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## One Hundred and Sixtieth Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 4, 1965, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, N. W. Dunn, W. Melvin Adams, Wesley Amundsen, O. A. Blake, F. L. Bland, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, N. W. Dunn, A. A. Esteb, J. O. Gibson, Mazie Herin, M. Carol Hetzell, J. O. Iversen, D. S. Johnson, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, Theodore Lucas, G. M. Mathews, E. L. Minchin, W. E. Murray, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, J. V. Scully, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, J. R. Spangler, A. F. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, R. S. Watts

## OTHERS PRESENT:

H. L. Dyer, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, R. L. Odom, M. R. Thurber, A. L. Tucker

## DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman, said that in reading the writings of Mrs. Ellen G. White one is impressed by the fact that heaven for her was very realistic. It was not a doctrine unrelated to life, but very closely bound in with her life. She speaks about being homeward bound, and gives way to wonderful feelings of happiness over the prospect of being in heaven, seeing her loved ones, and her Lord and Saviour. It is one of the privileges of the Christian to realize that heaven is real. Elder Figuhr referred to the hymn "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand," on page 306 of the Church Hymnal. This gives a wonderfully graphic picture of that great event when the faithful from this earth, the redeemed, enter through the gates into the city. The writers of one and two centuries ago had the ability of expressing the Christian's hope. He read the four stanzas of the hymn, the first reading as follows:

"Ten thousand times ten thousand,  
In sparkling raiment bright,  
The armies of the ransomed saints  
Throng up the steeps of light.  
'Tis finished, all is finished,  
Their fight with death and sin.  
Fling open wide the golden gates,  
And let the victors in."

MINUTES of the meeting held February 25, 1965, were approved.

## COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION:

In harmony with a recommendation from the Department of Education Advisory Committee, it was--

VOTED, That a Committee be appointed to develop a plan that will coordinate the teaching of the Bible on the various educational levels; that is, elementary,

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secondary, and college levels. This Committee is also to supervise the production of teaching material, to draw up guide lines to help the teachers in the selection of content, and in the choice of methods of Bible teaching. The Committee was appointed as follows:

General Conference	R. S. Watts, Chairman
Review and Herald	R. F. Cottrell
Department of Education	W. A. Howe, G. M. Mathews, T. S. Geraty
Elementary Education	Ethel Johnson (Columbia Union)
	Else Nelson (Pacific Union)
Secondary Education	Paul Gordon (Upper Columbia Academy)
	R. M. <del>Miller</del> <i>Hillier</i> (College View Academy)
Higher Education	Leslie Hardinge (Columbia Union College)
	G. S. Balharrie (Walla Walla College)
Graduate Education	F. E. J. Harder (Andrews University)
	A. Graham Maxwell (Loma Linda University)

#### AUSTRALASIAN DIVISION--

##### SYDNEY SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL PROJECT:

A letter received from the Australasian Division gives information concerning an emergency situation at the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital. In order for their nurses' training school to continue it will be necessary to replace the old portion of the hospital, and provide for three hundred beds, with fireproof construction. This Sanitarium supplies nurses for the Australasian Division field as well as some nurses for other areas of the world field. The Division has outlined a plan for financing this building.

VOTED, That we approve of the plan submitted by the Australasian Division for the financing of the replacement of a portion of the hospital building, the details of which are on file in the offices of the Secretary and Treasurer.

#### PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE--

##### REQUEST REFERRED TO NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION:

A request received from the Pacific Union and Nevada-Utah Conferences for financial aid in connection with an evangelistic effort planned for Las Vegas, was presented, and it was--

VOTED, To refer this request to the North American Division Committee on Administration for consideration and action.

#### S. E. COLE--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

VOTED, To authorize a furlough extension of two-and-one-half months, to June 30, 1965, for S. E. Cole, from Puerto Rico; in harmony with the furlough policy.

#### ARTHUR E. E. BLAKE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize a permanent return for Arthur E. E. Blake, from Liberia, West Africa, for personal and educational reasons, at the end of his term of service; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division.

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**MARJORIE WHITNEY--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize a permanent return for Marjorie Whitney from Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, on her request to care for her aged mother; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division; effective June 15, 1965.

**C. L. CHRISTENSEN--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize a permanent return for C. L. Christensen from Peru, on his request for family educational reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the South American Division; effective in June, 1965.

**DONALD L. RIMA--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize a permanent return for Donald L. Rima from Aruba, in the Netherlands Antilles Mission, on his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division; effective March 15, 1965.

**BETTY DAVIS--RELEASED:**

VOTED, That Miss Betty Davis be released from appointment to Tokyo, Japan, as Church School Teacher, she having declined, due to personal reasons, to accept the call.

**JOHN HECZKO, M.D.--HAAD YAI:**

VOTED, That John Heczko, M.D., now under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division, be assigned to the Haad Yai Mission Hospital, in South Thailand; effective in July, 1965.

**ROGER C. VAN ARSDELL, M.D.--HAAD YAI:**

VOTED, That Roger C. Van Arsdell, M.D., now under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division, be assigned as Surgeon for the Haad Yai Mission Hospital, in South Thailand; effective in July, 1966.

**RAY L. FOSTER, M.D.--TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:**

VOTED, That Ray L. Foster, M.D., now taking a residency in Orthopedics at Hartford, Connecticut, be placed under deferred appointment to the Trans-Africa Division.

**GWYNETH DAVIS--EAST AFRICAN UNION:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division a call for Miss Gwyneth Davis, graduate of the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital, to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as a Nurse for the East African Union; with the request that if the way is clear the Australasian Division process the call.

**CYRIL E. ROE--SPICER MEMORIAL COLLEGE:**

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Nevada-Utah Conferences be requested to release Cyril E. Roe, Teacher at Las Vegas, Nevada, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Teacher in the Department of Education at Spicer Memorial College. Mr. and Mrs. Roe are British citizens. It is understood that the United States is to be regarded as their home base.

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**WILFRED M. HILLOCK--WESTERN INDIA UNION:**

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College be requested to release Wilfred M. Hillock, Assistant Business Manager at La Sierra College, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Secretary-Treasurer of the Western India Union.

**DR. LELAND WILSON--PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE:**

VOTED, That the Central Union Conference and Union College be requested to release Dr. Leland Wilson, Science Teacher at Union College, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Science and Mathematics Teacher at Philippine Union College, in Manila, Philippine Islands.

**ORVILLE E. EROS, DMD--GUAM:**

VOTED, That Orville E. Eros, DMD, of Paso Robles, California, be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as a Dentist for Guam.

**ELVERA ECKERMAN--KOFORIDUA DAY-TEACHER TRAINING COLLEGE:**

VOTED, That the Lake Union and Michigan Conferences be requested to release Miss Elvera Eckerman, and that she be invited to connect with the Northern European Division as a Teacher at the Koforidua Day-Teacher Training College, in Ghana, West Africa.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:**

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee, as follows:

W. R. Beach--Loma Linda, California, La Sierra College Missions Retreat, April 16-18; Arlington, California, Loma Linda University appointments, etc., April 26-28;

T. Carcich, G. A. Huse, R. R. Figuhr, W. P. Bradley--Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Book Planning Committee, May 11-13;

R. M. Davidson--Los Angeles, California, to Washington, D.C., College Accounting and Working Committee, March 16;

E. W. Dunbar--release: Hamilton, Bermuda, Biennial Session, March 10-14;

J. E. Edwards--Hamilton, Bermuda, Laymen's Pilot Training School, May 1-9;

T. S. Geraty, W. A. Howe--La Sierra, California, College and University Teachers' Section Meetings, August 18-25;

H. R. House--Southern Union, Insurance business, April 8-26;

J. C. Kozel, W. E. Phillips--Chicago, meeting of Pacific Union Association Personnel, April 8;

Theodore Lucas--Huntsville, Alabama, to Belton, Texas, re MV Department work, March 21-24; Dickinson, North Dakota, North Dakota Badlands Youth Rally, April 30-May 10 (from Toronto trip already voted);

G. M. Mathews--Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Union Conference Teachers' Convention, October 26-28;

L. M. Nelson--Kentucky-Tennessee, Southern Union Bible Conference, October 13-16; Miami, Florida, Southern Union Departmental Meetings, November 11-22;

F. L. Peterson--Atlanta, Georgia, Berean Church, May 7-9;

J. V. Scully--Champaign, Illinois, Temperance Meetings, March 17-20 (en route to Central Union already voted);

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## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

J. R. Spangler--Southern Missionary College and Atlanta, Georgia, speaking appointments and other Ministerial business, March 11-14; Memphis, Tennessee, District Meetings, April 2-4.

## SANDRA SUBLETT--GENERAL CONFERENCE TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and Potomac Conferences a call for Miss Sandra Sublett, to connect with the General Conference Temperance Department for secretarial service.

## PERCY W. CHRISTIAN--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College a call for Percy W. Christian, Professor of Political Science and History at Pacific Union College, to connect with Andrews University School of Graduate Studies, and the College.

## JAMES J. COX--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for James J. Cox, Teacher of Religion at Columbia Union College, to connect with Andrews University as Associate Professor of Religion at the College.

## WAYNE HOOPER--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Voice of Prophecy Board a call for Wayne Hooper, to connect with Andrews University as Assistant Professor in the Department of Music, the College, Graduate School, and the Seminary.

## ARLEEN NELSON--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Washington Sanitarium and Hospital a call for Miss Arleen Nelson, Administrative Dietitian, to connect with Andrews University as Instructor in Home Economics at the College.

## G. E. THOMPSON--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and Union College a call for G. E. Thompson, Teacher of Education and Psychology at Union College, to connect with Andrews University as Superintendent of Laboratory Schools.

## OVERSEAS VISITS:

VOTED, That authorization be given for visits to overseas fields as follows:

- T. S. Geraty--Northern Europe, July 1-24, 1965;  
Central Europe, July 25-31, 1965;
- M. E. Loewen--Europe, three weeks, September, 1965;
- C. L. Torrey and O. A. Blake--Central Europe, July, 1965.

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DELMER W. HOLBROOK--HOME STUDY INSTITUTE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and Union College a call for Delmer W. Holbrook, Director of College Relations at Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, to be President of the Home Study Institute.

Adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman  
N. W. Dunn, Secretary  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

## One Hundred and Sixty-First Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 11, 1965, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, N. W. Dunn, W. Melvin Adams, K. F. Ambs, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, F. L. Bland, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, K. H. Emmerson, A. A. Esteb, W. A. Fagal, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., J. O. Gibson, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, M. Carol Hetzell, D. S. Johnson, M. E. Loewen, Theodore Lucas, G. M. Mathews, D. A. McAdams, E. L. Minchin, W. E. Murray, G. R. Nash, L. M. Nelson, F. D. Nichol, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, J. V. Scully, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, A. F. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, G. E. Vandeman

## OTHERS PRESENT:

H. L. Dyer

## DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

John 1: 1-15, from the Revised Standard Version of the Scriptures, was read by R. R. Figuhr, Chairman. Elder Figuhr said these are wonderful verses. Speaking of the statement that in Him was life, and the life was the light of men, he said that is a very thought-provoking statement. The effect of the life upon others is more than the bare doctrinal teaching; it is the fruit that draws people. We teach the doctrines in the hope that it will bear fruit. The Lord transmitted instruction to this world through the prophets before the coming of the Lord; but the Lord Jesus came down and lived it. He was it. He was the expression of that light. "He came unto his own, and His own received Him not." This statement is full of pathos. His own did not recognize Him; they did not know Him; they had no welcome for Him. In verse 15 John wrote, "He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for He was before me." John put himself in his proper place.

Opening prayer by F. L. Bland.

MINUTES of the meeting held March 4, 1965, were approved.

## M. E. LIND--SECRETARY TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:

Reference was made to an action taken in the General Conference Committee on February 4, 1965, electing W. Duncan Eva, then Secretary of the Trans-Africa Division, as an Associate Secretary in the General Conference. Elder Eva is planning to take up his new responsibilities early in April. Careful consideration has been given to the appointment of a successor to W. Duncan Eva in the Trans-Africa Division. In harmony with a recommendation from the General Conference Officers, in consultation with the Officers of the Trans-Africa Division, the name of M. E. Lind was presented. Brother Lind has served for many years in Africa as a mission station director, evangelist, and local field president. For five years he was a departmental leader in the Northern European Division. He has been in the East African Union as the union president for four



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and one-half years. Favorable recommendations have been received concerning him and his service.

VOTED, That M. E. Lind be elected to serve as Secretary of the Trans-Africa Division.

BIBLE TEXTBOOK COORDINATING COMMITTEE--

DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING:

VOTED, That the Bible Textbook Coordinating Committee meet in Washington, D.C., May 9-12, 1965.

OTTO BRUNO HAUSER, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Otto Bruno Hauser, M.D., and family from Surat, India, to Germany, on his request for the education of his family; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

JOHN W. POPOWICH--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of John W. Popowich from West India to Canada, on his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

EUGENE DURAND--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Eugene Durand from the Atlantic Colombia Mission, on his request in view of family health conditions; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

GLORIA DAVY--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Gloria Davy, daughter of Elder and Mrs. Arthur L. Davy, for educational reasons, from the Trans-Africa Division.

A. W. PEREPELITZA, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of A. W. Perepelitza, M.D., from the Kendu Hospital, Kenya, East Africa, on his request for personal reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

F. H. THOMAS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of F. H. Thomas from East Africa to England, effective in March, 1966, in view of his plans for retirement; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

A statement was made as to the various capacities in which Brother Thomas has served in a number of locations in the Trans-Africa Division. All together, he has given forty years of service to the work in that field. He has three sons employed in the work of that Division.

VOTED, To express appreciation to F. H. Thomas and family for their forty years of service in Africa.

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**DR. STANLEY BULL--MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE:**

In harmony with the plan that is being worked out between the Loma Linda University and the Middle East Division for affiliation with the Middle East College, it was--

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College be requested to release Dr. Stanley Bull, and that he be invited to connect with the Middle East Division to teach in the Middle East College for a two-year period; it being understood that he will be returned to La Sierra College at the end of the two years for employment.

**FELICITO FERNANDO, M.D.--MONTEMORELOS HOSPITAL, MEXICO:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division a call from the Inter-American Division for Felicito Fernando, M.D., who has now worked for the Montemorelos Hospital, in Mexico, for six months, to connect with that institution on the basis of an overseas worker from the Philippines, and with the understanding that he would have furlough privileges to the Philippines, his homeland; requesting that the Far Eastern Division process the call.

**PHYLLIS STANDEN--TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:**

VOTED, That the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College be requested to release Miss Phyllis Standen, a Teacher at CUC, and that she be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as a Nurse and for Public Health work. It was stated that Miss Standen came to this country from Africa on her own expense. It is understood that the United States is to be regarded as her home base.

**ANNA J. YUHASZ--JAPAN:**

VOTED, That the Columbia Union Conference and Kettering Memorial Hospital be requested to release Miss Anna J. Yuhasz, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Director of Nursing Service and the School of Nursing in the Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital, in Japan.

**LAWRENCE B. DENNY--MATANDANI INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL:**

VOTED, That Lawrence B. Denny, of Kalispell, Montana, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division, to be the Principal of the Matandani Industrial School, in the Southeast African Union.

**DAVID G. SMALL, M.D.--BRITISH GUIANA HOSPITAL:**

VOTED, That David G. Small, M.D., now under deferred appointment to the Inter-American Division, and taking a residency program, be assigned to the British Guiana Hospital; with the understanding that he will be ready to go forward in August, 1965.

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## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee, as follows:

- F. L. Bland--Atlanta, Georgia, Berean Church, May 7-9;
- W. P. Bradley, T. Carcich--Lincoln, Nebraska, Christian Record Board, April 6;
- M. V. Campbell--Kettering, Ohio, church speaking appointment, April 24;
- Indianapolis, Indiana, Local Conference Biennial Session, May 16 (en route to West Coast);
- D. A. Delafield--Central Union, visit academies, April 22-May 8;
- K. H. Emmerson--Chicago, Inter-Church Transportation Council, March 17;
- E. J. Folkenberg--Collegedale, Tennessee, Southern Missionary College, April 23, 24;
- Mazie Herin--Kettering, Ohio, Nursing Education Committee, March 21, 22;
- W. A. Higgins--Minneapolis, Minnesota, Conference-wide Literature Evangelistic Rally, March 13 (en route from Canada);
- M. H. Jensen--Southern Union, Federation Meetings, fifteen days in April (month of April voted);
- Harold Messenger and Dan Wuerstlin--Monticello, Illinois, Fire Inspectors' Course, March 14-20;
- W. E. Murray--Columbus, Wisconsin, Local Conference Biennial Session, June 4-6;
- Grand Ledge, Michigan, Local Conference Biennial Session, July 8-10;
- G. R. Nash--Western Canada, re Branch Sabbath School work, May 15-June 12 (change in dates);
- G. R. Nash, R. C. Barger, Louise Meyer--Camp Cumby-Gay, Georgia, Southern Union Sabbath School Workshops, August 8-14;
- L. M. Nelson--Georgia-Cumberland Conference, Union Pathfinder Camporee, April 1-4;
- F. L. Peterson--Hamilton, Bermuda, Biennial Session, March 10-21 (extension);
- Cassopolis, Michigan, Local Conference Biennial Session, June 11-13;
- F. A. Soper--Newport, Rhode Island, State-wide Alcohol Education Seminar, April 5-7;
- J. R. Spangler--Keene, Texas, Laymen's Congress, June 15-19;
- R. S. Watts--Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, Revival and District Meetings, March 13-20; Broadview Academy, Illinois, Local Conference Biennial Session, April 9-11;
- Dan Wuerstlin--Memphis, Tennessee, Fire Department Instructors' Course, March 21-29.

## KENNETH C. STEWART--GENERAL CONFERENCE INSURANCE SERVICE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and Florida Conferences a call for Kenneth C. Stewart, Principal of Greater Miami Academy, to connect with the General Conference Insurance Service.

## MRS. LOIS M. BARR--WEST COAST INSURANCE OFFICE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences a call for Mrs. Lois M. Barr, of La Sierra Academy, to connect with the staff of the West Coast Insurance office for secretarial service, as a replacement.

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**WALTER KOTANKO--REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Press Publishing Association a call for Walter Kotanko to connect with the Review and Herald Publishing Association for work in the Periodical Bindery.

**JAMES J. COX--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for James J. Cox, a Teacher of Religion at CUC, to connect with Loma Linda University as Assistant Professor in the Division of Religion.

**GEORGE T. SIMPSON--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College a call for George T. Simpson, Teacher of Education at La Sierra College, a call to connect with Loma Linda University as Director of Personnel Relations.

Adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman  
N. W. Dunn, Secretary  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

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## One Hundred and Sixty-Second Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 18, 1965, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, N. W. Dunn, W. Melvin Adams, Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, F. L. Bland, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, E. W. Dunbar, A. A. Esteb, R. R. Figuhr, J. O. Gibson, J. H. Hancock, R. R. Hegstad, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, D. S. Johnson, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, G. M. Mathews, E. L. Minchin, C. E. Moseley, Jr., W. E. Murray, L. M. Nelson, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Peeke, R. J. Radcliffe, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, J. R. Spangler, A. F. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey

## OTHERS INVITED:

C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, R. L. Odom, M. R. Thurber

## DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

Psalm 103: 1-5, was read by M. V. Campbell, Chairman. In his comments on these verses, Elder Campbell included the following thoughts: This is a chapter of praise to God. Not only should man bless God with his tongue, but with his mind, and heart, and every organ of the body. It is one of the great tragedies of life that we have such good "forgetters," and poor memories. If we really count the blessings received from God, and "count them one by one," as the familiar hymn admonishes, we will be encouraged and anxious to praise God. It is time to recall to our memories again the good things God has done for us. He heals diseases of the soul, as well as those of the body. He is a wonderful God, a forgiving God; and one who protects us from sickness, and from accident. God, the Emperor of the universe, crowneth us with loving kindness. We are crowned by the King of the universe. He satisfieth our mouths with good things. Seldom have we been hungry. He renews our youth. He strengthens us; gives us youthful vigor. He renews our faith. He builds us up. Our first love is renewed. This is a group of blessings that would lead us to praise God. 'Bless the Lord, O my soul.'

Opening prayer by W. E. Murray.

## REPORT ON WORLD INGATHERING:

On invitation of the Chairman, A. A. Esteb reported Ingathering progress overseas as well as in North America. During the recent 1965 Ingathering campaign in North America we rejoiced each week over the cheering news of progress. Some perhaps wondered how this phase of the work is prospering overseas. This week we have the final comparative report for the world field as follows:

	1963	1964	1965
Overseas	\$2,378,541.84	\$2,569,274.52	(Not yet received)
North America	5,608,171.01	5,724,266.68	\$5,933,789.47
	<u>\$7,986,712.85</u>	<u>\$8,293,541.20</u>	

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This is the first time we have passed the eight million mark in our world report of Ingathering. Certainly God is blessing the united efforts of our church members and church leaders in all parts of the world.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT--  
LITERATURE SALES:

W. A. Higgins said that the report of literature sold during 1964 for the world field has now been completed. This shows that \$17,559,695.76 worth of literature was delivered in 1964, which represents a 13.7 per-cent gain above that of the previous year. The deliveries were almost equally divided between North America and the overseas fields.

MINUTES of the meeting held March 11, 1965, were approved.

MRS. LELAND B. MITCHELL--TEMPORARY SUSTENTATION:

Elder and Mrs. Leland B. Mitchell served as missionaries to Liberia from 1959 to 1964. He recently passed away. It was--

VOTED, That the name of Mrs. Leland B. Mitchell be recommended to the Sustentation Committee for temporary sustentation; also that child allowance be granted for their adopted child without restriction, according to policy.

SEMINARY EXTENSION SCHOOLS--

PERSONNEL FOR AUSTRALASIAN AND CENTRAL EUROPEAN DIVISIONS:

In harmony with a recommendation from the Extension Schools Committee, it was--

VOTED, To appoint the following personnel to conduct Seminary Extension Schools in the Australasian and Central European Divisions:

Australasian Division:	December 6, 1965, to January 30, 1966
	Personnel: Dr. S. H. Horn, Director
	J. R. Spangler
	Desmond Ford

Central European Division:	Latter part of June to mid-August, 1967
	Personnel: Dr. Earle Hilgert, Director
	F. D. Nichol
	One individual to be selected
	from the Central European or
	Southern European Division

THE YEARBOOK--PRODUCTION:

At present the Yearbook is prepared under the supervision of the Auditor. It is felt it would be a better plan for the preparation of the Yearbook to be carried on under the supervision of some one who spends more time in the office and could follow it through.

VOTED, That the Yearbook be prepared as a separate project from the regular statistical work; and that C. D. Forshee be requested to assume responsibility for its preparation.

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## WEEK OF PRAYER READINGS--COMMITTEE ON:

VOTED, That the following Committee be appointed to recommend writers and topics for the 1966 Week of Prayer readings: M. V. Campbell, Chairman; R. F. Cottrell, W. J. Keith, D. S. Johnson, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, Arthur H. Roth.

ASSOCIATION OF SELF-SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS--  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the following named persons be appointed to serve as members of the Association of Self-Supporting Association Institutions Executive Committee for the ensuing biennium: Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, Theodore Carcich, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., W. A. Howe, J. C. Kozel, H. E. Rice.

## PAUL PICHOT--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Paul Pichot be released from appointment to the Gitwe Seminary, for personal reasons.

## CYRIL BLAINE, M.D.--KENDU HOSPITAL, KENYA:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences be requested to release Cyril Blaine, M.D., of the St. Helena Sanitarium and Hospital, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Physician for the Kendu Hospital, Kenya.

## RICHARD D. GIBBON--LIBERIA, WEST AFRICA:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union and Oregon Conferences be requested to release Richard D. Gibbon, of Portland Union Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Northern European Division as Science Teacher for Konola Academy, Liberia, West Africa.

## WERNER SCHWIRZ, M.D.--TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central European Division a call for Dr. Werner Schwirz, of Germany, to connect with the Trans-Africa Division for service as a relief Doctor, with the request that if the way is clear the Central European Division process the call.

## NEAL C. WOODS, M.D., SR.--TAIWAN:

VOTED, To invite Neal C. Woods, M.D., Sr., of Lakeport, California, to connect with the Far Eastern Division to serve as relief Doctor for one year, for Taiwan; with the understanding that he goes without eligibility for sustentation.

## HAROLD F. ELLISON, M.D.--PENANG:

VOTED, To invite Harold F. Ellison, M.D., of Stockton, California, to connect with the Far Eastern Division, as a Physician-Surgeon for Penang; it being understood that he is to take the qualifying examinations in Canada.



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## ROBERT D. BAERG--INDONESIA UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Lake Union and Indiana Conferences be requested to release Robert D. Baerg, of Indiana Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Mathematics and Science Teacher for the Indonesia Union College.

## FRED LEE--FAR EASTERN ACADEMY:

VOTED, That the Voice of Prophecy Board be requested to release Fred Lee, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Dean of Boys and Teacher at Far Eastern Academy.

## MARIEDA W. BLEHM--SINGAPORE:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union and Potomac Conferences be requested to release Miss Marieda W. Blehm, of the Sligo Elementary School staff, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Church School Teacher for Singapore.

## CARL BAUER, M. D.--ASSIGNMENT TRANSFERRED TO MANILA SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the deferred appointment of Carl Bauer, M.D., to the South American Division for service in the Inca Union Mission be transferred to the Far Eastern Division, he to serve as Internist and to teach at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital to go forward in September, 1965.

## DR. ALLAN MAGIE--MOUNTAIN VIEW COLLEGE, PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College be requested to release Dr. Allan Magie, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division to serve as Biology Teacher for Mountain View College, in the Philippines.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, That appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee and the General Conference Officers be authorized as follows:

R. E. Adams--Southwestern Union, Narcotics Education, May 4-10; Pacific Union, May 11-20; North Pacific Union, May 20-June 6; Central Union, June 6-11 (all in interest of Narcotics Education);

W. M. Adams--Indiana, Workers' Meeting, Religious Liberty contacts, March 21-23;

E. H. Atchley--Mount Vernon Academy, Mount Vernon, Ohio, Baccalaureate Service, May 29;

Wesley Amundsen--Denver, Colorado, Association of Self-Supporting Institutions, Biennial Convention, August 16-22;

F. L. Bland, H. D. Singleton, Ardmore, Oklahoma, Workers' Meeting, October 4-6;

J. E. Edwards--Oshawa, Ontario, Ingathering Publishing Committee and speaking appointment, April 22-24; Alaska Mission, Lay Evangelism Rally, September 24-28 (en route to Far East);

T. R. Flaiz--Hinsdale, Illinois, interview mission appointee, March 18; Kettering, Ohio, Kettering Memorial Hospital Constituency Meeting, April 8;

T. R. Flaiz--release: Hinsdale, Illinois, Hinsdale Sanitarium Anniversary Program, May 8, 9;

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J. O. Gibson--Worcester and South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Smoke Signals promotion and National Oratorical Program, April 8-10;

Miss Mazie Herin--Kettering, Ohio, re School of Nursing, March 18-22; San Francisco, California, National League of Nurses and meeting of SDA Nurses, May 5-10;

H. R. House--La Sierra, California, Chicago, Illinois, Toronto, Canada, Insurance business, May 23-31;

J. O. Iversen--Southern Union, Radio-TV Rallies and other appointments, May 21-24;

J. C. Kozel--Grand Junction, Colorado, Church Dedication, April 3 (previous to appointment in Chicago, April 6-8, voted);

Theodore Lucas--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Academies' Music Festival, March 26, 27; Ft. Worth and San Antonio, Texas, Servicemen's Center and other appointments latter part of March (from Belton, Texas, already voted); Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University speaking appointments, April 3-5 (voted to be in Wisconsin April 4);

W. E. Murray, T. R. Flaiz--San Francisco, California, National League of Nurses and meeting of SDA Nurses, May 5-10;

R. J. Radcliffe--Chicago, Illinois, meeting of Pacific Union Association personnel, April 8 (on return from California);

H. E. Rice--Hinsdale, Illinois, Hinsdale Sanitarium Anniversary Program, May 8, 9;

J. V. Scully--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, National Oratorical Program, April 8-11;

H. D. Singleton--Columbus, Mississippi, speaking appointment, March 27, 28 (in connection with Riverside Board);

F. A. Soper--Tulsa, Oklahoma, National Council on Alcoholism, April 8-11;

Beverly Tiberghien--Denver, Colorado, Association of Self-Supporting Institutions Biennial Convention, August 16-22;

C. L. Torrey--Lincoln, Nebraska, Christian Record Board, April 6;

G. E. Vandeman--to Bermuda in the interest of the "It Is Written" reaping meetings, May 20-26.

#### VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

In harmony with the recommendation of the Overseas Travel Committee, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the following visits and cancelations of visits by workers to overseas divisions:

J. L. Dittberner--Trans-Africa (camp meetings, July 15-September 15, 1965; Northern Union to be responsible for traveling expenses);

E. L. Minchin--Middle East (change of date), April 15-June 20, instead of April 15-June 15, 1965;

C. E. Moseley--Inter-America, July 25-September 11, 1965;

Cancel: E. R. Walde--Southern Europe, April 15-May 31, 1965;

Central Europe, June 1-20, 1965;

Northern Europe, February 17-March 28, 1966;

Southern Europe, March 29-April 6, 1966 (Paris, en route to Middle East);

Middle East, April 7-May 3, 1966.

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## MRS. PEARL SCHAR--CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the ESDA office in San Francisco, California, a call from the Pacific Union Conference for Mrs. Pearl Schar, to connect with the Central California Conference as Bible Instructor.

## L. E. McCLAIN--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and Washington Conferences a call for L. E. McClain, Principal of Auburn Academy, to connect with Loma Linda University as Dean of Students.

## SHIRLEY T. MOORE--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central Union Conference and Boulder Memorial Hospital a call for Shirley T. Moore, Dietitian, to connect with Loma Linda University as Assistant Professor of Nutrition and Dietetics.

## KENNETH B. PERRY--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER:

MO.--Mrs. Marsh said information has come that Kenneth B. Perry is not connected with the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences. His action may read: To pass on to Kenneth B. Perry, Pastor on study etc.

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Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

M. V. Campbell, Chairman  
N. W. Dunn, Secretary  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

## One Hundred and Sixty-Third Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

March 25, 1965, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

R. S. Watts, N. W. Dunn, Wesley Amundsen, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, E. W. Dunbar, N. W. Dunn, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., E. J. Folkenberg, T. S. Geraty, J. H. Hancock, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, D. S. Johnson, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, G. M. Mathews, W. E. Murray, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, F. L. Peterson, W. E. Phillips, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, J. R. Spangler, A. L. White

## OTHERS PRESENT:

H. L. Dyer, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, M. R. Thurber, A. L. Tucker

## DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

R. S. Watts, Chairman, read responsively with the Committee members the 91st Psalm.

Opening prayer by W. E. Murray.

## REPORT ON SMOKER'S DIAL ACTIVITIES:

The Chairman invited E. J. Folkenberg, Secretary of the Temperance Department, to report on some events transpiring at present. E. J. Folkenberg spoke with enthusiasm of the latest plan in the Temperance Department. Many have probably heard of this activity called Smoker's Dial. He said that it is one of the most significant things he has been connected with since he became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. It is a plan by which a smoker can dial a number, and receive a recorded message of a minute and a quarter in length, giving the basic principles of how one can overcome the smoking habit. The local pastors usually record the message on an automatic disc. The cost is very nominal, only \$1.00 per day.

In Denver, Colorado, where the plan was launched, they received for a time about 1,500 hundred calls a day; now they are receiving approximately 600 a day. In Chicago they have launched a Smoker's Dial in connection with the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital. They have been receiving 1,800 to 2,000 calls a day. A most significant thing happened in Seattle, Washington. They put in several units in the north end of Seattle. The dialers jammed the lines. Over a 24-hour period, 38,000 people dialed and could not get their calls through. On the average, 2,000 people an hour were dialing but could not get through. In five days they handled 22,000 calls that got through to the Smoker's Dial. This was the greatest response in the history of the Bell Telephone Company. Elder Folkenberg said that the plan is being initiated in Boston, Massachusetts; in Baltimore, Maryland; and the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital is considering the plan for Washington, D.C. It is our hope to launch a Smoker's Dial in every major city within four to six weeks. We are on the verge of one of the most unparalleled triumphs in the denomination.

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In view of the possibilities of reaching many people by the Smoker's Dial plan who could not participate in the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, it was--

VOTED, To refer this plan to the General Conference Officers for further consideration, with the suggestion that the item be placed on the Agenda for the 1965 Spring Meeting, when the union conference presidents will be present, and study can be given to the advisability of the plan being recommended to the North American Division field.

MINUTES of the meeting held March 18, 1965, were approved.

#### EVANGELISTIC FUNDS REQUESTS--

ITEM REFERRED TO NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION:

VOTED, To refer to the North American Division Committee on Administration for consideration requests received from the Lake Union, Central Union, and the Canadian Union Conferences for assistance from the Large City Evangelistic Fund for efforts to be held in South Chicago, Omaha, Nebraska; and Vancouver, British Columbia.

#### 1966 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--MUSIC COMMITTEE:

VOTED, To appoint a Music Committee for the 1966 General Conference session as follows:

Charles Keymer, Chairman	Sunny Liu (of the New York Conference)
Wayne Hooper, Vice-Chairman	Paul R. Hill (choir; of Columbia Union College)
Melvin West (of Walla Walla College)	Paul Hamel (band; Andrews University)
Brad Braley (of Voice of Prophecy)	Lloyd Wyman (Southern California Conference)
O. A. Blake (liaison)	Norman J. Roy (of Atlantic Union College)
Charles L. Brooks (of the Allegheny Conference)	
Gordon Henderson (of Detroit, Michigan)	H. L. Anthony (of Pine Forge Institute)
	Neil Tilkins (of Columbia Union College)
	Alfred Walters (of La Sierra College).

#### COMMITTEE ON BIBLE TEXTBOOKS--ADDITIONAL MEMBERS:

VOTED, That the names of O. A. Blake and C. V. Tivy be added to the Committee on Bible Textbooks.

#### RATES FOR DOCTORS AND DENTISTS IN OVERSEAS WAGE SCALE:

In a meeting of the Overseas Wage Scale Committee, October 26, 1964, when overseas representatives were present, a recommendation was made as to rates for doctors and dentists in the Overseas Wage Scale on a spread of three years or more. It was presented and accepted by the General Conference Officers on November 2, 1964. It is felt that this plan should be approved by the General Conference Committee as a working arrangement until the new overseas Wage Scale can be considered and adopted.

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VOTED, That the rates for doctors and dentists in the Overseas Wage Scale be based on a spread of three years as follows:

<u>Years of Service After Completion of Internship</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Men</u>
First Year	95.0%	117.5%
Second Year	104.0%	125.5%
Third Year	112.5%	133.5%

In adopting this as the basic schedule, it is understood that local conditions for national doctors and dentists with respect to years of preparation required for registration and economic and other factors may make it desirable for some divisions to provide a spread of five years or more.

COMMITTEE ON BATTLE CREEK HEALTH CENTER--  
REPRESENTATIVES TO MEET WITH:

VOTED, That the following individuals be authorized to meet with the Committee on the Battle Creek Health Center, May 3, 1965: C. L. Torrey, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, and T. R. Flaiz, M.D.

MRS. LEONA ALTMILLER--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER:

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union and Washington Conferences a call for Mrs. Leona Altmiller, a Teacher in Auburn Academy, to connect with Loma Linda Medical Center as a Social Worker.

ROLLAND H. HOWLETT--COSTA RICA:

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Texico Conferences be requested to release Rolland H. Howlett, now Principal of Sandia View Academy, and that he be appointed as President of the Central American Vocational College in Costa Rica.

JEROME P. JUSTESEN--BRAZIL COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Central California Conferences be requested to release Jerome P. Justesen, and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division as Teacher of Biblical Languages at the Brazil College.

PHILIP STEINWEG--COLOMBIA-VENEZUELA UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Lake Union and Indiana Conferences be requested to release Philip Steinweg, of Indiana Academy, and that he be invited to serve as Science Teacher for the Colombia-Venezuela Union College, Medellin, Colombia.

EDWARD NUESSELS--BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Central Union and Colorado Conferences be requested to release Edward Nuessels, a Physiotherapist at Boulder Memorial Hospital, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Physiotherapist for the Bella Vista Hospital, in Puerto Rico.

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## GORDON L. MARSA, M.D.--TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:

VOTED, That Gordon L. Marsa, M.D., now interning at Hinsdale, Illinois, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division for service.

## DON A. ROTH--FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

On recommendation of the Far Eastern Division, it was--

VOTED, That the Columbia Union Conference be requested to release Don A. Roth, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Assistant Secretary and Public Relations Secretary.

## ELEANOR SKRUPA--KOREA:

VOTED, That Miss Eleanor Skrupa, who is to graduate from Walla Walla College this year with a Bachelor of Science degree, and who has had a number of years' teaching experience, be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as an elementary Teacher for Seoul, Korea.

## BARBARA BENSON--TOKYO, JAPAN:

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences be requested to release Miss Barbara Benson, of Keene, Texas, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as elementary Teacher for Tokyo, Japan.

## RICHARD C. LARSEN, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Richard C. Larsen, M.D., be released from assignment to British Guiana, inasmuch as he is taking a three-year residency at the White Memorial Medical Center; and that he continue under deferred appointment.

## GARY L. BRADLEY--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Gary L. Bradley be released from appointment as Science Teacher for the Kuyera School in Ethiopia, because of unfavorable medical reports.

## JOHN HECZKO, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That John Heczko, M.D., of Hinsdale, Illinois, be released from appointment to the Haad Yai Mission Hospital, in South Thailand, and also from deferred appointment, since it is inadvisable for him to accept this call.

GORDON <sup>C</sup>~~D~~. SMEDLEY--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Gordon <sup>C</sup>~~D~~. Smedley from Rangoon, Burma, at the close of his term, in view of Mrs. Smedley's condition of health.

## NENITA M. SUMALNAP--PERMANENT RETURN TO PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Nenita M. Sumalnap from Benghazi, Libya, to the Philippines, in view of her plans for marriage to a young minister in the Philippines; effective March 11, 1965.

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**OSWALD KRAUSE--PERMANENT RETURN:**

**VOTED,** To authorize the permanent return of Oswald Krause from Peru, South America, to Central Europe, on his request, and in harmony with the recommendation of the South American Division. It was further--

**VOTED,** To record our appreciation for the forty years of service in denominational work which Oswald Krause has given, thirty-four of which have been spent in service in the South American Division.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:**

**VOTED,** To authorize appointments and itineraries presented from the North American Travel Committee, as follows:

- O. A. Blake--Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood College, March 18;
- F. W. Detamore--Southeastern California Conference Workers' Retreat, August 15-19;
- E. W. Dunbar--Loma Linda, Medical Missions Fellowship Meeting, March 12-15 (extension);
- T. S. Geraty--Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood College Board, April 1-3; Collegedale, Southern Missionary College, April 4-7;
- J. H. Hancock--Denver, Colorado, MV Advisory Committee and Temperance Advisory Committee, August 13-18; Colorado, Central Union Bible Conference, October 6-9;
- H. R. House--Indianapolis, Indiana, Insurance business, March 23;
- N. W. Litchfield, Myrtle McGee, Lillian Pester--High Point, North Carolina, ESDA business, April 25-27 (Miss McGee, April 25-28);
- Harold Messenger--Southern and Northern New England Conferences property surveys, April 12-May 7;
- C. E. Moseley--Kansas City, Kansas, Revival Meetings, May 15-22;
- G. R. Nash--Pacific Union Administrators' Council, Institutes, etc., November 12-December 12 (change in date);
- J. W. Peeke--Los Angeles, California, West Coast Insurance Board, May 20-25;
- H. E. Rice--Kettering Hospital Board, April 8; Hinsdale, Food Service Committee, April 18-24; Keene, Texas, Hospital Food Service Institute, June 21-30;
- H. D. Singleton--Los Angeles, California, Voice of Prophecy Board and other appointments, May 21-26;
- Charles Willis (Review and Herald)--New Haven, Connecticut, speaking appointment, May 15;
- Dan Wuerstlin--New York Conference Property Surveys, April 26-May 10, Pacific and North Pacific Unions, property surveys, July 18-August 15.

Adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

R. S. Watts, Chairman  
 N. W. Dunn, Secretary  
 Katie Farney, Recording Secretary