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Philosophy of Publishing in SDA Church

Publisher’s Rights to Print and Trade within the Same Money Exchange Areas

Publishing Department Secretary

Publishing House--definition

Publishing Houses--publication rights

Publishing House Expansion Program

Responsibility for Shipments

Selling Methods for Subscription Books

Subscription Book Discount Rate to SDA’s

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Workmen’s Compensation Insurance for Missionaries

World Departmental Advisory Council

World Mission--institutes of

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World Mission Fund

YPMV Department--change of name

Zambia Union--organization of
One Hundred Forty-third Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 5, 1972, 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT:


OTHERS:

Karl Bahr, F E J Harder, Wayne Martin

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Chairman Pierson read from the Living Bible, Ephesians 4:15, 16, 22-5:14.
A practical description of the new birth.

Prayer by E E Cleveland.

REPORTS:

E E Cleveland reported that he is to have the privilege of baptizing this coming Sabbath A B B Storey, who had baptized him as a boy of eleven and later had left the Church. How he has made his decision to return and has requested that Elder Cleveland baptize him.

Milo Sawvel reported on his recent trip to the Southern Asia Division in the interest of Temperance. In Burma he learned that baptisms have actually increased the last several years despite the loss of our schools and hospital. The goal in reorganized South India is 50,000 members by General Conference time. In the three months he spent in the Division, he spoke at fifty-five public rallies and as a result of his appearance on Radio Ceylon, he received a visit from the owner of a tea plantation who was attracted by what he had said concerning tea in the broadcast. The plantation owner agreed with what he said concerning the harmfulness of drinking tea and expressed a desire to dispose of his plantation and follow Jesus.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 28, 1972 were approved.

On recommendation of the General Conference Officers the following items were presented and actions taken:

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY COMMITTEE—MEMBERSHIP

VOTED, That D A Delafield and Bruce M Wickwire serve as members of the standing Spirit of Prophecy Committee.
VOTED, That the large Publishing Commission be authorized to meet in Dallas, Texas, December 4-7, 1972.

G C RECORDING AND FILM COMMITTEE--
NAME AND GUIDELINES:

It is desired to redefine the guidelines for the AVS Committee at the General Conference now that the Radio, Television and Film Center at Thousand Oaks, California is in process of development, and also to reappoint the committee, and designate use and responsibility for operation of the North Building studio facilities.

VOTED, 1. That the name of the General Conference AVS Committee be changed to General Conference Recording and Film Committee.

2. That the following guidelines be set for the Recording and Film Committee:

   a. General supervision and coordination of audio-visual projects and facilities within the General Conference;

   b. Allocation of priorities and supervision of major film and audio productions and direction of funds for these to the Radio, Television and Film Center, Thousand Oaks, California;

   c. Review of schedule and content for the Sabbath School mission film produced by one division each year, and in counsel with the division, direct the production to the Radio, Television and Film Center.

   d. Consideration of questions involving the rental and use of audio-visual equipment and facilities for use by the General Conference departments.

3. That films or tapes being prepared on the initiative and at the expense of overseas divisions, institutions, or other denominational units in North America or abroad may be sent by these organizations directly to the Radio, Television and Film Center for production.

4. That the North Building studio services be made available by the General Conference Recording and Film Committee to all departments, and that the operation of the service be under the care of the Radio-TV Department.

5. That the membership of the Recording and Film Committee be as follows:
   F L Bland, Chairman; D S Johnson, Secretary; L L Bock, Carol Hertzell, D W Hunter, M E Kemmerer, Wayne Martin, H L Reiner, W R L Scragg, H D Singleton, E W Tarr, C C Weis.

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION--
INYAZURA SECONDARY SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT:

On recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division, it was--
VOTED, To approve the general financial plan for the development of the Inya-
zura Secondary School, Zambesi Union, in harmony with details on file with the
treasury office.

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION--
BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL ADDITION:

On recommendation of the Inter-American Division, it was--

VOTED, To approve the general financial plan for enlarging the Bella Vista
Hospital by a 75-bed wing, including kitchen, dining room, pharmacy and central
supply. Details are available in the treasury office.

OVERSEAS TRAVEL:

On recommendation of the Overseas Travel Committee, it was--

VOTED, 1. That B E Seton be authorized to attend the Franco-Haitian Union
Committee meetings, Nov 27-Dec 2, 1972, in connection with his trip to Dallas,
Texas.

2. That Olaf Moline, of the Porter Hospital, Central Union Conference, be
authorized to visit Europe, Fall of 1972, to visit medical institutions, at Central
Union and Porter Hospital expense.

W R CAVINESS--CHRISTIAN RECORD BRAILLE FOUNDATION

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and Oklahoma Conferences the
call of the Christian Record Braille Foundation for the services of W R Caviness
as district representative.

Recommendations from the Committee on Appointees were presented and actions
taken as follows:

TAD CALL FOR SISTER/TUTOR--MWAMI HOSPITAL

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division the call of the Trans-Africa
Division for a sister/tutor from the Philippines to serve at Mwami Hospital.

BENJAMIN C MAXSON--NORTH ARGENTINE MISSION:

VOTED, That the Southern Union and the Georgia-Cumberland Conferences be re-
quested to release Benjamin C Maxson, and that he be invited to connect with the
South American Division as M7/Temperance Secretary for the North Argentine Mission.

JESSE EDWARD PERRY--DEFERRED MEDICAL APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Jesse Edward Perry, a sophomore medical student at Loma Linda
University, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Southern Asia
Division.
AUDRY JACKSON--AUCKLAND ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Canadian Union and British Columbia Conferences be requested to release Audry Jackson of the Rest Haven Sanitarium and that she be invited to accept the call of the Australasian Division to connect with the Auckland Adventist Hospital as matron on the basis of a national returning.

CLINTON S CUMMINGS--GITWE COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Lake Union and Wisconsin Conferences be requested to release Clinton S Cummings of the Milwaukee Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as mathematics teacher at Gitwe College in Rwanda.

WILLIAM J VAN SCHEIK--SOLUSI COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Canadian Union and British Columbia Conferences be requested to release William J Van Scheik, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as mathematics/biology teacher at Solusi College.

HELTON R FISHER--NORTH LAKE FIELD, MALAWI

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Oklahoma Conferences be requested to release Helton R Fisher, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as pastor and director of the North Lake Field, Southeast Africa Union.

DAVID TRUJILLO--EAST PUERTO RICO CONFERENCE

VOTED, That David Trujillo, LLU Dental School Class of '73, under deferred appointment to the Inter-American Division, be assigned to the East Puerto Rico Conference to serve as dentist and to open health, medical and dental work in that field.

MERTON S LACY, DDS--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Merton S Lacy, DDS from deferred appointment to the Afro-Mideast Division at his request for personal reasons.

MARVIN E GLANTZ--FURLOUGH EXTENSION

VOTED, To grant a three-month extension of furlough to Marvin E Glantz, who began a nine-month furlough in July in order that he may complete his studies.

WERNER LEIBOLD, MD--SPECIAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE

VOTED, That Werner Leibold, MD, be granted a two-month furlough beginning March 10, 1972, followed by a leave of absence to end May, 1973, when he will return to the Inca Union and begin a new term of service.

MRS EVA MAXSON--CENTRAL AMERICAN VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

VOTED, That Mrs Eva Maxson, serving on a volunteer basis at the Central American Vocational College, be placed under the provisions of the Sustentation Overseas Service plan.
AUTUMN COUNCIL

Mexico City, Mexico, October 14-21, 1972

One Hundred Forty-fourth Meeting

October 14, 1972, 7:30 p.m.

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The 1972 Autumn Council was held in the Aristos Hotel, Mexico City, Mexico.

PRESENT:


OPENING

As the members of the Council gathered, Michael Stevenson, Associate Secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference, led in the song service and in the singing of the opening hymn, "Far and Near" which was announced by K H Person, Treasurer of the General Conference.

F. L. Bland, General Vice President of the General Conference, welcomed all who were present and mentioned that this was the first Autumn Council ever to be held outside of the North American Division.

Prayer was offered by Theodore Carcich, General Vice President of the General Conference.

WELCOME

Cordial welcomes were given by Samuel Guizar, President of the Central Mexican Mission, Velino Salazar, President of the Mexican Union, and by B L Archbold, President of the Inter-American Division. Elder Pierson was presented with a medal of the City of Mexico which the Mayor had presented when a committee visited his office a few days previous.
THE CALL

Clyde O Franz, Secretary, read the portion of the bylaws governing the holding of Autumn Councils and stated that the requirements for the calling of this meeting had been met.

PROGRAMS--DISTRIBUTION

The program books containing the program and agenda items for the Autumn Council were distributed.

REGISTRATION OF DELEGATES

Registration cards were distributed to the committee members and filled out as a record of attendance.

DAILY PROGRAM

VOTED, That the daily program be adopted as follows:

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STANDING COMMITTEES

VOTED, That Standing Committees for the 1972 Autumn Council be appointed as follows:

Additional Personnel to Standing Committees: F L Bland, Chairman
D W Hunter, Secretary
C E Bradford
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Auditing: R H Pierson, Chairman; H D Johnson, Secretary

Carlos Aeschlimann  R M Davidson  B J Kohler  H F Roll
B L Archbold  J L Dittberner  J C Kozel  C H Rustad
F R Aldridge  Edward Dorsey  B E Leach  Cree Sandefur
D H Baasch  R R Drachenberg  M E Lind  L F Sanders
Crover Barker  G R Earle  R S Lowry  C E Schmidt
F W Bieber  P H Eldridge  M J McCulloch  H H Schmidt
R R Bietz  K H Emmerson  A V McClure  B E Seton
W J Blacker  W D Eva  M L Lukens  E F Sherrill
O A Blake  R D Fearing  T P Miller  W A Thompson
F L Bland  R R Frame  Cyril Miller  I E Toews
W D Blehm  C O Franz  T M Mills  M C Torkelsen
L L Bock  R E Green  R W Morris  H Vogel
L F Bohner  A E Gibb  R W Morris  J R Wagner
J W Bothe  J O Gibson  A G Munson  E R Walde
C E Bradford  W J Hackett  R H Nightingale  W D Walton
L L Butler  Richard Hammill  R H Nightingale  F W Wernick
R B Caldwell  D W Hunter  M S Nigri  K W Whitney
Theodore Carcich  D S Johnson  W L Pascoe  R A Wilcox
James Chase  K D Johnson  R J Radcliffe  Neal C Wilson
Desmond Cummings  A W Kaytor  R M Reinhard  R L Woodfork

Budget: K H Emmerson, Chairman; M E Kemmerer, Secretary

Carlos Aeschlimann  R M Davidson  B J Kohler  H H Schmidt
F R Aldridge  J L Dittberner  J C Kozel  V W Schoen
D H Baasch  Edward Dorsey  B E Leach  R C Schwartz
R C Barger  R R Drachenberg  M L Lukens  B E Seton
F W Beiber  G R Earle  A V McClure  E F Sherrill
R R Bietz  R D Fearing  Cyril Miller  H D Singleton
W J Blacker  W W Fordham  R H Nightingale  Clark Smith
O A Blake  C O Franz  M S Nigri  W A Thompson
F L Bland  R E Osborn  R H Nightingale  K W Tilghman
W D Blehm  C L Hackett, Jr  R E Osborn  I R Toews
L L Bock  W J Hackett  C L Paddock, Jr  M C Torkelsen
L F Bohner  Mazie Herin  W L Pascoe  R F Waddell, MD
J W Bothe  C B Hirsch  J W Peeke  J R Wagner
C E Bradford  D W Hunter  R H Pierson  E R Walde
A N Brogden  D S Johnson  R M Reinhard  W D Walton
Theodore Carcich  H D Johnson  H F Roll  F W Wernick
J E Chase  K D Johnson  Cree Sandefur  R F Williams
Desmond Cummings  A W Kaytor  Neal C Wilson  Neal C Wilson
L E Davidson  Arthur Kiesz  K H Wood  R L Woodfork
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Distribution of Materials: E W Howse, Chairman

M T Battle       W R Lesher       David Poyato
W J Cannon       M J McCulloch    H L Reiner
R R Drachenberg  A V Pinkney     P G Smith

Finance: K H Emmerson, Chairman; J C Kozel, Secretary

E Amelung       J L Dittberner   Milton McCulloch  R L Sackett
E W Amundson    P H Eldridge     A C McKee        Velino Salazar
C P Anderson    G M Ellstrom     Percy Miles      Cree Sandefur
B L Archbold    W D Eva          T P Miller       C E Schmidt
D H Baasch      R R Figuhr       M L Mills        H H Schmidt
Karl Bahr       S L Folkenberg   R D Moon         B E Seton
D J Bieber      Philip Follett   Philip Moores    C W Skantz
R R Bietz       R R Frame        A G Munson      W G Solomik
W J Blacker     C O Franz        W L Murrill     J V Stevens
O A Blake       V E Garber       C J Nagele      B H Stickle, Sr
M J Blair       A E Gibb         R H Nightingale E M Stiles
F L Bland       R E Green        M S Nigri       A G Streifling
L L Bock        W J Hackett      A R Norcliffe   G R Thompson
L F Bohner      Richard Hammill  R E Osborn      K W Tilghman
J W Bothe       M Dale Hannah    C L Paddock, Jr R Unnersten
C E Bradford    A N How          W L Pascoe      D J von Pohle
G O Bruce       W A Howe         A J Patzer       E R Walde
A B Butler      D W Hunter       R L Pelton      H S Walters
L L Butler      D S Johnson      W E Phillips    W D Wampler
R B Caldwell    H D Johnson      R H Pierson     C D Watson
M V Campbell    M E Kemmerer    C L Powers       C V Way
Theodore Carcich       Arthur Kiesz       W B Quigley
Gabriel Castro  B J Kohler       R J Radcliffe   D W Welch
W J Cleveland   B E Leach        H V Reed        F W Wernick
W O Coe          M E Lind           E S Reile      J H Whitehead
W T Collins     G W Liscombe     L L Leile        K W Whitney
R L Cone         N W Litchfield   R M Reinhard  R A Wilcox
L W Crooker     M E Loewen        E J Remboldt   S S Will
C G Cross       R S Lowry         R C Remboldt   R F Williams
R L Dale        E L Marley       Fernon Retzer  G C Williamson
Warren Danforth G E Maxson      H C Retzer      Neal C Wilson
G C Dart         W R May           R L Reynolds    W H Wilson
R M Davidson    D A McAdams    V L Roberts        L D Wood

Music: W J Brown, Chairman; R B Caldwell, Lois Mae Franz, Guillermo Kriehoff, A H Riffel
Nominations: R R Bietz, Chairman; C O Franz, Secretary

A Aeschlimann  
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M Carol Hetzell  
S R Jayne  
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Plans: W J Hackett, Chairman: R F Williams, Secretary

Marcel Abel  
W M Adams  
A Aeschlimann  
Carlos Aeschlimann  
J J Aitken  
George Akers  
B L Archbold  
Francisco Arguelles  
D H Baasch  
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Grover Barker  
R C Barker  
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Loren Gallardo  
A E Gibb  
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Lucia Godoy  
C E Guenther  
C B Guild  
Samuel Guizar  
W J Hackett  
Richard Hammill  
John Hancock  
J E Hanson  
F E J Harder  
Therlow Harper  
W C Hatch  
Tulio Haylock  
J L Hayward  
R R Hegstad  
Mazie Herin  
M Carol Hetzell  
W A Higgins  
C B Hirsch  
D W Holbrook  
E W Howse  
D W Hunter  
G M Hyde  
R L Jacobs  
S R Jayne  
Francisco Jimenez
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Alf Lohne  
R S Lowry  
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Jeromimo Madrigal  
Ernesto Marinkovic  
C D Martin  
R A Matthews  
G E Maxon  
D A McAdams  
J W McFarland, MD  
A C McKee  
Eliezer Melendez  
Cyril Miller  

J Millet  
M L Mills  
E L Minchin  
K J Mittleider  
Sergio Mootzuma  
V M Montalban  
Jose Morales  
G W Morgan  
R W Morris  
A G Munson  
Lawrence Nelson  
L H Netteburg  
D F Neufeld  
R H Nightingale  
M S Nigri  
Boardman Noland  
Enoch Oliveira  
G Oosterwal  
R E Osborn  
W M Ost, MD  
C L Paddock, Jr  
K S Parmenter  
W L Pascoe  
E W Pedersen  
J W Peeke  
R L Pelton  
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A V Pinkney  
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David C Poyato  
L A Ramirez  
H F Rampton  
L S Ranzolin  
M H Reeder

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R M Reinhard  
Fernon Retzer  
Francisco Reyes  
Don Reynolds  
L B Reynolds  
H M S Richards, Sr  
H M S Richards, Jr  
A H Riffel  
C B Rock  
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Glenn Smith  
P G Smith  
F A Soper  
R E Spangle  
Neal C Wilson  
J R Spangler  
K H Wood  
W M Starks  
E H J Steed  
Michael Stevenson  
Ella May Stoneburner  
Carl Sundin  
Horacio Taracena  
E W Tarr  
C R Taylor  
G R Thompson  
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I R Toews  
J O Tompkins  
M C Torkelsen  
Ben Trout  
George Vandeman  
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William Wagner, MD  
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C C Weis  
Samuel Weiss  
F W Wernick  
A L White  
Bruce Wickwire  
R A Wilcox  
J W Wilson  

Platform:  J R Spangler, Chairman;  A Aeschlimann, E W Amundsen, Samuel Guizar,  
F L Jones

Steering:  General Conference Officers

GREETINGS

VOTED,  To send greetings to W P Bradley and Marvin Reeder who are unable  
to be with us because of illness, and to Miss Katie Farney who served many  
years as recording secretary for the General Conference Committee and who  
retired in August of this year after fifty years of service.
Clyde O Franz, Secretary, read a cable of greeting received from L C Robinson of the Tanzania Union. It was

VOTED, To send greetings from the Autumn Council in return.

Special music was presented by a triple trio of ladies from the Inter-American Division office singing in English and Spanish, "Jesus Is All the World to Me."

OPENING ADDRESS

Robert H Pierson, President of the General Conference, gave the keynote address under the title, "Unity for Progress." He remarked that many of the General Conference staff had been speaking this Sabbath in various churches around the Mexican Union, and mentioned the love and unity found among the Mexican brethren. The cause of God in Mexico has been moving forward mightily in recent years. Around the world in the past six years over nine hundred thousand have joined the remnant church. Figures for 1972 exceed those of 1971. Yet we must not sit back and feel we have achieved. We are grieved when we see so many going out the back door. In the last five years over 154,000 have left us. That is equivalent to a large division. Our challenge is to get men and women into the Kingdom and not only into the church.

The workers for God should move together in unity. Today there is so much disunity in the world. Within man himself there is disunity in the strife for supremacy of good and evil, and there is disunity between God and man.

Jesus Christ is God's instrument for reconciliation, and for this reason God sent His Son into the world to live and die that man might be redeemed. The task of the church is to proclaim the good news of salvation through the sacrifice Christ made on the cross. Only through Christ can men become one and unity exist. We must as a group of workers for God "press together, press together, press together!"

There are many natural elements in the church which tend against unity, such as different nationalities of which there are 192, languages of which there are 1,000, cultures and subcultures, dialects, tribes, and races. Yet through Christ unity can be brought out of such a kaleidoscope of potential confusion and chaos in our present world.

If there is to be unity in the church, there must be unity in the leaders of the church, in our association one with another, in our policies and programs. There may be different ways of carrying out the policies, but our policies must hold us together.
These are days when Satan would pull the church apart if he could and we would do well to heed this counsel from the pen of Ellen G White: "As we near the final crisis, instead of feeling that there is less need of order and harmony of action, we should be more systematic than heretofore. All our work should be conducted according to well-defined plans. I am receiving light from the Lord that there should be wise generalship at this time more than at any former period of our history." Letter 27a, 1892 (from Manuscript Release #311)

The closing hymn was "Living for Jesus".

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Benediction by R R Bietz.

F L Bland, Chairman
C O Franz, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary
DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

"Lead On, 0 King Eternal" was sung, announced by J T Krpalek, pastor in the Illinois Conference. W W Fordham, Associate Secretary, North American Regional Department of the General Conference, led the song service.

The opening prayer was offered by Aaron Brogden, Secretary of the Atlantic Union Conference.

Michael Stevenson, Associate Secretary of the General Conference M V Department, sang "Beneath the Cross of Jesus."

R R Bietz, General Vice President of the General Conference, gave the devotional talk. His text was Isaiah 52:1: "Awake, awake; put on thy beautiful garments, 0 Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean."

Wherein lies the strength of the church? Is it in her large numbers, in her big churches and institutions? We have grown from about 75,000 at the turn of the century to a membership of over two and one-half million members, and the annual income has grown in that period from four and one-half million dollars to a total of $186,892,509.98 including tithe, missions and local church offerings. It cannot be said that we are stronger now than then, so size is not a proper criteria of strength. Zechariah 4:6 says: "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord." This is a basic strength of the church, but there is a lesser, yet very important strength of the church: Christian discipline.

Two methods of discipline exist. One is discipline through example. Second is Christian discipline through action. Such action must be guided by the Holy Spirit. A church depending on her own strength and wisdom loses strength, as illustrated by the experience of the children of Israel marching around the walls of Jericho. The experience at Ai illustrates weakness when the children of Israel failed to follow the Lord's instruction. We, today, also face the possibility of being strong or weak according to our relationship to the instruction given us by God. Honesty today is almost a lost virtue. Moral standards are eroding away. Many clergymen are making no distinction between the Holy and the common.

This should be a time of action, a time to stand up and face the world. The message comes loud and clear: "If we lack courage to reprove wrong or lack interest to purify the family of God, we will be held responsible for the evil results which come because of our neglect. We are just as responsible for the evils we might have checked in others by exercise of pastoral authority, as if the acts had been our own."--Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 578.
We must, however, discipline in love. Discipline must be administered for only one reason: To save people.

"I Would Be Like Jesus" was sung in closing.

V E Garber, Vice President for Financial Affairs, Andrews University, offered the benediction.

The second business session of the Autumn Council was called at 9:00 a.m.

The opening prayer was offered by A V Pinkney, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Temperance Department. W W Fordham led in the singing of "My Jesus, I Love Thee."

COMMITTEE ON ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO STANDING COMMITTEES--REPORT

The Committee on Additional Personnel to Standing Committees presented a report. It was

VOTED, To delete the names of A G Munson and G C Williamson from the Committee on Finance and the name of A G Munson from the Committee on Plans as these men are no longer members of the General Conference Committee.

VOTED, To add the following to the Finance Committee: Donald M MacIvor, Grover Barker, L H Netteburg, C Klam, W R L Scragg, R E Spangle, Ben Trout.

VOTED, To add Warren Danforth to the Budget Committee.

GREETINGS--

VOTED, To send greetings to A G Munson, Director of the Adventist Radio-TV Center and to G H Rustad, President of the Texico Conference who are not with us because of illness.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

C O Franz, Secretary of the General Conference, gave a brief report introduced by these words from the old spiritual, "Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in."

Today the saints are still marching. They are almost home. Just who are these saints of whom we speak? They are the powerful saints, daily meeting the
temptations of the devil in the strength of Jesus Christ. The servant of the Lord describes their power in these words: "Satan is constantly at work...The people of God must be prepared to withstand the wily foe. It is this resistance that Satan dreads. He knows better than we do the limit of his power, and how easily he can be overcome if we resist and face him. Through divine strength, the weakest saint is more than a match for him and all his angels."--Testimonies, Vol. 5, p. 293.

And so, the remnant saints, numbering today 2,191,894 (June 30, 1972) are on the march. They are on the march in Boise and Bangkok, in Calcutta and Chicago, in Buenos Aires and Bujumbura. They are on the march TODAY in Inter-America.

The Latin American church (Inter-America and South America) is now the largest section of the Seventh-day Adventist church in terms of membership. For years the goal in Inter-America was "MIL POR MES" (1,000 a month). Now it has moved to more than four times that figure--50,000 per year. The youth are on the march in South America, where they now number more than 150,000. Over 7,000 youth were baptized in the South American Division on September 22, 23, and 24 of this year.

The youthful saints not only carry their Bibles, they study them! Roger Wilcox tells of a national Bible contest in Rio de Janeiro. Four of the five finalists were Seventh-day Adventists. The winner--a 16-year-old Seventh-day Adventist girl who had to compete with religious leaders, Bible teachers and church pastors.

"Where did you learn so much about the Bible?" the television moderator asked her.

"From studying my Sabbath school lesson."

"What's that?"

She explained that this was the plan of the church for daily Bible study.

And so we could go on. Zaire, Indonesia, certain of the Eastern European countries, the departments of the church, our medical and educational institutions. But perhaps it is better to paraphrase the apostle Paul: "And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of the exploits of the saints in North America, in the Far East and Africa, in Europe and Asia and Australasia." Hebrews 11:32.

They have marched in Mission '72 and there are plans which will be voted in this council to challenge them to a much greater participation in Mission '73.

God bless them, and give them a new vision of the finished work. They have sent you and me here to Mexico City as their representatives. They expect large plans for the finishing of the march. They long for that city--the city
Abraham looked for, "Which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." Hebrews 11:10.

They long for that home. And so, as they march on, the prayer ascends to heaven from around the earth, "Lord, grant that I may be in that number when the saints go marching home. And please, Lord, let it be soon."

TREASURER'S REPORT--

K H Emmerson made the following report:

It is no doubt redundant to tell you the world finds itself in a state of turmoil--be it in the area of armed conflict, politics or economics. Last year at this time we were faced with probably the most uncertain financial situation the church had faced for many years due to the breakdown of the international monetary system.

This past year has been the most exciting and troublesome period for the international monetary system since the Bretton Woods Agreement was signed following the end of World War II. The Smithsonian Agreement that was signed in December of last year was, at best, an interim arrangement with one major objective--to re-establish a system of fixed relationships between the par values of the major currencies.

One important result of the Smithsonian Agreement is that the dollar is no longer convertible into gold or, more important, into any other international reserve asset. However, the single most important achievement of the Smithsonian Agreement was the revaluation of other major currencies in terms of the U. S. dollar by an average of some 11 to 12 percent.

If the international payments performance of the U. S. shows substantial improvement and if price performance (inflation) of the U. S. is better than that of the other major reserve powers, the position of the dollar should improve. Bad performance on the two above-mentioned fronts could very well trigger another period of weakness for the dollar and more trouble on the exchange markets--and thus for the church's financial operation.

The considered opinion of the economists we have consulted is that there are reasonably good odds that present agreements will hold together for some months to come, but very possibly at the cost of more controls over foreign exchange and perhaps frequent and smaller adjustments of exchange rates.

At this point the economic recovery of 1972 seems so set on its course that a major detour is hard to imagine. The real growth in the G.N.P. (Cross National Product) this year, after allowing for some 3 to 3 1/2 percent price increase (inflation), will probably be right at 6 percent. The growth rate for 1973 in the G.N.P. is predicted at about 5 percent in real terms, with an additional inflation factor of some 3 percent. Interest rates will probably continue to rise with a prime rate of about 6 percent. However, it is not thought there will be runaway or extremely high interest rates. Although
political decisions will have a large part to play in controls on wages and
prices, the economists indicate that controls will probably continue in some
form, being modified further as time passes.

Now a brief look at the church. Tithe income for 1971 increased by 10.7
percent over 1970. For the first 6 months of 1972, the increase is close to
9 percent. Mission offerings for 1971 increased 5.86 percent over 1970, and
for the first 6 months of 1972 it is about 4.5 percent.

Other churches still find themselves facing a diminishing income picture
which is causing a cutback in their overall program. How deeply grateful we
should be to our loving heavenly Father for a loyal and generous people. Their
sacrifice and liberality have made possible the continued support of an ever
increasing work around the world. The future is bright, for the Lord has
promised His blessing upon our sincere efforts. God has blessed His church
and will continue to bless it when we, as workers, join with our laity in
true devotion to Him and the leading of His Holy Spirit.

Financial Statement

M E Kemmerer presented the Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1972 and the
Statement of Operations for the six-month period ending June 30, 1972 with
related financial reports. He called attention to several interesting comparative
statements.

Sustentation and Retirement Funds

J C Kozel reported on the section of the Financial Report dealing with
General Conference Sustentation and Retirement Funds as follows:

It was just 62 years ago at the Autumn Council of 1910 that action was
taken authorizing the establishment of the General Conference Sustentation Fund.
It became operative January 1, 1911, and has continued without interruption
until this present moment.

The work of the sustentation office is a growing work. Ten years ago we
had approximately 2,400 beneficiaries on the fund. September 30, 1972 the
number was 3,980. During this same period there have been significant changes
in the plan; such as the separation of the fund in the financial reports of
the General Conference; the retention of the investment income in the fund
itself; a division of the fund into four separate parts for more efficient
operation and proper allocation of income and expense; the granting of separate
benefits to the wife of a denominational worker if she has a service record
of her own; and a substantial increase in benefits. Today benefits are directly
related to the 100% wage factor in the wage scale for the North American Division.
The maximum rate is given for 40 years of service and amounts to 48% of the
100% wage scale factor. If the worker has a dependent spouse who does not qualify for separate benefits, then the benefit is increased by 50% so that the maximum is 72% of the 100% wage factor for 40 or more years of service.

While the sustentation plan is a distinctive Seventh-day Adventist retirement plan we feel that it is necessary for us to keep abreast with economic and social changes which are taking place in North America and in the world. The Hospital Retirement Plan is being operated on an actuarial basis. We have engaged the services of a reputable actuarial consulting firm in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to assist us in the operation of our retirement program. We are aware of pending government legislation which may affect our sustentation plan. We are suggesting that study be given to the basic philosophy of our present sustentation plan as it relates to the granting of benefits. We solicit your earnest prayers that God will continue to guide in the administration of our denominational sustentation plan so that it may continue to adequately provide for our retired workers who have given their lives in service for the advancement of the work of God in all the earth.

General Conference Unitized Funds

R E Osborn reported on the sections of the Financial Statement dealing with the Unitized Funds:

**Investment Fund**

Net assets stood at $53 million on June 30, a gain of 6.1 million dollars over last year excluding 1.6 million dollars transferred by the overseas divisions to fund the new International Fund. The June 30 unit value up to $95.3252 compared to $92.5769 the previous.

Satisfactory progress in payout and total performance was reported, the latter comparing very favorably to the mutual fund industry, to other denominational unitized funds, and to the popular indices (Dow Jones, Standard & Poor's, New York and American Stock Exchange, etc.).

**Income Fund**

Net assets stood at $13 million as of June 30, a gain of over 2.1 million dollars and again this does not include another one-half million dollars withdrawn by the overseas divisions for the new International Fund.

The income type of securities has not done well recently, and this is reflected in the performance of our Income Fund. However, we have more than met the 6% income objective set for this Fund now that it is also being used for all life income agreements written by our conferences and institutions.

We have increased our holdings in convertible bonds considerably during the past year in an attempt to better our performance, but only time will tell how successful we were in this regard.
International Fund

Early in 1972 a new fund was created exclusively to serve our overseas divisions and it is known as the International Fund. It is based in Geneva, and investments are made in a variety of countries and industries. A report on this fund was made to the division treasurers and is not made to this body since no General Conference headquarters funds are invested in this entity.

General Observations

There is a tremendous amount of uncertainty in the U. S. domestic and international money markets with political factors weighing very heavily at this time of year. Every indication is for a strong fourth quarter of 1972 and dynamic growth well into 1973. Interest rates are again tending upward, and tax reform in the U. S. is again in the offing along with other negative elements. The winding down of the Vietnam war, and the peaceful east-west overtures are some positives which on balance seem to outweigh the negatives.

VOTED, To accept the Financial Report for June 30, 1972 as presented. (See pages 1096-1119.)

STATISTICAL REPORT

Jesse O Gibson, Statistical Secretary, read portions of his report which was distributed to the delegates. A summary of his remarks follows.

We rejoice today that 188,610 souls have joined God's remnant church in the year ending June 30, 1972. This is an increase of 24,974 or 15.2% over the previous twelve month record. Accessions in North America were 30,259, an increase of 3,425 or 12.8%, and overseas 158,351 or an increase of 21,549 or 15.8% over the previous twelve month period.


The number of baptisms and professions of faith per active ordained minister was 24.4 in comparison to 22.4 the previous year.

The present ratio of Seventh-day Adventist membership to world population is one to 510 (1971: one to 523) in North America and one to 1,986 in the overseas field (one to 2,175 in 1971). The world average is one Seventh-day Adventist to 1,673 of the population.

More needs to be done in holding our members. In the twelve months ending June 30, 1972, 188,610 were added to the church, an increase of nearly 25,000 over the previous twelve month period. During the same twelve month there was an attrition of 68,723 (members missing or lost by apostasy). The net membership gain for the period was 104,421.

At the conclusion of the report question was raised as to why the Harris Pine Mills was not included among the reports on other lines of church endeavor, and it was agreed that study should be given to including this phase of the work in the future.
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 1972

AUTUMN COUNCIL
October 14-22, 1972
Mexico City, Mexico
Autumn Council

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Exhibit A

Balance Sheet
30 June 1972

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| **Other Assets** | | |
| Long Term Receivables | 5,062,110.04 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 43,444,261.68 |

| LIABILITIES | | |
| Accounts Payable | 6,213,219.49 |
| Trust Funds | 892,650.62 |
| Deferred Income | 45,285.27 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 7,151,155.38 |

| NET WORTH | | |
| Regular Net Worth: | | |
| Balance 1 Jan 72 | 13,567,506.72 |
| Increase year to date | 4,278,778.45 |
| Regular Net Worth 30 June 1972 | 17,846,285.17 |

| Net Worth Reserves: | | |
| Balance 1 Jan 72 | 22,258,876.00 |
| Decrease year to date | 3,812,054.87 |
| Total Net Worth Reserves 30 Jun 72 | 18,446,821.13 |
| TOTAL NET WORTH | 36,293,106.30 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH | 43,444,261.68 |
## Statement of Financial Position

**30 June 1972**

### Total Cash, Banks and Investments

- **Per Balance Sheet**: 31,857,290.44
- **Plus: Accrued Accounts Receivable in Transit**: 2,784,500.00

### Provision for the Following:

#### Liabilities:
- Accounts Payable: 6,213,219.49
- Trust Funds: 892,650.62
- Deferred Income: 45,285.27
- Net Worth Reserves: 18,446,821.13

#### Total Commitments: 25,597,976.51

### Remaining Balance of Cash, Banks and Investments: 9,043,813.93

### Other Current Assets:
- Accounts Receivable: 2,342,480.53
- Notes and Loans Receivable: 745,450.46
- Inventories: 387,704.70
- Prepaid Expense: 263,079.56
- Deposits: 1,645.95

### Total Operating Capital: 12,784,175.13

### Actual and Required Operating Capital

#### Actual:
- Total Current Assets: 38,382,151.64
- Less: Total Liabilities: 7,151,155.38
- Less: Net Worth Reserves: 18,446,821.13
- Actual Operating Capital: 12,784,175.13

#### Required:
- 20% of 1971 Appropriations and Operating Expenses: $60,183,962.90
- Actual Operating Capital Exceeds Required by: 747,382.55

### For Budget Purposes

- Actual Operating Capital: 12,784,175.13
- Add by GC Committee Action: LLU Loan Receivable: 4,865,584.14
- Add per Prior Years' Practice: Other Long Term Notes Receivable: 196,525.90
- Total Adjustments: 5,062,110.04
- Adjusted Operating Capital for Budget Purposes: 17,846,285.17
**Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth**

For Six Months Ending 30 June 1972

**OPERATING**

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<td>Miscellaneous &amp; Fixed</td>
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<td>GAIN INCLUDING NON-OPERATING ITEMS</td>
<td>5 473 829 12</td>
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**TRANSFERS**

| Transfers In | 5 257 86 |
| Transfers Out | (1 200 308 53) |

NET INCREASE TO NET WORTH | 4 278 778 45 |
**TITHE:**

**North America:**
- **Union 1%**
  - 1971: 470,874.90
  - 1972: 513,816.77
  - Increase: 42,941.87
- **Local Conference Percentage**
  - 1971: 9,281,664.85
  - 1972: 10,119,347.74
  - Increase: 837,682.89
- **Special Percent for Exchange**
  - 1971: 6,748,635.10
  - 1972: 5,942,512.32
  - Decrease: (806,122.78)
- **Miscellaneous**
  - 1971: 45,616.03
  - 1972: 68,909.80
  - Increase: 23,293.77
- **Total**
  - 1971: 16,546,790.88
  - 1972: 16,644,586.63
  - Increase: 97,795.75

**Overseas Divisions:**
- **Regular 1%**
  - 1971: 183,563.09
  - 1972: 208,270.21
  - Increase: 24,707.12

**Total Tithes**
- 1971: 16,730,353.97
- 1972: 16,852,856.84
- Increase: 122,502.87

**Mission Offerings:**

**North America:**
- **World Mission Funds & Ingathering**
  - 1971: 12,201,847.40
  - 1972: 13,072,468.33
  - Increase: 870,620.93
- **Miscellaneous**
  - 1971: 152,122.55
  - 1972: 176,480.72
  - Increase: 24,358.17
- **Total**
  - 1971: 12,353,969.95
  - 1972: 13,248,949.05
  - Increase: 894,979.10

**Overseas Divisions:**
- **Revertible Funds**
  - 1971: 1,739,046.39
  - 1972: 1,505,810.58
  - Decrease: (233,235.81)
- **Non-Revertible Funds**
  - 1971: 3,087,166.90
  - 1972: 3,146,767.43
  - Decrease: 59,600.53
- **Total**
  - 1971: 4,826,213.29
  - 1972: 4,652,578.01
  - Decrease: (173,635.28)

**Total Mission Offerings**
- 1971: 17,180,183.24
- 1972: 17,901,527.06
- Increase: 721,343.82

**Miscellaneous Income:**
- **Commissions**
  - 1971: 551.81
  - 1972: 511.84
  - Decrease: (39.97)
- **Dividends & Interest**
  - 1971: 796,446.64
  - 1972: 761,718.83
  - Decrease: (34,727.81)
- **Miscellaneous Interest**
  - 1971: 1,169.09
  - 1972: 1,475.12
  - Increase: 306.03
- **Legacies & Matured Annuities**
  - 1971: 18,835.37
  - 1972: 25,778.28
  - Increase: 6,942.91
- **Royalties**
  - 1971: 4,346.18
  - 1972: (108.28)
  - Decrease: (4,454.46)
- **Miscellaneous**
  - 1971: 848.65
  - 1972: 1,310.55
  - Increase: 461.90

**Total Miscellaneous Income**
- 1971: 822,197.74
- 1972: 790,686.34
- Decrease: (31,511.40)

**Total Operating Income**
- 1971: 34,732,734.95
- 1972: 35,545,070.24
- Increase: 812,335.29

**Less: Total Operating Expenses**
- 1971: 31,050,770.25
- 1972: 31,540,376.58
- Increase: 489,606.33

**Net Operating Gain**
- 1971: 3,681,964.70
- 1972: 4,004,693.66
- Increase: 322,728.96

**Net Non-Operating Income**
- 1971: 1,683,915.03
- 1972: 1,469,135.46
- Decrease: (214,779.57)

**Gain Including Non-Operating Items**
- 1971: 5,365,879.73
- 1972: 5,473,829.12
- Increase: 107,949.39

**Net Transfers in (Out)**
- 1971: (1,684,573.72)
- 1972: (1,195,050.67)
- Increase: 489,523.05

**Increase to Net Worth**
- 1971: 3,681,306.01
- 1972: 4,278,778.45
- Increase: 597,472.44
## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

### Exhibit D

**Comparative Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth**

For Six Months Ending June 30, 1971 & 1972

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*These amounts differ because the actual market values were not yet available when this June 30 statement was prepared.*
## General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

### Forty-, Fifty-, Sixty-, Seventy-, Eighty-cents and Dollar-A-Week Funds Raised from 1934 - 1971, less Reverted Funds

North American Division only

#### Reversions

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Comparison of Mission Funds Raised per Quadrennial Period

North American Division only

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## General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists
### Ingathering Benefit to Missions
#### North American Division Only

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Increase over previous year

|                  | 205 934 38| 114 203 30| 60 812 02|

Total Ingathering raised

|                  | 511 123 73| 6 860 848 62| 7 176 439 18| 7 327 977 81|

Less: Net Ingathering available to missions

|                  | 429 343 93| 3 031 823 91| 3 146 027 21| 3 206 839 23|

Reverted to Unions with Comeback included

|                  | 81 779 80| 3 829 024 71| 4 030 411 97| 4 121 138 58|

Percent of Ingathering reverted to Unions

|                  | 16 00| 55 81| 56 16| 56 23|

Percent for Missions

|                  | 84 00| 44 19| 43 84| 43 77|

### Ingathering by Divisions
#### Years 1929, 1932, and 1971

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Total:

| 1 304 838 83| 913 009 47| 10 922 557 67| 212 699 519 09|

*South China Island Union receipts 1931-1954 included in China. Beginning with 1955 they were included in the Far Eastern Division.
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
Amount of Mission Offerings for $1 Tithe
Years 1899 to 1971

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*High Year

Total Tithe 1971 $101,859,859.26
Mission Offerings 1971 19,743,590.63

If Mission Offerings had been given by our members in North America in the year 1971 as they were given in the year 1931, as compared with the tithe given, we would have had $69,162,844.44 or $49,419,253.81 more than what was actually received.
Sustentation and Retirement Funds

General Fund
Publishing House Fund
Hospital Fund
Special Fund
### General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

#### Sustentation and Retirement Funds

**Balance Sheet**

**30 June 1972**

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**Total**
### Statement of Operations and Retained Net Funds Balances

**For Six Months Ending 30 June 1972**

#### Income:

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#### Expenses:

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**Net Operating Gain (Loss):**

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**Increase (Decrease) to Fund Balance:**

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*These amounts differ from the Allowance for Recognized Unrealized Decline in Value of Marketable Securities because the actual market values were not available when this June 30 statement was prepared.*
Autumn Council

October 15, 1972

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General Conference Investment Fund
# GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## INVESTMENT FUND

### Statement of Assets and Liabilities

**June 30, 1972**

### Assets

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

Statement of Income and Expense
For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972

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Statement of Realized Gain on Investments
For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

Statement of Net Unrealized Appreciation of Investments
For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972

Net unrealized appreciation in the value of the Fund's investments computed at the last reported sale or bid price, as compared with cost, was as follows:

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972

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<td>Amount Received on Sale of Units (Includes Net Distributions)</td>
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General Conference Income Fund
# GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## INCOME FUND

### Statement of Assets and Liabilities

**June 30, 1972**

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### Statement of Income and Expense

**For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972**

**Income:**

- Dividends: 158 819 59
- Interest: 233 757 34

**Total Income:** 392 576 93

**Expense:**

- Counseling Fees, Lionel D. Edie: 3 446 78
- Bond Premium Expense: 535 02

**NET EARNED INCOME FOR PERIOD:** 388 595 13

### Statement of Realized Gain on Investments

**For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972**

**NET GAIN ON SALE OF SECURITIES:** 87 717 54
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INCOME FUND

Statement of Net Unrealized Depreciation of Investments
For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972

Net unrealized depreciation in the value of the Fund's investments computed at the last reported sale or bid price, as compared with cost, was as follows:

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For Six Months Ended June 30, 1972

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<td>Net Realized Capital Gain on Sale of Securities</td>
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The following recommendations from the General Conference Officers were received and acted upon:

ANTILLIAN UNION--CONFERENCE STATUS

VOTED, That the Antillian Union Mission be granted union conference status in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division and that this be reported to the 52nd General Conference Session for acceptance and record.

ZAMBIA UNION--ORGANIZATION

VOTED, To authorize the organizing of the Zambia Union Mission, formerly part of the Zambesi Union, in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

SPRING MEETING 1973/1974--DATES

VOTED, That the Spring Meetings for 1973/1974 be held in Washington, D. C. on the following dates:

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<td>April 3-5, 1973</td>
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ANNUAL COUNCILS 1973/1974--DATES

VOTED, That the Annual Councils of 1973 and 1974 be held in Washington, D. C., on the following dates:

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Following a brief recess, the Council was reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

H L SHOUP--DEATH OF

A message received from Takoma Park reports the passing of H L Shoup, retired pastor, and father of Max Shoup, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Publishing Association, and Eunice Shoup, office secretary at General Conference headquarters.

Other messages from Takoma Park report the admission of E C Walter, Academic Dean, Columbia Union College, to the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital intensive care unit with bleeding ulcers; and the death of the son of Lyle Jewell, choir director at Columbia Union College, as the result of an automobile accident.
VOTED, To send messages of sympathy, and wishes for early recovery as may be appropriate.

GENERAL CONFERENCE 52ND SESSION, 1975--REPORT OF PLANS

D W Hunter, Associate Secretary, reported on plans and arrangements being made for the Fifty-second Session of the General Conference in Vienna, Austria, in 1975. While no city anywhere has the facilities for large meetings such as those at Atlantic City, New Jersey, it is felt that the Stadt Halle in Vienna will adequately care for the needs for auditorium space. The city has six deluxe hotels, twenty-four class A hotels and two class B hotels available to us. In addition, arrangements have been made for leasing some of the university hostels where the rates are very reasonable. All accommodations are spotlessly clean, although without some of the comforts being enjoyed here in Mexico such as telephones and television in every room. The rates, however, will be considerably less.

AUTUMN COUNCILS--ANNUAL COUNCILS

VOTED, To recommend to the 52nd General Conference Session that the yearly Councils be renamed "Annual" rather than "Autumn" Councils and that this terminology be used in the interim.

DIRECT CONTACTS PROSPECTIVE WORKERS

VOTED, That all divisions be requested to instruct their organizations and institutions that they must not offer employment to any person in another division unless the call is processed through regular channels—that is, the division, and the General Conference. This applies to all regular appointees, Sustentation Overseas Service appointees, Adventist Service Corps appointees, and Student Missionaries. It was further

VOTED, That the matter of dealing with prospective workers directly be placed on the agenda of the NADCA meeting of the Council.

INSTITUTES OF WORLD MISSION--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

The Andrews University Theological Seminary Department of Missions operates the Institute of World Mission for the General Conference. An annual institute has been held each summer at Andrews University campus known as the Summer Institute of World Mission. Missionaries under appointment, and furloughing missionaries have been attending these annual institutes, and the general response by all concerned has been very favorable. However, many new appointees and furloughing missionaries have not had an opportunity to attend the Summer Institute of World Mission because it is held only once a year. It has been suggested that three short institutes be held at other times during the year to
make it possible for more missionary personnel to benefit from this orientation program. It was

VOTED, 1. That in addition to the annual Summer Institute of World Mission three two-week institutes of world mission be held each year at Andrews University to make it possible for more missionary personnel to benefit from the church's missionary orientation program. It was suggested that one of these two-week institutes be held during each of the fall, winter, and spring quarters as can be arranged by the Department of Missions.

2. That as far as possible every new appointee and furloughing missionary who has not previously attended one of the institutes be authorized to attend.

3. That the same financial arrangements apply for the two-week institutes as for the annual Summer Institute of World Mission.

INSTITUTES OF WORLD MISSION -- OVERSEAS DIVISIONS

VOTED, That divisions give study to offering Missionary Orientation Programs for missionaries appointed by them.

ITALIAN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

VOTED, That the Italian Publishing House be designated by the denomination as the publisher for the world field in the Italian language.

FRENCH PUBLISHING COOPERATION -- PPPA AND FPH

VOTED, 1. That French language subscription books be printed by the French Publishing House with the understanding that the Pacific Press will complete all the work they have in process on such subscription books as of August 22, 1971.

2. That the Pacific Press be responsible for publishing trade books in the French language until 1980, at which time the responsibility will transfer to the French Publishing House, with the understanding that any French trade book published by the Pacific Press between now and 1980 could be marketed by the Pacific Press for a period of eight years from the date of publication. Thus the final date for the marketing of any French trade book by the Pacific Press will be 1988.

3. That the Pacific Press proceed with the printing of Desire of Ages in French in counsel with the French Publishing House regarding design and format of this book.
APPOINTMENT OF EDITORS -- POLICY REVISION

VOTED, That the section, "Appointment of Editors," page 123, General Conference Working Policy, be amended to read as follows:

"The appointment of editors and associate editors of the principal denominational journals and of all senior book editors and associate book editors shall be approved by the division committee. In North America the appointment shall be approved by the General Conference Committee."

BOARD OF REGENTS AND COMMISSIONS -- POLICY REVISION

VOTED, That paragraph two of the policy, "Board of Regents and Commission" (GC Working Policy, p. 90) be amended to read as follows:

"2. Each division shall have one or more representative commissions. The membership of these commissions shall be nominated by the division Department of Education and appointed by the Board of Regents. Members of the Commission shall serve on a rotating basis, usually three-year terms of office. Replacements shall be recommended by the division Department of Education to the Board of Regents. The secretary and associate secretaries of the General Conference Department of Education shall be ex officio members of all division commissions. At least one member of the General Conference Department of Education must be present for evaluation of post-secondary schools, and for all commission meetings where secondary or post secondary schools are being considered as Candidates for Accreditation or Re-accreditation."

POSTGRADUATE STUDY FOR MISSION FIELD PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS -- POLICY REVISION

VOTED, That the policy "Postgraduate Study for Mission Field Physicians and Dentists," (GC Working Policy, p 201, par 52) be amended to allow $400 annually instead of $200.

SOCIAL SECURITY SUBSIDY -- MISSIONARIES

VOTED, That in applying the policy under which overseas divisions may grant subsidies on social security payments for missionaries, no subsidies be granted on behalf of ordained ministers serving as missionaries from the North American Division while they are on furlough in their base division.

AFFILIATION WITH OTHER SCHOOL SYSTEMS

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Affiliation with Other School Systems" be inserted in the General Conference Working Policy, following the section
"Employment Conditions of Elementary School or Junior Academy Teachers," page 104, to read as follows:

"No Seventh-day Adventist school should effect any affiliation for course work with a non-Adventist school system (elementary, junior high school, or senior high school) until approval has been obtained from the union board of education."

MEDICAL AND DENTAL DEFERRED APPOINTEES
ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY OF FOREIGN NATIONALS

In the application of the General Conference policy on "Financial Assistance to Medical and Dental Deferred Appointees," (GC Working Policy, p. 167) it is necessary to clarify whether foreign nationals may be considered for such assistance.

VOTED, 1. That when a national of any division outside North America is enrolled in the School of Medicine or Dentistry at Loma Linda University, and requests financial help under the General Conference policy for "Financial Assistance to Medical and Dental Deferred Appointees" he can qualify for assistance provided he meets the following requirements:

a. It has been determined that the home division has no investment in, nor plan to sponsor such individual.

b. He has indicated his intent to make North America his home either by having acquired United States or Canadian citizenship, or permanent resident status.

c. He has been physically present and residing within the territory of the North American Division for a minimum period of five years.

d. It is understood that should he return to his home division for denominational employment he would do so on the basis of a national returning and that division will be responsible for 100% of the unamortized indebtedness incurred in harmony with the provisions of the plan.

2. That conferences and institutions in North America contemplating the granting of financial assistance to such students under the policy for "Conference Loans to Students of Medicine and Dentistry" follow the same guidelines as outlined above.

3. That the General Conference Officers explore the possibility of assigning a quota and funds for assistance to nationals as specified above.
EXTENDED MISSION SERVICE ALLOWANCE

VOTED, That the following plan be adopted to give recognition and financial assistance to missionaries who have given long service abroad in re-establishing themselves in their homelands upon return from mission service:

1. A worker who has served more than six years in a division other than his base division, or in a mission field within his home division, shall be granted for each year of service beyond the initial period of six years a special allowance, in addition to the regular rehabilitation allowance, at the time of his permanent return to his home base. In order to qualify for this allowance, a worker must have served at least one full year beyond the initial period. Division committees shall recommend for General Conference approval the areas within their division which, for the purpose of this policy, are to be considered mission fields.

2. The allowance shall be a percentage of the worker's annual basic homeland salary computed at the worker's last salary percentage in the mission field at the time of his permanent return. This allowance is to be paid by the division(s) where the worker has served and in the currency and rate of his homeland. The percentage rate shall be set by Annual Council action and reviewed at each mid-term Annual Council and General Conference Session.

3. The allowance shall be based on the years of mission service as established in the worker's service record, and the calculations shall be made on the years served in mission fields beyond the initial qualifying period of six years with a maximum of eighteen years credit. Regular furloughs and leaves of absence on full salary shall be counted as mission service. When the total service does not add up to a complete year, the allowance will be pro-rated by months or a major portion thereof.

4. In the case of a worker who has served in more than one division, the cost of this allowance shall be pro-rated on the basis of the years served in each division as compared to the total number of years in foreign service, including the initial qualifying period.

5. A worker called to serve in North America (including the Inter-American Division in Miami), Europe, Australia, or New Zealand shall not be entitled to the benefits of this allowance for such service.

6. No penalty shall be attached to breaks in mission service for those who are in the mission field at the time when this policy becomes effective and the allowance shall be based on the total years served in mission fields.

7. A worker who has served in mission fields for more than six years, has been permanently returned, and is in his homeland on January 1, 1973 will receive credit only for the initial six-year qualifying period of his previous mission service if he accepts further mission appointments after that date. However, his previous mission service shall be used for determining the percentage
rate applicable to the additional years of service he has rendered since January 1, 1973 even though the service itself will not count in calculating the allowance.

8. Service rendered as a Student Missionary, in the Adventist Volunteer Service Corps, or in the Sustentation Overseas Service shall not be included in computing allowances under this policy. Where in harmony with sustentation policy a beneficiary is allowed additional service credit, the allowance of this policy shall be applied to the time for which credit is given.

9. To fund the provisions of this policy, the divisions shall set up an operating reserve fund from base and/or special appropriations providing for 50 per cent of the accrued liability within a three-year period, suggesting that 25 per cent be set up the first year and 12 1/2 per cent each for the two succeeding years. After this initial provision, adequate funds shall be provided from base appropriations each year to keep the fund at a minimum of 50 per cent of the accrued liability.

10. The benefits of this policy shall be applicable beginning January 1, 1973 and all previous mission service will be valid to workers who meet the conditions as outlined above, and who are serving in a foreign field as of that date.

EXTENDED MISSION SERVICE ALLOWANCE--RATES AND REVIEW

VOTED, 1. That the percentage rate for the Extended Mission Service Allowance be set at two per cent each year from the seventh to the twelfth year of service, three per cent each year for the thirteenth to eighteenth year of service, and four per cent each year for the nineteenth to the twenty-fourth year of service, to a maximum of twenty-four years.

2. That the provisions of this plan be reviewed at the time of the 52nd General Conference Session, 1975.

RESPONSIBILITY OF DIVISIONS--SUSTENTATION POLICY REVISION

It is desired to require that workers who transfer irregularly from one division to another must serve in the adopted division at least ten years before being eligible for overseas appointment to yet another division with base division status in the adopted division. It was therefore

VOTED, That paragraph 10 of the Sustentation Policy (GC Working Policy, pp. 286, 287) be amended as follows:

"10. When workers discontinue service in one division and without official action move to another division upon their own responsibility, they shall give
ten years of service dating from the employment in the new field of labor before becoming eligible for sustentation assistance. Division fields employing such workers who have come into their territory without being transferred by responsible committees in the regular way shall assume responsibility for sustentation of such workers. In such cases it is understood that after ten years in the new field the total service in the new field plus any previous service must meet the requirements of the sustentation policy with respect to years of service as defined in paragraph 37. If a worker who transfers to another division on his own responsibility has 20 or more years of service before the time of transfer and is unable to fulfill the minimum of ten years of service in the new field of labor because of disabling illness, accident, or death, he or his widow, provided she, too, has 20 or more years of service credit, may receive sustentation assistance from his former division based on his years of service in that division, according to its sustentation policy and rates."

IRREGULAR TRANSFERS--POLICY REVISION

VOTED, That the section entitled "Irregular Transfers" (GC Working Policy, p. 76) be amended by the addition of a new paragraph. The policy will then read as follows:

"Irregular Transfers -- When a worker leaves one division and goes to another without being transferred in the regular way, the following provisions are made in order to establish clearly his sustentation status, the designation of his home division, and to care for indebtedness and unmortized obligations he may have left in his former division.

"1. In such cases the worker's home division shall immediately notify the General Conference of such irregular transfer and the General Conference will then notify the division to which the worker has moved in regard to the situation.

"2. The worker's home division shall then send to the General Conference a detailed statement of all pertinent facts regarding the worker's service record and irregular transfer.

"3. A worker who transfers from one division to another in an irregular manner on his own responsibility, shall not be employed until satisfactory clearance has been secured from the officers of his former division through the General Conference.

"4. In case the worker has an indebtedness or other financial obligations to his former organization, mutually satisfactory arrangements for these shall be worked out between the organizations concerned. Any organization employing an irregularly transferred worker without clearance with his former division through the General Conference shall accept the worker's indebtedness or unmortized obligations and be responsible for working out a settlement with the worker.
"5. The question of which division shall bear the expense of the worker's sustentation shall be determined on the basis of the sustentation policy.

"6. A worker who transfers from one division to another in an irregular manner, on his own responsibility, and who is employed by this second division, shall not be eligible for service in a third division, with the second division as his base division, until he has served in the second division a minimum of ten years. Any rare exceptions to this policy shall be only with the approval of the General Conference Committee."

ADVENTIST WORLD RADIO--RADIO TRANS-EUROPE REPORT

S L Folkenberg, Undertreasurer of the Euro-Africa Division, gave a brief report on the progress being made in the Adventist World Radio programming and the response being received in letters and Bible School enrollments.

Adjourned until 5:00 p.m.

Benediction by F L Jones, Secretary of the Lake Union Conference.

R H Pierson, Chairman
C O Franz, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary
The third business meeting of the Autumn Council was held in the Ballroom of the Aristos Hotel.

"I'm Pressing on the Upward Way" was sung, led by W J Brown.

Prayer was offered by H M S Richards, Jr., Program Director and Speaker of the Voice of Prophecy.

Recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers were presented and adopted as follows:

STUDENT MISSIONARIES--NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Student Missionaries" be added to the General Conference Working Policy following the section, "Permanent Return," pages 207-216 as follows:

Student Missionaries

For several years the Seventh-day Adventist colleges in North America have participated in a student missionary program, which has engendered considerable enthusiasm among students, and has done much to foster an interest in missions. A degree of guidance, cooperation and control is imperative to make this program meaningful to the student and acceptable to the fields, while still preserving its spontaneity.

A. Overseas Service

When student missionaries are sponsored for overseas service the sponsoring organizations shall be guided by the following procedures and principles:

1. The General Conference MV Department, in consultation with the General Conference Secretariat and Transportation office, shall give direction to North American college MV societies which undertake to send out student missionaries, and provide instruction and general orientation materials for the students. No student missionary is to take up his overseas assignment unless he has satisfactorily completed the Student Missionary Orientation course taught at his college. Any exception must have the approval of both the sponsoring college and the General Conference MV Department.

2. All initial contacts with the mission fields relative to arrangements or plans for the project shall be through the General Conference MV Department. All student missionary requests must be approved by the division committee concerned, and must be sent to the General Conference MV Department by August 15 of each year. All such requests shall be in harmony with the following:
a. The work assignments of student missionaries shall be compatible with the student undergraduate level of education, which is usually second or third year college.

b. Work assignments for student missionaries shall be limited to short-term programs or to temporary (relief) coverage of positions to which permanent personnel will eventually be assigned.

c. The SM plan is intended to provide auxiliary and temporary assistance to denominational institutions, organizations and projects; consequently programs whose continued operation is essential to the work of the church shall be independent of recurring SM assistance.

3. The student missionaries' program and activities while in the field, together with the supervision of their work, shall be arranged by the division which invited them.

4. The college student missionary screening committee in each college shall be composed of both faculty and students, and be responsible for approving the candidates' fitness for service. The college student missionary sponsor shall be the chairman of the screening committee, and be the liaison officer between the college and the General Conference in processing the student missionary for overseas service. Only those students who plan to return to the campus as students following their term of service will be approved.

5. Student missionaries may be sent out by each college missionary volunteer society in North America on the following basis:

a. The college through its related MV societies shall be responsible for:

(1) Satisfactory financial arrangements with the student for his round-trip transportation, with the understanding that the student will provide as much as he is able through personal financing with the balance provided from a campus student missionary pooling fund. All arrangements for ticketing shall be made through the General Conference Transportation Department.

(2) The cost of his passport, visas and inoculations.

b. The General Conference shall be financially responsible for:

(1) The costs of physical examinations prior to acceptance.

(2) The costs of insurance premiums providing the following coverages (to be arranged by the General Conference prior to departure):

(a) Hospitalization
(b) Personal accident
(c) Dread disease
(d) Personal effects floater
(e) Workman's compensation

The liability of the denomination shall be limited to the cost of the insurance premium for the above coverage. The student missionary who is 21 years of age or older, or his parents or legal guardians if he is under 21, shall sign
a release of liability form absolving the denomination from any liability arising out of any loss, injury, illness, disability, damage or death sustained while serving as a student missionary or resulting from his service as a student missionary.

c. The division to which the student missionary is sent shall be financially responsible for food, lodging, local travel and related expenses while in the field. (A living allowance equivalent to these expenses may be provided. No salary shall be paid to the student missionary.)

d. Overseas divisions may provide financial assistance on the return transportation for student missionaries who serve in institutions or organizations which generate sufficient income to be self-supporting. When listing student missionary calls with the General Conference MV Department the division will indicate which calls are to be listed as those for which they will provide financial assistance to the student missionaries for their homeward transportation. Students who answer these calls must serve a minimum of eleven months in the overseas field.

6. The raising of funds for the student missionary program in each college shall be controlled by the local and union conferences in which territory the college is located, with the understanding that in general, solicitation should be confined to the campus of the college sponsoring the program.

7. Overseas divisions may adopt a student missionary program of their own to harmonize with the above-stated principles.

B. Service in the Division

Where a college MV society proposes sending a student missionary to a mission project within its own division it will do so according to a financial and insurance coverage plan mutually agreed upon by the sponsoring organization and the field benefiting by the service. The college MV society will send to the General Conference MV Department the names of all students approved for such service.

C. Service by Academy Students

Where projects similar to college student missionary activities are requested for academy students, guiding principles shall be as follows:

1. The missionary project selected shall be located within the territory of the division concerned.

2. The project shall be operated as a group undertaking supervised by adults personally acquainted with the youth.

3. All plans for such programs must be approved by the local and union conferences in which the academy is located.

ADVENTIST VOLUNTEER SERVICE CORPS--NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section, entitled "Adventist Volunteer Service Corps" be added to the General Conference Working Policy following the section, "Permanent Return," pages 207-216 as follows:
Adventist Volunteer Service Corps

Individuals who are not eligible to serve under the auspices of the Student Missionary Program have offered their services as overseas volunteers for short periods of time. They desire to go to overseas fields at their own expense under arrangements similar to the Student Missionary Program. Such volunteers will not be on regular salary or supported by a church group.

1. Carefully selected nonstudents eighteen years of age or over, may be offered the opportunity of serving as overseas volunteers in the program known as the Adventist Volunteer Service Corps.

2. The procedures to be used in appointing such personnel shall be the same procedures used in the appointment of regular overseas worker personnel including the medical examination. All applications shall be addressed to the Adventist Volunteer Service Corps, 6840 Eastern Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

3. The service of this voluntary personnel shall generally be for a period of from one to two years.

4. The division requesting the services of such volunteers shall do so on the following basis:

   a. Work assignment for Adventist Volunteer Service Corps personnel shall be limited to short-term programs or to temporary (relief) coverage of positions to which permanent personnel will eventually be assigned.

   b. The AVSC is intended to provide auxiliary and temporary assistance to denominational institutions, organizations and projects; consequently, programs whose continued operation is essential to the work of the church shall be independent of recurring AVSC assistance.

   c. The AVSC plan does not envision active recruitment of AVSC workers by the General Conference or by other denominational organizations. The General Conference will publicize the AVSC plan and the lists of service opportunities submitted by the divisions.

5. The division which accepts the volunteer shall be financially responsible for the following:

   a. The costs of physical examination prior to acceptance.

   b. The costs of insurance premiums providing the following coverages (to be arranged by the General Conference prior to departure):

      (1) Hospitalization
      (2) Personal accident
      (3) Dread disease
      (4) Personal effects floater
      (5) Workman's compensation

The liability of the denomination shall be limited only to the cost of the insurance premiums for the above coverage. The volunteer who is 21 years of age
or older or his parents or legal guardians, if he is under 21, shall sign a
release of liability form absolving the denomination from any liability arising
out of any loss, injury, illness, disability or damage or death sustained while
serving in the AVSC or resulting from his service in the AVSC.

c. Food, lodging, local travel and related expenses while in the field.
(A living allowance equivalent to these expenses may be provided. No salary
shall be paid to the worker.)

6. The AVSC volunteer shall be financially responsible for the following:

a. Passport (to be secured by the individual)

b. Visas (to be secured by the General Conference)

c. Inoculations

d. Round-trip ticket (purchased through the General Conference)

7. The AVSC volunteer who is liable for national military service shall be
responsible for securing deferment or clearance from his Selective Service Draft
Board before leaving his homeland.

8. Since the AVSC program represents voluntary service, not on a regular
salary, the volunteer will not receive sustentation service credit for the time
spent in such service.

9. Divisions desiring to adopt an Adventist Volunteer Service Corps
for their territories may do so following the guidelines herein given.

SUSTENTATION OVERSEAS SERVICE--NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Sustentation Overseas Service" be
added to the General Conference Working Policy following the section, "Permanent
Return," pages 207-216 as follows:

Sustentation Overseas Service

When a sustentation beneficiary is invited to serve on a part-time basis in
another division the following guidelines shall apply:

1. The appointment of sustentation beneficiaries shall be limited to short-
term programs or to temporary (relief) coverage of positions to which permanent
personnel will eventually be assigned.

2. The SOS plan is intended to provide auxiliary and temporary assistance to
denominational institutions, organizations and projects; consequently, programs
whose continued operation is essential to the work of the church shall be indepen-
dent of recurring SOS assistance.
3. The calling division is to place its request for a special appointment of the sustentation beneficiary with the Secretariat of the General Conference and the appointment will be subject to approval by the General Conference Committee.

4. A medical examination and clearance is to be secured according to the procedure followed in connection with the regular mission appointee.

5. Missionaries serving in divisions other than their homeland, who have reached the time for retirement, and who may wish to serve in an overseas field as sustentation beneficiaries, will be granted a permanent return to their homeland in harmony with policy, and will remain for a minimum period of six months in order to receive all of the benefits of the retirement program before they depart to serve on a part-time basis in an overseas division as a sustentation beneficiary.

6. The sustentation beneficiary may receive the sustentation rate paid to him by his home division during the period of his special appointment, and in most instances the procedure will include an arrangement for his home division to deposit his sustentation payment in a personal bank account of the home country of the sustentation beneficiary.

7. The term of the special appointment of the sustentation beneficiary may be up to two years, and further, this appointment may be renewed subject to medical clearance for additional terms of up to two years each upon recommendation of the division where he is serving and approval of the General Conference Committee.

8. Transportation, Allowances, Subsidies, and other related matters:

   a. The cost of the physical examination is the responsibility of the calling division.

   b. When medical clearance is given by the Appointees Committee or homeland division committee, the sustentation beneficiary will be referred to the transportation office for processing for departure.

   c. The cost of visas is the responsibility of the sustentation beneficiary.

   d. The cost of required vaccinations is the responsibility of the sustentation beneficiary. Only such vaccinations as are compulsory for entry into the country concerned will be required.

   e. Ordinarily, the sustentation beneficiary is responsible for transportation and baggage expense to and from his place of labor in the overseas division. If any assistance on transportation and/or baggage is granted, it is given by the calling division. The transportation office of the home division is responsible for buying the ticket and arranging reservations. Return transportation should be protected, either on a round-trip non-refundable basis, or otherwise, by a deposit of an amount sufficient to cover the return travel.

   f. Any transportation assistance or subsidy to sustentation which may be granted shall be approved by the General Conference Allowances Committee before the sustentation beneficiary leaves his home division.
g. If any subsidy is granted the sustentation beneficiary for his service, it is granted by the calling division and will be paid in the local currency of the country where the beneficiary will be serving.

h. The calling division shall be financially responsible for the following coverages, which are to be arranged by the General Conference prior to the departure of the sustentation beneficiary:

(1) Personal accident
(2) Personal effects floater
(3) Workman's compensation

These coverages are to apply from the time of departure from the homeland until the time of return to the homeland. The sustentation beneficiary's home division will be responsible for medical/dental assistance according to its policy.

i. The regular provisions of the sustentation policy relating to subsidies will apply. (In this connection, the term "full salary" is interpreted to mean the equivalent of the applicable worker's salary in the field where the sustentation beneficiary will serve.)

j. Completely furnished housing should be provided by the calling division for the sustentation beneficiary in order that it will not be necessary for him to take furniture, linen, dishes, cutlery, or other such items from the homeland. Rental charges, if any, for the furnished accommodations will not exceed rental rates charged to regular missionaries.

k. If the sustentation beneficiary operates an authorized car in connection with his mission service, the division may allow auto insurance and auto depreciation in harmony with its policy applying in the field where the sustentation beneficiary will serve.

l. The Sustentation Fund of the home division will provide child allowance for dependent children on the basis applicable in the home division.

m. The provisions of the Fixed Rate Exchange Policy will not apply inasmuch as the home division is providing the sustentation on a home base rate and in home base currency; however, the current rate may be used in the transfer of funds from the sale of personal goods when returning to their home base by approval of the division committee.

n. In the case of the death of a sustentation beneficiary or his spouse while serving in another division, only the regular funeral allowance would be granted, as allowed by the Funeral Allowance policy. This allowance is paid by the home division.

9. Individuals who are serving as sustentation beneficiaries in divisions other than their homeland, and whose sustentation service began prior to April 1, 1971, may come under the provisions of these guidelines, if the division in which they are now serving will place its request for a special appointment of the sustentation beneficiary in harmony with the procedure outlined above.
ENCOURAGING FINANCIAL SELF-SUPPORT IN THE MISSION FIELD

VOTED, To adopt the following statement entitled "Encouraging Financial Self-Support in the Mission Field":

Encouraging Financial Self-Support in the Mission Field

Under the guidance of God and through the inspiration of the Spirit of Prophecy, the church has developed a system of financial support for missions since the message was first carried into mission areas. Briefly stated, the plan involves the following progression:

1. Sending out missionaries and supporting them financially by appropriations from the General Conference.

2. Gradual development of local membership and organization with a system of finance similar to and patterned after that which had been developed early in the history of the denomination.

3. Gradual rise of local income and reduction of operating appropriations, increasing the percentage of self-support.

Recently, the need to encourage financial self-support among the missions and mission organizations throughout the world field has been realized. Various approaches have been made, but there has been no concerted effort to place in operation a continuing, worldwide analysis of the trends toward or away from self-support.

As currency and other financial problems have increased around the world, the need for financially strong organizations that can carry an ever-increasing financial responsibility for the operation of the work in their territories has become more apparent. Thus in emergencies when funds may not be available from the General Conference, the local work could be continued in a strong way even without such funds.

Even if currency transfer difficulties did not exist, operating funds saved due to reductions in appropriations to developing areas can be shifted to the opening of work in newer or heretofore unentered places.

In order to strengthen the local base of financial support in Seventh-day Adventist organizations throughout the world, it is recommended

1. That in counsel with the General Conference Stewardship and Development Department, divisions develop broad plans for a greatly accelerated plan of self-support within their territories, thus making possible the increased use of base appropriation support toward the expansion of the work into new areas. Special emphasis should be given to church members' returning to the Lord's treasury a faithful tithe, recognizing this as the primary source of income to our regular mission outreach.
2. That, where feasible, attention be given to the possibility of developing denominationally owned and operated industries which could in turn become a further source of employment opportunities for increasing numbers of laymen and at the same time provide additional financial support from earnings usually applied toward capital expenditure.

3. That an annual study of self-support trends be made and used as follows:

a. Each division to present to the General Conference an annual report of self-support trends over a period of the most recent five years, giving percentages of self-support for each subsidiary organization in its territory, grouping organizations by types.

b. The percentage of self-support to be computed by use of the following formula:

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\frac{\text{Local Operating Income}}{\text{Local Operating Income Plus Operating Appropriations}} = \% \text{ of self-support}
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c. The General Conference Treasury to develop the necessary blanks and system of reporting so that a report may be presented to the Home and Overseas Officers each year.

d. Each division to use the reports from its territory as one means of encouraging and increasing self-support in its various subsidiary organizations.

WAGE SCALE FOR NATIONAL PHYSICIANS IN OVERSEAS DIVISIONS--GUIDELINES

VOTED, That the following guidelines on "Wage Scale for National Physicians in Overseas Divisions" be adopted as follows:

Wage Scale for National Physicians in Overseas Divisions

In order to ensure uniformity in principle among overseas divisions, the following guidelines are recommended in connection with the establishment of a wage scale for national physicians:

1. Salary rates of all classes of workers in a given area shall be determined by the cost of living and other related factors prevailing in that area. These criteria shall be considered in determining the 100% level of the wage scale in local currency. All salary percentage rates shall be in harmony with the applicable General Conference Wage Scale.

2. In specific areas where, after considering community and church attitudes, a different standard of living is thought to be necessary for national physicians, division committees may establish a special 100% level of the Wage Scale in local currency for them.

3. Care should be exercised by division committees in the application of the above provision:
a. To maintain a proper relationship between national physicians' salaries and those of other denominational workers of all categories serving in the area.

b. To limit the increase of this special 100% level of the wage scale in local currency in order that it be kept as near as possible to the regular 100% level of the wage scale.

4. In order to maintain a degree of uniformity around the world the special 100% level of the wage scale in local currency factors recommended by the divisions for national physicians shall be reviewed by the General Conference before it is applied whenever such a factor increases the difference between it and the regular 100% level of the wage scale.

Adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Benediction by R L Dale, President of the Indiana Conference.

Theodore Carcich, Chairman
B E Seton, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary
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One Hundred Forty-seventh Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 16, 1972 8:00 a.m.

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DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

B J Liebelt, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Sabbath School Department, announced the opening hymn, "O Zion, Haste."

Prayer was offered by J D Westfall, a retired worker from Michigan.

Special music was presented by Marvin and Judy Shultz of the Inter-American Division office who are under appointment to establish a printing department at the Venezuela Vocational Academy.

M S Nigri, General Vice President of the General Conference, chose as his topic for the morning devotional message: "How Far and How Near." He expressed a desire to achieve two things: First that we renew and strengthen our faith in this blessed hope, especially in the certainty that our King, our Lord Jesus Christ, is coming soon; and second that our confidence in the words of Jesus, as well as those of the patriarchs and prophets, disciples and apostles and of our pioneers concerning the second advent be so complete and real that we will be prepared every day for the Lord's coming. Jesus tells us that pre-announcing His return will be many signs.

The world is not aware of the coming of the Lord; they are not expecting Him as we are; for the ordinary man these signs are nothing more than a succession of physical, social and religious routine happenings. But it is different with us.

Our faith needs to abide in the sure promise of the Lord's coming. There is no other way if we want to survive from the growing spiritual chaos that is overtaking this world. What would the pioneers say if they were brought back to life today? What impact would they feel if they breathed our polluted air? If they saw the crime and violence increasing on our streets, as well as disasters and death in great proportion? What would they say about drug abuse and false teachings in home and school? How astonished would they be if they heard of the new concepts of morals, even among Christians?

They would be very much surprised that Jesus has not come yet! But why hasn't Jesus come? When will He come? "Christians today do well to remember that the heavenly Bridegroom's delay is not due to any lack of preparedness on His part. He could have come long ago had His people been ready to welcome Him and had they been faithful in completing their appointed task of preparing the world for His coming." (SDA Bible Commentary on Matt. 25:5.) No doubt God will not permit His people to become lost in the future Babel. His promises
of deliverance and victory are sure. But it is up to us to shorten the time.

Even though our confidence in the soon coming of our Lord must become a high point in our experience, we need to be careful with the danger of emphasizing more the future coming of Jesus rather than of our present need to live with Jesus. We need to live today so faithfully and happily as if we were already living with our Master in eternity. I can wait for my Lord for ten, twenty, forty or fifty years and not be discouraged. Because I do not put more emphasis on the future than on the present. It is time for God's people to reconsecrate and rise to announce with greater zeal that Jesus is returning indeed. When our faith and confidence in the Lord's coming will become not only a belief, but a part of our own life every day, then the Lord will come and we will go home. Sister White said: "When the character of Christ shall be perfectly reproduced in His people, then He will come to claim them as His own."—Christ's Object Lessons, p. 69.

To close the devotional service, "We Know Not the Hour" was sung.

The benediction was pronounced by G N Banks, Secretary of the Pacific Union Regional Department.

The fourth business session of the Autumn Council was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by F. L. Bland, Vice President of the General Conference.

Prayer was offered by Carl B Watts, President of the Japan Union Mission.

E W Tarr, Secretary of the General Conference Public Relations Bureau, Charles R Taylor, Public Relations Secretary of the Inter-American Division, and Professor David Poyato, Associate Secretary of the Legal Department of the Mexican Union, escorted to the platform Licenciada Virginia Velasco, Assistant Director of Migration of the Mexico Federal Government, who had come to extend to the assembled delegates the official welcome of the Mexican government. In her remarks which were translated by Charles Taylor, she commented, "We are conscious of the social work which is being done by your organization in Mexico," and expressed the wish that these meetings would be successful. D H Baasch was called upon to respond for the Council.

Recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers were considered and acted upon as follows:

WORLD DEPARTMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

VOTED, 1. That a World Departmental Advisory Council be held in connection with Annual Council '73.

2. That the General Conference Officers develop a plan for the equalization of travel expenses involved in sending division department heads to attend the World Departmental Advisory Council.
3. That division administrative committees be requested to study carefully:

   a. The relationship of furloughs for departmental secretaries with North American home base to coincide with either the World Departmental Advisory Council or the General Conference Session '75.

   b. The possible need for adjustment of General Conference departmental secretaries' itineraries to their fields, particularly from July to October, 1973.

FURLough POLICY -- REVISION AND REARRANGEMENT

VOTED, To approve additions and amendments to the furlough policy as follows:

1. That a section entitled "Nomenclature and Definitions" be added to the policy as follows:

"Homeland - The land in which an individual was born and received his early education and to which, for policy purposes, he bears a permanent relationship which is not changed or modified by subsequent moves, changes in citizenship, residence, employment (denominational or non-denominational), transfer with or without a call to denominational employment in another country or division, nor by appointment as a missionary based in a division to which he has transferred without call. It is understood, however, that a child born in a foreign country to parents on denominational, government, or corporate assignment to that country is considered as having the same homeland as his parents.

"Home Division - The division which administers the work in an individual's homeland.

"Adopted Division - The division to which a worker transfers irregularly, or another individual transfers permanently on his own responsibility.

"Base Division - The division which in harmony with policy assumes ultimate administrative responsibility for a worker and which therefore processes his appointment if he is called to serve as a missionary in a division other than his home division; administers his furlough when he is entitled to such; assumes responsibility for him when he is permanently returned; and provides the sustentation benefits for which he qualifies when he retires.

"Note - A worker's base division is in most cases his home division. However, when the worker also has an adopted division it may, in harmony with the provisions of policy, be designated as his base division. In case the worker should return to his home division to accept employment it becomes his base division."
2. That the following paragraphs be amended as follows:

Paragraph 1 (GC Working Policy, p. 187) "Furlough is granted to a missionary who serves outside his base division in response to a regular call extended by the General Conference. The furlough allows the missionary to renew personal contacts and enjoy association with family members and provides a period of change and rest in the environment of the base division. It also gives opportunity to stimulate interest in missions among home churches as the missionary visits them with his up-to-date reports. In general it is planned that the terms of service shall be three years for families and two years for single workers with a three-month furlough between terms; but exceptions are made to this general rule on account of various conditions in the different fields. Even though the granting of furloughs incurs heavy expense it is recognized that this provision is necessary and in the end is an economy of workers and means. Division committees shall, however, exercise strict economy in scheduling and arranging for furloughs.

"An appointment to the mission field is to be considered a call to life service. It usually requires many years for an individual to acquire a practical knowledge of a foreign language and to become sufficiently familiar with the habits and customs of a culture for his service to become most fruitful. Added years of experience in the field greatly increase his efficiency. Therefore, no worker should conclude, because of furlough provisions, that his appointment is only for a single term of service."

Paragraph 2b (GC Working Policy, p. 188) "The term of service of the parents shall be at least four years in length based on the three-year cycle."

Paragraph 20 (GC Working Policy, p. 192) "An allowance covering freight, crating, packing and customs shall be granted to workers returning to the mission field from furlough or midterm leave on the following basis: The equivalent of 10 per cent 15 per cent of the freight allowance to new missionary appointees, etc... ."

Paragraph 21 (GC Working Policy, p. 193) "An outfitting allowance on the following basis shall be granted to workers returning from furlough or midterm leave: Twelve-and-one-half per cent Fifteen per cent of the regular outfitting allowance shall be granted, etc... ."

3. That paragraph 23b (GC Working Policy, p. 194) be rearranged with no change in the policy as follows:

"Furlough-Study Allowances - Where a division selects a worker to undertake while on furlough a course of study beyond the level of the Master's degree, or, in the case of a physician, to enter into a residency plan under the Residency Plan for Furloughing Physicians, and the study program involves a period of eighteen months or more, the worker shall be allowed the following benefits:

"1. Upon return to the base division on furlough:
"a. The equivalent of 50 per cent of the maximum freight allowance for a permanently returning missionary.

"b. The equivalent of 50 per cent of the maximum rehabilitation allowance for a permanently returning missionary.

"2. Upon return to the field: Allowances as granted to missionaries returning for subsequent terms of service."

4. That the present paragraphs 31-35 be deleted and that the following new paragraphs be inserted in their places with renumbering of any subsequent paragraphs as necessary.

"31. TERMS OF SERVICE - FAMILIES - Regular terms of service and corresponding furloughs for families shall be as follows:

"Initial Term (72 month cycle): The initial or first term of mission service for families shall be six years with a midterm leave to the worker's base division of three months after thirty-three months of service for which actual travel expense and midterm leave allowances will be granted. The last three months of the initial six-year term shall be granted as furlough to families returning to the field for a subsequent term of service.

"Subsequent Terms (36 month cycle): Subsequent terms of service (after the initial term or after reappointment) for families shall be three years. The last three months of each term shall be granted as furlough to families returning to the field for a further subsequent term of service.

"32. TERMS OF SERVICE - SINGLE WORKERS - Regular terms of service and corresponding furloughs for single workers shall be as follows:

"Initial Term (48 month cycle): The initial or first term of mission service for single workers shall be four years with a midterm leave to the worker's base division of three months after twenty-one months of service for which actual travel expense and midterm leave allowances will be granted. The last three months of the initial four-year term shall be granted as furlough to single workers returning to the field for a subsequent term of service.

"Subsequent Terms (24 month cycle): Subsequent terms of service (after the initial term or after reappointment) for single workers shall be two years. The last three months of each term shall be granted as furlough to single workers returning to the field for a further subsequent term of service.

"33. ABBREVIATED TERMS OF SERVICE - FAMILIES: In designated areas where extreme contrasts of climate, culture and isolation exist between the field of labor and the homeland of the missionary, divisions may allow abbreviated terms of service to families after specific approval of the General Conference Committee as follows:
"Abbreviated Initial Term (48 month cycle): The abbreviated initial or first term of mission service for families shall be four years with a midterm leave to the worker's base division of three months after 21 months of service for which actual travel expense and midterm leave allowances will be granted. The last three months of the initial four-year term shall be granted as furlough to families returning to the field for a subsequent term of service.

"Abbreviated Subsequent Terms (24 month cycle): Abbreviated subsequent terms of service (after the initial term or after reappointment) for families shall be two years. The last three months of each term shall be granted as furlough to families returning to the field for a further subsequent term of service.

"Single Workers: Single workers shall in all cases serve under the regular schedule of service and furloughs for their category.

"Allowances: Regular outfitting and freight allowances shall apply in all cases.

"34. EXTENDED TERMS OF SERVICE - Unless otherwise specified mission appointments are for regular terms of service. However, extended terms of service may be arranged for families and single workers who, for educational or other reasons considered valid by the division committee, desire to give a longer period of service and receive a longer furlough period. The conditions for this arrangement shall be as follows:

"1. Workers who are serving their initial term shall be allowed no midterm leave.

"2. Workers shall make known their desires to the employing organization at least a year before their midterm leave or next regular furlough is due. In consultation with their employing organization they shall decide on the length of term desired and request the division for approval.

"3. Extended terms yielding more than six months of furlough shall be approved only for educational reasons considered valid by the division committee.

"4. The extended terms and corresponding furlough periods shall be approved by the division in harmony with the following schedule:
35. EXTENSIONS OF FURLOUGH - Furloughs of less than six months and midterm leaves shall not be extended for non-emergency purposes except at the initiative of the division and when the extension is considered by the division committee to be in the interest of the organization, and approved by the General Conference. When additional time beyond the midterm leave or furlough is recommended for study purposes, such time shall be granted on a study leave basis only and not as an extension of furlough."

5. That paragraphs 39, 40 and 41 (GC Working Policy, p. 197) dealing with Leaves of Absence be eliminated and that the following new paragraph be inserted in their place:

"The General Conference in counsel with the division(s) concerned, may designate certain areas where the regular terms of service will be on a 60 month cycle for families and a 48 month cycle for single workers. The last three months of each term shall be granted as furlough to workers returning to the field for a further term of service. (See also the section on allowances for the applicable financial provisions.)"

6. That the Working Policy Committee be authorized to rearrange the Furlough Policy in its entirety to incorporate the above amendments and to allow a more logical and orderly presentation of the policy without involving any changes beyond those approved by the Autumn Council.
SCHEDULE OF ALLOWANCES - MISSION SERVICE

VOTED, That the following schedule of allowances for mission service be approved with the request that the Working Policy Committee be requested to incorporate the provisions in the appropriate section(s) of the Working Policy.

1. ALLOWANCES FOR APPOINTEES

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2. ALLOWANCES FOR FURLOUGHS AND MIDTERM LEAVES

a. Reoutfitting allowance

15% of outfitting allowance for each year of service since previous furlough or midterm leave.

b. Returning freight allowance

15% of freight allowance for each year of service since previous furlough or midterm leave.

3. ALLOWANCES FOR PERMANENT RETURNS

a. Rehabilitation allowance

(1) After a minimum of a full term* of service -
   The equivalent of outfitting allowance

(2) After less than a full term* of service -
   A percentage of outfitting allowance directly proportionate to the portion of a full term served.
b. **Freight allowances**
   
   (1) After less than 1/3 of a full term* of service - 30% of freight allowance
   
   (2) After more than 1/3 but less than 2/3 of a full term* of service - 40% of freight allowance
   
   (3) After 2/3 or more of a full term* of service - 50% of freight allowance

   *A full term is defined as follows:

   
   Initial service:  
   - Families - 72 months
   - Singles - 48 months

   After furlough or reappointment
   - Families - 36 months
   - Singles - 24 months

4. **ALLOWANCES FOR DESIGNATED AREAS**

   a. The General Conference Committee in counsel with the division(s) concerned may approve a modified scale of financial and freight allowances for application in designated areas where it is not considered feasible to grant the regular allowances.

   b. In areas where the General Conference Committee has determined that the regular term of service is to be on a 60 month cycle for families and 48 months for single workers, the following provisions shall apply:

   (1) Workers on assignment to such areas from other divisions will receive freight, baggage, and outfitting rehabilitation allowances only at the time of initial transfer into the area or of transfer out of the area on permanent return or to another assignment.

   (2) Workers on furlough from such areas shall receive only actual travel expenses, however, inasmuch as no regular allowances are granted for furloughs where the salary rate in the worker's homeland differs from that in which the worker is currently being paid, the higher rate shall apply.

   (3) Furlough transportation expense of such workers in the North American field shall be met by the General Conference.

   (4) The Budget Committee of the Annual Council shall provide annually a fund from which to meet the transportation expense involved under section 3.
Adjourned at 10:00 a.m. for a meeting of the International Insurance Service.

Reconvened at 10:30 a.m. Prayer was offered by D W Hunter, Associate Secretary of the General Conference. The family of Velino Salazar were remembered especially because of the death of his mother.

The following recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers were considered and acted upon:

ADMITTANCE OF NON-ADVENTIST CHILDREN TO CHURCH SCHOOLS

VOTED, That a new section, "Admittance of Non-Adventist Children to Church Schools," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section "Employment Conditions of Elementary School or Junior Academy Teachers," page 104, as follows:

Admittance of Non-Adventist Children to Church Schools

Church schools should exercise extreme care to admit only those non-Adventist students who will fit into our program and who can benefit from it. No non-Adventist students should be admitted from other schools without first receiving cumulative and/or scholastic records and character references.

BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSES -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Book and Bible Houses," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Book and Bible Houses

Book and Bible Houses as Distributing Agencies.-- Book and Bible Houses shall be recognized as the only distributing agencies for denominational publishing houses within their respective territories, except where by vote of the division committee authorization is granted for the operation of a central collection office which distributes literature sold by literature evangelists.

Title of Book and Bible House Leader.-- The term manager shall be applied to those in charge of Book and Bible Houses.

Publications and Merchandise to be Stocked and Promoted by Book and Bible Houses.-- The type of books, periodicals, audio-visual materials and other printed matter that Book and Bible Houses stock and promote shall be kept in harmony with the high spiritual standards and doctrines of the church. The following guidelines have been adopted:
1. Book and Bible Houses shall stock and promote only those books and periodicals which are currently furnished by denominational publishing houses, or which have been approved by duly constituted committees dealing with the authorizing of publications for denominational distribution.

2. The following exceptions shall be made to the foregoing provisions:

a. Authorized nondenominational textbooks until such a time as denominational textbooks are provided by the General Conference Department of Education.

b. Sabbath School supplies recommended by the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

c. Special songbooks for solos, duets, and special group singing. No other songbooks shall be stocked or promoted to compete with denominational songbooks.

d. Bibles and Bible translations, suitable Bible dictionaries, study helps and commentaries.

e. Health literature which has been reviewed and approved by an appropriate denominational health agency.

3. Book and Bible Houses may order direct from nondenominational publishing houses:

a. Books that are requested by conference departments or are ordered by workers and other individuals for personal use.

b. Books approved by reading course committees, and such other valuable books, not of a competitive character, as have been approved by a denominational book committee, and which shall be handled and promoted in the same manner as are denominational publications. It is understood that reading course books not published by the denomination are to be stocked and promoted only during the life of the course or courses of which they are a part or as long as the stock is carried by the publishing houses.

4. In areas of the world field where denominational publications are limited, due to language and/or other factors, Book and Bible Houses may be authorized to stock and sell such publications as shall be approved by the duly appointed authorizing committees.

5. Book and Bible Houses shall stock and promote only such audio-visual materials, films, records, cassettes and tapes, as are furnished by denominational publishing houses with the proviso that where, due to language and/or other factors, it may be deemed essential for nondenominational audio-visual materials to be stocked, that only such materials be handled as shall conform
to denominational standards and principles, subject to approval of the afore-
mentioned duly constituted authorizing committees.

6. Book and Bible Houses shall not act as jobbers of denominational
literature or the publications of non-Seventh-day Adventist publishers.

7. Where there is an overstock in a Book and Bible House, this overstock
may be reported immediately to the branch or publishing house in its territory,
which branch or publishing house shall seek the cooperation of other Book and
Bible Houses in the territory to move the stock. Orders for such stock may be
placed by a Book and Bible House with another Book and Bible House in the same
publishing territory, and the publishers, without charge, will bill one office
and credit the other for this transaction.

8. Book and Bible Houses shall follow the budget plan of operation and
present monthly financial reports and budget comparisons to the appropriate
governing committee. The budget shall be prepared annually by the Book and
Bible House managers in a form comparable to that of the approved Operating
Statement and shall be submitted to the conference committee for approval.

9. To show the true operating status of the Book and Bible House,
   a. The entire expense of its operation shall be charged to the Book and
      Bible House.
   b. The conferences/missions where the time of the workers employed in
      the Book and Bible House is divided between the work of the conference/mission
      and the Book and Bible House, the salary and other expense shall be apportioned
      according to the time worked in each.
   c. Any appropriation for operating made to the Book and Bible House by the
      conference/mission shall be designated as such on the accounts of the recipient.

Adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Benediction by Warren Danforth, layman from San Francisco.

    F L Bland, Chairman
    D S Johnson, Secretary
    Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary
One Hundred Forty-eighth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 16, 1972 4:00 p.m.

W J Hackett called the fifth business session of this council to order.

CONDOLENCES:

VOTED, To send condolences to the family of Adventist Volunteer Service Corps worker James Wheeker who went to Ethiopia in September on one-year AVSC assignment to teach auto mechanics at Ethiopian Adventist College. He was killed October 15 while riding his motorcycle near the school.

Prayer was offered by W O Coe, President of the Florida Conference.

The following recommendation from the General Conference Officers was considered:

GENERAL CONFERENCE CONSTITUTION-EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

VOTED, To recommend to the 1975 General Conference Session that the General Conference Constitution, Art. VI, Sec. 1, para. b, be amended as follows:

b. Presidents of union conferences/ presidents of union missions, past presidents of the General Conference holding credentials from this conference, the presidents of the two universities Andrews University president, the executive secretary of the Association of Privately owned Seventh-day Adventist Services and Industries executive secretary, Christian Record Braille Foundation general manager, ESDA Sales and Service manager, Faith for Today director-speaker, the manager of the General Conference Insurance Service general manager, the president of the Home Study Institute president, It is Written director-speaker, Loma Linda Foods general manager, Loma Linda University president, Oakwood College president, the general manager of the Pacific Press Publishing Association general manager, Riverside Hospital administrator, the editor of the Review and Herald editor, the general manager of the Review and Herald Publishing Association general manager, SDA Radio, Television and Film Center president, the general manager of the Southern Publishing Association general manager, and Voice of Prophecy director-speaker.

Further, it was

VOTED, To refer the matter of including the Review and Herald associate editors to the General Conference Officers for further study with the request that a recommendation be prepared for the Spring Meeting '73.
The following recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers were presented and acted upon:

**BIBLE TEACHERS -- NEW POLICY**

**VOTED,** That a new section, "Bible Teachers," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Employment Conditions of Elementary School or Junior Academy Teachers," page 104, as follows:

**Bible Teachers**

The evangelistic and pastoral functions of classroom Bible teaching are recognized as vital and integral functions of the Seventh-day Adventist ministry. In recognition of the importance of Bible teaching the following has been adopted:

1. That classroom Bible teaching be recognized as requiring particular abilities and professional training, and that college students who give evidence of potential ability as Bible teachers be encouraged to incorporate such training into the regular preparation for a place in the ministry.

2. That the division education advisory committees set the standards for Bible teaching on various levels of instruction.

3. That committees responsible for granting licenses consider granting a ministerial license to beginning Bible teachers who have had professional training for Bible teaching or the ministry.

4. That prospective secondary Bible teachers should spend some time in the pastoral-evangelistic ministry before beginning, or concurrently with, their work in the classroom.

5. That wherever possible beginning Bible teachers have the opportunity of an apprenticeship in the classroom under the supervision of experienced instructors.

6. That conference administrations and controlling boards of institutions foster the Bible teacher's growth by arranging for him to obtain experience in public evangelistic soul winning, either in connection with his work or during school vacation periods.

7. That where Bible teachers have given clear evidence of their call as soul-saving ministers in public evangelistic soul-winning and in their influence and counseling on the campus and in the classroom, they should be regarded as candidates for ordination.
DISCOUNTS ON BOOKS, PERIODICALS AND TRACTS -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Discounts on Books, Periodicals and Tracts," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, to follow the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Discounts on Books, Periodicals and Tracts

Division committees may establish a discount schedule for books, periodicals and tracts to be followed by the organizations within their territory.

HYMNBOOKS -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section, "Hymnbooks," be added to the General Conference Working Policy following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Hymnbooks

The publication of church hymnals and major songbooks for general use in the churches is controlled by the division in consultation with the General Conference.

THE PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT SECRETARY -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section, "The Publishing Department Secretary," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, to follow the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

The Publishing Department Secretary

Recognizing that the publishing program is unique in the outreach of the church, each local and union conference/mission shall be encouraged to maintain a full-time publishing department secretary wherever possible. In conferences/missions where the population is large and where there are many literature evangelists, assistant publishing secretaries may be assigned as needed.

PUBLISHING HOUSE--DEFINITION -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section, "Publishing House--Definition," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Publishing House--Definition

Publishing centers established by authority of the division committee concerned, for the purpose of originating, translating, and distributing
denominational literature for use by the Book and Bible Houses, HHES offices, or other outlets of the field they serve shall be regarded as publishing houses and eligible to all the courtesies, discounts, and privileges current among denominational institutions. This standing is not contingent upon whether or not a printing establishment is connected with the institution.

LOCAL CONFERENCE PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section, "Local Conference Publishing Department Committee," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Local Conference/Mission Publishing Department Committee

1. The membership of the conference/mission publishing committee shall consist of the following personnel:

   Conference/mission president, chairman
   Book and Bible House manager and HHES representative, one of whom will be secretary
   Conference/mission treasurer
   Conference/mission publishing department secretary

2. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

3. The Publishing Committee shall meet at least quarterly to review what has been accomplished and plan for the future conduct of the work. The assistant publishing secretaries, and the union publishing secretary shall be invited to attend these meetings.

HOME HEALTH EDUCATION SERVICE -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section, "Home Health Education Service," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Home Health Education Service

The following form of organization is recommended for union conference HHES:

Operating Board.-- The union committee serves as the operating board or appoints the board. The operating board will:

1. Review annual financial statements and reports.
2. Make all decisions relating to policy.

3. Appoint the treasurer.

Executive Committee.-- The executive committee shall be composed of a union officer as chairman; union publishing department secretary, as secretary; union treasurer; union auditor; HHES treasurer; and such others as may be appointed by the union committee.

The executive committee shall:

1. Direct the operations of the HHES within the framework of the policies voted by the board.

2. Nominate the treasurer for appointment by the Operating Board.

3. Select HHES department heads and other personnel.

Director.-- The director shall be the union publishing department secretary, and shall serve as the administrative head of the HHES.

Treasurer and/or Office Manager.-- It shall be the duty of the treasurer and/or office manager to receive all funds, to distribute them in harmony with the actions of the executive committee, to maintain the necessary financial records, and to render financial statements as provided for by policy.

Advisory Committee.-- The advisory committee shall be composed of all members of the local conference/mission publishing committees, with the union publishing department secretary as chairman. The advisory committee shall study the program of pay-by-mail selling during the annual publishing department council, and make recommendations to the operating board.

In unions where there are local conference/mission HHES offices, the union publishing department secretary shall serve as the coordinating advisor.

PUBLISHING HOUSES—PUBLICATION RIGHTS -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Publishing Houses—Publication Rights," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section "Publication of New Magazines," page 124, as follows:

Publishing Houses—Publication Rights

Rights and Responsibilities of Publishers.-- A publishing house bringing out a new book assumes the responsibility for the same, both financially and otherwise, unless previous arrangements have been made with other publishing
houses to share the responsibility; and the publishing house carrying this entire responsibility should be considered the sole publisher, with the right to distribute the books in its own territory, and to sell the same to other publishing houses that control other territories.

Publishers' Rights and Contracts.-- Publishing houses acting as agents for their respective constituencies shall retain the publishing rights and full control of manufacturing and circulating our denominational literature in their respective territories.

It is recognized that all publishers have power to enter into contract with authors or publishers concerning all classes of literature assigned to them, it being understood and agreed that such contracts shall not involve nor restrict the rights or privileges of other publishers and union and local conferences/missions in their respective territories. Interterritorial arrangements shall be subject to the counsel of the division.

New Subscription Books.-- When the publication of new subscription books is considered, counsel concerning the need for such volumes shall first be sought from the field and the relevant publishing department, and, where more than one territory is involved, the proper publishing coordinating committee.

Ownership and Control of Plates and Positive Printers and Division of Initial Expense.-- In bringing out a new subscription book in the English language in North America, it is the general policy that publishers bear the initial expense on publications and retain the ownership and control of plates, positive printers, and copyrights, and avoid all contracts or arrangements that might hinder the improvement, manufacture, and circulation of denominational literature.

The initial expense is divided as follows:


b. For publishing houses outside North America: 10 per cent of initial expense in addition to cost of plates, the receipts from sales of plates to go to the original publisher.

Revised Edition and Control of Plates and Positive Printers.-- When a request for the revision and republication of a book is received by a publishing house, counsel shall first be sought from the field concerning the need for the volume. Subsequently no large expense shall be incurred in revising, illustrating, or translating any major subscription book without mutual agreement between author and publisher, as well as among the other publishers within the division.

Rights of Plate Owners for Publications in Foreign Languages.-- When plates of books in foreign languages are made for more than one publishing
house, the initial expense of bringing out the foreign edition shall be divided on the same general principle as adopted for books published in English.

It is to be understood that the purchase of a set of plates carries with it the right to furnish books only in such territory as is represented by the purchase, e.g., if a publishing house pays only that portion of the initial expense assigned to its own territory, that purchase will not carry the right to furnish books elsewhere.

The plates which are sold for any territory shall not be duplicated for sale, or transferred to other territory, nor shall any rights to publish or translate be sold without satisfactory arrangements with the house originally issuing the publication.

Obligations to Furnish Plates.-- The publishing house bringing out a new (major) subscription book shall sell a set of plates to any other regularly organized denominational publishing house desiring the same book for its territory for the cost of the platemaking, plus the proper share of initial expense.

Delayed Purchase of Plates.-- In case any publishing house delays in the purchase of a set of plates until one or more editions of the book have been sold, the purchase price of such plates shall be determined on the following basis:

1. Such plates shall be charged at the cost of platemaking, plus the regular share of initial expense, less the initial expense on the number of books distributed in the territory of the house to which the plates are being sold.

2. When a manuscript is purchased from an author in lieu of royalty, the amount of said purchase should be distributed upon the plates furnished to other publishers on the same basis as the regular initial expense. When there is a delayed sale of plates after editions of the book have been printed and distributed, the regular proportion of this royalty purchase shall be charged to the publishing house purchasing the plates, less the regular rate of royalty on the number of copies distributed in the territory of the house to which the plates are being sold, such royalty being computed at the rates that prevailed at the time of the sale of such books.

3. When any unusual conditions enter into the sale of a set of plates that are not definitely referred to or made clear in these recommendations, or in case the houses involved cannot mutually agree upon the proper rate, it is understood that the original publisher will furnish the set of plates asked for without delay, and that the houses concerned will refer the question of price to the Publishing Department of the division, or in the case of North America to the General Conference Publishing Department.
Additional recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers were considered and acted upon as follows:

SELLING METHODS FOR SUBSCRIPTION BOOKS -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Selling Methods for Subscription Books" be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

Selling Methods for Subscription Books

The regular system of self-supporting work on a commission basis has proved to be the most successful method for carrying forward the literature evangelist work and is to be followed by all conferences/missions.

LITERATURE EVANGELIST -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "The Literature Evangelist," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Royalty Policy," page 123, as follows:

The Literature Evangelist

Definition of a Regular Literature Evangelist.-- A regular literature evangelist is defined as one who works a minimum of 30 hours per week or 120 hours per calendar month. His service time is computed on a year of ten months or a minimum of 1,200 hours, this being the aggregate time from at least 40 reports per annum. Only regular literature evangelists shall be eligible for sustentation benefits.

Classification of Literature Evangelists.-- There are three classes of literature evangelists--beginners, licensed and credentialed. The following conditions govern these classifications:

1. Beginner: A beginner is a new recruit who holds a card of identification.

2. Licensed: To be eligible for a license a beginner shall have worked 420 hours within the limits of three consecutive months, and shall have demonstrated success in salesmanship to the point of being able to earn a livelihood as a literature evangelist. His account, as well as his general record, shall be satisfactory. The renewal of the license shall be conditional upon his qualifying as a regular literature evangelist, working a minimum of 1,200 hours a year.

3. Credentialed: To be eligible for credentials a literature evangelist shall have held a license for at least nine consecutive months. Before eligibility for credentials is established at least 44 weekly reports shall be submitted, totaling at least 1,500 hours, with satisfactory results in deliveries. The general record must also be satisfactory. These standards shall also determine the renewal of credentials from year to year. The cumulative hours worked,
and weekly reports rendered during the three-month period of service for license, and the nine-month period of service for credentials, shall constitute the basis on which the credentials will be granted.

4. In the application of these standards due allowance shall be made for extended illness.

5. A student who, after having already served three months or more in the literature evangelist work during his educational course, leaves school and desires to enter upon full-time literature evangelist work, may be issued a license immediately without further probationary service being required, provided he has met the conditions of the preceding paragraphs.

6. Literature evangelist licenses and credentials are issued by the conference/mission session or the executive committee. Identification cards are issued by the conference/mission publishing committee. The eligibility of literature evangelists for licenses and credentials shall be reviewed annually and the appropriate papers issued.

ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO STANDING COMMITTEES--
FURTHER REPORT

VOTED, To add the following names to the Committee on Nominations:

RADIO-TELEVISION DEPARTMENT POLICIES -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, That a new section entitled "Radio and Television Department Policies," be added to the General Conference Working Policy, following the section, "Publishing Department Policies," page 135, as follows:

Radio and Television Department Policies
Objectives and Guidelines--Denominationally-owned Stations

Objectives.-- 1. To present a well-rounded picture of genuine Christianity in harmony with Seventh-day Adventist philosophy and teaching through balanced programming including music, educational features, and religious programs of general benefit to the campus and community.

2. To present the station's programs in a professional and ethical manner which will reflect the standards of the sponsoring institution and the church at large.
3. To provide experience for those involved in training in the fields of speech, communication, and evangelism.

4. To seek to lead persons nearer to God and the truth of His Word.

Programming Guidelines.-- 1. The station shall represent the denomination and the institution or organization as a whole and not one section of it in order that a balanced image may be presented to the community.

2. All programming shall be in accord with the standards of the industry and in harmony with the policy of the government agency granting the license for its operation.

3. In programming for the community and in the training of personnel the standards of the denomination with respect to music, drama, talk programs, interviews, opinion, news, comment, et cetera, shall be observed at all times.

4. Wherever possible religious programming shall be provided from denominational sources. Any deviation from this must receive the approval of the controlling board of the station.

5. Great care shall be exercised in broadcasting programs which refer to internal controversial topics relating to church doctrine, policy, or standards. All presentations should be positive and constructive rather than negative and divisive.

6. That special consideration be given to appropriate programs for Sabbath broadcasting.

Controlling Board Guidelines.-- 1. A controlling board for the station shall be set up with one of the officers of the institution or organization as chairman.

2. This controlling board shall include the various sections of the institution or organization operating the station, as well as representation from the General Conference, division, union, or local Radio-TV Department as may be deemed most applicable, and further local denominational representation interested in the prosperity of the station. In the case of a university or college the board could include, apart from the chairman, representatives from the speech, theology, and music departments, the public relations office, the financial administration of the institution, the student association, station management, and the university or college church.

3. The controlling board shall be appointed by the executive board or committee of the college, university, or other organization, and shall operate within the framework of policies determined in harmony with the guidelines for denominationally-owned stations and in cooperation with the General Conference Radio-TV Department.
TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT POLICIES -- POLICY REVISION

VOTED, That the Temperance Department Policy (GC Working Policy, pp. 136, 140) be augmented by the addition of new sections to be inserted before the Model Constitution and reading as follows:

An Introductory Statement

The presentation of the principles and program of temperance is a primary duty of the church.

"In every place the temperance question is to be made more prominent." --Temperance, p. 258.

"'Educate, educate, educate,' is the message that has been impressed upon me."--Ibid, p. 245.

"From the light God has given me, every member among us should sign the pledge and be connected with the temperance association."--Ibid, p. 236.

"In all our large gatherings we must bring the temperance question before our hearers in the strongest appeals and by the most convincing arguments." --Ibid, p. 239.

Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking

The Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking is a service of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to the community, and is sponsored by the Temperance Department. It should be clearly identified as a Seventh-day Adventist Church community service, even when supported by other organizations or civic agencies.

The Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking sponsors Nonsmokers International, an organization established for the purpose of encouraging those who have given up the habit of smoking to continue as nonsmokers, and to encourage them to sponsor Five-Day Plans to Stop Smoking.

Temperance Sabbath

One Sabbath each year is designated as Temperance Sabbath.

Purpose - The purpose of this special day is to call the attention of the membership to the importance of this phase of the message and to secure their financial support for the temperance program.

Offering - The offering received on this day is divided as follows:

10 percent - International Temperance Association
90 percent - As determined by the respective division committees
Twenty-five percent of the Temperance Offering may, upon request to the conference, be reverted to the local church for the promotion of the local program.

Goals - The Temperance Offering goal is set by the Division committee.

Financial Policies

The temperance work is financed through offerings, membership dues, and special contributions. All such funds received in the churches are to be handled in harmony with the division policies.

Relationships with Other Temperance Organizations

The Seventh-day Adventist Church shares many of the same temperance goals and interests held by other churches and temperance organizations. The following excerpt from the Spirit of Prophecy will serve as a guide in determining relationships with other individuals and organizations interested in the temperance reform movement:

"In other churches there are Christians who are standing in defense of the principles of temperance. We should seek to come near to these workers and make a way for them to stand shoulder to shoulder with us. We should call upon great and good men to second our efforts to save that which is lost. . . .

"Whenever you can get an opportunity to unite with the temperance people, do so."

Temperance, p. 217.

Guest Speakers - When guest speakers are invited to speak in Seventh-day Adventist churches they shall be chosen from speakers who are listed on the approved list of speakers prepared by a denominational National Temperance Society.

Offerings - Representatives of non-Adventist temperance organizations shall not be permitted to raise funds in Seventh-day Adventist churches, institutions, or at camp meetings for the organizations they represent.

Contributions - The Seventh-day Adventist Church is sympathetic to the work such organizations are endeavoring to do. Local conferences/missions may grant financial assistance to temperance organizations when it is deemed advisable.

The section entitled "Temperance Speakers in Our Churches" will be deleted due to the fact its provisions are incorporated in the new wording above.
MISSIONARY APPOINTEES SERVICE RECORDS -- SUSTENTATION POLICY REVISION

VOITED, That the Sustentation Policy, paragraphs 81, 82, General Conference Working Policy, pp. 303, 304, be amended as follows:

81. Service Credit is granted to physicians under the following circumstances:

   a. During their internship year in a Seventh-day Adventist institution, provided they enter regular denominational service within a five-year period after the end of the internship year, or if they enter a denominationally sponsored residency training program immediately after the internship year, looking toward entering denominational service.

   b. When the physician has been in the employ of the denomination and his governing board recommends him for further training and grants him a leave of absence for this purpose with or without financial assistance, and he returns immediately to denominational service upon completion of his period of training.

   c. When the physician has not been previously employed as a denominational worker but is under appointment and has completed the "Approved Residency Training Program" in harmony with the Working Policy and immediately enters denominational work upon the completion of the residency.

   d. When physicians who have given at least five years of overseas service return to the homeland because of circumstances that are considered valid by the committee, and employment in the denomination is not available, the service rendered in the mission field by the physician may be recorded as part of his regular service record which may be added to by any subsequent service he may render to the denomination.

   e. When the appointment is to a country where the physician is required to render government service in order to be eligible to practice in that country, service credit is granted for the period of required government service under an arrangement whereby the worker would receive regular denominational salary and allowances, and pass on to the employing organization any remuneration received from the government.

82. Service credit is granted to dentists under the following circumstances:

   a. When dentists who have given at least five years of overseas service return to the homeland because of circumstances that are considered valid by the committee, and employment in the denomination is not available, the service rendered in the mission field by the dentist may be recorded as part of his regular service record which may be added to by any subsequent service he may render to the denomination.
b. When the appointment is to a country where the dentist is required to render government service in order to be eligible to practice in that country, service credit is granted for the period of required government service under an arrangement whereby the worker would receive regular denominational salary and allowances, and pass on to the employing organization any remuneration received from the government.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY OVERSEAS FIELD SCHOOLS OF EVANGELISM -- GUIDELINES

VOTED, The following guidelines for Andrews University Overseas Field Schools of Evangelism:

The plans and request for Andrews University Overseas Field Schools of Evangelism should originate with the local organization and be processed through the union and division committees to the General Conference Associate Secretary assigned to the respective division. The request will be brought to the attention of the General Conference and from this body to the administration of Andrews University.

The Director of Field Education will negotiate through the employing organizations for an evangelist available for such an assignment and implement the project in harmony with the following guidelines and the consent of the participating division, union, and local organizations.

1. Participants:
   a. Evangelist
   b. Seminary students, Andrews University
   c. Director of Field Education, Andrews University
   d. 10 to 25 ministers from division territory

2. Arrangement for evangelist's salary and expenses while he is conducting the campaign:
   a. Salary continued by employing organization
   b. Travel to and from field by overseas division and/or union organization
   c. Rent and meal expense by overseas local organization
   d. Campaign expense by overseas local organization

3. Arrangement for expense of participating students from Andrews University:
   a. Travel expense to and from field by Andrews University
   b. Room and meal expense borne by overseas local and/or union organizations
c. Travel expense incidental to evangelistic campaign by overseas local organization

4. Arrangement for expenses of participating ministers from overseas local employing organizations:

a. Employing organizations to assume the following:

1. Salary
2. Travel to and from field
3. Room, and meal expense
4. Travel incidental to evangelistic campaign

5. Expenses of Director of Field Education borne by Andrews University

6. Evangelistic campaign budget arranged by participating division, union, and local organizations involved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE--SINGLE INTER-DIVISION WOMAN WORKER WHO MARRIES A NATIONAL -- NEW POLICY

VOTED, To add on page 205 of the General Conference Working Policy the following policy concerning single inter-division women workers who marry overseas nationals:

Leave of Absence--Single Inter-Division Woman Worker Who Marries a National

When a woman worker entitled to furlough marries a national who is not a denominational worker, her relationship to the furlough policy is altered and she is therefore not granted regular furloughs. However, as long as she remains in the employ of the denomination overseas, a leave-of-absence of three months, including travel time, may be granted to her alone after five years of service as may be arranged by the division committee. Actual round-trip travel expense from her place of employment to her homeland shall be reportable. The first leave shall be calculated from the time that she went to the field for service or from the last furlough. Salary during the leave-of-absence shall be paid by her employing organization.

If she discontinues denominational employment overseas, she immediately becomes eligible for a permanent return to her homeland. If she does not return to her homeland immediately, the division, in harmony with policy, shall set a terminal date for denominational responsibility for her permanent return. Any subsequent denominational employment shall be on a local basis with no leave-of-absence privileges.
Autumn Council
October 16, 1972

Adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Benediction by G W Morgan, President of the Nebraska Conference.

W J. Hackett, Chairman
D W Hunter, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary
DEVO TIONAL SERVICE:

"I Sing the Mighty Power" was sung to open the meeting.

Prayer was offered by E E Cleveland, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association.

Special music was presented by John Hancock, Secretary of the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department on his accordion. He played "The Lost Chord."

W J Hackett, Vice President of the General Conference spoke on the topic, "Individual Vs Corporate Religion", emphasizing that the success of the church depends upon the personal relationship of each member and each leader to Jesus Christ. The religious scene in America shows a curious and disturbing paradox. While church attendance, Christian witnessing, organizational activity are experiencing prosperity, there is little evidence that it is having any significant influence on the secular world, or even in the lives of many church adherents. It is apparent that there is need for a deep personal experience in religion.

"Truth is centered in Jesus Christ, and Christ is revealed in Scripture. This is why every generation must be constantly researching the Bible foundations of faith and practice, applying them to the changing conditions of the world. The social and spiritual patterns of yesterday, or the image creators, are inadequate and irrelevant to the needs of today, largely because these have departed from the norm of the founders of our faith by allowing a wide gap between profession and practice."

The leaders of the church have a responsibility to make plans that will give opportunity for God to enlist the lives of men and women in the cause of reformation. Each must have his own Pentecost before there can be a corporate Pentecost in the whole church. There is need for each worker to do a little self-examination. In closing, verses written by Strickland Gillilan under the title "Watch Yourself Go By" were read to aptly summarize the thoughts presented.

At the close of the devotional message, the assembled delegates and guests divided into prayer bands of two and sought the Lord's help to gain that power which will change individual lives.

The closing song was "This Is My Father's World."

The benediction was pronounced by Carl Schmidt, Treasurer of the Afro-Mideast Division.

After a brief recess, the sixth business session of the 1972 Autumn Council was called to order by R R Bietz, Vice President of the General Conference.

Prayer was offered by J H Figueroa, Jr, Secretary of the Inter-American Division.
CONTRIBUTION TO MEXICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Carlos Aeschlimann, Secretary of the Mexican Union introduced the General Secretary of the Mexican Bible Society, Daniel Lopez de Lara, and presented to him a check in the amount of $8,000, (100,000 pesos), the 1972 contribution of the Mexican Union to the Mexican Bible Society. Reverend Lopez in his response told of his recent trip to Ethiopia for the meeting of the World Bible Society at which one of the eleven delegates representing the Americas was Brother Horacio Taracena of the Mexican Union Book and Bible House. He expressed gratitude for the continued support of the Mexican Union, not only in a financial way, but also in the contributions being made by leaders in serving on boards and committees of the Society.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE--PERSONNEL ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, That G Ralph Thompson of the Caribbean Union replace H S Walters.

MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

At 10:00 a.m., M S Nigri, Chairman of the International Temperance Society called to order a meeting of the ITS, and E H J Steed, Secretary of the ITS, in cooperation with the Division presidents who serve as presidents of regional temperance societies, presented a report on activities.

The following recommendation from the Home and Overseas Officers was presented and acted upon:

REORGANIZATION--COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Reorganization--Interim Grouping of Departments

VOTED, That as an interim arrangement until the 1975 General Conference Session, the General Conference departments be listed by groups according to function as follows:

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Reorganization--Merger - Bureau of Public Relations and Radio-TV Department

VOTED, To recommend to the 52nd General Conference Session in 1975 that the Bureau of Public Relations and the Radio-TV Department be merged.

VOTED, further, 1. That the choice of nomenclature for this new department be referred to the General Conference for recommendation to Annual Council '73.

2. That a statement of function be prepared to define the role of the new department.

3. That the merger become effective January 1, 1973 on an interim basis.

Reorganization--Consider Merger of - Lay Activities and Sabbath School Departments

VOTED, That we look with favor upon a merger of the Sabbath School and Lay Activities Departments, and that, as a part of a continuing study by the General Conference, the 1973 World Advisory Committees involved give study to a possible merger of the two departments, the final decision being made at the 1975 General Conference session.

Reorganization--Other Possible Mergers

VOTED, That the General Conference Officers give continuing study to departmental assignments, and in keeping with consolidation studies, consider other possible mergers.

Reorganization--Reduction of Departmental Programs

VOTED, That the General Conference Officers request departmental self-studies and careful review of departmental programs to bring about a reduction in programs and services to a practical level. The Wernick Committee Report should be considered in this study. A preliminary report is requested for the Spring Meeting, 1973, followed by a full report for the Annual Council 1973.

Reorganization--Committee on General Conference/NADCA Relationships

VOTED, 1. That the North American Division continue to be administered in harmony with the policies set forth in the General Conference and North American Division Working Policies.


b. Two associate secretaries assigned to North America with duties as defined in the General Conference Working Policy.
4. That provision for a more effective departmental service to the North American Division shall be accomplished by the adoption of a pilot plan structured at the 1972 Autumn Council to operate experimentally until the 1974 Annual Council as follows:

a. In each department a secretary shall be assigned by the General Conference Officers to the North American Division upon the recommendation of the department head concerned in consultation with the General Conference president and the vice president for North America.

b. The secretary assigned to the North American Division shall sustain a line relationship with the department head and a functional relationship to the vice president for the North American Division.

c. A North American Division Departmental Council shall be structured to plan and coordinate the departmental activities for North America. The vice president for North America shall serve as chairman with other members of the council to include the General Conference department heads, the associate department secretaries assigned to the North American Division and others to be appointed by the General Conference Officers.

d. In each department the secretary assigned to the North American Division shall be the departmental liaison for correspondence with the local and union conferences in the Division and, in counsel with the department head, shall recommend to the department staff itineraries, promotion and follow-through plans pertaining to the North American Division.

e. The head of the department concerned shall serve as the chairman of the North American Division Department Advisory Committee and the associate secretary assigned to the North American Division shall serve as secretary of the committee.

f. The secretary assigned to the North American Division shall not under normal circumstances make more than one trip outside the division during the quinquennium and this should be done at a time when the department head will be in the North American Division.

g. This pilot plan shall be reviewed by the 1974 Annual Council.

5. That the General Conference institutions in the North American Division continue to be the concern primarily of the General Conference, working in counsel with the North American Division administration.

6. That recommendations regarding any necessary adjustments in the General Conference Constitution and working policies needed to implement the above recommendations be prepared by an appropriate ad hoc committee for consideration by the 1974 Annual Council.

7. That an ad hoc committee be appointed by the General Conference officers to study the budgetary and financial implications to the departments of the above recommendations.
The following action was taken upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee:

• C DUNBAR HENRI--GENERAL VICE PRESIDENT

VOTED, That C Dunbar Henri, president of the East Africa Union in the Afro-Mideast Division be elected as a general vice president of the General Conference, replacing F L Bland who is retiring.

THE RELATIONSHIPS OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS TO CIVIL GOVERNMENT AND WAR

VOTED, 1. That we accept as our basic view the 1954 General Conference Session action entitled, "The Relationships of Seventh-day Adventists to Civil Government and War," as amended at the 1954 Autumn Council, and further amended as follows:

Genuine Christianity manifests itself in good citizenship and loyalty to civil government. The breaking out of war among men, however, in no way alters the Christian's supreme allegiance and responsibility to God or modifies his obligation to practice his beliefs and put God first.

This partnership with God through Jesus Christ who came into this world not to destroy men's lives, but to save them, causes Seventh-day Adventists to advocate a noncombatant position, following their divine Master in not taking human life, but rendering all possible service to save it. As they accept the obligation of citizenship as well as its benefits, their loyalty to government requires them willingly to serve the state in any noncombatant capacity, civil or military, in war or peace, in uniform or out of it, which will contribute to saving life, asking only that they may serve in those capacities which do not violate their conscientious convictions.

This statement is not a rigid position binding church members but gives guidance leaving the individual member free to assess the situation for himself.

MISSION '72--REPORT
MISSION '73 and '74--PLANS

N R Dower called upon Carlos Aeschlimann of the Mexican Union to report on Mission '72 in the Mexican Union. The challenge of Mission '72, he stated was accepted enthusiastically. Each administrator and departmental secretary held two short evangelistic campaigns and each pastor in the union held at least two and some as many as four. Twelve hundred baptismal classes were held. Montemorelos College has set a goal of winning two hundred souls. Fifty large campaigns have been held and one of these has won 400 souls. Six pastors have baptized over three hundred each, five have baptized over two hundred each, and twenty-nine pastors have baptized over one hundred each. Goals set for the year were accomplished by mid-year. The motto of the Union is "The most important task is to win souls."

E E Cleveland, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association was called upon to report on North America. He reported that baptisms in the first six months of 1972 were three thousand ahead of any previous year. Nearly every pastor has held a campaign. Even in the General Conference, there was a period when most of the men were out holding soul-winning efforts.
He also reported on plans for 1973. It is planned to hold in 1973 the largest number of public campaigns ever, and it is planned to involve to a greater extent than ever before the laymen of the church. Administrators from coast to coast have decided to move as an army including as far as possible all of the members. He closed saying "The Year of the Tiger is 1973."

The third speaker called upon was Alfredo Aeschlimann, Ministerial Secretary of the Inter-American Division. He reported that the golden anniversary of the founding of the Inter-American Division was celebrated in 1972 beginning early in January, and will continue and grow in intensity to the end of the year. Every worker conducted one or two campaigns. Baptisms to date total over 39,200 which is more than 10,000 over the achievement of 1971. Inter-America is working to reach 50,000 baptisms by the end of the year. Plans for 1973 include the stabilizing of the 1972 converts and bringing in an additional 60,000.

J R Spangler, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association reported that the emphasis in 1973 will be to teach the principles of healthful living. Materials to be used are currently in preparation.

Theodore Carcich, Vice President, called upon the assembled delegates to rededicate themselves to the finishing of the task, and then asked President Pierson to lead out in a prayer of consecration.

"Lift Up the Trumpet" was sung in closing.

Adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until Friday morning, October 20, making way for the meeting of the North American Division Committee on Administration.

Benediction was offered by R L Jacobs, Secretary of the Afro-Mideast Division.

R R Bietz, Chairman
A Edwin Gibb, Secretary
Eunice Rozema, Recording Secretary