving of money reached unprecedented totals in the years immediately following the first world war. The two decades from 1910 to 1930 witnessed the investment of millions of dollars in institutional building programs
overseas made necessary by increased emphasis on professional quality as well as quantity in educational and medical services. With slight difference in date between different boards, the high point in income from living donors, in missionary personnel and in physical equipment was reached by or soon after 1925.

Then began the ebb. Even before the 1929 economic collapse, receipts from living donors for regular budgets began to fall off. The early years of the depression accelerated that tendency, which was not finally halted until 1942. Again at varying speeds, the boards found it necessary to reduce their missionary staffs, first by non-appointment of replacements for missionaries dying, retiring or dropping out for other causes, and then by the heart-breaking process of recalling from field service faithful men and women who had gone out with the full expectation of spending their whole lives in the foreign field, and to whom the news of recall came as a morale-shattering blow. Finally, it seemed possible to stabilize budgets on a lower level with lower salaries made endurable by lower prices, and to look forward to a gradual rebuilding of shattered staffs by the appointment of young and vigorous missionaries and by reclaiming national personnel who had had to be let go during the depression years.

Meanwhile, in 1931 the first skirmishes of the second world war had begun. In 1939 began the European phase with increasing tensions for the United States. Then came Pearl Harbor and its consequences; but by 1942, the American boards were commencing to plan postwar programs, while increasing contributions met increased "emergency" cost of operation. It was the expectation that when the war came to an end, these emergency costs would drop and it would be possible with the margin thus provided to appoint new missionaries as it had been impossible to do during the war years. Instead, these two years of "peace" have witnessed still greater increases in cost at home and abroad, so that even with increased incomes the boards are finding it almost impossible to make headway in the face of unprecedented need for the support of staff overseas and of many startlingly great opportunities to enter open doors which seem to have spring hinges that will close them if they are not entered soon. One of the largest boards reports that it now has on the field barely more than half the number of missionaries it had thirty years ago and it costs a million dollars more a year to maintain them. Another reports that unless its doubled budget is raised in 1948, it will have to start reducing its work instead of strengthening it to meet this world situation. The effect of this situation on Conference finances is discussed on pp. 32-35.

So the Foreign Missions Conference came to its 1947 Annual Meeting at Buck Hill Falls. For a whole day it surveyed the world of
need in which we minister. Then with responsive heart it heard the conclusion by Dr. Diffendorfer the next morning:

"The foreign mission work of the churches has come to the parting of the ways. Either we are going to rise to the opportunities that are before us today or we are going to be moved increasingly upon the sidelines and other forces and agencies are coming forward with positive programs to meet the world's needs, agencies and forces that will not touch the deep spirit of life and satisfy the moral and spiritual longings of the people. . . . Our major concern now in foreign missions is not to consider methods of deploying our present resources more effectively, but to turn our attention to ways and means by which we can greatly enlarge our resources. . . . My proposal today is that for the next period in the life of the Foreign Missions Conference we turn our attention to preparing a program of advance—an advance that is somewhat comparable with the need."

In pursuance of the actions of the Conference adopting the specific proposals made by Dr. Diffendorfer, the work of the Conference in the past year has centered upon the two main features of the advance program: preparing a field program more nearly adequate to meet the needs and opportunities, administratively sound and conceived with insight and imagination; and planning to present this to the cooperating churches of America through their boards, "according to their own procedures, but simultaneously" in a way that will impress them with the urgent necessity of increasing at least several-fold their support of foreign missions. It is recognized that for many denominations such a presentation will be possible only in combination with similar presentations of critical tasks of the church at home, and that any increase in giving to foreign missions will almost inevitably be linked with increased giving to all church purposes.

While this has been the central and controlling interest in the work of the Conference during 1947, a reading of the detailed reports that follow will show that much else has been accomplished: improvement in organizational procedures, including the epoch-making formation of the Inter-Board Committee for Japan as a joint administrative agency in North America for boards related to the united Church of Christ in Japan; a creative study of rural mission programs in India and East Asia by Mr. Reisner; greatly increased emphasis in all planning for advance on the use of modern media of communicating information, particularly the radio and visual aids; the beginning of studies in the Christian approach to communism, foreign missions financing, ministry to the blind overseas, more effective research, and other topics; quiet but effective work in securing better interpretation of religious liberty in postwar treaties and in the declaration and covenant on human rights of the United
Nations; and through it all, a really comprehensive re-study of our missionary task in the process of formulating the advance program.

During the year, the Committee of Reference and Counsel accepted with reluctance and continuing goodwill the action of the Christian Reformed Board of Missions in withdrawing from the Conference on doctrinal grounds. The Conference welcomed into membership two new organizations, the Church of God (Holiness) and Mid-Missions, the General Council of Co-operating Baptist Missions of North America. The Committee adopted a statement interpreting its understanding of what cooperation through the Conference means and commended it to the member boards for individual approval. It is printed elsewhere in this report.

Mainly, the year 1947 has been a year of review and preparation. Whether it has been worth while will depend upon the results achieved in 1948 and 1949 and in the long years ahead. The old slogan of Luther, "Erst wägst dann wagst" (first ponder, then venture), implied pondering also on the infinite resources of God and the ways in which He would have made them available through His obedient children. In that spirit, the Conference advances.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD,
Executive Secretary of the Committee of Reference and Counsel

Africa

Some of the most wide-reaching consultations and action agreements regarding Africa thus far had in North America have been accomplished during the year under review. Since the Christian missionary interest inspires North America's widest and most inclusive relationships with Africa it should occasion little if any surprise in missionary circles to know that these consultations and agreed actions were largely due to the boards' pooled powers channelled through the Africa Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference. The boards collectively thus took some opportunities afforded by drastically changed world conditions.

One of those opportunities was the presence in North America of an unprecedented number of African and European Christian leaders responsible for Christian work throughout Africa. Seven of these came by special invitation which in some cases was first extended in 1944: Canon H. Myers Grace, Conference of Missionary Societies of Great Britain and Ireland; Canon G. W. Broomfield, Universities' Mission to Central Africa (Britain); Rev. H. D. Hooper, Church Missionary Society (Church of England); Rev. Josef Ohrneman, General Secretary-elect, Congo Protestant Council (Sweden); Col. Robert E. Van Goethem, Chief of Belgian Army Protestant Chap-
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laincy Service and of Congo Protestant Chaplaincy Service; Dr. C. C. Chesterman, Medical Secretary, Baptist Missionary Society (Britain); Miss Margaret Wrong, Secretary, International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa.

These seven visitors spent a total of eighty-two weeks of travel, observation and conference in North America. Between them they have been as far north as Montreal, as far south as New Orleans, as far west as Seattle. Never have North American boards had a comparable opportunity for conferring with European missionary leaders on African problems.

The United States Government in its widening interest in world matters, including Africa, made use of the presence of these visitors by organizing an all-day conference with them on April 29, at the Department of State in Washington, at which some fifty-one persons were present, and offering them an official luncheon. It was mentioned that such actions had not before been taken by the Department of State in the case of any other visiting foreign missionary personalities. The visitors were received also by the Acting Secretary of State.

They were present, with ninety-two members and other visitors, at the three-day meeting of the Africa Committee at Hartford Seminary, May 29 to June 1. This provided the first opportunity the Africa Committee as a whole has ever had for face to face international discussion of our common Christian problems and commitments in Africa. This opportunity was further and most helpfully broadened at Hartford by the attendance, on invitation, of specialists in African matters from the United Nations and from the governments of France, Great Britain, Belgium and the United States, from the Council on African Affairs and the Foreign Policy Association. The group gathered at Hartford was probably the most representative one yet convened in North America to discuss African matters. One delegate present said it was the most stimulating and enlightening conference he had attended in the forty years of his experience.

In addition to the seven visitors named above, there have been twenty-three others from overseas* in North America for shorter periods in 1947 who have special relations to Africa missionary work. Most of these were in attendance at the International Missionary Council meeting at Whitby in July. Two special conference periods were arranged there for considering together elements of national interest in the proposed North American postwar advance program in Africa.

The French Government took a step in 1947 without precedent in the United States. As a colonial power it invited representatives of

* Angola, Australia, Belgium, Britain, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gold Coast, New Zealand, Norway, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland, Union of South Africa.
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American Protestant missions working in its African areas to meet on April 17 at a buffet supper at the French Cultural Center in New York and to discuss that evening problems of common concern with Governor General Henri Laurentie, formerly Director of Political Affairs in the Ministry of France Overseas, member of the French delegation on the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations. Complete freedom was given to raise any questions. A full stenographic report of the evening’s discussions was kept and has been issued in French and in an English translation by the French authorities. The initiative taken in this way was regarded by the Americans present as most valuable. Certain serious problems existing in Franco-American relationships in missionary matters are of course not solved by an initial evening’s discussion by a few people, but the spirit in which the invitation was presented and the discussion was carried on, may be a beginning in the desired process of reaching a much better understanding on both sides in these relationships than now obtains.

Good but not inclusive international cooperation has been in evidence in arranging the important visits of Dr. Frank C. Laubach to various parts of Africa for literacy work under mission and government auspices. Political factors and national uneasiness have, however, in some quarters seemed to make such a visit inadvisable at this time—examples of the human problems which are faced in the world today and in which the ever-closer functional cooperation of the Protestant churches of all nations is required in allaying fears and suspicions when they are groundless and in removing their causes when identifiable causes exist.

It is to aid this ever-closer understanding and functional cooperation between European and North American churches that the three international missionary action centers in Brussels, Paris and Lisbon are being progressively strengthened. From these three Continental capitals, and from London, almost the whole of Africa is governed. Associated with the evangelical churches of Belgium, France and Portugal in their overseas territories are missions from the churches of foreign countries. The relationships between the foreign and the Belgian, French and Portuguese churches has been friendly, but they have never together had adequate consultation, planning and cooperative functioning. Until that is better done the Protestant Church will not make its fullest contribution to His cause in Africa.

The North American year now ending has happily seen unprecedented and invaluable consultations on these basic international aspects of our common task in Africa, and some action. The postwar advance program is in substantial formulation. The year ahead, and the years, will provide the straight-out test: Are we really prepared to act fully together?

Emory Ross, Secretary
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Europe

The present Committee on Europe was organized in February, 1947, and has held regular monthly meetings since that time. Its membership includes representatives nominated by each of twenty-one denominations and agencies. The committee acts as a clearing house of information concerning denominational programs as well as the committee to administer the programs of the denominations undertaken through Church World Service. Its effort is to correlate and coordinate the work of these different agencies and, in the light of the correlation achieved, to determine what work should be undertaken jointly. The financial and personnel requests of the national interdenominational reconstruction committees in each of the countries come to the committee only after validation by the Department of Reconstruction and Inter-Church Aid in Geneva. Contributed goods to the value of $358,308 per month have been sent to Europe and financial assistance averaging $241,856 per month has been contributed to the total program of inter-church aid and reconstruction in Europe. This approximately six million dollars in 1947 represents the actual appropriations of the committee and not the independent total effort of the denominations. Through this ecumenical service on the part of American churches we believe that there is profit to the denominations in the new vigor given to their individual programs and inspiration given to the churches of Europe to awaken to their mutual responsibility. In our effort to serve the war-devastated continent efficiently we have discovered in these months the privilege of doing some things together. Also, in Church World Service, the denominations have found facilities for furthering their own tasks. Beyond the immediate responsibility to feed and clothe, and to offer every possible aid toward the reconstruction of the church life in Europe, we envisage the strengthening of the churches of Europe to the end that they will again be able to resume their full mission of world evangelization.

Wayland Zwayer, Secretary

China

The China Committee has given its attention on the one hand to the immediate task of furthering the ongoing church in China for the year 1947-1948, and on the other to careful preparation for the Program of Advance. Confronted with the tragic postwar situation in China the boards have had to face with vigor and determination their responsibilities and opportunities.

The Biennial Meeting of the National Christian Council held in December, 1946, attended by a number of North American Board Secretaries, invited cooperation from abroad in a Forward Movement
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of Evangelism. This was launched in the spring under the leadership of Bishops Ralph Ward and W. Y. Chen and Dr. Frederick Hung and is gathering momentum in spite of the difficulties of travel, of communication and of generally upset conditions.

The Biennial Meeting passed forty-eight recommendations covering evangelism, the inner life of the Church, the Church and its leadership and the organization of cooperative work. The China Committee considered all of these recommendations and especially concerned itself with the furthering of cooperative work.

During the past year progress has been made along the following lines: (1) In spite of the fact that it now costs two to five times as much to support a missionary as before the war, the North American boards have sent over one thousand missionaries to China in successive trips of the Marine Lynx, a number equal to the total in all of China in September, 1945. (2) Spiritual rehabilitation has been aided by Church World Service through libraries, Christian publications and conferences. (3) There has been further development of visual aids under Arthur Rinden and religious education under the leadership of Chester Miao and his colleague, Alice Gregg, and in the work of the Christian Education Association under the direction of C. F. Johannaber. (4) Irma Highbaugh and Miss Liu have held conferences on home and family life in Fukien and Kwangtung and are developing a program for all China. (5) The secretariat of the Commission on Christian Medical Work approved in China and, after thorough consideration by the Christian Medical Council and our Committee, approved here, is now functioning with Drs. W. S. Flowers, K. C. Wong and nurses Ruth Wu and E. D. E. Silver. (6) The Council of Christian Publishers with Chester Miao as chairman was organized in November, 1947, superseding the United Christian Publishers. This Council makes possible united production and distribution of Christian literature.

These and many other branches of the work directly under the National Christian Council or by agencies affiliated with it are receiving thoughtful and hearty support from the China Committee. The budget for 1948-1949 amounts to $96,150 for overseas projects. Fortunately in the consideration of this program and budget of the NCC and related agencies in China, the Committee has had the counsel and advice of a large number of people who have had close connection with NCC as secretaries or officers: C. L. Boynton, W. Y. Chen, Robin Chen, Ronald Rees, T. C. Chao, Dr. Outerbridge, S. C. Leong, Luther Shao, E. C. Lobenstine, W. P. Mills, Frank Price and Earl Cressy.

Professor Gardner Tewksbury has joined the faculty of the College of Chinese Studies which, since the formal opening in March, 1947, has had an average enrollment of 150 students.
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The program of advance committee for China is proposing that the boards make their plans for advance along two paths which as all paths in China will cross and re-cross each other: (1) A stepped-up and adequate denominational program in areas where conditions permit. (2) A program of cooperative enterprises already undertaken but many of which are just on the threshold of an expansion and development to meet a new situation, especially the extensive and basic programs for rural rehabilitation and radio. In this connection the projected visit to China in 1948 of Helen Keller and Dr. Milton Stauffer of the Society for the Blind should result in increased zeal for formulating ways in which the Christian Church can minister to the needs not only of the blind but to all unfortunates in Chinese society.

Charles L. Boynton coming from over 30 years of effective work with the NCC of China has been serving as consultant to the China Committee, and is giving direction to plans for the five-year program.

ROWLAND M. CROSS, Secretary

Japan

The most outstanding feature of the year under review has without doubt been the dispatch of a Joint Deputation of Nine from the Japan Committee to make on-the-spot investigations of the losses and needs of the total Protestant Christian enterprise in Japan, and to formulate a course of action.

Japan, in the course of the collapse of her nationalistic house-of-cards, has been shaken free of her ancient mental and spiritual shackles. She now seems ready to accept counsel and guidance as she attempts to pick her way along untrod paths of freedom toward enlightened, cooperative association with other members of the human family.

The deputation had a busy August in Japan. They first covered nine widely separated regional gatherings where there was opportunity for discussion with nearly five hundred local leaders. They then met for a full week of unhurried consultation in a national Conference of one hundred and ten picked nationals and thirty-five missionary delegates. Matters of deep concern to the future of Christian groups, churches, schools, social centers, and so forth, were on the agenda for free and uncensored discussion. Conclusions reached there clarified the issues of this period of renewal of Christian effort in Japan, and outlined the part which North American Christians should have, in the process of moral and spiritual resuscitation.

In addition to the widespread relief program of Church World Service, lines were definitely laid for giving succor in the form of food, vitamins, drugs, and clothing, particularly to full-time Christian
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workers in churches and schools and other agencies. Destroyed buildings are being replaced in areas where the largest number can be served in a cooperative way on a seven-day-a-week basis.

The deputation found signs of new life within the National Christian Education Association, now under the executive secretaryship of Professor Tsuraki Yano. This organization is seeking to coordinate the hitherto unrelated efforts of Christian schools into a symmetrical system of schools able to make a united impact on the nation's life. This is fundamental in connection with the establishment of the proposed Christian University. Interest in Japan in this latter project continues to run high; it must be maintained steadily. In the States, it has, during the year, moved into an area of careful and skilled planning preliminary to the financial drive.

At Yumoto, very deep interest was expressed in the formation in North America of the Inter-Board Committee of Christian Work in Japan. This is composed of ten boards which seek to correlate their plans and endeavors and is now proceeding with Henry G. Bovenkerk, one of the original members of the Commission of Six, as secretary. A Council of Cooperation within Japan was also set afoot during the visit of the Joint Deputation.

During his visit to Japan, John H. Reisner met with members of the Kyodan committee for rural work. A 25-Year Commission on the Life and Work of the Rural Church was recommended, subject to approval by the General Assembly of the Kyodan, to develop rural evangelism through training centers, home and family life, rural magazine, etc., and to promote farmer's gospel schools.

Royal H. Fisher has been giving full time as consultant to the Japan Committee and has had large responsibility for the work of this committee.

ROWLAND M. CROSS, Secretary

Korea

The Korea Committee has helped a total of approximately fifty-two missionaries to get out to Korea; it has shipped during the past year 60,000 hymnals and 410,000 tracts; and it arranged for a joint deputation to spend the month of July, 1947 in Korea.

The visit of the deputation was the important event of the year. The members were Margaret Billingsley, Laura Brooks, Henry Bovenkerk, Thoburn Brumbaugh, Peter Emmons, William Fenn, Ruth Williams, and Herrick Young. They reported to the Korea Committee on October 9-10, 1947. Their recommendations, many of them of far-reaching significance, included unification of higher education under one board, council for medical work to correlate medical program, purchasing and shipping agency, purchase of share in the Chosen Printing Company, and a vocational education pro-
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gram. These were approved by the committee and are now in process of consideration with responsible boards and agencies.

The recommendations regarding rural work will be considered in connection with the comprehensive and detailed report on this area by Mr. Reisner. The strategy of missions in a predominantly rural country like Korea needs fundamental restudy leading to new emphases and program. The development of radio in all of its outreach will await the survey by the team of experts in 1948. The National Christian Council and Christian Literature Society have been reorganized and are now functioning.

Miss Billingsley is the new chairman of the Korea Committee. She takes the place of Dr. Armstrong, who has given many years of service to Korea and two years to the chairmanship of the committee but has reached the age of retirement from his board.

The committee that is planning the advance program for Korea consists of three members of the joint deputation and Dr. C. Darby Fulton, who made a secretarial visit to Korea during the year, Mrs. W. G. Coates, and Dr. A. K. Reischauer.

Rowland M. Cross, Secretary

Southeast Asia

For a good many years the territory east of Burma and south of China and Japan has been almost a "no man's land" as far as the Conference activities were concerned. The notable exception was the Philippine Islands, where a strong representative committee has been at work. In the case of the other areas, only one North American board has been at work in each, so that interdenominational cooperation has not been easy or very much called for. It has become increasingly apparent, however, that the area from Burma to the Marshall Islands inclusive does have many common problems as its various units emerge from colonial status into independence. The Conference has therefore established a representative committee on Southeast Asia to cover this area, with the Philippine Committee as the nucleus and continuing its vigorous planning as a sub-committee. It will be served by the Far Eastern Joint Office.

Wynn C. Fairfield

Philippines

During the year there have been a remarkable number of visits from and to the Philippines. Dr. Josefa Ilano, while here for a year, was a delegate to Whitby. She was a great help in our discussions of medical problems. The Samuel Catlis had a year's study at Yale. Mr. Catli gave a number of excellent reports to the committee and Mrs. Catli spent a month in the office and prepared the best map of
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the Philippines that the committee has had. Benjamin Guansing, Cornelio Ferrer and Miss Prudencia Fabro attended meetings on the program of advance.

The following have made secretarial visits to the Philippines: Miss Alice Cary, Miss Margaret Billingsley and Messrs. Hooper, Archer, Fridell, Higdon, Eschbach, Brumbaugh, Reisner, Moss, Hopkins and Zeigler. These visits have resulted in new board programs and in strengthening and enlarging the areas of cooperative work.

The Philippine Committee has become a sub-committee of the Southeast Asia Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference. This is one of the joints in the Far Eastern Joint Office. The following consultants have spent some time here for the Philippine Committee: Hugh Bousman, Mrs. J. Chatfield, Mrs. Samuel Catli and Mrs. E. K. Higdon, who has directed the survey for the Advance Program.

The Philippine Federation of Evangelical Churches has made a proposed revision of its constitution. In it provision is made for departments of Christian education, young people's work and the rural church, and standing committees on evangelism, church union and comity, stewardship, social and moral welfare, Christian publication and literacy, and women's work.

The formation of the Association of Christian Schools and Colleges, with Dr. Arthur Carson, president, and Dr. Benicio Catapusan, executive secretary, is proving of great use in securing personnel and supplies for member schools, for clearing matters with the Office of Private Education, in conducting surveys, and in publishing the "Christian Educator." Dean Donald P. Cottrell, of Ohio State University, and Dean Ava B. Milam, of Oregon State College, will go to the Philippines in July to help make an educational survey covering general education, theological education and home and family life.

During the year John Reisner visited the Philippines and worked out with the field committee a comprehensive ten year program for the rural church, with emphasis on rural life centers and resettlement projects. A survey for audio-visual education and radio will probably be made in the spring.

A conference on Church Union was held in Manila, November 1-3, 1947, and a proposed constitution for a United Church of Christ in the Philippines was drawn up. If this is ratified, it will unite the United Evangelical Church, the Evangelical Church, the Philippine Methodist Church and the Iglesia Evangélica Unida de Cristo.

On November 7, the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church granted the request of the Philippine Independent Church for the episcopal consecration of its bishops. This, it was pointed out by the chairman, "does not amount to a union between the two churches. It establishes a 'fellowship of communion' similar to that
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now shared by the Protestant Episcopal Church with the Polish National and Old Catholic Churches."

So in the land that, next to Poland, suffered the most destruction of any from the war and where in war's aftermath the separatist tendencies were again evident, this past year has witnessed a strong movement toward unity within church groups and a development of a comprehensive cooperative program.

Rowland M. Cross, Secretary.

India

Perhaps the outstanding event for the India Committee this year was the visit of the deputation from the National Christian Council of India. Four delegates, Dr. Rajah B. Manikam, secretary of the Council, Mr. B. L. Rallia Ram, president of the Council, Bishop John A. Subhan and Mrs. Prem Nath Dass, conferred with the India Committee and with boards having work in India from April through June, 1947. Their presence made possible consultation and harmonious planning at many points. Although they were not official delegates, the presence of Mrs. Manikam and Mrs. Rallia Ram added much to the contribution made by the deputation. The attendance of three of the deputation and the secretary of the India Committee at the Whitby meeting of the International Missionary Council in July, 1947, afforded opportunity for further conferences. The secretary likewise had an opportunity there to confer with Stanley Dixon, secretary of the India Committee of the Conference of British Missionary Societies.

Greetings were sent to the governments of both India and Pakistan on August 15, 1947, when Independence Day was celebrated.

Dr. F. M. Potter represented the Committee at the inauguration service of the Church of South India, on September 27, 1947. The Committee recognized the culmination of twenty-eight years of negotiations toward church union by cooperating in special services held at Union Theological Seminary and in the Cathedral at Washington, D. C. A film strip is being produced to acquaint American audiences with the background of this historic event.

The Committee has cooperated actively with Church World Service, not only in the matter of famine relief, but in the new emergency caused by the mass migration from India into Pakistan and vice versa. In connection with the Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work, FMC, the attention of mission boards was called to the situation and a call issued for personnel to aid in the situation. The need for medicines, food, clothing and for funds to buy them has been given publicity among the church constituency.

The India Committee joined with Agricultural Missions, Inc. and
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Church World Service in sending John H. Reisner to India, to confer with National Christian Council leaders and with missionaries in regard to plans for rural rehabilitation. The committee also has cooperated with Technical Services Association in its plans for the extension of industrial education.

The recommendations of the survey on theological education in India have been increasingly realized and progress is marked at many points.

A committee is exploring the advisability of a board in North America for Indian colleges on the recommendation of the National Christian Council.

Encouragement has been given to the National Christian Council's program of audio-visual aids in India, as well as to the Christian home movement.

The India boards have helped to make it possible to bring to this country Mrs. Paul Devanandan, who will work with the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students, particularly with students from India, while her husband is visiting professor at Union Seminary.

There has been close cooperation with the Committee on Work Among Moslems on the situation with regard to Pakistan as well as other matters of common concern.

The committee tendered a dinner to Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, member of the India delegation to the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Boards having work in India were kept in touch with developments there through periodical meetings and by the India "Bulletin."

Dr. Thomas S. Donohugh has been serving the committee in planning the advance program of the committee, on the basis of data compiled from the boards.

Sue Weddell, Secretary

Cooperation in Latin America

The executive secretary of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America spent the months of January to May, 1947, visiting the missions in Trinidad, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Ecuador and Colombia. In these countries he conferred with evangelical leaders on interdenominational programs of literature, radio evangelism, and other similar enterprises. He discussed with some groups the question of the placing of the Protestants among the groups of displaced persons coming from Europe.

Three dominant general impressions were brought back from this trip. First, there was the spread of communism—or some sort of revolt of the masses against feudalism and reaction—especially in Brazil and Chile. Secondly, there was totalitarianism in Argentina
where the government, with its Five Year Plan, seeks to dominate every phase of national life. Thirdly, there was the Roman Catholic Church desperately trying to maintain its hold over the people, by catering to deep-seated tradition and superstition, and by seeking to bolster its power and prestige by political means. The vigorous and spiritually alive Protestant minority is increasingly being identified with freedom and democracy; it is seen as a religion of the conscience. Communism may help to break the shackles of feudalism and clericalism, and totalitarianism may increase economic wealth for a time, but these are not the answers to Latin America's grave problems. What it needs is the Living Christ working through the Christian community in terms of righteousness in every phase of life.

This fundamental need has led the committee to a realization that a new and strong apologetic is required to acquaint men with the true source of spiritual power, that the Church must be built up in numbers and spiritual life, and that the forces of cooperation must be greatly strengthened.

Considerable attention has been given during the past year to the literature program. Professor Baez Camargo was appointed full-time secretary of the Committee on Christian Literature of the CCLA with headquarters in Mexico City. A large part of his time has been spent this year attending interdenominational conferences in Europe and the United States. However, a beginning has been made and plans have been laid for field visitation and for oversight of the continent-wide program of production and distribution.

A literature conference held in Brazil in February has resulted in a united literature program, initiated and to be carried out by Brazilian leaders. The publication of religious education materials will form an important part of this program.

Progress has also been made in plans to increase radio evangelism in Latin America. The committee is in constant touch with groups in several countries with a view to assisting local groups with evangelical programs and to the establishing of recording studios in key cities. One such studio is already being organized in Mexico City. New opportunities are constantly opening up in the field of radio evangelism.

Attention has been given to the National Evangelical Councils, especially in Brazil, the River Plate, Puerto Rico, Mexico and Cuba. Rev. Rodolfo Anders, Secretary of the Evangelical Confederation of Brazil, came to the United States in July and after attending the International Missionary Council meeting in Whitby along with secretaries of other Latin American Councils, has been spending a period of rest and study at Yale Divinity School. His presence in the United States has helped stimulate interest in the work of the Confederation in Brazil among mission boards.

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Dr. George P. Howard, special religious lecturer and evangelist under the auspices of the committee, after a strenuous schedule of public meetings in Argentina, left there in May, 1947, visiting Peru and Colombia on his way to Mexico, where he also addressed many meetings. After attending the Whitby meeting, he visited Cuba where large numbers gathered to hear him in city after city.

The Committee on Cooperation in Latin America feels that Latin America is ready for a widespread presentation of the Christian gospel and that it must find new resources of power in personnel and experience, making strategic use of these to enable the Church to accomplish this task. Amid the turmoil and confusion of a social revolution, Christ must be made relevant to all of life, and He must become Sovereign Lord in the hearts of men.

W. Stanley Rycroft, Secretary.

**Associated Mission Medical Office**

It was in the autumn of 1933—fourteen years ago—that some of us who had been engaged in the health care of missionaries for many years felt the time had come to arrange for a genuinely cooperative office for this purpose. Working with the Methodist Board since 1919, my work from the beginning had included in addition to the Methodists, the health supervision of that fine family of missionaries, the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A. Five years later I had the privilege of including a group whom it was an equal honor and privilege to serve—the missionaries of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It was nine years later that we asked ourselves why this work should not be made a truly cooperative interdenominational office.

The Methodist Board gave its cordial consent. So Articles of Organization were drawn up and our plan began to operate. The American Baptist groups, and the Christian and Missionary Alliance were early and appreciative sharers in our enterprise. The American Board with its headquarters in Boston was not so near at hand, but it gave such a participation as it could in the united health program. The Presbyterians were already cared for by Dr. E. M. Dodd but they found a way to lend their aid and fellowship and became participating members. Dr. Dodd was elected chairman of our Board of Managers, Dr. Mark Ward, secretary, and Dr. George Sutherland, treasurer. The writer of this report was elected director. For him it was an interesting expansion of the work he had already been carrying on for nearly fifteen years.

The value of this organized service, which reaches into every part of the United States where there is a candidate or furlough missionary, we believe has been heartily appreciated by the boards that
have shared in its benefits. It is highly specialized work and needs to be always alert and constantly self-critical in order to avoid costly mistakes.

I have been impressed with the growing bigness of our health work during the last year or two, and have felt the need for added alertness as we grow in numbers, lest we slip in our efficiency.

There are four regular doctors on our staff: Dr. Eva Weddigen represents Africa, Dr. Robert H. H. Goheen, India, and Dr. Lorenzo Morgan and myself represent China. Dr. E. M. Dodd, chairman of our Board, and Dr. Walter Clothier, his associate in charge of the health of the Presbyterian personnel, are important members of our staff. They fully share in our facilities and fellowship but they are financed and carry on their work independently and so the statistics of their work are not usually incorporated in the report of the Associated Mission Medical Office. Dr. Dodd's childhood and service background is the Near East. Dr. Clothier's is Africa. Dr. Howard M. Freas has given many valuable months of service as a staff member during the past year. He withdraws soon to resume his work in Africa. So we feel we pretty well represent in experience the total foreign field. Our weekly staff luncheons are times of interesting check-up and discussion of problem cases. These are very stimulating and prevent us fairly well from slipping. We believe in self-criticism and in sharing with one another any criticisms that come from our patients or from board administrators, which we are glad to say are not numerous.

The past year we have enlarged our offices so that now each one of our four doctors has his or her own consulting room and separate adjoining examining room with all necessary equipment for diagnostic studies. A special room has been fitted for our nurse, Miss Ruth Martin. Here she has with great efficiency performed 2991 preventive inoculations during the past twelve months. These are of vital importance these days. The presence of epidemic diseases throughout the world has never been more threatening—cholera, plague, smallpox, diphtheria and typhus. Fortunately I can say at this time that I know of no one among our more than four thousand missionary family in the past year who has died of any of these diseases. All have been instructed about reinoculations. In addition to the inoculations we have performed at our headquarters, we have sent 1506 doses of vaccine and serum to be administered by the furlough missionaries' doctors. Scores of additional doses have been supplied directly by our office to transients through New York. Respecting the volume of work done, in the year 1944 there was an increase of 36% over 1943, 1945 showed an increase of 47% over 1944, and 1946 showed an increase of 17% over 1945. The twelve months ending October 31, 1947, showed 34,535.8 units of work done, which
is a decrease of about 4% in respect to the work done during the calendar year of 1946. The past twelve months have seen a great exodus of war-furloughed missionaries returning to their fields, and a much smaller number than usual coming from their field stations to the United States.

We entered the year with some uncertainty as to how large a group would be in our hands for health care. During most of the year we have been very busy. It has been a relief to have an occasional week or two when we could really accomplish our task without that excessive pressure that has been on us constantly during the previous years.

The operating budget voted for the calendar year of 1947 was $46,213.00. On October 31st our operating expenditures for the previous ten months were $37,028.48.

In the past twelve months we have cared for 993 examinations, 1442 health conferences, and 701 treatments in our offices and 1155 examinations through other physicians. There were sent out 4351 letters.

J. G. Vaughan, M.D., Director

Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work

The upsurge of cooperative planning and action which has been evident in all departments of the Foreign Missions Conference has also been manifest in the deliberations of the Council. Its members have participated in numerous conferences with the Area Committees of China, India, Africa, Korea, and the Philippines, Church World Service and the boards of union institutions. Many of the actions taken have had a definite bearing on the strengthening of the overseas medical committees of representative Christian councils, notably in China and India.

Two general conferences, one for furloughing medical missionaries in Atlantic City, June 15-18, and the other for medical and nursing students and recent graduates in New York City, November 23, were well attended. The Atlantic City conference immediately followed the centenary meeting of the American Medical Association, which was attended by a large proportion of the 103 delegates who participated in the Conference on Medical Missions. The sessions of this annual conference were enriched by the presence of an unusually large number of nationals, chiefly from China. An interdenominational church meeting, at which five medical leaders spoke on medical mission work, was attended by about four hundred church members of Absecon Island.

Fifty-six, sixteen of whom were furloughing or former medical missionaries, attended the conference for medical and nursing candidates and inquirers. Probably this too will become an annual affair.
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An interdenominational medical recruiting campaign was conducted, February-April, as a cooperative venture by the Student Volunteer Movement and the Christian Medical Council. Four doctors and one nurse, individually, visited thirty-six centers and many associated hospitals. About two hundred and forty "recruiting cards" expressing varying degrees of interest were sent in. This, too, will probably become an annual activity of the Council if the services of suitable recruiters can be enlisted each year.

Two Council members, assisted by medical missionaries as "resource persons," conducted seminars on the healing ministry of the Church at the Quadrennial Student Conference in Lawrence, Kansas.

The holocaust in the Punjab and the urgent calls for medical personnel from the Government of India and Pakistan presented a challenge to the Boards and the CMCOW staff. Appeals were sent to seventy medical school hospitals and forty colleges of nursing in North America. As usual there were many responses, but few qualified for immediate short-term emergency relief service in the affected areas.

The appointment of Dr. Robert Morris Paty, of China, as medical secretary of the Methodist Board, in September, brings to our counsels another able professional colleague, who is on a world tour, not only visiting the medical institutions of his own church, but also conferring with leaders of interdenominational medical councils, as a representative of the CMCOW and certain area committees.

The course of medical training for non-medical missionaries is in its fourth year. The largest number of students are from a missionary training institute near New York, which grants credits for the course, a procedure we hope will be adopted by other neighboring seminaries.

DOUGLAS N. FORMAN, M.D., Secretary

Work Among Moslems

Comparatively few mission boards carry on work among Moslems. As a result the Church knows less about Moslems than about other religious groups. In some of the involved questions facing the world today it has been difficult for Christians to think clearly because they have had so little knowledge of Moslems. This is especially true in the Near and Middle East. The Committee on Work Among Moslems, with a concern for Moslems everywhere, has also area responsibility for the Near and Middle East.

The committee is constantly at work trying to bring about better understanding of this area. This is being done through bulletins, speaking engagements, participation in forums, and conferences.

During the past months three officers of the Near East Christian Council have been in America. The committee helped them in mak-
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ing important contacts while they themselves were a constant source of information, advice and help to the committee.

Although much material has been printed regarding Moslems, the committee has long sensed a need for a handbook for new missionaries going to Moslem areas. This book is now in the process of preparation. The book will include chapters on “Types of Islam in the World Today,” “The Religious Situation in Various Parts of the Moslem World,” “Positive Presentation of Christianity,” “Ways of Carrying on Work Among Moslems,” “Obstacles to Overcome in Becoming Christians,” “The Spiritual Preparation of the Missionary,” “The Emerging Church in Moslem Lands,” “Facilities Available for the Study of Islamics,” “Some Do’s and Don’ts.”

A Fellowship of Prayer is being organized among members of the committee and individuals who have a concern for work among Moslems.

In cooperation with the Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature, plans were carried through for literacy campaigns in Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, and Iran, with short visits to prepare the way for later campaigns in Iraq and Ethiopia. Months of preparation both here and on the field went into the preparation of these campaigns. In Egypt very careful plans for the follow-up work are being carried out. The Literature Committee of the Committee on Work Among Moslems is assisting in the plans for suitable literature for these new literates. With many avenues of the Christian approach to Moslems either closed or closing, it is imperative that strong literature and literacy programs be carried forward in Moslem areas.

GLORA M. WYSNER, Secretary

Rural Missions Cooperating Committee

Rural Missions Cooperating Committee was established in 1933 for the purpose of serving the rural peoples of the world, especially in areas where the burden of poverty, illness and famine rest so heavily.

Our world sets a lopsided table. Even though the Creator has provided for all, a food map of the world would show that some countries are well fed while others are hungry and starving. In brief, it is our work to train leadership, to produce suitable literature and to provide other resources whereby underprivileged peoples can help themselves to a better way of life.

As World War II has added so greatly to the suffering of those already in distress, John H. Reisner was commissioned by the Foreign Missions Conference and Church World Service to confer with missionaries, national Christian leaders and others regarding com-
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prehensive plans for rehabilitation. From October 25, 1946, to May 25, 1947, he traveled extensively, holding conferences with leaders in India, Burma, Japan, China, Korea and the Philippine Islands. The needs of millions at this tragic and critical hour constitute the largest and most difficult challenge that has ever come to us.

Training courses were conducted at Cornell University, the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Scarritt College Rural Center and the Merrill-Palmer School of Detroit. Among the courses offered were soil improvement, field crops, vegetable gardening, animal husbandry, home and family life, nutrition, adult education and rural sociology. The total number enrolled was 108, making a grand total of 1,378 who have received such training to date.

Six major books have had a good sale during the year. Of the 3,500 copies of Christian Mission Among Rural People which were printed, only 368 remain. An edition of 2,500 copies of the Source Book on Home and Family Life was completed in May, 1947. Approximately 1,675 copies have been sold. The manuscript for Family Life in West China by Dr. Irma Highbaugh is now on the press.

Three issues of Agricultural Missions Notes were published and about 5,400 copies of each issue were sent without cost to missionaries, ministers and other interested people in various countries of the world.

Through the cooperation of several mission boards, orders were received for vast quantities of rural literature for shipment to Japan, China and the Philippine Islands, in order to replace some of that lost by war. The major items were: 1,130 selected books on agriculture and rural development; 910 books on rural worship and religious values; 9,600 Christian Rural Fellowship Bulletins, selected and bound; 8,800 copies of mimeograph series, selected and bound in book form under the title "Aids to the Church Serving in Rural Areas"; 6,900 mimeographed Bulletins on Home and Family Life.

The last two items involved over 270,000 pages of material.

Miss Mary E. Sweeny, well-known specialist in Home and Family Life and Child Welfare, is spending one year in India conferring widely with mission and civic groups. Dr. W. A. Anderson, rural sociologist of Cornell University, has just begun one year of service as special consultant on community organization to missions in the Near East, India and China.

While in India Mr. Reisner presented the idea of a Christian Rural Fellowship as an agency for bringing together Christian workers with rural interests from all over India and helping to overcome their present separateness. We are pleased to announce that there are now over 250 members representing the various provinces and that Dr. Arthur T. Mosher has been appointed executive secretary. Agricultural
Missions, Inc. has agreed to contribute $2,500.00 a year for three years in order to see this important organization well established.

John H. Reisner, Secretary

Treasurers

The Treasurers Committee held a meeting of the full committee and a conference of treasurers and other interested persons, February 24 and 25, 1947. The agenda included discussions of: coordination between the treasurer in the home office and mission treasurers in the field; foreign exchange rates in Japan and China; relationship to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, and the Federal Social Security plan, of religious organizations; practices regarding missionary salaries and allowances; and the problems of the smaller boards in transportation and purchasing. Reports were received in war surplus purchases in the Pacific, in India and in the Mediterranean, and on the operation of the Inter-Mission Business Office in Bombay.

During 1947, joint missionary sailings were responsible for 1,200 additional personnel reaching the fields. Much progress was made by the Shanghai committee in distributing to China missions the war surplus purchases made in the Pacific and it is anticipated that this huge project will be completed this year. Some four and one-half tons of surplus army chaplain's supplies were secured from Washington gratis and distributed to boards for overseas use.

At the request of the Japan Committee, plans were effected for setting up in Yokohama a central receiving and distributing point, under SCAP rules, for handling all food and other supplies shipped in by the boards for missionary use. At the request of the Christian Medical Council details were discussed for setting up in Shanghai a Hospital Service Agency to standardize and expedite the purchase of supplies for the three hundred and six non-profit hospitals in China of which ninety-five per cent are related to the mission boards and societies in North America, Australasia and Europe.

The perennial and recurring problem of providing an arrangement whereby all boards desiring it can make joint purchases of supplies for overseas shipment reached solution through the adoption last fall by the Treasurers Committee of a plan whereby the facilities of Church World Service have been made available to all FMC boards for purchasing, warehousing and shipping for a fee which covers the cost of handling.

The chairman of the committee, James E. Whitney, and other members of the executive group instituted inquiries on behalf of the boards and made trips to Washington in regard to the foreign exchange situation and numerous problems arising in various countries in relation to imports, and current passport difficulties of missionaries in China.

Winfred P. Elson, Secretary

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World Literacy and Christian Literature

This year has been marked by increased cooperation with the Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature and other functional and area committees. We are finding that working closely with such groups as the Christian Medical Council, Agricultural Missions, Visual Aids Committee, will help to produce simple literature and much needed facilities for the newly literate.

Early in 1947, preparations for Dr. Laubach's trip into Egypt and the Near East were facilitated through the Committee on Work Among Moslems and the Near East Christian Councils.

In February, the committee cooperated in the Brazil Literature and Curriculum Conference where United States board representatives and Brazil literature workers met to work out a more comprehensive program of Christian literature. Greater emphasis on religious art and children's literature will be a result of this conference as well as a strengthening of the Portuguese Christian literature program already in force.

In late summer, through funds raised privately and through boards, with the cooperation of the Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields, Inc., it was possible to print one million Japanese leaflets explaining the Bible to new Christians; they are to be slipped in New Testaments for distribution by the Japan Bible Society.

In December, through plans set up in collaboration with the Africa Committee, Dr. Laubach began a seven months' literacy tour which will take him into Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gold Coast, Nigeria, Camerouns, Belgian Congo, Ruanda-Urundi, Northern and Southern Rhodesia, and Transvaal. National Christian Councils in these areas have appointed committees of arrangement to plan before and after Dr. Laubach's visit in order that there be sufficient personnel for campaign and follow-up work. The Africa askings of all boards will be needed next year for these follow-up programs.

In the literacy campaign in Egypt, seven thousand volunteers are reported in training or actually at work in teaching centers. Through subsidies it has been possible to print the Arabic primer, The Story of Jesus in Arabic for new literates. Subsidy is requested also for Making Everybody's World Safe.

The Persian primer (10,000 edition), The Story of Jesus and Making Everybody's World Safe in Persian were printed for the Iranian literacy campaign. Members of the armed forces will be taught to read and write as part of government cooperation.

Beginning January, 1947, Dr. J. M. Hohfeld, assisted by experts in the fields of editing, religious art, etc., conducted a one-semester literacy-literature course at Kennedy School of Missions, Hartford, Connecticut—to be repeated January-June, 1948. Thirty-two stu-
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dents took the course. Short courses in literacy and literature with an enrollment of thirty-four were held at Montreat, North Carolina, in July, 1947—to be repeated in 1948. Dr. Hohlfeld was responsible for literacy and Miss Ruth Ure for literature. *The Question-Box*, a pamphlet telling of opportunities for literacy training in this country, was published in August, 1947, in collaboration with the Student Volunteer Movement.

Promotions and technical materials needed for carrying on the program of the Literacy-Literature Committee have been produced as far as possible. Laubach's primers for new literates, *Story of Jesus and Making Everybody's World Safe*, were ready in time for translation for Near East campaigns. New editions of *Streamlined English Lessons* and *The Teacher's Manual* have been printed to meet the growing demand for them. Of particular interest to literacy workers is the long promised manual entitled *Teaching the World to Read* by Laubach, published for the Committee by the Friendship Press. This book contains methods and charts gathered from many countries and will be used as a handbook for Africa campaigns.

Expanding postwar literature programs have been initiated in China and Korea ($18,977) Latin America ($18,437) and Moslem lands ($16,410) as a result of increasing board support.

A new play, *To Speak of Freedom*, based on a true literacy experience in Mexico, is now available.

In 1946-47, thirty-two member boards granted about 65% of the askings of the area committees. Eight of these boards, which contributed 90% or more of the askings made of them, accounted for over 60% of all our board income. They are: The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, American Bible Society, Division of Foreign Missions of The Methodist Church, National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, USA, Schwenkfelder Board of Home and Foreign Missions, United Brethren in Christ, Board of Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church.

From board funds $61,545.96 was allocated to the area committees for projects and services. From other accounts (funds sent direct to the committee) especially designated to areas, $4,500.15 was paid. The prospect for 1947-48 is that about 70% of board askings ($127,307.73) will be granted.

**ALFRED D. MOORE, Secretary**

*Audio-Visual Aids Overseas*

The Audio-Visual Aids Overseas Committee, which by action of the Committee of Reference and Counsel in February, 1947, is now a standing committee, has given its attention to many matters related to the effective use by mission staffs overseas and nationals of pro-
jected pictures and projected sound as tools in the expanding mission program.

The *Film Evaluation Sub-Committee*, under the chairmanship of Dr. Erich F. Voehringer, has delegated to a similar committee of the World Council of Christian Education the holding of evaluation sessions at which furloughed and retired missionaries and nationals review films for their value in specific countries. The *Missions Photo Institute Sub-Committee*, under the chairmanship of Dr. H. G. Conger, is studying the question of extension of the missions photo institute idea and the establishing of special courses on audio-visual aids in educational institutions training missionaries, so that an increasing number of mission staff personnel overseas may have a working knowledge of photographic equipment and how the product should be used. The *Standardization Sub-Committee*, now also under the chairmanship of Dr. Conger, is concerned with the myriad questions of what equipment and materials of what manufacturers are best suited to do specific jobs in certain overseas areas.

The *Radio Sub-Committee*, under the chairmanship of Dr. S. Franklin Mack, has been every active in advising with area committees and boards concerning the establishment of radio service on an area-wide or world-wide basis. Two members of this committee form part of the deputation or commission which is this spring surveying the radio situation and possibilities in the Far East and India.

The committee consists of a nucleus of persons in and about New York either related to foreign missions, or unrelated to foreign missions but with interests and skill in motion pictures, slides, transcriptions, radio, etc., to meet at intervals; a larger consultative group consisting of representatives from member boards not included in the first group; and a group of correspondent members which includes persons overseas or at home with a specific interest in the objectives of the committee.

Winfred P. Elson, Secretary

*Church World Service*

Supplies and assistance have been sent to people in forty-two countries. The year has witnessed a crescendo of concern among the American people for the welfare of those in other lands, climaxed late in the year by the spectacular Friendship Train. This revealed in sharp outlines the dissatisfaction of Americans at the slow and dilatory tactics of their government in getting aid to Europeans in time to help during the winter. In the first eleven months of the year Church World Service had shipped to other countries more than 16,000,000 lbs. of contributed and purchased supplies. This repre-
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sent a volume of personal giving never before equalled through such united church channels.

During the year Dr. Moss, going as the first general observer to Asia for CWS, visited the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore, Siam and China. Forward steps in a more adequate relief ministry in these and other countries have been made possible, but the supply of funds has proved all too small to accomplish the fullest good. That visit has also helped to sharpen the necessity for careful delineation of the field of service in Asia for CWS. Relief measures will be necessary for years to come, but the reconstruction and the launching of new plans such as those proposed by John Reisner on behalf of rural rehabilitation is of immediate urgency. If there are any steps beyond relief, such as famine prevention measures, or preventive medical projects in which the boards wish the services of CWS in order to speed and amplify their service in Asia, these measures are still to be agreed upon. It is evident on every side in Asia that there are open doors for Christianity as never before. The utmost in advance program will be all too little. Every device for amplifying what we have through united and concerted effort is essential.

A four-year Christian reconstruction program for Europe will involve a number of the mission boards. The complications of presenting such a program through the united channel of CWS in this country are also still to be worked out. Certain it is that the churches of the United States have not begun to face the tremendous responsibilities that confront them across the world. It is a critical time for building a world Christian fellowship. The Christian workers of other lands are many of them in deplorable physical condition. The future of the Church tomorrow depends upon the promptness with which we provide them with the help they need.

Herbert C. Lytle, Jr., Administrative Secretary

Closer Relationships

Because it was felt that consideration and action upon the proposals for the participation of the Foreign Missions Conference in the proposed "National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States" might prove divisive and distract attention from the program of advance determined upon at the 1947 Annual Meeting as the single great undertaking of the Conference in 1947-48, and since final action was not absolutely necessary until 1949, the Committee of Reference and Counsel voted to postpone the final vote on this matter until the 1949 Annual Meeting. In the meantime, studies of what changes in the structure of the Foreign Missions Conference would be involved if favorable action were taken and of the arguments for and against
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participation have been completed, but withheld from circulation until nearer the time for action.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD, Secretary

**English-Speaking Union Churches Overseas**

The new name for this committee indicates how the committee through the medium of the English language aims to draw foreign residents and some of the nationals of overseas communities into union churches. Already some twenty-five port and capital cities are being served in this way, and gradually these churches are being united in a fellowship which literally reaches round the world. The committee has been reorganized to include more direct representation from the boards, from the Laymen’s Movement, and from Christian business men.

The chairman of the committee, Garland E. Hopkins, visited churches in Asia Minor and the Far East and reported especially promising opportunities in Beirut, Dhahran, Tokyo, and Manila. Peiping and Shanghai are thriving under the leadership of Rev. Allan Easton and Rev. Jerald Hood Snavely. Dr. Stanley Rycroft made a trip to Latin America in which he made contact with five of the thirteen churches and found building campaigns under way and the churches meeting a very real need in the life of those communities. Dr. J. Thoburn Legg began his pastorate in Rio in June.

The committee has found it impossible to do its work in this steadily growing field with only a fraction of the time of an executive secretary, but a happy solution of this difficulty has been found. The Methodist Board has consented to have one of its secretaries, Mr. Hopkins, the chairman of the Committee on English Speaking Union Churches Overseas, give a considerable amount of his time to the direction of the affairs of this committee. The office will be moved to Washington where it will be convenient for him and where he has an experienced office secretary. Relationships with business men and firms and with government officials are being established. With Mr. Hopkins’ enthusiastic and efficient leadership, it is expected that CESUCO will be able to fill more adequately its vital place in the Christian program overseas.

ROWLAND M. CROSS, Secretary

**Finance and Headquarters**

The Committee on Finance and Headquarters has been faced with the necessity of dealing with the actual budget for general services and related organizations for 1947-48, and with the proposed budget for 1948-49, both calling for considerably increased receipts from the
member boards, without knowing the actual extent of commitment by the member boards in advance for either year.

For 1947-48, it found that in the interval between its circulation to the member boards as of October 15, 1946, and the end of March, operating costs had gone up, so that even the figure of $85,545 given in the original coordinated budget as the amount needed from member boards was inadequate to cover the revised budget presented by the executive secretary of the Committee of Reference and Counsel. Even that figure of $85,545 represented an increase of $8,641 over the estimate of $76,904 for 1946-47 and of $11,223 over the actual receipts of $74,322 for the same year. After careful study of the situation, including a deficit then foreseen in the 1946-47 year due to the fact that the contributions from boards had not reached the expected amount and information that definite increases in contributions of approximately $8,000 were already in sight, the committee finally voted:

To approve a budget based upon a figure of $85,545 as the income expected from the member boards; and that the secretary be authorized to work out the budget for 1947-48 along the lines indicated in the several actions already taken, which shall not call for a larger income from boards than that figure; but that the operation of the budget shall be subject to review at the September meeting of this committee.

At its September meeting, the committee found that the budget as revised seemed likely to meet the requirements of the previous vote, with the exception of an entirely new factor arising from the request of the Presbyterian Building, approved by CRC, that the rentals on all property be raised. It agreed that if necessary, this might be regarded in whole or in part as justification for not being able completely to balance the budget by March 31, 1948.

More importantly, the committee faced three new requests for increased appropriations over and above the normal increased cost of operations reflected in rentals, wages and costs of materials. These were: (1) a request from the joint Committee on the Missionary Research Library that its appropriation be increased by $4,690 in order chiefly to provide a long-overdue replacement for the curator, Mr. Charles H. Fahs, who has continued to give full-time service since being placed upon a retired salary basis eleven years ago; (2) a request from the International Missionary Council to increase its appropriation by $7,283 to meet the greatly increased costs of operation of the Council, particularly to provide for a general secretary to carry many of the functions provided gratis by Dr. John R. Mott in his capacity of chairman for many years (since their meeting the pressure for this increase has been made greater by a gift of $10,000 per year for three years conditioned upon the meeting by its con-
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stituent members of the additional appropriations requested for them); (3) a request from the Committee on Special Program and Funds for a new appropriation of $3,000 for two years to make possible the addition of a world missions secretary to the staff of the United Council of Church Women, more effectively to promote missionary interest within the membership of that rapidly-growing agency of the Conference and the Home Missions Council in the promotion of interest among church women.

All three of these requests seemed reasonable in purpose and amount, and upon the recommendation of the committee, the Committee of Reference and Counsel took the following action concerning the 1948-49 Budget:

That the tentative budget for General Services and Related Organizations for the fiscal year 1948-49, involving an expenditure of $107,968 with the expectation of receiving $103,768 as contributions from member boards, be adopted for submission to the member boards with the request that toward it each member contribute an amount equal to one-half of 1% of its overseas expenditure (exclusive of home base administrative expenses and non-recurring items overseas) in its fiscal year closing in 1946 in accordance with the principle adopted by the Annual Meeting; with the understanding that final action on the budget will be taken by the Finance and Headquarters Committee prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year after consideration at the Annual Meeting. It is further requested that member organizations which have no overseas expenditure and which are not supported mainly by contributions from member boards make an annual contribution of not less than $25 toward this budget.

It will be noted that the $103,768 expected from member boards in this vote is $18,223 more than the amount anticipated for the 1947-48 budget, and $29,446 more than the amount actually received from boards in 1946-47. Information received from boards up to the time of writing this report indicates little expectation of there being any substantial increase over the amount expected in 1947-48. The Conference will therefore be faced by very grave decisions when it gathers in Annual Meeting.

The present process of financing general services and the appropriations to related organizations involves the standard request to all member boards (except as noted) to contribute one-half of 1% of their overseas expenditure, and the expectation that the amount actually received by the Conference will be substantially lower. In part, this is due to unavoidable delays in making appropriations due to differing budget years; but mainly it is due to recognition of the fact that some of the member boards with largest overseas expenditures decline to accept the requested percentage and make only a token contribution, while other boards which accept the principle as reasonable find it impossible to meet the requested amount in full. As shown by the following table, the discrepancy between requests and
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*Expectations* has increased steadily as boards have faced the postwar budgetary situation:

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Further study of the whole basis of financing the work of the general services and of the related organizations, whose needs at present constitute the critical problem for the Conference, seems imperative. It is expected that this committee will have a further report on this matter to present at the Annual Meeting.

Wynn C. Fairfield, Secretary

**Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students**

It is both a fearful and heartening thing to be entrusted with power. We Americans have world power, and power is always dynamic. It can create understanding and justice. It can appease hunger and stop the ravages of disease. It can also destroy even those who are at the controls.

In most countries of the world there is a vast program of economic developments. Such developments require technicians and scientists. Because the United States leads the world in scientific achievement, thousands of students are coming to us despite all difficulties. They will continue to come for at least another decade. They will study in our colleges, and they will return to their lands the leaders and teachers of their people. What faith will they have in us as a nation?

For thirty-seven years the Committee on Friendly Relations has given a service of friendship and sought the means to share the highest in our Christian culture with these guests. Churches, church-related agencies, the United Council of Church Women have followed the Foreign Missions Conference in officially designating the committee as its service agency in this field. The committee reports:

1. Extensive foreign contacts publicizing the functions of the committee
2. Personally meeting nearly 1,700 students at port of arrival

* Prior to 1943-44, this was three-eighths of 1% instead of one-half of 1%.

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3. A “Threshold Orientation” program for new arrivals
4. A counseling and guidance service
5. A special program for Fellows of the United Nations
6. Encouraging and assisting in special local orientation camps
7. Program services and staff visitation to local campuses
8. Publications related to specific needs and problems
9. A hospitality program for the nearly 4,000 students in the New York area
10. A program of integrating the guest student with the better influences of the community with cooperation of churches, church-related agencies and civic groups
11. Special concern and programs for foreign students with Christian background
12. Provisions for special services to students of India, China, Korea and Latin-America
13. The census of all foreign students in the United States and the sharing of data with church boards, campus groups and other interested parties
14. A ministry of service for a wide range of personal needs and problems

J. Benjamin Schmoker, General Secretary

Interchange of Christian Leadership

The steadily increasing number of outstanding Christian leaders coming to America from every country has emphasized to your committee the urgent need for centralized information concerning these visitors in order that their contribution to religious thinking and planning may be available across denominational and area lines. Plans were outlined at a committee meeting during the year for gathering such information from denominations and agencies. Although still in the experimental stage, the monthly lists of those arriving have given opportunity to extend a welcome from the Foreign Missions Conference as an interdenominational and inter-group agency and to serve both these visitors and our agencies by providing mutually valuable contacts and conferences. At the series of fellowship hours held during June, 1947, when numbers of delegates to the International Missionary Council meeting were passing through New York, fifty-six persons from twenty-seven countries met informally for tea and fellowship in the FMC office.

The committee is also exploring the possibility of serving the field by an exchange of information concerning American church leaders going overseas, in order to utilize their contribution as widely as possible.

Ruth Brown Beebe, Chairman

Inter-Council Field Department

During the past year, close relationships have been maintained with the six other members of this clearing-house for promotional activities within the United States, both through attendance at and partic-
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ipation in the semi-annual meetings of the Department, and through
direct conference and correspondence. The proposals for an advance
program in the interests of foreign missions were cleared with this
Department in April, 1947 and with the Association of Council Secre­
taries in June, 1947. In both cases, hearty approval was obtained,
and the whole field program envisaged will be cleared continuously
with the councils of churches involved. A new "Plan Book— Ameri­
can Cooperative Christianity—1947-48", edited by Miss Weddell for
the Department, furnishes an invaluable interpretation of the way
in which the interdenominational bodies carry on their work.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD

International Relations and World Peace

The committee as such has been inactive during the past year, but
is to meet in the near future to review the international situation
from the point of view of its bearing upon mission work, and the
need for a more vigorous policy on the part of Conference units with
regard to certain fields. Upon the initiative of the area committees
concerned, the Annual Meeting in January, 1947 adopted resolu­
tions favoring the early independence of Korea, providing an immi­
gration quota of one hundred for Koreans, opposing setting up a
separate government for Southern Korea and urging "immediate,
simultaneous evacuation" by both American and Russian troops,
with the establishment of "a United Nations Plebescite Commission"
to "hold an election to provide for free, democratic government." It
also proposed that the Philippine Trade Act of 1946 be repealed
and in its place legislation be enacted "which respects to the fullest
the sovereignty of the new republic and which is designed to prevent
economic exploitation."

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD, Secretary

Interseminary Movement

For the past three years the Interseminary Movement has carried
on a program in the seminaries preparing for the North American
Interseminary Conference held in June 1947, on the campus of
Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. The conference was attended by
611 seminary students representing 116 schools and forty-five de­
nominations of the United States and Canada, as well as thirteen
students from other countries studying here. The conference adopted
the following statement as the purpose of the Interseminary Move­
ment:

"The Interseminary Movement is a movement of students and faculty who
believe in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, who are in institutions in the
United States training for various aspects of the ministry, and who are
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dedicated to the ecumenical reformation, namely that fundamental reawakening among individuals, congregations, and confessions which leads to the pursuit of the full mission of the Church of Jesus Christ in the entire world and which seeks greater unity among Christians and churches in this world mission."

GLORA M. WYNSE

A Christian University in Japan

The United States Education Mission to Japan in its report of March 30, 1946, to General Douglas MacArthur says, “The university is the crown of every modern educational system.” To paraphrase, “The Christian university is the crown of every modern Christian educational system.”

The Joint Committee for a Christian University in Japan is sponsored by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America and the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. The dual unity of interest and effort in this cooperative development on this side of the Pacific and the hearty consideration given the project by Christian leadership in Japan are, in combination, further evidence that the Church of Jesus Christ is the keystone of reconstruction and civilization.

Founding a Christian university, something as enduring and ageless as the ancient universities of Europe and the Americas, is a challenge to our fortitude and organizing skill, because it is easier to awaken mass interest, even intellectual interest, in healing and feeding the body, providing relief for an earthquake, a flood, a tornado.

This dream and hope is nearly fifty years old. It has again been revived since V-J Day. The committee and executive director prepare to consider the what, where, when, how, cost, how to be raised, how supported, endowed, staffed, administered, and many other relationships. As common denominators of points of agreement gain ascendancy, we shall move from months of fermentation toward crystallization, into an understandable prospectus of steps to be taken by Christians everywhere in support of this unmet need.

Tens of thousands of scientists, engineers and others, at a cost of billions, worked for years, processing new military instruments for human destruction and earthly devastation. The committee, its educational advisory committee and its executive director, working under a pathetically small budget for a brief time, hope, aided by our tens of millions of American believers in Christ, to make this university project a crowning achievement for enduring brotherhood, a bridge of Christian fellowship across the Pacific.

Working unitedly, we too can move faster than sound, and more purposefully.

JAMES L. FIESER, Executive Director
Missionary Personnel

The greatest need on every mission field today is for well trained personnel. The Committee on Missionary Personnel advises and aids the area committees and the functional committees to find the best available training courses for both candidates and furloughing missionaries. The committee is always in touch with the institutions offering language training, area orientation training, or specialized training such as work in literacy and literature, teaching English to foreign students, or audio-visual aids.

The annual Outgoing Missionary Conference was held on the campus of Hartford Seminary Foundation, June 9-14, 1947. The conference was attended by 160 outgoing missionaries, who will be serving in twenty-nine countries under fourteen Boards. The group represented a wider variety of service than at any previous conference. In the group was a building constructor, a bacteriologist, two directors of music, several relief and reconstruction workers, as well as evangelistic, medical, and educational workers.

Planned training, however fine it may be, is of no avail until recruits are found to avail themselves of such training. The Committee on Missionary Personnel has been giving much consideration to ways and means of helping to stimulate recruiting. At the request and with the help of the committee, the Missionary Education Movement is preparing a booklet, "Look at the Missionary," which will be off the press in December. Plans are also under way for a recruiting film. Many mutual problems face the personnel committees of both the Home Missions Council and the Foreign Missions Conference. Joint consultation and planning and a joint meeting have made possible a united approach and united action on several occasions.

Gloria M. Wysner, Secretary

Missionary Research Library

Steady service coupled with unceasing alertness continues to be the watchword of the Missionary Research Library. The pressures of the rapidly changing world conditions with which the mission boards are struggling are reflected in the ever-widening scope of materials and help requested from the library by an ever-widening range of clients. Government economic programs and educational policies, relief work of many agencies, public health and preventive medicine activities, together with social services broadly interpreted bear sharply in all fields of the world on the direct work and needs of the missions. These pressures must be documented as well as current mission development, this requiring constant watching of reports, periodicals, catalogues, announcements, etc., on the part of the staff for leads as to the most pertinent materials. These materials,
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in turn, must first be secured and then made available to inquirers through wide correspondence, interviews, loans, bibliographies, and bulletins.

On the other hand, rapidly increasing numbers of nationals scattered throughout the United States for education and training bring demands for materials published in their home lands, materials which frequently are to be found only in the Missionary Research Library. This, in turn, involves not only securing the titles from all over the world, but also the mechanical processes of packing and shipping of books to be loaned, and then proper placement of materials when returned. All these processes devolve on the regular staff members, for the library has no shipping department.

These situations were growing steadily more impossible for the small staff to meet, so a special committee was appointed in the spring of 1947 to review critically the future policy (acquisitions and service), staff (functions, size, and personnel), and equipment of the library. Certain drastic and significant changes are resulting. An enlarged force of clerical help already is making for a marked release in efficiency on the part of professional staff. The most formidable problem now before the library, and one imperatively demanding a solution, is the securing of a curator to succeed Mr. Fahs. It is urgently hoped that the Foreign Missions Conference will so move in this matter that a new curator, in taking over his responsibility, may have a period of working with Mr. Fahs to become somewhat oriented to the multitudinous tasks and service opportunities pressing in upon the library from every angle.

Charles H. Fahs, Curator

Okinawa

In an attempt to meet the opportunities for mission work presented in stirring reports received from Okinawa during 1946, the Okinawa Committee, consisting of board secretaries, former chaplains who served on Okinawa, and several Christian Okinawans resident in the United States, was organized in February to promote an interdenominational program of rehabilitation and spiritual ministry on Okinawa.

Everett Thompson, temporarily serving as Okinawa representative for Church World Service, reports that the 1500 Protestant Christians have made a fine record during and since the war. Their leaders endorse his plea for two missionary families who know the Japanese language, one to conduct a program of social and applied Christianity and the other an evangelistic and religious education program. Boards have been approached to send out these missionaries, and an effort is being made through Veterans for Missions to capitalize on the interest of 2,000,000 GI’s who visited Okinawa be-
fore and after the war, to raise funds to aid in this unique and thrilling adventure in missions.

ROWLAND M. CROSS, Secretary

Protestant Film Commission

Protestant Film Commission, which passed its second birthday on November 15, 1947, has shown remarkable progress during its second year of bringing together in cooperative endeavor the church bodies and agencies most concerned with motion picture production and distribution. The year saw on the screen its first film, "Beyond Our Own," undertaken to provide support for the theme of evangelism in foreign and home missions, the study topic under Missionary Education Movement guidance for the church year 1947-1948. The film, which had its world premier on November 10 in one hundred cities in the United States and Canada, as well as London, Melbourne, and Manila, has received universal acclaim from the public press, the motion picture industry and the Church as telling a story in straightforward fashion, without violating any technical standards. Distribution is handled by Religious Film Association and the various boards of foreign missions, home missions and evangelism, which underwrote the production to the extent of about $75,000.

A documentary film on missions in China is expected to be completed by summer. A film for the Missionary Personnel Committee, to foster the recruiting of missionaries, is moving through script production and preliminary status. There are several additional films now in planning, including a series of basic curriculum films for the use of church schools, and films on prejudice, Christian education, and the ministry.

Relationship between PFC and the motion picture industry is developing on a sound basis. A West Coast Committee has been established in Los Angeles and Hollywood to expedite this relationship. The monthly releases of review and rating of theatrical offerings, in which the Protestant Motion Picture Council and PFC cooperate, appear in many church journals which receive them without charge.

Assistance has been given by the PFC office to various Protestant agencies producing their own films for promotional purposes. There are now forty-two boards representing nineteen denominations as members in addition to thirteen interdenominational agencies, of which FMC is one.

While the Administrative Committee of the Board of Directors has been very busy guiding activities of the commission, the Finance Committee is at work on plans for providing a large revolving fund for production which will, when secured, make board financing of films unnecessary. PFC will require whole-hearted support from the churches if a public campaign for such funds is to be successful.

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Public Relations

The main public relations concerns during the year have been related to the program of advance which is discussed in the general section at the beginning of this report. Accordingly, all public relations matters of other than a routine nature have been referred to the Committee on Public Presentation rather than to the Committee on Public Relations. Conferences and publications have been handled by the respective agencies as in the past and are reported elsewhere.

Cooperation with the Home Missions Council in conducting a joint Missions Public Relations Office has been continued, under the guidance of a joint committee of whose membership one-half is appointed by the Foreign Missions Conference. Good progress was made during the year by Missions PRO in gathering and distributing news of missions activities and plans to the secular press, wire news agencies, news magazines and radio news agencies. Staff coverage of numerous conferences and meetings was a valuable feature of this service. Apart from such coverage and texts of speeches, a total of one hundred and fourteen news releases was distributed by the staff. Clipping services and other observation indicate wide general use. The same releases plus additional material were sent to the church press.

Increased budgeting by member boards made possible expansion as of April 15, 1947, through the employing of a radio agency which is highly successful in placing on established programs missions personalities and missions information which never before reached such audiences. An additional feature of this service is the distribution to independent radio stations of a five-minute script, "Inter-Mission Notes," presenting in feature form human interest aspects of missionary endeavor. Plans for further expansion of MPRO service depend upon budgetary support from HMC and FMC boards.

Winfred P. Elson

Conferences

The Joint Committee on Conferences, in which the Foreign Missions Conference, the Missionary Education Movement, the Home Missions Council and the United Council of Church Women cooperate, sponsored four interdenominational missionary conferences in the summer of 1947, Northfield, Mass., Silver Bay, N. Y., Lake Geneva, Wis., and Asilomar, Cal.

Each of these conferences is managed by a separate committee. Northfield Conference, long devoted exclusively to women's interests, extended its program to include a few men in 1947, and will repeat this plan in 1948. The Lake Geneva Conference, under the auspices of the United Christian Adult Movement and the immediate super-
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vision of the International Council of Religious Education, emphasizes both religious education and missionary education. Low and disappointing attendance in 1947 and preceding years has raised grave problems regarding the future of Lake Geneva, which appears to have less support from the foreign missions boards than it deserves and requires.

A similar conference maintained independently for some years at Boulder, Colo., has requested the committee to include it under joint sponsorship. Plans are under way to achieve this prior to the 1948 meeting. Inquiries for similar inclusion have been received from one or two other regional missionary conferences.

Although not related to the Joint Committee, a Chautauqua Committee representing FMC, HMC, and UCCW cooperates with the staff of Chautauqua Institution in planning and carrying out the program of the widely attended Institute of World Missions which closes the Chautauqua season in late August. The Florida Chain of Missionary Assemblies, likewise independently managed, uses FMC personnel in its presentations in a number of cities in that state.

WINFRED P. ELSON

General FMC Publications

"Christian World Facts" has again been the major publication of the year. Seventy thousand copies were printed of the twenty-eighth annual edition of the digest. The contents are geared to the interdenominational mission study theme of the year, evangelism, and are drawn from a wide variety of sources.

Seventy-one FMC member boards have ordered from one to 21,310 copies. In addition, copies have been purchased by Councils of Churches, theological seminaries, and church bookshops.

Groups vary in their use of the booklet. Ministers receive it very generally, and the trend is toward making it available also to lay speakers, program chairmen and the general reader. One denomination suggests its purchase as an inexpensive Christmas gift. There is a real field here to popularize missionary information.

Copies are finding their way overseas, to National Christian Councils, missionaries and religious bookshops. The Reformed Church supplies its foreign mission stations. The American Lutheran Church sent twelve copies to India and twenty copies to Germany.

The fifty-third annual report of the Foreign Missions Conference has taken its place alongside its predecessors. This comprehensive volume should not be confined to board rooms and public libraries. A copy would be appreciated at each mission station.

There have been three issues of the bulletin, "You'll Want to
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Know," one of them devoted to accounts of overseas observances of the World Day of Prayer.

Florence Gordon, Editorial Assistant

Religious Liberty

The tensions and complexities which mark international relations, with their effect upon domestic affairs, have colored the work of the Joint Committee during the past year. Two broad lines of action have been followed: (1) preventive or constructive (considered a prior claim on committee resources), involving the effort to secure adequate safeguards for human rights, particularly religious freedom, in documents which are being drafted to govern international and national practice; (2) remedial, having to do with situations where violations of human rights are threatened or have apparently taken place.

The United Nations Commission on Human Rights has undertaken its assignment to draft an International Bill of Human Rights and, through its Drafting Committee, has prepared Working Papers for a Declaration and a Convention. The Joint Committee separately and in cooperation with the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs is following this closely. In personal consultation and formal submission of memoranda, the views of the churches on the kind of provision for religious freedom which should find place in an International Bill have been communicated to officers in the United Nations and in the United States government. Joint Committee representation is now being planned for the next meeting of the Commission on Human Rights at Geneva in December of 1947 when the draft of the Bill will be under discussion. With the Commission on Human Rights a recommending rather than an acting body, the Economic and Social Council has now approved a plan by which "communications" dealing with principles and violations of human rights may be handled. This medium is important for future international action and requires careful study and use by the churches.

The eight Trusteeship agreements which were approved prior to the establishment of the Trusteeship Council strongly reflect the stand taken by the Joint Committee in behalf of human rights and missionary freedom, as does the preliminary Inquiry form on conditions in Trusteeship territories.

The provisions for human rights finally accepted in the peace treaties with the Axis satellite powers reveal some gain over original proposals. The term freedom of religious worship as over against freedom of religion, however, is considered inadequate. Representation to the Moscow Conference of Foreign Ministers strongly urged that this defect be remedied in the peace treaty with Germany and in subsequent treaties. Continuing alertness will be needed as the foreign ministers assemble at London and in future sessions, and in negotiations regarding Japan.

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The drafting of new constitutions in Italy and India has been the occasion of communication between the committee and church leaders in those countries. Direct action has been limited to areas where assistance was specifically requested. Conditions in the Near East, in Africa, and in Latin America, have been under recurring study. Problems in the United States have included study of federal aid to education, representation at the Vatican, and the need for a Protestant strategy.

The Committee gratefully recognizes the strengthening of the British Joint Committee on Religious Liberty in its arrangements for full-time leadership. Cooperation among national agencies of the churches will help to consolidate a Christian approach to the promotion of respect for human rights.

Coordination of the work of the Joint Committee with related agencies is receiving continuing attention. A number of agencies concerned with some phase of religious liberty have recently been established in the United States. While seeking to establish effective relations with these, the necessity of preserving the distinctive character of the committee's service to its parent bodies is recognized.

The location of an office of the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs in New York has led to a unified procedure in filing and using United Nations documentation. Moreover, it provides a channel for transmitting directly to the United Nations the views of the American churches, as well as those of churches in other lands. Thus the Joint Committee is in a position to take independent action or to express concurrence in actions taken by the C.C.I.A.

"Religious Liberty: An Inquiry" by M. Searle Bates, is being translated into numerous languages as a cooperative venture with the International Missionary Council and Church World Service. Through this medium one segment of the committee's educational program has expanded to world proportions.

O. Frederick Nolde, Executive Secretary.

Special Program and Funds

Probably one of the most important advance steps taken this year has been the creation of a Department on the World Mission of the Church in the United Council of Church Women.

This new department, of which Mrs. Hugo Schuessler is chairman, has the support of the Home Missions Council as well as the Foreign Missions Conference, and carries responsibility for the missions emphasis in the total UCCW program. A secretary is now being sought for the committee. She will be a member of the UCCW staff in the same relationship as the other secretaries of departments.

Cooperation with the United Council of Church Women has been
close and constant all through the year. The FMC was represented by twenty-five delegates at the Third Biennial UCCW Assembly in Grand Rapids, November 11-15, 1946. Plans are under way for the Fourth Biennial Assembly in Milwaukee, November 15-18, 1948.

The secretary holds membership on a number of UCCW committees, and has attended meetings of the National Board and the Assembly at Grand Rapids.

In connection with the education and promotion of the World Day of Prayer, and at the request of the World Day of Prayer Committee, each of the groups interested in the various projects aided by World Day of Prayer offerings has been asked to prepare an educational film strip; three of these are ready for distribution. For the first time, there is the beginning of a collection of photographs of overseas observances. They have been used to illustrate publicity articles, and the four center pages of “The Church Woman” for December, 1947 will be given over to World Day of Prayer pictures, reprints of which will be available for purchase in quantity. In cooperation with the Home Missions Council, pamphlets have been printed, “How You Help on the World Day of Prayer,” a syndicated article on the World Day of Prayer projects has been distributed to the church press through the Missions Public Relations Office, and a special sheet, “For Speakers,” has been prepared with the latest information on the home and foreign projects. One issue of the FMC bulletin, “You’ll Want to Know,” was given over to excerpts from accounts of observances of the Day in other lands.

Offerings of the 1947 World Day of Prayer for overseas projects totalled $89,760. The increase of the offering in recent years has made possible many interesting pieces of work in the field of Christian literature, union college work in the Orient and service to foreign students in the United States.

The program for February 13, 1948, “The World at Prayer,” was mimeographed and sent at the earliest possible moment to National Christian Councils and correspondents in sixty-eight countries. It was made available also to foreign mission boards for relay to their mission stations. Increasingly this observance is proving a unifying spiritual force among the Christian women in all parts of the world.

Sue Weddell, Secretary
COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
APRIL 1, 1946 TO MARCH 31, 1947

| Income | | | |
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| | Income | | Balance as at April 1, 1946 |
| | Contributions | |
| | Mission Boards | $74,461.41 |
| | Less Exchange on Canadian Checks | (139.10) |
| | Other Sources | 495.21 |
| | For Services | 1,100.00 |
| | Sales | 704.79 |
| | FMC Registrations | 578.54 |
| | Applicable to Previous Year: | |
| | From Mission Boards | $127.00 |
| | Miscellaneous | 260.00 |
| | Total | 387.00 |
| | Total Income | $78,367.50 |

| Expenditures | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Secretaries' Salaries | $14,056.10 |
| | Assistants | 3,497.49 |
| | Clerical and Stenographic Service | 15,149.92 |
| | Retirement Premiums | 2,657.26 |
| | Office Rent | 2,325.04 |
| | Mimeograph Service, Supplies and Upkeep of Machine | 786.49 |
| | Stationary and Supplies | 1,012.74 |
| | Postage, Telegraph, Cables | 1,022.01 |
| | Telephone | 1,324.27 |
| | Office Equipment | 363.60 |
| | Travel of Secretaries (Including $100 Contribution) | 1,898.72 |
| | Contingent | 751.26 |
| | Cooperation with Other Organizations | 500.00 |
| | Missionary Research Library | 5,000.00 |
| | International Missionary Council | 28,000.00 |
| | Foreign Missions Conference | 938.49 |
| | Previous Year—1945-46 | 210.94 |
| | Total Expenditures | $79,494.33 |
| | Deficit as at March 31, 1947 | (1,126.83) |

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 1947

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COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR GENERAL SERVICES AND RELATED ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

APRIL 1, 1948-MARCH 31, 1949

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<td>A. Deficit brought forward</td>
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B. Administrative Expense

Salaries:

1. Present Secretaries ........ $13,900.00 $14,056.10 $15,500.00 $15,600.00
2. Assistants ..................... 4,960.00 4,997.49 5,110.00 5,560.00
3. Clerks and Stenographers ........... 14,664.00 15,149.92 18,500.00 19,300.00
4. Retirement Plan ........... 2,890.00 2,657.26 3,100.00 2,800.00

Total ....................... $36,414.00 $36,860.77 $42,210.00 $43,260.00

Office Expense:

5. Rent .......................... $3,060.00 $2,325.04 $2,800.00 $4,400.00
6. Printing, sup. & misc. ......... 1,000.00 1,012.74 1,000.00 1,000.00
7. Postage, cables, teleg. .......... 950.00 1,022.01 1,000.00 1,000.00
8. Telephone ....................... 1,250.00 1,324.27 1,300.00 1,300.00
9. Mimeographing .................... 850.00 786.49 1,100.00 1,200.00
10. Insurance and Bonding .......... 230.00 15.00 415.00
11. Equipment (inc. upkeep) ......... 500.00 363.60 400.00 500.00

Total ....................... $7,840.00 $6,834.15 $7,615.00 $9,815.00

Other Expense:

12. Travel ......................... $1,550.00 $1,898.72 $1,800.00 $2,000.00
13. Contingent ..................... 1,500.00 751.26 573.17 1,500.00

Total ....................... $3,050.00 $2,649.98 $2,373.17 $3,500.00

Total Administrative Expense ........ $47,304.00 $46,344.90 $52,198.17 $56,575.00

C. Related Organizations and Programs

14. Missionary Research Library ........ $5,000.00 $5,000.00 $7,620.00 $12,310.00
15. Int. Miss'y Council .......... 28,000.00 28,000.00 28,000.00 35,283.00
16. Cooperation with other organizations .... 500.00 500.00 600.00 3,800.00†

Total Related Org. $33,500.00 $33,500.00 $36,220.00 $51,393.00

* Revised as authorized by 1947 Annual Meeting.
† Including $3000 annually for two years toward salary and budget of World Missions Secretary of the U.C.C.W.

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## COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

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**Deficit**

| To balance income | $79,867.50 | $89,545.00 |

**Income**

| E. From Mission Boards | $76,904.00 | $74,322.31 | $85,545.00 | $103,768.00 |

(less exchange on Canadian checks)

| F. To be raised otherwise: | | | | |
| 1. Other contributions | 300.00 | 495.21 | 300.00 | 500.00 |
| 2. Special Program and Funds | 5,275.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| 3. Sales of Literature | (704.79) | (260.00) | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| 4. Miscellaneous | 1,000.00 | 1,100.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |

**Total**

| $84,579.00 | $78,382.31 | $89,545.00 | $107,968.00 |

**G. Unbudgeted Income**

| 6. Annual Meeting Fees | 578.54 | | |
| 7. From mission boards applicable to previous year | 127.00 | | |

**Total**

| $84,579.00 | $79,087.85 | $89,545.00 | $107,968.00 |

**H. Balance from previous year**

| 779.65 | | |

| **Total** | $79,867.50 |

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*Revised as authorized by 1947 Annual Meeting.
†The net cost of the Annual Meeting was $359.95.
‡Detailed Allocations for 1948-49: The amount which must be secured from boards to meet this budget is $103,768. The actual amount allocated to the boards in the Coordinated Budget sent them is $164,601. This is on the basis of one-half of one percent of total expenditures for their fiscal years ending in 1946, exclusive of home administration expenses and non-recurring items, and is the basis on which most member boards are now giving. It will be realized that it is always necessary to provide a certain margin for shrinkage between askings and contributions, particularly because the fiscal years of some boards begin so late in the fiscal year of the Conference that it is impossible for them to make retroactive appropriations. This margin is greater than it should be because of the fact that a few boards with substantial income have not yet accepted the principle of contributing on this basis.

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COMPARISON OF BUDGETARY OPERATIONS

Of General Services, Representative and Joint Committees and Other Services Included in the Coordinated Budget for the Fiscal Year 1946-47

H.B.: Administrative expenses including services rendered in office
Pro.: Projects separately financed, mainly overseas

| $779.65 | $74,322.31 | $70,087.85 | $80,994.33 | ($-1,126.83) | 9,084.88 | 16,317.47 | 12,499.18 | $3,818.29 | 1,490.97 | 12,638.48 | 13,078.48 | 13,608.85 | 960.60 | 15,160.26 | 6,868.86 | 14,987.86 | 19,730.78 | 10,417.34 | 3,622.55 | 22,273.75 | 39,512.03 | 38,690.04 | 4,444.54 | 18.24 | 7,568.27 | 13,120.98 | 12,716.33 | 422.89 | 9,517.40 | 16,744.00 | 34,247.95 | 32,287.19 | 11,478.16 | 1,274.67 | 12,185.38 | 13,117.88 | 13,952.31 | 440.24 | 50.00 | 217,706.33 | 238,027.94 | 199,169.91 | 38,908.83 | 8,341.66 | 8,341.66 | 8,195.44 | 2,003.47 | 8,835.49 | 7,917.57 | 13,139.57 | 15,236.14 | 6,738.92 | 151.12 | 4,736.00 | 16,144.00 | 9,765.46 | 6,529.66 | 9,100.92 | 12,333.24 | 82,905.44 | 30,286.19 | 61,720.17 | (-794.98) | 2,509.00 | 2,988.46 | 3,213.30 | (-1,019.82) | 3,234.34 | 1,601.00 | 1,601.00 | 1,358.72 | 3,566.62 | 23,381.00 | 70,236.54 | 93,727.07 | 81,975.51 | 35,132.56 | 1,919.97 | 4,455.00 | 10,400.70 | 12,253.09 | 67.58 | 1,428.30 | 3,427.55 | 3,427.55 | | $79,688.85 | $502,298.30 | $710,081.36 | $605,267.79 | $184,502.42 |

* Includes some transfer items.
† The balances on hand at the beginning and end are not separated into home base and projects, so that the figures given in all columns include both home base and projects.
‡ The Rural Missions Cooperating Committee is in the process of raising a five-year fund of $250,000. The balance in hand includes the total cash on hand toward that goal, and not simply the result of one year's operations; and the expenditures for 1946-47 include items included within the total goal.
§ The C.E.S.U.C.O. is still holding balances intended for the rehabilitation of certain churches as needed. The figures show total operations, not simply home base.
International Missionary Council

The period from October 1, 1946, to the present has been a fateful one in world affairs—almost unrelieved political, economic, and social tension, with increasing chaos in not a few areas. Against this austere background Christian missions pursue their God-given task of enlightenment and reconciliation, of relief and reconstruction, based upon an abiding faith in God and a resolute refusal to despair of man while God's judgment and grace endure.

The IMC is at once a fellowship dedicated to the above living faith and an organization seeking to promote the Christian solution to man's essential, world-wide problem through evangelism and the building of the Church as the most effective means of realizing God's kingdom on earth. Correspondence, committee work, conferences, publications, secretarial travel—all are related to this dominant purpose.

Secretarial Travel and Consultations

In September, 1946, and in May, 1947, Rev. N. Goodall and Miss B. D. Gibson attended two important consultations of Continental missionary leaders at Rheinfelden in Switzerland and at Baarn in Holland respectively. The main part of the discussion concerned the future of German missions, as was reported at the Whitby Conference. In April, Bishop Baker, Mr. Goodall, Dr. Decker, and the writer of this report attended the IMC Program, Structure, and Staffing Committee and the Joint Committee of the International Missionary Council and of the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches at Buck Hill Falls, in further preparation for the Whitby Conference. In May, Mr. Goodall made a second brief visit to Holland to meet with the enlarged and reconstituted Netherlands Missionary Council. In June, Dr. Conrad Hoffmann, Jr., and Miss D. H. Standley attended the very successful first postwar meeting of the International Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews at Basel, Switzerland, the report of which has been circulated widely. Since October, Dr. Hoffmann has been able to give full time to the work of the committee, thanks particularly to the special support of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, USA. A very useful all-day conference on Christian work among Jews was held in New York on October 7, and Dr. Hoffmann left for the British Isles and the Continent on October 22.

Meanwhile J. Merle Davis, whose term of office as director of the Department of Social and Economic Research and Counsel closed at the year-end, visited England in connection with plans for a study of African marriage customs recommended at Madras but deferred
Rev. Charles W. Ranson visited the United States and Canada as Mr. Davis' successor to acquaint himself with the North American scene and to consult in regard to the Whitby program. Miss Margaret Wrong also visited the United States and Canada in the interests of the expanding work of the International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa.

The Whitby Meeting

From the foregoing it will be clear that the Enlarged Meeting of the International Missionary Council and of the Committee of the Council, held at Whitby, Ontario, Canada, July 5 to 24, constituted the focal point of much planning and prayer during months of eager expectancy. Nor were the planners and the participants disappointed. In retrospect the conference and the Committee of the Council may be summarized as follows:

Whitby was a real world meeting in miniature, with 112 delegates from some forty countries. The reports gave a world-view of present conditions both enlightening and sobering. Delegates who had come "out of great tribulation" insured poignant realism in facing the world task of the Church. The quality of the entire personnel was excellent. Of the Whitby delegates it could be said: "They weigh more than they count." The conference was remarkably representative. Only two constituent councils were not represented—Japan and Siam. On the other hand, seven affiliated councils had representatives—Angola, Burma, Ceylon, Cuba, the Gold Coast, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico, as well as the South Pacific Islands. Not only in respect to areas but in regard to denominational affiliation, clergy and laity, men and women, maturity and youth, was the conference unusually represented.

There was exceptional harmony of spirit and unity of purpose. This was notable in the work and reports of the study groups on Older and Younger Churches respectively. So much so, that when both reports had been presented, Mrs. C. Prem Nath Dass called for the singing of the Doxology. But the presence of God's spirit was not confined to this incident; it was characteristic of the conference as a whole. True, we met under very happy local conditions, as guests of the Canadian Overseas Missions Council, in the comfort and quiet of the Ontario Ladies' College building and grounds, enjoying the gracious hospitality of Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Carscallen and the experienced and indefatigable care of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Priest. It was a happy foretaste of what is in store for the Ecumenical Church as it becomes aware of its heritage.

Solid intellectual work was done. This centered around the gospel message and how to mediate it in this generation. Theology was much to the fore, and New Testament Greek terms were used freely.
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But all of this mental discipline was directed to a practical end—the more effective presentation of the Good News of what God has done on behalf of humanity, strangely self-confident and sorely distracted by events today.

This was highlighted by the moving witness of six younger churchmen as they recounted their conversion experiences. Here was evidence of the power of Christ to meet every kind of human need. No wonder that the renewed confidence in the Gospel led to the only message of the conference, the single phrase, “Expectant Evangelism.”

By way of practical steps to fulfil the responsibility for advance, the Committee of the Council elected as chairman emeritus, Dr. John R. Mott; as chairman, Dr. John A. Mackay to succeed Bishop James C. Baker after six years of devoted service; as general secretary, Rev. Charles W. Ranson; as research secretary, Dr. B. G. M. Sundkler of Africa and Sweden; as associate treasurer, Lawrence J. MacGregor of Summit, N. J.; as vice-chairmen, Rev. C. G. Baeta (Gold Coast), Dr. G. Baez-Camargo (Mexico), Bishop W. Y. Chen (China), Bishop W. D. L. Green (Manchester), Principal D. G. Moses (India), Miss Eleanor Rivett (Australia), Mrs. A. M. Sherman (U. S.), and Dr. K. B. Westman (Sweden), as well as a strengthened Finance Committee to secure the enlarged budget required for centralized leadership, increased travel, and the making of research and the International Review of Missions more fully the responsibility of the IMC as such. It re-elected the following officers: Secretaries, Dr. J. W. Decker (New York) and Rev. Norman Goodall (London); assistant secretaries, Dr. L. S. Albright (New York), Miss B. D. Gibson and Miss D. H. Stanley (London); treasurer, S. F. Telleen; The International Review of Missions—editor, Rev. Norman Goodall, and associate editor, Miss Margaret Sinclair; Dr. Conrad Hoffman as director, Committee on a Christian Approach to the Jews; and Miss Margaret Wrong as secretary, International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa.

Whitby Follow-up

Later the temporary and part-time service of Dr. Jesse R. Wilson was secured to direct the post-Whitby program of publicity and publications, beginning with the distribution of 1,000 copies of the “Conversion Stories” and 20,000 copies of a pictorial folder, “Expectant Evangelism.” Meanwhile the 48-page brochure, “The Witness of a Revolutionary Church,” has been printed, 10,000 copies each in London and New York. The conference interpretation, Tomorrow Is Here, by Professor Kenneth Scott Latourette and W. Richey Hogg is being published in London and New York, 10,000 and 20,000 copies respectively. Similarly a one-volume report in English and American editions is being planned.
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Post-Whitby Travel

Secretarial travel this winter is definitely related to Whitby follow-up. Dr. Decker has already left for Manila, Shanghai, Bangkok, Tokyo, and Seoul, with a meeting of the Joint (with the World Council) East Asia Commission in Manila, February 4-6 inclusive. Mr. Goodall leaves on November 4 for India, Ceylon, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, and New Zealand, attending the South Pacific conference of missionary leaders and missionaries under the auspices of the National Missionary Councils of Australia and New Zealand, at St. John's College, Morpeth, near Sydney, February 23-28, and the Executive Committee of the National Christian Council of India, March 6-18. The strengthening of national Christian councils, the functions of provincial councils in India, and the desirability of a regional council or a joint office in East Asia will be explored. At the same time, also, relief as a continuing feature of the ongoing work of missions will be studied, as well as the preservation of existing and the development of new leadership so essential to the task of evangelism in all its implications.

Miscellaneous but Related Responsibilities

Meanwhile, the continuing responsibilities of the IMC for Christian literature through the International Review of Missions and occasional publications; for publicity, now through the Ecumenical Press Service; for religious liberty through sponsorship, with the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches, of the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs and through collaboration with the Joint Committees on Religious Liberty in London and New York; for Orphaned Missions through arrangements which promise to enable the German societies to care for their work from January 1, 1948, and through new arrangements needed to care for European missionary societies embarrassed by inadequate income, exchange restrictions, and even frozen funds; the completion of the Postwar Fund to provide for the unusually heavy travel outlined above and the Committee of the Council to be held in Holland at the time of the World Council Assembly next summer—all of this work goes forward. It is part of our share of the responsibility to press evangelism, cooperation, integration, inspiration—above all, evangelism—as the great needs of our day when the kingdom of God has become the one alternative to Babel and Armageddon.

L. S. Albright, Assistant Secretary
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES,
JANUARY 1, 1946, TO DECEMBER 31, 1946

INCOME

Contributions:

1942
National Evangelical Council of Mexico ......................... $25.00

1945
National Christian Council of Australia .................. $97.20
Confederacao Evangelica do Brasil ......................... 25.00
Conference of Missionary Societies of Great Britain
and Ireland ................................................. 1,603.80
------------------ 1,726.00

1946
National Christian Conferences and Councils .................... 44,591.49
Miscellaneous ......................................................................................................... 181.75

Total Income .................................................................................................... $51,738.91

Balance as at January 1-, 1946 .................................................... 700.84

$52,439.75

EXPENDITURES

Administration:

Secretaries Salaries ........................................... $18,289.27
Clerical and Stenographic Service .......................... 11,811.85
Share of Business Office ...................................... 1,819.91
Office Rent, Cleaning, Lighting, etc ..................... 6,245.55
Miscellaneous Office Expense ................................. 5,117.47
------------------ $43,284.05

Travelling Expenses—Secretaries and Committee Members .............. 3,750.00
Chairman's Office .................................................. 300.00
Printing Minutes and Pamphlets ....................................... 936.42
Contingencies .......................................................... 569.33
Audit ...................................................................................... 50.00
Retirement Fund Premiums ............................................. 3,360.96

International Review of Missions:

Pension Fund .................................................. $493.78
Subsidy .......................................................... 1,114.08
------------------ 1,607.86

Total Expenditures ............................................................. $53,858.62

Less difference in Exchange ................................................. 916.78

$52,941.84

Deficit as at December 31, 1946 .................................................. 502.09

$52,439.75
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

POSTWAR FUND

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

JANUARY 1, 1945, to JUNE 26, 1947*

INCOME

London Office ............................................................................. $41,964.73

North America

Mission Boards:
National Board, Y.W.C.A. ................................................ $200.00
United Christian Missionary Society ................................. 2,000.00
International Committee of Y.M.C.A.'s ............................ 2,000.00
United Church of Canada .................................................... 677.10
United Church of Canada, Women ................................. 1,166.46
National Council, Protestant Episcopal Church .......... 2,700.00
United Presbyterian Church of North America ...... 1,600.00
Reformed Church in America (incl. women) .................. 2,001.00
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. .......................... 4,500.00
Presbyterian Church in the U.S. .......................... 3,500.00
Seventh-Day Baptist Missionary Society ................... 25.00
Church of England in Canada ........................................... 1,582.45
National Lutheran Council ............................................... 7,500.00
Methodist Board:
Division of Foreign Missions ................................ $4,000.00
Woman's Division of Christian Service .......................... 5,000.00
National Holiness Missionary Society ....................... 25.00
Church of the Brethren ...................................................... 400.00
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Mis-

sions .................................................................................. 5,000.00
Southern Baptist Convention ....................................... 1,000.00
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society ............... 3,000.00
Evangelical and Reformed ............................................... 2,000.00
Evangelical United Brethren ........................................... 2,500.00

Total .................................................................:...........$52,377.01

Individuals :
J. D. Rockefeller, Jr ........................................ $5,000.00
A. L. Warnshuis ........................................ 200.00

$5,200.00

Total Income ................................................................................$99,541.74

EXPENDITURES

London Office ................................................................. $5,724.28
Share in Travel of Secretaries and Committee Members—
Year 1946 ................................................................. 4,223.44

$9,947.72

* Owing to illness in the London office, it is not possible to present a later report of the Postwar Fund in general or of the Whitby meeting accounts in particular. This will be done just as soon as possible.

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North America

India Conference ................................................. $500.00
Toward 1945 Travel Secretaries (London and North America) ........... 2,000.00
Toward 1946 Travel Secretaries and Committee Members (London and North America) ........... 4,223.43
Toward Expenses of Japan Fellowship .............................. 1,000.00
Geneva Conference .............................................. 9,949.54
Expenses of J. Tucker attending I.M.C. Conference in London .................. 406.66
Committee on Liaison with United Nations .................... 375.00
Entertainment—Cambridge Conference ...................... 24.04

Total Expenditures ............................................... $18,478.67

Balance as at June 26, 1947:

London ....................................................... $32,017.01
North America ................................................ 39,098.34

71,115.35

$99,541.74
MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL MEETING

(The time usually taken for a program in connection with the annual business sessions of the Annual Meeting was used in 1948 for enlarged sessions of the Committee of Reference and Counsel to study the overseas program of advance as prepared by the Area Committees and the staff of the Conference, and to review the plans for public presentation. The Annual Meeting itself consisted of the regular business session from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, and an adjourned session from 11:00 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. on Friday, March 5. These minutes cover only those sessions; but a summary description of the enlarged sessions of the Committee of Reference and Counsel will be found elsewhere in this volume.

For convenience of reference and later use, all actions of the Annual Meeting which have permanent significance are collected together toward the end of the minutes and given reference numbers, which appear at the appropriate place in the body of the minutes to indicate that action on the matter described was taken and where it may be found.)

The Fifty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America was held at The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, March 4-5, 1948. The sessions were presided over by Dr. Fred Field Goodsell, Chairman, assisted by the First Vice-Chairman, Dr. Carl G. Heinmiller. The absence of the Second Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Christine S. Smith, on account of illness, was much regretted.

There were 114 voting delegates and 206 non-voting participants, staff members and visitors registered as in attendance, a total of three hundred and twenty. These represented sixty-three member boards and agencies and two affiliated boards and agencies representing in all thirty-seven denominations in attendance. Three unrelated boards were represented. Those in attendance are listed separately, at the end of the minutes. All those registered as in attendance at the enlarged sessions of the Committee of Reference and Counsel are counted as having been present at the Annual Meeting, as no separate registration was taken.

Thursday Afternoon, March 4

The Conference was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by the Chairman, Dr. Goodsell, after the singing of a hymn, and was led in prayer by the First Vice-Chairman, Dr. Carl G. Heinmiller.

The minutes of the 1947 Annual Meeting were approved as printed. (See vote C48-1.)

The Chairman of the Secretarial Council, Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, announced that because this was the only session of the Annual Meeting scheduled, the Executive Committee of the Committee of
RECORDS OF THE MEETING

Reference and Counsel had authorized the Nominating Committee to appoint the Business Committee, and it had done so as follows:

E. K. Higdon, Chairman
Mrs. Abbie Clement Jackson
H. Kerr Taylor

Dr. Fairfield also reported that the Executive Committee had voted that all business presented for action at the Annual Meeting which did not come from the Committee of Reference and Counsel or from one of the two committees on the advance program should be referred to the Business Committee for consideration and decision whether or not it should properly come before the Meeting.

The Chair expressed the hope that all would feel a very great sense of fellowship at this meeting.

1. The fraternal delegates and guests present at the Annual Meeting were then introduced as follows:

Dr. Franklin D. Cogswell, Missionary Education Movement
Dr. Mark A. Dawber, Home Missions Council
Miss Jean Fraser, World Council of Churches
Dr. Stanley I. Stuber, United Stewardship Council
Dr. Harry S. Myers, United Council of Church Women
Mrs. Ruth Mougey Worrell
Mrs. Emory Ross
Mrs. Jesse M. Bader
Dr. Roswell P. Barnes, Federal Council of Churches
Mrs. Walborg Sandberg, President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church in Norway

2. In Memoriam. In the absence of complete official reports from the member boards of the names of those in their communions connected with the Conference who had passed away since the last Annual Meeting, the Chair asked that one person in each board give that information and that the Conference receive in reverence and silence the names of any who had passed on in this last year. Prayer was offered by Dr. C. Darby Fulton. The usual notices appear in this report after the minutes.

3. Printed Report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel on the work of the Foreign Missions Conference: "One World in Christ." Dr. Fairfield presented this report, a copy of which had been mailed to every board and agency affiliated with the Conference. He called particular attention to the General Basis of Cooperation, p. 4; the brief general report of developments during the past year concerned with the program of advance; the reports of the work of the committees during the year; the report of the International Missionary Council together with its financial statement; the financial statement on pp. 54-57 of the Foreign Missions Conference; and the concluding pages giving the income and expenditures of boards
and societies for the year ending 1946. (For action taken, see vote C48-2.)

4. Amendment to Article V, Section 4 of the Constitution, to extend membership to boards of management of institutions of higher learning. Dr. Fairfield called attention to the fact that this amendment had been submitted to the boards and agencies in a letter under date of December 3, 1947. After discussion, it was voted to adopt the amendment. (See vote C48-3.)

5. Application for Membership. Dr. Fairfield presented an application for membership in the Foreign Missions Conference from the Vellore Christian Medical College Board. He pointed out that papers in connection with the College had been circulated to the boards and agencies in a covering letter dated December 3, 1947, and that no dissenting comments had been received. The Conference was unanimous in its acceptance of this College into its membership. (See vote C48-4.)

The Chairman cordially welcomed Miss Sarah Scudder Lyon, Executive Secretary of the Vellore Christian Medical College Board. Miss Lyon on behalf of Vellore gratefully accepted the privilege of membership in the Conference and introduced Dr. Ida B. Scudder, head of the Radiology Department in Vellore and niece of Dr. Ida S. Scudder, founder of Vellore Christian Medical College. The Chairman invited Dr. Scudder to the platform. She brought greetings from Vellore.

6. Reports of the Treasurer. Miss Henrietta Gibson, Treasurer, reported for the year 1946-47 as printed in the Fifty-Third Annual Report, and for the first ten months of 1947-48. These reports were received with appreciation. (See vote C48-5.)

Budget for 1948-49. Dr. Fairfield presented the revised budget for 1948-49 for Administrative Expenses and Related Organizations and Programs as recommended by the Committee on Finance and Headquarters, which was adopted. (See vote C48-6.)

The question was asked where the financial reports of the Area Committees might be found. Dr. Fairfield replied that these reports were included in the Coordinated Budget that has been sent out to the boards and agencies. It was the consensus that the report would be more complete if there were included a one-page summary of the income and expenditures of the area committees, and it was agreed that this would be done.

7. Statement and Plans for the Reorganization of the Staff of the Missionary Research Library. Dr. Fairfield stated that Miss Hollis W. Hering, the Librarian, would retire as of March 31, 1948, and that a suitable resolution of appreciation would be presented by the Business Committee. He also stated that Dr. R. Pierce Beaver had been called to the position of Curator of the Library, as of June 1,
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1948, and that he and Miss Anna E. Jones, who will succeed Miss Hering as Acting Librarian, will carry on in place of Mr. Fahs and Miss Hering.

The Chairman introduced Dr. Beaver, who stated that he had accepted the challenge with a very great sense of responsibility, with great trepidation and with a feeling of inadequacy because of the magnificent services which had been rendered by Mr. Fahs and Miss Hering. He stated that Miss Jones, he himself, and other members of the staff would endeavor in every possible way to serve the member boards and the various organizations and committees of the Foreign Missions Conference, the missionaries on furlough who are studying here, and that very important group, the ever-increasing body of foreign students who are using the resources of the library; and to maintain the high standards set by Mr. Fahs and Miss Hering. Miss Jones also was introduced.

8. Committee on Constitutional Review and Committee on Further Procedure. Miss Mabel E. Emerson, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Review, stated that three years ago at Toronto the new constitution was adopted, but not very long after that it was discovered that the constitution needed to be reviewed and it was then that the Committee on Constitutional Review was formed. One of the major changes in the constitution which was adopted three years ago was that the Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference was to be a small working Conference and that every two or three years there would be an Assembly to which would come a larger number of people representing the boards. She stated that each year since 1945 there have been reasons for having a larger body come together. The Committee will continue to study the constitution with special reference to the size of the Annual Meeting.

Miss Emerson also reported that during the past year the Committee on Further Procedure had done nothing significant with reference to the proposed merger of the eight interdenominational organizations, and therefore there was nothing to present to the Conference at this time; but stated that Dr. Fairfield was in close touch with developments and would bring the Conference up to date in the matter.

Dr. Fairfield stated that the vote on becoming a member of the National Council was to have been taken by the Foreign Missions Conference at this meeting, but that the Committee of Reference and Counsel decided that the Program of Advance should be followed through, and therefore voted that the merger should be taken up at the 1949 Annual Meeting. Statements for and against the merger would be made available to member boards during the course of this year of 1948. In the meantime the movement toward the formation of the National Council had been going forward. An executive
committee had been appointed which had met frequently. At least four of the organizations which are within the plan of the National Council—the Federal Council of Churches, the Home Missions Council, the International Council of Religious Education and the United Stewardship Council—seemed certain to participate in the Council and the formation of the National Council was expected to take place sometime during the late fall of 1949 or early in 1950. Whether or not the Foreign Missions Conference decides to become a part of that organization remains to be seen.

The Executive Committee in view of the probability of a National Council had set up a budget for the purpose of going further in the technical and legal steps which will be necessary to provide for the incorporation of the new body and similar items. Dr. Fairfield stated that he had held what might be called a “watching brief” on behalf of the Foreign Missions Conference, stating repeatedly at the meetings that it was necessary for him to be non-committal as far as the decision of the Conference might be estimated. He had endeavored to represent the Conference in trying to see that in any plans, provision was made so that, if the Conference decided to come in by its action next January, it would do so in a satisfactory manner.

Dr. Fairfield further explained the formal procedure for action by the Annual Meeting, which follows the constitutional requirement for amendment by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting at any annual or special meeting. The member boards would have a chance to instruct their delegates as to the way in which to vote. (In the case of some of the other bodies considering participation in the National Council, the action has been to refer the vote back to the boards of the Council with the expectation that when two-thirds of those boards have voted in favor it will be regarded as carried.)

9. Report of the Nominating Committee. In the absence of the Chairman, Dr. E. A. Fridell, Dr. George W. Sadler presented the nominations of officers and members of committees for the year 1948, and upon motion duly seconded it was voted to instruct the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the persons nominated.

The list of those elected will be found under Actions Taken.

10. Report of the Business Committee. Dr. E. K. Higdon, the Chairman, presented to the Conference resolutions on the following matters which had been referred to the Business Committee. The final form of the resolutions as voted will be found as indicated in parenthesis.

A. Displaced persons. (See vote C48-7.)

B. A Christian University in Japan. (See votes C48-15, 16.)

The session adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to meet the following morning.
The adjourned session was opened at 11:00 a.m. with the singing of a hymn.

11. Introduction of Rev. Charles W. Ranson, General Secretary of the International Missionary Council. The Chairman introduced Mr. Ranson, who was elected the new General Secretary of the IMC at Whitby, Canada, in 1947. Mr. Ranson stated his belief that the International Missionary Council has a distinctive contribution to make at the international level in common Christian thought and action against the citadel of evil. For fullest effectiveness, we must think and act internationally as well as interdenominationally. He asked for prayers and moral support not only for the IMC but for himself as he answered the call of God to this new service.


13. Chairman’s report of progress by the Committees on the Program of Advance. Dr. Diffendorfer, the Chairman, made a report in the form of a resolution of the Committee of Reference and Counsel with reference to the deliberations of the Committee on the Program of Advance. (See vote C48-8.)

14. Appeal to North American Boards by the International Missionary Council. Dr. Fairfield explained that the Executive Committee of the Committee of Reference and Counsel had been considering the financial situation of the International Missionary Council. The budget of the Foreign Missions Conference as adopted by the Annual Meeting on March 4, 1948 provided for an appropriation to the IMC general budget of the Conference which seemed to be the largest amount which the Conference could write with wisdom into its regular budget. At the same time, at Whitby, Canada the representatives of the Conference faced with realism the fact that if the changes in the IMC were to be made; if we were to have the services of such a leader as Mr. Ranson; and if we were to make those services and those of the other secretaries of the IMC effective, more money would be needed than could be secured from the twenty-eight member units of the Council, and that most of this money under present world conditions would have to come from North America. The Executive Committee therefore recommended to the Conference that the IMC be granted permission to make a direct appeal to the constituent boards of the Conference for additional direct appropriations. (See vote C48-10.)

15. Report of the Business Committee (continued). The Chairman, Dr. Higdon, presented resolutions on the following matters,
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the final form of which as adopted will be found as indicated in parenthesis:

A. Board Member Consultation at Columbus, Ohio, June 1-3, 1948. (See vote C48-9.)

B. Appreciation for the Services of Mr. Charles H. Faks and Miss Hollis W. Hering in the Missionary Research Library. (See vote C48-11.)

C. Appreciation to the Staff of The Inn and to those Responsible for the Success of the Program. (See vote C48-20.)

D. Special Prayer on Whitsunday, (May 16, 1948) for Churches in Distress Around the World. (See vote C48-12.)

E. Incorporation of the Program of the World's Student Christian Federation in the Advance Program. (See vote C48-13.)

F. Travel of Japanese Abroad. (See vote C48-17.)

In connection with the discussion of this matter, Dr. Diffendorfer called attention to the problem of placing and welcoming the first Japanese students to come to America for further study in this post-war period and requested that the Japan Committee of the FMC make careful preparations for the reception of students and other visitors from Japan, the arrangements for their living and their association with Christian and other groups in order that those visitors may receive the fullest contribution which the United States and Canada may make to them at the present time.

G. A Declaration and a Covenant Concerning Human Rights. (See vote C48-14.)

H. The Christian University in Japan.
   a-Basis for Prospectus. (See vote C48-15.)
   b-Board of Founders. (See vote C48-16.)

I. Reconsideration by the United Nations of the Policy for Palestine. (See vote C48-19.)

J. Aid to China. (See vote C48-18.)

K. Aid by the Government of the United States to China. (See vote C48-19.)

16. 1949 Annual Meeting. (See vote C48-21.)

After a period of silent prayer, Dr. C. H. Lefever led in a closing prayer, and the Fifty-Fourth Annual Meeting was adjourned.
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Thursday afternoon, March 4, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

1947 Minutes. VOTED, (C48-1) That the minutes of the Fifty-Third Annual Meeting held in 1947 be approved as printed in the Fifty-Third Annual Report.


An Amendment to the Constitution to extend membership to institutions of higher learning. VOTED, (C48-3) To adopt the following amendment to Article 5, Section 4 of the Constitution:

“That Article 5, Section 4 of the Constitution be amended by prefixing the words ‘Interdenominational or undenominational’ and by omitting the words, ‘whose interests are not otherwise represented in the Conference,’ so that the whole section shall read: ‘Section 4. Interdenominational or undenominational boards of management organized in North America for Christian institutions of higher learning in the mission field shall be eligible for membership as provided in Section 1 of this Article, and as boards shall each be entitled to have one elected representative in the Annual or Special Meetings.’”

Vellore Christian Medical College Board Received into Membership. VOTED, (C48-4) That the Vellore Christian Medical College Board be received into membership in the Foreign Missions Conference.

Reports of the Treasurer. VOTED, (C48-5) To receive with appreciation the reports of the Treasurer for the year 1946-47 as printed in the Fifty-Third Annual Report, and for the first ten months of 1947-48 as distributed at the meeting.

1948-49 Budget. VOTED, (C48-6) a-That the revised budget for 1948-49 for Administrative Expenses and Related Organizations and Programs recommended by the Committee on Finance and Headquarters, totaling $102,568 with the expectation of receiving $95,968 in contributions from member boards, be approved and adopted, with the understanding that every effort will be made to
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keep expenditures within the receipts available from time to time and that the Committee on Finance and Headquarters will review the actual operation of the budget in September, 1948, and recommend to the Committee of Reference and Counsel any changes that may be indicated;

b-That toward this budget, each member board be asked to contribute an amount equal to one-half of one per cent (½%) of its overseas expenditure (exclusive of home base administrative expenses and non-recurring items overseas) for its fiscal year ending in 1946, in accordance with the principle already adopted by the Conference; and that member agencies which have no overseas expenditure and which are not supported mainly by other member boards be requested to make an annual contribution of not less than $25 toward the budget; and

c-That in cases where member boards have already reported appropriations toward this budget which are less than the requested one-half of one per cent, they be requested to make supplementary appropriations in view of the urgent need of the International Missionary Council that its request from the Foreign Missions Conference for an appropriation of $35,283 for each of the next three years be met in full.

Elections for 1948-49. Upon motion of the Nominating Committee, the following officers and representatives were elected:

Chairman ..................................................Carl G. Heinmiller
1st Vice-Chairman .................................C. M. Yocum
2nd Vice-Chairman ..............................Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman
Recording Secretary ..........................Merle L. Davis
Treasurer ..............................Henrietta Gibson
Secretaries for General Administration: Wynn C. Fairfield, Sue Weddell, Glora M. Wysner, Winfred P. Elson

Elected Members of the Committee of Reference and Counsel:
In the Class of 1948 .................................W. A. Cameron
In the Class of 1949 .................................Mrs. W. A. McBride
Dobbs F. Ehlman

In the Class of 1950
John B. Bentley ..............................Elizabeth M. Lee
Leonard A. Dixon .................................Sallie Lou MacKinnon
Luther A. Gotwald ..............................George W. Sadler
Mrs. Abbie Clement Jackson ........................Mrs. Hugh D. Taylor

Nominating Committee for the Fifty-Fifth Annual Meeting (1949)

Herrick B. Young, Chairman ........................James K. Mathews
Nona M. Diehl .................................George W. Sadler
Theodore P. Fricke ..............................Hazel F. Shank
Janet Gilbert .................................Albert D. Stauffacher
Ralph P. Hanson .................................Winnifred Thomas
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**FMC Representatives on Committee of International Missionary Council**

Leonard A. Dixon  F. M. Potter
R. E. Diffendorfer  George W. Sadler
Mabel E. Emerson  Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman
(Fred Field Goodsell, Alt.)  Ruth Ure

Designated as IMC Consultant at the World Council of Churches

Assembly: R. E. Diffendorfer

**Displaced Persons.** VOTED, (C48-7) To adopt the following resolutions dealing with bills now before the Congress of the United States of America:

- **a-Concerning the Stratton Bill (HR2910)**

  The failure of our Congress at its last session to act upon the Stratton Bill (H.R. 2910) has placed upon the conscience of this nation a great moral burden. This bill, which would authorize emergency legislation to permit the entrance of 100,000 displaced persons a year for four years, is now pending in the Sub-Committee on Immigration of the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives, while close to 120 national organizations representing the bulk of church, farm, labor, civic, women's, veteran’s and other important groups are asking that immediate action be taken.

  Eighty per cent of the unfortunate 850,000 displaced persons of Europe are Christians. The largest part of them are in camps now under the supervision of the United States military government. The mission boards of Protestant Churches are deeply interested in the fate of all displaced persons, but have a special concern for the moral, spiritual and physical welfare of these our fellow Christians.

  More than money is needed. Back of the money should be a demonstration of our nation’s concern for suffering people, our love for liberty and justice, and the full realization of commitments already made to the United Nations. We of the foreign mission boards believe that America should practice its humanitarian professions as voiced over the air waves and elsewhere. We are convinced that the United States Government cannot expect other nations to take all the responsibility for the resettlement of these displaced persons; that unless we, as a people, act quickly to aid these displaced persons we shall be guilty of creating in the very heart of Europe, just where reconstruction problems are the greatest, a physical and moral plague which no amount of cash will be able to cure. This is a human problem which requires humanitarian action.

  Church World Service, our interdenominational cooperating organization for relief and rehabilitation, through its Committee on Displaced Persons, is ready to act. Already the Committee, through
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its thirty-six workers in Europe and its staff in this country, besides other services, has given assistance to 1,727 persons coming at a rate of a hundred a month. These have been resettled in thirty-two states and in 124 communities throughout the United States. It is prepared to take action on a much broader scale just as soon as the Stratton Bill becomes law. The Committee has a current operational budget calling for an estimated expenditure of a little over $1,000,000 a year.

In anticipation of the passage of the Stratton Bill, the Committee on Displaced Persons is now in the process of making a careful and extensive survey of the practical aid which its constituent denominational members will be able to render in the resettlement of displaced persons. It is, moreover, enlisting the active cooperation of the interdenominational Councils of Churches in thirty-six states and in 633 cities and counties to help in the resettlement of the displaced persons and to help them to become self-supporting. The Foreign Missions Conference of North America, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Home Missions Council of North America and the United Council of Church Women are actively cooperating in the program.

In view of the need and the fact that the Committee on Displaced Persons is now prepared to render a much larger service, the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America urges individual members of Congress and Congress as a whole, to act favorably and quickly on the Stratton Bill.

b-Concerning the Wiley Bill (S2242—also called the Revercomb Bill)

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America records its conviction that America should open its doors to the displaced persons whose plight in Europe arouses the deepest religious and humanitarian concern. It urges the United States Senate to adopt an action with the same broad provisions as those in the Stratton Bill proposed for action by the Congress. It is convinced that the admission to the United States of America of 100,000 persons annually is the lowest number that America can in good conscience agree to accept for settlement in this country. The occupational restrictions and the limitation of numbers proposed in the Wiley Bill are out of harmony with the spirit of American democracy and our traditional welcome to oppressed people whose contribution to American civilization has been of incalculable value.

Friday, March 5, 11:00 a. m.-12:50 p. m.

Action concerning the Program of Advance. VOTED, (C48-8) to adopt the following resolution: The Foreign Missions Confer-
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ence has received with deep appreciation the report of the efforts of the area and other committees to assist the boards in preparing the comprehensive program of advance overseas proposed in the action of the Conference at the 1947 Annual Meeting. The Conference is impressed with the wide variety of opportunity for increasing the effectiveness of the work of the member boards through

(1) the recommended emphases for the work administered by all boards;
(2) requested strengthening of certain denominational institutions and programs in order that they may reinforce the entire Christian movement as well as the denominational work; and
(3) suggestions for common projects and programs which can serve the work of all the boards and the churches more economically and efficiently than would duplication of effort.

The Conference rejoices that all member boards which take part in the planning and execution of the advance steps proposed for the areas in which each works, will be parts of the total forward movement whether those areas are few or many in number.

The Conference therefore pledges its support to the comprehensive program of advance as presented under the title "One World in Christ, a Christian World Recovery Program." The Conference instructs the several area committees and the officers of the Conference as rapidly as possible to complete the program by working out the definite responsibilities to be suggested to each board participating in the area committees, by such steps as

(1) asking some boards to assume entire responsibility for certain parts of the program agreed upon;
(2) allocating appropriate shares of the cost and personnel of common projects and programs to the boards choosing to participate in them; and
(3) other procedures which will make it possible for each member board to include its share of these jointly planned programs in its own promotional and recruiting objectives and goals, so that each denomination may move forward in the program for which it takes responsibility in step with its Christian neighbors and with a sense of being a part of this greatly increased effort to make disciples of all nations.

The Conference would also record its appreciation of the report of the Committee on Public Presentation with its plans for participation by all member boards in the Foreign Missions Assembly at Columbus, Ohio, October 6-8, 1948; and with flexible plans for the series of regional meetings which will assume that each denomination whether small or large will play its part in the public presentation by cooperating in those cities where it has a constituency which it wants to reach. The Conference urges all the members to take part in this simultaneous approach to denominational constituencies in at least one city and thereby to give to their church members a
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strong sense of denominational responsibility within an impressive worldwide framework of Christian advance.

In the light of this well-conceived program for more adequate response by all the denominations to the crying needs of countless millions for salvation through Christ and for ministry in His name, the Conference requests the prayer of all Christian people in Canada and the United States of America, that the plans for public presentation may be worked out in effective detail and then carried through fruitfully so that there may result a very greatly increased outpouring of life and treasure for missions overseas to the glory of God the Father.

The Conference also invokes the blessing of God and the increased support of its constituency for all measures necessary to make our two homelands thoroughly and devotedly Christian, so that the witness of these two countries in personal and national life both to visitors from overseas and in international relations may confirm and reinforce this program of advance overseas in the World Mission of the Church.

The Board Member Consultation at Columbus, Ohio, June 1-3, 1948. VOTED, (C48-9) To adopt the following resolutions:

Whereas, There has been expression of a felt need for a special invitation from the Foreign Missions Conference to board members to the June meeting in Columbus that will help make possible the securing of a representative delegation from each board,

Therefore, The Foreign Missions Conference issues the following call to all member boards: Convinced that the effect of the war upon the worldwide missionary enterprise and the postwar imperatives make necessary a united program for Christian world recovery, the Foreign Missions Conference, after a year of study by the Representative Committees, is recommending a program of advance in the work of the church overseas for possible incorporation in the individual programs of member boards. The sympathetic and intelligent interest of each individual member of the foreign mission boards and agencies that make up the Foreign Missions Conference will be required if this movement is to be a success.

There will, therefore, be convened in Columbus, Ohio, June 1-3, 1948 in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel a gathering of members of our several foreign mission boards and agencies for the purpose of studying the entire proposal for an advance movement and of counselling and advising on the programs projected for the various fields. This occasion will also provide an opportunity for members of boards to become acquainted and to cultivate a sense of fellowship for the unified task. This Annual Meeting of the Conference, assembled at Buck Hill Falls, earnestly commends the June Conference and urges board members to attend.

International Missionary Council authorized to appeal to North American Boards. VOTED, (C48-10) To approve the request of the International Missionary Council that it be authorized to make direct appeal to the constituent boards of the Foreign Missions Conference for at least the main part of the $30,000 per annum needed
to balance its budget for the years 1948-1951 inclusive; and that Dr. Fairfield as Secretary of the Conference be requested to accompany the communication of the International Missionary Council to the boards with a letter conveying the endorsement and support of the Foreign Missions Conference for this appeal. (Taken upon recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Committee of Reference and Counsel.)

Appreciation for the Services of Mr. C. H. Fahs and Miss Hollis W. Hering in the Missionary Research Library. VOTED, (C48-11)

To spread upon the minutes the following expressions of appreciation for the services of Mr. Charles Harvey Fahs and Miss Hollis Webster Hering in the creation of the Missionary Research Library and to send copies to Mr. Fahs and Miss Hering:

Charles Harvey Fahs

An alert observer of the world scene today inevitably notes the striking way in which the constructive forces which are at work, from the United Nations to the most recent commercial project, make use of research as an instrument of progress and purposeful activity.

The World Mission of the Christian Church has not been without leadership in the field of research. For almost forty years Mr. Charles Harvey Fahs has been our outstanding authority. From 1911 to 1914, he served as research secretary in the office of Dr. John R. Mott. Since 1914, he has been the chief architect of the Missionary Research Library and the wise consultant of many mission board secretaries as well as the complete author of a great variety of research reports. Even after technical retirement a few years ago he has continued to put his talents unreservedly at the disposal of the Christian World Mission.

Now that at long last his dream of a thoroughly competent and devoted successor is being fulfilled, the members of the Foreign Missions Conference wish to assure Mr. Fahs of our deep appreciation of what he has done across the years and to record the conviction that research must become a still greater factor in the work of the Foreign Missions Conference and all its related bodies.

Hollis Webster Hering

The Conference has heard, with profound regret, that Miss Hollis Webster Hering, Librarian of the Missionary Research Library, is for health reasons to relinquish her work on March 31, 1948.

Miss Hering was the first Librarian of the Missionary Research Library and for nearly thirty-four years has served it with a faithfulness beyond praise. Dr. Mott had secured the special support which made possible the starting of the Library and for many years
he was Chairman of the Library Committee. From the first he urged that the Library should be maintained on the highest university standards, and to Miss Hering was entrusted the technical processes essential to this end. Her capabilities and the richness of the Library resources that were being gathered came to be very widely recognized. At our Annual Meetings and larger gatherings there have been the exhibits she prepared and presented. For many years she has prepared the North American entries appearing in the quarterly bibliographies of the International Review of Missions. The monthly Book Notes sent out from the Library have proved useful in many North American libraries and in not a few centers outside this continent. Bibliographies called for by scholars, authors, teachers and students have been prepared by her with skill, care and sympathetic understanding of the particular needs to be met in each case. So it has come about that by her professional excellence she has helped to magnify far outside church circles a sense of significance and worth of the cause we seek to serve.

As Miss Hering leaves our service and immediate fellowship we wish to record this expression of our deep appreciation of her long and faithful endeavors.

*Special Prayer on Whitsunday for Churches in Distress.* VOTED, (C48-12) To adopt the following resolution: In view of the tragic needs of the churches in distress around the world, the Foreign Missions Conference recommends that our churches be requested to give special attention to prayer for these churches on Whitsunday, May 16, 1948, provided that through consultation with the Federal Council and church headquarters it is found that a sufficient number of churches desire to cooperate in such an observance.

The Chairman of the Conference is hereby authorized to appoint two members to meet with two members appointed by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America to form a joint committee that would deal with the preparation of a call for special prayers for the churches in the different tension areas and such other materials as may be needed. (The Chairman appointed: Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman and Rowland M. Cross.)

_Incorporation of the Program of the World’s Student Christian Federation in the Advance Program._ VOTED, (C48-13) To adopt the following resolution: Recognizing that any advance by the national Churches around the world requires consecrated and educated national leaders, the Foreign Missions Conference of North America rejoices in the contribution of the World’s Student Christian Federation through its active national student Christian movements in thirty nations, and provisional or pioneering movements in thirty-four additional countries, largely supported by student groups around the world. In view of the fact that this world-wide campus
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ecumenical enterprise stresses the unique task of the Christian in the university, undergirds the missionary program and contributes trained Christian personnel to the life of the Church, the Foreign Missions Conference suggests that the program and projects of the Federation be given consideration by the Committees of the Foreign Missions Conference in their program of advance.

The Adoption of a Declaration and a Covenant concerning Human Rights. VOTED, (C48-14) To adopt the following resolution recommended by the Joint Committee on Religious Liberty:

Whereas, The United Nations has a responsibility to achieve international cooperation to promote respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion; and

Whereas, The United Nations Commission on Human Rights at its Second Session in Geneva, 1947, decided that the International Bill of Human Rights shall include a Declaration and a Covenant, together with appropriate measures to secure compliance with their provisions;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Foreign Missions Conference urge:

1. That the United States Government, by full participation in the process of preparing both a Declaration and a Covenant, demonstrate to the nations and peoples of the world its readiness to view the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms as a matter of international concern; and

2. That the United States Government take such steps as are within its rightful competence to secure adoption by the United Nations of the Declaration and the Covenant when the terms thereof adequately define the human rights and fundamental freedoms for which universal respect and observance shall be promoted; and further

3. That its constituency, in anticipation of action by the United Nations to adopt the Declaration and the Covenant, should study the provisions of the International Bill of Human Rights and seek to develop a public opinion which will be favorable to the ratification of an adequate Covenant in accordance with the constitutional processes of the United States Government.

The Christian University in Japan. A-Basis for Prospectus Approved. VOTED, (C48-15) That this Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America record its pleasure at the progress made since June 6, 1947, when the Committee of Reference and Counsel last took action on the work of the joint Committee for a Christian University in Japan; adopt in principle the “Basis for University Prospectus” which has developed from the Plan of Organization adopted in principle by Vote CRC 853; and recommend that the several constituent boards and communions of the Foreign Missions Conference fully support the development of this project as it moves toward accomplishment.

B-Board of Founders. VOTED, (C48-16) That subject to the concurrence of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the present joint Committee for a Christian University in
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Japan now invite all member boards of the Japan Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference to appoint one or two members each to constitute a board of founders for such a university; and that the Foreign Missions Conference and the Federal Council jointly approach member communions not represented in the Japan Committee likewise to appoint members on this board.

Pending the constituting of such a body, with Articles of Incorporation to be finally approved by the appointing bodies, these appointees shall be added to the present joint committee. When ten members have been thus appointed, they shall constitute the initial members of the board of founders and the joint committee shall then transfer its total responsibilities to this body.

It is assumed that the two bodies which initiated this enterprise will continue their interest and be recognized as the inaugurating bodies.

Travel of Japanese Abroad. VOTED, (C48-17) To adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, For humanitarian reasons, as well as in furtherance of the cause and purposes of Christian democracy, the Foreign Missions Conference wishes to record its judgment that at the earliest possible date, trustworthy Japanese should be permitted to leave their homeland for travel, visitation and study abroad; and

WHEREAS, Repeatedly of late it has been noted that in various international conferences, some of them intimately concerned with the future of Christianity and of democratic ideas and institutions in a closely interrelated world, only the representatives of Japan have been prevented from attendance by conditions imposed by the Allied powers; and

WHEREAS, Due to restrictions still obtaining, two and one-half years after the end of hostilities, it is impossible to bring any select group of Japanese to North America for purposes of observation and of consultation concerning the future of the Christian Church and its related educational and other institutions; and

WHEREAS, The Conference is especially concerned that these restrictive regulations are so applied as even to prevent the departure of Japanese students and the sending of promising youthful leaders of the Japan of the future for just that study in the United States and Canada and that observation and contact with Christian people and institutions in our countries which would best prepare them for such leadership;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Foreign Missions Conference of North America urge upon the responsible authorities in the United States and Canada the urgent importance of such action by the Far Eastern Commission as will quickly secure relaxation of this discriminatory and harmful regulation which prevents the Japanese alone of the former enemy peoples from departing from their native land, and ask the International Missionary Council on its behalf to make such representations to the Christian leaders and the governments of the other nations included in the Far Eastern Commission as will secure their cooperation to the same end.
ACTIONS

Aid to China. VOTED, (C48-18) To adopt the following resolution:

1. That the Foreign Missions Conference through appropriate channels express to the National Christian Council of China and its constituent bodies the deep concern which the Christians of North America feel for their brethren in China at this time. Those in attendance at the Annual Meeting pledge to them all the help and support which they can properly give.

2. To this end, the Conference would instruct the China Committee to review its program and select therein those items which it considers would be of most help to China at this time and to seek to implement these items as rapidly as possible.

3. Especially would the Conference urge upon the Christian people of North America generous and adequate support of the China program of Church World Service, enlarging and extending this aid if possible.

Aid by the Government of the United States to China. VOTED, (C48-18) That in view of the action of the Conference concerning cooperation in matters of international relations with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the matter of expressing a judgment on the proposal of President Truman for aid by the government of the United States to China be referred to the Department of International Justice and Goodwill of the Federal Council, with the request that the Department give it early attention.

Reconsideration of the Policy for Palestine. VOTED, (C48-19) That the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, viewing with deep concern the growing strife in Palestine yet recognizing the intricate political character of this question, urges that in the interest of peace and justice measures be taken by the United Nations to reconsider the recommendations of the General Assembly of the United Nations regarding Palestine, and that the Security Council appeal to all groups to avoid further hostilities while the question is being reconsidered.

Resolutions of Appreciation. VOTED, (C48-20) To adopt the following resolutions of appreciation:

a—To the Staff of The Inn: We, the members of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America Annual Meeting wish to express our grateful appreciation to Mr. Gillam, the management and the members of the staff of The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, for the excellent way in which they have provided for our physical comfort and for the courteous service which they have rendered, all of which has contributed greatly to the successful carrying out of the program of the Annual Meeting.

b—To those responsible for the success of the program: We are grateful to the presiding officers, the secretarial staff and all others who shared in any way in the preparation and effective presentation of “One World in Christ—A Christian World Recovery Program.” We express our special appreciation to the leaders of worship and music for their contribution to the spirit of devotion throughout the sessions of this Annual Meeting and the related meetings of the Committee of Reference and Counsel.
RECORDS OF THE MEETING

1949 Annual Meeting. VOTED, (C48-21) That the Fifty-Fifth Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference be held January 4-7, 1949 at The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania.

MERLE L. DAVIS,
Recording Secretary.


In Memoriam

Dr. William Frederick Bohn was secretary to President Henry Churchill King of Oberlin College from 1905-1913 and Assistant to the President from 1913-1944. He served as a director of the Congregational Foundation for Education and was for five years chairman of the Commission on Missions of the Congregational Christian Churches. For twelve years he was a member of the Prudential Committee of the American Board and a member of various committees of that board. He was one of the founders in 1908 of the Oberlin-Shansi Memorial Association and a trustee for many years. Since 1929 he had been chairman of the board of trustees. Dr. Bohn died on December 21, 1947, in Oberlin, Ohio.

Rev. Edward Dawson, D.D., was a member of the Board of Foreign Missions, R. C. A., 1915-46 and an honorary member from 1946 until his death on October 26, 1947. He was President of the Board from 1935-46. There were few in the church who were so outstanding in their warm, generous interest in the cause of foreign missions.

Dr. Frederick A. Goetsch was called to his eternal home February 16, 1947, at the age of sixty-four years. Following a brief pastorate at St. Paul's Evangelical Church, Toledo, Ohio, he served as a missionary in India from 1909 to 1927. From 1928 to 1934 he was Associate Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Synod of North America, and Secretary from 1934 to 1941. From 1941 to 1944 he was Co-Executive Secretary of the Board of International Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, and Executive Secretary from 1944 until the time of his death. He was chairman of the Joint Committee of the United Mission in Mesopotamia and vice-chairman of the United Andean Indian Mission. For many years he was a member of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference. He was one of the American delegates to the Madras Conference in 1938.

Rev. Robert Emory Golladay, D.D., pastor of Grace Lutheran congregation, Columbus, Ohio for 41 years, was president of the Lutheran Orient Mission Society and one of its founders. He continued in office and pastorate until the day of his death, February 23, 1947. He frequently attended meetings of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America and was deeply interested in Christian missions to Mohammedans. He was editor of the Lutheran Orient Mission.

Dr. Stewart W. Herman, a member of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America, died December 16, 1947. He served as president of this board for six years and also attended several meetings of the Foreign Missions Conference.

Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D., chairman of the General Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada for the past four years, was educated in Ireland. He came to Canada in 1903 to become minister in Halifax, N. S., and subsequently served in New Glasgow, N. S., and for the last twenty years in Knox Church, Ottawa. He was a member of the General Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada from 1926 to 1929, and again from [88]
IN MEMORIAM

1935 to the time of his death in October, 1947. He was greatly interested in the World Mission of the Church, to which he gave himself most unselfishly.

**Dr. Frederick G. Smith (1880-1947).** Died April 24, 1947. Missionary to Syria, 1912-1914. President of the Missionary Board of the Church of God, 1918-1930. Editor-in-Chief of the *Gospel Trumpet*, the general church periodical of the Church of God. Author of six books, one of which, *What the Bible Teaches*, has sold approximately 100,000 copies. In 1919 he visited all of the mission fields, spending a year on the trip.

**Dr. Robert Elliot Speer,** Secretary Emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., was called to his reward November 23, 1947, at the age of eighty. Few people have lived so full a life of service to the Church. He was secretary to the Board of Foreign Missions from 1891 to 1937, when he retired. He had been moderator of the General Assembly of his church and president of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ. He was chairman of the Foreign Missions Conference in 1905, 1926, 1937, and 1944. He was active in the counsels of many Christian interdenominational organizations as well as the Foreign Missions Conference. He travelled extensively throughout the world in the cause of foreign missions. He was the author of many books and the recipient of honorary degrees from a number of educational institutions.

**Dr. Charles Roger Watson,** President Emeritus of the American University at Cairo, Egypt, was ordained in the United Presbyterian Church in 1900 and for fourteen years was the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church. In 1920 Dr. Watson founded the American University at Cairo and served as its president until his retirement in 1945. He performed a unique service in the realm of international relations and also in the realm of religion. He was one of the great ecumenical leaders in the world before the ecumenical movement came to self-consciousness. He passed away suddenly on the 10th of January, 1948, at the age of seventy-five.

**John W. Wood,** born August 4, 1866, died August 7, 1947, was General Secretary, Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, 1900-1919; Executive Secretary, Overseas Department, 1920-1940 of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A.
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The Women's Guild of the Evangelical and Reformed Church
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Friends
American Friends Board of Missions
Mr. Merle L. Davis, 101 South Eighth Street, Richmond, Ind.
Friends Africa Gospel Mission
Mrs. Susie A. Shrauner, Stafford, Kansas
*Friends Foreign Mission Society of Ohio Yearly Meeting
Rev. Walter R. Williams, Demascus, Ohio
United Society of Friends Women
Mrs. Helen E. Walker, 1668 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, Calif.
Mission Board of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity
Mr. John F. Rich, 304 Arch Street, Philadelphia 6, Pa.

Holiness
Missionary Board, Church of God (Holiness)
Rev. F. B. Whisler, P. O. Box 191, Mission, Kansas

* Request for withdrawal pending.
National Holiness Missionary Society
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Foreign Missionary Department, Pilgrim Holiness Church
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Laymen's Missionary Movement
Laymen's Missionary Movement of North America, Inc.
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Lepers
American Mission to Lepers, Incorporated
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Lutheran Board of Missions (of the Lutheran Free Church)
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Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church
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The Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America
Rev. Luther A. Gotwald, D.D., 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.
The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America
Miss Nora M. Diehl, 1228 Spruce Street, Philadelphia 7, Pa.

McAll Association
American McAll Association
Miss Elizabeth Congdon, American McAll Association, Oak Lawn, R. I.

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Rev. C. E. Rediger, 1221 West 72nd Street, Chicago 36, Ill.

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Woman's Missionary Society, African Methodist Episcopal Church
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Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
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Metropolitan Church Association
Metropolitan Church Association, Inc.
Rev. Charles Sammis, 118-07 111th Avenue, Ozone Park 18, N. Y.

Missionary Bands of the World
Missionary Bands of the World
101 North Alton Avenue, Indianapolis 8, Ind.

Missionary Education
Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada
Mr. Franklin D. Cogswell, D.C.S., 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

Moravian
The Society of the United Brethren for Propagating the Gospel Among the Heathen
(Foreign Mission Board of the Moravian Church)
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Nazarene
The Department of Foreign Missions of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene
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Pentecostal
The General Council of the Assemblies of God (Foreign Missions Department)
Rev. Noel Perrin, 356 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo.

Presbyterian
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America
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Executive Committee of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States
Rev. C. Darry Fulton, D.D., P. O. Box 330, Nashville 1, Tenn.

Committee on Woman's Work, Presbyterian Church in the United States
Miss Janie W. McGaughey, Henry Grady Building, Atlanta 3, Ga.

Board of Foreign Missions of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
Rev. D. Gettys, Due West, South Carolina

The Board of Foreign Missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.
Miss Helen Deal, 117 Eighth Avenue, S., Nashville 3, Tenn.

The Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

The Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America
Mrs. Arthur B. McBride, 847 Thorn Street, Sewickley, Pa.
Reformed
Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America
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* The Scandinavian Alliance Mission of N. A.
Rev. David S. Johnson, 2839 W. McLean Avenue, Chicago 47, Ill.

Schwenkfelder
The Home and Foreign Board of Missions of the Schwenkfelder Church in the United States of America

Students
Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students
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Student Volunteer Movement for Christian Missions
Rev. E. H. Johnson, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

Tract Society
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Universalist
Universalist International Church Extension Board
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The Executive Board of The Association of Universalist Women
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World Council of Christian Education
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Y. M. C. A.
International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations
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National Student Council of the Y. M. C. A.
Mr. R. H. Edwin Espy, 347 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N. Y.

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The National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations of the United States of America (Foreign Division)
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National Student Y. W. C. A.
Miss Muriel Jacobson, 600 Lexington Avenue, New York 22, N. Y.

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Board of Missions, California Yearly Meeting of Friends Church
Rev. R. Ernest Lamb, P. O. Box 389, Whittier, Calif.
Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States
Dr. O. H. Schmidt, 3558 South Jefferson Avenue, St. Louis 18, Mo.

* Request for withdrawal pending.
Board of Missions of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren
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Lutheran Orient Mission Society
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Board of Foreign Missions of the Conference of the Mennonite Brethren Church of N. A.
Mr. A. E. Janzen, Hillsboro, Kansas

Primitive Methodist Foreign Mission Board
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United Free Gospel and Missionary Society
Mr. F. J. Casley, 385 Larimer Avenue, Turtle Creek, Pa.

World's Christian Endeavor Union
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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA

Revision adopted at the Fifty-third Annual Meeting,
Buck Hill Falls, January 14-17, 1947

Preamble

Organized missionary cooperation in North America began in 1893. The Foreign Missions Conference of North America and its Committee of Reference and Counsel are the developing instruments of that cooperation, dedicated to the spread of the Christian evangel throughout the whole world.

ARTICLE I. NAME AND ORGANIZATION

The name of this organization is the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, hereinafter referred to as the Conference, having as members the mission boards, societies and agencies of the United States and Canada engaged in Christian service overseas which are listed below in this Article and such other similar organizations as may hereafter be admitted to membership as provided elsewhere in this Constitution. Such member organizations are hereinafter called Boards.

The members of this Conference are:

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Advent Christian Denomination
Board of Home and Foreign Missions of the African Methodist Episcopal Church
Woman's Missionary Society, African Methodist Episcopal Church
Department of Foreign Missions, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
American Advent Mission Society
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society
Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society
American Bible Society
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions
Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands
American Friends Board of Missions
Board of Foreign Missions of the American Lutheran Church
Women's Missionary Federation, American Lutheran Church
American McAll Association
American Mission to Lepers, Incorporated
American Tract Society, Inc.
The American University at Cairo
Armenian Missionary Association of America, Inc.
The General Council of the Assemblies of God (Foreign Missions Department)
Board of Foreign Missions of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Synod, Incorporated
Foreign Mission Board of the Brethren in Christ Church
British and Foreign Bible Society in Canada and Newfoundland
Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board
Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec
Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario West
General Brotherhood Board Church of the Brethren Commission on Foreign Missions
Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada
The Woman's Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada
The Missionary Board of the Church of God
National Woman's Missionary Society of the Church of God
Missionary Board, Church of God (Holiness)
Board of Missions of the General Eldership, Churches of God in North America
The Department of Foreign Missions of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene
Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields, Inc.
Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students
Congo Inland Missions
General Council of Co-operating Baptist Missions of North America, Inc. (Mid-Missions)
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.
Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Evangelical Mission Covenant Church of America
Board of International Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed Church
The Women's Guild of the Evangelical and Reformed Church
Board of Missions of the Evangelical United Brethren Church (Department of World Missions)
The General Missionary Board of the Free Methodist Church of North America (Illinois Corporation)
Friends Africa Gospel Mission
Woman's Missionary Union of Friends in America
Friends Foreign Missionary Society of Ohio Yearly Meeting
Mission Board of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity
Hephzibah Faith Missionary Association Foreign Missionary Board, Inc.
Laymen's Missionary Movement of North America (Inc.)
Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention
Lutheran Board of Missions (of the Lutheran Free Church)
Board of Foreign Missions of the General Conference of the Mennonite Church of North America
Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities
United Missionary Society of Mennonite Brethren in Christ
Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church. Division of Foreign Missions
Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church. Woman's Division of Christian Service
Metropolitan Church Association, Inc.
Missionary Bands of the World
Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada
Foreign Mission Board, National Baptist Convention, Inc.
National Holiness Missionary Society
The North American Baptist General Missionary Society, Inc.
Oberlin-Shansi Memorial Association
Board of Foreign Missions Pennsylvania Conference, Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church
Foreign Missionary Department, Pilgrim Holiness Church
General Board of Missions, Presbyterian Church in Canada
Women’s Missionary Society W. D. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada
Executive Committee of Foreign Missions, Presbyterian Church in the United States
Committee on Woman’s Work, Presbyterian Church in the United States
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America
National Council, Protestant Episcopal Church
The Woman’s Auxiliary to the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church
Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Episcopal Church
American Section of the Governing Board of Saint Christopher’s Training College, Inc., Madras, India
The Scandinavian Alliance Mission of North America
The Home and Foreign Board of Missions of the Schwenkfelder Church in the United States of America
Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society
The Women’s Society of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention
Student Christian Movement of Canada
Student Volunteer Movement for Christian Missions
The Domestic, Frontier and Foreign Missionary Society, United Brethren in Christ
The Woman’s Missionary Association, United Brethren in Christ
The United Christian Missionary Society
The Society of the United Brethren for Propagating the Gospel Among the Heathen
Board of Overseas Missions, The United Church of Canada
The Woman’s Missionary Society, United Church of Canada
The Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America
The Women’s Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America
The Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America
The Women’s General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America
Universalist International Church Extension Board
The Executive Board of The Association of Universalist Women
Foreign Department, Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society
World’s Sunday School Association
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
International Committee of Young Men’s Christian Associations
National Student Council of the Y. M. C. A.s
National Council of Young Women’s Christian Associations of the Dominion of Canada
The National Board of the Young Women’s Christian Associations of the United States of America
National Student Y. W. C. A.
ARTICLE II. PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS

SECTION 1. The purpose of the Conference is to provide a medium through which Boards may manifest their essential unity, and by cooperation may promote the effectiveness of their work.

SECTION 2. The functions of the Conference are:

(a) To provide for conferences of representatives of Boards for consultation and for the presentation and discussion of topics concerning their work;
(b) To provide for the investigation and study of missionary problems;
(c) To foster and promote a science of missions;
(d) To perform specific tasks as agreed upon by Boards;
(e) To facilitate cooperation by two or more Boards in any missionary endeavor in which they may desire united action;
(f) To represent the Boards, or any of them, as may be directed by their representatives, in consultations and cooperative relations with other committees, councils and agencies of the churches, with social, philanthropic and other voluntary groups, and with governments.

SECTION 3. It is not within the scope of the Conference to consider questions of ecclesiastical faith and order which represent denominational differences.

ARTICLE III. AUTHORITY

SECTION 1. The Conference shall have authority:

(a) To regulate its own proceedings in accordance with its Constitution and Act of Incorporation;
(b) To make By-laws in harmony with its Constitution and Act of Incorporation;
(c) To elect the necessary officers and members of its staff, to remove them for cause and to fill vacancies;
(d) To buy, acquire, or receive, by gift, devise or bequest, property, real, personal and mixed;
(e) To hold, sell and dispose of property;
(f) To secure, appropriate and administer funds for its work;
(g) To sue and be sued.

SECTION 2. The Conference represents Boards in the sense of possessing through direct representation unique opportunity for knowing the mind and the policies of the several Boards. The influence and usefulness of the Conference will depend upon the thoroughness of its investigations, the soundness of its methods of procedure, and the reasonableness of its conclusions and recommendations.

SECTION 3. The Conference being a purely voluntary association of Boards, neither it nor any of its parts has authority to commit Boards to any position, policy or course of action, except as such Boards may request or authorize the Conference so to act and then only within the bounds of such request or authority.

ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The Conference shall hold an annual meeting, and may hold special meetings, at such times and places as the Conference or its Committee of Reference and Counsel (Art. IX) shall designate.

SECTION 2. The meetings of the Conference are not held for the purpose of exploiting or endorsing the work of any organization or society; therefore, the time of the meeting shall not be taken up for this purpose, except as may be called for by specific action of a particular meeting of the Conference.
ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATION

SECTION 1. Any organization desiring to apply for membership in the Conference shall with its application supply a statement of its objectives and principles, a copy of its constitution and by-laws, its articles of incorporation, if any, its latest official report and its financial reports for the five years immediately preceding. The Committee of Reference and Counsel shall examine the application and papers to form a judgment as to whether the objectives and principles revealed are in harmony with those of the Conference, and shall then make in writing to the Conference Member Boards recommendation for action on the application. Not earlier than three months after the date of such recommendation the Conference may, in annual or special meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, admit the applicant to membership in the Conference.

SECTION 2. Boards shall be entitled to representation in annual and special meetings on the following bases:

(a) From each Board, one elected representative;
(b) From each denominational Board which includes responsibility for the women’s foreign mission work of its denomination and which has an annual expenditure for foreign missions exclusive of home base and administrative expense and non-recurring items in excess of $100,000, one additional elected representative;
(c) From each Board, or from each group of two or more Boards serving a single denomination, one additional elected representative when such Boards’ or groups’ total annual expenditure for foreign missions exclusive of home base and administrative expense and non-recurring items is successively in excess of each of the following figures: $250,000; $500,000; $1,000,000; and one for each additional $500,000 over $1,000,000.

SECTION 3. A woman’s foreign missionary organization which is auxiliary to the general missionary organization of its church shall be entitled to membership and representation in annual and special meetings as provided respectively in Section 1 and in Section 2 (a) and (c) of this Article.

SECTION 4. Interdenominational or undenominational Boards of management organized in North America for Christian institutions of higher learning in the mission field shall be eligible for membership as provided in Section 1 of this Article, and as Boards shall each be entitled to have one elected representative in the Annual or Special Meetings.

SECTION 5. Organizations, such as interdenominational agencies which serve the common interest because of their close relation to foreign missionary work, shall be eligible for membership as provided in Section 1 of this Article, and as Boards shall each be entitled to have one elected representative in the annual and special meetings.*

SECTION 6. The Chairman, Vice-Chairmen, Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the Conference shall be ex officio members at the annual meeting and at any special meetings with vote. The Chairmen of Representative, Standing and Special Committees and members of the Secretarial Council shall be ex officio members at the annual meeting and at any special meetings without vote.

* Boards in this category in 1944 are: (1) The Missionary Education Movement; (2) The Student Volunteer Movement; (3) The Laymen’s Missionary Movement; (4) The American Tract Society; (5) World’s Sunday School Association; (6) National Council Student Christian Association; (7) National Student Council Y. W. C. A.; (8) Student Christian Movement of Canada; (9) Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students.
ARTICLE VI. INCORPORATION

The Conference shall be incorporated as it may determine.

ARTICLE VII. ASSEMBLY

The Conference from time to time shall call a foreign missionary assembly of delegates appointed by Boards and of visitors invited by the Conference for the consideration of missionary issues and interests and for the development in the churches of a deepening concern for the missionary enterprise. The assembly's programs shall be arranged by the Conference. These assemblies shall have no legislative functions.

ARTICLE VIII. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Conference shall be a Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, one or more secretaries and such other officers as may be required. Their duties shall be those customarily performed by such officers.

SECTION 2. These officers shall be elected by the Conference during its annual meeting upon nomination as provided in the By-laws, and shall serve from the close of that annual meeting until the close of the following annual meeting or until their respective successors are elected.

ARTICLE IX. COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

SECTION 1. The Conference shall have a Committee of Reference and Counsel, hereinafter called the Committee, which shall be composed of (a) the officers of the Conference (not including its salaried secretaries); (b) the Chairmen or Vice-Chairmen of Representative Committees (Art. X) and of Standing Committees (Art. XI); (c) and twenty-four (24) additional members to be elected by the Conference in its annual meeting from among officers and members of the Boards, who shall hold office for a period of three years in groups of eight to be elected annually and who shall constitute the Board of Directors called for in Section 3 of the Act of Incorporation of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

SECTION 2. Members of the Secretarial Council shall be ex officio members of the committee without vote.

SECTION 3. The Committee shall as a rule have quarterly meetings, and may have special meetings, at such times and places as the Conference or the Committee shall determine.

SECTION 4. The Committee shall have ad interim all powers of the Conference not restricted by the Act of Incorporation or the Constitution to annual or special meetings of the full Conference.

ARTICLE X. REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The Conference may authorize the creation, alteration or discharge of Representative Committees organized for the purpose of forwarding the Boards' interests in different areas or in particular aspects of mission work, or may recognize as Representative Committees groups already functioning in this respect.

SECTION 2. A Representative Committee shall have full liberty to act within the framework of the Conference in accordance with mutually accepted relationships. Participation in the Conference as a Representative Committee carries [119]
with it the obligation for mutual consultation on all major matters which directly involve essential interests of the Conference as a whole, or involve those of other Representative Committees, the final responsibility resting with the Conference.

Section 3. Representative Committees shall be of two general types: those which are concerned with special geographical areas to be known as Area Committees, and those which are concerned with special types of service to be known as Functional Committees. Each Representative Committee shall seek to provide opportunities for Boards to counsel and act together on missionary problems pertaining to its particular area or function. It shall consider and seek to forward by appropriate action such cooperative or united work as the participating Boards approve, including any necessary financing and administration both for its basic service and for such special projects as may be undertaken.

Section 4. Each Board desiring to participate in the work of a Representative Committee shall designate to serve upon it one or more representatives for such periods as it may wish, subject to the conditions of membership of the Representative Committee. Additional members may be coopted by a Representative Committee according to its rules and procedures, not to exceed in number, however, one-third of the total membership. A Representative Committee so desiring may admit to membership representatives of organizations not members of the Conference. Secretaries of Functional Committees shall be ex officio members without vote of Area Representative Committees, and secretaries of Area Committees shall have the same relationship to Functional Committees.

Section 5. Activities of Representative Committees shall be reported to the Conference or to its Committee from time to time so that such activities may be known to all Boards and may be correlated by the Conference in all policies affecting the work of the Boards as a whole.

Article XI. Standing and Special Committees

The Committee shall appoint such Standing Committees and Special Committees of the Conference as may be required for carrying on its work, and shall fix their duties and procedures. (Standing Committees to be listed in By-laws.)

Article XII. Secretarial Council

Section 1. The Conference shall have a Secretarial Council composed of its secretaries, the secretaries of its Representative Committees and the secretaries resident in North America of the International Missionary Council. On vote of the Council, Secretaries of Standing or Special Committees of the Conference or of joint committees in which the Conference shares or of organizations recognized by the Conference as serving a similar function, shall be included in its membership. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Secretarial Council shall be designated annually by the Committee upon the nomination of the Council.

Section 2. The Secretarial Council shall be responsible for reviewing and for advancing in such ways as it may deem desirable the program of all committees of the Conference; for coordinating related elements of their work; for formulating and proposing new work which it believes desirable; for advising the Conference and its Committee; and for carrying out such responsibilities and exercising such ad interim authority as the Conference or its Committee may from time to time delegate to it.
ARTICLE XIII. BUDGET AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

SECTION 1. The annual budget of the Conference shall include all receipt and expenditure items for the work of (a) the general services, (b) the Representative Area Committees, (c) the Representative Functional Committees, and (d) the related agencies in the support of which the Conference shares. The budget for general services for the following year after being circulated to the Boards in the coordinated budget, shall be submitted for approval to the annual meeting, which may itself take final action or may refer it with power to the Committee or to the Committee on Finance and Headquarters for final action before the opening of the new fiscal year in the light of fuller information on sources of income.

SECTION 2. All Member Boards shall be expected to share in the financial support of the work of the Conference, except that in the case of Representative Committees only those Boards appointing representatives to any given committee shall be expected to participate in the financing of that committee. Contributions may be sought by the Conference and its committees from other sources if desired.

ARTICLE XIV. QUORUM

Twenty-five voting members shall constitute a quorum at any annual or special meetings of the Conference. Nine voting members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Committee or of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XV. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed at any annual meeting of the Conference or at any meeting of the Committee. Two months' notice in writing of proposed amendments must be given to all Member Boards before action is taken. Subject to this provision, proposed amendments may be adopted at the next annual or special meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.
THE ACT OF INCORPORATION

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA

Laws of New York—By Authority.
Chap. 699.

Became a law June 1, 1917, with the approval of the Governor.
Passed, three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Anna R. Atwater, Allen R. Bartholomew, James L. Barton, Arthur J. Brown, William I. Chamberlain, Ed. F. Cook, Stephen J. Corey, James Endicott, James H. Franklin, Alfred Gandier, John F. Goucher, Sidney Gould, Margaret E. Hodge, A. Woodruff Halsey, George Johnson, Arthur S. Lloyd, John R. Mott, Frank Mason North, Cornelius H. Patton, Lucy W. Peabody, George Wharton Pepper, T. B. Ray, Paul de Schweinitz, Egbert W. Smith, Charles R. Watson, L. B. Wolf, James Wood, and their associates and successors are constituted a body corporate in perpetuity under the name of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, Inc., and by that name shall possess all the powers which by the general corporation law are conferred upon corporations and shall be capable of taking, holding, and acquiring, by deed, gift, purchase, bequest, devise, or other manner, any estate, real or personal, in trust or otherwise, which may be necessary or useful for the uses and purposes of the corporation, and of disposing of the same and giving title therefor, without limit as to the amount or value, except such limitations, if any, as the legislature has heretofore imposed, or may hereafter impose.

SECTION 2. The object of this corporation shall be to aid and promote the work of foreign missions as represented by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

SECTION 3. The management and disposition of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors composed of the individuals named in the first section of this act, as incorporators and their associates and successors in office. The said board of directors shall be composed of not less than nine nor more than thirty-six members, one-third of whom shall be elected each year by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America at the annual meeting of the said Conference, and shall hold office for the period of three years or until their successors are elected, and the persons named in the first section of this act shall constitute and be the first board of directors of the said corporation and at their first meeting after the adoption of this act shall determine which of its members shall serve for one, two, or three years, respectively, as may have been specified by the Conference aforesaid at its last preceding annual meeting.

SECTION 4. This corporation shall have no capital stock and shall declare no dividends, and no director, officer, committeeman, or employee of this corporation shall receive, or be entitled to receive, any pecuniary profit from the operations of such corporation, except that reasonable compensation for services may be paid to employees for services rendered in effecting the purposes of the corporation.

SECTION 5. Said corporation shall have power to make and adopt by-laws, rules, and regulations for the government of its business, and from time to time to repeal or amend such by-laws, and regulations, but it shall not take any action that is not in accordance with the acts and decisions of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.
SECTION 6. The principal office of the corporation hereby created shall at all
times be within the State of New York, and the books and records of said cor­
poration shall be kept in said office.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

Office of the Secretary of State, State of New York,

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and
do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the
whole of said original law.

Francis M. Hugo,
Secretary of State.

THE BY-LAWS OF THE COMMITTEE OF
REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

Revision including amendments adopted September 27, 1946 and
January 13-14, 1947

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the Committee shall be the Committee of Reference and Counsel
of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, Inc., hereinafter referred
to as the Committee.

ARTICLE II. OBJECT

The object of this Committee shall be to aid and promote the work of foreign
missions as represented by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America,
hereinafter referred to as the Conference.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Committee shall be a Chairman, a Vice-Chair­
man, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, one or more secretaries, and such
other officers as may be required, of whom the secretaries and the treasurer
may be chosen from outside the membership of the Committee, and when so
chosen shall be ex officio members of the Committee without vote. Represent­
ative Committees may recommend to the Conference for election as secretaries
of the Conference itself the Executive Secretaries whom they themselves elect.
Such Secretaries shall hold office as secretaries of the Conference for such
period as they serve as Secretaries of their respective Representative Com­
mittees. Other officers shall hold office for one year, or until their successors
are elected and qualify.

ARTICLE IV. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. The Standing Committee on Nominations shall present at the
annual meeting of the Conference a list of nominees for officers of the Confer­
ence, for membership on the Committee, and for membership on the Standing
Committee on Nominations. In the case of secretaries other than those elected
in the first instance by the Representative Committees, the Standing Committee
on Nominations shall receive and embody the recommendations of the Com­
mittee of Reference and Counsel or of its Standing Committee on Executive
Staff. The Committee on its own initiative may fill ad interim any vacancies
in the positions enumerated in the first sentence except those of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen, and the twenty-four elected members of the Committee.

SECTION 2. The Standing Committee on Nominations shall present at the first meeting of the Committee following the election of its new members at the annual meeting of the Conference a list of nominees for officers of the Committee, for Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Secretarial Council, for members and officers of Standing Committees, for those of special committees, for representatives and nominees of the Conference upon all Joint Committees and other organizations, and for any other elective or appointive position the filling of which is not restricted to the Conference in annual or special meeting.

ARTICLE V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Committee shall perform such duties and bear such responsibilities as usually appertain to such offices.

SECTION 2. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the safe custody of all funds of the Conference and its committees and for the disbursements of these funds in accordance with regulations established by the Committee. Funds of the Committee available for investment shall be invested by the Treasurer under the direction of the Committee.

SECTION 3. The Treasurer shall present an annual financial statement at the first meeting of the Committee after the close of the fiscal year (March 31) and at the annual meeting, and interim statements when requested by the Committee. The annual financial statement shall be audited as the Committee may direct.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer and all other officers or employees who handle the funds of the Conference shall give bond in such sum as the Committee may require, the expense therefor to be met from the funds of the Committee.

ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. Standing Committees.

A. The Committee shall appoint Standing Committees for carrying on the work of the Conference.

B. There shall be the following Standing Committees:
   (1) Arrangements for the Annual Meeting
   (2) English-Speaking Union Churches Overseas
   (3) Executive
   (4) Executive Staff
   (5) Finance and Headquarters
   (6) Interchange of Christian Leadership
   (7) Missionary Personnel
   (8) Nominating
   (9) Public Relations
   (10) Research
   (11) Special Program and Funds

C. Other Standing Committees may be created as the Committee deems desirable.

D. Standing Committees shall deal, under the direction of the Committee, with such matters as their titles suggest, and with other matters that may be referred to them by the Committee.
Section 2. Representative Committees.

A. There shall be the following Representative Committees:

(a) Area: (1) Africa Committee; (2) China Committee; (3) Europe Committee*; (4) India Committee; (5) Japan Committee; (6) Korea Committee; (7) Committee on Cooperation in Latin America; (8) Committee on Work Among Moslems; (9) Southeast Asia Committee.

(b) Functional: (1) Associated Mission Medical Office; (2) Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work; (3) Christian Religious Education; (4) Radio, Visual Education and Mass Communication; (5) Rural Missions Cooperating Committee; (6) Treasurers Committee; (7) Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature.

B. The Conference may authorize the creation, alteration or discharge of Representative Committees as provided in Article X of the Constitution.

C. Officers. Each Representative Committee shall elect its officers and appoint its subcommittees according to its rules and procedures. The Chairman or Vice-Chairman, as may be determined by each Representative Committee, shall be its ex officio member of the Committee and with its secretary shall be responsible for presenting such matters as should properly come from it to the Committee.

D. Finances.

(a) Each Representative Committee shall be responsible for financing all phases of its work, including secretarial oversight, administrative expense, and work projects. It shall prepare an annual budget covering all classes of expense.

(b) Each Representative Committee shall report to the Committee by September 1st of each year its proposed annual budget for the next fiscal year for approval, coordination and presentation to the Boards in the annual coordinated budget of the Conference by October 15th. Not later than thirty days after the beginning of its fiscal year, each representative Committee shall review its budget included in the coordinated budget in the light of fuller information on sources of income and if necessary so revise it as to avoid the probability of a deficit.

Section 3. Special Committees. The Committee may appoint from time to time, for periods to be determined by the Committee, Special Committees to deal with particular subjects.

Section 4. Joint Committees. The Committee may authorize the formation of joint committees with other similar organizations, in each case defining their authority and responsibilities as well as methods of financing, and appoint representatives of the Conference to serve upon them.

Article VII. Expenses of Meetings

The expenses of members of the Committee in attending all regular and special meetings of the Committee may be paid out of the treasury of the Committee upon presentation of bills by the members.

Article VIII. Amendments

Section 1. These By-laws may be amended at any meeting of the Committee:

A. By a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, notice of the proposed amendment having been given in the call for said meeting or at the preceding meeting of the Committee; or

B. By unanimous vote of those present and voting at any meeting of the Committee.

* The Committee on Cooperation with the Churches of Europe serves the Conference in this capacity.
CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

I. Preamble

The Council is established on the basis that the only bodies entitled to determine missionary policy are the churches and the missionary societies and boards, representing the churches.

It is recognized that the successful working of the International Missionary Council is entirely dependent on the gift from God of the spirit of fellowship, mutual understanding, and desire to cooperate.

II. Membership and Meetings

The Council is composed of the following national missionary organizations* and Christian councils:

- National Missionary Council of Australia.
- Société Belge de Missions Protestantes au Congo.
- Confederação Evangélica do Brasil.
- Conseil Protestant du Congo.
- Dansk Missionsraad.
- Deutscher Evangelischer Missionrat.
- Société des Missions Evangéliques de Paris.
- Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland.
- National Christian Council of India, Burma, and Ceylon.
- National Christian Council of Japan.
- Committee on Cooperation in Latin America.
- Concilio Nacional Evangélico de Mexico.
- Nederlandsche Zendingsraad.
- Netherlands India.
- National Missionary Council of New Zealand.
- Norsk Misjonsråd.
- Foreign Missions Conference of North America (United States and Canada).
- Philippine Federation of Evangelical Churches.
- Confederación de Iglesias Evangélicas del Rio de La Plata.
- National Christian Council of Siam.
- Christian Council of South Africa.
- Suomen Lähetystievostoyt.
- Svenska Missionsrådet.
- Association of Missionary Societies in Switzerland.

National missionary organizations or Christian councils in other countries or areas may be added to those named above by the affirmative vote of the Committee of the Council, provided for later; and the Committee of the Council shall have full power to determine what qualifications shall be required of a missionary organization or a Christian council for membership in the Council. Among these qualifications the Committee would take into consideration the thoroughly representative character of the organization, its elements of stability, and the extent and nature of the area that it covers.

The meetings of the Council shall be of two kinds: namely, (a) general Council meetings, and (b) special meetings for the consideration of particular subjects. The call for these general or special meetings shall be issued by the Committee of the Council. In the case of general Council meetings, the call shall be issued only after the proposal to hold such a meeting has been approved by two-thirds of the national bodies constituting the Council. Special meetings of the Council may be called by the Committee after the proposal to hold such a meeting has been approved by two-thirds of the national bodies which will be expected to send representatives to the meeting.

* The term "missionary" is used in this constitution to describe the work of presenting the gospel to non-Christian peoples, whether carried on by the younger or by the older churches.
The number of representatives which each national missionary organization and Christian council will be entitled to appoint for each meeting of the Council shall be as stated by the Committee in its proposal to call a meeting and as ratified by national bodies in their approval of the proposal. In arranging for the membership of any Council meeting, the Committee shall provide, in so far as it is deemed desirable, for representation from countries in which there is no national missionary organization or Christian council and shall determine the method of choosing such representatives. The Committee shall also have the right to propose in regard to any particular meeting, whenever desirable, that a limited number of persons with special knowledge of the subjects contained in the program of the proposed meeting may be invited to attend that meeting of the Council.

III. Functions

The functions of the Council shall be the following:

1. To stimulate thinking and investigation on questions relating to the mission and expansion of Christianity in all the world, to enlist in the solution of these questions the best knowledge and experience to be found in all countries, and to make the results available for all who share in the missionary work of the churches.

2. To help to coordinate the activities of the national missionary organizations and Christian councils of the different countries, and to bring about united action where necessary in missionary matters.

3. Through common consultation to help to unite Christian public opinion in support of freedom of conscience and religion and of missionary liberty.

4. To help to unite the Christian forces of the world in seeking justice in international and inter-racial relations.

5. To be responsible for the publication of *The International Review of Missions* and such other publications as in the judgment of the Council may contribute to the study of missionary questions.

6. To call a world missionary conference if and when this should be deemed desirable.

IV. The Committee of the Council

The Committee of the Council shall have the power to act for the Council in the intervals between its general Council meetings.

The membership of the Committee shall be elected by the national missionary organizations and Christian councils, and the number of representatives, except as may be determined otherwise by subsequent action, shall be as follows:

- National Missionary Council of Australia .............................................................. 1
- Société Belge de Missions Protestant au Congo .......................................................... 1
- Confederación Evangélica do Brasil .............................................................................. 1
- National Christian Council of China .......................................................................... 2
- Conseil Protestant du Congo ........................................................................................ 1
- Dansk Missionsraad ...................................................................................................... 1
- Deutscher Evangelischer Missionrat ............................................................................... 2
- Société des Missions Evangéliques de Paris ................................................................. 1
- Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland ......................... 8
- National Christian Council of India, Burma, and Ceylon ......................................... 2
- Zendings Consulaat, Indonesia ................................................................................... 1
- National Christian Council of Japan ........................................................................... 2
- National Christian Council of Korea ............................................................................ 1
- Committee on Cooperation in Latin America ............................................................. 1
- Concilio Nacional Evangélico de Mexico .................................................................... 1
- Near East Christian Council ........................................................................................ 2
- Nederlandsche Zendingsraad ........................................................................................ 1
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For each meeting the Committee may elect other members, not exceeding
three in all, to be nominated by the officers, from countries not otherwise repre­
sented, who shall for each meeting have the same rights and privileges as other
members. In addition to the above, the Committee may elect other members,
not exceeding five in all, to be nominated by the officers, in order to supply
special knowledge or experience, who shall be consultants without voting powers.

The Committee of the Council shall have the power to provide representation
in the Committee of the Council for national organizations that may in the
future be admitted to membership in the Council.

Each regularly established department of the Council may be represented in
the Committee of the Council by its Chairman or other representative of the
Committee directing the department’s work. Such a representative shall have
for each meeting the same rights and privileges as the other delegates.

Members of the Committee shall hold office until their successors are ap­
pointed, the length of term of office and the method of appointment to be deter­
mined in each country or area by the national missionary organization or
Christian council.

The officers of the Council shall be members, ex-officio, of the Committee
and shall serve as the officers of the Committee of the Council.

The Committee of the Council shall, as occasion may require, consult with
the constituent organizations in regard to the work of the Committee.

The Committee of the Council shall meet at the call of the officers of the
Council, or upon request of a majority of the members of the Committee (sent
to the chairman or secretaries in writing), or upon the request of three or
more of the constituent organizations. Ten members of the Committee other
than the officers shall constitute a quorum, provided, however, that these repre­
sent national missionary organizations or Christian councils, members of the
Council, in three different continents.

The Committee of the Council may appoint an Ad Interim Committee to
serve in the period between the meetings of the Committee of the Council with
such powers as that Committee may determine. The membership of the Ad Interim
Committee shall always be on an international basis with representa­
tives from at least five countries on at least three continents.

V. Officers

The officers of the Council shall be a Chairman, not more than six Vice-
Chairmen, of whom two shall be women, a Treasurer, and two or more Secre­
taries. These officers shall be elected by the Committee of the Council. Their
terms of office, their respective duties, and their remuneration shall be deter­
mined by the Committee. They shall be members, ex-officio, of the Committee.
The countries from which they come shall be allowed their full representation
in addition to such officials.

VI. Expenses

The Committee of the Council shall prepare annual budgets two years in
advance, which shall be submitted to the constituent organizations for approval
and toward which they will be invited to contribute in a proportion to be
recommended by resolution of the Committee. Since in a period of two years
unforeseen developments may occur requiring additional expenditure, it is un­
derstood that such emergencies may be met by special funds which the Com­
mmittee of the Council may be able to secure from private sources. If the
objects to be sought involve permanent or recurring expense, the approval of
the constituent organizations shall be secured before such work is undertaken,
even if special funds are available for its support.
VII. **Procedure**

It is understood that the Council and the Committee of the Council will function internationally, and that the members of the Committee of the Council in any one country will not take action as a national group, though they may be called together by the officers of the International Missionary Council for purposes of consultation if this should seem necessary.

VIII. **Amendments**

This constitution may be amended at any future meeting of the Committee of the Council subject to the approval of the constituent organizations.
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* No information received for 370 missionaries.
### Income and Expenditures of Boards and Societies for the Year Ending 1946

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| China | $2,497,713 | $2,497,713 | $5,020,426 |
| Korea | $2,334,653 | $2,334,653 |
| Japan | $2,183,506 | $2,183,506 |
| Latin America | $1,929,506 | $1,929,506 |
| Europe, Fields Not Designated, and Misc. Expenses | $1,559,506 | $1,559,506 |
| Grand Totals | $5,838,296 | $5,838,296 |

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