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One Hundred Twenty-Ninth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 2, 1961, 10:00 A.M.

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, F. L. Peterson, Wesley Amundsen, R. A. Anderson, V. G. Anderson, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, J. E. Chase, E. E. Cossentine, E. W. Dunbar, H. T. Elliott, A. C. Fearing, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., J. O. Gibson, Richard Hammill, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, W. A. Higgins, H. W. Klaser, L. E. Lenheim, H. W. Lowe, F. R. Millard, C. E. Moseley, Jr., W. E. Murray, W. B. Ochs, A. V. Olson, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Peeke, E. E. Roenfelt, W. A. Scharffenberg, Walter Schubert, Clark Smith, F. A. Soper, C. L. Torrey, G. E. Vandeman, E. R. Walde, R. S. Watts

OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, N. W. Litchfield, R. Ruhling

M. V. Campbell, Chairman, read selections from the Testimonies to the Church, volume 9, pages 19-21, under the heading "Called to be Witnesses." He read the portion beginning with "In a special sense Seventh-day Adventists have been set in the world as watchmen and light bearers." He closed with the statement "Their every business transaction is to be fragrant with the presence of God."

Opening prayer by E. R. Walde.

MINUTES of the meeting held October 19, 1961 were approved.

LEAFLET--"THE HISTORY AND TEACHING OF ROBERT BRINSMEAD":

The Secretary gave information concerning the activities of Robert and John Brinsmead, formerly of Australia, and who have been active in Australia, the United States, and Canada. Since their teachings were at variance with certain doctrines held by this denomination, they were afforded opportunity for a hearing by the General Conference. A group of the brethren listened to them, and answered their questions. This group made a report to the General Conference Officers. The report was a denial of the peculiar beliefs they teach, and also called attention to the fact that these men were carrying on activities outside the denominational framework. The Brinsmead brothers were requested to desist from their activities, to return to Australia, and to harmonize with their brethren there and settle the matter. John Brinsmead returned to Australia. It is understood that Robert Brinsmead has continued on here. The Office of the Research Committee has prepared a statement entitled "The History and Teaching of Robert Brinsmead," and it is proposed that the circulation of the statement in the form of a leaflet be approved by the General Conference Committee. It was

VOTED, To approve the circulation of the leaflet entitled "The History and Teaching of Robert Brinsmead," and that the following statement be placed on the leaflet: Prepared in the Office of the Research Committee, approved by the General Conference Officers and Union Conference Presidents of North America; distribution authorized by the General Conference Committee.

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TELEVISION PROGRAM IN CALIFORNIA BAY AREA:

The Northern and Central California Conferences have presented plans for a television program to be sponsored jointly with the Pacific Union Conference, in the Bay area. The program would carry the title, "The Adventist Hour," and would be based on actual church worship services in the various churches of the area. Recordings would be made Sabbath mornings, and released on Sundays. They wish to feature also the General Conference session. Their plan is to televise two Sabbath programs. The Autumn Council voted participation of the General Conference in the funds to be provided for this program. On request of the Pacific Union Conference, it was

VOTED, To approve of the plans for the television program sponsored by the Northern and Central California Conferences with the Pacific Union Conference, in the Bay area, to start in January, 1962, and to continue the program for the year 1962.

COMMISSION ON GRADUATE STUDIES--MEETING:

VOTED, To approve a meeting of the Commission on Graduate Studies at Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, December 18, 19, 1961; and that the following workers from the General Conference be authorized to attend: E. E. Cossentine, W. B. Ochs, O. A. Blake, T. S. Geraty, Richard Hammill, and Miss Mazie Herin.

M. L. ANDREASEN--STATEMENT RE:

The name of M. L. Andreasen appears in our list of retired veteran workers, a group highly respected by the church. The members of this group have uninterruptedly manifested loyalty and love for their church. M. L. Andreasen, however, over a period of years, has carried on activities of criticism and subversion against the church, thereby setting an example of insubordination and disloyalty that is bound to have unfortunate effects, especially upon our younger workers. It is, therefore

VOTED, Upon recommendation of the General Conference Officers and the Union Conference Presidents of North America, that the name of M. L. Andreasen be removed from this list of honored veteran workers, but that, because of his advanced years, we continue his present income from the Sustentation Fund. This action is taken with the earnest hope that M. L. Andreasen will cease his destructive activities and demonstrate his worthiness to be numbered again among our highly respected group of veteran workers.

JACK H. TEGLER--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

On request of the Southern African Division, it was

VOTED, To authorize an extension of four months to the furlough of Jack H. Tegler, from East Africa, to enable him to complete his Master's degree at Andrews University, the furlough to end May 31, 1962.

GEORGE E. BRYAN--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

VOTED, To authorize an extension of three months to the furlough of George E. Bryan, from Peru, in view of his condition of health.

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PALMER HARDER--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, To authorize a furlough extension of four months for Palmer Harder, from Brazil, to enable him to complete educational work he is taking on the West Coast.

ROBERT E. STAHLNECKER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Robert E. Stahlnecker from India, because of a family problem, in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

MERLIN G. ANDERSON, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Merlin G. Anderson, M.D., from Gimbia, Ethiopia, because of the health situation of Mrs. Anderson.

ROBERT G. PIERSON--SOLUSI, BULAWAYO:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and Kentucky-Tennessee Conferences to release Robert G. Pierson, and to invite him to connect with the Southern African Division as a teacher of history and geography in the upgraded school at Solusi, Bulawayo.

ROGER LEE ENGELBERT, M.D.--NGOMA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Roger Lee Engelbert, now interning at the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital, to connect with the Southern African Division, for service at the Ngoma Hospital.

KELVIN A. LINDGREN, M.D.--SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Kelvin A. Lindgren, of Turlock, California, to connect with the Southern African Division, for medical work; the definite location to be recorded later. He will be available for overseas service in January, 1962.

VIOLET CLARK--GUAM:

VOTED, To request the Loma Linda University to release Miss Violet Clark, and to invite her to return for further nursing service in Guam. Miss Clark served one term in Guam, having returned to the United States in 1960.

DOLORES CLARK--SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION OFFICE:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Alberta Conferences to release Miss Dolores Clark, and to invite her to connect with the Southern Asia Division office for secretarial work.

DANIEL SKORETZ--SOUTH INDIA UNION:

VOTED, To request the Canadian Union and Alberta Conferences to release Daniel Skoretz, and to invite him to connect with the Southern Asia Division to serve as Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary in the South India Union.

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CYRIL G. HARTMAN, M.D.--ILE-IFE MISSION HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Cyril G. Hartman, now interning at the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, California, to connect with the Northern European Division, for medical work at the Ile-Ife Mission Hospital. Dr. Hartman will be ready for overseas service about September of 1962.

M.D.

DAVID HENRIKSEN--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Dr. David Henriksen be released from the appointment as relief doctor for the Southern African Division, in view of a commitment which he already had made with MEDICO, and which will require his going to Thailand.

ROGER L. DUDLEY--APPOINTMENT CHANGED TO SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION:

Since the appointment of Roger L. Dudley to go to Saigon as principal of the Vietnam Training School, information has come that the Far Eastern Division can take care of this need locally. In view of this development, it was

VOTED, To change the appointment of Roger L. Dudley from the Far Eastern Division to the Southern African Division, and invite him to be principal of the Rwankeri school in Ruanda-Urundi.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

J. E. Chase--Miami Beach, Florida, Radio-TV Departmental Council Meetings (Union), November 12, 13;

E. E. Cossentine--Lake Union Conference, visit college and academies, November 9-17; Southern, Southwestern, Pacific, North Pacific, Canadian Union Conferences, visit schools, January 17-February 27;

A. O. Dart--Hutchinson, Minnesota, Week of Prayer, Maplewood Academy, March 16-24, 1962; Wisconsin Conference, Home Education, March 25-April 12, 1962;

T. R. Flaiz, M.D.--Wyoming Conference, Workers' Meeting and meet doctors, January 7-13, 1962;

E. B. Hare--Central Union Conference, Sabbath School Rallies and Institutes, April 13-May 20, 1962; Rochester, New York, Sabbath School Workshop and Institute, June 2, 3;

W. J. Hubert--Miami, Florida, Southern Union Conference Presidents, Treasurers, and Fund-Raising Secretaries' Meeting, November 7-10; Southwestern Union Conference Fund-Raising Program, Ozark Academy, November 17-21; Central Union Conference Fund-Raising Program, Central States Conference, January, 1962; Atlantic Union Conference Fund-Raising Program, Southern New England Conference, February, 1962; Columbia Union Conference Fund-Raising Program, Sligo Church, March, 1962;

M. E. Loewen--Chicago, Protestants and Other Americans United Meeting, February 5, 6, 1962 (member of Board of Counselors);

T. E. Lucas--Northern Union Conference, Twin City Youth Rally and inspect Youth Camp, November 3-5; in connection with other appointments in vicinity already approved;

Louise Meyer--Central Union Conference, Sabbath School Rallies and Institutes, April 13-May 20, 1962; Rochester, New York, Sabbath School Workshop and Institute, June 2, 3;

H. E. Rice--Canadian and Pacific Union Conferences, visit Tempe Hospital, Rest Haven Hospital, Feather River Sanitarium, Sonora Community Hospital, White Memorial Hospital, February 4-March 4, 1962;

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W. Schubert--Wyoming Conference, Workers' Meeting and speaking appointments, January 5-13, 1962; Madison, Wisconsin, Workers' Meeting, February 4-7, 1962;

R. S. Watts--Northern New England Conference, speaking appointments, November 3-5; Portland, Maine, Workers' Meeting, Northern New England Conference, November 6; North Carolina, Workers' Meeting, November 20-22; Atlanta, Georgia, Union Workers' Meeting and speaking appointments, January 2-20, 1962.

NEIL WILSON--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Washington Sanitarium and Hospital the call for Neil Wilson, to connect with Loma Linda University as Pharmacist at the White Memorial Hospital.

MR. AND MRS. HENRY F. MATTSON--MEDICAL REPORTS:

Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Mattson, of the North York Branson Hospital, in Ontario, are under appointment to the Ile-Ife Mission Hospital, in Nigeria, he to serve as a pharmacist. This worker is urgently needed at the hospital. They are expecting a third child, to be born in December. Question has been raised by the doctor examining their medical reports concerning the advisability of Mrs. Mattson's health clearance because of her anemic condition. It was

VOTED, To approve medical clearance for Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Mattson to go forward to Nigeria, with the understanding that following the birth of their child Mrs. Mattson will have a further blood report at the end of six weeks.

A. L. EDEBURN--MIAMI, FLORIDA:

VOTED, To authorize A. L. Edeburn to go to Miami, Florida, for an Insurance Seminar to be held with the Inter-American Division Treasurers and Union Conference Presidents, November 12, 13, 1961.

Adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

M. V. Campbell, Chairman
F. L. Peterson, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Thirtieth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 3, 1961, 8:15 A.M.

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PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, E. E. Roenfelt, R. H. Adair, W. R. Beach, E. L. Becker, O. A. Blake, C. W. Bozarth, W. P. Bradley, E. E. Cossentine, K. H. Emmerson, Richard Hammill, W. A. Higgins, H. W. Klaser, F. R. Millard, W. E. Murray, G. R. Nash, W. B. Ochs, A. V. Olson, C. E. Randolph, M.D., W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, E. R. Walde, A. L. White

Opening prayer by W. H. Teesdale.

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY, WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL--
SUSTENTATION PAYMENTS:

VOTED, To authorize the White Memorial Hospital as a teaching institution of the Loma Linda University to pay into the Sustentation Fund on an educational basis.

V. G. ANDERSON--RELEASED FROM OVERSEAS VISITS:

In view of certain matters requiring his attention in connection with his former union administration, on his request, it was

VOTED, That V. G. Anderson be relieved from his visits to the Middle East and Southern Asia Divisions, from November 10, 1961 to January 31, 1962.

Adjourned at 8:20 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman
E. E. Roenfelt, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Thirty-First Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 9, 1961, 10:00 A.M.

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, F. L. Peterson, V. G. Anderson, E. L. Becker, O. A. Blake, J. E. Chase, N. W. Dunn, H. T. Elliott, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., Richard Hammill, W. A. Higgins, Werber Johnson, H. W. Klaser, F. R. Millard, W. E. Murray, W. B. Ochs, A. V. Olson, E. E. Roenfelt, J. V. Scully, L. A. Skinner, W. H. Teesdale, C. L. Torrey, A. L. White

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OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, Harry House, N. W. Litchfield, R. Ruhling

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman, read Isaiah 43: 1-13. Commenting on verse 2, he said: What a series of dramatic pictures this verse calls forth--Israel passing through the Red Sea, crossing the Jordan River, and the delivery of the Hebrew young men from the burning, fiery furnace! He closed by saying these are wonderful verses from that great book of Isaiah.

Opening prayer by J. V. Scully.

ROBERT M. SHREWSBURY, M.D.--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY RESIDENCY PROGRAM:

VOTED, To authorize Robert M. Shrewsbury, M.D. to engage in a two-year course in anesthesiology at Loma Linda University, in harmony with the policy on a residency plan for physicians; with a view to his again being placed under appointment to a mission field.

JEANETTE EARNHARDT--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Jeanette Earnhardt from Puerto Rico, at her request for educational purposes, at the close of her term of service, and on recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

MEARL L. CAMPBELL, M.D.--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

Action was taken by the General Conference Committee on August 10, 1961, releasing Dr. Mearl L. Campbell from deferred appointment, because of his desire to take a specialty in medicine and in view of his financial obligations. Since that time he has been able to reduce his indebtedness to a large extent. He has requested reappointment, and stated they would be available for overseas service in July of 1963.

VOTED, To place Dr. Mearl L. Campbell again under deferred appointment.

RAYMOND LIENARD--FRENCH WEST INDIES MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Southern European Division to release Raymond Lienard, of Belgium, and to invite him to connect with the Inter-American Division as Departmental Secretary of the French West Indies Mission, requesting that if upon investigation the way is clear to pass the call to Raymond Lienard the Southern European Division process the call.

L. HARTLEY BERLIN--BEKWAI TRAINING COLLEGE
AND SECONDARY SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences to release L. Hartley Berlin, and to invite him to connect with the Northern European Division as science teacher at Bekwai, West Africa.

DAVID WILLIAM KNOTT--BEKWAI TRAINING COLLEGE
AND SECONDARY SCHOOL:

VOTED, To request the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences to release David William Knott, and to invite him to connect with the Northern European Division as English-history teacher at Bekwai, West Africa.

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DON C. LUDINGTON, M.D.--HERI HOSPITAL, TANGANYIKA:

VOTED, To invite Dr. Don C. Ludington, of Dunlop, Tennessee, to connect with the Southern African Division for medical work at Heri Hospital, Tanganyika, on a short-term basis.

MRS. PEGGY SISSLER--UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CASE:

On recommendation of the Religious Liberty Department, it was

VOTED, To authorize the Columbia Union and Chesapeake Conferences to proceed with litigation in the case of Mrs. Peggy Sissler, whose state unemployment principles are at stake; the Treasury to share the expense of the costs according to the policy.

CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COUNCIL--APPROPRIATION:

VOTED, To appropriate to the Christian Medical Council \$500 from the General Conference Contingency Fund for 1962, for the Philippines, to assist in their program of directing the graduate training for doctors; with the suggestion that in the future the Far Eastern Division include this item in their division of funds.

JIM BRUMMETT--CHRISTIAN RECORD REPRESENTATIVE, KENTUCKY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and Kentucky-Tennessee Conferences the call from the Christian Record Benevolent Association, Inc., for Jim Brummett, a literature evangelist, to be a district representative for the State of Kentucky.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

A. C. Fearing--Wichita, Kansas, Workers' Meeting, January 27-30; Kansas City, Missouri, Workers' Meeting, January 31-February 3;

R. R. Figuhr--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Board, November 14;

Louise Meyer--Central California Conference, Sabbath School work, January 21-February 4, 1962;

C. E. Randolph, M.D.--Denver, Colorado, meeting of American Medical Association (recruit doctors), November 26-30;

Release: T. R. Flaiz, M.D.; M. V. Campbell, H. E. Rice, F. R. Millard, British Columbia, Canada, survey Rest Haven Hospital.

DR. EDWARD HEPPENSTALL--SPEAKING APPOINTMENT MT. VERNON, OHIO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Andrews University Board the request of the Columbia Union Conference for Dr. Edward Heppenstall, to take a speaking appointment at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, December 2 or 16.

VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

VOTED, To authorize appointments to overseas fields as follows:

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VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS (concluded):

J. E. Edwards--Northern Europe, January 27-April 8, 1962 (instead of February 1-March 31, 1962, formerly voted);
T. E. Lucas--Europe, March 1-31, 1962 (Servicemen's Retreat, March 6-9, 1962);
E. W. Pedersen--Southern Asia, February 27-March 31, 1962 (in connection with Middle East appointment);
H. E. Rice--Inter-America, December 12, 1961- January 21, 1962;
W. A. Scharffenberg--Australasia, January 8-February 28, 1962; Middle East, March 15-April 30, 1962;
J. V. Scully--Northern Europe, May 1-June 25, 1962;
Release--Walter Schubert, Inter-America, January 15-April 15, 1962 (previously voted).

Adjourned at 10:20 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman
F. L. Peterson, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Thirty-Second Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 13, 1961, 4:00 P.M.

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PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, F. R. Millard, Wesley Amundsen, C. W. Bozarth, J. E. Edwards, H. T. Elliott, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., J. O. Gibson, Richard Hammill, W. J. Harris, H. W. Klaser, G. M. Mathews, W. E. Murray, W. B. Ochs, E. W. Pedersen, F. L. Peterson, W. E. Phillips, H. E. Rice, J. V. Scully, L. A. Skinner, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, Howard Weeks

OTHERS PRESENT:

D. A. Delafield

Opening prayer by C. W. Bozarth.

V. G. ANDERSON--RESIGNATION OF:

On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was

VOTED, To accept the resignation from the office of Vice-President of the General Conference tendered by V. G. Anderson (copy on file in the Secretaries' office); and further

VOTED, That the Officers be requested to appoint a Committee to give consideration to future assignments for V. G. Anderson.

Adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman
F. R. Millard, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Thirty-Third Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 16, 1961, 10:00 A.M.

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

W. B. Ochs, R. R. Figuhr, F. L. Peterson, Wesley Amundsen, C. W. Bozarth, J. E. Chase, N. W. Dunn, J. E. Edwards, H. T. Elliott, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., C. E. Guenther, W. J. Harris, Mazie Herin, H. W. Lowe, F. R. Millard, W. E. Murray, A. V. Olson, E. W. Pedersen, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, H. E. Rice, E. E. Roenfelt, J. V. Scully, L. A. Skinner, E. W. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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OTHERS PRESENT:

A. W. Cormack, D. A. Delafield, C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, R. Ruhling, A. L. Tucker

W. B. Ochs, Chairman, read from Christian Service, pages 232, 233, a quotation beginning with the words, "We need more of Christlike sympathy," and closing with the sentence, "It is the proper cultivation of the social elements of our nature that brings us into sympathy with our brethren, and affords us happiness in our efforts to bless others." He said, In this there is a world of good counsel that I need, you need, all of our people around the world need. So may the Lord help us to sense the responsibility that we have today in doing His work, and doing it in a way that will be pleasing to Him.

Opening prayer by D. A. Delafield.

MINUTES of the Autumn Council, October 24-29, 1961, with one correction were approved.

MOSLEM WORK--REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON:

A Committee on Moslem Work appointed by the General Conference Officers presented a report, which with amendments was adopted as follows:

WORKING FOR MOSLEMS

WHEREAS, Recent surveys bring into sharp focus the magnitude of the task before us in reaching the world's 400,000,000 Moslems, and

WHEREAS, The same surveys point to an urgent need for serious study and concerted action in order to find more effective means for giving our message to this multitude, therefore

We recommend, 1. That the General Conference take immediate steps to foster a more effective work for Moslems by appointing a co-ordinator at General Conference headquarters for the purpose of maintaining liaison with the various divisions and for providing an exchange of helpful materials between them.

2. That each division with a large Moslem population take steps at once to set up a program for studying the best methods of reaching these people and for developing effective literature, evangelistic films, and other aids for this program; it being understood that such a plan would be carried out in close co-operation with the General Conference through its co-ordinator.

3. That since the preponderance of the population within the Middle East Division is Moslem, which not only constitutes a special challenge to the church but also makes this area the most logical center for study, and experimentation in ways and means for reaching these neglected people; and inasmuch as this division with a relatively small membership received at the 1961 Autumn Council an increase in base appropriation amounting to nearly \$60,000; therefore

a. That the Middle East Division earmark from \$20,000 to \$25,000 of its base to be dedicated to a special study of the Moslem problem and to the development of ways and means for reaching this great segment of the population, it being understood that this phase of the work would be carried on in close co-operation with the General Conference through its co-ordinator for Moslem work.

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b. That within the Middle East Division a qualified and experienced individual be appointed to dedicate his full time to leading out in the production of appropriate literature and other evangelistic aids based on careful research and study of a new and better approach to evangelism in this area, it being suggested that R. C. Darnell be considered for this post, and that as the work develops a national assistant be appointed to work with him.

4. That other divisions with a large Moslem population set aside at this time an annual budget of five to ten thousand dollars in order to provide for a better approach to and more effective tools in working for Moslems.

5. That as the work for Moslems develops in each of the divisions, the General Conference give study to the advisability for an occasional meeting of the representatives of the divisions for the purpose of exchanging ideas and developing methods and material for mutual benefit.

BOARD AND CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS--ATTENDANCE AT:

VOTED, To approve the dates and authorize attendance at the 1962 Board and Constituency Meetings as follows:

Central Union Committee, Union College, and Christian Record Boards (February 6-8)--E. E. Cossentine, C. L. Torrey, W. B. Ochs;

Loma Linda University and Officers (February 13, 14)--W. R. Beach, W. P. Bradley, M. V. Campbell, E. E. Cossentine, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey;

Loma Linda University Board (February 15, 16)--W. R. Beach, W. P. Bradley, M. V. Campbell, E. E. Cossentine, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey;

Voice of Prophecy (February 19)--members of the Board who are on the Coast, also O. A. Blake, F. L. Peterson, E. R. Walde;

Pacific Press Constituency and Board (February 21, 22)--R. R. Figuhr, W. R. Beach, G. A. Huse, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey;

Madison Board and Constituency (March 4, 5)--V. G. Anderson, W. P. Bradley, E. E. Cossentine, W. B. Ochs, H. E. Rice;

Oakwood Board (March 6)--V. G. Anderson, W. P. Bradley, O. A. Blake, R. Hammill, C. E. Moseley, W. B. Ochs, F. L. Peterson, C. L. Torrey;

Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital Board (March 7)--V. G. Anderson, W. P. Bradley, O. A. Blake, C. E. Moseley, Jr., W. B. Ochs, F. L. Peterson, H. E. Rice;

Loma Linda University and Officers (May 20, 21)--W. R. Beach, M. V. Campbell, E. E. Cossentine, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey;

Loma Linda University Board (May 22)--W. R. Beach, M. V. Campbell, E. E. Cossentine, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey;

Voice of Prophecy Board (May 23)--Officers who are on the Coast who belong to the Voice of Prophecy Board;

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Pacific Press Publishing Association Board (May 24)--R. R. Figuhr, W. B. Ochs, C. L. Torrey;

Harris Pine Mills (May 27, 28)--R. R. Figuhr, W. B. Ochs, W. E. Phillips, C. L. Torrey.

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION--RELIGIOUS LIBERTY SECRETARY:

VOTED, To accept the resignation of Clyde O. Franz as Religious Liberty Secretary of the Inter-American Division, and to elect David H. Baasch to this office.

UNION CONFERENCE SESSIONS, 1963--DATES AND PLACES:

VOTED, To approve the following schedule for the Union Conference Sessions in 1963:

Pacific Union	February 4-7	Oakland, or San Francisco
North Pacific Union	February 11-14	Portland, Oregon
Northern Union	February 18-21	Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota
Central Union	February 25-28	Kansas City, Missouri
Southwestern Union	March 4-7	
Columbia Union	March 11-14	Atlantic City, New Jersey
Atlantic Union	March 18-21	New York City
Lake Union	March 25-28	Grand Rapids, Michigan
Southern Union	April 22-25	Atlanta, Georgia, or Miami, Florida
Canadian Union	May 26-June 1	Calgary, Alberta

R. S. WATTS--CO-ORDINATOR FOR MOSLEM WORK:

VOTED, To appoint R. S. Watts as General Conference Co-ordinator for Moslem work.

YEARBOOK LISTINGS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES:

In the interests of uniformity in the Yearbook, it was

VOTED, That Advisory Committee listings in the Yearbook be made by office rather than by name, where possible and consistent, especially when union conference secretaries or similar categories are concerned.

VIOLET CLARK--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Miss Violet Clark from the call to Guam for nursing service, since she has written of her plan to return to Guam at her own expense and to be married.

JOHN WERNER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of John Werner, son of P. G. Werner, of Ruanda-Urundi, for educational reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern African Division.

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G. U. CAREY--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of G. U. Carey from Ruanda-Urundi, to England, on his request, for educational purposes, in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern African Division.

WILLIAM L. HEBARD, M.D.--FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, To invite William L. Hebard, M.D., of Los Alamitos, California, to connect with the Far Eastern Division for medical work.

FRANCES BROWN--HELDERBERG COLLEGE:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College to release Miss Frances Brown, and to invite her to connect with the Southern African Division as head of the Music Department of Helderberg College.

TEOFILO O. de la CRUZ, M.D.--ILE-IFE MISSION HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To request the Pacific Union Conference and White Memorial Hospital to release Dr. Teofilo O. de la Cruz, and to invite him to connect with the Northern European Division for service in the Ile-Ife Mission Hospital. He is a Filipino. It is understood that the United States is to be regarded as his home base.

JOSE OLARTE--RAYMOND MEMORIAL SCHOOL, INDIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division the call from the Southern Asia Division for Jose Olarte, a Filipino, to serve as an Agricultural Instructor in the Raymond Memorial School, India; requesting the Far Eastern Division to process the call if the way is clear, on the basis of a policy already worked out between the two divisions.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

E. L. Becker--Dallas, Texas, auditing work, November 16-25 (from Lincoln, Nebraska);

A. C. Fearing--Detroit, Michigan, Laymen's Congress, January 5-7, 1962;

J. O. Gibson--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, speaking appointment, Atlantic Union College, February 16, 17, 1962;

Richard Hammill--Cleveland, Ohio, meeting of Association American Colleges, January 8-11, 1962.

SUBSIDIES FROM SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BASIC LIBRARY FUND:

On recommendation from the Spirit of Prophecy Committee, it was

VOTED, That the following subsidies be granted to the Southern African Division from the Spirit of Prophecy Basic Library Fund for the publication of the following books:

Steps to Christ, 128 pages, in the Shona language, edition of 5,000, at \$2.00 per page--\$256.00;

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Steps to Christ, 128 pages, in the Lozi language, edition of 4,000, at \$2.50 per page--\$320.00.

W. T. CRANDALL--SPEAKING APPOINTMENTS AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association the request from the Columbia Union Conference for W. T. Crandall, to take speaking appointments at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, December 8 and 9, 1961.

WAR SERVICE SECRETARIES' SCHOOLS:

VOTED, To approve of dates and places for the three War Service Secretaries' Schools in the North American Division, as follows:

East--February 5, 6, 7--Washington, D.C., for the Atlantic, Columbia, Southern, and Lake Union Conferences;

Central--February 12, 13, 14--Kansas City, Missouri, for the Northern, Central, and Southwestern Union Conferences;

West--February 19, 20, 21--San Francisco, California, for the North Pacific, and Pacific Union Conferences.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M., with prayer by E. E. Roenfelt.

The Committee reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

COMMITTEE ON FUTURE WORK OF V. G. ANDERSON--REPORT:

The Committee appointed to give study to V. G. Anderson's future assignment rendered its report.

In view of the health condition of V. G. Anderson, it was

VOTED, To grant him a three-months' sick leave, at the end of which the nature of his future activities will be considered.

Adjourned at 1:55 P.M.

Prayer of dismissal by R. R. Figuhr.

W. B. Ochs,
R. R. Figuhr, Chairmen
F. L. Peterson, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 22, 1961, 11:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, F. L. Peterson, Wesley Amundsen, R. A. Anderson, O. A. Blake, C. W. Bozarth, J. E. Chase, E. W. Dunbar, N. W. Dunn, J. E. Edwards, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, W. J. Harris, G. A. Huse, Werber F. Johnson, H. W. Klaser, M. E. Loewen, T. E. Lucas, F. R. Millard, C. E. Moseley, Jr., W. B. Ochs, A. V. Olson, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Peeke, C. E. Randolph, M.D., H. E. Rice, W. A. Scharffenberg, J. V. Scully, Clark Smith, E. W. Tarr, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman, read Psalms 139: 1-12, as given on page 588 of the Church Hymnal, under the heading Abiding Presence--2. Elder Figuhr said there is something open about this statement of the Psalmist, which indicates he did not do things in secret, or things he did not want the Lord to know. He was willing that everything should be known.

Opening prayer by R. A. Anderson.

MINUTES of the meetings held November 2, ^{3,} 9, 13, and 16 were approved, with two changes.

CAMBODIA--EXCHANGE RATE:

On request of the Far Eastern Division, it was

VOTED, That the rate of exchange for Cambodia be changed from 70 to 60 Riels to the U.S. dollar; or .014285 to .016666; effective January 1, 1962.

RALPH W. ROYER, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Dr. Ralph W. Royer, from Southern Africa, on his request because of family educational problems, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern African Division.

ALAN A. JONES, M.D.--VIETNAM:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division the call from the Far Eastern Division for Dr. Alan A. Jones, now in private practice, for service in the Saigon Adventist Hospital, Saigon, Vietnam.

JACK A. HAY, M.D.--SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, To place Dr. Jack A. Hay, of Vancouver, Canada, under deferred appointment to the Southern African Division. Dr. Hay served two terms in Southern Africa, having only recently returned permanently because of educational problems in the family. He is willing to return to Southern Africa as soon as plans materialize.

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EDITHA de la CRUZ,
LYDIA ORDONEZ--SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

On recommendation of the Far Eastern Division, in response to the call from the Southern Asia Division, it was

VOTED, To record the appointment of Misses Editha de la Cruz and Lydia Ordenez, of the Philippines, for nursing service in the Southern Asia Division, on the basis of the policy worked out for Filipino nurses.

BRIAN JACQUES--SPICER MEMORIAL COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to Brian Jacques, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, an invitation to connect with the Southern Asia Division, as teacher at Spicer Memorial College. He previously served one term in Pakistan.

DONALD A. SHORT--SOUTH RUANDA MISSION:

VOTED, To request the Southern Union and Georgia-Cumberland Conferences to release Donald A. Short, and to invite him to connect with the Southern African Division as ^{station} director in the South Ruanda Mission.

REVISION OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, ASI:

Copies of the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws for the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions had been placed in the hands of Committee members. Following a discussion of a number of proposed revisions, it was

VOTED, To request the Chair to appoint a committee to look over this revision of the Constitution and By-Laws carefully and consider it, and bring in a report. Committee named: W. B. Ochs, Wesley Amundsen, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., C. E. Randolph, M.D., and A. V. Olson.

PUBLISHING REHABILITATION AND EXPANSION--GRANTS:

VOTED, To grant appropriations from the Publishing Rehabilitation and Expansion Fund, as follows:

Far Eastern Division:

a. Thailand Publishing House equipment	\$16 492 50 ✓	
b. Malayan Signs Press	1 600 00 ✓	\$18 092 50

Inter-American Division:

a. Foreign language Bible textbooks		10 000 00 ✓
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Southern African Division

a. East African Publishing House equipment	6 631 50 ✓	
b. Sentinel Publishing Company "	12 500 00 ✓	19 131 50

Southern Asia Division:

a. Oriental Watchman Publishing House "		7 875 00 ✓
Publishing Department Training Filmstrips		5 000 00 ✓
Total		\$60 099 00

Note: Divisions, unions, or publishing houses to match above amounts voted.

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

O. A. Blake--Atlanta, Georgia, Union office, November 26; Oakwood College, Executive Committee, November 27; Loma Linda University and Officers, February 13, 14; Loma Linda Board, February 15, 16; Voice of Prophecy, February 19;

E. E. Cleveland--Atlanta, Georgia, Union Workers' Meeting, January 2-4; Mineral Wells, Texas, Workers' Meeting, January 8-10; Central States Conference, Evangelistic Rallies in four cities, January 19-28;

C. E. Moseley, Jr.--Bridgeport, Connecticut, Youth Rally, December 1-3;

W. B. Ochs--Dallas, Texas, Union Committee and Board Meetings, December 5, 6;

H. E. Rice--Hinsdale, Illinois, meet with Kettering Hospital group, November 26; Dayton, Ohio, Board Meeting, Kettering Memorial Hospital, December 11;

G. E. Vandeman--Oshawa, Ontario, speaking appointments "It Is Written," November 28, 29 (from British Columbia).

WARREN WITTENBERG--TO ATTEND COMMITTEE IN WASHINGTON, D. C.:

VOTED, To pass on to Warren Wittenberg, of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, the request of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department that he attend a committee in Washington, D.C., December 18-21, 1961, for the purpose of revising the MV Pathfinder Counselor's Training Course; requesting the Southern Union and Kentucky-Tennessee Conferences to release him for this appointment, and with the understanding that if he attends the employing organization would meet the travel expense.

TAKOMA PARK SDA CHURCH--GRANT TO:

VOTED, To grant \$650 to the Takoma Park SDA Church for the use of the church facilities in connection with the meetings of the 1961 Autumn Council.

Adjourned at 11:50 A.M.

Prayer of dismissal by W. B. Ochs.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman
F. L. Peterson, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Thirty-Fifth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

November 30, 1961, 10:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

W. B. Ochs, E. W. Dunbar, Wesley Amundsen, R. A. Anderson, O. A. Blake, C. W. Bozarth, J. E. Chase, E. E. Cossentine, N. W. Dunn, H. T. Elliott, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., W. J. Harris, R. R. Hegstad, G. A. Huse, H. W. Klaser, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, T. E. Lucas, L. L. Moffitt, J. R. Nelson, A. V. Olson, E. W. Pedersen, H. E. Rice, W. A. Scharffenberg, J. V. Scully, Clark Smith, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, W. H. Teesdale, R. S. Watts, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, R. Ruhling, A. L. Tucker

W. B. Ochs, Chairman, read from Christian Service, page 243, paragraph 2, under the heading "Cease to Worry." The quotation begins with the words "Cultivate restfulness, and commit the keeping of your souls unto God as unto a faithful Creator. He will keep that which is committed to His trust." Elder Ochs said that worry never pays our debts, or solves our problems. The man who can work and be cheerful and happy, eat and sleep well, and not worry, is the man who can live the longest. We need to live that kind of life.

Opening prayer by W. J. Harris.

MINUTES of the meeting held November 22, 1961 were approved.

DANIEL MITCHEL--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Daniel Mitchel, son of Elder and Mrs. A. E. Mitchel, of Juliaca, Peru, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the South American Division.

GROVER C. WINSLOW--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That we concur with the recommendation of the Northern European Division in authorizing a permanent return for Grover C. Winslow from West Africa, on his request for family educational reasons, and also in view of his desire to finish his dissertation on a Ph. D. degree.

MRS. ALMA B. WILES--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Mrs. Alma B. Wiles from Ile-Ife, West Africa, in view of her age and state of health, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division.

It was stated that Mrs. Wiles has served approximately thirty-seven years in the mission field. The larger part of her service was in the New Hebrides. In view of the years of service she has given, and the great inspiration that she has been to many thousands of our young people, it was further

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VOTED, To express our appreciation to Mrs. Alma B. Wiles for the contribution she has made to the Lord's work during these years of mission service.

MARY LOU ANDERSON--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, To place Miss Mary Lou Anderson, a junior medical student at Loma Linda University, School of Medicine, under deferred appointment.

CAROL A. JONES--ILE-IFE MISSION HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To invite Miss Carol A. Jones, of Brooklyn, New York, to connect with the Northern European Division, for service as a nurse in the Ile-Ife Mission Hospital, Nigeria, West Africa.

KENNETH B. FISHER, M.D.--BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL, PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, To request the Loma Linda University, School of Medicine, to release Kenneth B. Fisher, M.D., now taking a residency at the White Memorial Hospital, and to invite him to connect with the Inter-American Division as ophthalmologist at Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

VOTED, To authorize appointments and itineraries as follows:

O. A. Blake, E. E. Cossentine--Grand Ledge, Michigan, study problems in connection with Craft Shop, December 20, 1961 (en route from Union College);

T. S. Geraty--Newfoundland, Teachers' Convention and visit schools, January 18-25;

Mazie Herin--New England Sanitarium and Hospital and Atlantic Union College, to help on School of Nursing problems at New England Sanitarium and Hospital, and meet with liaison committee, December 9-14;

Harry House--Canadian Union Conference, Insurance problems, December 10-15;

M. E. Loewen--Battle Creek, Detroit, Michigan, re Sunday-closing legislation, December 4-6; Illinois Conference, Religious Liberty Week, January 12-20, 1962;

H. W. Lowe--Loma Linda University Church, conduct Teachers' Training Course, January 13-18; Santa Cruz and San Francisco, California, interviews and church appointment, January 19-21 (Research Committee interests); Pacific Union College, The Ministry interests, January 22;

W. B. Ochs, W. P. Bradley, and G. A. Huse--Southern Publishing Association, Board meeting, March 8, 1962;

R. J. Radcliffe--Mountain View and San Francisco, California, preliminary auditing work, December 3-16;

C. E. Randolph, M.D.--California, attend Alumni Postgraduate Convention, and visit students and others, March 9-31;

L. A. Skinner--Maplewood Academy, Northern Union Pathfinder Training Course, March 2, 3, 4; Minneapolis, Minnesota, Youth Revival, March 5-10;

R. S. Watts--Canadian Union Conference, Conference audits, committees and board meetings, February 25-April 19;

Howard Weeks--Southwestern Union Conference, Public Relations Workshops, month February, 1962.

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W. G. C. MURDOCH, EDWARD HEPPENSTALL,
AND EARLE W. HILGERT--SPECIAL STUDY GROUP MEETING:

VOTED, To pass on to the Andrews University Board the request that W. G. C. Murdoch, Edward Heppenstall, and Earle W. Hilgert attend a meeting of the Special Study Group, in Washington, D.C., January 4-6, 1962; it being understood that the travel expense will be borne by the General Conference.

ASSOCIATION OF SELF-SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS--REVISION ADOPTED:

The Committee appointed on November 22, 1961, to consider revisions of the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions Constitution and Bylaws presented a report. It was

VOTED, To accept the suggested amendments in the present revision of the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions Constitution and Bylaws. It was further

VOTED, To adopt the revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions, 1961, with the amendments; the revision to be included in the minutes of the North American Division Committee on Administration.

EARLE W. HILGERT--APPOINTMENTS AT ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Andrews University Board the request from the Atlantic Union College for Earle W. Hilgert, for Seminary promotion and week-end speaking appointments, February 23-25, 1962.

MILLIE URBISH--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and Southern New England Conferences the call from the Andrews University for Miss Millie Urbish, to connect with the Department of Education of the School of Graduate Studies as Instructor in Supervision and Reading.

DR. KENNETH STRAND--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union Conference and Emmanuel Missionary College the call for Dr. Kenneth Strand to connect with the Andrews University on a full-time basis, in the Department of Church History.

DR. TOSHIO YAMAGATA--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

An action was taken by the General Conference Committee on July 7, 1960, extending to Dr. Toshio Yamagata of Japan Missionary College the privilege of coming to the United States for a period not to exceed two years under the terms of the In-Service Development Policy. This was done with the understanding that he would go to Pacific Union College. It is now evident that he will be able to obtain the training he wishes at Andrews University. It was

VOTED, That we approve of the transfer of the privilege extended to Dr. Toshio Yamagata, from Pacific Union College to Andrews University, the details of the arrangements to be worked out in harmony with the policy, and on recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

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RICHARD HAMMILL--NAME ON MASTHEAD OF THE MINISTRY:

VOTED, That the name of Richard Hammill be listed on the masthead of The Ministry Magazine, as a Consulting Editor, replacing the name of H. L. Rudy, beginning with January, 1962.

Adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

W. B. Ochs, Chairman
E. W. Dunbar, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary