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PROGRAM

Tuesday, January 14
2:30—5:00 P. M.

Presiding—Mrs. L. E. Swain
A Period of Worship—L. S. Brubaker, Leader
Organization of the Meeting
Report of the Commission on Effective Evangelism—Presented by
K. S. Latourette
7:30—9:30 P. M.

Presiding—Mrs. L. E. Swain
Report of the Commission on Effective Evangelism—Continued
Evening Prayer—Arthur John, Leader

Wednesday, January 15
9:00 A. M.—12:15 P. M.
2:00—5:15 P. M.

Presiding—Carl Heinmiller
A Period of Worship—J. Clinton Hoggard, Leader
The World of Need in Which We Minister
A Presentation by Areas:

- Africa .............................................................. Emory Ross
- India .............................................................. Lucile Colony
- Near East ........................................................ E. E. Elder
- Latin America .................................................. L. K. Anderson

Discussion
- China .............................................................. E. A. Fridell
- The Philippines and Siam .................................. W. N. Wysham
- Japan .............................................................. T. T. Brumbaugh
- Europe ............................................................ S. M. Cavert

Discussion
A Period of Worship—H. K. Taylor, Leader
7:30—9:45 P. M.

Presiding—Mrs. L. E. Swain
Prayer—A. E. Armstrong
A Panel on General Concerns in the World of Need
Leader: C. T. Leber
Participants: L. S. Albright, R. A. Dudley, Mabel Head, C. S. Johnson
(by paper), Dorothy McConnell, O. F. Nolde, H. R. O'Brien, F. A.
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Evening Prayer—Mrs. O. A. Sardeson

Thursday, January 16
9:00 A. M.—12:15 P. M.

Presiding—Mrs. Christine S. Smith
A Period of Worship—Mrs. A. M. Sherman, Leader
Proposals for Next Steps
Presentation of Specific Proposals from the Secretarial Council—
W. C. Fairfield
Address: “We Must Move Forward”—R. E. Diffendorfer
Discussion
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2:00—5:00 P. M.

Presiding—Mrs. L. E. Swain
Prayer—D. F. Ehlman
Business Session

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Presiding—Mrs. L. E. Swain
PROPOSALS FOR NEXT STEPS—Continued
   Report of Findings Committee
   Discussion.
   Evening Prayer—J. H. Arnup, Leader

Friday, January 17

Presiding—Mrs. L. E. Swain
Final Business Session
Closing Worship—George W. Sadler, Leader
Adjournment
   Leaders in Music: F. M. Potter
      Malcolm Pitt
We Must Move Forward
RALPH E. DIFFENDORFER

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. We are confronting here and now as a Foreign Missions Conference our place in the life of the churches in the next twenty-five years.

It was said recently that the foreign mission agencies have about ten years to justify their place as a great redeeming and reconstructive agency in the life of the world. It is unimportant whether it is ten years or twenty-five years; that is in God's hands. But part of the future is within our own choice and that choice is whether or not we are able in understanding, in intelligence, in courage, in conviction, in vision, and in the ability to translate that vision into action; whether or not we are adequate to be used as God's instruments in this day in which the world is clamoring for something that it does not now see and does not yet hold within its grasp.

Last week the Home Missions Council of North America had its annual meeting and it asked for a message from foreign missions to home missions. It was my privilege to address that gathering. I was impressed by the large number of young people present, college people, seminary students, chosen because of their significant relation to the home missions of tomorrow. And I found that the Home Missions Council had before it as the sole subject for its three or four-day consideration a paper entitled "Looking Ahead in Home Missions," the report of a special committee. As the basis of the meeting's program, the delegates went through the document, discussed it and tried to find the answer for themselves. They did not adopt it as a final statement. They had the attitude of reaching out and of seeking to find what is the future place of home missions. The general outline is in four parts: aspects of home missions, general strategy, consideration of the present urgency, specific proposals and programs applicable to the particular fields of interest, with a recommendation as to the future use of this study.

I found this group wrestling with the changes and the trends of the war and postwar periods here in the United States and in Canada as they affect home missions policy, and I found them grappling with them intelligently and courageously. The home missions group feels
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about their future much as we do about ours. Home missions are faced with a tremendous change of front, emphasis, and of enlarging opportunities. They are proposing to challenge the churches of the United States and Canada to larger endeavor.

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. That is the challenge that the present situation puts before us, and I do not mean an increase of merely ten or fifteen percent. The situation in the world today demands that the Church take a new look at its task overseas and do something comparable to meet it. We are never going to meet our present responsibilities by our present ad hoc procedures. They are going to be met by putting a new program before the people and giving them a chance to respond. That the people do respond can easily be illustrated. In the state of Virginia, The Methodist Church has one Annual Conference, one of the largest in the denomination. When it was proposed we raise the Crusade for Christ Relief and Reconstruction Fund of $25,000,000, that one Annual Conference was asked for a million dollars. The Conference, in considering the matter, said: “This is the time and the opportunity for us to provide for Randolph-Macon College.” The college needed a million dollars, so the Conference added the two amounts and recently celebrated the raising of two million dollars for these two purposes.

This effort shows, first, that the several hundred thousand dollars which that Conference gave annually to World Service did not represent the giving power of the people at all. When they caught the vision of something that had to be done they did it with enthusiasm. Regular benevolences increased at the same time, and in addition they gave nearly one hundred thousand dollars as special gifts for foreign missions. When the need exists and is presented with conviction and when there is vision and power behind the movement and when an actual crisis is on, Christian people will give more than they are now giving. 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.

What is the basis for an advance? First of all, the need of the world itself. On every side, we have heard all about such need and it has well been said in this Conference. For instance, what is it about Japan has been on our lips so much? Here is a whole nation which has had its traditional moral and spiritual props knocked out from under it. Here is a call for our national Christians, and one from the military authorities. We have not yet heard of one single
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responsible authority in SCAP in Japan who does not feel that this is a magnificent opportunity to undergird the spiritual life of Japan. Yet, if someone should ask: What are the foreign mission boards going to do about Japan—what is your program? What is our answer? “We haven’t any.” We have a few important single projects. Beyond that, we do not have any program that looks at the evangelization of Japan so that we could go to a business man and say, “My friend, here is the proposal of the Protestant missionary forces for capturing Japan for Christ today. Here it is and we need $100,000 from you to help us do this.” The proposed Christian University is the major item in our program thus far. And, we must remember that while we are working on the university for the intellectual, there are forces in Japan today laying foundations among the common people that may determine the future of Japan. What is our program for them? Have we got anything to say to them? Not yet. No plan whatever. We ought to approach this problem by saying to ourselves, “What is our program for bringing Christ to Japan in this day?” and have that so well thought out that if any of us should have the experience of a man laying down $100,000 for this purpose, we would know how to expend it.

I could illustrate with China also. We have heard about Germany and about our having now to consider Europe as a mission field. What is our program for Europe? Thus far, we haven’t any.

My second point is this: America is ready for such a program and desires us to speak, indeed, is urging us to speak. There are a good many reasons for this. One of them is that the war has enlarged the horizons of American vision and interest. Even today, though the forces of isolationism are still pecking away, there is still enough increased world concern for us to build upon in a large way if we will. It was not an insignificant thing when recently one of our denominations brought together 600 G.I.’s to find out what they thought the war had done to their personal religious experience and what they expected of the churches, that the two addresses that brought those men to their feet were made by a missionary editor and a national bishop from India. The latter said, again and again, that India in her new day must be undergirded with the moral and spiritual power which only Christ can give. That is the note the American people want to hear. America is ready for such a message.

There are many people in America who have a fear that we will fail to undertake something big in the face of the world’s present chaos and desperation. They fear that the world will be made over only on the surface. They fear that many forces will try to eliminate poverty and illiteracy, only to have riches not used for the common good, only to have new literates reading salacious, derogatory litera-
tured with nothing else in hand. Yes, there will be attempts to cure the surface ills of the world, but it remains for the Christian Church to see to it that the deeper needs of men are met. Nobody else is going to do that. America is ready for that note. The great scientists are ready. They realize more than we do that something big and powerful has got to be done by the churches to curb the power of atomic energy and use it for constructive purposes. The scientists are with us. Far-sighted business men are with us. The magazines and periodicals will be open to us. The great writers will assist us. If you desire to read what a great writer thinks about undergirding the moral life of mankind today, read Louis Mumford's "Condition of Man."

America is ready for this challenge. The raising of big sums of money for relief and reconstruction programs has prepared the way. Let none of us become discouraged because some say that since we have raised $25,000,000 and $14,000,000 and $2,000,000 we must lay off for a while. Such giving is just prying open the springs of giving, and paving ways for giving in larger and bigger ways. Someone has said at this conference, that a church, after it had raised its share of its Reconstruction Fund, immediately took on the support of three missionaries as an extra project. How did they come to do it? They were so stirred up by the vision of the world's need that they wanted to go on and not settle back in their grooves. This is our chance! I am concerned with what next. It is not too early for us to begin to get ready for that.

Relief and reconstruction programs, of course, need to be set forward. We all o.k. the program prepared by Church World Service, Inc. These needs will remain with us a long time and it is well that we consider how such appeals will affect our benevolent and philanthropic giving. But, that is not the whole story. How much longer are the underprivileged people of this world going to depend upon philanthropic giving and charity to solve their economic ills? There are evidences that they are not going to wait very long. Other forces are now knocking at their doors and saying, "We are ready to do this thing right now. We are ready to do it by readjusting your own economic life so that you can solve your own problems." Recently on a train I was talking with a business man about China, and India, about their eternal poverty and our weak efforts to help. This man said: "Is there any money in India?" I had to admit that India is one of the wealthiest countries in the world and that someday other forces will tackle India's problem of poverty. It does not help India to solve her problem, when, on the background of her desperate need, an Indian potentate, big physically, is weighed on a balance with a basket of diamonds.
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What do these situations mean for Christ and His world? The diamonds could be distributed to the poor. There could be an economic revolution. But, India, like ourselves, needs more than an economic revolution to bring her the abundant life.

Now, some specific proposals: First, I would like to see the Foreign Missions Conference begin now definitely to plan for a larger and more effective witness to the gospel and Christ's way of life on the background of the world's present-day need. That may be a simple thing but when I say "plan in a larger way," we must realize that we must do more than merely try to deploy our present resources and reallocate missionaries to other jobs. No, not that, but we must lift our support up into two, three, or four times what the Church is now doing. Let us be courageous enough to challenge this America of ours with the fact that this is the most important business in the life of America today and that it challenges the whole direction of the Christian Church.

Second, that we ask the Area Committees, in consultation with the fields and other agencies, to report to us, certainly not later than the next annual meeting and preferably before, what should be undertaken now. What should the churches be doing now in Japan? What should the churches be doing in Latin America? In Africa? In Moslem lands? Let us ask our Area Committees to expand their vision and, with courage, put down what should be done in the way of an adequate program.

In the third place, when this material is ready we ought to have a national missionary congress, possibly a joint meeting of all our mission boards, something so big and so different and so commanding that we will announce to the world that we propose to take this matter seriously. The point here is that something has got to be done comparable to the need and the opportunity.

We missionary people must demonstrate to the world that we can adjust ourselves to new conditions and to new challenges just as thousands of people have done in the conduct of the recent war. We have done nothing of that kind yet. We have gone on smugly just as we were, doing our jobs in the old ways when the whole world has been jerked inside out! We will never get Christ before the world today if we do not have bigger plans and exercise more tremendous power than we have exerted in the past. What right have we got to go to a group of world war veterans and tell them how to do anything? We all sat at home and did our jobs "behind our own iron curtains." Those curtains are pulled now and yet we don't know what we should do. God calls us to take hold of this work in a big way. I am questioning now, can we meet this unusual situation in our usual processes?
When our program is prepared, we then must challenge other agencies in the United States with the job we have on our hands. We must have the kind of program that can be taken into the meetings of the Annual Convention of the CIO and the AFL and say: "Gentlemen, here is what we have to say about the world and its need," and intimate that Labor does not have the last word. Incidentally, dozens of labor leaders would agree with us at that point. A great labor organization recently made a contribution to a religious organization to help it to put on a program of moral and spiritual reconstruction. I would like the same approach made to the United States Chamber of Commerce. They are about as nonplussed about the world as we are. I would like to go to the National Manufacturers' Association, the learned societies, the National Education Association, International Rotary, the American Association of Colleges, and have a well-thought-out program to put up to them and say: "Gentlemen, you hold the future of the world in your hands." For example, I do not believe a representative of foreign missions has ever gone before any of these bodies to talk about the significant potentialities for good or for ill of the thousands of foreign students and trainees now studying in America.

The fifth point: Each board would challenge its constituency to undertake the enlarged program. The time is so short, the need so compelling that we have no time to waste in building up a new cooperating improved machinery to undertake this task. The best way to get this done is by denominations. Every denominational group has a contribution to make. Each can and must do it in its own way. No single denomination can do the whole program nor can it undertake its share alone. But, by simultaneous effort we can lift the load. Our program should indicate what the overall needs are in each field and what should be undertaken to meet those needs. We will try to outline what cooperative programs should be undertaken and then each denominational board will decide what it should undertake to undergird its own program and its share of the cooperative endeavor. Our cooperative projects are now being financed largely by appealing to boards to take proportionate shares. We can proceed on this trusted platform in the future and our cooperative ventures will be satisfactorily and securely based. What we must realize also, is that each new big union or cooperative project put into operation demands larger denominational effort. It is unrealistic to suppose that we can succeed at the present time on any other basis. Our promotion of such a program can then be a simultaneous approach to the various committees by the different denominational boards or agencies and thus lift effectively the total Protestant response.

In a recent issue of The Reader's Digest, there appeared a digest
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of Eric Johnson’s farewell speech as president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Mr. Johnson is reported to have said, "The old capitalism was regarded as a wholly automatic system—a kind of perpetual-motion machine, powered by the power motive. That conception is too primitive for modern realities. The whole process of our thinking must be raised to a conscious level where responsibility to the public interest is the keyword. We have reached a frontier in national development where we must begin to shape history or history will shape us." Let me quote also from a recent letter from the founder and first president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States of America, Harry A. Wheeler of Chicago. Mr. Wheeler wrote on January 8, 1947: "The real task is to develop, with the aid of all the actual working forces of the churches, a program of expansion of missionary work, of the ministry now in the field, of the funds available, the prosecuting work and what could be done if larger funds were available. So thoroughly do I feel the force of wider expansion of the missionary work that I have no fears about getting resources from other societies. This is a reservoir which has not been touched. We have got to get some results for the immediate expansion of Christianity in the world."

The task now before us is to decide whether or not we want to undertake together the lifting up of the foreign missionary program to a new level in the life and thought of the American and Canadian churches. In our planning, we Christians have reached a new frontier in international Christianity where we must begin to shape the events to come or they will shape us.
The World of Need in Which We Minister

A Presentation by Areas: Summarized Statements

The situation in different geographical areas of the world was presented in a series of short speeches by men and women recently returned from those lands. Those making the presentations were: Africa, Emory Ross; India, Lucile Colony; Near East, E. E. Elder; Latin America, L. K. Anderson; China, E. A. Fridell; The Philippines and Siam, William N. Wysham; Japan, T. T. Brumbaugh; Europe, Samuel McCrea Cavert. Digests of their presentations follow.

Africa

Three major crises have struck Africa in the past sixty-five years, partitioning, industrialization and independence. In each the Christian Church has had a critical role. The Christian missionary movement was a strong force in calling world attention to Africa. Other interests and eventually governments capitalized on this and other factors and created national designs which carved Africa into colonial bits.

Christian missionaries began the huge task of modern education; this in turn contributed to industrialization by producing and proving the ability of skilled and semi-skilled African manpower. The movement for independence is only beginning but it is growing rapidly despite the fact that little of colonial Africa is as yet economically and politically prepared.

Colonialism as we have known it is ending and it is the duty of Christians to strengthen colonial peoples by an expansion of the threefold pattern which has so aided Africans in the past sixty-five years. That pattern consists, firstly, of befriending, aiding, doctoring, educating, stimulating and pushing all Africans within reach to develop to the highest the spiritual, mental and physical potentials lying within them as God's children, and to use the powers so developed for the greatest good of themselves, their fellow-Africans and their world; secondly, of bringing Africans physically, intellectually and spiritually into ever closer contact with other peoples and cultures; and thirdly, of forming opinions and influencing policy in other countries regarding Africa.

The role of Christianity in this threefold pattern of aid to Africa has been a determinative one, because it has known how to transform men and society and because it has done so much educational work. It is still carrying, with or without government aid, at least 85% of the total educational load south of the Sahara. Christian education
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not only trained the large majority of present African leaders but also helped to stimulate governments and other agencies to carry more equitable shares of the educational load. The British particularly are making great advances in public education.

The situation in Africa today is a strange mixture. There are half a million ex-service men back from a war that was all Greek to them but is to affect them and their country most profoundly. There is underpopulation and overcrowding, unemployment and labor shortage; there are strikes and mutinies, religious persecution in some places countenanced and even backed by so-called Christian countries of Europe; racial segregation and discrimination where the masses are black and the rulers white. Superstition struggles with science, law and religion. The torsion which the machine age has put on Africans is incalculable. There is similar torsion and tension in the Africans' spiritual life.

Our first drive, as in the past, must be for the changing of men and women and the winning of them wholly to Jesus Christ. To do that, two things must happen within the African church: it must become more African, through the training of thousands of African Christians for leadership in it, for the strongest church is the people's church; and it must become more united in its functional tasks, the missions working together in ministerial, medical and other professional training, in literacy and literature, in every task. Christianity must aid in developing a Christian wholeness in the village and in the tribes. Animism was the control of all African life. As Christianity wins Africans it too must be in the whole of life.

India

Never in India's history has there been such a complete revolutionizing of life and thought. To build a democratic nation as quickly as possible is the purpose which has permeated even remote mountain villages. Untouchability is going out very quickly; both Moslem League and Congress Party have placed an outcaste in the Interim Government. The sixty million outcastes represent a strong political potential. The purdah system is also dying rapidly; women have emerged from seclusion and are serving the nationalist cause.

The Church was often suspected of being an agency of imperialism but that view is waning. The Christian community has taken the stand that it will support a democratic government, and the Church has much to contribute for democracy rests on a moral basis.

The Church must concern itself with the problems facing India. The most obvious is the tension among various communities. The Church in India, after making clear its position as regards religious freedom, is preaching a message of reconciliation to the warring groups.

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Health is a second problem. The Bhore Report, the result of a government health survey, is a blueprint for adequate medical and preventive facilities for all India. This is a colossal undertaking for today there is only one doctor to 6,000 people, one nurse to 43,000 and one qualified dentist to 300,000. The assistance of the Christian medical centers, Vellore, Miraj, and Ludhiana will be needed to give reality to this vast plan. Their particular area of service will probably be to train specialists in tuberculosis, leprosy and mental diseases, and to continue the extension of medical aid to the villages from the hospital centers.

The answer of Christianity to India's appalling poverty lies in contributions like those being made and projected by India Village Service, Inc., Agricultural Missions, Inc., the College of Rural Life at Allahabad and similar schools.

India's industrial revolution, already under way, must be another concern of the Church. Many feel that the Church should train more of its youth in technical skills. Surely also the Church should forestall some of the evils which ordinarily accompany an industrial society by preparing recreational and social service programs. An interdenominational Christian school of social service is an immediate need.

The government plan for universal free education, the Sargent Scheme, calls for over two million new teachers in the next few years. The Christian schools and colleges have an opportunity to train teachers with high ideals and a spirit of service.

But the Christian community must be made strong for these tasks, illiteracy must be liquidated, the economic level of Christians raised through vocational and professional education, and Indians of ability given leadership training.

The Church is fully established in India. Thousands of lowly birth have moved mountains of obstacles in their upward climb; their religious experiences are winning their high-caste neighbors. Many educated Indians are studying Christianity. In spite of the failures of His followers, Christ more and more is recognized as the Perfect One.

The Near East

The Arab states feel that they were forgotten or ignored after the first World War and are determined that they shall not be passed by now.

It is easy to forget these lands in plans for world reconstruction. They suffered comparatively little from air raids. In some there was inflation but for others the war brought new prosperity. The East and much of Europe present more urgent needs for immediate action.
But the minimum standards being set for rehabilitation in war-torn lands have long been denied to millions in Iran, Arabia, Syria and Egypt. They have never known proper shelter and sanitation. The problems of overpopulation, of retarded development, of widespread endemic diseases are nothing new in these areas. Malaria, hookworm, pellagra, trachoma have a profound effect on the physical, mental and spiritual energies of the people. Mission hospitals are understaffed. Two in Lebanon and Syria have been without American doctors and nurses. There is a shortage of medical personnel also in Egypt and Iran. Much more responsibility is being taken by nationals. Twenty years ago few young women would consider the nursing profession but today they have assumed a large share in the ministry of healing. There is great service to be rendered in preventive medicine. In Egypt there has been some research under the Rockefeller Foundation and the government, but the task now is to teach the people to cooperate with health authorities.

One cannot understate the urgency of the present time in the Near East, for a misguided spirit of nationalism may bring regulations and restrictions that will hamper foreign institutions. This decade may be our final opportunity in some Arab lands.

While 70-90% of the people are engaged in agriculture, one sees methods being used that prevailed in Bible times. The economic life of Egypt had depended upon one crop, cotton. Professor McFeeters of Assiut College has been experimenting with Jersey cattle, proposing that dairying be adopted as a second leg to Egypt's economic body. Dr. J. N. Alter has introduced improved agricultural methods in Lebanon and Syria.

American schools and colleges are overcrowded. They are noted everywhere for their emphasis on character training. Government officials often send their children to them. In some quarters there is a note of cynicism, of disillusionment. Some young people are turning to reactionary movements and terrorist methods. Others are searching for truth and a real motive for service.

There are three million Christians in Arab states; the Copts number over a million. They are anxious regarding the success of democracy and equality of race and creed in the eyes of the law for they live in lands where 80-90% are of the Moslem faith. Some countries, notably Egypt, have followed the example of Turkey in regulating religious propaganda. In Islamic countries a Moslem converted to another faith is a traitor, worthy of death. The question may be asked whether membership in the United Nations is really consistent with the Islamic principle of dividing the world into two abodes, the abode where Islam prevails and the rest of the world. The Arab nations as a small minority among some fifty-five nations expect to
receive equitable treatment. Will the United Nations find a solution for the problem of liberty and equality for religious minorities?

Throughout the Near East there are Protestant churches largely the result of American missionary effort. During the depression and the war years foreign personnel was reduced and appropriations dwindled. The national churches showed remarkable progress in leadership and they will accept more and more responsibility. But in problems of adult education, youth movements, religious education, rural reconstruction, they will look to America, Great Britain and Europe for counsel and for help.

**Latin America**

It is impossible to speak of Latin America as a unit. Each republic has a particular situation and no generalities apply to all fields.

The first missionaries went to Latin America about a hundred years ago. They were impelled by two convictions: that a soul or a nation without Christ is lost and that only the gospel answers the needs of individual and nation. As converts came to them, many of them illiterate, they soon saw the need of schools. As work developed, they felt that it was hopeless to try to preach to people sick in body, and although restrictions made it difficult to bring in doctors and nurses, medical work was begun. Agriculture soon took its place in the life of every mission, as it was recognized that many diseases come from undernourishment. Then came literacy and a vast program of Christian literature. Still more recently audio-visual aids have been introduced.

Men trained in all these branches are needed but men who have the definite motives which sent the first missionaries to Latin America, men who know whereof they speak, who can be living witnesses for Christ in whatever they do.

Our national churches in Latin America have been saved from something to something; they have come from superstition to Christ. They can testify to what they believe. Most of the Christian leaders in Latin America have made a great sacrifice to affirm their faith in Christ. The average missionary has been reared in a Christian home; he was not brought out of superstition into a newness of life in Christ, nor has he suffered for his faith.

There are two obstacles to the furtherance of Evangelical Christianity in Latin America. One is the curse of Anglo-Saxonism, the aloofness and feeling of race superiority that dominates North Americans. Only the spirit of Jesus Christ can exorcise that. The other is the Roman Catholic opposition. Here the approach must be that of St. Paul, not to fight the authorities but to suffer.

Latin America is ready for Evangelical Christianity if the man-
power is available. There is need for evangelists, agriculturalists, specialists in literacy, for men primarily who know Christ is in all that they undertake.

**China**

In China we see a burdened people ravished by over a decade of social and economic turmoil. China, in common with other nations, is spending two-thirds of her taxes for national defense. China needs peace.

China's physical need cannot be overestimated. In 1946 one region was said to have had "the worst famine in forty-nine years." Most of the world never heard that another famine had struck.

Happily, the agencies of relief, both secular and under church auspices, are busy in China. Aside from emergency relief there are substantial programs under Christian auspices looking toward a better day. An example is seen in the fact that Dr. J. H. Reisner, representing Agricultural Missions, Inc., is on his way to China for meetings and surveys. Another example is found in the fact that Prof. W. A. Anderson of the Department of Agriculture of Cornell University will spend a year in China assisting not only at the University of Nanking but at other centers, in helping the people to come to grips with the situation from the point of view of agricultural economics.

China needs help in the field of education as well as in the area of physical relief. Students are flocking to the schools and colleges. These institutions are working with the aid of American and European Christians to rehabilitate themselves. There is a tremendous need for leaders trained in the more advanced fields of education, in technical subjects and in theology. The educational institutions of the church should be staffed with men and women of highest caliber. At present too small a proportion of Chinese pastors have attended college and seminary. Their salaries are pitifully low.

Some elements in the church picture are encouraging. There are congregations which have crowded their services all through the war, having maintained youth groups and having continued to train their lay workers. Many of the churches, after being subsidized for years, are making determined efforts to become self-supporting. There is need for much additional training in Christian stewardship. The churches of China under the auspices of the National Christian Council are planning a nation-wide spiritual revival with a view to strengthening the Church both in numbers and in quality of spiritual living. The government schools are now open to the influence of Christian missionaries, as has probably not been true for many decades.

A discouraging aspect of the ideological conflict in the Far East is the aggressive presence of Communism. Communism appeals to the disheartened and hungry. For many people it is a blind protest
against the status quo. For this the Church must assume a measure of responsibility wherever the major emphasis has been "other-worldly" to the exclusion of an abundant gospel for the whole of man and for all of life.

It is encouraging to note that Chinese church leaders are aware of this struggle for the hearts and minds of the people; are facing frankly the thought-content and program of Communism; and recognize that the acceptance and the implementation of the Christian message offers the only hope for China as well as for the rest of the world.

The Philippines and Siam

The Philippines and Siam are now the only independent nations in southeast Asia. The progress of their democratic governments is a matter of deep moment in other Asiatic areas.

Tremendous problems face both Filipinos and Siamese. Devastation in the Philippines beggars description. In Siam inflation is rampant. But these lands are not at the end of an age but at the beginning. The people face the future with hope. They are tasting freedom; they yearn for education; they are in a desperate situation economically but look forward to better things. Their greatest handicap is that their old faiths proved inadequate for their spiritual needs under the stress of war and they face the postwar world with widespread moral disintegration. If ever the evangelical gospel had a call to meet a situation, this is it.

The war has set back public health many years; there is compelling need for more medical missionary service. In Bangkok, Christians and Buddhists alike are asking that the mission open a hospital. In Manila, Christian laymen hope for a great Christian medical center.

In neither country can the government meet the demand for education. The evangelical church has an opportunity to meet a pressing educational need with a complete system of thoroughly Christian schools tied closely to the Church. Siam should have two coeducational Christian colleges immediately. Several additional evangelical colleges are needed in the Philippines. President Roxas has stated that a Protestant university would help his plan for the moral and spiritual regeneration of the Islands.

The supreme need for evangelism in southeast Asia is matched only by the opportunity. The spiritual courage of the Evangelicals during the war made a great impression. Fifty years ago there were no Evangelicals in the Philippines. Now they total 300,000. Twenty years hence they might number millions. In Siam an evangelistic campaign in six months since the war resulted in 1,300 baptisms of Buddhists. Thousands of Siamese villages are wide open for the proclamation of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.
The Philippines and Bangkok offer ideal locations for an evangelical radio to reach southeast Asia. In both countries there is virgin soil for Christian literature. The national churches of both countries are taking steps towards a tie-up between evangelism and economic betterment. Silliman University has an extension program reaching out into rural areas. In Siam there are a number of projects to lift the economic status, including credit associations and a training and sales center where rural Christians can learn simple handicrafts and market their products. The people are eager to try new methods of bringing the gospel to bear on all of life.

In both national churches, theological and leadership training are a paramount need.

The movement toward church union in the Philippines is of extreme importance. A Church of Christ for all the Philippines would be the cynosure of all eyes in East Asia.

The war has demonstrated the helplessness of the old faiths to produce individuals or a society strong enough to withstand temptation and secularism. The clamant call is for Jesus Christ, and for a pouring out of the spiritual resources of the Western churches in fellowship with their brothers in the East.

Japan

The Japanese people are receptive as never before to spiritual, moral and social ideas from the outside world. Shinto is dead, Buddhism moribund. The collapse of the ancient moral and spiritual mores of Japan leaves a vacuum, and various ideologies from other lands are awake to the possibilities.

The Japanese are fundamentally a religious people and find Christian theism far more congenial than philosophies with less dynamic concepts of divine power and grace. The Christian religion therefore has an unprecedented opportunity for advance. There were in 1941 some 170 churches of the Japanese Orthodox (Greek Catholic) faith with an active membership of 15,000. The rich and impressive Oriental symbolism and ritualism offer an important approach to Japan. The Roman Church gained in adherents from 1936 to 1946, and today has an active membership of about 120,000, with 244 churches and 169 chapels. It has almost as many foreign workers in Japan today as before the war, 618, only nineteen of them from the United States and thirty-eight from Canada. The prestige of the Church of Rome has never been higher in Japan.

In 1941 thirty-four Protestant denominational bodies were merged, but a year after the end of the war an Anglo-Episcopal body, the Salvation Army, a small group of Presbyterians and certain Holiness groups had withdrawn from the Church of Christ in Japan. But the
united Church is still impressive, embracing 1,200 churches and 175,000 members. Four hundred and ninety of its churches and twenty-six of its sixty Christian schools have been destroyed or badly damaged, church leaders have lost their homes and congregations have been scattered. Yet there are unmistakable signs of both survival and revival among the Protestant churches of Japan. In Tokyo, which lost 200 churches, and in other cities, now in ashes, pastors and congregations are girding themselves for reconstruction. A three-year evangelistic campaign with Kagawa as chief speaker has a goal of “three million souls for Christ.”

About sixty North American missionaries have already returned to Japan. General MacArthur has asked for a thousand. Christianity is recognized as a part of the democratization process.

The greatest encouragement that can come to Japanese Christians today is the assurance that the Protestant churches of the United States and Canada are determined to help them rebuild their churches and other Christian centers. An adequate Protestant strategy calls also for even more of the spirit and witness of Christian unity than has as yet been demonstrated. What is most needed is the simple theology and ethics of the Good Samaritan.

It is the Christians who are most in evidence in Japan today. Churches are well filled, and 75% of the worshippers are young people. Christian schools bulge with students. We should launch such a united and powerful program of evangelical advance as never before was projected in a missionary field. In this environment democracy would take root, displacing nationalistic aggressiveness and communism and the Christianity of the early Church would have opportunity for development.

The proposal to establish a forward looking international Christian university meets great response in Japan. The emperor, the premier, General MacArthur and others all have stated that this is one of the best possible ways in which the Christians of North America could invest time, effort and money.

By a united evangelical advance, with wide use of the printed word, the motion picture, the radio and other forms of publicity, Japan might within five years be turned into the channels of Christian community life. Only Christianity, said MacArthur, holds out to mankind the prospect of freedom based upon a high regard for human dignity and undergirded by faith in an all-wise and an almighty God.

Europe

Life in Europe today is indescribably tragic, and the malady cannot be corrected merely by a program of physical relief. A vast dehumanization is taking place, a loss of moral values and of a sense of the
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spiritual meaning of life. The churches themselves are not altogether free from responsibility, for they were too little concerned with the character of society. During the war, however, in many cases the Church became the conscience of the people.

Now the churches in Europe are deliberately trying to carry Christian ideals into all phases of the community life. In Holland, a new training center for Christian laymen has been launched. In Czechoslovakia, heir of the great Protestant tradition through John Huss, the Church is struggling to preserve its inheritance in a new environment created by the political association with Russia. In Hungary the president is a minister of the Reformed Church; it is the first time in the history of Europe that the head of a state has been a Protestant minister. The Church in Germany is carrying on a great program of relief and striving to lay foundations for a new Germany. Most of the youth are disillusioned and cynical, but there are those who see not only that the Nazi ideals were false but also that the Christian faith is the only real alternative, and are coming back to the Church.

Church World Service, Inc., is giving relief plus. Its program of postwar reconstruction is a magnificent symbol of the fact that there is, in a real measure, an ecumenical Church such as St. Paul described, so that "if one member suffer, all suffer with it." The ecumenical movement is becoming a reality in Europe through food and clothing in a way that could not have happened through generations of abstract theological discussion.

Our strategy should be to help strengthen all the indigenous Christian forces. Our help should transcend denominational lines. With the Eastern Orthodox Church our high strategy must be to use the present occasion not to proselytize but to strengthen, and to release fresh spiritual forces. The Christian future of Russia will be determined largely by what happens in the Russian Orthodox Church and we should seek every possible contact of helpfulness with that church.

The continent of Europe is today one of the great missionary areas of the world because of the combination of the two crises—the physical need and the moral and spiritual vacuum.

The European continent should also still be considered as a home base. Its mission societies were responsible for about 13% of the Protestant mission personnel around the world. It is almost certain that financial support will henceforth be less, but in Switzerland and Sweden the missionary societies continue in full effectiveness and in Denmark and Holland they are making a great recovery. Leaders in the Danish societies say they wish to repay all they have received through the Orphaned Missions Fund. The influence of what was done by missionary groups in North America, in the support of the or-
The Christian World Mission is the greatest contribution to the peace of the world. We shall never have world order and world peace until we have a stronger sense of fellowship among the nations. The bones of UN can live only if the spirit of Christ can animate them. That spirit is demonstrably at work now in the world-wide Church and it may become the greatest force for the political and economic unity of mankind.

**General Concerns in the World of Need**

In introducing a panel which discussed world developments affecting foreign missions by topics rather than geographical areas, Charles Leber alluded to the staggering effect of hearing, geographical area by area, of the limitless needs of the world. "It is almost too heavy a load for the human spirit," he said. "The world is tired of crises. But these are not days when Christians can escape from the burdens of our times. The presentations we have heard have brought us a strong challenge, for Christians hold in their hands the means of creating a new life for the world."

By every indication, Leland S. Albright stated, *relief and rehabilitation* will be long-term concerns of the Christian Church, and must therefore be made an integral part of the ongoing work of missions. There is no longer an alternative, relief or spiritual ministry; an adequate overseas program calls for relief and evangelism, as continuing parts of one process. To reorganize on this basis, the Christian missionary enterprise will have to overhaul existing machinery. "Our long-range task is none other than to share the abundant life, material and spiritual, with all the world. That will not be completed in our time. But at least we can face the task and begin to work at it adequately. Such is the holy mission of our generation."

Discussing Soviet expansionism and the impinging of the Communist problem on almost all mission fields, Dorothy McConnell called attention to the great vitality of the Communist forces, their adaptability and their united front. The mass approach of the Communists is superior. Christians stress the rights of the individual but tend to forget the rights of the masses. There is no adequate statement of a social gospel. The Christian movement to be effective must express concern for the masses as well as for the individual.

Raymond A. Dudley spoke of the basic necessity for better educated and better, and better, supported *national leadership* in the overseas churches. Christian nationals must be given a preparation comparable to that of missionaries, in education, professional training and
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opportunity for travel and observation. Gifted young men and women should be challenged to invest their lives. There must be ample facilities for theological education on a high level. Provision should be made to bring selected men and women to America for study. "The progress of the Christian movement," Mr. Dudley felt, "in the next two or three decades will depend more upon the development of national leaders than upon any other single factor."

Charles S. Johnson presented the implications for foreign missions of the present international planning in fundamental education. Significant at the first general conference of UNESCO was the determination that it should help to build "the defences of peace" through a world-wide approach to the problems of education, with emphasis on the backward areas of the world and those with low economic levels. The world cannot become one while half of it remains illiterate. Literacy is not enough, however; it must provide the tools for attack on problems of health, livelihood and citizenship. The experiences of world authorities are brought together in a volume being published under the title of "Fundamental Education—Common Ground for All Peoples."

The plans of the new World Health Organisation (WHO) were described by Henry R. O'Brien, M.D. It views the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical, mental, and social well-being or health as one of the fundamental rights of every human being and considers unequal development in different countries, in the promotion of health and control of disease, as a common danger. Dr. O'Brien said: "Health is probably the easiest of all fields in which to join in a common program. You will recognize in WHO ideals and principles which have long guided your own work." He urged medical missionaries to maintain their own independence but be cooperative with government workers, looking for some field of service they are not furnishing and stressing that nutritionists, laboratory technicians, and health educators are particularly needed. Each doctor and nurse should have the teaching mind and be bent on training others.

The plan of Christian Technical Services, Inc., to help the rural Indian church, particularly in North India, was outlined by F. A. Peter. India is a predominantly agricultural country but owing to exhausted soil and antiquated farming methods the average yield of food crops is extremely low. The pressure of rapidly increasing population is sending up the price of available land. Christian missions pioneered in education and medicine; they will now have to give a lead in economic matters as well. "We have now to think in terms of profitable employment of Christians in other spheres than purely agricultural, while at the same time teaching those who have

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any land to make the best possible use of it. We need in missions the scientist, the agriculturist, the engineer, the chemist, the businessman. We must enlist the services of technicians along with those of doctors, teachers and preachers, and give them the scope and wherewithal to work.”

Speaking on “the relationship of foreign missions to the United Nations,” O. Frederick Nolde stated three propositions. The United Nations can create conditions favorable to the performance of the Christian task. That is shown by the sections placed in the Charter through the influence of church representatives in San Francisco. The UN seeks humanitarian ends, legitimate social by-products of the Christian message. The people to whom we proclaim the gospel look to us to be concerned with their living conditions. The UN is concerning itself with the welfare of refugees, with health, libraries and museums, natural and social sciences, the arts—all in the purview of the Christian’s associated concerns. The UN seeks, as overall objective, peace and order throughout the world. Under such conditions the Church, which is now obliged to apply large resources to relief and reconstruction, could devote itself most steadily to its primary task, the bringing of men into right relationships with God.

Carrying the topic further, Mabel Head stressed the need of keeping missionaries informed on the United Nations and aware of the opportunity it presents to build a world of justice and humanity. The Church could express its wish to have non-partisan, well qualified representatives in the UN and should declare its stand on issues under discussion. “In sharing the gospel,” she said, “we have been teaching people about brotherhood, freedom, the right to educational, social and health opportunities because we are all children of a loving Father. We have been putting in their minds and hearts a desire for these things. Many of them are now finding hope in the United Nations, hope based on the teachings of the Christian Church. We dare not desert them at this time.”

Evangelism

The first two sessions were devoted almost entirely to the presentation and discussion of the report of the Commission on Effective Evangelism which had been appointed by the Committee of Reference and Counsel. The report consisted of a foreword stressing the urgency of evangelism in the light of the eternal purpose of God and of the present world situation; a section dealing with the basic nature of evangelism; a section emphasizing certain implications for the foreign missionary enterprise of the recognition that evangelism is a corporate responsibility of the Church universal; a section deal-
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ing with the function of ministry to the physical, social and intellectual needs of men in the whole process of evangelism; and a section dealing with certain broader questions of strategy: group conversion, and urban and rural areas.

It was stated that this report had been presented to the Committee of Reference and Counsel, which had determined that it should be edited by the Commission in the light of the discussion at these sessions, and then published in the name of the Commission as a document for study having the general approval of the Conference, but with final editorial responsibility resting with the Commission; and that the Secretarial Council should be asked to provide for the gathering of material on effective methods.

In introducing the report of the Commission, its chairman, Dr. Kenneth S. Latourette, emphasized: that evangelism is the major task of the Church and particularly of the foreign missionary enterprise; that we live in a world where active Christians are in a minority; that it is extremely difficult to put our message into language that the unchurched will understand and respond to; that our gospel of salvation from sin and death into everlasting life is tremendously important; and that in that gospel we do have the authentic word of God in Christ if we will but yield ourselves to it.

The discussion brought out many points in which the report might be improved in the editing, and suggestions as to methods. In the consideration of broader questions of strategy, the strong emphasis on Japan was both challenged and defended. It was pointed out that we still lacked an adequate postwar survey of the world from the standpoint of evangelistic opportunity and any thorough appraisal of those areas or cultures which should have priority in the investment of the limited resources at our command. It was questioned whether using the newer available techniques everywhere was not as important as selecting certain special areas for concentration of resources.

In closing the discussion, Dr. Latourette emphasized both the extent to which, under present world conditions, responsibility for worldwide evangelism must probably rest more and more upon the North American churches and also the possibility that new tides of effective evangelism and spiritual life might sweep out from little groups of men and women anywhere who out of agony and profound need have discovered fresh resources in God.
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Reports of Officers and Committees for the Year 1946 to the Fifty-third Annual Meeting

General

The Conference started in 1893 as a consultation of invited boards. It has developed until now its activities between the annual consultations overshadow the annual meeting. These activities are still those of its 106 member boards and seventeen affiliates, working together but in varying degrees, for the Conference has a flexible organization by which any number of boards can do together anything they want, from non-committal consultation to thoroughly integrated joint administration of specific projects. To each participating board, it offers an "a la carte" program. Many of the boards order and pay for practically everything offered and cry for more. Others confine themselves to special areas or interests in addition to the basic general services of the Conference in which all share on an equitable basis. In the year 1945-46, the boards invested $321,000 in the programs of the Conference. It is therefore appropriate and necessary that there be presented to the whole membership of the Conference in its annual meeting a résumé of what has taken place in the preceding year, a report of trusteeship from the responsible committees and officers.

During the year, the Conference has demonstrated its value in doing things for the member boards that they could not or would not do without it. The most striking of these was perhaps the cooperation with other bodies in securing the services of Professor O. Frederick Nolde when it became apparent that the United Nations organizations and procedures were crystallizing before the Joint Committee on International Affairs could get into action. (See page 43.) A close competitor was the actions of the Treasurers Committee in arranging for joint purchases of war surplus supplies valued at $3,000,000 at a net saving of 50% or more; in breaking the transportation bottleneck across the Pacific by arranging successive sailings of 400 or more missionaries at a time; and in authorizing a Godspeed meeting for the first shipload which turned out to be the most impressive foreign missions event in the history of San Francisco, with 3,700 ticket-holders symbolically gathered in the municipal Opera House, where the United Nations was formed, to hear addresses interpreting the significance of their going. In all these things the committee had
an unusual degree of sacrificial cooperation from the executives of one board, the Presbyterian in the USA.

Similarly, the Conference has represented its member boards in establishing Church World Service, Inc. as the single comprehensive Protestant agency in the field of overseas relief and reconstruction. This body not only replaces the former partial organizations in which the Conference cooperated, but also has secured the organic participation of the relief and reconstruction agencies of seventeen denominations. The Conference has also joined the Federal Council of Churches in exploring the wisdom and desirability of a significant contribution to Christian higher education in Japan as an expression of the regret for war devastation and the constructive concern of North American churches for the spiritual rebuilding of Japanese life.

A great deal of the time of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, the Conference's interim general administrative body, has been taken up with trying to think through the implications for mission policy and program of the postwar world as it is developing, to define afresh clear guiding principles by which programs can be shaped, and to suggest priorities in program both for cooperative activities and for the individual boards. On behalf of the committee, Miss Sarah S. Lyon made an incisive study of statements from the member boards and raised concrete questions for the Conference and individual boards to answer, which has been distributed to the boards under the title, "Priorities in Missions." At the September meeting, a Commission on Effective Evangelism was appointed to prepare a special report on this central concern for consideration by the annual meeting, which will consider the whole question of priorities under the theme, "What Next in Missions?" It is hoped that this will make a contribution toward the thinking of the Committee of the International Missionary Council in July, 1947. The whole report of that Council should be read carefully, since it is one of the most important parts of the work of the Foreign Missions Conference, particularly in this field of strategy.

In various detailed reports will be noted the concern of committees and officers of the Conference for the greatly increased numbers of foreign students now coming to this country, often from countries only slightly represented heretofore. This gives new urgency to the work of the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students, another arm of the Conference which should be greatly strengthened. The first cooperative postwar conference for outgoing missionaries, with 166 appointees enrolled, held under the auspices of the Missionary Personnel Committee, and an additional 203 enrollees in the rural training program under the Rural Missions Cooperating Committee, are subjects worth reading in their entirety. A joint program of tours by distinguished Protestant speakers, literacy,
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literature, youth concern, radio and even the birth of a new joint mission are illustrated in the report of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America.

Other striking activities included in the committee reports and illustrative of the way the Conference functions are: successful efforts to make possible immigration and naturalization for citizens of India; warnings from the Associated Mission Medical Office that postwar conditions made inoculations and protection by effective screening imperative; the reestablishment of the College of Chinese Studies in Peiping on a more inclusive basis, with a curriculum embodying the wartime discoveries in more efficient language study processes and integrated with curricula in leading American universities; and the reports of better liaison with overseas colleagues through the visits of Miss Wysner to the Near East and Great Britain, Dr. Ross to Africa and Europe, Miss Weddell to Great Britain and the Continent, and Dr. Fairfield to London and Geneva.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel has approved a statement on the meaning of membership; recognized a changed name for one member; recommended the acceptance of two new members; and requested one member board which had voted to withdraw to reconsider its action. It has reviewed the Constitution adopted in 1945 and is suggesting a limited number of amendments in the interest of clarification and smoother working; has integrated research interest into a single standing Committee on Research; has appointed a standing Committee on Executive Staff to care for equity of treatment and efficient working conditions for the executive officers; and has provided for legal counsel for the Conference. It has also given careful study to the better functioning of the rather complex process which the desired flexibility of Conference participation entails and recommended the assumption of greater executive responsibility by the secretarial staff; and has exercised both birth control and euthanasia on the committee structure. It has accepted with regret the resignation of Dr. R. M. Hopkins as its chairman because of his transfer to duties in Europe, and elected to replace him Mrs. H. D. Taylor, the vice-chairman.

One outstanding impression of such a review as this is the way in which, on the initiative of its member boards, the Conference has developed a program of cooperative service and leadership which led the boards even during the depression to preferred treatment for appropriations for its support, to greatly increased appropriations to put into effect the reorganization of 1945-46, and to steadily increasing financial participation in cooperative projects overseas. Its varied area and functional program has drawn unsolicited contributions, and even the first legacy, from individual donors who are glad to see increasingly effective cooperation. There is reason to believe that a
general fund from such sources, which could be appropriated by the Conference to promising subjects or aspects of its work, would be a valuable new feature in the process of making more effective the varied program illustrated in the following sections.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD, Secretary

Africa

I. Religious Liberty

1. The most significant thing that has happened with regard to religious liberty in Africa is the step taken by the Belgian Parliament to remove restrictions on Protestant educational work in Congo Beige and, in the language of the letter giving notification of this important advance, “to place on the same footing, with equal conditions and guarantees, all the Christian missions in the Colony in the matter of granting State subsidies in educational work, and in other matters as well.”

Steps have been taken to ascertain the full implications of this decision of the Belgian Parliament, and to arrive at agreement between the Belgian Colonial Government and the Protestant missions in Congo Beige as to the implementation of the decree.

All Protestant forces have in this matter deep appreciation of the leadership given by Senator Robert Godding, Belgian Colonial Minister, and his cabinet colleagues for proposing to apply in Congo some of the same principles of religious liberty and equality of treatment of the Congolese which Belgians fought for and obtained for themselves long ago in Belgium. The new policy is designed to end at least a part of the religious, educational and other monopolies which Roman Catholics secured and for more than twenty years operated in Congo. The detailed application of this new policy is already being and will continue to be covertly and overtly opposed step by step by Vatican-directed forces in Belgium and in Congo. It is partly dependent, as this report is written, on the struggle in Belgium to oust the present but small liberal majority and to recapture for the Roman Catholics, among other things, the colonial portfolio in the cabinet which for nearly a generation past has been almost always in the hands of Roman Catholics.

Thus we see here, as in other parts of the colonial world, the different aspects of the fate of millions of dependent peoples being decided by domestic, political, religious and other struggles of so-called mother countries, struggles in whose background the dependent peoples have no historic concern and in whose outcome they have little or no voice. For such dependent peoples, sensitive and wise, world public opinion is of the greatest importance, to strengthen the liberal forces which in almost every colonial power are working for justice.
and freedom and cooperation. There is no single element in the world which knows these problems better and has made larger contributions to their solution than the Protestant missionary leadership of the past 150 years. World Protestantism now has a heavy responsibility and an unparalleled opportunity in this matter.

2. A most urgent need is for a larger measure of religious liberty in Portuguese colonial areas. Conversations and other relationships with high colonial personalities in Portugal and in the colonies during the past year have been somewhat encouraging but by no means decisive.

II. The Leopoldville Conference

Months of preparation in Africa, North America, and Europe were necessary for the West Central Africa Regional Missionary Conference at Leopoldville July 13-24, 1946. This first such conference to be held anywhere brought together about 200 delegates, including thirty-five Africans, the largest number of Africans ever to be delegated to such an inter-mission gathering in Africa. The report of the meeting will be published in America shortly.

III. Strengthening of European Centers for Work in Africa

In Belgium, France, Britain, Portugal and Scandinavia, the committee’s secretary has assisted in conferences looking toward the strengthening of relations between the Protestant forces in those countries and the Protestant missions in African colonies.

The Brussels Bureau will be greatly strengthened in January when the Rev. H. Wakelin Coxill takes on the work there. He has been for thirteen years the general secretary of the Congo Protestant Council at Leopoldville. That Council was deeply reluctant to have him leave Congo but recognized the continued value of his service in Belgium.

IV. Liberia Centennial

The Republic of Liberia came into existence with the adoption of the Constitution on July 26, 1847. The Africa Committee has been cooperating with the Liberian Centennial Commission in preparations for celebrating this important event. Rev. Thomas S. Donohugh represented the Committee at a meeting of the Centennial Commission held in Washington on July 26. Dr. Charles L. Crane has gathered for the Africa Committee material on the establishment and progress of the Republic. It is hoped to have this material available for distribution and special study during 1947.

V. Africa Bureau

Increasingly this Bureau becomes a center of information on all phases of current life and conditions in Africa. Representatives of
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the State Department, of the United Nations Security Council, of universities and theological seminaries (staff and students), call for information on problems related to their specific fields. The cooperation of publishers, governments and others assures constant new accessions despite the Bureau’s lack of anything like a budget.

VI. Personnel

Two retirements for age have particularly affected the committee, those of Rev. Thomas S. Donohugh of the Methodist Board, who for so many years was chairman of the Africa and the Congo Committees, and Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones of the Phelps Stokes Fund, who more than any other one man was responsible for major developments in African education following World War I. The contributions they have made are large and lasting.

Miss Clara L. Bentley was on September 26, 1945 elected associate secretary of the Africa Committee. This action was taken at the end of nine years of effective service by Miss Bentley as the office secretary of the committee.

During the absence of the committee’s secretary in Africa and Europe, from May 21 to October 5, and for a period before, Dr. Charles L. Crane was loaned by the Executive Committee for Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., to the Africa Committee. This was at a time when the Southern Presbyterian Mission in Congo was also loaning the Congo Protestant Council the services of Dr. V. A. Anderson. These effective personnel aids to the cooperative work have been gratefully received by the other boards and missions.

The Congo Protestant Council which, as the Congo Continuation Committee, was the first field Continuation Committee to be organized (1911) on the pattern of Edinburgh’s Continuation Committee (1910), has taken another “first” step in electing a Scandinavian missionary as its chief executive officer. At the Council’s meeting at Leopoldville in July, Rev. Jos. Ohrneman, for more than twenty years a Svenska Missions-forbundet missionary in Congo Beige, was elected general secretary to succeed Mr. Coxill. Mr. Ohrneman is now on leave in Sweden. He will be attending the International Missionary Council meeting in Toronto next July and will earlier visit the North American boards working in Congo.

EMORY ROSS, Secretary

East Asia

China

Postwar plans for Christian work in China are now being implemented. A significant All-China Conference was held in New York April 23-26, 1946. Dr. Frank T. Cartwright presented an excellent
and comprehensive report of his six months' deputation trip to China. Dr. Chester S. Miao and George K. T. Wu, delegates from China to the meeting of the International Missionary Council in Geneva, spent some weeks and months at 156 Fifth Avenue on their return to China. They addressed the conference and took an active and helpful part in the deliberations. With six other Chinese leaders and 150 board secretaries and China missionaries, this was a most representative gathering. The Findings Committee presented recommendations growing out of this conference to the China Committee on June 4, and the following emphases in the Christian program were approved and submitted to boards in North America and to the National Christian Council in China. Since that time progress has been made in putting into effect these special projects. (1) Spiritual rehabilitation of church workers through retreats, refresher courses, and provision through Church World Service of libraries for pastors and seventy-five one-year subscriptions to five religious periodicals. (2) Evangelism is being emphasized, with the NCC working on a plan for the country as a whole, with a continued united approach to student evangelism. Heartly endorsement was given to the Laymen's and the Church and Alumni movements. (3) The North China Christian Rural Service Union has been reorganized and support was voted for a greatly enlarged program. (4) The Home and Family Life project has had the approval of the NCC and of the China Committee. Dr. Irma Highbaugh has been invited to be a Cooperating Secretary of the National Christian Council on Home and Family Life. (5) For visual aids an initial budget of $15,000 was voted and half of this has been raised. Dr. Rinden has gathered together the materials needed, and leaves this winter to take up his work as a Cooperating Secretary of the National Christian Council for Visual Aids. (6) National Committee for Christian Religious Education. A thoroughgoing plan of cooperative work in Christian religious education with an adequate budget, presented by Dr. Miao and Miss Mabel Nowlin, and endorsed by the World's Sunday School Association has been approved. (7) The conference recognized the important rôle of the middle school in the Christian program and recommended a better distribution of these schools, more vocational training, and an emphasis upon their quality and thorough Christian spirit. (8) Studies are being made in China and in North America on the use of the radio in Christian work. (9) A whole day was given to a consideration of medical work, with a number of China doctors and nurses present. Discussions have been going forward and specific recommendations are now being presented to the responsible bodies in China and North America urging an adequately staffed medical secretariat as an integral part of the NCC, close and realistic cooperative planning among denominational groups and between them and the government, and the integra-
tion of the Council on Medical Missions with a responsible Christian body while retaining the values of its close relationship to the Chinese Medical Association. (10) The National Christian Council is the vital agency for carrying out this enlarged postwar program, and the China Committee voted to do its part with funds and personnel in maintaining an NCC staff adequate for this task.

Nineteen mission boards have subscribed to the rehabilitation and basic budgets of the College of Chinese Studies and have become participating members of the North American Council. Henry C. Fenn has been chosen to succeed Dr. William B. Pettus as President. The college expects to reopen in Peiping early in March 1947.

In spite of civil war, missionaries are returning to China in considerable numbers. The S.S. Marine Lynx sailed from San Francisco on September 29, with 300 China missionaries on board.

The large number of visits of deputations from North America to China, and of Chinese church workers to this continent, is building up a sympathetic understanding of the problems which China is facing, and making it possible for us to move together into the new day.

Neither wars nor rumors of war can stop the progress of the Kingdom in China.

Japan

The postwar period in Japan presents an unprecedented opportunity for Christian work and the mission boards of North America through the Japan Committee have in reality made a united approach to the work there. The first two members of the Commission of Six, representing all the boards, reached Japan on April 15, 1946, and the others followed them within a short time. By October a total of about eighty missionaries had received military clearance to return to Japan and of this number about forty had reached the field.

The Commission of Six has been the official liaison agency of the full Japan Committee with the Church of Christ in Japan, with other churches and agencies, and with the Headquarters of the Supreme Command Allied Powers (SCAP). Priority lists of missionaries for Japan have been sent to the Commission by the Japan Committee, and the Commission has made the necessary investigations to assure Headquarters of SCAP that provision for housing and food can be made for these missionaries. Upon this assurance military clearance has been granted. The Church of Christ in Japan now has a Committee on Home and Foreign Cooperation and a Reconstruction Committee, and by request of the Kyodan members of our Commission serve on these two committees. Provision has been made for missionaries to become members of the Kyodan, thereby making it possible to integrate the missionary personnel thoroughly into the life and work of the Church.

The Japan Committee has raised about $75,000 for relief of pas-
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tors of the Church of Christ in Japan. In cooperation with Church World Service, 500,000 hymnals, and religious periodicals and libraries for theological seminaries and pastors are being sent to Japan. The crucial importance of rural evangelism in postwar Japan is recognized and boards are endeavoring to meet the pressing need for more Japanese and missionaries trained in rural evangelism and in the program of Christian home and family life. It is hoped that Mr. Reisner can include Japan and Korea in the world trip which he is making in the interest of rural rehabilitation.

Reports from the meetings of the National Christian Education Association give promise of common thinking and planning among Christian schools of all grades in Japan, and the boards are ready to welcome concrete proposals from the Association as they plan for the educational work of the future.

The plan for a Christian University in Japan is going forward as a joint project of the Federal Council of Churches and the Foreign Missions Conference and as an expression of goodwill on the part of the North American church people toward the people of Japan. Dr. T. T. Brumbaugh has been appointed executive secretary, and left in October for Japan for conference with the committee there. Dr. L. J. Shafer, Chairman of the North American Committee, will also visit Japan to assist in survey and consultation.

On September 20 and 21, 1946, an Inter-Board Conference of ninety missionaries and board secretaries listened to four of their number and an army chaplain give amazing reports of the situation in Japan. The conference, inspired by the open door for Christianity in Japan, made recommendations to the meeting of the Japan Committee in November, which, when implemented, will enable the Christian forces to enter upon an enlarged program of spiritual advance in education and evangelism.

Korea

A staff of missionaries is gradually being built up in Korea. Sixteen have returned to the field. A list of more than fifty others has been presented for military clearance, and we expect that most of these missionaries will be able to proceed to Korea before the end of 1946. The Commission of Ten representing all boards has been the liaison agency in giving assurance of housing, food and financial support for missionaries and in expediting military clearance.

The production of literature for Korea is one of the major emphases at present. A budget of $15,000 was raised for Sunday school lesson materials in Korean. These lessons have been printed in the United States and are now being distributed in Korea. An additional budget of $11,450 has been planned for 1947-48 for periodicals, for indigenous literature, for literature in Braille for the blind, and for a literacy
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campaign. In cooperation with Church World Service, which will provide one-third of the cost, the Korea Committee is planning to meet a request from Korea for hymnals.

Missionaries who formerly worked north of the 38th parallel are finding temporary places of service in the southern area. Union institutions like Ewha College and Severance Hospital are being reorganized, and the value of a united approach to the difficult problems facing the Church in Korea, backed up by united planning in North America, is becoming increasingly evident.

Rowland M. Cross, Secretary

Europe

The Committee on Europe has met only once during the year, but a number of its members and consultants have visited Europe and have had opportunity for first-hand study of the situation there. Some contacts with the Protestant churches have been made by these representatives and others, so that the situation has become somewhat clearer. Through Church World Service and its predecessor, the Commission for World Council Service, large quantities of material aid and substantial amounts in cash to be applied toward the rehabilitation of church life have gone to Europe. Representatives of the Europe Committee have been influential in seeing that the interests of minority groups, to which the mission boards are principally related, were cared for in the handling of this aid. The problems of the interrelatedness of churches and mission boards in their activities in Europe are so complex that no single pattern of approach or any united program seems either possible or desirable.

Wynn C. Fairfield, Secretary

India

"The great sub-continent of India" is a phrase more and more often encountered. The space given to India in the daily press is a gauge of her importance in the current world picture. Things are moving rapidly in India today. It is the concern of the India Committee to undergird the efforts of the Christian Church in India to be ready to make its contribution in leadership and resources to the developing national life. According to Bishop Shot K. Mondol, the National Christian Council of India is constantly gaining in influence among church groups and increasingly looked to by the Indian government as expressing the Christian position.

The committee was active in helping to secure the passage in July 1946 of the India Immigration and Naturalization Bill, which allows a quota of one hundred citizens of India to enter this country annually and permits those desiring to reside here permanently to become naturalized citizens.

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The committee was likewise active in trying to secure increased shipments of grain to India for famine relief. The secretary met with the India Food Commission in Washington to support their pleas for shipments of grain. Through Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, the committee has been kept in touch also with the reports of the American Food Mission to India. The work of the former Church Committee for Relief in Asia has been merged into that of the Church World Service, and Lynn C. Blickenstaff has been loaned by his board, the Church of the Brethren, for a period of time to be director of the relief program of Church World Service in India.

The committee is not, however, limiting its concern to India's immediate food situation but in cooperation with the National Christian Council has been studying ways of long-term famine prevention. It urged and aided the holding of an All-India Conference at Allahabad Agricultural Institute which brought together Christian workers from all parts of the country to discuss plans for long-range famine prevention, and more particularly of leadership training for such a program. Following the Allahabad Conference, the India Committee requested Agricultural Missions, Inc. to make the services of John Reisner available for an extended visit to India to confer with leaders there on a long-term program of rural rehabilitation. Church World Service has joined with Agricultural Missions, Inc. in making the trip possible financially.

The committee has studied the developments in the area of medical education in India and noted the plans of the Christian Medical Association for coordinated Christian medical education, centering around Miraj, Ludhiana and Vellore.

One of the most significant activities of the committee has been a study of the survey of theological education in India, made by the National Christian Council. Recently the committee has had the benefit in its study of a visit from C. W. Ranson, who has set forth the report of the survey in a most inspiring volume, "The Christian Minister in India."

Interest in the Christian Home movement in India, China and other lands, has been much stimulated among the women's boards in America by the publication of "The Family and its Christian Fulfilment," the report of a study on home and family life around the world headed by Winifred Bryce. A second Christian Home bulletin has been issued in India. Mrs. Bryce is to edit a Christian Home magazine in India until an Indian editor has been trained. It is hoped to have one or two Indian students come to America to study journalism.

The committee has been seeking to expedite the securing of visas to India, that missionaries may more readily return to their posts. Transportation problems have also been a matter of concern.

Financial assistance has been given to the Committee on Audio-
Visual Aids of the National Christian Council, to hold conferences exploring the use of these agencies for education and evangelism. Conferences were held with Dr. Dwight M. Donaldson, principal of the Henry Martyn School of Islamics, which has received the approval of the National Christian Council for its plans to establish its permanent headquarters at Aligarh, purchasing and developing the property it now occupies there.

*India Bulletins* have been issued on the Sargent Scheme and on Literacy and Literature in India, as well as on general subjects.

The committee has worked closely with the office of Professor M. S. Sundaram, Educational Liaison Officer to India, and also with the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students, in the interests of the large number of Indian students now coming to this country. It is felt that their experiences while in this country and their interpretation of America on their return to India may be very valuable factors in the growth of world friendship and understanding.

During the year the secretary had the privilege of meeting with the India Committee of the Conference of British Missionary Societies in London, whose work is similar to its own. It is expected that in the spring of 1947 a deputation from the National Christian Council, including its secretary, Rajah B. Manikam, will visit both Great Britain and the United States. The secretary of the India Committee has been invited to visit India in the fall of 1947.

*Sue Weddell, Secretary*

**Cooperation in Latin America**

During the past year the visits of four outstanding Protestant leaders to Latin America were of great significance. Alberto Rembao, editor of *La Nueva Democracia*, magazine published in Spanish by the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America, spent nine months in South America, Cuba and Mexico. Besides addressing great audiences in universities, theaters and churches, Mr. Rembao interviewed many distinguished men of letters. The prestige of Protestantism as expressed through literature is increasing.

Dr. T. Z. Koo, prominent Chinese leader in the World Student Christian Federation, spent several months in Latin America, consulting with student groups and addressing large audiences. Besides drawing attention to Christian work among students, Dr. Koo symbolized in the eyes of the Latin Americans the ecumenical Church. Many had never seen or heard a prominent Chinese Protestant before.

Dr. John A. Mackay spent the summer and early fall of 1946 visiting most of the Latin American countries. Dr. Mackay gave over 200 addresses in four months, speaking in universities, theaters, colleges and churches. Everywhere he was acclaimed as one of the
great Christian leaders of our time and a profound thinker with deep insight into the problems of Latin America. 

Dr. E. R. Kellersberger, secretary of the American Mission to Lepers, visited leper colonies in different countries. The reception given these Christian leaders reflects the great upsurge of the Protestant movement in Latin America. This movement is achieving manhood and is influencing not only spiritual but also social and political life as never before.

In every country we are now seeing the results of Protestant educational activities over the years. More young people are coming into the Church and even many of those graduates of our schools who do not become members remain staunch advocates of the principles of freedom and moral conduct which Protestantism has taught them.

Two significant youth conferences were held in Havana, Cuba, in August 1946. The first was the Latin American Youth Congress, which brought together sixty-seven official delegates from twenty denominations in seventeen countries and twenty-eight fraternal delegates. An outstanding event during the conference was an open-air meeting in Havana's large amphitheater where over 6,000 people gathered together. This conference was followed by a three-day meeting of delegates from Latin America and North America to work out ways of cooperation and understanding in this hemisphere. The Committee on Cooperation in Latin America played an important part in both these conferences.

Dr. Howard has spoken to large responsive audiences in Mexico, Central America, Panama, Colombia and Peru in recent months. In the last named country Dr. Howard was conscious of a greater freedom for Protestant work since the Apra Party got into power in July, 1945.

Literacy work continues to grow, with new campaigns in Bolivia and Honduras. This work represents one of the most significant contributions of Protestantism to Latin America.

The literature program has been intensified and La Aurora Bookstore reports record sales. Plans are being made for the reorganization of the Union Bookstore in Mexico.

The evangelical radio program of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America has found a ready response among a number of boards and the Committee has been enabled to proceed with its plans for establishing recording studios in different centers.

The United Andean Indian Mission, formed in December 1945, began work in Ecuador in February 1946. This is a united work in which four boards participate, and the comprehensive approach is being used in an agriculturally-based project. The farm which the mission acquired is in an area where there are 16,000 Indians hitherto
unreached by the gospel. The report of the survey commission under the title of "Indians of the High Andes" was published by the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America in 1946.

In 1946 the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America completed thirty years of intense work for the evangelization of Latin America.

W. Stanley Rycroft, Secretary

Work Among Moslems

Tensions in many parts of the world are involving Moslem areas and Moslem peoples. This has served to make the Committee on Work Among Moslems increasingly aware of the necessity of careful planning for Christian work among Moslems and also of a more adequate interpretation of Moslem peoples to the home constituencies.

A new milestone in work among Moslems was reached at the Princeton Conference held June 24-29, 1946. Represented among the ninety-five delegates were eighteen boards and seven other interested organizations. Missionaries from nineteen countries were in attendance. The range of topics discussed gives some idea of the scope of the conference: a statistical survey of the Moslem world; present tensions between Christians and Moslems; the emerging Church in Moslem lands; evangelism; literacy and literature; functional approaches such as rural, medical, educational, women's work and work among children; religious liberty, and relations with government.

One of the great concerns of the conference was the great need for more missionary recruits, the best youth to be found in our churches, who will be given adequate training and orientation preparation for one of the most difficult and challenging tasks in Kingdom building, the presentation of Christ to Moslems.

The conference, after careful and prayerful study, adopted certain recommendations which it is believed will make more effective the cooperative missionary work among Moslems.

Plans are now under way for the visit of Dr. Laubach to the Near East. There, in cooperation with the Near East Christian Council, literacy campaigns will be carried on in several countries. This calls for careful planning in literature for the newly literate. Some missionaries are already at work on this.

The committee is seeking through church visitations, news letters, and other means to help Christians in America become better informed about Moslem people. At the present time hundreds of Moslem students are attending universities and technical schools in America. Friendship with these students will make for a better understanding of their people.

The Committee on Work Among Moslems cooperates with all the
area committees in strengthening Christian work among Moslems throughout the world.

GLORA M. WYSNER, Secretary

The Philippines

The Philippine Committee held a two-day (March 23-24) discussion of education in the Philippines and reviewed the joint report of the subcommittees on higher education and theological training. The cooperating boards appropriated approximately $4,000 for a newly organized Association of Christian Schools and Colleges in the Philippines and paid $2,000 toward the 1946 budget of $4,100. In the March meeting the committee also heard the recommendation of its subcommittees on education to send a planning group to the Philippines and a report that part of its expenses had been guaranteed by the boards. In June it was decided that three persons should be chosen for their competency in the fields of theological training and general education from the grades through college. The September meeting elected an Advisory Council of educators to serve Christian schools in the Philippines in some such manner as the Associated Boards have helped similar institutions in China. The committee was informed that Dean Ava Milam of Oregon State College had accepted an invitation to serve on the planning group but the other two members had not yet been secured, nor had the Philippine Federation set a date for the visit of the group.

In June the committee spent a day and a half under the leadership of Allen R. Huber, Disciple missionary, and John H. Reisner in the consideration of rural reconstruction in the Philippines. A plan involving $1,000,000 in ten years was referred to the Philippine Federation of Evangelical Churches and to Church World Service, and the United Christian Missionary Society was asked to assign Mr. and Mrs. Huber to the work of making a survey and of supervising over a period of years one of the proposed demonstration centers. Bishop Cipriano Navarro, executive secretary of the Philippine Federation, wrote his personal approval of the project, suggested that Mr. Reisner go to the Philippines to assist in the survey, and said that official Federation action would be taken on September 28, too late for this report.

In the September meeting the committee received a cabled report from Bishop Navarro that progress toward a union hospital and university in Manila was being made, that a laymen's association was backing it, and that the attitudes of four of the boards which have property in that city relative to financial aid be ascertained by the Philippine Committee and reported to the Federation.

Medical supplies, cloth, clothing, sheets, towels, toilet articles, pins, needles, scissors, books and magazines have gone to the Philippines
by messenger, by mail and by freight. The subcommittee on books has shipped nearly 150,000 volumes, and the Church Committee for Relief in Asia (now Church World Service) has kept a flow of materials on the way. The book project is temporarily discontinued because of lack of funds. Ten thousand books, many badly needed by Christian schools in order to meet government requirements, cannot be shipped until money is provided.

Dr. E. K. Higdon, who went to the Philippines in July 1945 at the request of the Committee, returned on October 31. His report has recently been published by the Friendship Press under the title, "Faith Triumphant in the Philippines." He has been obliged to give up his duties as the executive secretary of the committee, but continues as chairman. For the present, Rev. Rowland M. Cross, executive secretary of the East Asia Committee, has been asked to serve this committee also as its executive secretary, with additional clerical help provided.

Rowland M. Cross, Secretary

Associated Mission Medical Office

The past year has brought a very heavy load of work to the Associated Mission Medical Office. There have been scores of missionaries in the United States eager to get back to their fields of work but held up on account of shipping and war conditions. With the lifting of these restrictive conditions requests have poured in upon us to clear men, women, and children for resumption of work. We knew that the conditions these returning missionaries would face as far as health is concerned would probably be more difficult than any they have faced in the past. We anticipated that in China, particularly, epidemic diseases would be more rampant and less controlled than they were in the past. We therefore undertook to carry out a large scale system of inoculations, and the purchasing and individual mailing of over 5,200 immunization vaccine has been promptly carried out with full instructions and detailed individual reports back to this office so that we could certify each individual case to the health authorities as to the protection given.

Word now comes to us through the regular reports of the Epidemiological Service of the United Nations indicating that our fears for the spread of epidemics in China is being verified by the facts. The latest report at the time of this writing, September 15, indicates that during the month of June and July there were 310 new plague cases in Fukien Province with 153 deaths. In Chekiang Province during twenty days of July there were forty-one cases with fifteen deaths. In Kiangsi Province during thirty days there were twenty-six cases and eleven deaths. Cholera has also spread quite widely. In Chekiang Province there were 294 cases with fifty-nine deaths during a similar
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period. Fukien Province had 172 cases with fifty deaths. Hunan Province had 373 cases with eighty-eight deaths. Kiangsu Province had 599 cases with 119 deaths. Cases were likewise reported from Honan, Hupeh, Kiangsi, Kwangsi and Kwangtung. An unusual situation occurred in the explosive epidemic that appeared in Manchuria. These few figures will carry also an understanding as to what is happening as far as bacillary and amoebic dysentery are concerned. Typhoid fever likewise is quite prevalent.

In anticipation of this, early in the year boards were warned to see to it that missionaries were able to screen their homes. No doubt many boards took emergency measures to purchase screening in the United States and ship it abroad. One board reported, following our recommendation, the purchase of 275,000 square feet of screening, most of it plastic, at a cost of approximately $22,500.

The difficulties encountered by our medical forces in giving adequate health care has been another problem. Hospitals have been overcrowded, nurses and doctors have been overworked; and medicines have not always been fully available. Hospital supplies and equipment have frequently been quite deficient.

We are now looking forward to additional space so that each doctor can have his own examining room with adequate telephone connection and full examining equipment. These improvements we hope will be ready by January. There are five or six missionary groups which are asking to enter our health service plan. Their admission is being delayed until the larger space is available.

The number of examinations which have been cleared through our office during the past twelve months have been 2,128 adults and 394 children. In addition to these examinations there were 2,905 personal health conferences and 1,951 inoculations done in this office.

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

Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work

The Christian Medical Council has just completed its eighth year of service to the boards. Sixty-four boards and allied organizations now claim this service and cooperate in contributing toward the support of the Council office.

On May 31, 1946, Dr. Edward H. Hume, the first executive secretary of the Council, having celebrated his seventieth birthday a fortnight previously, resigned from active participation in the work of the office. Under Dr. Hume's wise and devoted leadership, the Council has developed into a useful instrument of the Church in the strengthening of its ministry of health and healing overseas. That his counsel and help are still available to the staff is a source of gratitude. On June 1, 1946, Dr. Douglas N. Forman, released from part-
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time service with the Associated Mission Medical Office, assumed the full-time secretaryship of the CMC.

There has been increasing reorientation of the Council's activities toward the objective of fuller and more specific practical service to the boards and other organizations cooperating in its support. A loose-leaf volume, containing a statement of the CMC's policies, principles and functions, and a number of other releases and articles on the various concerns of the Council, is available to all Board secretaries, medical missionaries and other interested persons at a nominal cost (25¢).

Letters of appeal for professional personnel by the CMC, published in fifty medical and nursing journals, have elicited scores of responses, but an infinitesimally small proportion of the respondents have measured up to the requirements of Christian medical service. An increasing number of candidates and appointees are being released from the armed services. The future looks more promising with respect to medical personnel.

The receipt of large amounts of medical and surgical surplus government material, through various channels, insures adequate supplies for all China's hospitals—including mission institutions. The purchase of seven 1,000-bed hospitals and several additional units by a group of cooperating boards helped considerably toward the attainment of this objective.

Added impetus has been given to the establishment and strengthening of courses of medical training for non-medical missionaries, by the successful venture sponsored by the Council in New York. Plans are on foot to establish similar courses of training at Montreat and Toronto. The extension service, through which health literature is distributed to 160 missionaries scattered all over the world, has proved increasingly popular.

A variety of conferences during the past year have done much to stimulate and encourage those who have been striving for higher standards of professional and spiritual preparation, more adequate equipment, better programs for nursing education, greater emphasis on public health, recognition of the importance of the teaching function of all medical missionaries, strengthening of representative medical councils on the field and the appointment of denominational board medical secretaries at the home base. These have been, and continue to be, the major emphases of the Council.

Douglas N. Forman, M.D., Secretary

Rural Missions

The rural training program of the Rural Missions Cooperating Committee, in cooperation with Agricultural Missions, Inc., was carried to new levels of attendance during the past year with 203 mis-
sionaries enrolled in seven courses. This brings to 1,270 the total registration of missionaries in these special rural training courses since 1930. The missionaries represent forty-eight countries and twenty-four mission boards. In addition to the courses reported last year a short course in relief and rehabilitation and a special course in home and family life education in the Cornell University Summer Session were held.

The Committee has also cooperated in the preparation of two manuscripts on home and family life, both by Dr. Irma Highbaugh of China. One is a *Handbook for Christian Home and Family Life Programs* and the other is *Family Life in West China*. Generous financial help in these two publication projects has been received from the Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields, Inc.

This committee has had placed on it responsibility for developing rehabilitation programs under Christian auspices in China, India, the Philippines and Japan. Considerable progress has been made in the development of guiding principles and the formation of action programs. At the request of this committee and of the India Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference, and with the financial aid of Church World Service and Agricultural Missions, Inc., John H. Reisner, executive secretary of Agricultural Missions, Inc., was asked to make a special visit to the countries concerned and, with the responsible people and agencies on the field, to develop these rehabilitation programs. Mr. Reisner left October 23 for India, to proceed from there to the Far East. It is expected that these programs will be implemented by Church World Service and the Foreign Missions Conference.

JOHN H. REISNER, Secretary

Treasurers

The Treasurers Committee assumed primary responsibility for two major projects during the year.

The first was organizing a joint purchasing commission to go to Manila and Shanghai to handle procurement for use of missions in the Far East of United States government war surplus commodities stored in stock piles in those areas. Interested boards listed their requirements to a total of approximately $7,000,000 "book value," of which the commission was able to purchase about three-sevenths, but at a figure between one million and one million and a half dollars. These valuable materials, largely medical and hospital supplies, were warehoused in Shanghai and an interdenominational committee set up in that city to control distribution to the purchasing boards.

The second major project was negotiating with steamship lines for the mass transportation of missionaries to the Far East and to India.
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Through the cooperation of the American President Lines and other operators upwards of one thousand missionaries were accommodated during the last half of 1946, and additional sailings were scheduled for succeeding months. It appears likely that this service to the boards will continue until such time as prevailing emergency conditions are past and normal commercial arrangements are available.

Special credit should be given to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, USA, for its graciousness in lending one of its staff, Daniel M. Pattison, to represent all boards on the Pacific procurement mission, entailing his absence from his own work for many weeks; and for lending another of its staff, John Rosengrant, to handle multitudinous office details in connection with the sailing of the "missionary ships," and lending the services of its west coast representative, Dr. Horace W. Ryburn, for handling details in connection with the Marine Lynx sailings from San Francisco, and the organization of farewell mass meetings preceding those sailings.

At the present time the Treasurers Committee has under consideration the perennial questions of setting up a permanent central travel office for all interested boards, and setting up a permanent office for purchase and shipment of mission supplies for those boards desiring it. Study of the advantages and disadvantages of both is being made.

WINFRED P. ELSON, Secretary

World Literacy and Christian Literature

The Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature is expanding its activities as board support continues to increase. The initiating Methodist grant of $25,000 in five annual payments brought quick response; the Congregational contribution approaches $10,000 annually in addition to Frank Laubach's salary; Presbyterian USA payments approach $15,000 yearly; the United Brethren special project for literacy and literature resulted in $28,000 to be spent in four years; the Protestant Episcopal Reconstruction and Advance appropriation this year in addition to the regular budgeted grant was $10,000; United Lutherans quadrupled their 1944 grant and reserved $25,000 for their own literacy in Africa; a Southern Baptist grant brought the Committee over $6,000 last year. A half dozen other boards now pay their full quota in the committee's askings. Today twenty-nine denominations have committed themselves to regular support. The year 1945-46 brought in nearly a hundred thousand dollars, half from boards and half from private givers.

Consequently, grants through area committees to the field for literature and literacy have increased. The sum of $10,000 prior to 1943
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grew to nearly $58,000 last year, a 1942-46 total of $110,982.83 by April 1946.

These subsidies have meant much. The distribution of Christian literature for Latin America has nearly trebled since 1944; scores of *African Home Library* titles, long circulated in English, are now ready in French, Portuguese and in many of the vernacular languages of Africa; and three language periodicals are expanding already good circulations. In China the periodical, *Christian Farmer*, lived through the war and will be a key factor in the rural missions reconstruction program; and in addition, the United Christian Publishers have plans to spend next year $19,000 starting a postwar literature program for new literates and mature readers. Moslem lands, the Philippines, Burma and Korea (their literature programs decimated by war ravages and war priorities) are launching on brave new adventures.

Now that the war is over, important literature conferences, long postponed, are being planned. In August 1946 the Western Hemisphere Christian Youth Conference featured literacy and literature prominently. In February 1947 the committee’s representatives will be in Rio de Janeiro with Brazil’s Protestant leaders working out a Christian literature program in Portuguese in much the same way that the Mexico Conference in 1941 set up today’s maturing Spanish literature program.

About literacy: Dr. Glora Wysner’s visit to North Africa and the Near East and Dr. Emory Ross’ trip to West Africa this last year laid the groundwork for real advances in literacy among Arabic speaking peoples and in the African tongues. Dr. Laubach goes into these lands in 1947 and 1948; this is a joint project with British mission literature groups.

Personnel training: A semester’s course on the techniques of literacy and literature work is being planned with Hartford School of Missions; five-day institutes are planned for two other missionary training centers.

This program has to be publicized at home and implemented on the mission field. To accomplish these ends the committee collaborated with the Missionary Education Movement to publish this year Ruth Ure’s *Highway of Print*, describing in detail the missions literature enterprise, and a new edition of Frank Laubach’s *The Silent Billion Speak*, describing our literacy work. On the press now is Laubach’s *Story of Jesus*, a primer for new literates; and ready for the printer is his *Making the World Literate*, a manual for literacy workers. The funds are in hand to do this printing without charging it against board funds, which go almost entirely for literature projects in the field.

*Alfred D. Moore, Secretary*
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Anglo-American Churches

After marking time for some years, this committee is now facing vigorously the emerging opportunities of the postwar period. At its meeting on September 24 the following action was taken:

In view of the imperative for an active Christian witness by Anglo-American residents in foreign communities, the lack of which has proved a continual drawback to the entire Christian mission program, it was VOTED: That a committee of three be named to study the relationship of the Committee on Anglo-American Churches to this problem, to study the areas where the work should be expanded, and to report to the Committee at its next meeting.

The presence of large numbers of troops in many cities has stepped up the urgency of this type of work. Thirteen boards which are deeply interested in Christian work in these port and capital cities around the Pacific are asked for a budget of $15,000 to meet these needs.

In the Far East, Manila Union Church has been holding well-attended services in a mission building and has asked for support on a three-year basis of a full-time pastor. Its former minister was killed in a bombing raid and the church destroyed. The Shanghai Community Church, which carried on a full program throughout the war, with Chinese pastors, has now called a former American navy chaplain to the pastorate. Peiping, which has morning services for American marines and afternoon services for the community as a whole, is seeking a pastor. Church services have been started again in Tokyo.

The thirteen churches with which the committee is in touch in Latin America, a number of them with full-time pastors, are making an increasing outreach to the English-speaking communities.

The committee now has the part-time services of an office secretary and will be able to carry on correspondence with the twenty Anglo-American churches, build up fellowship and the sharing of problems and work among them, and keep a close and helpful relationship between the boards in North America and these Anglo-American churches.

Rowland M. Cross, Secretary

Finance and Headquarters

The Finance and Headquarters Committee reviewed the whole budgetary situation of the Conference just before the Annual Meeting in March 1946, and recommended a revised budget for the year 1946-47 for the general services and related organizations and programs somewhat less than that originally recommended. The year 1945-46 closed with approximately the same small balance on hand as the year 1944-45, in spite of the fact that the reorganization of the Conference with the addition of full-time secretaries for Africa, East Asia, and World Literacy and Christian Literature and part-time secretaries for India and Work Among Moslems had called for substantial additional appropriations from the member boards.
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At the September meetings in 1946, the Committee recommended and the Committee of Reference and Counsel voted:

That the tentative budget for General Services and Related Organizations and Programs for 1947-48, totaling $93,139.50 with the expectation of receiving $85,545 in contributions from the member boards, be adopted for submission to the member boards and that they be asked to make their appropriations to this budget for the year 1947-48 on the basis of one-half of 1% of their 1945 overseas expenditure in accordance with the principle already adopted by the Conference; with the understanding that when the Annual Meeting acts on the 1947-48 budget in January, 1947, it will be expected to leave the final power to determine the actual budget to the Committee on Finance and Headquarters in the light of returns from the boards and the situation in March, 1947.

In addition, the committee submitted for CRC approval, which was granted, a statement concerning the way in which responsibility for preparing and reviewing the entire coordinated budget, including budgets for all units with separate budgets, was to be located. This placed major responsibility for detailed review of the representative and other committee budgets with the Secretarial Council, but the committee retained responsibility for detailed review of the budget for general services and related organizations and programs.

It is significant that figures and a chart presented in connection with the committee’s recommendation showed that the member boards had been extraordinarily loyal to the Conference during the depression years and had made adjustments in the rate of their contributions so that the budget of the Conference actually suffered less in proportion than their individual budgets. It is a further matter of interest that for the last fiscal year, the first under the more adequate staffing of the activities of the Conference, the actual contributions of the member boards were as follows:

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It should be noted that this total of askings is comparable with an estimated $25,000,000 spent by the boards themselves overseas in their fiscal years closing in 1945, so that it would represent about 2% of their total budgets. Not until the total overseas expenditure is thought of by the boards as included in the cooperative enterprise, however administered, will the North American foreign missions enterprise be soundly cooperative.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD, Secretary

International Relations and World Peace

Although this committee as such has not been active during the past year, the Conference has shared with the Federal Council of Churches, the International Missionary Council and the World Council of Churches in an arrangement by which Dr. O. Frederick Nolde, who had rendered invaluable service as secretary of the Joint Committee on Religious Liberty and as a joint representative of the Federal Council and the Foreign Missions Conference at UNCIO in San Francisco, represented all four bodies in liaison and exploratory relations with the developing agencies of the United Nations. The success of this relationship, plus the development of the Joint Commission on International Affairs in which the World Council shares with the International Missionary Council, seems to indicate the need for rethinking the functions of this committee, and the possible desirability of an inclusive joint committee with the Federal Council in this whole field, including religious liberty, at the American national level.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD, Secretary

Missionary Personnel

The careful planning for all mission areas of the world comes to naught unless well trained young people are found to do the work.

The Committee on Missionary Personnel is continually at work to uncover for area committees, boards, and others asking for it, information regarding language facilities and other specialized training needed by candidates before proceeding to the field. When the need arises, special courses are set up to meet special needs. Information has been made available to the boards regarding special courses at the Kennedy School of Missions, Scarritt College, Princeton, University of California, Yale, Cornell, University of Michigan, and others.

A new simplified blank, to be known as the Introduction Sheet, has been made available to boards. This is for the use of high school age young people who have expressed an interest in missionary work.

In order to assist in making adequate financial provisions for missionary candidates during their period of study, the committee has
compiled information from fifty-two boards on this matter. This study has been made available to all boards.

One of the outstanding activities of the year was the Outgoing Missionary Conference which was held June 11-15, 1946 at the Hartford Seminary Foundation. In attendance were 166 new missionaries, representing seventeen boards, and enroute to twenty-three countries. These young people represented a wide variety of talent and training. The days of worship, orientation, and Christian fellowship gave them a sense of oneness in their task, an awareness of the world mission of the Church, and a sense of direction for their part in it.

GLORA M. WYSNER, Secretary

Missionary Research Library

As the Missionary Research Library collection of books and pamphlets increases and becomes better known, it tends to attract to itself gifts of older missionary materials when these are releasable by private or board owners. This tendency has been especially noticeable in 1946. As a result, many gaps in serial files at the library have been filled, while extra copies of books and periodicals are made available to other libraries, this through sale, trade, or gift. In this way very considerable help was given during the year to certain libraries abroad which had been despoiled through war action.

The lists of books shown in the library exhibits at the Foreign Missions Conference annual meetings are under increasing demand as check lists of the year’s output of missionary titles. Also, the mailing list of the Book Notes continues to grow.

The librarian, in late summer and in the autumn, made an extensive trip to the chief library centers of the Rocky Mountain region and the Pacific Coast, this in order to learn of the developing library concerns and programs especially with reference to the Pacific area and the Far East. New cooperative procedures functioning through “bibliographic centers” enable the respective libraries in the trans-Mississippi states to utilize region by region the inclusive library resources available. This makes practicable also an enlarged service on the part of the Missionary Research Library, provided effective contacts are maintained with these bibliographic centers.

Increasing enrollments at institutions of higher and professional learning, including many students from abroad who have come to America for study, the growing concern of North Americans with respect to the state of the world, and the deepening conviction on the part of many that the world’s hurt will not be healed until world life has a more adequate moral and spiritual foundation—all these trends are reflected in the number and kinds of demands being made upon the Missionary Research Library.

CHARLES H. FAHS, Curator
Public Relations

The Committee on Public Relations, now under the chairmanship of Dr. Charles T. Leber, accepted from the 1946 Annual Meeting a number of specific assignments in the field of publicity and promotion, plans for which have been begun.

Outstanding development was the establishment April 1, 1946, on a temporary basis, of the Missions Public Relations Office under the jurisdiction of a joint committee of the Foreign Missions Conference and the Home Missions Council. After a six months' interim period, George Dugan, formerly with Religious News Service, took office on October 15 as director. The office has established and maintained contact with the secular press and news gathering agencies in the fields of radio and newsreels, and with the church press, supplying increasingly complete coverage of the activities of FMC and its representative committees. Needed further expansion will come as additional budget funds are provided by the member boards of both agencies.

Plans are likewise being discussed with the Home Missions Council for setting up joint promotional projects designed to increase the awareness of clergy and laity of the whole world mission enterprise. Through the Inter-Council Field Department and the Association of Council Secretaries contact has been made with city and state councils of churches throughout the country. Special attention has been given to developments of promotional approach to laymen, veterans, youth, and other groups. Encouragement was also given an informal conference of persons representing the publicity interests of denominations and interdenominational agencies which discussed the possible future establishment of a general interdenominational Protestant public relations office.

Winfred P. Elson, Secretary

Conferences

In the Joint Committee on Conferences, the Foreign Missions Conference with five members shares responsibility with the Missionary Education Movement, the Home Missions Council, and the United Council of Church Women. Under related local committees, the Joint Committee supports four regional conferences on missions, the 1947 dates of which are:

Northfield Missionary Conference, East Northfield, Mass., June 27-July 5
Conference on the Christian World Mission, Silver Bay, N. Y., July 16-23
Midwest Conference on Missions and Adult Education, Lake Geneva, Wis.,
July 27-August 2
California Conference on Missionary Education, Asilomar, Calif., August
11-16

The possibility of a similar conference in the southeastern region is being explored. The important development during 1946 was ex-
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tension of cooperation of this committee to the Northfield Conference which in 1947 will for the first time be planned equally for men and for women, although some men had attended previous conferences.

A separate cooperative committee representing the Foreign Missions Conference, Home Missions Council and United Council of Church Women plans the program of the Chautauqua Summer School of Missions, Chautauqua, N. Y. Staff members of the FMC cooperate also in the programs of the Florida Chain of Missionary Assemblies.

A National Adult Work Planning Conference held July 28-August 4, 1946 at Lake Geneva, Wis., focused attention upon the program of the United Christian Adult Movement and the current emphases desirable in congregational and group study.

WINFRED P. ELSON

General FMC Publications

“Christian World Facts” continues to interpret the sweep of the modern missionary movement to a widening constituency. Seventy-five thousand copies were printed of the 1946-47 edition, number 27. The first half consists of especially solicited short articles, the second of a variety of missionary stories and illustrations, drawn from the literature of many of the FMC member boards. Emphasis is given to the current interdenominational foreign mission study theme, India. A number of denominational book shops now stock “Christian World Facts”; it is sold at the Florida Chain of Missions and at Chautauqua, and professors of missions order it for their students at such institutions as Hartford and Princeton Theological Seminaries, Chicago Theological Seminary and the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky. Orders come from the Boy Scouts of India, a church press in Sweden, the National Missionary Council of Australia. There is increasing use of it by councils of churches. The executive secretary of a council in a large California city writes, “During my ministry, I studded my missionary preaching with gems from ‘Christian World Facts.’ I can think of no better gift to give to the ministers of our Council than a copy of this publication.”

Four issues of the bulletin, You’ll Want to Know, news flashes of significant developments in the missionary picture, are sent to boards during the year. A number of boards have standing orders for a quantity of copies which they send to their board and staff members and often to their missionaries.

The perennial leaflet, What is the Foreign Missions Conference?, has been brought up to date and is available for free distribution.

The annual report, “Peace—Goodwill among Men,” appears to be serving its function as a working tool, especially for board secretaries,
and cloth copies for their files are ordered by a large number of public and private libraries throughout the country. The report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, which is printed separately prior to its inclusion in the annual report, served a new function this year. The Methodist Board purchased several hundred copies for missionaries on furlough, to acquaint them with the program and activities of the Foreign Missions Conference. Similar arrangements can be made for other boards if the order is placed in advance.

Florence Gordon, Editorial Assistant

Southeast Asia

This area includes Burma, Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Borneo and Indo-China. In the absence of Dr. R. L. Archer and Dr. R. L. Howard on tour, the undersigned presents a brief report of progress.

The committee meets on call to share information from these remote and disturbed areas, thereby rendering real service to the boards concerned. It also acts as a subcommittee of Church World Service to advise on relief requirements. For the three months' period from June 30, the recommendation was as follows: Burma $50,000, Siam $20,000, Malaya $10,000, Indonesia $20,000. For the succeeding six months these figures were doubled. Meanwhile efforts are being made to secure information regarding the needs of Indo-China and Borneo.

In relation to the Foreign Missions Conference, the committee labors under the difficulties of a vast area and widely diversified mission fields involving a relatively small group of American boards. The problem of effective coordination is by no means solved but will be found in continued collaboration.

L. S. Albright

Special Program and Funds

Matters connected with the World Day of Prayer have again been one of the primary interests of the Committee on Special Program and Funds. Advance copies of the program for February 21, 1947, "Make Level in the Desert a Highway for our God," by Isabel Caleb of India, have been sent to National Christian Councils and correspondents in forty-four countries and made available also for denominational boards to send overseas to their mission stations. Inspiring letters telling of World Day of Prayer observances have come from Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, Iran, India, Nigeria, Holland, China, Colombia and Brazil. The secretary enjoyed the opportunity of meeting with a number of World Day of Prayer committees during her trip to Great Britain and the Continent in the spring of 1946.

In line with the historic interest of the women of America in the
training of Christian leadership in the Union Christian Colleges for Women in the Orient, and in the light of the presence in this country of an increasing number of students from these and other institutions, the committee voted to take as an additional project for the World Day of Prayer the undergirding of a larger program of work with overseas students through the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students. This committee is to receive a portion of those offerings of the World Day of Prayer which are allocated by the Foreign Missions Conference. Offerings for the 1946 World Day of Prayer as of September 1946 total $174,564.36, of which the Foreign Missions Conference receives approximately one half for allocation.

The Committee sponsored a two-day conference of women board secretaries to consider women’s responsibilities in the cooperative task of forwarding the overseas program of the Church. Ninety women of nineteen communions attended the meetings at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., on March 25-27, many remaining for the meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference which followed directly. They represented eighteen states of the United States and Canada. Guests from Korea, India and Europe told how the war years have affected women. Miss Elizabeth M. Lee and Miss Ruth Ransom presented the results of questionnaires on missionary salaries and on the ideal use of the furlough. A one-day conference on October 29, 1946, in New York will carry further the discussions begun at Buck Hill Falls.

The committee is cooperating with the United Council of Church Women in the plans for its Third Biennial Assembly in Grand Rapids in November 1946 as well as cooperating in the total program of the Council throughout the year.

Assistance is given to women’s groups in the interdenominational study of India. Six thousand copies of a picture sheet, India Marches Forward, have been printed to aid in program building. A clip sheet of stories of life in India has been distributed. A list of speakers has been prepared and speakers secured for particular occasions.

The three handsome kimonos and the gold obi brought to this country by the deputation to Japan, as a token of Christian concern and fellowship from the women of Japan, have been exhibited at many large gatherings and a descriptive leaflet distributed in connection with the display.

In view of the fact that the invitation from the Conference of British Missionary Societies made it possible for the secretary to make many contacts with women’s work both in Great Britain and on the Continent, the committee met half the expenses of the secretary’s trip. The opportunities for fellowship and interchange of views proved rich and rewarding.

SUE WEDDELL, Secretary
More Effective Consultation with Christian Leaders from Other Lands

The International Seminar, sponsored by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, with the cooperation of the Evangelical and Reformed Church and the United Brethren, had seven overseas members, five men and two women. They came from India, Ceylon, Honduras, France, the Philippines and Sierra Leone. From September 15 to Christmas the group was in residence at the Chicago Theological Seminary. Ten Americans joined the Seminar for three days each month, considering calls to faith, evangelism, witness and mission. The members then visited twenty communities across the country, holding "little seminars" and addressing church gatherings of various kinds. In each community there was at least one interdenominational meeting, and usually three. In Denver the whole plan was conducted by the Council of Churches.

The Seminar made a profound impression upon the communities visited as well as on those who participated. The experience seems to represent a new language spiritually, with which we need to become more familiar.

RUTH I. SEABURY, Chairman

Audio-Visual Aids Overseas

An Audio-Visual Aids Overseas Committee has been formed in the past few months in accordance with the authorizing action of the Committee of Reference and Council in June 1945. Following this action a thorough investigation was made of the need for such a committee, together with a study of what its field of operations would be and how it might be constituted in order to bring together competent and skilled persons in the visual and auditory fields.

Preliminary conferences of interested persons indicated the need of an overall strategy including the outlining of a program for the use of audio-visual techniques on mission fields, evaluation of available materials and standardization of equipment, and an exchange of information among mission and home base personnel about the availability of materials and their best use under varying local conditions.

It is proposed that both interdenominational and denominational personnel be coopted as required to initiate and develop the phases of such a program and that, insofar as practical, direct contact be maintained with those members of mission staffs who are most keenly interested in the use of audio-visual aids in the projection of their work and influence.

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Church World Service

The major organizational achievement during the past year has been the merging of the Church Committee for Relief in Asia, the Commission for World Council Service, and the Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction. The new agency known as Church World Service, Inc. is jointly established by the Foreign Missions Conference, the Federal Council of Churches, and the American Committee for the World Council of Churches. Also appointing members to its board are the United Council of Church Women and the following denominational bodies: Northern Baptist Convention; Seventh Day Baptist; Southern Baptist Convention; Church of the Brethren; Congregational-Christian; Disciples of Christ; Evangelical Congregational; Evangelical and Reformed; Friends Five-Year Meeting; National Lutheran Council; Methodist Church; Presbyterian US; Presbyterian USA; Presbyterian, United; Protestant Episcopal Church; Reformed Church in America; United Brethren in Christ. Thus it is apparent that CWS is not another relief agency but the churches themselves at work together.

The new agency was consummated as of May 1, 1946. It is the first time that the Protestant and Orthodox Churches of the United States have achieved a united service agency on a world-wide basis.

The president is Harper Sibley, treasurer, Sidney Gamble, and executive vice-president, A. L. Warnshuis. Thus it is guided by men who have had long experience in the relief and mission work of the Church.

The year has presented the churches with a continuing stream of opportunities for ministry to war-ravaged peoples. The countries of Europe have gradually been opened for the receipt of supplies and funds for purposes contributing to the recuperation of individual and church life. In Asia the year has presented also increasingly disturbing emergencies calling for help.

The consolidation of the accounts of the three agencies reveals the extensive work already carried by the three separate agencies as widening and deepening in the face of needs freshly revealed as the shadows of war were pushed back. In eight months of 1946 the joint program has expended for supplies or shipped overseas approximately $5,000,000. In addition to this the churches have contributed supplies in kind totaling in the first ten months of operation approximately 10,000,000 pounds at a conservative valuation of $4,500,000. These supplies have gone to twenty-six different countries where they have been distributed by interdenominational committees established to help mobilize the church service to and through the churches of each country.

When the new agency, Church World Service, adopted its first
budget, the expectation for eight months ending December 31, 1946
was for $14,955,996. At the half way point of the period, namely
August 31, half of the cash needed had been received—but only one­
third of the material goods, which church people so readily provide
when they realize the need.

The problem of displaced persons, primarily in Germany, is of such
magnitude and concern to the churches that sustained and careful
study has been given to the preparation of a plan for dealing with it.
A special budget of $396,000 annually for this purpose has been estab­
lished, which will make provision for caring for fifty new persons
per month. Work is also being undertaken to secure a liberalization
of our immigration laws to permit a more wholehearted response to
the problems of these distressed people.

Food is sure to continue as one of the major problems in our world
for some time. Certainly for this coming winter the needs in India,
China, Germany, and other countries will make a strong appeal to
the Christian conscience. Church World Service has appointed and
sent to India with the assistance of the Church of the Brethren,
L. W. Bllickenstaff, veteran missionary, to serve as executive of a
relief program conducted under the auspices of the National Christian
Council of India. Clothing, bedding and other supplies will be sent
overseas as fast as received in our eight warehouses. Two such ware­
houses have recently replaced less adequate centers, one in New York,
and one in California at Richmond, near San Francisco.

The spiritual ministry is the responsibility which only the Church
can bring to a distracted world. All our assistance must point to
the supremacy of God in the affairs of men, and our complete dependence
upon His guidance in all we undertake to revive the life of the
churches and of those individuals who carry forward the torch of
leadership.

Leslie B. Moss, Director of Promotion

Closer Relationships

At the Annual Meeting in March 1946, it was voted:

That the Conference request the member boards to continue their study
of the proposal for the closer relationships of general interdenominational
agencies looking toward a final vote at the 1948 Annual Meeting of the
Foreign Missions Conference.

In order to facilitate understanding and discussion by the member
boards of what would be involved for the Foreign Missions Confer­
ence in becoming the Division of Foreign Missions of the National
Council, a careful study of the present and proposed constitutions has
been made in consultation with officers of other organizations involved
who are experts in this matter. The results of this study are being
circulated to the member boards with the request that they furnish
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the committee with statements of their reasons for favoring or opposing the change proposed, which are to form the basis of the fairest possible analysis of the reasons for and against the proposal upon the basis of which boards which so desire can instruct their voting delegates to the Annual Meeting in January 1948.

WYNN C. FAIRFIELD, Secretary

Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students

In rapidly increasing numbers, students and scholars from institutions and national groups abroad are coming to North America. Various agencies are concerned with different phases of the task of serving these “unofficial ambassadors.” Governments are sending mature students to receive training for the postwar development of their countries. At the present time, when it is clearly recognized that our world is forever indivisible, and international understanding is the condition of survival, the presence in our country of these potential leaders has enhanced significance. The Christian movement has a large stake in these future builders of the new world order, since a large proportion of them receive their preliminary education in missionary institutions. The Foreign Missions Conference has designated as its service agency in this field the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students, 347 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York. Organized thirty-five years ago by Dr. John R. Mott, this committee has for its central mission a service of friendship to students from abroad in their social, cultural, and personal experiences in an alien land. To this end its functions include:

(a) Reception at ports of entrance whenever possible.
(b) The preparation of printed orientation material. Outstanding is a pamphlet, Living in the United States, widely made available to new arrivals, with valuable suggestions on first adjustment.
(c) The preparation of an annual census of all foreign students in American colleges and universities, made in cooperation with the Institute of International Education.
(d) A report to mission boards of names and location of students from their respective communions.
(e) Sponsorship of international student conferences.
(f) Enlistment of the interest of those in local communities who are eager to share, through their homes and communities, the finest of our democratic and spiritual heritage.

The Committee on Friendly Relations is supported by contributions from individuals, various foundations, appropriations from church related organizations, and a grant from the World Day of Prayer Fund of the United Council of Church Women.

MABEL M. ROYS, Secretary
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE CONFERENCE

**Inter-Council Field Department**

The Inter-Council Field Department, composed of staff members of seven interdenominational agencies, serves as a clearing house for ideas and for dates which might conflict. The agencies concerned are:

- The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America
- The Foreign Missions Conference of North America
- The Home Missions Council of North America
- The International Council of Religious Education
- The Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada
- The United Council of Church Women
- The United Stewardship Council

It also serves through the Association of Council Secretaries as a means of contact with the state, regional, and city councils or federations of churches, and hopes to integrate their programs with the major projects in the field of cooperation.

To the publications of ICFD listed in the report of one year ago, may be added the third edition, now in preparation, of the Plan Book of American Cooperative Christianity, which contains directory and research material on all the many services offered by the cooperating agencies.

**Winfred P. Elson**

**Interseminary Movement**

Robert S. Bilheimer, Secretary of the Interseminary Committee, stressed the significance of the Interseminary Movement in his report of May 31, 1946, when he said: "Postwar problems of every type have made obvious the urgent need in the world for a dynamic and basically united Christian Church. The increasing ecumenical activities on national and international levels have shown the readiness of the churches to think and act together on these points. . . . A student movement in the seminaries, dedicated to the principles of the ecumenical movement and to making them powerfully relevant in the local scene, is therefore of major importance." The Interseminary Committee is trying to promote such a movement among seminary students. Regional councils throughout the United States have been strengthened. During the past year eighty-five different schools participated in eighteen regional conferences. The Foreign Missions Conference makes a small annual appropriation and maintains staff liaison with this important movement.

Plans are now well under way for the North American Interseminary Conference which is to be held in June 1947. The theme of the conference will be "Man's Disorder and God's Design." In preparation for the conference, study commissions have been set at work for over a year preparing four volumes which are to be known as the Interseminary Series. Included in this series are: I. "The Chal-
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GLORA M. WYSNER

**Protestant Film Commission**

The Protestant Film Commission was organized late in 1945 with the Foreign Missions Conference and other interdenominational and denominational groups as members. It has had an exceptionally busy year becoming organized, establishing relationships, and assuming its assigned responsibilities, under the direction of Paul F. Heard, executive secretary, and Rome Betts, president. Production has begun on films on evangelism and race, both Missionary Education Movement study topics, funds for which have been provided by mission boards and other agencies. Both will be completed in late spring. Plans for a number of other films are at various stages of development, including a proposed recruiting film for the Missionary Personnel Committee. The Protestant Film Commission has accepted invitation to membership in the National Board of Review, and maintains cooperative contact with the Eric Johnston office, representing the motion picture industry. The PFC is frequently consulted on matters of production by its member boards and agencies, and by commercial firms dealing with films in the church field. A distribution plan involving the reorganization and expansion of the service of the Religious Film Association and the YMCA film libraries has been worked out. A Churches International Film Commission has been projected in cooperation with agencies in Britain, which will serve as an international clearing house of religious film materials.

In the field of the reviewing and evaluating of commercial theatrical productions, PFC has appointed members to the reviewing services maintained by the National Board of Review and the Protestant Film Picture Council, which latter is an affiliate of the *Christian Herald*. These reviews, together with a monthly column by Mr. Heard, are appearing in the *Christian Herald*, and are mailed without obligation to editors of the church-press for their free use as a means of advising church member theatergoers regarding their selection of films for their own and their children’s viewing.

Plans have been projected for a financial campaign with a goal of two million dollars to provide a revolving fund for the production of films for the use of the churches. Member boards and agencies have been requested to seek to interest other boards and agencies in membership in PFC.

WINFRED P. ELSON.
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE CONFERENCE

Religious Liberty

The fluid state of world affairs offers strategic opportunity for promoting international cooperation in the observance of human rights. The Joint Committee on Religious Liberty has used its resources to shape the course of developments in the United Nations Commission on Human Rights and to secure adequate provisions to safeguard fundamental freedoms in the peace treaties.

By memoranda, personal interviews, correspondence, and cable it has sought hearing for its recommendations. The Economic and Social Council's action on the composition and competence of the Permanent Commission on Human Rights in many respects followed the suggestions of the Memorandum submitted by the Joint Committee. According to present indications, it appears that all the peace treaties under consideration at the Paris Conference will contain references to human rights. These provisions do not measure up to the standards set by the Joint Committee but they will be adequate as a basis for the kind of development that seems imperative.

Among the numerous activities of the United Nations with which the churches are concerned, two are particularly important at this time. The first has to do with the drafting of an International Bill of Rights by the Commission on Human Rights in accordance with the action of the Economic and Social Council at its Second Session. While considerable time will doubtless elapse before this undertaking is completed, continuing alertness will be needed to insure adequate provision for religious liberty and related human rights. The Statement on Religious Liberty will serve as guide for the committee's recommendations and as a yardstick in appraising draft proposals. The second has to do with the trusteeship agreements for territories to be transferred from the mandate system to the Trusteeship Council. The Joint Committee has already issued a memorandum on this subject and will continue to use it as a basis for consultation with appropriate officials.

"Religious Liberty: An Inquiry" by M. Searle Bates. This project of the Joint Committee is proving its worth as an educational medium. For further details of supplementary printings and translations, please see the International Missionary Council report. As a part of the educational program of the Joint Committee, the periodic distribution of a newsletter is under advisement.

The research facilities of the Joint Committee are put to use in a variety of ways. The study of the Catholic press has made immediately available much helpful information and its findings will prove of assistance in the process of shaping a Protestant strategy. Both the data at the committee's disposal and the judgment of its members have been sought in relation to problems of religious liberty in many
foreign countries as well as in the United States. The American and British Joint Committees on Religious Liberty have set a pattern for international cooperation in this field by consistent exchange of information and by parallel or synchronized action as occasion warranted.

In the period immediately preceding the Cambridge Conference on International Affairs, a study of opportunities for liaison between the churches and the United Nations was made in behalf of the Foreign Missions Conference, the Federal Council of Churches, the International Missionary Council, and the World Council of Churches. In this connection careful attention was given to the procedures by which human rights with special reference to religious liberty can be most effectively promoted throughout the world. With the establishment of the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs by the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council, the Joint Committee will now seek such integration of its work in a world-wide venture as will permit continued performance of its task at home and cooperation in meeting world needs.

O. Frederick Nolde, Executive 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, 1945 TO MARCH 31, 1946

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| **Total Funds and Liabilities** | $142,520.25 |
| **Balance as at March 31, 1946** | 779.65 |
# COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR GENERAL SERVICES AND RELATED ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

APRIL 1, 1947–MARCH 31, 1948

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† Detailed Allocations for 1947-48: The amount which must be secured from boards to meet this budget is $85,545. The actual amount allocated to the boards in the Coordinated Budget sent them is $130,577. This is on the basis of one-half of 1% of total expenditures for their fiscal years ending in 1945, 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.
International Missionary Council

The year just past might be described as the first full one in the postwar period. As such it has been marked by heightened activity and increasing responsibilities. We are in the long-anticipated period of restoration and reconstruction, and it can safely be said that the difficulties and the opportunities have exceeded expectations. Political and social dangers, economic dislocation and stark want, moral and spiritual deterioration—all these only emphasize the obligation and the opportunity to minister to human need and to proclaim the eternal certainties of the gospel throughout the world.

Restoration

Further resumption of contacts and fellowship and real beginnings in the restoration of the organizations and programs of our constituents have also marked the year. This has been especially true of war-torn Asia where the national councils in one degree or another have been reorganized or revived, or, as in the case of Korea and Japan, where such developments are in prospect. In these latter countries Christian envoys from abroad have been warmly received, beginning with the American deputation, and missionary service resumed. Missionaries have also been returning to the Philippines, French Indo-China, Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Burma, and the South Pacific Islands. The Near East Christian Council met in April and projected a program of advance in staff and work.

Geneva Meetings

The principal event of the year was the meeting of the Ad Interim Committee at Geneva, February 16-19, preceded by the meeting of the Joint Committee of the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council and followed by the Provisional Committee of the WCC. The Joint Committee meeting was a fruitful one. It made real progress in matters affecting the entrance of the Younger Churches into the WCC and cooperation between the two bodies in the immediate future, while the larger question of future relationships was remanded for further intensive study by the Joint Committee.

An outstanding feature of the Ad Interim Committee meeting was the complete and deepened fellowship between those so lately divided by war. The representation of the Younger Churches was not as adequate as we had hoped for, but its size was no measure of its significance and contribution. The reports made from countries which had been isolated by war, while replete with stories of devastation and suffering, generally recorded sturdy Christian faith and witness in the midst of hardships and danger. Decisions were taken calling
for a meeting of the Committee of the Council in North America in July 1947, and providing for a thorough study of the program, structure, and staffing of the IMC to be reported on to the Committee of the Council. The whole series of meetings at Geneva strengthened the ecumenical movement and enhanced its unity and purposefulness.

Projected Meeting of the Committee of the Council

Following the Geneva mandate, the officers are preparing for a meeting of the Committee of the Council in Canada in July, 1947. This committee is composed of more than forty members directly appointed by our constituent organizations, plus a small number of people provided by the constitution for appointment by the officers. It is planned approximately to double this number, the extra appointments to be made by the officers in consultation with the constituents, this enlarged committee to meet July 5-19. It will thus be representative of the world, the first postwar gathering of the ecumenical Church on a wide scale. The subject of the enlarged meeting will be “Jesus Christ and Our World.” The definition of this title has been tentatively formulated as follows: “The urgency of the missionary task in the contemporary world and its consequences for the partnership of the Younger and Older Churches in the discharge of the Great Commission.” The program will be divided into three parts: the first, a survey of the postwar world with special reference to the Christian mission; the second, a fresh examination of the gospel and its relevance to our time; the third, the lines of action demanded, including a reappraisal of traditional methods of evangelism and a study of new ones. Our hope and prayer for the meeting are that God will grant us the insights, grace, and power requisite to set in motion a fresh and swelling tide of world-wide evangelism.

Following this meeting, the official Committee of the Council will convene July 21-23, to consider recommendations which may emerge from the enlarged meeting and to deal responsibly with the business of the Council.

Commission of the Churches on International Affairs

At Geneva the International Missionary Council and the World Council of Churches agreed in principle on the establishment of a joint organ concerned with international affairs, giving special attention to religious liberty. On the initiative of the WCC a small conference on this subject was held at Girton College, Cambridge, August 4-7, in which the IMC collaborated. The principal result of that conference was the decision to set up the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs, jointly sponsored. The membership of the commission is being invited from various countries or areas. The chairman of the commission is Baron Frederick van Asbeck
of Holland, with John Foster Dulles and a Chinese, yet to be chosen, as vice-chairmen. Kenneth Grubb of London has accepted the post of director, with Dr. O. Frederick Nolde as associate director. Dr. Nolde has for some time been representing the IMC, the WCC, and other bodies in exploring with the United Nations authorities possible arrangements for liaison with private voluntary agencies such as the churches and church organizations. The principal office of the commission is to be located in New York to afford most effective liaison with the United Nations, with a full-time administrative secretary yet to be chosen.

The most important function of the commission will be to stimulate study and action in individual countries such as has been had in the United States under the Commission on a Just and Durable Peace. It will gather, appraise, and exchange material with such bodies and recommend lines of study, approach, and action. It will make studies of its own and distribute the results. It will keep in close touch with the United Nations in appropriate ways, communicating to that organization and its subsidiaries the insights and judgments of the various churches. It is expected that the commission will in the main rely on financial support to be found outside the regular funds of the sponsoring bodies. We regard the setting up of the commission as a real step forward in a very critical field of human relationships.

**Travel of the Officers**

Travel of the officers has been unusually extensive. The secretaries from the New York and London offices were all present at Geneva and at previous and subsequent consultations in London. Bishop Baker visited London in May for consultations with IMC and WCC leaders. He and Dr. Decker were back in London during July and August for the Cambridge conference on international affairs and for consultations to set up the program for the Committee of the Council in July 1947. Mr. Goodall, Miss Gibson, and Dr. Decker visited Holland in March, and Mr. Goodall and Miss Gibson conferred with missionary leaders in Germany in May. Mr. Goodall attended the meeting of the Near East Christian Council at Cairo in April. Other journeys of the officers are noted elsewhere in this report.

**Religious Liberty**

During the absence of Miss Weddell in Europe, Mr. Albright represented the Foreign Missions Conference on the American Association for the United Nations, attending a number of sessions of the Security Council and gaining the strong conviction that not only peace but freedom also is one and indivisible and that human rights including religious liberty must be safeguarded at every point. The situation calls for continued study on a world scale, now provided for
by the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs, described elsewhere, and for persistent educational efforts utilizing all of the agencies provided by the United Nations. Only so can religious liberty be secured and maintained amid all the pressures of our day.

Publication Department

A second edition of 2,000 copies of "Religious Liberty: An Inquiry," by M. Searle Bates, was arranged for with Harper and Brothers (750 with the IMC imprint), but owing to industrial conditions books were not available until July 1946. Negotiations are under way to secure for the Literature Committee of Church World Service a further edition of 1,000 copies, 500 of these to be presented to the members of the first Constituent Assembly, university libraries, and government officials of India. The Japanese and Spanish translations have been completed; considerable progress has been made on the French and German ones. The possibility of translation into Portuguese is being explored. In all this translation and publication work in foreign languages the CWS's Literature Committee is assuming financial responsibility. The IMC acknowledges this close cooperation and support with appreciation.


A reprint edition of The Missionary-Artist Looks at His Job, by Bishop Ronald O. Hall, was issued March 1946, at 50¢ per copy.

Two new booklets will be ready in the fall of 1946, namely Christian Literature in the Mission World, a progress report of 128 pages, selling at 50¢ per copy; and The International Missionary Council: Its History, Functions, and Relationships, 32 pages packed full of IMC background, selling at 25¢ per copy.

As of January 1, 1947, the IMC Bulletin and the International Christian Press and Information Service (ICPIS) will be combined under the auspices of the latter, which is published weekly in Geneva, the annual subscription being $3.00.

The International Review of Missions has not suffered any severe curtailment despite the many physical difficulties which had to be overcome in England. It has not lost ground in the matter of circulation, although it is hoped that missionary society subscriptions for the use of mission stations will begin to show an upward trend. The annual subscription price is still $2.50 for one year, with some reduc-
tion for bulk missionary society orders. Miss Margaret Sinclair was appointed associate editor of the *Review* at the Geneva meeting in February.

**Finances**

The year 1945 closed with a balance of $700.84, the smallest figure for several years. At the Ad Interim Committee meeting in February, the regular budget of the IMC, excluding special committees and departments, was set at $54,862 for the years 1946, 1947, and 1948. As indicated on page 52, the balancing of this three-year budget is contingent upon assured increases from the Foreign Missions Conference of North America of $4,478 and from the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland of $1,604. Anticipated increases from other conferences and councils of $2,730.37, a subsidy of $4,827 from the Orphaned Missions Fund for costs of administration, interest on deposits of $1,000, and additional income of $2,700. The budget is thus based on confidence in our constituency that our appeal for increased support will be sustained, thereby enabling the Council to carry out the tasks entrusted to it. The situation as of July 1 indicates that it will be difficult to keep strictly within the limits set for regular expenditures, as instructed at Geneva, and this fact gives additional urgency to our appeal.

**Postwar Fund**

We are grateful indeed for the contributions which have gone into this fund. Without it much of our postwar activity, especially travel, would be impossible. For example, only the existence of this fund made possible the presence of Chinese, Indian, and Mexican representatives at Geneva, not to speak of the officers and others. About $100,000 has been paid or pledged, of which approximately $70,000 came from North American boards and $30,000 from individuals in Britain. Future plans, especially the enlarged meeting in July 1947, have faced us with the necessity of seeking an additional $50,000. The Canadian boards have pledged $5,000 of this as a hospitality fund for the July meeting. It is expected that about $25,000 will be forthcoming from the British boards, with perhaps some aid from other of our constituents. The remainder we are seeking from individuals, foundations, and several American boards that might properly be asked for additional help.

**Orphaned Missions**

On the occasion of the meeting of the Ad Interim Committee in Geneva in mid-February a very full report on Orphaned Missions from 1939 to 1945 was submitted. In supplementary statements the important part played by the American Section of the Lutheran World Convention was duly acknowledged. On behalf of the German
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societies Dr. Knak thanked all concerned for the fraternal help extended to German missions.

The Council was instructed to continue its work, aiming to complete the task by August 1949, except possibly in the case of German missions. The officers were instructed to prepare a fresh appeal to the entire constituency. Meanwhile the following principles were adopted as a guide for further action: (a) Every effort is to be made to consult with German missions before definite action is taken anywhere. (b) Preeminent importance will be attached to the wishes of the Younger Churches concerned. (c) Every effort will be made to protect the property of German missions. (d) Earnest effort will be made to secure new fields of opportunity for German missionaries. (e) Meanwhile the possibilities of service under the sponsorship of other societies will be explored.

During the past summer considerable progress has been made by Continental missionary societies in resuming responsibility for their own work. The Danish Baptist Mission in the Congo, which has received generous help from American Baptist churches, has suggested that we cease to solicit funds on its behalf. The Norway Full Gospel Mission and the Norway Free Evangelical Mission in Swaziland report that they have received the first instalments of funds from their home boards and have been promised full support. The Dutch Moravian Mission in Surinam has had a visit from the secretary of the society in Zeist, and plans are under way to resume financial support. Of the various missions we have been supporting in Syria, only one, the Action Chrétienne en Orient, has been unable to effect resumption of responsibility to date, due in part to its international character with branches in France, Holland, and Switzerland, only the last named being able to transmit funds as yet.

On the other side of the ledger, the Rhenish mission in Southwest Africa has been hard hit by drought and will need additional aid to compensate for lower returns from its farms and gifts from native Christians. The situation of the Rhenish missionary wives and children at Medan, Sumatra, is static. The number of Europeans to be repatriated far exceeds the ship accommodations available, and Germans are not likely to be given special consideration. So we must continue to stand behind the Rhenish missionaries. At the same time our committee in Shanghai is asking for additional funds for the various German missions in China to meet the continuous rise in the cost of living and the lowered value of the American dollar.

On balance, we stand to gain by recent and prospective developments, though it will take some time to realize the full benefit of them.

Our sponsorship in relation to the boards and denominations has been transferred from the Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction (CCORR) to Church World Service (CWS).
Our current half-yearly budget has been approved, and monthly reports are being sent to CWS so that all contributions received directly by us may be noted and credited.

In recent months there has been much correspondence connected with forwarding messages from orphaned missionaries to their home boards and to relatives in Europe; considerable correspondence and committee work relating to efforts for the repatriation of such missionaries, the release of individuals to return to their work, the transfer of selected missionaries to the United States for furlough or to serve congregations here, and in connection with plans for more long-term provision for certain mission fields. Meanwhile our responsibilities still require a monthly income of almost $23,000 for the New York office alone.

Department of Social and Economic Research and Counsel

The director of the department has spent three months in Great Britain and Switzerland, renewing contacts with the British and Continental foreign missionary leaders and attending the Geneva meetings of the IMC and WCC. Plans for the future work of the department were discussed, including the scope and nature of research and the possibility of integrating its program with that of the World Council of Churches.

Rev. Charles W. Ranson of London, who has had thirteen years experience as a missionary of the British Methodist Society in India, was appointed "director-designate," to take office January 1, 1947. Mr. Ranson brings exceptional equipment to the position and will enrich the research program of missions by his special knowledge of the problem of training of the ministry. He has been given the responsibility of preparing the program for the 1947 meeting of the Committee of the Council and is spending September and October in North America working on this program, making the acquaintance of missionary leaders, and visiting several chief centers of theological training.

The director has been making an exploratory study of the long-deferred research project on African marriage customs in their bearing upon the life and discipline of the churches. This study was requested by the African delegates to the Madras Conference in 1939, and the possibility of its being carried out upon a comprehensive plan is now under consideration. Other activities have included the leading of seminar discussions at Kennedy School of Missions on the stabilization of the Younger Churches, cooperation with the Joint Committee of the IMC and WCC in the preparation of statistical reports from the Younger Churches, and the circulation of the handbook, "New Buildings on Old Foundations."
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Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews

The postwar march forward has begun. As of October 1, 1946, Dr. Conrad Hoffmann, Jr., became full-time director of the committee’s work. He is to meet in London with the committee’s British section, various mission board secretaries, and leaders of the different Jewish missionary societies, planning for the next international conference on Jewish missions some time in 1947. In Geneva there will be conferences with leaders of the World Council of Churches to discuss and explore the possibility of the WCC’s active cooperation with the IMC in assuming joint responsibility for the work of the Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews. With Geneva as a temporary headquarters the director will proceed to different countries in Europe to reestablish contacts, to counsel with leaders of Jewish work as well as with church and missionary leaders, and to help with rehabilitation work.

In the United States Dr. Hoffmann has been asked to serve as director of the Home Missions Council’s Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews, even though he will be in absentia so much of the time. In Europe he is asked to serve as a member of the Presbyterian Fellowship.

A most significant development has been recent correspondence with rabbis on the subject of Jewish evangelization. Some of this material will be published shortly. In Great Britain a handbook on Jewish work with a directory of Jewish missionary societies has been authorized, of which the Rev. H. L. Ellison will be editor-in-chief. In America the Missionary Education Movement has asked the director to prepare another booklet to deal with postwar Jewry.

Increasingly the parish or parochial approach to the Jews is receiving consideration, not only in the United States but also in Great Britain, Holland, and beyond. In Holland the churches have created a Council on Church and Israel. The Christian Institute for Jewish Studies established in London early in the war is still in an experimental stage, but full of promise.

A wealth of material is dealt with in the committee’s publication, The News Sheet, which has been continued, thanks to the splendid work of the Rev. Robert Smith. It is hoped shortly to enlarge this publication and make it even more valuable and useful.

International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa

During the war years the desire for news from men in the forces stimulated the efforts of many Africans to learn to read and write. But the shortage of suitable reading matter is great and has been increased by the war and its aftermath. The West Central Africa Conference held at Leopoldville in the summer of 1946 pointed especially to the need of literature for the newly literate. The secretary
of the committee, Miss Margaret Wrong, was present at this conference.

To help meet some of these needs a union press has been established at Leopoldville, sponsored by those missions cooperating in the Congo Protestant Council. Mission presses in various other parts of Africa are enlarging their facilities.

The United Christian Council of Sierra Leone has established a bureau to promote production of literature and to conduct literacy campaigns with a grant from the government. Experimental literacy campaigns have been carried on in a number of territories. Dr. Laubach plans to spend most of 1947 and part of 1948 in the Middle East and Africa working out charts in local languages and arranging for follow-up work. It is expected that two specialists in linguistics from the Bible societies will be in Africa at the same time.

If the Christian Church is to meet the demand for Christian literature, it will have to be done through territorial, interterritorial, and international cooperation over the whole field of production and distribution. This will involve some full-time staff for direction and editorial work, as well as cooperation among mission and church distributing agencies.

**Postwar Program**

The slowness with which transportation has been restored and the political, social, and economic aftermath of war have combined generally to delay the implementation of our postwar program of deputations, national and regional conferences. The regional conference for West Central Africa was held at Leopoldville, Congo, July 13-24, with a total attendance of 199, of whom thirty-five were native Africans. Mr. Goodall and Miss Gibson of the London office attended, and Mr. Goodall presided for a large part of it. Three outstanding results were noted: (a) the fine fellowship between widely-scattered workers who came with considerable difference in background and outlook; (b) the presence for the first time on an equal basis of a considerable number of native African leaders; (c) a demonstration to government and society generally of the strength and worth of Protestant missions.

A strong deputation of Indian Christian leaders expects to visit Britain and North America in April to June 1947. The initial meeting of the East Asia Regional Committee (provisional) is planned for July 1947, in connection with the meetings in Canada. The South Pacific conference and a national conference for China are being definitely projected for still later dates.

The past year has been a very full one. Those ahead will make no less demands on the Christian World Mission. The International Missionary Council rejoices in its part in the ecumenical fellowship
and work which the world needs more than ever. Its central desire and prayer are to be used in an outthrust of evangelistic effort which will leave no part of the world or of life untouched and will redeem men from their present frustration, impotence, and despair.

J. W. Decker, Secretary
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

REPORT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES IN 1945
AND BUDGET FOR 1946

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MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

The special sessions of the Conference set aside for the transaction of business were Tuesday afternoon when the organization of the meeting took place, Thursday afternoon and evening and Friday morning. A number of items, however, were considered at other sessions. The minutes as here given cover all the business transacted during the Conference.

The Fifty-Third Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America was held at The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, January 14-17, 1947. The sessions were presided over by Mrs. Leslie E. Swain, Chairman, assisted by the First Vice-Chairman, Dr. Carl Heinmiller, and the Second Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Christine S. Smith.

There were 97 delegates and 141 visitors and staff members registered as in attendance, a total of 238.

Tuesday Afternoon, January 14

The Conference was called to order at 2:30 P.M. by the Chairman, Mrs. Swain. A period of worship was led by Dr. Leland S. Brubaker, who took for his theme: "The Sin of Being Ordinary."

1. Program. In the unavoidable absence of Miss Margaret E. Forsyth, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the Fifty-Third Annual Meeting, the program was presented by the Chairman of the Secretarial Council, Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, and upon motion, it was accepted.

2. Report of the Nominating Committee. In the absence of Dr. E. A. Fridell, Vice-Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Dr. Fairfield presented for nomination a Recording Secretary Pro Tem, and the two Committees which would be working throughout the Conference, as follows:

   Recording Secretary Pro Tem: Dr. Leland S. Brubaker.
   Business Committee: George W. Sadler, Chairman; Marlin D. Farnum, Janet Gilbert, Ruth Ransom.
   Findings Committee: A. E. Armstrong, Chairman; Leland S. Albright, Secretary; Dana M. Albaugh, R. E. Diffendorfer, Raymond A. Dudley, Charles T. Leber, Florence A. Partridge, M. T. Rankin, H. Kerr Taylor.

Upon motion, it was VOTED to elect the secretary pro tem and the members of the committees.

On the suggestion of the Secretary, it was VOTED to refer to the Business Committee all business not presented by the Findings Committee or the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

3. Introduction of Fraternal Delegates and Guests. Dr. Fairfield
presented fraternal delegates and guests. Including those who ar­

Fraternal Delegates:
Dr. Samuel McCrae Cavert, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America
Dr. Earl H. Cressy, National Christian Council of China
Miss Mabel Head, United Council of Church Women
Miss Helen Kittredge, United Council of Church Women
Mrs. Galen E. Russell, United Council of Church Women.
Mrs. Ruth Mougey Worrell, United Council of Church Women
Miss Rena Weller, United Christian Youth Movement

Guest from Great Britain:
Mrs. H. B. Rattenbury, representing the Methodist Missionary Society of Great Britain, and all the women of that country.

Dr. Fairfield reported that the International Council of Religious Education would be unrepresented by a fraternal delegate as planned because of conditions resulting from the serious illness of its General Secretary, Dr. Roy G. Ross. He also expressed regret that Mrs. Uemura could not be honored as one of the guests, because she had gone to Geneva, Switzerland, as a delegate of the YWCA to the World's Executive Council of that Association. She personally re­

4. Printed Report of The Committee of Reference and Counsel:
"The First Postwar Year." Dr. Fairfield called attention to the re­
report, especially through the first 41 pages. He also called especial attention to the report of the International Missionary Council, the financial statement of both the IMC and the CRC, the Proposed Budget of Expense for the year 1947-48, and to the pages of ex­
penditures of the member and affiliated boards for the year ending 1945, which represent what the Conference is doing year by year. It was VOTED to accept the report.

5. Applications for Membership. Dr. Fairfield presented applica-
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...tions for membership in the Foreign Missions Conference from the following:

Missionary Board of the Church of God (Holiness)
Mid-Missions, General Council of the Cooperating Baptist Missions of North America, Inc.

He stated that information concerning both organizations had been circulated to all member boards, and that the Committee of Reference and Counsel recommended that they be received into the membership of the Conference. It was VOTED unanimously:

That the Missionary Board of the Church of God (Holiness) and Mid-Missions, the General Council of Cooperating Baptist Missions of North America, Inc., be received into membership in the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

Rev. F. B. Whisler of the Missionary Board of the Church of God (Holiness), and Rev. Robert L. Ryerse of Mid-Missions, attending the Conference as visitors, were called to the platform and welcomed for their boards into the fellowship of the Conference by the Chairman and the Secretary.

6. Report of the Treasurer for the Year 1945-46. Miss Henrietta Gibson, Treasurer, presented the audited financial report of the Conference for the year 1945-46, as it appeared in "The First Postwar Year," pp. 53-54. It was VOTED to accept the report for the year 1945-46 as presented by the Treasurer.

7. Budget for 1947-48. Dr. F. M. Potter, Chairman of the Finance and Headquarters Committee, presented the proposed budget for General Services and Related Organizations and Programs for 1947-48, as it appeared in "The First Postwar Year," pp. 55-56. He called especial attention to several important changes which called for suggested increases in the General Services budget. It was:

VOTED that the budget for General Services and Related Organizations and Programs for the fiscal year 1947-48 recommended by the Finance and Headquarters Committee, totaling $93,139.50 with the expectation of receiving $85,545 from the member boards, be given general approval and 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 expenditures (exclusive of home base administrative expenses and non-recurring items overseas) for its fiscal year ending in 1945, in accordance with the principle already adopted by the Conference; but that the Finance and Headquarters Committee be instructed to determine in March, 1947, the actual operating budget in the light of the returns from the boards and the situation at that time.

8. Report of the Committee on Public Relations. Dr. Charles T. Leber, Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations, reported progress but asked for postponement of a full report until the next Annual Meeting. He stated that a very heavy task of some twenty-
nine items had been entrusted to the Committee by the 1946 Annual Meeting. The Committee had met and immediately faced some of these involvements of inter-relationships with the Home Missions Council, the Federal Council of Churches and others, and that some progress has been made, but the Committee is quite aware that the twenty-nine actions which were given to it to fulfill have not been carried through. He called on Mr. Elson, Secretary of the Committee, to report a little more in detail.

Mr. Elson called attention to the report of the Joint Committee on Conferences as found in "The First Postwar Year," pp. 30-31. He stated that the chief advance in the matter of public relations has been the development of a plan for public relations and promotion in cooperation with the Home Missions Council, so that the cause of missions could be presented to the general public and to the church-going public as a solid front on the entire missions program at home and overseas. During the year the Missions Public Relations Office had been established, and in October George Dugan began work as its Director. He then introduced Mr. Dugan who, because of his short tenure in office, begged to be excused from making a report at this meeting. He called attention to the excellent notices that the FMC was getting in the newspapers at the present time.

9. Amendments to the Constitution. Dr. Fairfield presented eight amendments to the Constitution, which had been recommended by the Committee of Reference and Counsel and circulated to the member boards as prescribed in the Constitution. It was VOTED to adopt the amendments as follows:

1. To amend Article I so that it will read:

"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
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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 Mission
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

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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 Epis­
copal 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 Train­
ing 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 Breth­
ren 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
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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.

2. To amend Article V as follows:

a. In line 1 of Section 2 and wherever thereafter in Article V the word "Conference" appears substitute the words "Annual and Special Meetings";

b. Rephrase Section 2, Paragraph (b) so that it will read:

(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 expenses and non-recurring items in excess of $100,000, one additional elected representative";

c. Rephrase Section 2, Paragraph (c) so that it will read:

(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 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."

d. Rephrase Section 6 so that it will read:

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 meeting without vote."

3. To amend Article VIII, Section 2, by rephrasing it so that it will read:

2. "These officers shall be elected by the Conference during its Annual Meeting upon nomination as provided in the By-laws of the Committee, 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."

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4. To amend Article IX, Section 1 (c), so that it will read:
   (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,
   Inc."

5. To amend Article IX, Section 4, so that it will read:
   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."

6. To amend Article XII as follows:
   a. Add certain words to the second sentence of Section 1 so that the
      whole sentence will read:
      "On vote of the Council, Secretaries of Standing or Special Com-
      mittees of the Conference or of joint committees in which the Confer-
      ence shares or of organizations recognized by the Conference as
      serving a similar function, shall be included in its membership."
   b. Rephrase the third sentence in Section 1 so that it will read:
      "The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Secretarial Council shall be
      designated annually by the Committee upon the nomination of the
      Council."
   c. Add certain words to Section 2 so that it will read:
      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 ele-
         ments of their work; for formulating and proposing new work
         which it believes desirable; for advising the Conference and the
         Committee; and for carrying out such responsibilities and exercis-
         ing such ad interim authority as the Conference or the Committee
         may from time to time delegate to it."

7. To amend Article XIII, Section 1, by adding a second sentence reading
   as follows:
   "The budget for general services for the following year after being cir-
   culated 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."

8. To amend the second sentence of Article XIV by adding certain words
   so that the whole sentence will read:
   "Nine voting members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the
   Committee or of the Board of Directors."

10. Summer Conferences. Dr. Gilbert Q. LeSourd, Associate Sec-
     retary of the Missionary Education Movement, called attention to a
     very good report on summer conferences which appeared in the Mis-
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sionary Education Movement's report. He mentioned especially the significant development which came last year when the historic Northfield Missionary Conference for women was thrown open to men and placed under the Joint Committee on Conferences. He spoke of the splendid cooperation of the Foreign Missions Conference, the Home Missions Council, and the United Council of Church Women in the conferences, and said that the conferences were making a large contribution to the work of missions.

11. Report of the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following nominations of officers and members of committees:

Officers:
Chairman—Fred Field Goodsell
First Vice-Chairman—Carl Heinmiller
Second Vice-Chairman—Mrs. Christine S. Smith.
Recording Secretary—Merle L. Davis
Treasurer—Henrietta Gibson

Secretaries for General Administration:
Wynn C. Fairfield
Sue Weddell
Gloria M. Wyser
Winfred P. Elson

Members of the Committee of Reference and Counsel:
In the class of 1947 (whose term expires at the close of the 1948 Annual Meeting):
Luther A. Gotwald
Sallie Lou MacKinnon
Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman

In the class of 1948 (whose term expires at the close of the 1949 Annual Meeting):
R. E. Diffendorfer
Margaret E. Forsyth
Glenn P. Reed

In the class of 1949 (whose term expires at the close of the 1950 Annual Meeting):
J. H. Arnup
C. Darby Fulton
F. A. Goetsch
Charles T. Leber
Mrs. Charles H. Sears
W. C. Somerville
Rolf A. Syrdal
Ruth Ure

Nominating Committee for Fifty-Fourth (1948) Meeting:
Dr. Elmer A. Fridell, Chairman
Nona M. Diehl

* Deceased February 16, 1947.
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Ralph P. Hanson
E. K. Higdon
Mrs. Otis Moore
Florence A. Partridge
George W. Sadler
A. D. Stauffacher
Winnifred Thomas
Herrick B. Young

The Chair asked if there were any other nominations, and there being none, the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the persons named; and they were unanimously elected.

12. Greetings to the Missionaries in Attendance at the Conference.
The Chairman invited all missionaries present to come to the platform and to give their name and country. The following responded:

Dr. Paul R. Abbott, West China    Miss Katherine B. Hockin, West China
Rev. Rowland M. Cross, China      Dr. Edmund D. Lucas, India
Mrs. Rowland M. Cross, China     Miss Ruth Mather, China
Rev. E. E. Elder, Egypt          Dr. Frank W. Price, China
Miss Marjorie Faught, R. N., India Dr. Galen F. Scudder, India
Rev. Royal H. Fisher, Japan      Wallace D. Thornbloom, M.D., Africa
Dr. H. S. Hillyer, Bolivia        Mrs. Lewis C. Walmsley, South China
Rev. F. B. Whisler, India

13. Total Registration. Dr. Fairfield reported that up to that time the registration stood as follows:

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14. Proposed Christian University in Japan. Dr. Luman J. Shafer brought the Conference up to date with regard to developments in connection with a proposed Christian University in Japan. He stated that the Nominating Committee had met and had set up the *ad hoc* committee as directed by the Conference at its meeting in March, 1946. This committee proceeded to explore the situation and secured from the sponsoring agencies (member boards of the Foreign Missions Conference and the Federal Council of Churches) funds for a budget to carry on the investigation of the project. Also it proceeded, as directed by the Conference, to secure a Sponsoring Committee. It was recognized in the original action taken that it would be unfortunate and unwise to proceed with this project until there had been full conference with the educators of Japan and Christian friends there. In order to further the project, Dr. T. T. Brumbaugh, long a mis-
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sionary of The Methodist Church in Japan and more recently executive secretary of the Detroit Council of Churches, was engaged to act as director of the project, and arrangements were made for him to visit Japan. He was there in October, November, and December of 1946, had many conferences, and had made his report to the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

Dr. Shafer said that he went to Japan convinced that the situation should be faced realistically, and the question asked whether this was the thing that was most needed for Japan or was even one of the things that must be done there. It was quite clear that there were a number of things to be done in Japan which were far beyond and outside of anything that the boards have so far been able to do: (1) Relief for our ministers must be given. (The average salary in Japan today for our ministers is Y157.) (2) The rural work of the church in Japan needs to be expanded. (3) We should address from the Foreign Missions Conference a communication to General MacArthur that we want at least twenty-five students from Japan to study in the United States. On the other hand, SCAP looked to a voluntary free Christian movement to save the situation in Japan; they knew the limitations to the military occupation. They turned to us, the church, strong but pitifully weak. We did not have in Japan, as fine as it is, the kind of leadership that commands the respect of the intelligent leaders of the country. We must have Christian leadership. We are in a new era. Not only was there a distinct demand among the Christians and among the top leadership of Japan for the university, but in the government and in all sections of Japanese life there was keen interest and a demand for this kind of effort today. There is nothing that he could think of that would so raise the morale of the Japanese people as this; nothing that would give such new hope to the Christian leadership of Japan, as a proposal like this. It would convince the younger people of Japan and the whole people that we meant to take seriously the job of Christianizing Japan today. There was nothing that would help us in America so much as this to raise the interest of our people and to dramatize to them what is involved in the Christianizing of a country. This was where the Christian motive entered, the Christian faith and duty to love one's enemies, to do good to those who despitefully use you.

Dr. Shafer then presented the resolution which the Committee of Reference and Counsel had recommended to the Foreign Missions Conference for adoption, which was moved and seconded. After considerable discussion, it was VOTED to adopt the resolution as follows:

The Foreign Missions Conference desires to express appreciation for the work of the ad hoc committee authorized to make arrangements for
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the establishment of a Christian University in Japan, and also for the excellent report of the representatives sent to Japan to investigate the situation there.

The Conference wishes now to express the definite hope and expectation that the project will be developed along the lines indicated in the report, and desires to continue cooperation with the Federal Council of Churches in the furtherance of detailed plans, including an immediate campaign for funds totalling not less than $5,000,000 nor more than $15,000,000 for the support of the proposed institution in its initial stages.

Accordingly, the Committee of Reference and Counsel is asked to consult with the Federal Council of Churches with a view to securing their consent to the formation of a directing committee of twenty members, ten each to be appointed by the Council and the Conference respectively, and in case the concurrence of the Council is secured, to appoint the following persons to represent the Conference on the committee:

J. H. Arnup
R. E. Diffendorfer
D. B. Ehlman
Wynn C. Fairfield
C. Darby Fulton
Fred Field Goodsell
Charles T. Leber
Mrs. Charles H. Sears
Luman J. Shaifer
Sue Weddell

Furthermore, the Conference requests the above named representatives, in consultation with the constituent boards, to work out the relationships and the financial participation of the boards in the project. It is also recommended that the administrative budget of the directing committee be provisionally underwritten by the sponsoring agencies.


A. Korea—Dr. George W. Sadler, the Chairman, presented to the Conference five resolutions that had been referred to the Business Committee with approval by the Korea Committee. After discussion and with slight changes, it was VOTED

1. That the Conference commend to its constituency an intelligent and active interest in the great cause of our Korean brethren who demand their long-promised liberty.

2. That the Conference ask the Korea Committee to study and interpret to American Christians how best we can aid them in the quest for freedom while continuing its aid to Korean Christians struggling to rebuild their church that they may have a light to guide them in this quest.

3. That the Foreign Missions Conference go on record in support of Senate Resolution S-152 introduced by Claude Pepper of Florida, which provides for a temporary quota of one hundred immigrants per year from Korea with the privilege of their becoming citizens of the United States.

4. That the Foreign Missions Conference records its opposition to all proposals which would have the effect of making more permanent the
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present division of Korea, especially the current proposals to set up a separate Southern Korea. We are convinced that this action would result in the setting up of a separate and independent Northern Korea and add greatly to the existing difficulties in the establishing of an independent, united Korean nation.

5. That recognizing the importance of United States policy in regard to the Korean situation and to rectify in part the mistakes our nation has made in this regard since 1905, the Foreign Missions Conference calls upon the constituted authorities of the United States Government to propose to the Government of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics the immediate simultaneous evacuation both by American troops of Southern Korea and by Russian troops of Northern Korea, with the establishment simultaneously of a United Nations Plebiscite Commission which would proceed at the earliest possible date to hold an election to provide for free, democratic government. We urge this in the belief that only those men who are entrusted with their own political responsibility can develop the capacity to govern themselves.

B. The Philippine Trade Act of 1946—Dr. Sadler then presented to the Conference a resolution with regard to the repeal of the Philippine Trade Act of 1946, which has the approval of the Philippine Committee. After discussion, it was VOTED to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Public Law 371, 79th Congress, Chapter 244, Second Session, H. R. 5856, entitled the Philippine Trade Act of 1946, contained the following provisions:

Section 402, Letter B

That there shall be permitted to enter the Philippines, without regard to any numerical limitation under the laws of the Philippines, in each of the years of a specific period of years, a specified number of the citizens of the U. S. The number of years (which shall not be less than five) the number of citizens of the U. S. (which shall not be less than 1000) entitled to be so admitted in each year, and the length of time each shall be entitled to remain in the Philippines, shall be stated in the agreement.

Part 5, Miscellaneous, Section 341—Rights of U. S. citizens and business enterprises in natural resources.

The disposition, exploitation, development, and utilization of all agricultural, timber, and mineral lands of the public domain, waters, minerals, coal, petroleum and other mineral oils, all forces and sources of potential energy, and other natural resources of the Philippines, and the operation of public utilities, shall, if opened to any person, be opened to citizens of the U. S. and to all forms of business enterprise owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the U. S. Citizens.

WHEREAS, Section 402, Letter E, seems to constitute an affront to the sovereignty of the new Philippine Republic in that an obvious inequality exists between the provisions of this act and the provisions of existing immigration statutes, which allow only one hundred Filipinos to emigrate to the United States in any year; and

WHEREAS, Part 5, Miscellaneous, Section 341, seems also to constitute an affront to the sovereignty of the Philippine Republic in that, if accepted by that Republic, it will require fundamental constitutional changes in pro-
visions originally included in the Filipino Constitution at the behest of those interested in protecting the Philippines from economic exploitation, and repeal of which will open the way to economic exploitation over which the Philippine Republic will be able to exercise little, if any, control: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Foreign Missions Conference of North America in annual session at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., January 1947, urges the members of the United States Congress to repeal the Philippine Trade Act of 1946 and to enact in its place legislation which respects to the fullest the sovereignty of the new republic and which is designed to prevent economic exploitation. We also urge that in the future the Congress of the United States enact as separate legislation proposals intended to assist in the rehabilitation of the Philippines and not attach this type of legislation to enactments regarding other matters.

C. Retirement of Dr. Edward H. Hume—Dr. Sadler presented the following resolution with the hearty approval of the members of the Business Committee; and the Conference adopted it by a rising VOTE:

On May 31, 1946, Dr. Edward H. Hume brought to a close his official connection with the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. For eight years he had rendered devoted and distinguished service as the first secretary of the Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work. During his tenure of office he laid firm foundations at home and abroad and went a long way toward building on them.

Because he has always had as his example the Great Physician, Dr. Hume played a prominent part in the spiritual as well as the professional advance of medical missions. It is a source of deep satisfaction to know that his experience and skill are still available to those who need them.

In view of our devotion to this friend and because of our appreciation of his outstanding contribution to our common cause, be it hereby

Resolved, That we record our sense of gratitude to Dr. Hume and that we bid him Godspeed as he continues to radiate the spirit of him who laid down his life for his friends.

D. Expressions of appreciation—Dr. Sadler presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

1. We, the members of the Foreign Missions Conference, 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.

2. We desire to express our appreciation to the Committee on Arrangements and to the secretarial staff for the time, thought and effort expended in order to provide this informative, heart-searching and impelling program.

3. We are grateful to the presiding officers, the leaders of worship periods and evening prayers, and all those who shared in any way in the effective presentation of "The World of Need in Which We Minister" and of "Proposals for Next Steps." We express a very special word of appreciation to Dr. F. M. Potter and Dean Malcolm Pitt for their unusual contribution to the spirit of worship through their music.
16. **Representation by Boards.** Dr. Fairfield reported that thirty-eight boards who are members of the Foreign Missions Conference had no representatives at the Annual Meeting; thirty-six of these named no delegates. He further stated that there are 106 boards who are constitutional members of the Foreign Missions Conference.

This session was brought to a close at 5:00 p.m., by a prayer by Dr. S. G. Ziegler.

**Thursday Evening, January 16**

The session was opened at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Fred Field Goodsell was presented as the Chairman of the Conference for the coming year and spoke briefly.

17. **Report of the Findings Committee.** The Findings Committee reported through its Chairman, Dr. A. E. Armstrong. After thorough discussion and some slight changes, the report was adopted as follows:

The world situation today calls loudly for a comprehensive overseas ministry of relief and evangelism, of reconstruction and advance.

1. In order to keep this foremost and uppermost in our thinking and planning, we recommend that the various reports presented on Evangelism, the area reports and panel presentations on “The World of Need in Which We Minister” and the “Specific Proposals for Advance” be referred to the Secretarial Council for revision in the light of the discussion in the Conference and of the written suggestions sent in; and that the reports then be sent to the Representative Committees and the boards with the urgent request for their very serious consideration as early as is feasible.

2. We also recommend that the Secretarial Council be asked to prepare a special message dealing with the reaffirmation of the purpose and spirit of the missionary enterprise and the character and urgency of the present situation, and that it be sent with appropriate letters to mission boards, church assemblies and conventions, state and local councils of churches, the National Council of Community Churches, summer conferences, institutes, etc., and to the Interseminary Conference, the International Council of Religious Education meeting, the Christian Youth Conference at Oslo, the Student Volunteer Convention, the World Baptist Convention at Copenhagen, the Lutheran World Convention at Lund, Sweden, the Disciples World Convention in Buffalo, the Methodist Ecumenical Conference, the Association of Council Secretaries, the Committee of the International Missionary Council at Whitby, Canada, the religious press.

3. In the reports for Africa, India, the Near East, the Far East and Southeast Asia we observe certain common trends including the passing of imperialism and colonialism on the one hand and the development of self-government and independence on the other. We note also that in the case of imperial and emerging independent governments alike there is a new acceptance of responsibility for health, education and livelihood. This means opportunities for cooperation with governments on the part of missions and at the same time a challenge to make a unique contribution in the form of the moral and spiritual elements required to undergird these processes.
4. In the case of Europe we recognize the continuing and urgent physical and spiritual needs of the Continent and urge maximum cooperation with both the Established and Free Churches in funds, material aid and personnel, aid to the missionary societies in continued support of orphaned missions and special assistance to German missions in finding places of service for their missionaries.

5. In surveying the whole field of missionary endeavor we wish to record our profound gratitude for the measure of success achieved thus far. At the same time the area reports indicate greater need than ever before due to the war and its aftermath. We note heavy losses of church and mission property and insufficient reconstruction funds available to restore these properties to prewar conditions, even where that is desirable. We note also seriously depleted missionary staffs during the period of the war and since, and the likelihood that in the case of certain countries less than half of the former staffs will be available for eventual return.

We observe also the greatly increased costs of missionary operation due in part to inflation in so many countries. We believe that certain improvements of existing work may be accomplished by the adjustment of funds and personnel within boards, giving priority to those types of work most urgently needed at the present time. We believe also that considerable improvement can be effected through closer cooperation between boards, taking advantage of the fluid conditions in a number of countries to develop sympathetic attitudes toward and an intelligent interest in Christianity by means of literature, the press, the radio and audio-visual aids.

But these adjustments and improvements of themselves will not meet the present overwhelming demands. We would therefore emphasize the need of greatly increased support, missionary personnel and national leadership for expanded and improved programs of work everywhere. Nothing less than a forward movement on a large scale and covering a period of at least five years will be at all adequate to the situation.

6. We strongly recommend that the challenge and program outlined in the following points by Dr. Diffendorfer in his address "We Must Move Forward" be accepted as our inclusive emphasis and the first priority of the Committee of Reference and Counsel and of the Area Committees in the immediate future:

   a. That we begin immediately to plan for a larger and more effective witness to the Gospel and to Christ's way of life on the background of the world's present chaos and desperation.

   b. That we ask the Area Committees in consultation with the fields and other International Missionary Council constituent bodies to prepare comprehensive programs with concrete projects for advance and submit them to the Committee of Reference and Counsel not later than its September meeting.

   c. That we plan in the near future as soon as possible after the formulation of these programs, a North American Missionary Assembly or Conference, possibly a joint meeting of all the boards, to present this program for discussion and approval.

   d. That we ask the boards, according to their own procedures but simultaneously, to challenge their constituencies for the financial support and the personnel necessary to realize the program.

   e. That, when our program is approved, it be presented also to national and international non-church agencies in the United States and Canada in order that we may win larger understanding and support for the church's missionary program.
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We desire to emphasize that wherever younger churches already exist we share with them responsibility for the evangelization of their areas and contiguous regions. In all our plans for a forward movement we desire to work with and to supplement the witness of national Christians in every way possible.

We recognize the contributions to human welfare of various organizations and agencies, including the United Nations, even though they do not always meet the deepest levels of human need. At the same time we must remind ourselves that we cannot hope to satisfy the world's moral and spiritual longings unless our plans and programs are conceived in heart-searching and prayer and are undergirded with reliance upon God at every stage. "Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory" now and always.

Dr. Decker made an announcement concerning the meeting of the Committee of the International Missionary Council at Whitby, Ontario, Canada, in July, 1947, at which the major theme would be Evangelism. He also called attention to the World Conference of Christian Youth to be held in Oslo, Norway, the end of July, 1947, the initiating organizations being the World Council of Churches, The World's Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations, The World's Young Women's Christian Association, the World's Student Christian Federation; and the sponsoring organizations, the International Missionary Council, the World's Sunday School Association, the World's Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches. He said that the boards would have an opportunity to contribute to the expenses of attendance from the younger churches related to them.

The session was concluded with evening prayer conducted by Dr. J. H. Arnup.

Friday Morning, January 17

This session was opened at 9:00 a.m. with the singing of a hymn, and prayer by Rev. F. B. Whisler.

18. Report of the Business Committee. Dr. George W. Sadler, Chairman, continued the report of the Business Committee in the form of certain resolutions which after discussion were ADOPTED as follows:

E. Urgent Need for Industrial Development in India.

Resolved, That the Foreign Missions Conference draw the attention of the mission boards to the urgent need and unusual opportunities that exist in many countries for industrial development. In many of the countries one of the most backward and under-privileged groups to be found is the Christian rural community. It is necessary for the Church to attain to self-support and thereby increase the effectiveness of its witness to the power of Christ to raise people. In this context we would call the attention of the Boards to the project, soon to be launched in the Punjab, of Christian Technical Services, Inc. This scheme aims at opening a number
of avenues of agricultural and industrial advancement to the entire rural section of the Church in northern India in the Punjab. It might indeed serve as a pilot enterprise in respect to comparable developments elsewhere.

F. Displaced Persons.

WHEREAS, The distress of the homeless displaced persons who are unable or unwilling to return to their former homelands must be relieved by opening the way for them to migrate to other countries. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Foreign Missions Conference hereby petitions the Congress of the United States and the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada to adopt legislation that will make it possible for these two countries to receive their fair shares of these homeless people, and further

Resolved, That the member boards of this Conference are hereby asked to take appropriate action to petition their representatives in these legislatures to support such legislation as may be necessary to achieve the purpose stated above.

G. Repatriation of German Missionaries

While recognizing the serious shortage of available transportation and the fact that many German missionaries interned in India and some in Jamaica have been repatriated and others in Australia and South Africa released and allowed to return to their work or missionary service with other societies, the Foreign Missions Conference urges that all remaining interned missionaries whose political records are clear be released and permitted to resume their work or that they be repatriated, and that all German missionaries in Japan and Indonesia released from internment but not yet repatriated, according to their desire, should be returned to Germany at the earliest possible moment.

The International Missionary Council is asked to deal with the above resolution.

H. Equitable and Realistic Rate of Yen-Dollar Exchange.

Because the Foreign Missions Conference believes that there is no more important factor in the present attempt to democratize and rehabilitate the Japanese nation than the return of Christian missionaries and the re-establishment of Christian institutions;

Because the return of missionaries and the re-establishment of Christian institutions is being seriously impeded by the present unrealistic yen-dollar exchange rate of fifteen to one; and

Because the Conference believes that an adjustment in the rate of exchange would not have a bad effect upon the internal economy of Japan and would not deter the recovery of Japan's legitimate economic life,

Be it resolved that:

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America in annual session at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., January 17, 1947, requests the Secretary of State of the United States of America to use his influence to effect an equitable and realistic rate of yen-dollar exchange, and that the officers of the FMC be asked to communicate this request to the State Department.

19. Announcements. Dr. Fairfield made the following announcements:

1. That the previous day he had received a letter from Miss Maude Russell, Secretary for the Committee for a Democratic Policy in China, asking the Foreign Missions Conference to consider the matter
of the withdrawal of American troops from China, and mentioning various items in which that organization is interested. He stated that it was felt that the subject was so complex that it should be referred to a forthcoming China Conference for study and that the Conference should not attempt to handle it here.

2. That an invitation had come from Dr. Vickery of the Golden Rule Foundation for members of the Conference to attend the Christian Stewardship Institute which would be held in New York on January 29.

3. That the members of the Conference still had before them for serious consideration the second half of the document which was given out at the opening of the Annual Meeting, namely "More Inclusive, More Relevant and More Definitive Planning Called for in View of the World That Confronts Us." This must be taken into account in the implementation of the report of the Findings Committee.

The closing period of worship was conducted by Dr. George W. Sadler, and with the pronouncement of the benediction, the Fifty-Third Annual Meeting was adjourned, sine die.

WyNN C. FAIRFIELD on behalf of LELAND S. BRUBAKER, Recording Secretary Pro Tem.*

* It proved impossible to complete the text of the minutes for Dr. Brubaker's certification before his departure for a trip to Africa.
In Memoriam

Miss M. M. Titus, of Charlotte, Michigan, for forty years president of The Woman's Missionary Association, and until her death president emeritus. She passed away May 10, 1946, nearly ninety-nine years old. Her interest in missions continued to the very end of life. Although she was never a delegate to the Foreign Missions Conference, she was a constant inspiration to all about her in the work of the Association of the United Brethren Church, with headquarters in Huntington, Indiana.

Dr. Eugene A. Reardon (1874-1946), vice-president of the Missionary Board of the Church of God, Anderson, Indiana, was a charter member of his Board. Dr. Reardon served as a missionary in Egypt for a short term (1907-1908). He died on October 3, 1946, a few days after arriving in this country after a year's visit to the Board's stations in Kenya Colony, British East Africa. In addition to his services to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Church of God, Dr. Reardon rendered distinguished service as a pastor in Chicago, Ill., Denver, Colo., and Anderson, Ind. He was an outstanding leader in the Church.

Dr. Oscar J. Johnson, born in Mariahdahl, Kansas, October 8, 1870, served as president of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Lutheran Augustana Synod 1914-1941. During most of this time he was also its corresponding secretary. He was also president of Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., for twenty-nine years. He died at St. Peter, Minn., March 9, 1946.

Dr. J. H. Schneider, was called to his eternal home on January 21, 1946 at the age of ninety-one years. At the time of his death he was beneficiary secretary emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions of the American Lutheran Church, Columbus, Ohio. On April 1, 1921 Dr. Schneider gave up his pastorate to devote his full time to the cause of foreign missions. He served as secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions for many years. From 1930 until the time of his resignation in March, 1945, he served as beneficiary secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the American Lutheran Church.

Dr. F. Braun served the cause of foreign missions in many capacities. He was an active member of the Board of Foreign Missions of the American Lutheran Church, Columbus, Ohio from 1929, and from 1935 until his retirement in 1945 held the position of financial secretary of that Board. Dr. Braun was a man of scholarly inclinations and achievements. He was also the author of several novels that appeared under the pen of F. Urban. Dr. Braun passed away on May 9, 1946.

Dr. David Brewer Eddy, Secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions for thirty-five years (1909-1944), served first as candidate secretary, then as associate secretary, education secretary, and later as corresponding secretary in the Home Department. Dr. Eddy passed away at West Falmouth, Mass., on June 1, 1946.

Miss Esther E. Rickabaugh, in 1932 joined the Missionary Bands of the World at Indianapolis, Ind. In September, 1933 she went to India and was located at RajNandgaon in Central Provinces. After almost seven years of
untiring service and because the war situation in the Pacific was threatening, she returned to the United States in April, 1940. Still burdened for foreign missions, she became a member of the Missionary Bands Headquarters where she capably performed the duties of missionary secretary of the organization. She passed away on December 14, 1946.

Rev. Edgar E. Snyder, who with his wife perished in the LaSalle Hotel fire in Chicago, Illinois, June 5, 1946, had assumed the position of executive secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church only a few months before the time of his death. He was pastor in Van Wert, Ohio, for twenty-four years, president of the Board of Trustees of Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, and was a member of the Board of Foreign Missions before being called as its executive.

Miss Gertrude Schultz, secretary emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., following her retirement as one of its home base secretaries, passed into the greater life on September 16, 1945. Miss Schultz served on the Central Committee in the United Study of Foreign Missions as Secretary and then as Chairman from 1922 to 1938 when the work of that committee was merged with the Missionary Education Movement. She was a Director of the Missionary Education Movement from 1919 to 1944, a member of the Federation of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions and was active in the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, on the Committee of Reference and Counsel and other committees, and was one of the American delegates to the Madras Conference in 1938.

Mr. C. C. Barrett, treasurer and general secretary of the Mid-Missions General Council of Cooperating Baptist Missions, Cleveland, Ohio, died very suddenly on New Year's Day, 1947, following an illness which developed some months earlier, and from which he was apparently making a splendid recovery.
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Abbott, Paul, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Achor, Mrs. Mary, visitor, Church of God
Albaugh, Dana M., Northern Baptist
Albright, L. S., staff, International Missionary Council
Anderson, L. K., visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Archer, E. L., visitor, Methodist
Arksey, Lawrence, visitor, Free Methodist
Armstrong, A. E., United Church of Canada
Armstrong, C. I., National Holiness
Arnup, J. H., United Church of Canada

Baker, Mrs. C. W., Jr., United Lutheran
Beardsley, Edna, Protestant Episcopal
Beebe, Albert E., visitor, Methodist
Beebe, Mrs. Albert E., visitor, Methodist
Bentley, Clara L., staff, Africa Committee
Birch, F. R., Wesleyan Methodist
Birch, Mrs. F. R., visitor, Wesleyan Methodist
Birkel, Henry J., fraternal delegate, Church World Service
Boerger, Alfred K., visitor, Lutheran Orient Mission Society
Bosier, Howard A., Church of the Brethren
Brugu, Mrs. J. D., visitor, Methodist
Brown, Juanita, visitor, Methodist
Brubaker, Leland S., Church of the Brethren
Brumbaugh, T. T., visitor, Methodist
Burges, A. S., visitor, Evangelical Lutheran
Burman, Mrs. A. L., American Lutheran

Caldwell, R. W., United Presbyterian
Cameron, W. A., Presbyterian Church in Canada
Cary, Harry M., Universalist
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Clippinger, A. R., United Brethren in Christ
Colony, Lucile, visitor, Methodist
Cory, Abram E., visitor, Disciples
Cressy, Earl, fraternal delegate, National Christian Council of China
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Crowe, Mrs. Herbert W., visitor, United Council of Church Women

Daniels, Mrs. Ella Maze, Free Methodist
Decker, J. W., staff, International Missionary Council
Dengate, Mrs. C. W., Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario West
Diehl, Nona M., United Lutheran
Diffendorfer, R. E., visitor, Methodist
Dodd, E. M., visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Douglas, Mrs. Mary B., African Methodist Episcopal Zion
Dudley, Raymond A., Congregational Christian
Dugan, George, staff, Missions Public Relations Office

Eastman, Frances, Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific Islands
Ehman, Dobbs Frederick, Evangelical and Reformed
Ehman, Mrs. Dobbs Frederick, visitor, Evangelical and Reformed
Eklund, Helen, staff, Committee on Cooperation in Latin America
Elder, E. E., visitor, United Presbyterian
Elson, Winfred F., staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Emerson, Mabel E., Congregational Christian
Ericsson, Mrs. J. V., visitor, Augustana Synod
Eschbach, Carl, visitor, United Brethren in Christ

Fabs, Charles H., staff, Missionary Research Library
Fairfield, Wynn C., staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Parnum, Marlin D., Northern Baptist
Faught, Marjorie, visitor, United Presbyterian
Riedler, F. J., United Lutheran
Fielding, Mrs. E. B., visitor, Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario West
Fisher, Royal H., staff, Japan Committee
Fonger, W. H., visitor, American Bible Society
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Forman, Douglas N., staff, Christian Medical Council
Fowler, J. Earl, Protestant Episcopal
Fridell, E. A., Northern Baptist
Fulton, Mary Beth, visitor, Northern Baptist
Fulton, Robert Brank, Yale-in-China

Gallagher, D. H., visitor, United Church of Canada
Gallivan, Helen, staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Gammack, Ellen, Protestant Episcopal
Gibson, Henrietta, YWCA, Methodist; Treasurer, Foreign Missions Conference
Gilbert, Janet, United Brethren in Christ
Glover, Mrs. Charles N., staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Goodsell, Fred Field, Congregational Christian
Gordon, Florence, staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Gotwald, L. A., visitor, United Lutheran
Gotwald, Mrs. L. A., visitor, United Lutheran
Grace, Roy E., United Presbyterian

Haberyan, Mrs. H. D., visitor, Presbyterian U. S.
Hadley, Mrs. Freda M., Woman's Missionary Union of Friends in America
Hahn, Mrs. Walter, staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Haley, J. W., visitor, Free Methodist
Hamilton, Kenneth G., Moravian
Harrington, Mrs. C. S., visitor, Presbyterian U. S.
Hartman, G. W., visitor, Evangelical and Reformed
Hartman, Mrs. G. W., visitor, Evangelical and Reformed
Hayes, Mrs. Florence, visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Head, Mabel, fraternal delegate, United Council of Church Women
Hearn, Curry B., Presbyterian in the U. S.
Heimiller, Carl, Evangelical; Vice-Chairman, Foreign Missions Conference
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Hinkamp, Mrs. Paul, Reformed Church in America
Hockin, Katherine B., visitor, United Church of Canada
Hoffmeier, Edgar F., Evangelical and Reformed
Hoggard, J. C., African Methodist Episcopal Zion
Hopkins, Garland Evans, visitor, Methodist
Howell, Mabel K., visitor, Scarritt College Rural Center
Howland, Mrs. C. L., visitor, Free Methodist
Hughes, Mary, American Mission to Lepers
Hunter, Mrs. Nora, Church of God

John, Arthur, visitor, South India United Church
Jones, Anna E., staff, Missionary Research Library
Jones, Irene, Northern Baptist
Jones, James A., Presbyterian in the U. S.

Keasling, Ernest, visitor, Free Methodist
Kennedy, Melville, Oberlin-Shansi Memorial Association
Kittredge, Helen, fraternal delegate, United Council of Church Women
Klump, Doris, staff, Foreign Missions Conference

Lamott, Willis, visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Lamson, Byron S., Free Methodist
Latourrette, Kenneth Scott, visitor
Laubach, Robert, visitor
Leber, Charles T., visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Lee, Elizabeth M., visitor, Methodist
Lee, Frederick, visitor, Seventh-day Adventist
LeScourd, Gilbert, Missionary Education Movement
Lipphard, W. B., Northern Baptist
Little, Ida B., United Presbyterian
Louis, Arthur, Evangelical Lutheran
Louis, Mrs. Arthur, visitor, Evangelical Lutheran
Luben, B. M., Reformed Church in America
Lucas, Edmund D., Presbyterian U. S. A.
Lyon, Sarah Scudder, visitor, Vellore Christian Medical College (North American Section)

MacKinnon, Sallie Lou, Methodist
MacWhinney, Mrs. Robert W., staff, Foreign Missions Conference
McBride, Mrs. Arthur M., United Presbyterian
McClendol, Dalton F., YMCA
McConnel, Dorothy, Methodist
McDowell, Henry C., visitor, Congregational Christian
McGaughy, Janie W., Presbyterian in the U. S.
McLennan, Mrs. W. A., Presbyterian Church in Canada
Madison, Ward N., American University at Cairo
Martin, W. N., visitor, Fellowship Center
Mathe, Ruth, staff, International Missionary Council
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Mathews, J. K., Methodist
Merrill, John F., visitor
Michel, Frederick J., Laymen's Missionary Movement
Mills, Nina, visitor, Missionary Education Movement
Moomaw, Ira W., staff, Agricultural Missions, Inc.
Moomaw, Mrs. Ira W., visitor
Moon, Mrs. C. O., Church of England in Canada
Moore, Alfred D., staff, Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature
Moore, Marjorie E., Southern Baptist
Moore, Mrs. Otis, visitor, Methodist
Mosca, Dorothy, visitor, Church of God

Newman, Emery, visitor, Cumberland Presbyterian
Nida, Eugene A., visitor, American Bible Society
Nolde, O. Frederick, visitor, Graduate School of Lutheran Theological Seminary
Normann, Mrs. H. M., visitor, Evangelical Lutheran
North, Eric M., American Bible Society
Nyc, Howard G., Mennonite Board of Foreign Missions

O’Brien, Henry R., visitor, United States Public Health Service
Odei, Esther, staff, Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature
Orton, Hazel, visitor, Missionary Education Movement
Osten, Mrs. Ella M., visitor, American Lutheran

Palmquist, Herbert E., Evangelical Mission Covenant
Partridge, Florence, Evangelical and Reformed
Peters, F. A., Church of England in Canada
Pitt, Malcolm, visitor, Kennedy School of Missions
Poorman, John H., visitor, Evangelical and Reformed
Potter, F. M., visitor, Reformed Church in America
Price, Frank, visitor, Presbyterian in the U. S.

Quimby, Karl, Methodist
Quinn, C. Lowrey, Church of God

Ransom, Ruth, Reformed Church in America
Rattenbury, Mrs. B. B., visitor, Methodist Missionary Society of Great Britain
Reeves, Robert, staff, Agricultural Missions, Inc.
Reid, W. W., visitor, Methodist
Reid, Mrs. W. W., visitor, Methodist
Robinson, Louise, Methodist
Ross, Emory, staff, Africa Committee
Rowe, Mrs. A. T., visitor, Church of God
Ross, Mrs. Charles K., Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students
Russell, L. L., visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Russell, Mrs. Galen E., fraternal delegate, United Council of Church Women
Ryan, Robert L., visitor, Mid-Missions

Sawyer, George W., Southern Baptist
Sardeson, Mrs. O. A., St. Christopher’s Training College
Schuh, Henry F., visitor, American Lutheran
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Scudder, Galen F., visitor, Reformed Church in America
Seabury, Ruth L., visitor, Congregational Christian
Sears, Mrs. C. H., Northern Baptist
Shafer, Luman J., visitor, Reformed Church in America
Shaffer, Mrs. Luman J., visitor, Reformed Church in America
Shanbaugh, Mrs. Maude L., visitor, Evangelical Church
Shelton, O. L., visitor, Disciples, School of Religion, Butler University
Sherrill, Mrs. Arthur M., visitor, Protestant Episcopal
Showers, Mrs. J. B., visitor, United Brethren in Christ
Smiley, Virgil, Disciples
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Smith, Mrs. Herbert H., visitor
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Stansbury, Florence, visitor, Northern Baptist
Stepp, Hilda, staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Stockton, Mrs. T. C., Cumberland Presbyterian
Stuber, Stanley L., visitor, Northern Baptist
Swain, Mrs. Leslie E., Northern Baptist; Chairman, Foreign Missions Conference
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Syrdal, R. A., Evangelical Lutheran

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Terrell, Mrs. J. Percy, visitor, Presbyterian in the U. S.
Thielz, Anna M., staff, International Missionary Council
Thomas, M. Edwin, United Lutheran
Thornbloom, Wallace D., Evangelical Mission Covenant
Titus, Frank L., Protestant Episcopal
Trickett, A. Stanley, Methodist
Twente, Theophil H., visitor, Evangelical and Reformed

Vickery, Charles V., visitor, Golden Rule Foundation
Voehringer, Erich F., World’s Sunday School Association

Walmsley, Mrs. Lewis C., United Church of Canada
Warshuis, A. L., fraternal delegate, Church World Service
Warshuis, Mrs. A. L., visitor
Watson, Charles R., visitor, American University at Cairo
Watts, H. G., Church of England in Canada
Weber, Mrs. Ralph C., Presbyterian U. S. A.
Weddell, Sue, staff, Foreign Missions Conference
Weller, Rena, fraternal delegate, United Christian Youth Movement
Wells, Elizabeth J., Congregational Christian
Whidle, F. B., visitor, Church of God (Holiness)
White, Mrs. John P., visitor, United Presbyterian
Williams, Horace W., visitor, Methodist, Missionary Education Movement
Wilson, Jesse R., visitor, Northern Baptist
Woolever, Mrs. Eloise, visitor, Methodist
Worrell, Mrs. Ruth Mougey, fraternal delegate, United Council of Church Women
Wysham, William N., visitor, Presbyterian U. S. A.
Wyssuer, Glora M., staff, Foreign Missions Conference

Young, Herrick B., Presbyterian U. S. A.
Young, Mrs. Herrick B., American Bible Society

Ziegler, S. G., visitor, United Brethren in Christ

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA

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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

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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

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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.  
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 imme-
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.** Boards of management organized in North America for Christian institutions of higher learning in the mission field, whose interests are not otherwise represented in the Conference, 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 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.

**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

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*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.
the churches of a deepening concern for the missionary enterprise. The assem­
ity'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 Com-
mittees (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 Com-
mittee shall determine.

SECTION 4. The Committee shall have ad interim all powers of the Confer-
ence 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 dis-
charge 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 relation-
ships. Participation in the Conference as a Representative Committee carries
with it the obligation for mutual consultation on all major matters which di-
rectly 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 Com-
mittees, 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 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 L. Chamberlain, Ed. F. Cook, Stephen J. Corey, James Endicott, James H. Franklin, Alfred Gander, 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.

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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 corporation shall be kept in said office.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, \{ \} \text{SS.}

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-Chairman, 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 \textit{ex officio} members of the Committee without vote. Representative 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 Committees. 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 Conference, 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 Committee of Reference and Counsel or of its Standing Committee on Executive Staff. The Committee on its own initiative may fill \textit{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 those 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. Audio-Visual Aids Overseas
3. English-Speaking Union Churches Overseas
4. Executive
5. Executive Staff
6. Finance and Headquarters
7. Interchange of Christian Leadership
8. International Relations and World Peace
9. Missionary Personnel
10. Nominating
11. Public Relations
12. Research
13. 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) Philippine Committee.
   (b) Functional: (1) Associated Mission Medical Office; (2) Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work; (3) Rural Missions Cooperating Committee; (4) Treasurers Committee; (5) 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 Misyonsråd.
- Foreign Missions Conference of North America (United States and Canada).
- Philippine Federation of Evangelical Churches.
- Confederación de Iglesias Evangélicas del Río de La Plata.
- National Christian Council of Siam.
- Christian Council of South Africa.
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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 Protestantes au Congo ...................................................... 1
Confederação Evangelica do Brasil ................................................................. 1
National Christian Council of China ................................................................. 2
Conseil Protestant du Congo ................................................................................. 1
Deutscher Evangelischer Missionrat ................................................................. 2
Société des Missions Evangéliques de Paris ........................................................... 2
Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland ...................... 5
National Christian Council of India, Burma, and Ceylon ............................... 2
National Christian Council of Japan ................................................................. 2
Committee on Cooperation in Latin America ....................................................... 1
Concilio Nacional Evangélico de México ............................................................. 1
Near East Christian Council ................................................................................. 2
Nederlandsche Zendingsraad ................................................................................ 1
Netherlands India .................................................................................................. 1
National Missionary Council of New Zealand .................................................... 1
Norsk Misjonsråd ................................................................................................... 1
Foreign Missions Conference of North America (United States and Canada) .... 7
Philippine Federation of Evangelical Churches .................................................. 1
National Christian Council of Siam ................................................................. 1
Christian Council of South Africa .................................................................... 1
Suomen Lähetysneuvosto ..................................................................................... 1
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Association of Missionary Societies in Switzerland ........................................... 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 represented, 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 appointed, the length of term of office and the method of appointment to be determined 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 represent 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 representatives 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 Secretaries. These officers shall be elected by the Committee of the Council. Their terms of office, their respective duties, and their remuneration shall be determined 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 understood that such emergencies may be met by special funds which the Committee 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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- Expenditures totals do not include non-recurring items nor headquarters administration expense.
- Expenditures include items designated and miscellaneous categories.
- Totals include Designated and Miscellaneous categories.

**Incomes and Totals:**
- $16,630
- $24,769
- $19,139
- $4,464
- $9,003
- $6,622
- $5,315
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