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Two Hundred Seventeenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 6, 1966, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

F. L. Peterson, W. P. Bradley, K. F. Ambs, Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, F. L. Bland, E. W. Dunbar, J. E. Edwards, A. A. Esteb, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., T. S. Geraty, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, W. J. Harris, Mazie Herin, M. Carol Hetzell, Werber Johnson, J. C. Kozel, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, E. L. Minchin, L. M. Nelson, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, R. J. Radcliffe, M. H. Reeder, H. E. Rice, V. W. Schoen, J. V. Scully, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, A. F. Tarr, E. W. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, G. E. Vandeman, R. S. Watts

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

The Chairman, F. L. Peterson, read from The New English Bible 1 John 5. He also read a quotation from Christ's Object Lessons, page 281, in which it states that none should flatter themselves that sins cherished for a time can easily be given up by and by. One may repent of the wrong done, and set his feet in right paths, but the mold of the mind and familiarity with evil will make it difficult for one to distinguish between right and wrong.

He said that we can thank God for a church whose standard is righteousness. We can thank God that we are His composition, His poem in the world, that men and women who read us may see in us a Saviour from sin. This old world is having a face-lifting, and it is passing through all kinds of experiences. But the one thing that is lacking--God is being left out. We are so thankful that we are left in the world in order that we may present to men and women the Christ that saves from sin. The problem of this world is not a racial problem, the problem is not economical, the problem is not social; it is the problem of sin. Jesus came into the world to save us from sin.

Opening prayer by W. R. Beach.

INGATHERING--REPORT:

The Chairman invited V. W. Schoen, Associate Secretary of the Home Missionary Department, to report to the Committee concerning the latest achievements in the Ingathering crusade.

"It was seven weeks ago," Elder Schoen said, "when the first report was presented. Since that time many wonderful things have happened in North America, in our churches and in the lives of our members. It has thrilled our hearts to see how God's people have responded and worked. We have been in the press in a very interesting way. The Public Relations Secretaries have done a wonderful job. We do appreciate their help very much. The clippings compiled here give us a very interesting history. Many questions have been asked and many editorials written."

At the beginning of the crusade, something very strange happened in one of the cities of North America. The people observed commotion on one of the streets. They saw young people and older folk going out. They thought this would be another racial demonstration. Finally they found out that it was Seventh-day Adventists going out Ingathering--indeed a demonstration but of another kind!

The individual church members and churches have ashieved new records. Taking one conference as an illustration not too far from Washington, D.C., in the Pennsylvania Conference there are 16 churches which have more than \$30 per capita, and 82 churches which are Silver Vanguard churches—all have more than \$25 per capita. Surprising news came from the Idaho Conference—the Ashton church has \$124.83 per capita and there are many others following with \$70, \$55, \$45, \$40, etc., per capita.

The seventh Ingathering report compiled in the General Conference office indicates that 37 conferences have surpassed last year's final achievements and we now have 10 Silver Vanguard conferences in North America: Alabama-Mississippi, Arkansas-Louisiana, Chesapeake, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Southern New England, and Texas. Congratulations to these conferences for their outstanding achievement.

All ten unions are ahead of last year and the Canadian, Columbia, North Pacific, Northern, Southern, and Southwestern Unions have already gone beyond last year's record giving us an increase of \$278,259.62 over the previous year and a grand total of \$5,986,913.95. With this figure the North American Division surpassed last year's victory report and achieved a new all-time high in our Ingathering history. We are indeed grateful to God and to our dedicated ministry and laymen who have been instrumental in making this splendid report possible.

Spiritually this campaign has been wonderful. We have been thrilled over nearly 11,000 persons who have written in and asked questions and requested Bible Correspondence Courses and more literature about our church. As we made our contacts, friendliness, understanding, and good will by our friends has characterized this campaign.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 30, 1965, were approved.

RATES OF EXCHANGE -- CHANGES IN:

In harmony with recommendations received from the divisions comerned, it was--

VOTED, To authorize changes in rates of exchange, effective January 1, 1966, as follows:

Far Eastern Division:

The Vietnam Piaster, from 80.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .0125; to 115.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .008695;

The West Irian I.B. Rupiah, from 3.5906 to the U.S. dollar, or .2785; to 3.69 to the U.S. dollar, or .27777.

Middle East Division:

The Lebanese L, from 2.90 to the U.S. dollar, or .344827; to 2.95 to the U.S. dollar, or .33898;

The Egyptian L, from 2.40 to the U.S. dollar to 2.15 to the U.S. dollar.

Northern European Division:

The Sweden Krona, from 5.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .20; to 5.14 to the U.S. dollar, or .19455;

The Norway Krone, from 6.6666 to the U.S. dollar, or .15; to 7.13 to the U.S. dollar, or .140252;

The Denmark Krone, from 6.6666 to the U.S. dollar, or .15; to 6.918 to the U.S. dollar, or .14455.

South American Division:

The Argentina Peso, from 225.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .004444; to 200.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .005;

The Paraguay Guarani, from 140.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .00714285; to 135.00 to the U.S. dollar, or .0074074.

CUBAN REFUGEES -- ASSISTANCE ON NEEDS OF:

A request has come from the Southern Union and the Florida Conferences for General Conference help to meet the situation brought upon the Florida Conference by the new influx of Cuban refugees. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That an appropriation up to \$5,000, as may be needed, from the General Conference Emergency Fund, be made available to the Southern Union and the Florida Conferences for meeting the needs of Cuban refugees.

A. G. ROTH--NAME RECOMMENDED TO SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE:

Andre G. Roth, a former sustentation beneficiary, who labored a number of years in the Inter-American Division, and more recently in the Southern European and Trans-Africa Divisions, has now returned permanently to North America. He is now applying for retirement the second time. In harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the name of A. G. Roth be referred to the Sustentation Committee for sustentation benefits.

TEXTBOOK REVISION --

FURTHER EMPLOYMENT OF LYLE O. McCOY:

Lyle O. McCoy is presently employed by the General Conference as Research Master for the elementary textbook project, he being on a leave-of-absence basis from the Northern California Conference. His salary and expense are being cared for from the Elementary Textbook Fund. On recommendation of the Department of Education, it was--

VOTED, That Lyle O. McCoy's employment by the General Conference be continued for an additional year, from August, 1966, to August, 1967.

LAWRENCE ELDRIDGE--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and New Jersey Conferences a call for Lawrence Eldridge, now engaged in pastoral work, to connect with Andrews University as Instructor in Religion in the undergraduate college.

DENNIS PARKER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Dennis Parker, son of Elder and Mrs. P. A. Parker, of Burma, for educational purposes; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

B. JACK WILLIAMS -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of B. Jack Williams, President of the Northeast Union, India, on his request, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division; effective in June, 1966.

MURIEL HARLOW--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Muriel Harlow be released from appointment to teach church school in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, since for health reasons she is not clear in accepting the call.

CHESTER LEE HUFF--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Chester Lee Huff be released from appointment as Pastor-Evangelist for the East African Union, since the medical reports are not favorable.

ESTHER ROSE -- ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, That the Central Union Conference and Porter Memorial Hospital in Denver, Colorado, be requested to release Miss Esther Rose, and that she be invited to connect with the Northern European Division as Nurse-Tutor for the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

R. A. GARNER--KARACHI HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union and Idaho Conferences be requested to release R. A. Garner, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Chaplain for the Karachi Hospital. (Elder and Mrs. R. A. Garner served from 1928 to 1947 in India.)

BOCTOR GAYED GUIRGUIS -- EGYPT SECTION:

VOTED, To pass on to Boctor Gayed Guirguis, of Andrews University, a call from the Middle East Division for him to serve as a Pastor in the Egypt Section; on the basis of a national returning.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

- W. M. Adams--Trenton, New Jersey, Conference Workers' Meeting, January 6; Minnesota, Conference Workers' Meeting, January 9, 10;
- O. A. Blake--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Executive Board, January 11;
- T. Carcich--Central Union, Conference Sessions, Board meetings, speaking appointments, March 5-13; Chicago, Illinois, church speaking appointments, April 15, 10; College Place, Washington, Union Educational Board, Union Committee, Walla Walla College Board, April 27, 28; Portland, Oregon, speaking appointments, April 29, 30;
 - H. L. Dyer--Chicago, Illinois, Fund Accounting Workshop, January 12-14;
- J. E. Edwards--Dallas, Texas, and Texico Conference, Conference-wide Laymen Training Institutes, February 18-27;
- R. R. Figuhr, T. Carcich, W. P. Bradley--Salt Lake City, Book Co-ordinating Committee, May 3-5;
- E. J. Folkenberg--Vancouver, British Columbia, Workers' Meeting, January 5, 6; Wyoming Conference, Workers' Meeting, January 8-10; Washington Conference, Workers' Meeting, January 11; Montana Conference, Workers' Meeting, January 12-14; Washington Conference, Pilot program, January 15,16; Oregon Conference, Workers' Meeting, January 18-20; Arizona Conference, Pilot program, January 23-25; Chicago, Illinois, Workers' Meeting, March 8, 9; Toronto and Oshawa, Canada, Workers' Meeting, March 14, 15;
- R. R. Hegstad--Nashville, Tennessee, Protestants and Other Americans United National Conference, Southern Publishing Association appointment, speaking appointments, February 18-23;
- G. A. Huse--Mountain View, California, Book and Bible House Managers' Council; Salt Lake City, Book Co-ordinating Committee; Oklahoma City, Home Health Education Service Directors' Meeting, April 26-May 11;
- J. O. Iversen--Atlanta, Georgia, Union Workers' Meeting, January 5, 6; Florida, Workers' Meeting and Radio Rally, January 21-26; Portland, Oregon, Union Radio-TV Secretaries' Council, February 9 (en route to Pacific Union);
- D. A. McAdams, W. A. Higgins, R. J. Radcliffe--Oklahoma City, Home Health Education Service Directors' Meeting, May 9-11;
- W. E. Phillips--Lincoln, Nebraska, Central Union Investment Committee, January 23-25;
- R. J. Radcliffe--Canadian Union, audit work, February 14-25 (from Atlantic Union);
- Elder and Mrs. P. J. Salhany--Memphis, Tennessee, and Louisville, Kentucky, speaking appointments;
- J. V. Scully--Southwestern Union, academy and church speaking appointments, February 28-March 20 (from Alabama-Mississippi);
 - H. D. Singleton--Columbus, Ohio, Human Relations Workshop, January 30;
- G. E. Vandeman--Alberta, Canada, "It-Is-Written" follow-up, January 25-February 2.

ATLANTIC UNION CONFERENCE --

CALL FOR JOYCE GRIFFITH:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Joyce Griffith, now employed in the General Conference Bureau of Press Relations, a call from the Atlantic Union Conference for her to join the Atlantic Union Conference staff as Public Relations Office Secretary.

YUGOSLAVIA -- GREETINGS FROM:

C. L. Torrey, recently returned from a visit to Europe and West Africa, said that while in Europe he visited in Yugoslavia. Anton Lorencin, President of the Yugoslavian Union Conference, requested him to bring their greetings to the General Conference Committee.

VOTED, That we acknowledge these greetings and reciprocate by sending greetings to the brethren in Yugoslavia.

Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

F. L. Peterson, Chairman W. P. Bradley, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Eighteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 13, 1966, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

R. S. Watts, W. P. Bradley, K. F. Ambs, Wesley Amundsen, W. R. Beach, Theodore Carcich, E. W. Dunbar, J. E. Edwards, W. D. Eva, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., T. S. Geraty, C. E. Guenther, W. J. Harris, Mazie Herin, W. A. Higgins, J. O. Iversen, D. S. Johnson, J. C. Kozel, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, D. A. McAdams, G. R. Nash, F. D. Nichol, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, M. H. Reeder, H. E. Rice, J. V. Scully, A. F. Tarr, E. W. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, G. E. Vandeman

OTHERS INVITED:

N. W. Litchfield, A. L. Tucker

DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

The Chairman, R. S. Watts, read from The New English Bible an incident in the life of Christ as recorded in the gospel of Matthew, chapter 17, 14-20. This closes with the statement "Nothing will prove impossible for you." Along with this he read Matthew 19: 26--"With God all things are possible." Christ had only one purpose. He was trying to bring these disciples into a proper relationship with Him, and pointing out how vital it is to have confidence and faith in God, the Father. These disciples had not the right frame of mind to cure the lad. They had been dwelling upon some of their own personal grievances.

The Lord spoke to them about obstacles and difficulties and trials they would encounter. He never intended His disciples to go about the countryside literally moving mountains, but He did promise in this statement which He made here, "Nothing will prove impossible," that all things are possible with God. No difficulties. however great, could hinder the accomplishment of His divine promise. The great lesson we must learn from this incident, and keep in mind, is the unfailing principle given here that there are no great obstacles with God in the promise of the fulfillment of His great work here on this earth. Elder Watts read four statements from the Spirit of Prophecy (Prophets and Kings, pages 594, 595; Acts of the Apostles, page 601; Volume 6: 22; and Gospel Workers, page 262) which state that obstacles placed by Satan across the pathway of the Christian will disappear, but that faith looks around the difficulties and lays hold of the unseen, even Omnipotence. He called attention to the definition of faith in the last reference: "Faith is the clasping of the hand of Christ in every emergency." These promises should cheer us on. God wants leaders today, men who will have faith and demonstrate this faith, realizing that nothing with God is impossible.

Opening prayer by R. R. Figuhr.

INGATHERING CAMPAIGN -- FINAL REPORT:

J. E. Edwards, Secretary of the Home Missionary Department, and having just returned from a visit to the Far Eastern Division, gave the last Ingathering campaign report for the preceding period. The final record will be based upon the treasurers' remittances for February.

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He expressed appreciation to the unions for their leadership, and then pointed out some of the most significant records made by the unions. Exciting news was received yesterday that the Canadian Union for the first time reached the \$300,000 mark; for the first time the North Pacific Union has broken through the \$400,000 stratosphere; and the Columbia Union shatters its own world record of \$1 Million in seven weeks; the Pacific Union has had a tremendous week and is on its way to the greatest victory ever. The Southwestern Union holds the highest per capita record in North America--\$23.77, almost a Silver Vanguard Union. The Southern Union, with significant advances each year inspires our Division. This year they made more than a \$30,000 gain over last year's final total.

Every conference in five unions have surpassed last year's final figure. We were thrilled yesterday to receive the report from Michigan that they now hold the world record for any conference, in having raised \$320,000 in one campaign. There are now twelve Silver Vanguard conferences--New York, Southern New England, Newfoundland, Chesapeake, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Alabama-Mississippi, Arkansas-Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, and Texico. This past week Texico joined the Silver Vanguard list. Our own Potomac Conference next week will be a Silver Vanguard Conference. That is a real accomplishment.

A few other figures of interest: Fifty-three of the sixty conferences are in the "+" column compared to the Eighth Report last year. Twenty-eight conferences now exceed \$20 per capita.

Elder Edwards read letters received indicating a deep interest in our message and the work of the Seventh-day Adventist church, and told of baptisms shortly to take place as a result of this Ingathering campaign.

The Ingathering is a great soul-winning crusade. More than 11,000 Ingathering coupons for the Bible Correspondence Course have been received. Twenty million families have been contacted during the Ingathering Campaign.

Typical is the letter from the north: "Just read the wonderful little booklet called 'To Lift, To Love' and would like to receive the free Bible Study Guides. I hope to be a member of the Adventist Church and want to know more about this church."--DDM

He told of a conversation which took place between one of our workers in the Philippines and a businessman who knew of our work in China, Korea, and the Philippines. This businessman exclaimed, "Adventists always succeed; they never fail in their projects."

Elder Edwards said he was happy to bring to the Committee the history-making report that we have now exceeded the \$6 Million mark. The final total is \$6,100,218.99. This is \$265,966.95 above last year at this same time. Our per capita is \$16.32.

The Spirit of God has worked through administrators, workers, members, and youth, and with grateful hearts we give thanks to God for His blessing on this, the greatest single missionary endeavor of our church. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes." Psalms 118: 23

APPRECIATION:

On suggestion of several members of the Committee, it was--

VOTED, That the Secretary be requested to express appreciation through the union presidents, administrators, and our pastors for the labors, service, and sacrifice of all our administrators and our devoted members throughout the whole field, which have produced this wonderful result in the 1965-1966 Ingathering crusade. This action includes also a special reference to our youth who as Missionary Volunteers have enthusiastically co-operated in making possible this wonderful achievement.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 6, 1966, were approved.

MRS. O. MONTGOMERY--DEATH OF; SYMPATHY TO RELATIVES:

Information was given of the death of Mrs. O. Montgomery in Adelphi, Maryland, on January 13, 1966. She had been failing for some time, and had reached the age of ninety-two years. In a summary which she wrote of her own activity, she said that she served as a colporteur in Canada, as Secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department for a couple of years in Vermont; likewise was Sabbath School Secretary in Indiana. She served in South America with her husband. She wrote that she had endeavored to assist her husband during all the years of his field work, and accompanied him in all the activities in which he needed her assistance.

VOTED, That the Secretary be requested to convey to the relatives of Mrs. O. Montgomery our sympathy in their bereavement.

LONDON TRANSPORTATION OFFICE--

RETIREMENT OF W. H. G. BENWELL:

W. H. G. Benwell, who has served as our London Transportation Agent for a number of years, has expressed his desire for retirement. He has served as a worker in the cause nearly fifty years.

VOTED, To accede to the request of W. H. G. Benwell for retirement, and that we refer his name to the Northern European Division and recommend that he be placed on the Sustentation Fund of that Division from April 15, 1966. It was further--

VOTED, That we record also our appreciation to W. H. G. Benwell for his faith-ful and efficient service in the denominational work.

LONDON TRANSPORTATION AGENT --

L. M. DAVISON APPOINTED:

L. M. Davison has assisted in the London Transportation Office for about eleven years. He is highly recommended. In harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That L. M. Davison be appointed to serve as our London Transportation Agent, to replace W. H. G. Benwell when he retires, April 15, 1966.

ATLANTIC UNION CONFERENCE-REALLOCATION OF APPROPRIATIONS:

At the 1965 Autumn Council an appropriation of \$1,000 to the Bath, Maine, church, and \$1,000 to the Waterville, Maine, church, was authorized. In harmony with a recommendation from the Atlantic Union Conference, it was--

VOTED, That the appropriations made to the Bath and Waterville (Maine) churches be reallocated as follows:

Bath, Maine \$1,500.00 Waterville, Maine 500.00

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION-ORGANIZATION OF SOUTHERN UNION MISSION:

For some years the South African Union Conference has operated their work on a basis that has endeavored to take into account the structure of society in that part of the world. They have been operating as Group I and Group II. The work has developed. They now have upwards of 22,000 members in the South African Union Conference. In Group I there are some eight to nine thousand members, which includes the European, Colored, and Asiatic peoples. In Group II there are the Bantus and other native Africans. They constitute the remaining strength of about 12,000. The brethren have worked with this arrangement for some time. Now the discussion has been that it would be well to have two separate unions. The Trans-Africa Division has organized a new union to be known as the Southern Union Mission, which is comprised of five local fields and five institutions. This union will have its headquarters in Johannesburg, while the South African Union Conference has its headquarters in Bloemfontein. On recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To recognize the organization of the new Southern Union Mission in the Trans-Africa Division, and that this be listed for acceptance at the 1966 General Conference session.

VISIT TO OVERSEAS FIELD:

VOTED, That L. B. Reynolds be authorized to visit West Africa (in the Northern European Division) during the months of March and April, 1966.

MIMA BURGHER -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Mima Burgher from the Maluti Hospital, South Africa, to Australia, on her request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

PRIMROSE MAKILA -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Primrose Makila from the Malamulo Hospital and Leprosarium, in Malawi, to Australia, on her request in order to continue her education; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

D. R. LUDGATE -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of D. R. Ludgate from West Nigeria, on his request, for family and educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division.

CLIFFORD T. BANNISTER--PERMANENT RETURN; APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Clifford T. Bannister from Rhodesia, Africa, to England, on his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division; effective in April, 1967.

In view of Clifford T. Bannister's long period of service in the Trans-Africa Division, he having served in that field since 1940, it was--

VOTED, That we record our appreciation for the many years of faithful service of Elder and Mrs. Clifford T. Bannister.

SUSAN GARDNER -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Susan Gardner, daughter of R. E. Gardner, Manager of the East African Publishing House, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

ROBERT BELL--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Robert Bell, son of F. L. Bell, Secretary-Treasurer of the South Rwanda Field, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

EDWIN W. REINER, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Edwin W. Reiner, M.D., be released from appointment to Bandung, Java, since he does not see his way clear to accept at present.

MELVIN W. DAVIS -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Melvin W. Davis be released from the call to the West Indies College in Jamaica as Music Teacher, since they are requesting him to do more in the field of instruments than he is qualified to do.

DAVID RIEMENS -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That David Riemens, of Switzerland, be released from the call to Gitwe, Rwanda, on his request, since he does not feel qualified for the work required.

M. C. MURDOCH--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release M. C. Murdoch, of Great Britain, from the call to serve as Pastor of the Salisbury Church in Rhodesia, since he was unable to arrange for a re-entry permit.

MARGARET MURDOCH--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Margaret Murdoch, of England, be released from the call to be Normal Director at Lower Gwelo, Rhodesia, on her request.

DR. PAVLE ARANDELOVIC -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Dr. Pavle Arandelovic, of Yugoslavia, be released from the call to the Kwahu Hospital, in Ghana, on his request, since it is learned that if he left Yugoslavia ne would be unable to gain re-entrance.

ROLET A. MOORE, M.D.--APPOINTMENT TRANSFERRED:

VOTED, To transfer the appointment of Rolet A. Moore, M.D., from Ile-Ife, Nigeria, in the Northern European Division, to the Far Eastern Division for a two-year term, the first year to be at Bandung, Java.

A. JOSEF GREIG--RIVER PLATE COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Central Union and Wyoming Conferences be requested to release A. Josef Greig, and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division as Bible Teacher at River Plate College in Argentina, to go forward at the close of the present school year.

GEORGE M. LESSARD--ANTILLIAN UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Central California Conferences be requested to release George M. Lessard, a Teacher at Mountain View Union Academy, to connect with the Inter-American Division as chemistry Teacher for Antillian Union College.

LINDA PEIRCE--FAR EASTERN DIVISION OFFICE:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Southern California Conferences be requested to release Miss Linda Peirce, Librarian-Teacher at Newbury Park Academy, to connect with the Far Eastern Division office in Singapore for secretarial work.

S. E. POLLMAN, M.D. -- OKINAWA:

S. E. Pollman, M.D., is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, and took his internship at the Porter Memorial Hospital. He is at present taking a residency in Phoenix, Arizona.

VOTED, That S. E. Pollman, M.D., be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as a Doctor for Okinawa.

DR. RAY HEFFERLIN--PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Southern Union Conference and Southern Missionary College be requested to release Dr. Ray Hefferlin, Teacher of Physics, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Physics and Mathematics Teacher in Philippine Union College.

RICHARD D. DAVIDIAN--RUANDA:

VOTED, That Richard D. Davidian, of Sacramento, California, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as French Teacher for the Gitwe Seminary, in Rwanda.

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION--

CALL FOR EVANGELIST FOR SOUTH-WEST AFRICA FIELD:

VOTED, To pass on to the Central European Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for an Evangelist for the South-West Africa Field, to replace R. Engel, who is to be transferred to the Congo Union for evangelistic work in the cities; with the request that the Central European Division process the call.

DON C. FAHRBACH, M.D. -- BENGHAZI, LIBYA:

VOTED, That Don C. Fahrbach, M.D., of Cleveland, Georgia, be reappointed to connect with the Middle East Division as a Doctor for Benghazi.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

K. F. Ambs--San Francisco, California, Stewardship Conference, and Watsonville, California, re West Coast Welfare Warehouse location, etc., February 8-16;

Eucl Atchley--Charlotte, North Carolina, Temperance program, March 28, 29, in connection with trip to Alabama-Mississippi Workers' Meeting;

- O. A. Blake--Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood College Board, January 31-February 1; California, Pacific Union, Loma Linda University, Voice of Prophecy, Pacific Press Publishing Association, Harris Pine Mills Boards, February 11-17; Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Board, February 20, 21;
- M. V. Campbell--Loma Linda, California, West Coast Board Meetings and speaking appointments, February 4-18;

Theodore Carcich--Southern New England Conference, speaking appointment, Greater Boston Academy opening, January 28-30;

Theodore Carcich, R. R. Figuhr, W. R. Beach, W. P. Bradley, C. L. Torrey, T. R. Flaiz, M.D.--Glendale, California, Committee on Pacific Union, February 11; Loma Linda, Loma Linda University Meetings, February 13, 14; Glendale, Voice of Prophecy Board, February 15; Mountain View, California, Pacific Press Publishing Association Board, February 16; San Jose, California, Harris Pine Mills Board, February 17; Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Board, February 20, 21;

- E. E. Cleveland--Battle Creek, Michigan, January 14, 15, speaking appointments;
- A. O. Dart--North Pacific Union, visit academies, April 17-May 7;
- J. O. Gibson--Boston and New York City, Workers' and Church Officers' Meetings, January 13-17;
- W. A. Howe--Boston Academy, Union Springs Academy, January 29-February 2; Greater Miami Academy, February 21-23; Orangewood Academy, February 29-March 2; Modesto Union Academy, March 7-9; Armona Union Academy, March 14-16; College

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View Academy, March 20-23; Madison Academy, March 27-30; Walla Walla Academy, April 12-15; Portland Union Academy, April 19-22; Union Springs Academy, April 25-28 (accreditation and evaluation);

- J. O. Iversen--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Ministerial Institute, January 31 -February 2;
 - Theodore Lucas -- Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, Youth Congress, March 25, 26;
- W. E. Phillips--Watsonville, California, Warehouse business, February 14, 15; San Jose, California, Harris Pine Mills Board, February 17;
- M. H. Reeder--Cincinnati, Ohio, Union Public Relations Secretaries and Editors' Meeting, January 19, 20;
 - J. V. Scully--Pacific Union, Temperance appointments, April 1-May 1;
- G. E. Vandeman--Minneapolis, Minnesota, Workers' Meeting and "It-Is-Written" Follow Up, January 9-11;

Ethel Young--Chicago, Illinois, visit schools, etc., March 10-15.

Adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

R. S. Watts, Chairman
W. P. Bradley, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Nineteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 20, 1966, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

R. R. Figuhr, W. P. Bradley, K. F. Ambs, R. A. Anderson, R. Curtis Barger, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, M. V. Campbell, Theodore Carcich, E. W. Dunbar, N. W. Dunn, J. E. Edwards, W. Duncan Eva, T. S. Geraty, J. O. Gibson, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, J. O. Iversen, D. S. Johnson, Werber Johnson, Theodore Lucas, E. L. Minchin, L. M. Nelson, F. D. Nichol, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Peeke, F. L. Peterson, R. J. Radcliffe, H. E. Rice, J. V. Scully, Clark Smith, A. F. Tarr, E. W. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, R. S. Watts

OTHERS INVITED:

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

DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman, said that the Christian should be a person of hope and great aspiration. Sister White, in speaking of our work and its beginnings, said that from the beginning of our work we were aggressive. That presupposes hope and aspiration and expectation. He then read from page 604 of the Church Hymnal the scriptures from Psalms, Jeremiah, and Romans under the topic "Hope and Inspiration." These are wonderfully precious quotations from the Word of God.

Opening prayer by F. D. Nichol.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 13, 1966, were approved.

KOREAN UNION MISSION--LETTER FROM:

The Secretary read from a letter written by C. U. Pak, Secretary of the Korean Union Mission, in which he stated that the biennial session of the Korean Union Mission, in Seoul, Korea, December 26-January 1, 1966, where there were in attendance 153 delegates, took an action sending to the General Conference a message of gratitude for our help and financial assistance given. The believers in Korea are loyal to the cause and are enthusiastic in spreading the Advent message.

VOTED, To acknowledge this appreciation and greetings from the Korean Union Mission, and to send them a message of appreciation in response.

PENNY SHELL--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union and Georgia-Cumberland Conferences a call for Miss Penny Shell to connect with Andrews University as Assistant Dean of Women.

GWENDOLYN CASE--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and La Sierra College a call for Miss Gwendolyn Case, to connect with Loma Linda University as Secretary to the Hospital Administrator.

R. E. PLEASANTS --

GENERAL CONFERENCE CHURCH DEVELOPMENT SERVICE SECRETARY:

VOTED, That the Southern Union and Florida Conferences be requested to release R. E. Pleasants, who has served a number of years as Church Development Service Secretary, and that he be invited to connect with the General Conference as Church Development Service Secretary.

R. E. OSBORN--

GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSISTANT TREASURER:

Authorization was voted at the 1965 Autumn Council for the appointment of an additional Assistant Treasurer for the General Conference to give guidance to estate planning and investment programs of associations, corporations, foundations, and institutions of the North American Division.

R. E. Osborn has served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Middle East Division and Treasurer of the South American Division. Previous to that he was Secretary-Treasurer of the Central California Conference. He is now Secretary of the Loma Linda University Board of Trustees and Assistant Treasurer of the LLU Corporation. He is recommended as careful and dependable in his work.

VOTED, That the Loma Linda University be requested to release R. E. Osborn, and that he be invited to connect with the General Conference as an Assistant Treasurer, with these special responsibilities.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN DIVISION --

RESIGNATION OF W. RAECKER:

On recommendation of the Central European Division, it was--

VOTED, To accept the resignation of W. Raecker as Public Relations, Religious Liberty, and Bible Correspondence School Secretary for the Central European Division.

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION --

RESIGNATION OF R. C. DARNELL AS SECRETARY:

R. C. Darnell, Secretary of the Middle East Division, has requested the privilege of studying Islamics at the University of Michigan. Since he desires to enter into these studies soon he has submitted his resignation. On recommendation of the Middle East Division, it was--

VOTED, To accept R. C. Darnell's resignation as Secretary of the Middle East Division, in order that he may pursue studies in Islamics.

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION-ACTING SECRETARY-TREASURER:

In view of R. C. Darnell's resignation as Secretary of the Middle East Division, and the plan for the Treasurer, V. A. Fenn, to return permanently from the Division, effective April 1, 1966, the Division recommends that R. W. Wilmot be appointed to serve as interim Secretary and Treasurer until the time of the 1966 General Conference session.

VOTED, That R. W. Wilmot, Assistant Auditor and Cashier, be appointed to serve as Acting Secretary of the Middle East Division, and Treasurer from April 1, until the time of the 1966 General Conference session.

1966 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--NOTICES:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in the General Conference Constitution, it was--

VOTED, That in the month of February, 1966, we place notices in the <u>Review and Herald</u> regarding the forthcoming General Conference session in Detroit, Michigan, June 16-25, 1966, beginning at 7:30 P.M., June 16; also the legal meetings of the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, and the North American Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, at 10 A.M., June 21, 1966.

1966 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION MOTTO AND THEME SONG:

VOTED, That the statement from the Scriptures "BEHOLD, HE COMETH" be chosen for the 1966 General Conference session Motto; and that the Theme Song again be "We Have This Hope."

1966 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION MUSIC COMMITTEE -- SUBSTITUTION ON:

Melvin West has resigned from the responsibility of Organist at the 1966 General Conference session, and also as a member of the General Conference session Music Committee.

VOTED, That C. Warren Becker, of Andrews University, be appointed to serve as Organist at the 1966 General Conference session, and as a member of the General Conference session Music Committee, replacing Melvin West.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY--APPROPRIATION:

A request has come from the American Bible Society for financial assistance in making available additional copies of the Scriptures for boys in the armed forces in Vietnam and other parts of the world.

VOTED, To authorize an appropriation of \$2,500 from the General Conference Contingency Fund to the American Bible Society, for the purpose given.

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION-UPGRADING OF CHUHARKANA SCHOOL:

In harmony with a recommendation from the Southern Asia Division and the General Conference Department of Education, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the Southern Asia Division to develop a junior college academic program in the Pakistan Union School, Chuharkana Mandi, West Pakistan, in the academic areas of theology and teacher education.

DIET AND FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE -- SUBSTITUTION ON:

Information has been received that it will not be possible for Phyllis Acosta, of the White Memorial Hospital, to serve as a member of the Diet and Food Service Committee.

VOTED, That Rose Budd, of the Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital, be appointed to replace Phyllis Acosta as a member of the Diet and Food Service Committee.

W. W. CHRISTENSEN--NAME RECOMMENDED TO SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE; APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE:

W. W. Christensen, who recently returned from the Southern Asia Division, has had surgery and is not well. He is now sixty-three years of age, and has given thirty-eight years of service. He gave nineteen years of service to Burma and sixteen to Africa, a total of thirty-five years overseas; really a lifetime of service to the mission fields.

VOTED, That the name of W. W. Christensen be referred to the Sustentation Committee for consideration. It was also--

VOTED, To express to W. W. Christensen and his wife, who is a **D**entist, our appreciation for their years of faithful and successful service, their work in the mission fields being spoken of in a highly commendatory manner.

S. O. FRANCISCO--PERMANENT RETURN:

S. O. Francisco has served for approximately six years in Frankfurt, Germany, as a Civilian Chaplain. On his request, because of family educational problems, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of S. O. Francisco from Frankfurt, Germany, at the end of May, 1966.

RALPH T. HEINER--CHAPLAIN SERVICEMEN'S CENTER, FRANKFURT:

Ralph T. Heiner is recommended as a replacement for S. O. Francisco as Chaplain for the Servicemen's Center in Frankfurt, Germany. He is a graduate of Andrews University. He has served as a Pastor in the Lake Union Conference, and is now Pastor of the Niagara Falls, New York, Church, in the Atlantic Union Conference. While he was in military service overseas he met his wife, who is an Austrian. Mr. and Mrs. Heiner speak the German language.

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and New York Conferences be requested to release Ralph T. Heiner, and that he be invited to serve as Chaplain in the Servicemen's Center, in Frankfurt, Germany, effective the middle of May.

HOLLIS T. ANDERSON--OKINAWA:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Southern California Conferences be requested to release Hollis T. Anderson, and that he be invited to serve as a Civilian Chaplain in Okinawa.

SERVICEMEN'S CENTERS -- BOARDS FOR:

VOTED, To appoint Boards for Servicemen's Centers as follows:

Frankfurt, Germany: Theodore Lucas, Chairman; Clark Smith, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, Ralph T. Heiner;

Okinawa: Theodore Lucas, Chairman; Clark Smith, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, Hollis T. Anderson, C. D. Martin, C. B. Watts;

Washington, D.C.: Theodore Lucas, Chairman; Clark Smith, O. A. Blake, W. P. Bradley, T. A. Green, C. H. Lauda, E. M. Peterson, Neal C. Wilson.

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH-STATE RELATIONS:

At the 1965 Autumn Council, in connection with the statement adopted concerning Church-State Relationships in the United States, it was voted that the General Conference Committee appoint a continuing representative committee to study general policies on church and state relationships and particular problems. This committee is to interpret the principles in the light of legislation that may be enacted. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To appoint a Committee on Church-State Relations, as follows: Theodore Carcich, Chairman; W. M. Adams, W. R. Beach, W. H. Beaven, R. R. Bietz, W. P. Bradley, R. F. Cottrell, R. R. Figuhr, T. S. Geraty, W. J. Hackett, Richard Hammill, R. R. Hegstad, W. A. Howe, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, W. E. Murray, F. D. Nichol, Boardman Noland, H. E. Rice, C. L. Torrey, N. C. Wilson, Neal C. Wilson.

RENATE KUBISCH--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Renate Kubisch, of Germany, be released from deferred appointment to the Trans-Africa Division as a Teacher, on her request for personal reasons.

BETTY ROYALYNN CASE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Royalynn Case, Dietitian at the Silvestre Hospital in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, at her request, for personal reasons.

WERNER LEIBOLD, M.D. -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Werner Leibold, M.D., now interning at the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital, be placed under deferred appointment as a Doctor for the Inca Union Mission, to be available about mid-1967.

BENJAMIN E. HERNDON, M.D. -- MANILA, PHILIPPINES:

VOTED, That Benjamin E. Herndon, M.D., of Corona, California, be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as a relief Doctor for Manila, for four months, to go forward about June 1, 1966.

OLAVI ROUHE, M.D. -- SONGA, CONGO REPUBLIC:

Dr. Olavi Rouhe, who formerly served a number of years in Africa, is again available for appointment to mission service.

VOTED, That Dr. Olavi Rouhe, so of Modesto, California, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as a Doctor for the Songa Mission Station, in the Congo Republic. He will be available in September of 1966.

ELMER T. NELSON--SAO PAULO HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Elmer T. Nelson, of Fort Bragg, California, be appointed to connect with the South American Division as X-ray Technician for the Sao Paulo Hospital in Brazil.

B. A. DODD--CEYLON:

VOTED, That the Northern Union and Iowa Conferences be requested to release B. A. Dodd, Treasurer and Assistant Business Manager of Oak Park Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Manager and Industrial Superintendent of the Lakpahana Training Institute in Ceylon.

FRED E. SCHLEHUBER--CEYLON:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union and Upper Columbia Conferences be requested to release Fred E. Schlehuber, Principal of Upper Columbia Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Principal of the Lakpahana Training Institute in Ceylon.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINE RARIES:

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

- W. Melvin Adams--Grand Island, Nebraska, Nebraska Workers' Meeting and speaking appointments, January 20-22; Missouri Conference, Workers' Meeting, January 23; Kansas Conference, Workers' Meeting and speaking appointments, January 27-29:
- R. A. Anderson--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Board, February 20, 21; Knoxville-Nashville area, speaking appointments, January 20-23;

Euel Atchley--Des Moines, Iowa, Workers' Meeting, January 14-18; Orlando, Elorida, Workers' Meeting, January 19-23 (extension of dates);

Frank Baer (Pacific Press) -- Soquel, California, Spanish Sabbath School Officers' Meeting, November 15-17;

E. E. Cleveland--Greater Boston Academy, January 20; Atlantic Union College, South Lancaster Academy, Union Springs Academy, February 14-16; Adelphian Academy, Indiana Academy, March 9, 10; Oakwood College, March 30-April 2 (in Atlanta March 25-27); Battle Creek Academy, Broadview Academy, April 5, 6; Andrews University Academy, Andrews University, April 12, 13; Oakwood College, April 18-22; Pine Forge Institute, May 13 (ministerial emphasis);

- J. E. Edwards--Columbus, Ohio, Laymen's Training School, January 30-February 2; Mt. Aetna and Hagerstown, Maryland, speaking appointments, January 22;
 - A. A. Esteb--Toledo, Ohio, speaking appointments, February 4-6;

Melvin Harris, Richard Hill--Florida Conference, Insurance business, January 31 -February 18;

Harry House--La Sierra, California, Chicago, Illinois, Lansing, and Berrien Springs, Michigan, Insurance business, February 11-18;

- W. A. Howe--Dayton, Ohio, re Dayton Junior Academy, January 27;
- J. O. Iversen--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Southern New England Workers' Meeting and College speaking appointments, January 29-February 1;
 - F. L. Peterson--Hartford, Connecticut, church dedication, January 29;
- H. L. Reiner--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, "It-Is-Written" plans, January 19, 20;
- J. V. Scully--Towson, Maryland, re liquor ordinance, January 18; New York City, International Congress on Smoking and Health, Arrangements Committee, January 23;
- H. D. Singleton--Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, North Philadelphia Church, January 22;
- L. G. Small--Northern and Central Union, Insurance business, January 23-February 4;

Clark Smith--Berrien Springs, Michigan, on National Service Organization business, week end January 21-23;

Representative from YPMV Department -- Portage, Wisconsin, Lake Union Bible Conference, August 24-28.

DIET AND FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE -- DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING:

VOTED, To authorize a meeting of the Diet and Food Service Committee on February 9, 1966, at the Loma Linda University.

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

R. R. Figuhr, Chairman W. P. Bradley, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary Two Hundred Twentieth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

January 27, 1966, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, W. P. Bradley, K. F. Ambs, Wesley Amundsen, R. A. Anderson, R. Curtis Barger, W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, E. W. Dunbar, N. W. Dunn, J. E. Edwards, W. D. Eva, R. R. Figuhr, T. R. Flaiz, M.D., T. S. Geraty, C. E. Guenther, W. J. Harris, Mazie Herin, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, J. O. Iversen, D. S. Johnson, Werber Johnson, J. C. Fozel, Theodore Lucas, E. L. Minchin, F. D. Nichol, J. W. Peeke, F. L. Peterson, M. H. Reeder, H. D. Singleton, Clark Smith, F. A. Soper, A. F. Tarr, E. W. Tarr, C. L. Torrey, R. S. Watts, A. L. White

OTHERS INVITED:

H. L. Dyer, N. W. Litchfield, A. L. Tucker

DEVOTIONAL PERIOD:

Psalm 91 was read by M. V. Campbell, Chairman. He said that this is the Psalm which tells of the watch care of God over those who make Him their refuge.

Opening prayer by R. A. Anderson.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 20, 1966, were approved.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--INVITATIONS TO RETIRED WORKERS AND FORMER GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF MEMBERS:

VOTED, That invitations be extended to retired workers and former General Conference staff members to attend the 1966 General Conference session in Detroit, Michigan, as follows:

- 1. That the retired workers as listed below be invited to attend the 1966 session of the General Conference at General Conference expense.
- 2. That as a general rule, retired workers of the elected staff of the General Conference and overseas divisions be invited to attend one session of the General Conference. In the case of Officers of the General Conference and the divisions, and outstanding overseas missionaries with long service periods, we invite them to attend not more than two sessions of the General Conference, at the discretion of the General Conference Committee.
- 3. That the same concessions be granted to retired workers who are invited to attend the 1966 General Conference session as is granted to members of the General Conference staff, these provisions to include travel expense for the man and for his wife if she accompanies him, and also hotel and entertainment for both.

4. That retired workers invited to attend the 1966 session at General Conference expense include only those resident in North America.

Officers and Leaders

V. T. Armstrong
G. A. Lindsay
G. J. Appel
L. L. Moffitt
F. Brennwald
F. A. Mote
E. D. Dick
W. E. Read

H. T. Elliott Mrs. J. I. Robison
L. E. Froom W. A. Scharffenberg
A. L. Ham Walter Schubert
E. B. Hare W. H. Teesdale

Senior Workers and Missionaries

Clarence H. Davis

Alzo V. Edwards

E. M. Meleen
Robert M. Milne
E. D. Hanson

L. H. Olson

Wm. I. Hilliard

Bent A. Larsen

Rose A. Meister

E. M. Meleen
Robert M. Milne

Klass Tilstra

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--INVITATIONS TO SECRETARIAL AND OTHER WORKERS:

VOTED, To authorize the attendance of the following secretarial and other workers whose service is required at the 1966 General Conference session in Detroit, Michigan:

Recording Secretary: Katie Farney

President's Office: Ora Williams

Secretarial Office: Marion Nyman Mrs. Marjorie Marsh

Mildred Dumas Vivienne Nye Mrs. Elaine Larkin Mrs. Alice Roth

Mrs. Leona Long

<u>Treasurer's Office:</u> Mrs. Vera Baker Verna Slate
Mrs. Loretta Drake Freda Teis

Grace Johnson I. H. Harrison

Frances Slate

Cashier's Office: A. L. Tucker Mrs. Gerda Schoen H. L. Dyer Mrs. T. Carcich

Mrs. Norma Ashlin

Transportation Office: Mrs. Muriel Christiansen Karsten Aasheim

Yvonne Olsen L. M. Davison
I. M. Vacquer

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION -- INVITATIONS TO SECRETARIAL AND OTHER WORKERS (continued):

Special

R. L. Odom S. O. Francisco C. D. Forshee

General Stenographic Pool:

Mrs. Grace Sampson, in Charge

June Vogt, Assistant Irene Caslow Clara Gilbert Mrs. Edith Harper Ethel Howard Mrs. Martha Kiesz

Mrs. Grace Mohn

Mrs. Ruby Phalen Mrs. Beatrice Pierce Mrs. Abda Rosado Mrs. Mary Speidel Mrs. Dorothy Tull

Audra Wood

Reporting and Transcribing:

Edna Edeburn, in Charge Mrs. Juanita Hodde Nancy Daugherty Laurell Peterson Irene Denny Mrs. Dolly Weber Thelma Wellman Betty Hendershot

Departmental Help at General Conference Session

Auditing:

Mrs. Dorothy Emmerson

Educational:

Archa Dart

Mrs. Elane Rogers

Esda:

N. W. Litchfield I. A. Krautschick LaVerne DeVaughn

Myrtle McGee

Mrs. Doris Sickler Eugene Whipps

Home Missionary:

Maybelle Vandermark

Marcedene Wood

Insurance:

Harry House A. L. Edeburn H. A. Brummett Mrs. Anna Belcher Stanton Parker

Maintenance:

A. F. Folger Edwin Pester

Medical:

Mrs. Mona Pascoe Ella May Stoneburner

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION --

INVITATIONS TO SECRETARIAL AND OTHER WORKERS (concluded):

Ministerial: Ina White

Mrs. Irma Ritchie

Missionary Volunteer: Mildred Johnson

Lowell Litten Mrs. Phyllis Ball

North American Booth: Mrs. Garnette Higgins

North American Regional: Ruby Jones

<u>Public Relations</u>: Meridell Blost

Joyce Griffith Mrs. Jean Tharp (One other)

Religious Liberty: Mrs. Ione Paully

Publishing: Mrs. Earline Howe

Radio-TV: Margaret Fuller

Sabbath School: Louise Meyer

Mary Ogle Martha Lunt

<u>Self-Supporting</u>: Beverly Tiberghien

Temperance: Euel Atchley

Mrs. Oilene Liu

White Publications: D. A. Delafield

Mrs. Dixie Litten Mrs. Clark Smith

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO ATTEND:

VOTED, That all General Conference Committee members resident in the North American Division be authorized to attend the 1966 General Conference session in Detroit, Michigan, at the expense of their employing organizations.

GO MAGAZINE--CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE:

Authorization was given at the 1965 Autumn Council for the appointment of a representative committee to study items connected with $\underline{\text{Go}}$ Magazine. In harmony with a recommendation from the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To appoint the following as members of the Go Magazine Consultative Committee: R. S. Watts, Chairman; J. E. Edwards, R. S. Joyce, J. R. Johnson, C. E. Palmer, H. W. Peterson, V. W. Schoen, and C. C. Weis.

W. C. S. RAITT--RECOMMENDED FOR SUSTENTATION:

W. C. S. Raitt, a worker from England, who has served in the Trans-Africa Division for a number of years, is now ready for retirement.

VOTED, That the name of W. C. S. Raitt be recommended to the Northern European Division to be placed on Sustentation support as of January 1, 1966.

HECTOR J. PEVERINI --

FIELD SECRETARY SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

Hector J. Peverini has served as President of the Austral Union Conference for the past ten years. In harmony with a recommendation from the South American Division, it was--

VOTED, That Hector J. Peverini be appointed as Field Secretary for the South American Division.

CLINE B. JOHNSON--USE OF PLANE AUTHORIZED:

In harmony with a request from the South American Division, it was--

VOTED, To accede to the request of the South American Division that Cline B. Johnson, who has been appointed to serve as Director of the Nevati Mission Station in Peru, be authorized to use a plane in connection with his work in the Pucallpa area; with the understanding that the plane will be operated in harmony with the directions given by the controlling committee; also that the provisions of the General Conference Working Policy, page 44, sections 1-6, will be met.

MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE -- MRS. MARJORIE CORNOR APPOINTED MEMBER:

Information has been received from the Medical Department that Miss Martha Johnson, of the Kettering Memorial Hospital, will be unable to serve on the Medical Advisory Committee. In harmony with the recommendation of the Medical Department, it was--

VOTED, That Mrs. Marjorie Cornor be appointed to serve on the Medical Advisory Committee as a replacement for Miss Martha Johnson.

MILITARY CHAPLAINS -- ECCLESIASTICAL ENDORSEMENT:

James Jefferson North, Jr., a Minister in the employ of the Oregon Conference, is recommended by the National Service Organization Committee for ecclesiastical endorsement for a Military Chaplaincy; and also for ordination. He has given excellent service and is recommended as an outstanding worker by his conference president and by others who are acquainted with his work.

VOTED, That ecclesiastical endorsement be given for a Military Chaplaincy for James Jefferson North, Jr.; and that arrangements be made for him to be ordained to the gospel ministry at a suitable time and place, the details to be worked out by the National Service Organization Committee.

Gary D. Strunk is recommended by the National Service Organization Committee for ecclesiastical endorsement as a Military Chaplain. He is ordained and experienced, and is now studying at Andrews University. He expects to receive the B.D. degree in August, 1966. Favorable recommendations have been received from the North Pacific Union Conference concerning him.

VOTED, That ecclesiastical endorsement be given for a Military Chaplaincy for Gary D. Strunk.

W. DUNCAN EVA--TO ENGLAND:

On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That authorization be given W. Duncan Eva to return to England on March 7, 1966, to endeavor to complete his transfer of citizenship, and prepare to make his residence in the United States. (It is understood he will return to Washington, D.C., the middle of April, 1966.)

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH-STATE RELATIONS--MEETING:

VOTED, To authorize a meeting of the Committee on Church-State Relations on April 7, 1966, at the close of the Spring Meeting of the General Conference Committee. The meeting is to be held in the General Conference office, Room B, beginning at 9 A.M.

NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION -- SEGREGATION OF BUDGETS:

VOTED, To approve the segregation of budgets for the two union missions in the Northern European Division, -- the West African Union Mission and Ethiopian Union Mission; with the understanding the figures will be on record in the Treasury office.

E. V. ELTZ--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of E. V. Eltz from Sao Paulo, Brazil, on his request, he having served as Physical Therapist at the Sao Paulo Clinic the past ten years; and in harmony with the recommendation of the South American Division.

ELIZABETH L. MAYWALD--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Elizabeth L. Maywald, daughter of G. W. Maywald, a Departmental Secretary in the Southern Asia Division, to Australia, for educational reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

I. B. BURTON--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return to Canada of I. B. Burton, from Burundi, Africa, on his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

DELLA M. LAMB--RELEASED:

VOTED, To authorize the release of Della M. Lamb from appointment as a Nurse for Ranchi, India, on her request, as she feels she should be more mature before responding to an overseas call.

A. JOSEF GREIG--RELEASED:

VOTED, That A. Josef Greig be released from the call as Bible Teacher for River Plate College, since he does not see his way clear to accept.

G. S. WILSON--MAURITIUS:

A call from the Southern European Division for an Indian worker for Mauritius was passed on to the Southern Asia Division on April 30, 1964. They have recommended the name of G. S. Wilson, a native evangelist in the Northwestern India Union, who speaks Hindi. He has served successfully in evangelism for eleven years.

VOTED, That the Southern Asia Division and Northwestern India Union be requested to release G. S. Wilson, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern European Division as an Indian worker for Mauritius.

JAMES R. HOEHN--IRAN:

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences be requested to release James R. Hoehn, a third year intern, and that he be invited to connect with the Middle East Division as a Pastor-Evangelist in Iran.

NAOMI BULLARD -- ZAMBIA, AFRICA:

VOTED, That the Loma Linda University be requested to release Miss Naomi Bullard, and that she be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division for service as a Nurse in the Mwami Hospital and Leprosarium in Zambia, Africa.

GARY B. PATTERSON--RIVER PLATE COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union and Idaho Conferences be requested to release Gary B. Patterson, and that he be appointed as Bible Teacher for River Plate College, in Argentina.

JEC. LEDBETTER -- BELEM HOSPITAL, BRAZIL:

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VOTED, To pass on to J. C. Ledbetter, formerly of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, an invitation to connect with the South American Division as Laboratory Technician in the Belem Hospital, Para, Brazil.

WILLIAM L. WOODRUFF--BEIRUT, LEBANON:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union and Pennsylvania Conferences be requested to release William L. Woodruff, and that he be invited to connect with the Middle East Division as Pastor-Evangelist for Beirut, Lebanon.

GERALD A. JONES, M.D. -- SURAT, INDIA:

VOTED, That Gerald A. Jones, M.D., of Portland, Oregon, be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division for service in the Surat Hospital, in India.

FRED NORMAN POTTLE--TANZANIA:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union and Ohio Conferences be requested to release Fred Norman Pottle, now serving as Assistant Treasurer in the Ohio Conference, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of the Tanzania Union.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

- W. R. Beach--Columbus, Ohio, speaking appointment, January 29; Human Relations Seminar, January 30;
- M. V. Campbell--Portland, Tennessee, Kentucky-Tennessee Conference session, April 22-24;

Theodore Carcich--Chicago, Illinois, Lake Region Conference appointments, February 18, 19 (date change; en route from West Coast);

- E. E. Cleveland, J. E. Edwards, C. E. Moseley--Atlanta, Georgia, Laymen's Congress, April 15-17 (date change);
- E. E. Cossentine--Washington, D.C., Commission on Financing of Christian Education, and Spring Meeting, April 3-7;
- J. E. Edwards--Oshawa, Ontario, annual Ingathering Committee and Home Missionary Rally, April 8, 9;

Faith for Today Quartet--Ontario, Canada, Columbia Union Canoe Trip, August 21-31;

Melvin Harris--Kettering, Ohio, Kettering Hospital, fire orientation, three trips, two days each; Boston, Massachusetts, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company Safety Institute, October 31-November 3;

Mazie Herin--St. Louis, Missouri, National League of Nursing, March 3-5;

W. A. Higgins--Collegedale, Tennessee, Publishing Institute, February 22-24; Andrews University, annual Publishing Training School, March 12-17; Oakwood College, Publishing Institute, March 31-April 2;

Melvin Harris, Richard Hill, Harold Messenger--Memphis, Tennessee, Fire Instructors' Conference, March 21-25;

- W. A. Howe--Detroit, Michigan, Education Department Meeting, February 9 (from Cleveland, Ohio);
- D. S. Johnson--Florida Conference, Florida Conference session and recruitment, March 4-9;

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

- N. W. Litchfield--Detroit and Chicago, National Association of Fleet Administrators' Meeting, March 20-23;
- M. E. Loewen--Collegedale, Tennessee, Southern Missionary College, Religious Liberty business, March 17; Bass Memorial Academy, Lumberton, Mississippi, Conference session and speaking appointment, March 18, 19;
- J. W. Peeke--Chicago, Illinois, Lake Region Conference, Insurance, two days in early February;
 - F. L. Peterson--Pacific Union, speaking appointments, April 9-30;
 - Leston Post--Detroit and Washington, D.C., re session, January 28-February 7;
- R. J. Radcliffe--Chicago, Home Health Education Service Credit Managers' Meeting (union-wide), January 27;
- V. W. Schoen--Cicero, Indiana, Indiana Camp Meeting, June 10, 11 (en route Detroit);
- H. D. Singleton--Springfield, Ohio, speaking appointment, January 29 (en route Columbus); Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy Board and speaking appointments, February 11-17; Hawthorne, Florida, South Atlantic Conference session and Camp Meeting, May 26-30;
- F. A. Soper--Pacific Union, Temperance appointments, February 3-19; Pacific Press, February 20-22; North Pacific Union, February 23-28; Central Union, March 2-6; Chicago, Illinois, March 7;
- Ella May Stoneburner--Pacific Union, visit schools, January 30-March 8 (change);
- A. F. Tarr--Mount Vernon, Ohio, Ohio Conference session and appointments, April 1-3:
- R. M. Davidson--Colleges and Universities of North America, assist in changeover of accounting systems; time to be arranged;

Charles Keymer and eastern members of General Conference Session Music Committee, Takoma Park; plans for session music; time to be arranged;

- H. E. Rice--Ohio Conference, Medical Department business, January 27; Cincinnati, Blue Cross Board, January 28; Hinsdale, Denver, St. Helena, Medical Department business; Los Angeles, Medical Committees; Dallas, North American Hospital Association Board; Nashville and Dayton, Medical Department business and Kettering Memorial Hospital Board, February 2-17; Walla Walla, College Senior Recognition Day, Walla Walla General Hospital Survey, Upper Columbia Conference appointments, February 10-14; Minneapolis, Northern Union Leadership Council, February 25 to March 2; Andrews University, Modern Church and State Problems Conference, June 10-12 (en route to Detroit);
- R. S. Watts--South Central Conference session and speaking appointments, Huntsville, Alabama, January 27-29; Nashville, Tennessee, for appointments, January 30; Georgia-Cumberland Conference session and speaking appointments, February 11-14; Carolina Conference session and speaking appointments, April 1-4.

Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

M. V. Campbell, Chairman W. P. Bradley, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary