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L. C. Naden, Lawrence M. Nelson, M. S. Nigrig, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe,
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Wilcox, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood

Others present:

C. D. Forshee, N. W. Litchfield, Wayne A. Martin, S. A. Nagel, M. D.

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"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" was sung to open the meeting.

Prayer by Roger A. Wilcox.

F. L. Bland, Chairman, said that L. C. Naden, President of the Australasian
Division, would bring to us the devotional thoughts.

L. C. Naden read from John 12, verses 27 and 28, the meditative prayer of
our Lord, in which He asked, How can I ask the Father to save me from this
my mission, and then prayed, Father, glorify thy name. And a voice from heaven
said He had glorified it and would glorify it again. The name of our blessed
Lord was glorified through the ministry of Jesus. He came down to this earth
to reveal God the Father, and He did it successfully. Elder Naden relates an
incident in which while he was traveling from San Francisco to the South Seas,
an ex-Methodist fellow traveler asked him what God is like. The traveler
said he had asked this question of hundreds of people. Elder Naden replied,
telling him that if he would study the person of the Lord Jesus Christ, and
read about Him in the four gospels, he would know what God is like. Jesus
came to this world to reveal God the Father in His ministry on earth. That
was quite a satisfactory answer to his question.
Jesus had power to break the shackles of sin, and a mighty transformation was wrought in the lives of individuals. We have a marvelous promise to us that God is going to glorify His name through the ministry of the remnant. God is going to be glorified and is being glorified through the ministry of the Advent Church. God has called us on time, and He will be with us right through to the end of time. Elder Naden expressed confidence in his heart that we are going to see the fulfillment of this wonderful promise. He exhorted that as leaders in our ministry we will glorify His name, and soon we will see the realization of our hope and be at home at last in the kingdom of God. We are to have complete trust in the promise of our heavenly Father for the finishing of His work.

INGATHERING REPORT:

J. E. Edwards, Lay Activities Department Secretary, said it is always a privilege to bring to the Committee an item of inspiring news.

On Monday, September 30, they received this telegram from the Carolina Conference, signed by E. S. Reile, President, and Hugh Leggett, Secretary of the Lay Activities Department of the Carolina Conference:

"CAROLINA CONFERENCE REPORTS VANGUARD GOAL OF $134,770 for 1969. OVERFLOW YET TO COME."

Elder Edwards added: We like that second-mile spirit. This is the first Silver Vanguard Conference in this year's crusade. Carolinas sets the pace for North America and the world field.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 26, 1968, were approved.

Theodore Carcich stated that while in Dallas, Texas, recently, they noticed a very fine Associated Press article on Medic David G. Chedester, from California. He is a remarkable representative of SDA military personnel, possibly next to Corporal Desmond Doss. The story received quite a bit of coverage. As an Adventist he witnessed before the world under very trying circumstances.

RICHARD OLIVER STENBAKKEN--ECCLESIASTICAL ENDORSEMENT:

Information was presented concerning Richard Oliver Stenbakken, of the Central Union and Wyoming Conferences. His name is being considered for a military chaplaincy. He possesses the necessary requirements, with the exception of his ordination, and there is a possibility this can soon be arranged.

VOTED, That we offer to Richard Oliver Stenbakken an appointment, for later ecclesiastical endorsement for the military chaplaincy, contingent upon his ordination.

WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS--ATTENDANCE:

On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, the following report from a subcommittee appointed to consider attendance at the World Youth Congress in Zurich, was adopted:
Those who have already been voted to attend the World Youth Congress in Zurich, July 22-26, 1969, are as follows: Speakers--K. H. Pierson, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, Neal C. Wilson.

Those already authorized to be traveling in Europe on other business at the time of the World Youth Congress--O. A. Blake, M. E. Kemmerer, V. W. Schoen, W. R. Beach.

Those who have been requested by the MV Department personnel to attend the World Youth Congress are as follows: Clark Smith, Charles Martin, Paul DeBooy, John Hancock, Lawrence Nelson, Lowell Litten, and Theodore Lucas.

VOTED, That the following be authorized to attend the World Youth Congress: O. A. Blake, M. E. Kemmerer, V. W. Schoen, W. R. Beach, Clark Smith, Charles Martin, Paul DeBooy, John Hancock, Lawrence Nelson, Lowell Litten, Theodore Lucas.

INDONESIA RUPIAH--RATE OF EXCHANGE:

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

VOTED, That the exchange rate for the Indonesia Rupiah be changed from 350 to the U.S. dollar, or .0028571, to 450 to the U.S. dollar, or .0022222; effective October 1, 1968.

SHARON MARIE CURTIS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Sharon Marie Curtis, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. V. L. Curtis, from Vellore, India, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

KENNETH AND KATHLEEN HALVORSEN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Kenneth and Kathleen Halvorsen, children of Mr. and Mrs. Lester R. Halvorsen, of West Pakistan, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

JENNIFER LEOTA HIGGINS--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Jennifer Leota Higgins, daughter of Elder and Mrs. Ivan D. Higgins, from India, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

CHERYLENE MacLEAN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Cherylene MacLean, daughter of Elder and Mrs. George M. MacLean, of West Pakistan, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

CHARLES, BETTY, AND JAMES NAGEL--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Charles, Betty, and James Nagel, children of Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Nagel, from Biafra, West Africa, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division.
DR. L. W. MAULDIN--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Dr. L. W. Mauldin be released from the call to be head of the Education Department in Japan Missionary College, and Educational Secretary of the Japan Union Mission, he having requested release for personal reasons.

MRS. RUTH CHUNG--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Ruth Chung, from Taiwan, be released from appointment to serve as a Nurse in the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, Libya, since she has not responded to the call.

LYDIA CABALLERO--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Lydia Caballero, of Manila, the Philippines, be released from appointment to the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, Libya, as an Assistant Dietitian, she having requested release from the call.

AASE HESTDALEN--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Aase Hestdalen, of the North York Branson Hospital, be released from the call to serve as a Nurse in the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, Libya, since she has declined.

GLEE KING--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Glee King, of Loma Linda University, be released from the affiliate appointment to the Middle East College Business Department, since the arrangement has not worked out.

ARTHUR L. DAVY--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Arthur L. Davy be released from the call to serve as President of the South Rwanda Field, he having declined to respond at the present time.

JAMES WONG--BENGHAZI ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

On July 11, 1968, a call was passed from the Middle East Division to the Far Eastern Division for a Laboratory Technician for the Benghazi Adventist Hospital.

VOTED, To transfer the open call from the Middle East Division to James Wong, of Hong Kong, to serve as a Laboratory Technician for the Benghazi Adventist Hospital.

ADOLPHE QUIRICI--FRENCH POLYNESIAN MISSION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern European Division a call from the Australasian Division for Adolphe Quirici, of France, to serve as Pastor-District Director of the French Polynesian Mission.

MAXINE ATTEBERRY--FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Miss Maxine
Atteberry, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Assistant Medical Secretary.

**DR. EDWARD HEPPENSTALL--PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE:**

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Dr. Edward Heppenstall, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Bible Teacher in the School of Graduate Studies for the Philippine Union College.

**LAWRENCE D. HANSEN--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:**

VOTED, That Lawrence D. Hansen, a sophomore student at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, be placed under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:**

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

- R. C. Barger--Atlanta, Georgia, Southern Union Sabbath School Congress, February 20-22, 1969;
- Manuel Carballal--New York City, American Management Association, November 19-22;
- L. M. Davison--Paris (from London) Visit SDA Transportation Office, 3 to 4 days in October;
- Paul DeBooy--Kingsway College, Branson School of Nursing, Canadian Union MV Secretaries Council, October 16-20; Canadian Union College, MV Meetings, October 31-November 3; Andrews University, MV Meetings, October 21-26 (direct from Toronto); Sun Valley, Idaho, North Pacific Union MV Secretaries' Council, November 4-7; Walla Walla College, MV Meetings, November 7-11; Pacific Union College, MV Meetings, November 12-17; Loma Linda University (both campuses), MV Meetings, November 18-23; Oakwood College, MV Meetings, December 6-10; Union College, MV Meetings, December 11-14; Union College (Denver Campus), MV Meetings, December 15-17;
- D. A. Delafield--Loma Linda and La Sierra, California, Speaking Appointments, December 11-19;
- N. R. Dower--New Haven, Connecticut (round trip), Holding series of meetings in Connecticut and to return to Washington for meetings, October 2;
- Mervyn Hardinge (Loma Linda University)--Central California, "Better Living Seminar," November 15-17;
- J. O. Iversen--New York City, Board of Management of Broadcasting and Film Commission and other audio-visual work, September 29-October 3;
- M. E. Kemmerer--New York, Atlantic Union Departmental Council, November 11-13;
- Lowell Litten--Wheeling, West Virginia, Columbia Union MV Secretaries' Council, October 27-31;
- T. E. Lucas--Kankakee, Illinois, Evangelistic Series, November 1-9;
- Lawrence Maxwell--Staunton, Virginia, Speaking Appointments, October 4, 5;
- G. R. Nash--Kingsport, Tennessee, Church Dedication, October 25, 26;
- Lawrence Nelson--Central Union, MV Secretarial Council, October 27-30; Northern Union, MV Secretarial Council, October 30-November 1; Southern Union, MV Secretarial Council, November 3-8, 1968;
- P. S. Nelson--New York, Consultation with doctors for Jamaica and consult with Elder Jensen, October 3, 4;
APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (Concluded):
R. J. Radcliffe--Oshawa, Ontario, Treasurers' and Auditors' Council, October 17;
C. E. Randolph--Miami Beach, Florida, AMA Clinical Session, December 1-4;
Marvin Reeder--Miami Beach, Florida, Public Relations Departmental Council for
Southern Union, November 6-10;
Clark Smith--El Paso, Texas, Southwestern Departmental Council, November 3-5; San
Antonio, Texas, Whitecoat Project, November 6-8;
Paul Smith--El Paso, Texas, Southwestern Departmental Council, November 4-6;
A. L. White--Berrien Springs, Michigan, Prophetic Guidance Classes at Andrews Uni-
versity, November 12-21.

Adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

F. L. Bland, Chairman
D. W. Hunter, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary
The 1968 Autumn Council was held in the Royal York and King Edward Sheraton Hotels, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The opening meeting was held in the Ballroom of the Royal York Hotel.

PRESENT:


As the Autumn Council opened, John H. Hancock, MV Department Associate Secretary led in singing "Do Not Pass Me By," and "Power of Prayer," from the special booklet of hymns compiled for the 1968 Biennial Council.

Andrew C. Fearing, Associate Secretary in the Ministerial Association, extended a warm welcome to all present. He read the following quotation from Acts of the Apostles, page 56:

"Every worker who follows the example of Christ will be prepared to receive and use the power that God has promised to His church for the ripening of earth's harvest. Morning by morning, as the heralds of the gospel kneel before the Lord and renew their vows of consecration to Him, He will grant them the presence of His Spirit, with its reviving, sanctifying power. As they go forth to the day's duties, they have the assurance that the unseen agency of the Holy Spirit enables them to be 'laborers together with God.'"

He said we are in one of the finest cities of North America, and in one of the great nations of the world, the millions of Canada.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Elder Fearing then outlined the program for this meeting and named the participants.

"I Would Draw Nearer to Him," the opening hymn, was announced by George B. Nelson, President of Kettering Medical Center.

The Secretary of the Australasian Division, F. T. Maberly, offered prayer.

"O What a Day That Will Be," was sung by R. E. Adams, Temperance Department Associate Secretary; accompanied by Mrs. W. W. Fordham at the piano.

R. H. Pierson, General Conference President, said the theme of the song Elder Adams has just brought to us this morning is the desire of our hearts. We are here for one reason--because we believe that day is soon coming. We have no greater desire than that we should be ready for that great day.

This is an historic event--the first Autumn Council ever to be held outside of the United States. We are glad that in this great land we can meet together and forward God's work in the Autumn Council. This is a world-wide program, not centered in one country. It reaches around the world.
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Elder Pierson welcomed all the delegates: "The Lord has protected and brought you here safely and without mishap. We personally welcome you. We welcome our ladies. We want you to feel an intricate part of this great Advent family. The General Conference and Division leaders are given a special welcome. We are glad you are here; we want you to take part."

He then introduced L. C. Naden, President of the Australasian Division, as a worker of many years' experience, who is loved and believed in by the members of that field. Elder Pierson had requested him to present the devotional message.

L. C. Naden said it is a great privilege to be here, a great responsibility to speak to God's men. He had chosen as his text Hebrews 9: 27, "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." This is a very solemn warning to us all. The apostle declares that there is a day of judgment coming. When probation closes for us either by death or by decree, the next thing for us is the judgment. Seventh-day Adventists believe that the judgment commenced in 1844. They believe that when the great prophetic clock in heaven struck the hour, 1844, God raised up a people who fulfilled the prophecy. This movement, we believe, is the response of history to the call of prophecy. Since that day in 1844 the message has been proclaimed in all the earth. We present here this morning can testify to the fact that God's message is reaching every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. It commenced on time, the Lord is with us, and it is going to finish on time.

Who are affected by the judgment? In 1 Peter 4: 7 we note that judgment commences with the house of God. The second phase during the millennium has to do with the judgment of the wicked. When the judgment concludes there will never be a question concerning the love and justice of God. What is the purpose of the judgment? In the Review and Herald of November 24, 1874, it states the purpose of the judgment is to determine who of the myriads now sleeping in the dust of the earth are worthy of a part in the first resurrection and who of its living multitudes are worthy of translation. The judgment does not change our characters.

What is the basis of the judgment? We are judged from the things written in the book, Daniel 7. What we need to be concerned about is that we do not have our records appearing in that great day with sins unconfessed and unforgiven. What a tremendous thing it is that when we accept the Lord Jesus we are privileged to wear the robe of His righteousness by faith, this lovely, pure spotless robe of Christ's righteousness. When we come into judgment, what an encouraging thing it is to know that Calvary covers it all. Now, the administration of the judgment—the Father presides, but the Bible says that judgment has been committed unto the Son. John 5: 22. When is the judgment of the living going to take place? The pioneers believed it was going to take place at the close of probation with reference to the living. We are living in the closing moments of time. May we keep our sins confessed and covered. As we lead people to contemplate the great judgment-hour message may we preach Jesus. May we point them to Him in whom we have a hiding place, and who will bring us successfully through the judgment. May the Lord bless us all to this end.

The benediction was given by Orville D. Wright, President of the Pennsylvania Conference.
At 10:45 A.M., R. H. Pierson called the first business meeting of the 1968 Autumn Council.

CANADIAN WELCOME--APPRECIATION:

R. H. Pierson introduced J. W. Bothe, President of the Canadian Union Conference, and Phillip Moores, President of the Ontario-Quebec Conference.

Elder Bothe said the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada are glad to have the 1968 Autumn Council convene in Toronto. They are happy their territory has been chosen. Many of our delegates have visited Canada in times past. Others are visiting with them for the first time. Their visit will be of real inspiration to our people.

He stated that Canada is the second largest country in the world. It is thirty-four million square miles in area. It has a population of a little over twenty million. We have work in ten provinces, divided up in five local conferences, two missions, two junior colleges, one offering a senior course in theology; the Kingsway Publishing Association, and Maracle Press; two hospitals and three nursing homes. Their church membership is in excess of 17,000.

The delegates are acquainted with their territory—the countries stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans. Their territory touches five of the unions in North America.

Expressing the hope that the delegates' stay with them will be a very pleasant one, he said a package will be placed in their hands, containing some souvenirs and items of interest to the delegates in their stay here, giving places where they might wish to eat, and concerning transportation to places of interest. The Sabbath meetings will be in the Queen Elizabeth Building on the Canadian National Exhibition Grounds. The churches in the surrounding area will join with us on this important day. The Canadian Union and Ontario-Quebec Conferences are providing tickets for box lunches to be served free to the delegates and their wives on the Sabbath. Also arrangements are made for a tour of Toronto and a visit to the North York Branson Hospital, on Thursday afternoon, October 10, by the wives of the delegates to the Council.

Philip Moores extended a hearty and warm welcome from the largest conference on the American continent; saying the Ontario-Quebec Conference has the largest population of any conference in the North American Division. He proffered their service and expressed the hope the delegates will be happy. This is a world church. We are not just to have an interest in Canada, but work for the interests of the world field. They are trying to catch the spirit of this. They have asked their people to respond. Our people have contributed $35,000 for a special evangelistic campaign. Through the program "It Is Written" they have begun to acquaint the people in this great city anew with Adventism. During recent weeks, 200,000 people have called to show their interest in this program. It is planned this shall be the beginning of a great evangelistic program.

He said we will find the services in this city will have the functional flexibility to supply our need. It will provide an atmosphere wherein the good Lord can send His Holy Spirit to bless us and make this Council a great success.
VOTED, To record a vote of thanks to Elders J. W. Bothe and Philip Moores and all our Canadian brethren for their wonderful hospitality and for the good news they have conveyed to us this morning.

Elder Pierson expressed thanks to Elder Bothe and Elder Moores for their very cordial welcome, and for arranging so graciously for the Sabbath meetings.

PROGRAM BOOKLETS:

The booklets containing the program and agenda items for the Autumn Council were placed in the hands of the delegates.

MESSAGES OF GREETING:

W. R. Beach, Secretary, presented greetings to the Autumn Council, as follows:

A cable from G. O. Adams, Fort-of-Spain, Trinidad, containing greetings and assurance of prayer for God's blessing on the Council;

A cable from the Tanzania Union Committee, asking us to accept assurance of their continual support and earnest prayers especially during the Autumn Council session;

From K. Paw, President of the Burma Union; from Korea, a land on fire for the last messages of God, they having sent special greetings; also from Rumania, a land where there are 40,000 Seventh-day Adventists; we have special greetings from these individuals. From others formerly of the General Conference staff; R. R. Figuhr wanted to be remembered.

VOTED, To receive these greetings, and instruct the Secretary to reciprocate with an expression of our prayers and good wishes.

DAILY PROGRAM:

VOTED, That the Daily Program for the 1968 Autumn Council, as given in the program booklet, be adopted, as follows:

A.M.
8:00 - 8:50 Special Committees, Officers Meetings
9:00 - 9:45 Devotional
10:00 - 12:00 Council

P.M.
12:00 - 1:30 Lunch
2:30 - 3:45 Committees
4:00 - 5:30 Council or Committees
5:30 - 7:00 Supper
7:30 - 9:00 Division Reports, Special Meetings

STANDING COMMITTEES:

VOTED, That Standing Committees for the 1968 Autumn Council be appointed
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as follows:

Additional Personnel to Standing Committees: F. L. Bland, Chairman
  W. F. Bradley
  D. W. Hunter

Auditing: R. H. Pierson, Chairman; M. E. Kemmerer, Secretary

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A. B. Butler, E. W. Howe, R. H. Nightingale, R. Unnersten
M. V. Campbell, D. W. Hunter, M. S. Nigri, E. R. Walde
Theodore Carcich, G. A. Huse, A. R. Norcliffe, W. D. Walton
W. O. Coe, I. H. Thrig, R. E. Osborn, R. S. Watts
R. L. Cone, R. L. Jacobs, C. E. Palmer, F. C. Webster
L. W. Crocker, D. S. Johnson, W. L. Pascoe, F. W. Wernick
J. L. Dittherner, R. S. Joyce, Percy Paul, S. S. Will
E. W. Dunbar, L. D. Kattenhorn, J. W. Peeke, W. A. Wild
N. W. Dunn, M. E. Kemmerer, W. E. Phillips, R. A. Wilcox
H. L. Dyer, C. Klam, R. H. Pierson, G. C. Williamson
P. H. Eldridge, B. J. Kohler, C. L. Powers, Neal C. Wilson
J. O. Emmerson, B. E. Leach, R. J. Radcliffe, E. C. Wines
W. D. Eva, M. E. Lind, H. E. Rice

Music: J. H. Hancock, Chairman; W. J. Brown; W. W. Fordham

Nominations: R. H. Pierson, Chairman; W. P. Bradley, Secretary

B. L. Archbold, P. H. Eldridge, M. E. Loewen, C. L. Powers
W. R. Beach, K. H. Emmerson, Alf Lohne, R. C. Remboldt
D. J. Bieber, W. D. Eva, R. S. Lowry, H. C. Retzer
R. R. Bietz, M. Frieldin, T. E. Lucas, V. L. Roberts
W. J. Blacker, O. Gmelting, F. R. Millard, C. Sandefur
J. W. Bothe, W. J. Hackett, O. T. Moline, W. M. Schneider
O. Bremer, W. L. Hammill, L. C. Naden, R. S. Watts
M. V. Campbell, E. W. Howe, W. A. Nelson, F. C. Webster
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Plans: M. V. Campbell, Chairman; C. O. Franz, Secretary

Carson Adams  J. E. Edwards  M. E. Lind  Fernon Retzer
R. E. Adams  J. O. Emerson  G. W. Liscombe  Helmuth C. Retzer
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J. J. Aitken  A. A. Esteb  M. E. Loewen  R. L. Reynolds
K. F. Ambos  W. A. Fagal  H. W. Lowe  H. E. Rice
Wesley Amundsen  A. C. Fearing  R. S. Lowry  F. O. Rittenhouse
G. T. Anderson  V. A. Penn  T. E. Lucas  Arthur Roth
R. A. Anderson  R. E. Finney  F. T. Maebly  J. D. Ruffcorn
B. L. Archbold  T. R. Flainz, M.D.  C. D. Martin  G. H. Rustad
Euel Atchley  K. Fleck  A. S. Maxwell  C. Sanderfur
D. H. Baasch  W. W. Fordham  R. A. Matthews  Marlowe Schaffer, M.D.
A. L. Bachman  R. W. Fowler  D. A. McAmans  H. H. Schmidt
R. Curtis Barger  R. R. Frame  A. V. McClure  W. M. Schneider
B. B. Beach  M. Fridlin  M. C. Middiff  V. W. Schoen
W. R. Beach  T. S. Geraty  F. R. Millard  G. M. Schrem
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K. C. Beem  I. E. Gillis  R. W. Moore  J. V. Scully
D. J. Bieber  O. Gnehling  C. E. Moseley  L. A. Senseman
F. W. Bieber  C. E. Guenther  E. L. Minchin  E. F. Scullin
R. R. Bietz  C. B. Guild  C. J. Nagele  C. P. Shobe
W. J. Blacker  W. J. Hackett  G. R. Nash  Clark Smith
M. J. Blair  F. W. Hale  G. B. Nelson  P. G. Smith
O. A. Blake  R. L. Haamill  L. M. Nelson  W. G. Soloniuk
F. L. Bland  J. H. Hancock  G. B. Nelson  F. A. Soper
L. L. Book  J. C. Hansen  R. A. Nelson  C. P. Sorensen
J. W. Bothe  W. C. Hatch  M. S. Nigri  W. M. Starks
O. Bremer  M. Carol Hetzall  Boardman Noland  B. H. Stickle
W. J. Brown  W. A. Higgins  J. W. Osborn  I. V. Stonebrook
A. B. Butler  R. R. Hegstad  R. E. Osborn  A. G. Streifling
Theodore Carich  Earle Hilgert  C. E. Palmer  Carl Sundin
James Chase  C. B. Hirsch  Roy Parsons, M.D.
Ernest F. Ching  D. W. Holbrook  W. L. Pascoe
E. E. Cleveland  A. N. How  E. W. Pedersen
R. E. Cleveland  W. A. Howe  F. L. Petersen
B. L. Colon  E. W. Howe  W. E. Phillips
E. E. Cossentine  D. W. Hunter  R. H. Pierson
E. A. Crawford  G. A. Huse  A. V. Pinkney
C. G. Cross  I. H. Ihrig  C. L. Powers
D. Cummings  B. E. Jacobs  W. B. Quigley
H. C. Currie  R. L. Jacobs  R. J. Radcliffe
G. C. Dart  D. S. Johnson  R. L. Scott
R. M. Davidson  Weber Johnson  I. E. Rembold
Paul M. DeBey  H. D. Johnson  E. J. Remboldt
R. M. Devis  M. E. Kemmerer  R. C. Remboldt
D. E. Dirksen  Arthur Kiesz  Neal C. Wilson
H. E. Douglass  B. J. Kohler  J. W. Wilson
N. R. Dower  J. C. Kozel  O. D. Wright
J. L. Ditternber  C. H. Luna  R. M. Reinhard
C. E. Dudley  B. E. Leach  E. J. Remboldt
P. H. Eldridge  W. S. Lee  W. C. Leong
Platform: A. C. Fearing, Chairman; C. E. Dudley; E. R. Walde

Steering: R. H. Pierson, Chairman; W. R. Beach, Secretary

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W. E. Phillips
R. J. Radcliffe
H. D. Singleton
R. S. Watts
Neal C. Wilson

DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS, COMMITTEE ON--CHANGES:

On recommendation of the Committee on Additional Personnel to Standing Committees, it was--

VOTED, That the following changes be made in the Committee on Distribution of Materials: Werber Johnson to replace R. M. Reinhard; and add the name of C. E. Randolph, M.D.

COMMITTEE ON AUTHORIZED MEETINGS FOR 1969--APPOINTED:

VOTED, That a Committee on Authorized Meetings for 1969 be appointed as follows: Neal C. Wilson, Chairman; W. P. Bradley and D. W. Hunter; and the Union Conference Presidents for North America.

REPORT BY THE SECRETARY:

The Secretary, W. R. Beach, reported. Outstanding among the items of interest were the following:

Out of the ancient Book of the prophet leaps this anguished cry, "Who hath believed our report...?" Isaiah 53:1. When we ponder a "report" on the church's world mission today we must recognize that the prophet Isaiah describes a proper and factual setting. The messengers of the mission must know the gospel experience and report. The church of the remnant is not just a church with missions in all the world; it is a missionary church. Our purpose today is to indicate again the way that the church of the remnant must follow, and to a large degree is following in her onward march into "every nation and kindred and tongue and people."

Now nine divisions including North America have become home bases as well as fields of mission, and are contributing well-qualified workers and abundant funds to the forward march of the everlasting gospel. The program has developed at a time when in a land like India, the missionary forces of other churches were reduced by 29%. Despite this and other adverse situations, the SDA churches sent overseas in 1967 new workers, returning workers, and emergency workers; and 63 nationals trained in North America returned to their own lands, numbering 808--72 more last year's total, which was the highest ever. Truly, that is a miracle and a marvel.
I have here a list of new and returning missionaries. That which is very interesting is that the new recruits were 421, the returning recruits were 315; a total of 736. In most divisions outside North America the number of returning missionaries was a little larger than the number of new missionaries. It seems that North America has a little more difficulty to hold returning missionaries. Here we appoint a larger number of new missionaries than returning missionaries. There are several reasons for this, including the fact that many technically trained workers are called from North America, and this type of worker tends to fill shorter assignments.

Now, getting a little closer to this problem, we give the breakdown in terms of service. We can only do this for the North American field. Today some 1500 workers from North America are scattered over the world. Of this number 831 in their first term, 342 are two-termers, 212 are serving their third term, 114 four terms, 31 five terms, 15 six terms, and 7 are beyond seven terms. Apparently, if workers get beyond the first term of service, they probably will be on their way to become career workers overseas.

Presently, from North America we have in the field more overseas workers than in 1964--137. That is progress despite restrictions.

I want to mention, too, the fact that there has been a little change (not too much) in the categories. A smaller number of single workers are going overseas. This may be because many wives of workers today are trained professionally and are doing work that was done by single workers. The wives numbered 570 in 1964 and it is now 653. Single workers were 132 in 1964 and 124 in 1968. The medical workers in 1964 were 220, while today they number 228 from North America, and we have been sending larger numbers from other lands. We need many more medical workers, but the number who respond is on the increase. Administrative workers have increased from 281 to 288. Overseas ministerial workers have been decreasing right along. Technically trained national ministers are getting into the field and can, of course, take the major burden of ministerial work.

He mentioned three other items. One was the centennary of our work in California. Just one hundred years ago the work of God started in that state. Historians described the country then as a "wild and wooly west," barren, unproductive. But the gold rushes came. Since then men have been seeking other "gold" in California, other jewels. Merritt Kello.gg went, then Brethren Bordeau and Loughborough in 1868, and opened up the work in the San Francisco Bay area. It also took deep root in the southern part of California. Today in that great state, as was reported at the centennial services, there are 91,227 Seventh-day Adventists, 360 churches, 12 sanitariums and hospitals, 2 colleges, 20 secondary and 118 elementary schools, a university and also one of our World Foods factories. Thus, in 100 years that "wild and woolly west" has become perhaps the most meaningful home base of the work of God in all the world. We ought to recognize this, and congratulate our brethren and sisters in California.

A further item is that other areas are vying with California. Sao Paulo, Brazil; Sydney, Australia; Buenos Aires, Argentina; and other parts of the world are becoming vital home bases for the church of God.

Another item--a letter from Brother Kali Paw, a very dear friend of so many here. He writes that October 12 to 17 Burma is having a Youth Congress. He
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mentions the joy that comes to him because, for the Youth Congress, two representatives from the General Conference and the Southern Asia Division will stop by. Brother Paw says in a few days now the rains will stop and "we are going to really plunge into evangelism." This kind of attitude strikes a blow for the work.

Further, the Secretary's Report suggests that we record the fact that we are going to pray for this Youth Congress during these days when our youth are assembled in Burma.

We wish to express again our gratitude for the spirit of sacrifice and devotion that has continued to characterize the Seventh-day Adventist outreach. Renewal and outreach are becoming a part of the texture of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. As the President has said many times, This is not just a passing emotional experience. I marvel at what takes place. One young man said not so long ago, "To go where the Church asks me to go, why, that is my marching order." That should be the marching order of everyone in the Church including those who are on the platform today. We ought to erect a monument to the spirit of sacrifice and dedication in the Seventh-day Adventist Church—it would have to be a work of incomparable art. And we would have the people contemplate it daily.

In conclusion, permit this prayer: May God keep His hand of grace and protection over the church as the leaders here rededicate every energy to greater achievements—today, tomorrow, next year, until the work is finished, and our report has been received by the world.

POEMS:

Adlai A. Esteb, Lay Activities Associate Secretary, read the following poems:

On Solving Problems

At this Council we face problems
But we dare not run away;
For the wrestling with our problems
Strengthens us to win the day.

Every morning brings fresh problems,
But this lesson we well know;
The solving of these problems
Helps the Church and men to grow!

The Measure of Success

The measure of success in each life's case,
Is not how tough the problem that you fear,
But whether the problem that you now face
Is the same that you faced last year!

REGISTRATION CARDS:

The Secretary requested that all delegates present register their names
by signing the Registration Cards which had been distributed.

A number of recommendations were placed in the hands of the delegates.

COMMITTEE ON ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL
TO STANDING COMMITTEES--REPORT:

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

VOTED, That James Chase, Werber Johnson, Clarence Laue, R. M. Reinhard, Helmut C. Retzer, and W. D. Walton be appointed as additional members of the Plans Committee.

A schedule of committee meetings called for the remainder of the day was distributed.

R. R. BIETZ--INTRODUCED AS VICE-PRESIDENT:

R. H. Pierson spoke of the need for a representative officer to serve as Chairman of the Loma Linda University Board, and two of the other Boards there on the West Coast. The General Conference called R. R. Bietz, who for eight years has served as President of the Pacific Union Conference. He introduced Elder Bietz to the delegates as our new Vice-President. Elder Bietz will be needed many times in other capacities. We are happy to have him here with the General Conference staff. Elder Bietz expressed his pleasure in being here, and to be connected with the General Conference, saying he will give the best he has.

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon to 4 P.M.

Benediction by A. C. Fearing.

R. H. Pierson, Chairman
W. R. Beach, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Forty-Fifth Meeting
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
October 9, 1968, 4 P.M.

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The second business meeting of the Autumn Council was held in the Royal York Hotel Ballroom. Theodore Carcich served as Chairman.

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," was sung, led by W. W. Fordham, Associate Secretary in the North American Regional Department.

The opening prayer was offered by W. S. Lee, President of the Central States Conference.

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

PROVISION FOR ADDITIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT:

VOTED, To recommend that the 1970 General Conference session give consideration to the amending of the General Conference Constitution By-Laws, Article III, to make provision for electing "up to five vice-presidents."

GENERAL CONFERENCE STAFF--ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL:

Requests from various departments for new personnel were considered by the Home and Overseas Officers and the Union Presidents. After careful study of the request, it was--

VOTED, To recommend to the Autumn Council Nominating Committee that personnel be provided for the following posts:

1. Administration: A General Vice-President.

2. Auditing: An Associate Auditor (to be based in Washington, D. C.)

3. Lay Activities: An Associate Secretary (on basis agreed to by the Department that two of the Department's office secretaries' budgets will be contributed toward the Associate Secretary's budget; no additional office secretary's budget will be requested); the new Associate Secretary will be especially responsible for the Ingathering program in North America.

4. Medical Department Associate Secretary, to serve as Executive Secretary of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Hospital Administrators. The election to be made on the following basis:

a. To be an Associate Secretary in the Medical Department.

b. To serve as Executive Secretary of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Hospital Administrators with the understanding that the Association will alter the organization's rules so that the Association's Executive Secretary will need to be an Associate Secretary of the General Conference Medical Department, elected like other department secretaries.

c. To serve the hospitals of the North American Division only.

d. To carry the Associate Secretary's budget as an integral part of the General Conference budget with the hospitals of the North American Division contributing allotments toward the budget, for 1969, 1970.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

K. H. Emmerson, Treasurer, presented a report, a summary of which follows.

The words of John the Revelator are certainly apropos at this time: "Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." (Rev. 12:12) It is not necessary to tell such a sophisticated group as that assembled
Here is the text of the document:

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here that this old world is in a period of turmoil like unto which has never been seen in its history. Although we have what appears to be a little time of peace, still the world boils with unrest.

Events we have known would take place, but which seemed so impossible or improbable only a few short months or years ago, are now evident on every side. From a human standpoint, conditions now existing exert a negative influence on the work of the Church. Actually, the contrary is true, for never in the history of the work of God has the truth advanced more rapidly than now. The Spirit of God is being poured out upon the peoples of many lands, and tens of thousands are taking their stand for the truth, while thousands of others are in baptismal classes, preparing to join the ranks of the faithful.

Tithes and Mission Offerings: The total tithes received from the world field for the years 1966 and 1967 came to $190,034,655.72. This represents an increase of 41.78 per cent or $56,000,489.03 over the amount for the same two-year period of the last quadrennium. The tithe increase in North America for this period was 38.69 per cent and in the overseas fields 51.25 per cent. Top honors go to the Southern Asia Division, which had a tithe increase of 113.73 per cent. This is truly a most wonderful report.

Let us now look at the mission offerings, making the same comparisons as we have with the tithe. During the last two years, 1966 and 1967, mission offerings contributed in the world field totaled $47,051,062.50—an increase over the same period of the previous quadrennium of $10,246,553.12, or 27.84 per cent. The increase of mission offerings in North America amounted to $6,511,541.74, or 24.15 per cent. In the overseas field the increase was $3,735,011.38, or 37.94 per cent. The percentage of increase in world mission giving was only 27.84 per cent whereas the increase in tithe amounted to 41.78 per cent. Many of our financial problems would certainly have been met if the increase in giving to the world mission program had kept pace with the increase in tithe income.

World Budgets: Look for a moment at the total world budgets that have been voted by the General Conference, starting with the year 1953. In that year the total budget was $18,562,822.86. In 1968 the world budget was $44,753,536.72. The increase from 1953 through 1968 amounts to $26,190,714.00. This is an average annual increase of $1,746,047.60.

Adding to the interest of Elder Emmerson's report was his reading a report of the Treasurer of the General Conference for the year ending May 1, 1866. This showed the amount on hand at the time of the last report, May 12, 1865—$1,739.43. The amount received during the year was $1,751.22, or a total of $3,490.65. The amount paid out since the time of the last report was $1,460.27. The balance in the Treasury on May 1, 1866, was $2,030.38. This was signed by I. D. Van Horn, Treasurer.

Economic Conditions and Trends: One of the very important problems faced each year as the world budget is prepared is that of making a forecast of economic conditions and trends, not only in North America but in the world field. We should keep in mind that to a large extent the base appropriations voted by the Autumn Council each year are not actually in hand. It is through faith and confidence in our laity to provide monies, as well as the use of an educated estimate of the economy, that it is possible to build a budget from year to year. We base our estimates on a wide scope of knowledge and individuals. It is the considered opinion
of the economists that the sharp upward course of prices will begin to slow down by year's end. As they look at the full year, they would expect an average inflationary rate of about 3 per cent.

The projected increase for personal income for the year 1969 will be about 5 per cent. When this is offset by inflation and increased prices, there will be no increase in real terms in personal income for the average individual in the United States. The expectation of the economists is that the pace of business expansion will slow down during the next four quarters.

At the moment there is little or no indication that would support the idea of a recession in the immediate future. Thus the forecast is that the economy will continue to grow slowly during the next twelve months.

Conclusion: I believe that the greatest period of soul-winning of this Church is just before us and that we will soon see what we have all hoped for so long—the outpouring of the Spirit of God in all its fullness, with the result that multitudes will soon take their stand for the truth and join with the members of the remnant Church of God on its march to the kingdom. We, as responsible leaders, I believe, should chart our financial course for 1969 with an awareness to the world conditions that confront us. We certainly must be alert to changes and intelligently cautious, but certainly we should not be discouraged.

The words of my report of last year are still pertinent today. "Our endeavors must be directed to a balanced program, utilizing sound new ideas. We must be conservative, but progressive, substituting outdated fiscal policies for forward looking policies which will assure high returns, blessed by God, for the expanding of the work we so earnestly desire to bring to a rapid conclusion." Let us not forget, Brethren, that "God's solid foundation still stands... The Lord knows those who belong to Him." (2 Tim. 2:19—Phillips' Translation)

The Treasury Report for the Autumn Council of 1968 had been distributed. On request of K. H. Emmerson, the Undertreasurer, O. A. Blake, presented leading facts from this Report. The total net worth as of June 30, 1968, was $31,466,318.09. The actual Operating Capital exceeds the required Capital by $4,183,709.88.


R. E. Osborn, Associate Treasurer, reported further concerning General Conference Investment and Income Funds. The combined net asset values of the two funds totaled $47,987,602.52 on June 30, 1968, having grown from $38,629,427.65 as of the previous June 30.

On request of K. H. Emmerson, the budget requests were presented to the delegates. He said that during the business meeting on Thursday, October 10, M. E. Kemmerer and O. A. Blake will be located nearby in the hallway, and those who have any special appeals to make may confer with them. Elder Blake gave some of the leading figures from the budget requests. The total budget requests for 1969 were listed in the summary as amounting to $44,447,292.74.

R. H. Pierson expressed deep appreciation for the fine work the Treasurers are doing. The report indicates many hours of study.
Treasury Report

for the

Autumn Council of 1968

K. H. EMMERSON, Treasurer
O. A. BLAKE, Undertreasurer

TORONTO, CANADA
OCTOBER 9 - 16, 1968
### EXHIBIT A

**Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 1968**

#### ASSETS

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**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**

**Balance Sheet**

**June 30, 1968**

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Total Cash, Banks, and Investments

Provision for the following items:

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   - Trust Funds 490 631 72
   - Deferred Items 54 969 94
   - Total 7 713 508 67

2. Net Worth Reserves 18 032 186 86

**TOTAL COMMITMENTS** 25 745 695 53

**REMAINING BALANCE OF CASH, BANKS, AND INVESTMENTS** 11 279 045 98

Other Current Assets:

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**TOTAL OPERATING CAPITAL** 13 434 131 23

REQUIRED AND ACTUAL OPERATING CAPITAL COMPARED

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**TOTAL OPERATING CAPITAL** 13 434 131 23

**REQUIRED OPERATING CAPITAL AND FIXED RESERVES:**

Total required amount is 20% of the 1967 appropriations and Operating Expenses ($46 252 106 74)

**ACTUAL OPERATING CAPITAL EXCEEDS REQUIRED CAPITAL BY** 4 183 709 88
### GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

**Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth**

**For Six Months Ending June 30, 1967 & 1968**

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## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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### Appropriations:

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**Total Appropriations**

|                                | 17 214 408 79 | 18 262 324 57 | 1 047 915 78       |

### Miscellaneous Expenses:

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**Total Operating Expenses**

|                                | 24 049 877 45 | 25 688 415 44 | 1 638 537 99        |
### General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

#### Forty-, Fifty-, Sixty-, Seventy-, Eighty-cents and Dollar-a-Week Funds

Raised from 1934 - 1967, less Reverted Funds

North American Division only

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# COMPARISON OF MISSION FUNDS RAISED PER QUADRENNIAL PERIOD

North American Division Only

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<td>33,275,151.86</td>
<td>10,706,644.67</td>
<td>22,568,507.19</td>
<td>67.82%</td>
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<td>Totals for 34 years</td>
<td>277,749,286.07</td>
<td>85,013,883.07</td>
<td>192,735,403.00</td>
<td>69.39%</td>
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<td>Average per year</td>
<td>8,169,096.64</td>
<td>2,500,406.86</td>
<td>5,668,688.32</td>
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<td>Average Percent</td>
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
Ingathering Benefit to Missions
North American Division Only

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<th>1933 Net</th>
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<td>239 488 12</td>
<td>246 158 30</td>
<td>262 692 72</td>
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<td>Canadian</td>
<td>28 250 26</td>
<td>112 821 35</td>
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<td>41 304 45</td>
<td>185 402 91</td>
<td>188 977 06</td>
<td>197 224 81</td>
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<td>Columbia</td>
<td>78 379 26</td>
<td>453 526 98</td>
<td>477 271 87</td>
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<td>37 015 22</td>
<td>346 304 27</td>
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<td>Northern</td>
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<td>98 697 46</td>
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<td>North Pacific</td>
<td>32 107 02</td>
<td>184 220 78</td>
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<td>206 502 38</td>
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<td>Pacific</td>
<td>96 991 28</td>
<td>424 002 29</td>
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<tr>
<td>Southern</td>
<td>32 546 61</td>
<td>393 314 16</td>
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<td>432 483 76</td>
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<td>Southwestern</td>
<td>18 089 43</td>
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<td>229 764 04</td>
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Union

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<th>Union</th>
<th>Net Ingathering available to Missions</th>
<th>Increase over previous year</th>
<th>Total Ingathering raised</th>
<th>Less: Net Ingathering available to Missions</th>
<th>Reverted to Unions with Comeback included</th>
<th>Percent of Ingathering reverted to Unions</th>
<th>Percent for Missions</th>
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<td>429 343 93</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>511 123 73</td>
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INGATHERING BY DIVISIONS
Years 1929, 1932, and 1967

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<th>1967</th>
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<th>1908 - 1967</th>
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<td>Australasia</td>
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<td>85 556 95</td>
<td>48 267 23</td>
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<td>China* 1931-1954</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>17 889 45</td>
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<td>1 388 910 43</td>
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<td>528 710 69</td>
<td>6 524 287 60</td>
<td>119 449 268 71</td>
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<td>Northern Europe</td>
<td>92 489 65</td>
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<td>South American</td>
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<td>8 825 71</td>
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<td>46 512 06</td>
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<td>Trans-Africa</td>
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<td>379 561 84</td>
<td>6 683 082 32</td>
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<td>Europe to 1928</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1 014 473 35</td>
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 Totals          | 1 304 838 83| 913 009 47| 9 508 569 66| 171 500 543 35 |

* South China Island Union receipts 1931-1954 included in China.
Beginning with 1955 they were included in the Far Eastern Division.
### Amount of Mission Offerings for $1 Tithe

**Years 1899 to 1967**

**North America Only**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Mission Offerings</th>
<th>Tithe</th>
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<td>1899</td>
<td>.154</td>
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<td>1900</td>
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<td>.588</td>
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<td>1901</td>
<td>.334</td>
<td>.561</td>
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<tr>
<td>1902</td>
<td>.283</td>
<td>.532</td>
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<td>1903</td>
<td>.241</td>
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<td>1909</td>
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<td>1910</td>
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<td>1911</td>
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<td>1913</td>
<td>.416</td>
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<td>1914</td>
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<td>1915</td>
<td>.528</td>
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<td>1916</td>
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<td>1917</td>
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<td>1918</td>
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<td>1919</td>
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<td>1920</td>
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<td>1921</td>
<td>.663</td>
<td>.310</td>
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<td>1922</td>
<td>.670</td>
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<td>1931 (High Year)</td>
<td>.679</td>
<td>.249</td>
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<td>1932</td>
<td>.672</td>
<td>.242</td>
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1967 Total Tithe: 72,710,953.04

1967 Mission Offerings: 16,943,293.57

If Mission Offerings had been given by our members in North America in the year 1967 as they were given in the year 1931, as compared with the tithe given, we would have had $49,370,737.11 or $32,427,443.54 more than what was actually received.
### Schedule 1 - Investments:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Investment Type</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>Government Securities</td>
<td>2,139,287.79</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bank and Savings and Loan Association Deposits</td>
<td>505,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Loma Linda University</td>
<td>6,423,966.09</td>
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<tr>
<td>Financial and Industrial Notes</td>
<td>1,032,469.90</td>
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<tr>
<td>General Conference Investment Fund</td>
<td>19,137,983.90</td>
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<td>General Conference Income Fund</td>
<td>4,169,421.43</td>
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<tr>
<td>Preferred Stock</td>
<td>152,515.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>33,560,644.11</strong></td>
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
June 30, 1968

K. H. EMMERSON, Treasurer
O. A. BLAKE, Undertreasurer

TORONTO, CANADA
OCTOBER 9 - 16, 1968
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

June 30, 1968

ASSETS

Bank - Checking Account ........................................ 17,159.39
Securities at Market (Carried on Books at Identified Average Cost of $42,942,302.79) Schedule 1 ... 42,072,541.86
Accounts Receivable ............................................. 425,337.19
Investment Withdrawals ......................................... 607,649.38
Accrued Dividends and Interest ................................. 276,894.76

43,399,582.58

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable ................................................ 278,366.87
Investment Deposits Received .................................. 29,025.89
Investment Income Distributions Declared ................. 450,429.90
Net Realized Capital Appreciation Distributions Declared . 220,883.90

978,706.56

Net Assets ...................................................... 42,420,876.02

Units of Fund Outstanding ..................................... 433,105.67

Net Assets per Unit .......................................... 97.9458
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

Statement of Income and Expenses
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 1968

Income Account

Income:
Dividends 408,578.24
Interest 499,781.67
Total Income 908,359.91

Expense:
Counseling Fee - Lionel D. Edie & Co. 12,679.80
Net Earned Income for Period 895,680.11

Statement of Realized Gain on Investments
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 1968

Gain and Loss on Sales of Securities (Net Gain) 210,550.18
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

Statement of Net Unrealized Depreciation of Investments
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 1968

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

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<th>January 1, 1968</th>
<th>June 30, 1968</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Bonds - Loss</td>
<td>1,840,438.57</td>
<td>1,564,322.52</td>
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<td>Equities - Gain</td>
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<td>694,561.59</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>869,760.93</td>
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<td><strong>Decrease in Unrealized</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td><strong>970,677.64</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Depreciation During Six Months</strong></td>
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Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 1968

Net Assets, January 1, 1968 (Includes Undistributed Investment Income
and Capital Appreciation from 1967) 41,168,639.90

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<th>Amount Received on Sale of Units</th>
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<td>(Includes year-end distributions)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less: Amount Disbursed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net Receipts on Sale of Units</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net Investment Income for Period</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less: Distribution</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net Investment Income Undistributed for Period</td>
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<td>Net Realized Capital Loss on Sale of Securities</td>
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Net Assets, June 30, 1968 42,420,876.02
## Schedule 1 - Investments:

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<th>% of Total Portfolio</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<td>11.21%</td>
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<td>Convertible Bonds</td>
<td>4.75%</td>
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<td>Bonds (Not Convertible)</td>
<td>25.42%</td>
<td>10,697,884.37</td>
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<td>Preferred Stocks</td>
<td>1.11%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>57.51%</td>
<td>24,196,820.62</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>100.00%</strong></td>
<td><strong>42,072,541.86</strong></td>
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INCOME FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
June 30, 1968

K. H. ENMERRSON, Treasurer
O. A. BLAKE, Undertreasurer

TORONTO, CANADA
OCTOBER 9 - 16, 1968
### Statement of Assets and Liabilities
**June 30, 1968**

#### ASSETS

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<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Securities at Market (Carried on books at Identified Average Cost of $5,691,440 74 Schedule 1)</td>
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<td>Accounts Receivable</td>
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<td>Accrued Dividends and Interest</td>
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<td><strong>Total Assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>6,073,389.15</strong></td>
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#### LIABILITIES

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<td>Net Realized Capital Appreciation Distributions Declared</td>
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<td><strong>Total Liabilities</strong></td>
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**Net Assets** 5,566,726.50

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<td><strong>Net Assets per Unit</strong></td>
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### Statement of Income and Expense
**For the Three Months Ended June, 1968**

#### Income Account

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<td>Dividends</td>
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<td>Interest</td>
<td>27,775.36</td>
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<td><strong>Total Income</strong></td>
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#### Expense:

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<td>Counseling Fees - Lionel D. Edie &amp; Co.</td>
<td>454.86</td>
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**Net Earned Income For Period** 55,856.80

### Statement of Realized Gain on Investments
**For the Three Months Ended June 30, 1968**

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<td>Gain and Loss on Sales of Securities (Net Gain)</td>
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Statement of Net Unrealized Appreciation of Investments
For the Three Months Ended June 30, 1968

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

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<th>Equities - Gain</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<td>2,937.50</td>
<td>149,776.01</td>
<td>152,713.51</td>
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Appreciation During Three Months

Statement of Changes in Net Assets
For the Three Months Ended June 30, 1968

Net Assets, April 1, 1968

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<tr>
<td>Net Receipts on Sale of Units</td>
<td>5,402,813.57</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net Investment Income for Period</td>
<td>55,856.80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Less: Distribution</td>
<td>50,091.33</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net Investment Income Undistributed for Period</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net Realized Capital Gain on sale of Securities</td>
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<td>Net Capital Appreciation Undistributed for Period</td>
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<td>Increase in Net Unrealized Appreciation of Securities</td>
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<td>Net Assets, June 30, 1968</td>
<td>5,566,726.50</td>
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### Schedule 1 - Securities:

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<th>% of Total Portfolio</th>
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<tr>
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

SUSTENTATION AND RETIREMENT FUNDS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

JUNE 30, 1968

K. H. EMMERSON, Treasurer
O. A. BLAKE, Undertreasurer

TORONTO, CANADA
OCTOBER 9 - 16, 1968
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS
SUSTENTATION AND RETIREMENT FUNDS
Balance Sheet, June 30, 1968

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## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

**SUSTENTATION AND RETIREMENT FUNDS**

Statement of Operations and Retained Net Funds Balances

For Six Months Ending June 30, 1968

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Schedule 1 - Investments:

1. Regular Fund:
   a. Bonds 835,312,50
   b. General Conference Investment Fund 11,779,983,61
   c. General Conference Income Fund 1,219,140,00
      13,834,436,11

2. Hospital Retirement Fund:
   a. General Conference Corporation Investment Fund 1,740,386,41

3. Publishing House Retirement Fund:
   a. General Conference Corporation Investment Fund 263,915,85
ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO STANDING COMMITTEES--

FURTHER REPORT:

On recommendation of the Committee on Additional Personnel to Standing Committees, it was--

VOTED, That we add the following names to these respective Committees:

Plans Committee: A. V. McClure, W. B. Quigley, Richard Schwartz, and Ed H. Webb;

Finance Committee: J. O. Gibson, Donald B. Simons, and W. A. Thompson;


NORTH YORK BRANSON HOSPITAL--

WELCOME FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Theodore Carcich introduced A. George Rodgers, Administrator of the North York Branson Hospital. Elder Rodgers said that the North York Branson Hospital through its Board of Directors joins the SDA Church in Canada, and more particularly the Ontario-Quebec Conference in extending to each and everyone a most cordial welcome to the Queen City. They at the Branson Hospital anticipate with much pleasure the honor to be conferred upon them to grace them with our presence during our stay in their midst. A group of nurses are to place in the hands of the delegates a souvenir of our visit to Toronto. In this small package they have incorporated certain data they feel most interesting, and which will convey to us the romance of the Branson Hospital.

Elder Rodgers then spoke of the opening of the doors of the Branson Hospital on July 7, 1957. Since that time, when they could offer 80 beds, they have increased their capacity until it has reached nearly 500 beds, with an investment of ten millions of dollars. Now they are rated as one of Toronto's major health centers, and how they do rejoice in what the Lord hath done.

He requested that Eric Jones stand. Elder Jones was the first Chairman of the North Branson Hospital. Elder Jones' hopes and aspirations were that there might be many hospitals, perhaps of 100-bed capacity, that would stretch from coast to coast across Canada.

He concluded by thanking the General Conference, the Canadian Union, and the Ontario-Quebec Conferences for their physical participation in making possible a glorious project; and in behalf of Elder Moores, the Chairman of their Board, extended a very warm and cordial welcome.

Adjournment was taken at 5 P.M.

E. A. Crawford, M.D., until recently Chief of Staff at the North York Branson Hospital, now on the staff of the School of Public Health of Loma Linda University, offered the benedictory prayer.

Theodore Carcich, Chairman
D. H. Baasch, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary
In the evening of October 9, 1968, Neal C. Wilson reported for the North American Division, and R. S. Lowry for the Southern Asia Division. Special music was rendered by a ladies' trio from the North York Branson Hospital, Ed Sullivan from Kingsway College, and Charles Brooks, of the Allegheny Conference. The meeting was held in the Eaton Department Store Auditorium, in Toronto.

One Hundred Forty-Sixth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 11, 1968, 9:00 A.M.

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DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

"Stand Up for Jesus" was sung, announced by O. A. Botimer, Canadian Union Conference Publishing Department Secretary. C. L. Brooks, of the Allegheny Conference, was music director.

The opening prayer was offered by F. W. Wernick, President of the Lake Union Conference.

W. Melvin Adams, Associate Secretary in the Department of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, played on the trumpet "God Understands." He was accompanied at the piano by Walton J. Brown, Associate Secretary in the Department of Education.

B. L. Archbold, Inter-American Division Secretary, gave the devotional talk. He said he brought greetings from colorful Inter-America. He brought greetings also from their sorrowing Division family. They have received word that Mrs. R. B. Caldwell, who had surgery about five months ago--brain surgery, and recently had a second surgery, passed away October 10. We sorrow not as do others, but we have the hope of seeing her on the resurrection morning. He suggested we pray with them for Elder Caldwell and his family.

Millions do not know what to believe in regard to the great doctrines of Christian faith. In many countries secularism is the fastest-growing religion. One church leader said "Christianity may have to stop talking about God for a while." One seminary professor said "Any talk of God--including the prospect of His second coming--is philosophically meaningless." One large protestant denomination is taking giant steps toward a new confession of faith. Many theologians question the inspiration of the Bible.

Paul says in 2 Timothy 4:2-4, that "sound doctrines have been replaced by unsound doctrines." Carl Gustav Jung, the late Swiss psychiatrist, declared "In America the position of Protestantism is being threatened because we have not preached exacting doctrines, and as a result many people do not know what the church stands for, or what it believes." The prophet Jeremiah gives the picture and makes the appeal: "Thus saith the Lord, stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths,--and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls." Jer. 6:16.
Our need is not new standards and new doctrines, but to take our old standards and old doctrines and hold them even higher than before. As leaders and watchmen, we must ever be on guard that this liberalism does not enter into our Seventh-day Adventist preaching, does not drift into the teaching in our schools, that we stay in the old paths and remove not the landmarks of our faith and belief. Our own Seventh-day Adventist youth are reaching out for the old paths, for a challenge and faith. Recently, one of our young ministers related the experience of five of our SDA youth who were in service in a nearby country, and who were asked to do duties on the Sabbath, and to bear arms. Because they replied they could not do these things they were court-martialed and sentenced to be shot. They were blindfolded and lined up. They were not shot, however, and the General said they purposely put no cartridges in the guns. He released them, and told them to go home and practice the faith they believe and continue to be faithful to do what they believed was right. Elder Archbold closed with the earnest admonition to keep to the old paths, to hold higher than ever before the old standards and the old doctrines of God's Word.

W. L. Murrill, President of the Washington Conference, offered the closing prayer.

Following a brief recess, the third business meeting of the Autumn Council was called, with M. V. Campbell as Chairman.

The opening prayer was offered by P. G. Miller, President of the Canadian Union College.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE--PARTIAL REPORT:

The Nominating Committee presented a partial report which was adopted as follows:

1. General Vice-President of the General Conference--W. J. Hackett;
2. Field Secretary of the General Conference--V. M. Montalban;
3. Secretary, World Foods Service--E. W. Howse;
4. Temperance Department Associate Secretary--Milo Sawvel;
5. Lay Activities Department Associate Secretary--C. C. Weis;
6. Associate Auditor--Richard E. Green.

The Plans Committee submitted recommendations, which were with amendments adopted as follows:

PUBLICATION FOR YOUTH OF SECONDARY SCHOOL AGE:

Before our forefathers coined the phrase, "Seventh-day Adventists," and designated it as the name of the church; before an evangelistic tent meeting had been held; before a book containing the message had been bound, the Youth's Instructor was periodically carrying Sabbath School lessons and appropriate and uplifting Sabbath reading to the homes of Seventh-day Adventists. Started by Elder James White in 1852 as a means of communication with the children and youth of the movement and as a vehicle for the dissemination of lessons which would encourage systematic Bible study, the Youth's Instructor in 116 years holds the
enviable record of being the oldest religious youth journal in North America published continuously under the original title.

With dedicated and capable editors from the first issue to the present, this journal has served the church and its youth well—inspiring, informing, and instructing.

As the ranks of children and youth have grown, other journals have joined the Instructor in meeting the demands of various age levels—The Little Friend, Primary Treasure, and Guide.

And now in an age of changes in tastes and formats, although the objectives and standards of the denomination are unchanged, the church deems it advisable to update and materially alter the format of the Sabbath School lessons for youth, and to alter and rename the periodical which carries these lessons and communicates with the youth of the movement. In order to meet the challenge of reaching, inspiring, and holding its youth,

VOTED, 1. That the new Youth Sabbath School Lessons and the denominational publication for Seventh-day Adventist youth of secondary school age be combined in one periodical, replacing the Youth's Instructor.

2. That the Review and Herald Publishing Association be the publisher.

3. That the target audience of this combined publication be Seventh-day Adventist youth of secondary school age.

4. That a new name be chosen for the periodical.

5. That planning for the new periodical include:
   a. Emphasis on commitment to goals of life and goals of the church;
   b. Consistent use of articles and stories which are relevant to today's needs;
   c. Use of short, pithy articles which are concise and come quickly to the point;
   d. Use of special features including youth testimonies, youth editorials, letters to the editor, and feature articles with world mission thrust;
   e. Presentation of Bible-based, Christ-centered study themes covering a wide spectrum of topics chosen and designed to meet current felt needs of youth;
   f. Flexible format and presentation employing youth-appealing variety.

6. That the Sabbath School Department be encouraged to organize a youth lesson advisory committee to include student representation, and operate under the direction of the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference. The tenure of members of this committee should be limited and the terms staggered to maintain both continuity and a fresh reservoir of ideas.

7. That the youth Sabbath School lessons be provided in quarterly format as well as in the periodical.

8. That the tentative target date for initial publication of the new periodical be January 1, 1970 provided this can be done without increasing the present
Autumn Council

October 11, 1968

Sabbath School Department staff.

9. That the General Conference Officers appoint a committee including representatives from the publishing house (administrative, editorial, and factory branches), and the Sabbath School, Missionary Volunteer, and Education Departments to formulate specific plans for the new periodical including the following aspects:

a. Choice of a new name. (Consideration of suggestions from SDA youth is recommended)

b. Frequency of issue. (An opinion survey among youth is suggested)

c. Format. (Format similar to the sample submitted by the Sabbath School Department should be considered.)

d. Frequency and manner of presenting the new youth Sabbath School lessons.

10. That the above committee submit its report to the General Conference Committee for final action and implementation.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ASSOCIATION--
LEGAL MEETING:

At 10:15 A.M., M. V. Campbell called a meeting of the International Religious Liberty Association.

M. E. Loewen, Secretary of the International Religious Liberty Association, read the call for the meeting which appeared in the September 12, 1968 and September 19, 1968 issues of the Review and Herald.

He stated there are 89 voting members present. 24 members were absent. There are at present 9 vacancies in the voting membership. The Constitution provides we must have not less than 100 and not more than 125 voting members.

VOTED, To refer to the Autumn Council Nominating Committees the filling of the vacancies in the voting membership.

Anticipating the foregoing request, the Nominating Committee had met and presented recommendations of names to fill the vacancies on the International Religious Liberty Association, and these were adopted. The complete list of voting members is now as follows:

Adams, W. M.  Butherus, D. C.  Eldridge, P. H.
Aitken, J. J.  Campbell, M. V.  Emmerson, K. H.
Baasch, D. H.  Carubba, H. J.  Engen, Gordon
Beach, W. R.  Carcich, Theodore  Engstrom, R. W.
Benton, Elvin  Chase, J. E.  Eva, W. Duncan
Bieber, D. J.  Christian, R. J.  Finney, R. E.
Bietz, R. R.  Clark, S. L.  Fordham, W. W.
Blacker, W. J.  Cummings, Desmond  Frame, R. R.
Blake, O. A.  Darnell, R. C.  Franz, C. O.
Bland, F. L.  Dart, Charles  Fridlin, Marius
Blehm, W. D.  Davis, L. H.  Gibb, A. E.
Bothe, J. W.  Dessain, W. A.  Gmeiling, O.
Bradley, W. P.  Ditterburner, J. L.  Hackett, W. H.
Bristow, W. B.  Power, N. R.  Hackett, W. J.
Butler, A. B.  Edwards, J. E.  Hegstad, R. R.
VOTED, That the following constitute the Board of Trustees for the term 1968-1970:

President: M. V. Campbell  
Vice President: R. S. Watts  
Secretary: M. E. Loewen  
Associate Secretaries: W. M. Adams  
                        R. R. Hegstad  
                        J. V. Scully

Members: W. R. Beach, O. A. Blake, T. Carcich, D. A. McAdams, D. L. Michael,  

M. E. Loewen said they sponsor the Liberty Magazine, which has the largest  
circulation of any of our Seventh-day Adventist journals; it is a bi-monthly  
magazine. The last print was 460,000.

He expressed appreciation for the loyal support the field leaders have  
given. He thanked them as administrators for promoting the circulation of Liberty  
Magazine, and asked them to continue their support.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M.
Further attention was given to the recommendations from the Plans Committee and the following were adopted:

**PUBLICATION FOR COLLEGE AGE YOUTH:**

**WHEREAS,** Frequent requests have been made for a special publication for college-age Seventh-day Adventist youth,

**VOTED,** 1. The inauguration of a new publication beamed to college-age Seventh-day Adventist youth.

2. That the General Conference Officers appoint a representative committee to study the cost, format, and conditions of publication for this new periodical.

3. That planning for this publication take into consideration:
   a. The proposal made by several college groups for an inter-campus periodical.
   b. The needs of English-speaking young people outside of North America.

4. That the Review and Herald Publishing Association be the publisher.

The Working Policy Committee presented recommendations which with amendments were adopted as follows:

**OUTLINE OF DENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATION:**

**VOTED,** That paragraph 9 of the section, "Outline of Denominational Organization," page 29, be amended as follows:

9. The union mission president elected appointed by the division is a member of the division committee, and is the division representative in the conduct of the work in the union to which he has been elected. He shall, together with the union committee, supervise and carry forward the work in the union. Similarly, the local mission president elected appointed by the union is a member of the union committee and is the union representative in the conduct of the work in the local mission to which he has been elected. He shall, with the local mission committee, supervise and carry forward the work in the local mission.

**LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

**VOTED,** That the section, "Legal Organizations," page 36, General Conference Working Policy, be amended to read as follows:

**AUTHORIZATION FOR**—All organizations planning to form legal corporations shall first secure approval from the General Conference Committee in North America or the division committee in overseas divisions.

**RELATIONSHIPS TO CONFERENCES**—The conference association, or corporation, serves primarily in a legal and trustee capacity. It is a part of the denominational program that such associations or corporations hold, manage and invest trust funds and legally and officially channel unrestricted matured funds as
IRREGULAR TRANSFERS--SUSTENTATION AND HOME DIVISION STATUS:

VOTED, That the section, "Irregular Transfers--Sustentation and Home Division Status," page 330, General Conference Working Policy, be deleted, and that the sections, "Irregular Transfers," page 73, and "Transfer of Workers Between Divisions," page 177, be amended as follows:

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

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

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

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

4. In case the worker has an indebtedness or other financial obligations to his former organization, mutually satisfactory arrangements for these shall be worked out between the organizations concerned. Any organization employing an irregularly transferred worker without clearance with his former division through the General Conference shall accept the worker's indebtedness or unamortized obligations and be responsible for working out a settlement with the worker.

5. The question of which division should bear the expense of the worker's sustentation shall be determined on the basis of the sustentation policy.

TRANSFER OF WORKERS BETWEEN DIVISIONS--1. When a worker connected with an overseas division is called to another division when his furlough is due, or during his furlough, the releasing organization shall pay the transportation of the worker and his family to the homeland and his salary for one half of the furlough period; the calling organization to pay the salary for the balance of the furlough period. In no case shall the salary be paid by the releasing organization for a period longer than six months.

2. A worker who is called from one overseas division to another when his furlough is due or during his furlough shall be allowed freight allowance on the basis of the freight allowance policy covering permanently returned workers.

3. No rehabilitation allowance shall be granted to workers so called but the calling division shall allow the regular outfitting and freight allowance from the homeland and pay transportation to the field on the same basis as for the new appointees.
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4. When a worker is called during his term of service in an overseas division directly to another division, the calling division shall meet the transportation of the worker and his family to his new field, including freight and outfitting allowances, and the total expense and salary during his furlough when it becomes due in harmony with the furlough policy.

5. For irregular transfers between divisions see the policy on Irregular Transfers.

VACATIONS:

VOTED, That paragraph 1 of the section, "Vacations," page 80, General Conference Working Policy, be amended by deleting the word "continuous" as follows:

1. The right of our denominational workers to an annual vacation of two weeks under ordinary circumstances is recognized. A three-week vacation may be allowed workers who have put in given fifteen years or more continuous, full-time, denominational service. In the case of a worker who has not had continuous service it is required that he have a total service of one year additional to the fifteen for each year he has been out of denominational employ in order to qualify for the three-week vacation, in harmony with the principle followed in reckoning the service period for sustentation eligibility.

VACATION POLICY--COMMITTEE TO RESTUDY:

VOTED, That we refer to the General Conference the setting up of an appropriate Committee to restudy the Vacation Policy.

Further recommendations from the Working Policy Committee were considered and adopted as follows:

SHORT-TERM POLICY FOR SINGLE WOMEN:

VOTED, That paragraph "c" of the section, "Short-term Policy for Single Women," page 189, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

c. The cost of travel to visit parents or children, such travel to be to one point only.

EDUCATION OF OLDER CHILDREN:

VOTED, That paragraph "f" of the section, "Education of Older Children," page 195, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

All grants made are payable to the school concerned by the division employing the parents of the student, the money being sent forward in nine equal payments.
POSTGRADUATE STUDY FOR MISSION-FIELD PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS:

VOTED, That paragraph 50, of the section, "Postgraduate Study for Mission-Field Physicians and Dentists," page 215, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

50. A physician or dentist from a home base in the employ of a mission division, who is in good and regular standing, shall be permitted to take postgraduate work, either in the mission field or upon his return to the homeland. One month's weeks of time and a financial provision of $200 for each year of mission service shall be allowed for postgraduate work, it being understood that:

TORONTO--
GREETINGS FROM MAYOR:

At 10:50 A.M., A. George Rodgers, Administrator of the North York Branson Hospital, spoke to the Council delegates. He said that those of us who are Torontonians do not recognize their city as the biggest city in Canada, but with appropriate humility and with emphatic accentuation they do declare to us all that their city is the greatest city in Canada. He said he had the honor to present Comptroller Frederick J. Bevis, the official representative of His Worship, Mayor William Dennison.

Comptroller Bevis said it is a privilege to be here and they are very pleased to have our convention in Canada. He expressed pride that we brought it to Toronto, one of the most progressive cities in the world today. Toronto is the first per capita in building in the world today. In building it is second in cities only to New York. Per capita they are about four to one over New York. They are fast approaching being the largest city in building in the world. Their growth in metropolitan Toronto is about 60,000 people per year.

He then outlined plans for reclaiming land in the Toronto harbor and building a harbor city of 60,000; also for a transportation system for the whole metropolitan area underground. The growth of the City of Toronto is second to none to any other in the world.

He extended greetings from the Mayor of the City of Toronto. He closed by expressing the hope the delegates may enjoy all the hospitality they have in the City of Toronto, and invited those who have time to come up and have a look at their new City Hall.

M. V. Campbell asked that Comptroller Bevis take a message to the Mayor thanking him for sending his representative to represent him and to bring us this message.

Adlai A. Esteb read a poem, with appreciation for the beauty of the City of Toronto, and containing these lines:

"We saw Toronto last night at its best;
And I was delighted to be its guest."
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Also:

"All hail--three cheers to Canada;
The maple leaf forever."

Resuming consideration of recommendations from the Working Policy Committee, the following were adopted:

GIFTS-AND DEFERRED GIVING ANNUITIES-,AND-TRUST-AGREEMENTS:

VOTED, That the section, "Gifts, Annuities and Trust Agreements," pages 238-240, General Conference Working Policy, be amended to read as follows:

"'How much owest thou unto my Lord?' Luke 16:5. . . . All that we have is from God. He lays His hand upon our possessions, saying, 'I am the rightful owner of the whole universe; these are My goods.' . . .

"God is testing every soul that claims to believe in Him . . . . The Lord has given men His goods upon which to trade. He has made them His stewards, and has placed in their possession money, houses, and lands."--Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 245.

Recognizing that changing financial and economic conditions throughout the world are bringing to our people great concern as to their property and investments; and considering seriously the shortness of time and the counsel of the Spirit of Prophecy, we therefore encourage our people:

1. To make liberal gifts of their means to the immediate furtherance of this closing work.

2. In addition to making large immediate contributions of their means while living, our people should favorably consider deferred gifts (including charitable gift annuity agreements and trust agreements as well as legally drawn wills) in the disposition of their property as they endeavor to secure it to the cause of God.

GIFT ANNUITY AGREEMENTS-CONTRACTS.--3. General, union and local conference associations or corporations, and legally organized institutions may enter into gift annuity agreements on the following basis:

a. Gift annuity agreement rate schedules are provided by the General Conference Corporation to officers of union and local conferences and institutions. These rates are set by the General Conference Corporation and shall be strictly adhered to by all issuing organizations.

b. Gift annuity agreements shall be accounted for by generally accepted accounting principles for such agreements as set forth in accepted fund accounting manuals for denominational colleges, universities, and associations.

c. The gift annuity agreements shall be made valid upon the signature of the duly elected officers of the organizations writing the agreements.
TRUST AGREEMENTS.--4. In addition to outright gifts and the provisions made for gift annuity agreements and such counsel as may be given regarding bequests by legally drawn wills, General, union, and local conference associations or corporations, and such legally organized institutions, are authorized to accept funds or property in trust, subject to the following conditions:

a. The maximum rate of interest used in revocable trust agreements shall be that approved used by the General Conference Corporation and shall be adhered to by all issuing organizations. Any deviation beyond the maximum rate shall be by authorization of the North American Committee on Administration. The interest rate net amount paid in irrevocable trust agreements shall not exceed the same as that for annuity contracts what the corpus of the trust actually earns.

b. All agreements shall be specifically authorized by the board of trustees concerned; however, this does not preclude a board of trustees from designating one of its subcommittees to handle this on a continuing basis.

c. Organizations and institutions acting as trustee shall not invest in any property accepted in trust, give any guarantee based on the security of the trust, or loan any funds to a trustor. While it is not recommended as a routine procedure, under extenuating circumstances the organization or institution may, from its own funds, make loans or advances of nominal amounts, fully secured by trust assets, which may be necessary to establish the trust or cover an emergency situation involving the trust assets. The organization or institution as trustee of an irrevocable trust may, however, secure a loan from a third party lender for purposes of the trust based only upon the security thereof.

d. Where trust agreements are entered into by union or local conference corporations or institutions, such trust agreements are to be written only upon competent local, legal counsel, to make certain that they are in harmony with the statutes of the State in which executed.

e. Organizations shall only write trust agreements when the denomination will substantially benefit at maturity from such agreements, with the nature of the assets, size of the estate, cost of servicing the trust, and other factors being considered in determining the feasibility of entering into such agreements.

WILLS.--5. While we recommend the gift annuity agreement and other trust agreement plans as preferable, yet we also encourage the use approved of legally drawn wills when the individual may so desire. When wills are to be drawn up with beneficial interest for denominational organizations, they should be drawn up by a disinterested third party, preferably an attorney.

6. It is recognized that this plan applies principally to the North American Division.

PLANS COMMITTEE--ADDITIONAL NAMES:

On recommendation of the Committee on Additional Personnel to Standing Committees, it was--

VOTED, That the names of Roy Parsons, M.D., and Marlowe Schaffner, M.D., be
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added to the Plano Committee.

CHRISTIAN RECORD BRAILLE FOUNDATION, INC.: 

Neal C. Wilson called a meeting of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., at 11:15 A.M.

C. G. Cross as Secretary read the call for the meeting which had appeared in the October 10, 1968, issue of the Review and Herald.

He said that we have a sizable representation, with the Board of Trustees, heads of Departments of the Christian Record, and the General Conference Committee present.

On suggestion of C. G. Cross, with the explanation that a change has been made so that they are now operating on a fiscal-year period,

We recommend, To permit the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., to report for the last five years instead of four years; that is, from 1963-1967.

C. G. Cross expressed their pleasure in having present with us Dr. and Mrs. John Young from South Carolina. Dr. Young is an ophthalmologist. Also J. M. Le Marquand, Branch Manager for Canada, who is a member of their Board of Trustees.

A folder containing copies of reports to the Constituency of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., for the years 1963-1967 had been distributed. This included the report of C. G. Cross, General Manager. He presented a summary.

D. C. Duffield as Treasurer called attention to the financial statements.

G. C. Wilson, a successful field leader, General Field Director for the United States and Canada, reported.

Mrs. C. G. Cross, Braille authority and Librarian, reported on the work of the Library.

R. A. Gibson, Editor, presented a report.

Neal C. Wilson drew attention to the General Manager's report re employment of some of our young people who are now going through our colleges. We have some extremely talented and skillful individuals.

A change was voted in the By-Laws of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., in Article III, paragraph 2. The revised paragraph now reads as follows, and the underlined words are the additions:

"The Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., is an organization of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. It makes all of its free services available on a nondiscriminatory basis to blind and visually impaired and physically handicapped persons who cannot read normal ink print publications conveniently, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, or economic status."

We recommend, To refer to the Autumn Council Nominating Committee the election of a Board of Trustees to serve during the next quadrennium.
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As the meeting concluded, statement was made by the Chairman that souls are being reached and won for Christ, and to this message, and to the Church, through the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc.

Adjourned at 11:55 A.M., to the call of the Chair.

Further recommendations from the Working Policy Committee were considered and adopted as follows:

SOLICITATION FOR OVERSEAS PROJECTS:

VOTED, That the section, "Solicitation for Overseas Projects--Overseas Officers' Statement," pages 242, 243, General Conference Working Policy, be amended by deleting the last sentence of the next to last paragraph so that it reads:

Although we believe that our church members should be encouraged always to contribute to the support of the world program through regular channels, we realize that occasionally a church member may wish to make a substantial and special contribution to some worthy project by way of gift or bequest, and that unless this is accepted it might be lost to the cause of God. We would suggest that study be given to this kind of situation by an appropriate group, with a view to arranging some way by which the matter may be handled in a manner consistent with our goal of equitable support for the whole world field.

LOCAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL AUDITS:

VOTED, That the section, "Local Church and School Audits," page 254, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

LOCAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL AUDITS.--It is the duty of the local conference treasurer to audit the books of the local church treasurer at least once each year.

The conference treasurer is required to report to the conference committee at the time of the annual audit regarding this feature of his work, indicating whether or not each church has been audited during the year. This report is to be in writing and shall include the date and place of the audit.

Since in many conferences it is physically impossible for the treasurer himself to audit all local church records, suitable provision shall be made for other competent individuals to assist in auditing church treasurers' records, such individuals to be responsible directly to the conference treasurer.

Announcements were made by D. W. Hunter concerning afternoon and evening meetings, and the program during the Sabbath.

Adjourned at 12 noon, until Sunday morning, October 13.

Closing prayer by J. M. LeMarquand, Branch Manager of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., for Canada.

M.V. Campbell, Chairman
R. R. Frame, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary
SABBATH MEETINGS

On Friday evening, October 11, 1968, the meeting was held in the Eaton Department Store Auditorium on Yonge Street, Toronto.

R. A. Wilcox reported for the South American Division; C. L. Powers for the Inter-American Division and L. C. Naden for the Australasian Division.

R. E. Adams, Temperance Department Associate Secretary, directed the music. Special music was given by a sextet from the Willowdale and Richmond Hill Churches, the song being entitled "Eternal Things." Also, the Thor sisters from the Willowdale Church sang "The Lord is My Shepherd."

The meetings on Sabbath, October 12, were held in the Queen Elizabeth Building on the Canadian National Exhibition Grounds, in Toronto.

Sabbath School opened at 9 A.M. with a song service led by John Hancock. F. C. Webster, President of the Middle East Division, gave the mission talk, and J. R. Spangler, Associate Secretary in the Ministerial Association, conducted the lesson study. The Kingsway College male quartet sang "I'm On My Way to Canaan's Land."

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The Sabbath morning sermon was given by R. H. Pierson, General Conference President. The title of the sermon was "Is the Lord Among Us?"

Special music included a solo by Miss Kathleen Joyce of London, England, "O Rest in the Lord." Also Ralph Coupland, head of the Music Department at Kingsway College, accompanied by Peter Mathews, sang "Our God is Great."

On Sabbath afternoon, at 1:30, the Yugoslavian Church Orchestra played. This was followed at 1:45 P.M. by a report from S. A. Nagel, M.D., recently returned from Biafra.

Reports were given by O. Gmehling, President of the Central European Division, W. Duncan Eva, President of the Northern European Division; and M. L. Mills, President of the Trans-Africa Division.

Special musical numbers were interwoven into the program as follows: Mrs. Elaine Badiere, a member of the music staff of Kingsway College, played a violin solo, accompanied by Peter Mathews; Ralph Coupland and Mrs. Hills, an associate in the Music Department of Kingsway College, sang "I Waited for the Lord." "Jesus Whispers Peace," was sung by the Intermediate Nurses' Trio from Branson North York Hospital.

The Sabbath evening meeting began at 6:30 P.M. "Restless Angels" was the title of the program, consisting of music, words, and pictures. It concluded with a challenge and appeal to consecration by R. H. Pierson.

Charles L. Brooks, of the Allegheny East Conference, sang several numbers, as follows: "Until Then"; "I Wonder Have I Done my Best for Jesus"; "There is a Balm in Gilead"; and "If You Heard the Sound of Music, Would You Wait?"

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GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
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DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Following a song service directed by J. V. Scully, Associate Secretary in the Department of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, the theme song of "Spirit of the Living God," was sung.

The opening song was "He Leadeth Me," announced by C. E. Moseley, Jr., General Field Secretary.

Opening prayer by O. O. Mattison, retired Field Secretary.

"We Will be With Him," was sung by Elder and Mrs. Richard C. Schwartz, of the Oregon Conference.

M. V. Campbell, General Conference Vice-President and former Chairman of the Loma Linda University Board, was the devotional speaker. As he was introduced, it was stated he has served as an administrator for forty-two years, and five years additional in denominational service.

He spoke on the topic "Making Disciples and Building up Zion." The task of the Church today is to bring to complete fruition the program started by the apostles at the beginning of the Christian era. Two texts taken together give us, first, our orders, and the result when the work is completed. (Matt. 28:19, RSV; Ps. 102:16.) When will the Lord appear in His glory? When disciples have been made of all nations and when Zion shall have been built up.

It was Jesus who spoke the words, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." Nothing which He had ever said before so galvanized the disciples into action as this directive. To us even in these days, the same command seems difficult to accomplish, with our strong organization, large income, many institutions and large membership. The things upon which we rely most in our work were totally unknown to them. We can win souls in our day, too, without all the latest equipment. A minister with only his Bible can make disciples for Jesus Christ.

Our Saviour asks for results. He is not merely asking for sermons to be
preached, for church buildings to be erected, and for institutions to be founded. He does, though, state clearly the results He expects. Three points are clearly made.

1. Christ's followers are to go to all nations.
2. Disciples are to be made in all nations.
3. These disciples are to be baptized.

The Spirit of God will fall upon His people. It will be the primary instrument to spur us to the task. It is time now to make the winning of souls the very first business of the Church. Now is the sowing time. There will soon be a great reaping time. There will also be a glorious homecoming time when the work is finished, when Zion shall have been built up, and when the Lord shall have appeared in His glory. That day is near.

The closing hymn "Face to Face with Christ my Saviour," was announced by F.A. Soper, Associate Secretary of the Temperance Department and Editor of Listen Magazine.

The closing prayer was offered by R. A. Anderson, formerly Secretary of the Ministerial Association.

The fourth business session of the Autumn Council was called to order by R. S. Watts at 9:50 A.M. He requested several of the Treasury representatives to come to the platform in view of the nature of the recommendations to be considered.

Opening prayer by C. P. Sorensen, who was the former President of the Far Eastern Division.

STATISTICAL REPORT:

A printed Statistical Report had been distributed to the delegates.

J. O. Gibson, Statistical Secretary, presented the report. Among the many interesting items listed were the following:

As we contemplate God's goodness during the past year certainly we have much for which to be thankful. From the East, West, North and South, 149,862 souls have joined God's remnant Church during the past twelve months. This number would make a new church of 100 members every six hours, or four new churches of 100 members every day of the year.

Our church membership as of December 31, 1967, was 401,970 for North America, and 1,345,064 for overseas, making a total of 1,747,614. The membership as of June 30, 1968, was 1,780,671. Of this number 1,373,696 were in the overseas divisions, and 406,975 in North America.

The total accessions for the world field by baptisms and profession of faith in 1967 were 140,519. The net membership gain was 85,957.

Figures showing the trend in tithes and offerings revealed total funds given
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per capita in 1960 in the world field were $83.66; in 1967, $108.51. The amount of tithes per capita during 1967 were $63.54; world missions, $15.62; and home and local work, $29.35.

Under the caption Departmental Progress, leading facts from the various departments were given. Outstanding in these items were:

In the world field we have 4,933 educational institutions, with 17,094 teachers; and an enrollment of 383,334.

The number of souls won in 1967 as a result of Gift Bible Evangelism was 6,052. The total Ingathering Funds in North America for 1967-1968 was $6,654,914.24.

Persons helped by the Health and Welfare Services in North America and overseas were 8,289,968. The total value of SAWS relief shipments overseas amounted to $2,962,907.09.

In the Church's 137 hospitals and 175 clinics and dispensaries there are 21,342 total employees, of which 729 are physicians. Over 3½ million patients were treated in these institutions during 1967. Eighteen of these clinics are conducted from motor launches and airplanes.

When several workers in India are able to baptize one hundred souls each in one year; when from one major effort in Egypt one hundred are won to this truth, that is a new day. When in one poor, war-torn, famine-ridden, small country, seven ministers are able to baptize seventy-five or more each in one year, this, too, is a miracle of grace. And the same story could be told of many of the great divisions of our work.

In MV TARGET 100,000 launched in mid-1966 for the quadrennium, as of the June 1968 report, young people had begun 166,292 evangelistic projects which resulted in 72,202 baptisms. World MV membership at the end of 1967 stood at 572,562.

Forty-four publishing houses in the world field produced and sold in 1967 a total of $38,567,887.08 worth of message-filled books and periodicals. Our subscription books and periodicals were offered to the public by a world-wide army of 6,304 literature evangelists. There were 8,373 souls baptized who were first contacted by these gospel workers.

MR. AND MRS. EUGENE W. KETTERING--

APPRECIATION TO:

The following letter of appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene W. Kettering was read:

The General Conference Executive Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in its annual Autumn meeting, with representatives from all parts of the world, wishes to express to you the grateful appreciation of the Church for the very great generosity you have shown in the expansion of the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital, and the establishment and development of the Charles F. Kettering Memorial Hospital and the Kettering Medical Center. Your generosity and influence have made possible the expansion and creation of these institutions.

In the case of the Kettering Memorial Hospital, an institution has been
established which in its early years has achieved widespread recognition. We renew to you our commitment to strive for professional and clinical excellence in these institutions and in the further development of the Kettering Medical Center, in keeping with the high objectives already set, with the determination to make Kettering Medical Center one of the great medical institutions in the nation.

VOTED, To record the foregoing statement of appreciation.

SPRING MEETING OF GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE--
DATES AND PLACE:

VOTED, That the Spring Meeting of the General Conference Committee be held in Washington, D. C., April 1-3, 1969.

AUTUMN COUNCIL OF GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE--
DATES AND PLACE:

VOTED, That the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee be held in Washington, D. C., October 8-16, 1969. (Mention was made that this includes also a Stewardship Day.)

1970 AUTUMN COUNCIL OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE--
DATES AND PLACE:

VOTED, That the 1970 Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee be held in Washington, D. C., October 7-14, 1970.

Recommendations from the Working Policy Committee were considered and adopted as follows:

SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO DEPENDENTS OF WORKERS:

VOTED, That paragraphs 2 and 4 of the section, "Scholarship Grants to Dependents of Workers," page 302, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

2. The student in whose behalf the scholarship is granted must be an unmarried dependent of the worker, and must be in attendance at a denominational school serving his territory. Exceptions to the provisions of this paragraph shall be made only by action of the contributing organization. Attendance at a summer session is included in the provisions of this policy.

4. Each employing organization shall determine who shall be eligible for grants under this policy. Grants may be given to dependents attending schools outside their territory where specifically authorized by the contributing organizations.

NARCOTICS EDUCATION, INCORPORATED, WORKERS:

VOTED, That paragraph 81, of the section, "Sustentation Policy," page 321, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:
NARCOTICS EDUCATION, INCORPORATED, WORKERS.--81. The service of office workers of Narcotics Education, Incorporated, may be counted on these workers' sustentation record.

The service of field representatives of Narcotics Education, Incorporated, may be counted on these workers' sustentation credit on the same service requirements as for literature evangelists; the working hours shall be a minimum of 30 hours a week, 120 hours a calendar month for a man, or 100 hours for a woman, the time being computed on a year of 10 months, or a minimum of 1,200 hours for a man and a minimum of 1,000 hours for a woman, this being the aggregate time from at least 40 reports per annum.

CHILD ALLOWANCE--DEPENDENTS OF SUSTENTEES:

VOTED, That paragraph 89 of the section, "Sustentation Policy," page 324, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

89. Beneficiaries of the Sustentation Fund having unmarried dependent children under eighteen years of age, may, if necessary, be granted a child allowance of $40 a month for each child. If the unmarried dependent child is a full-time student in a Seventh-day Adventist school, the child allowance may be continued after eighteen years of age until he reaches his twenty-second birthday.

(Note: This change to become effective July 1, 1969.)

REMUNERATION OF EMPLOYED SUSTENTEES:

VOTED, That paragraph 107 of the section, "Sustentation Policy," page 327, General Conference Working Policy, be amended as follows:

107. Denominational organizations employing beneficiaries who are over 65 years of age and who may be regarded as permanent beneficiaries may remunerate such beneficiaries for their work at rates and under conditions which may be mutually agreed upon, the total remuneration, including sustentation, not to exceed the full wage being currently paid for the same class of workers when regularly employed, it being understood that there will be no addition to the service record.

The General Conference Officers presented a recommendation which was adopted as follows:
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE--MEDICAL BENEFITS:

The General Conference Officers appointed a committee to study the question of medical expense assistance in automobile accident insurance cases involving a second car on which the worker has paid the automobile insurance. The study was limited to cases in which the worker has elected medical benefits as a part of his insurance coverage on the second car and has received a medical benefit settlement from the insurance company as a result of an accident involving the second car.

The General Conference expects the worker to have liability insurance on the second car but does not require the medical benefits clause. Taking this factor into consideration, it was--

VOTED, That a worker who has elected medical benefits coverage in connection with the liability insurance coverage on his second car and who has received a settlement from the insurance company for medical expenses resulting from an accident involving the second car, may also be granted medical expense assistance under the regular policy. This principle is also to apply to dependents of the worker but is limited to policies paid for by the worker.

Further recommendations from the Working Policy Committee were considered and adopted as follows:

ADVANCED STUDY ARRANGEMENTS--WORKERS ON FURLough IN NORTH AMERICA:

VOTED, That the section, "Advanced Study Arrangements--Workers on Furlough in North America," pages 214, 215, paragraph "f", General Conference Working Policy, be amended to read as follows:

f. In the case of furloughing missionaries who are attending authorized to attend Andrews University the policy for assisting Seminary students (pages 290-292) will the following financial arrangements shall apply:

(1) Those attending the Seminary shall receive financial assistance under the provisions of the policy for Assistance for Currently Employed Workers Attending the Seminary.

(2) Those enrolled in areas other than the Seminary shall receive financial assistance on the same basis as those attending the Seminary except that the sponsoring organization and not the Seminary Student Travel Fund shall care for the travel expense.

PURCHASE OR BUILDING OF CHURCH PROPERTIES:

VOTED, That paragraph 9 of the section, "Church Buildings," General Conference Working Policy, page 233, be amended to read as follows:

9. In the purchase or building of church properties, in no case shall commitments be made or building operations be commenced until:

a. Seventy-five per cent of the entire cost of the building, including
initial furnishings, is in hand in cash or in readily convertible assets, and pro-
vision satisfactory to the responsible authorizing committee for securing the
remaining 25 50 per cent is made, and in the case of construction, the work shall
proceed and obligations shall be incurred only as funds are available.

b. In special cases in home bases where in the judgment of authorizing boards
and committees it is deemed advisable, a church may be authorized to borrow up to
25 50 per cent of the cost of completing the current stage of its building project,
provided a definite program for the liquidation of the loan has been underwritten
by the local and union conferences concerned and approved by the authorizing com-
mittees.

c. In cases in which it is practicable to occupy church buildings before the
contemplated project is entirely completed, authorization may be given for the work
of construction to be undertaken in stages, provided the project has been under-
written by the local and union conferences concerned and approved by the authorizing
committees with the provision that construction will not proceed except as funds are
available.

DEBT CONTROL AND LIQUIDATION--

POLICY ITEM REFERRED TO GENERAL CONFERENCE OFFICERS:

VOTED, To refer to the General Conference Officers for study the Debt Control and
Liquidation policy item in the Working Policy, page 233, paragraph 10. The specific
item is entitled Institutional Building, Improvement, and Equipment Projects.

Further recommendations from the Working Policy Committee were presented and
adopted as follows:

UNIFORM RETIREMENT AGE--MEN AND WOMEN:

VOTED, That, to provide for a uniform retirement age for men and women, para-
graphs 48, 49, 50 and 51 of the sustentation section of the General Conference
Working Policy, pages 313 and 314 be amended, effective January 1, 1969, as follows:

Retirement.--48. An individual who has reached the age of sixty-five and or
one who has reached the age of sixty and who has given thirty-two years of service,
may elect to retire and receive sustentation benefits, in which case the employ-
ing organization shall supplement his sustentation retirement allowance to full
salary for six months. (See paragraph 71 for continuance of salary for six months
when individual is granted benefits because of disability or has less than 25 years
of service.) # The employing organization may also elect to recommend to the Sustentation Fund place on retirement and to recommend an individual
who has reached the age of sixty years and who has given thirty-two years of ser-
vice, for benefits from the Sustentation Fund, provided that in the event of his be-
ing admitted to the Fund the said organization pays to the Sustentation Fund the
equivalent of his salary for six months in addition to supplementing his sustenta-
tion retirement allowance for six months. This provision shall not be interpreted
as a guarantee of continuous employment up to the time a worker reaches
the age of sixty years. In case of retirement because of physical disability the six months' appropriation to the Sustentation Fund shall be waived.
(Old paragraph 51) 49. This regulation which provides that advanced age shall not be a the basis for sustentation of retirement unless if the applicant has reached the age of sixty-five, years or sixty in the case of women workers or male workers who have given or at the age of sixty has given not less than thirty-two years or more of service to the denomination a Seventh-day Adventist organization, is not intended nor should it be interpreted as suggesting that these are retirement ages irrespective of health, ability, and opportunity for service, but the regulation should be understood as merely setting a minimum limit when age alone may be considered a determining factor in granting or electing sustentation retirement.

(Old paragraph 49) Medical Report.--50. In the case of male workers, advanced age shall not be accepted as a basis for sustentation unless the applicant has reached the age of sixty-five years, or at the age of sixty has given not less than thirty-two years of service to the cause. All male applicants for sustentation benefits who are under sixty-five years of age, unless they have reached the age of sixty and have thirty-two years of service to their credit, shall submit with their application a medical report from a physician recognized by the Sustentation Committee, and no male worker shall be admitted to the Sustentation Fund who is below sixty-five except for serious disability unless he is past sixty and has thirty-two years of service.

(Delete paragraph 50.)

In the discussion concerning the foregoing recommendations it was pointed out that a possible inequality in salaries received could result, and it was--

VOTED, To refer the item of inequality to the General Conference for further study and to report back.

SERVICE RECORD--HARRIS PINE MILLS:

VOTED, That paragraph 55 of the Sustentation Policy, General Conference Working Policy, page 315, be amended as follows:

55. The continuity of a worker's service shall not be considered broken when by regular call or transfer, handled through denominational channels, he accepts employment at Harris Pine Mills, it being understood that the time spent in the employ of Harris Pine Mills shall not be counted toward sustentation service credit, and if he does not return to denominational work after a period of service at Harris Pine Mills, he must have a minimum of twenty recognized years of denominational service credit prior to employment at Harris Pine Mills in order to be eligible for sustentation benefits. The personal service record of denominational workers accepting employment at Harris Pine Mills shall be forwarded to the General Conference Sustentation Committee for safekeeping at the time they make the transfer of employment.

APPRECIATION TO HARRIS PINE MILLS:

In recognition of the outstanding contribution made to the growth and support of our educational work, and the advancement of God's cause around the world, by the Harris Pine Mills organization, it was--
VOTED, That in recognition of this great contribution this Autumn Council record an expression of appreciation to Clyde and Mary Harris for their large vision and philanthropic spirit in the enlargement of God's work.

Proceeding with consideration of the recommendations from the Working Policy Committee, the following were adopted:

MILITARY SERVICE:

VOTED, That paragraph 68 of the Sustentation Policy, General Conference Working Policy, page 318, be amended to read as follows:

68. bona fide regular full time denominational workers within a minimum of two years of service who are drafted into the armed services in time of war, a declared national emergency, or by compulsory peace-time draft, shall have such service included as part of their sustentation service credit, provided the time served is the minimum required and the worker returns immediately to denominational employment upon his discharge from the services.

SIX MONTHS' CONTINUANCE OF SALARY:

VOTED, That paragraphs 71, 72, and 73, of the Sustentation Policy, General Conference Working Policy, page 319, be amended as follows:

71. When a worker becomes incapacitated because of disability and ceases from active service, his employing organization shall continue his full salary for six months prior to his admittance to the Sustentation Fund, this six months to be considered a part of the employee's service period. In case of the death of a worker the full salary shall be paid to his widow on the same basis. The following are exceptions to this general regulation:

72. Applicants who have reached the retirement age may be placed on the Sustentation Fund without the employing organization having to continue salary for the usual six months, but the employing organization shall supplement the sustentation allowance to full salary for a period of six months.

73. A conference or institution employing as a regular worker a former sustentation beneficiary, shall not be required to carry such worker for a period of six months either on full salary or a subsidized basis after active work ceases, if he has given less than ten years' service to the denomination since being a beneficiary of the fund, and because of failing health or having reached a retirement age is again granted Sustentation Fund benefits.

SUSTENTATION RATES OF BENEFICIARIES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES:

VOTED, That paragraph 102 of the Sustentation policy, General Conference Working Policy, page 326, be amended as follows:

Sustentation Rates of Beneficiaries in Foreign Divisions.--102. The rate of a sustentation beneficiary whose last service has been in some other division than his home division and who elects to remain in the field where he has last worked, shall be the same as the rate paid to other European beneficiaries in the same category with similar service and remuneration in the division where he lives.
SERVICE CREDIT FOR SUSTENTATION BENEFICIARIES
WITH PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT:

VOTED, That paragraph 105 of the Sustentation Policy, General Conference Working Policy, page 327, be amended to read as follows:

Subsidies.--105. No sustentation beneficiary (except as noted in paragraph 106) shall be considered eligible for retention on the fund who shall receive a subsidy which when added to his sustentation allowance (exclusive of medical allowance) will make a combined amount exceeding 80 per cent of the prevailing average rate of the same class of workers when regularly employed, and any conference or institution which shall subsidize a beneficiary's salary to a point where his subsidy and allowance shall amount to more than 80 per cent of the prevailing average rate of the same class of workers when regularly employed, shall assume responsibility for the full support of the beneficiary. Beneficiaries subsidized up to 80 per cent of a full salary shall not be expected to work full time. As from October, 1955, beneficiaries under 65 years of age, subsidized up to 80 per cent of a regular salary, after they have worked on this basis for two years, one year's credit may be granted for two years of work, it being understood that the adjustment in service will be made at the time they cease to be a subsidized worker or reach 65 years of age.

HOSPITAL RETIREMENT PLAN REVISIONS:

VOTED, That the revisions of the Sustentation Plan adopted by the 1968 Autumn Council be incorporated as revisions of the Hospital Retirement Plan wherever these revisions are applicable.

MRS GRACE MACE--
DEATH OF:

A telephone message from Miss Ora Williams, Takoma Park, D. C., announced the death of Mrs. Grace Mace, on October 11, 1968. As J. E. Edwards conveyed the message he stated that Mrs. Mace gave more than twenty-five years of dedicated, loyal service in the Lay Activities' Department. She was known the world around as Mrs. Dorcas.

VOTED, That a message of condolence be sent from the delegates in Autumn Council to Mrs. Lottie Quinn, the sister of Mrs. Mace, and to other relatives.

Announcements were made by D. W. Hunter as to committees called for the afternoon and evening.

Adjournment was taken at 12 noon to 4 P.M.

The closing prayer was offered by Darren L. Michael, Public Affairs Secretary for the Canadian Union Conference, also practicing attorney for the Church.

R. S. Watts, Chairman
C. O. Franz, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary
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GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 13, 1968, 4:00 P.M. ***

Opening Song: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Prayer: Andrew Fearing

VOTED, To accept the following recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers:

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT--NAME:

Inasmuch as many activities other than medical come under the purview of the Medical Department, and in harmony with the request of the Medical Department of the General Conference --

VOTED, That the Autumn Council give favorable consideration to renaming the Medical Department the Department of Health and refer this action to the 1970 session of the General Conference, and to allow the use of the new name during the interim.

LOAN AMORTIZATIONS--MEDICAL APPointees:

Interpretation and amplification of the policies pertaining to Medical Appointee Approved Residency Training Program and Assistance to Medical and Dental Deferred Appointees (General Conference Working Policy, pp. 116-118, 182-184) is required.

VOTED, 1. That the committee continue to exercise discretion in granting financial assistance to single men/women medical/dental students placed under deferred appointment for overseas medical missionary work, it being understood that should a single woman medical/dental student marry and not be in a position to fulfill her service obligation on a full time basis due to home responsibilities, this might be fulfilled on a prorated basis according to the amount of time she, or her husband, if a physician/dentist, might work to fulfill the obligation through service on her behalf following the amortization of any such service obligation he had incurred.

2. That consideration be given to clarifying the amortization of the financial obligation incurred when assistance is granted to the student for both medical/dental training as well as the residency training by stipulating that the amount granted to medical/dental appointees (General Conference Working Policy, pp. 181-183) be amortized at the rate of 20 per cent per year for each year the appointee serves in the mission field; and further,

That any assistance granted under the residency training program (General Conference Working Policy, pp. 116-118) be amortized at the rate of one year of service for each year of financial assistance following the fulfillment of any service obligation for the medical/dental student loan.

3. That the last sentence of No. 7 (General Conference Working Policy, p.117) which reads as follows, be deleted:

Debt retirement credit on medical school loans shall be allowed during the time of this residency, provided the physician enters regular denominational employment at the end of the residency.
ADVENTIST VOLUNTEER SERVICE CORPS:

VOTED, That the following plan be adopted for the administration of a program for using the services of volunteers on short-term overseas assignments;

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

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

2. The procedures to be used in appointing such personnel shall be the same procedures used in the appointment of regular overseas worker personnel including the medical examination. All applications shall be addressed to the Adventist Volunteer Service Corps, 6840 Eastern Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20012.

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

4. The division which accepts the volunteer shall be financially responsible for the following:
   a. The costs of physical examination prior to acceptance.
   b. The costs of insurance premiums providing the following coverages (to be arranged by the General Conference prior to departure): (1) Health; (2) Accident and casualty; (3) Dread disease; (4) Personal effects floater.

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

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

5. The AVSC volunteer shall be financially responsible for the following:
   a. Passport (to be secured by the individual)
   b. Visas (to be secured by the General Conference)
   c. Inoculations
   d. Round-trip ticket (purchased through the General Conference)

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

7. Since the AVSC program represents voluntary service, not on regular salary, the volunteer will not receive sustentation service credit for the time spent in such service.
8. Divisions desiring to adopt an Adventist Volunteer Service Corps for their territories may do so following the guidelines herein given.

PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS IN OVERSEAS DIVISIONS--TRAINING:

We recommend, 1. That overseas divisions study and develop a policy governing assistance to medical and dental deferred appointees within its territory and a separate policy for indebtedness assistance to medical and dental appointees patterned after the General Conference policies but adapted to the needs and situation of the division.

2. That when a physician or dentist is called from his home division to another division the calling division shall reimburse the home division for the full amount of the assistance granted to the appointee under the terms of the policies mentioned in paragraph 1, up to a maximum in local currency equivalent to US$3,000. Any assistance granted to the appointee by the home division, under terms of the policies mentioned in paragraph 1, in excess of the equivalent of US$3,000 shall be divided equally between the home division and the General Conference with the understanding that the total assistance granted by the three organizations shall not be in excess of US$5,000.

RESIDENCY TRAINING FOR PROSPECTIVE MISSIONARY PHYSICIANS OVERSEAS DIVISIONS:

We recommend, That in order to meet the dearth of adequately trained workers for overseas assignment, particularly of physicians holding board certification in specialty fields and physicians with British qualifications, overseas divisions, in cooperation with the General Conference, may undertake the following Approved Residency Training Program:

1. Deferred medical appointees selected by and under the direction of the home division in consultation with the General Conference, whose assignment to service might be deferred further and who shall be considered eligible, may be approved for entry into this residency program, or its equivalent upon completion of their internship or at a later date.

2. The home division in consultation with the General Conference shall decide upon the location where the residency will be taken.

3. Under this plan, residencies may be approved for a period not to exceed three years.

4. The residencies shall be such as to prepare the physician for overseas service, the field of study to be decided by the home division in consultation with the General Conference.

5. During the first year of residency, the physician will avail himself of the opportunity to take examinations that will enable him to register with appropriate Medical Councils as determined by the home division.

6. The home division shall establish a revolving fund for the support of the Residency Training Program. The remuneration of the resident physician will be on the basis of the wage scale for physicians in the division where the residency is taken. The residency stipend will be subsidized by the home division.
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The physician under this plan shall also be entitled to rent subsidy, automobile depreciation, and automobile insurance. These funds shall be advanced by the home division. The home division will also charge to the medical appointees' residency fund the physician's moving expenses from the place where he interned to the place of residency and any expense with taking approved qualifying examinations as described in paragraph 5.

7. The calling division shall be charged 50 per cent of the cost of the residency training program at the time the physician enters overseas service. The General Conference shall be charged 25 per cent of these costs at this same time and the home division shall be responsible for the remaining 25 per cent. The three organizations shall amortize their investment on the basis of 20 per cent per year for each year the appointee serves in overseas mission service.

8. A three-way contract shall be entered into between the physician, the home division, and the calling division covering the terms and conditions of said residency and the physician's agreement to enter mission service at the termination of the residency.

9. In the event that the physician does not enter upon the overseas appointment but enters upon denominational employment in the home division on the completion of the residency, the home division will amortize the advance at the rate of 20 per cent of the total loan per annum.

10. If for any reason the physician under contract does not enter upon mission service nor upon denominational service in the home division after the completion of the residency, or withdraws from the contract or returns from mission service before the indebtedness has been fully retired, the moving expense to the place of residency, salary above the institution's regular resident rate, and other allowances made to him, or the amount owing at the time of the withdrawal or return, shall become due and payable by the physician to the home division (including the General Conference's portion and the calling division's portion which are to be refunded by the home division) at the rate of not less than 20 per cent of the total loan per annum, at 6 per cent interest per annum on the balance due at the end of each year until the entire balance of the loan plus interest has been paid.

BOARD OF REGENTS AND DIVISION COMMISSIONS ON EDUCATION:

VOTED, To set up the following committee to study the relationship between the Board of Regents and division commissions on Education: M. V. Campbell, D. W. Hunter, T. S. Geraty, W. D. Eva, B. B. Beach, M. Fridlin, H. W. Bedwell, R. S. Lowry, R. L. Jacobs, M. L. Mills, F. T. Maberly, M. S. Nigri.

REPORTS:

W. E. Phillips made a report of the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Society (SAWS) and in this connection a few moments were also given to W. D. Eva and Dr. Sherman Nagel.

W. E. Phillips: The situation in Biafra is the greatest human tragedy of our time and we want to help rehabilitate this war-torn land. At this Autumn Council you have already heard reports of the human suffering in this area of Eastern Nigeria. Six thousand people are dying every day, mostly children. Now we are almost without funds. When we receive requests for $5,000 or more we can
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give only $1,000. W. D. Eva will give a report on Biafra, having made a trip from London to Biafra at considerable risk. We will also hear from Dr. Sherman Nagel who has done such wonderful work in coming to the rescue of our believers in Nigeria and Biafra. R. H. Pierson will bring in a recommendation from the General Conference Officers and union presidents for a special offering to be taken on November 30.

W. D. Eva: We appreciate very much the statement by Neal C. Wilson that we can look forward to a special offering from North America to help in East Nigeria and Biafra. One thing that impressed me is that a whole generation of children is being blotted out. If famine and starvation does not stop soon, for five or six years there will be no children to start school in Biafra. As time passes this gap will move out through the schools and into society and the effects will carry over into another generation. We are doing our best to meet this situation and appreciate greatly the wonderful support from North America.

Dr. Sherman Nagel spoke next and paid special tribute to his wife who has stood by him through the difficulties. Mrs. Nagel was able to help six Adventist refugees in one camp and bring them to our worship. Another man in a refugee camp learned of the truth while there and now thanks God for this wonderful message. One of our colleges with an enrolment of one thousand is now occupied by the Biafran army. It will take $100,000 to reestablish it. Great damage has been done to our institutions near Aba, and it is our hope that there will be a large and generous offering to build up this work.

R. H. Pierson: At this Autumn Council we have had an unusual opportunity to become acquainted with some of our outstanding missionaries. There are Dr. and Mrs. Nagel who have stood by so loyally and helped out under circumstances that probably no one in this room has ever had to face. Dr. and Mrs. Roy Parsons are also here and they have served outstandingly well. (Delegates and guests stood to honor these folk who have worked so faithfully in Angola and Biafra.)

Seventh-day Adventists through the years have built up a reputation as a church that cares. When there is a disaster, Seventh-day Adventists are there to help. We appreciate what the Northern European Division has done for our believers in Biafra. The brethren have kept in touch with us by letter and phone. This situation is one of the greatest challenges to Seventh-day Adventists in their relief program. There has never been a situation such as exists in Biafra. When our Officers were together with the overseas brethren, as well as the union presidents, we voted that there should be a special offering taken around the world on November 30 for Biafra. There are men and women on both sides who are suffering and dying from hunger and we want to do everything we can. Here is an opportunity to come to the rescue of these folk.

NIGERIAN RELIEF--SPECIAL OFFERING:

VOTED, To authorize a special offering on November 30 for Nigerian relief.

It is to be noted that this special offering is not to set a precedent or to interfere with the Ingathering campaign.

The meeting continued with recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers being voted as follows:
RESIDENCY TRAINING PLAN FOR PHYSICIANS ENTERING DENOMINATIONAL SERVICE
WITHIN THE PHYSICIANS' HOME DIVISIONS—EXCLUDING NORTH AMERICA

We recommend. That in the event a division other than the North American Division applies the principles of the policy entitled "Residency Training Program for Prospective Missionary Physicians--Overseas Divisions" to assist a physician to undertake a residency training program with a view to the physician entering denominational service within its own territory, the contract and the entire financial arrangement shall be between the physician and the division concerned.

SUSTENTATION ELIGIBILITY--IRREGULAR TRANSFERS:

Paragraphs 9 and 10, page 307, of the General Conference Working Policy, refer to workers who transfer from one division to another on their own responsibility. The present policy indicates that when a worker makes such a transfer he forfeits his eligibility to sustentation benefits until he has completed ten years of service in the new field. It is desired that exception be made to this when a worker who has a long period of service in one division, transfers to another division on his own responsibility. These two paragraphs are related, and it would be preferable to have one paragraph encompassing the provision of this section of the policy.

VOTED, That paragraphs 9 and 10, page 307 of the General Conference Working Policy be combined and be revised to read as follows:

When laborers discontinue work in one division and without official action move to another division upon their own responsibility, they shall give ten years of service dating from the employment in the new field of labor before becoming eligible for sustentation assistance. Division fields employing such workers who have come into their territory without being transferred by responsible committees in the regular way shall assume responsibility for the sustentation of such workers. In such cases it is understood that the total service after ten years in the new field or under missionary appointment from the new field shall meet the requirements of the sustentation policy with respect to years of service as defined in paragraph 38. If a worker who transfers to another division on his own responsibility has 20 or more years of service before the time of transfer and is unable to fulfill the minimum of ten years of service in the new field of labor because of disabling illness, accident, or death, he or his widow, provided she, too, has 20 or more years of service credit, may receive sustentation assistance from his former division based on his years of service in that division, according to its sustentation policy and rates.

OVERSEAS CHILD ALLOWANCE:

VOTED, That the child allowance of overseas missionaries' children be increased from $70 to $100 for children under ten years of age, and from $100 to $130 for children 10 to 18 years of age. (See General Conference Working Policy, pp. 193, 194.)

LEAVES OF ABSENCE--HOME BASE FIELDS:

VOTED, That the Leave of Absence policy, General Conference Working Policy page 211, be revised to provide for workers from home base divisions serving in other home base divisions to be granted a three-months leave of absence including travel time after five years of service for families and after four years of service for single workers.
OUTLINE OF DENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATION:

VOTED, That the policy on Outline of Denominational Organization, paragraphs 7, 8, 9 on pages 28, 29 of the General Conference Working Policy, be amended to read as follows:

7. The election appointment of the union mission president, secretary-treasurer, and auditor, shall be by the division committee in council session and not delegated to the union. However, the union is authorized to elect all other employees in union mission work, in harmony with the policies of the division and within the limits of the budget provided. The division committee shall, between meetings of the council, fill all vacancies that may occur by death, resignation, or otherwise, in the offices of president, secretary-treasurer, and auditor, of their respective unions.

8. The election appointment of the officers of local mission fields shall be by the union at its regular session. However, the local mission is authorized to elect all other employees in local mission work in harmony with the policies of the union and within the limits of the budget provided.

9. The union president elected appointed by the division is a member of the division committee, and is the division representative in the conduct of the work in the union to which he has been elected appointed. He shall, together with the union committee, supervise and carry forward the work in the union. Similarly, the local mission president elected appointed by the union is a member of the union committee and is the union representative in the conduct of the work in the local mission to which he has been elected appointed. He shall, with the local mission committee, supervise and carry forward the work in the local mission.

M. H. SCHAFFNER, M.D.--RELEASE:

VOTED, To release Dr. M. H. Schaffner at his request, from the call to Inter-America as Division Medical Secretary.

H. E. McCLURE--RESIGNATION AND PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To accept the resignation of H. E. McClure as Lay Activities Secretary of the South American Division and to record his permanent return as of January 11, 1969, for family health reasons.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS:

VOTED, To accept the report of the Committee on Nominations as follows:

Inter-American Division Temperance and Medical Secretary - Dr. Gordon Hackett South American Division Lay Activities Secretary - R. E. Adams Elective members of the General Conference Committee for the period ending June, 1970 - J. R. Shawver, Frank Rice.

That the appointment of a Director of Deferred Giving for the General Conference be referred to the 1969 Spring Meeting.
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To fill vacancies on the Commission on Secondary Education for the term indicated:

V. W. Becker - for second term ending January 31, 1971  
G. C. Dart - for second term ending January 31, 1971  
K. M. Kennedy - for second term ending January 31, 1971  
Paul Plummer - for second term ending January 31, 1971  
Dyre Dyresen - for second term ending January 31, 1972  
J. J. Swinyar (replacing Paul Kilgore) - term ending January 31, 1972  
G. T. Simpson - for second term ending January 31, 1972  
L. E. Smart - for second term ending January 31, 1972  
Robert Williams - term ending January 31, 1970  
E. C. Walter (replacing J. G. Smoot) - term ending January 31, 1970

For membership on Commission on Higher Education: Dr. Mark Hamilton, term ending January 31, 1972.

For membership on Commission on Elementary Education: Miss Myra Kite, term ending January 31, 1972.

That other vacancies to be filled be referred to the General Conference Committee.

Closing Prayer: Arthur Kiesz

Adjournment: 5:40 P.M.

F. L. Bland, Chairman
A. E. Gibb, Secretary
Marion Nyman, Recording Secretary

Elder George E. Vandeman preached to a packed house at 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Sunday, October 13, at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, on "Cosmic Invasion".

Special music was given by Charles Brooks and Kathleen Joyce. Response from the current "It Is Written" series is very heartening.
Attention was called to the fact that various Canadian Union Conference presidents have participated in the programs of the Autumn Council. The Chairman this morning will be J. W. Wilson, President of the Maritime Conference. Elder Wilson spoke of the warmth and fellowship of the great Canadian Union and these presidents sharing in the program with us. He welcomed us to another day of blessing and thanksgiving.

"Spirit of the Living God," the theme song, was announced by L. M. Nelson, leader of music.

The opening hymn "Showers of Blessing," was announced by George Liscombe, President of the Idaho Conference.

C. P. Shobe, Pastor of the Des Moines, Iowa, church, appointed to attend the Autumn Council, offered the prayer.

A message in song, "I am Hiding in the Shadow of the Rock," was given by L. E. Dasher, Pastor of the Willowdale Church.

R. H. Pierson, President, said we had been looking forward to hearing M. E. Lind, Trans-Africa Division Secretary, speak this morning. He has had recent difficulty with his voice. His doctor advised that he not speak today. Elder Pierson spoke of M. S. Nigri as a minute-man who has occupied positions of trust on the union and the division level. He is Secretary of the South American Division. He is to speak in Portuguese this morning, and R. A. Wilcox will translate for him.

"Spiritual Preoccupations" was the title of the talk by M. S. Nigri. To be in this kind of a meeting is a great inspiration. The modern man preoccupies himself with everything and with everybody. It is true and natural to have preoccupations. Christ also was likewise preoccupied here on the earth. But His concerns were spiritual preoccupations. His greatest concern was to do the will of His Father and to finish His work in the earth.

Pastor Bert Elkins, President of the Ecuador Mission, writes of the public effort now being conducted in Quito by Elder Arturo Schmidt. He is using the largest tent that we have ever had in South America. Over 2,000 people came to hear the truth the evening before he wrote. Many of those in the audience are also attending the Five-Day Plan in the Municipal Theater. He is presenting a one-hour program on one of the local radio stations. This is one of the 330 public meetings now being conducted in the South American Division.

Our workers in South America are on fire. There are many evangelists who win a hundred souls to Christ each year. One of our evangelists won 607 in one year; 20,000 persons are baptized in Brazil every year; 6,000 in Peru; 3,000 in Chile; 2,500 in Argentina; 2,000 in Bolivia. In 1967, 25,607 persons were baptized in South America. This year we are asking the Lord for 34,000 baptisms. Four hundred ten thousand Bibles are now coming into the hands of our members; 200,000 Bibles
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at $1.00 each are being purchased by Brazil alone; 8 million Bible lessons are accompanying the 400,000 Bibles. In one church 1,500 Bibles were distributed by its members.

What is our preoccupation? Our greatest need this morning is that Christ lives in us and we live in Him. When this becomes a reality to each one of us, our concern will not be of the earth. Our preoccupation will be of the things of heaven, and to finish the work.

W. M. Starks, Department of Stewardship and Development Secretary, announced the closing hymn, "Baptise Us Anew."

Closing prayer by F. W. Bieber, President of the South Dakota Conference.

The sixth business meeting of the Council convened at 10 A.M., after a short recess. R. R. Bietz served as Chairman.

"I Shall See the King Some Day," was sung, announced by L. M. Nelson.

Prayer was offered by K. F. Ambs, Assistant Treasurer of the General Conference.

Consideration was given to recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers.

STATEMENT RE RELATIONSHIP OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS TO CIVIL GOVERNMENTS AND WAR:

A statement re Relationship of Seventh-day Adventists to Civil Governments and War was referred to; the statement had received study in the last business meeting. It was,

VOTED, That the statement be referred to the General Conference Officers for further consideration with the thought that proper representations would be made by the General Conference where necessary on the basis of statements already prepared.

NEWSPAPER REPORT:

R. R. Bietz read a statement concerning conscientious objectors in Viet Nam, which appeared in this morning's Globe and Mail. The reporter writes about our SDA young men from Walla Walla, Washington, and others. These young men are highly motivated soldiers with good moral standards. M. H. Reeder said this statement has gone nationwide in most of the major newspapers.

Continuing consideration of the recommendations from Home and Overseas Officers, the following were adopted:

ASSOCIATE AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES IN DIVISION DEPARTMENTS:

Increasing responsibilities of division secretaries and division departmental secretaries may require the appointment of additional personnel for which no provision is now made in the General Conference Constitution and Bylaws.
VOTED, 1. That Article V, pp. 14, 15, entitled "Division Secretaries" be amended by the addition of a third section to read as follows: The division committee may appoint such associate and assistant secretaries as may be required to carry on the work.

2. That Article 6, section 3, be amended to read as follows: Division committees shall appoint such other associate and assistant secretaries as may be needed to serve in special capacities, to labor under the direction of the division committee.

SUSTENTATION POLICY - MISSIONARY PHYSICIANS:

VOTED, That paragraph 83 c. of the Sustentation Policy (General Conference Working Policy, p. 322, 1966 edition) be amended to read as follows:

83. c. When physicians who have given at least ten (five years of overseas service return to the homeland because of circumstances that are considered valid by the committee, and employment in the denomination is not available, the service rendered in the mission field by the physician may be recorded as part of his regular service record which may be added to by any subsequent service he may render to the denomination, within a period not to exceed ten years from the time of his return from the mission field, each case to be dealt with on its merits.

Further, That a new paragraph be inserted immediately following paragraph 83 c. which would apply the same principle of this paragraph to dentists.

DIVISION COMMITTEES' SECTION I AND SECTION 2 - AMENDMENT:

It is desired to emphasize more clearly the role of the inter-division worker in preserving the bonds of a world church.

VOTED, That the following new paragraph be inserted on page 40 of the General Conference Working Policy as the second paragraph of the section entitled, "Division Committees--Section I and Section II":

As the church develops in mission lands they in their turn should and do also become home bases supplying means and missionaries to help meet the needs of an ever-expanding world mission program. Thus around the earth and across the barriers of nation and race new links are forged that strengthen the world church and unite it more firmly. We believe that it is in the purpose of God that workers go from everywhere to everywhere and that even where missionaries are no longer needed, there should continue to be an exchange of workers in the degree necessary to preserve the international and universal character of the church.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY - SPECIAL COURSES OVERSEAS:

The General Conference pays travel expenses for Andrews University and General Conference personnel when Seminary Extension schools are planned in the overseas divisions. It is desired that a policy should be developed to care for other areas of graduate study where special courses may be offered in overseas colleges in which Andrews University personnel is invited to participate. The procedure with respect to these extension schools is as follows:
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1. Seminary Extension Schools are to be conducted in the various overseas fields on a rotating basis of not more than three schools in a two-year period. (See General Conference minutes, June 29, 1953).

2. The General Conference meets travel expenses for not more than two teachers to be assigned from the United States. Generally, one teacher is assigned from Andrews University personnel and one from the General Conference. At least one other teacher is to be supplied by the division in which the Seminary Extension School is conducted. In each case the teachers' employing organization is responsible for salary and related items and the division where the school is conducted provides entertainment (room and board).

We recommend, That where other overseas extension schools are planned, the following procedures be followed:

1. Undergraduate Courses. There are some instances when undergraduate courses are offered and plans are made to invite teachers from the United States to serve overseas colleges on a temporary or limited basis, possibly on an exchange arrangement. In such cases it is recommended that the travel and other expenses be the responsibility of the division or school concerned.

2. Graduate Courses--Non-Seminary
   a. That such graduate courses be conducted as an Extension School of Andrews University, and might be combined with a Seminary Extension School.
   b. That plans for each school be cleared through the General Conference Department of Education.
   c. That graduate courses be taken either for credit or on an audit basis.
   d. That financial arrangements for teachers invited from the United States would be on the same basis, as applies to teachers in Seminary Extension Schools, but limited to not more than one teacher each year. The division shall supply one teacher from within the field similar to the plan for the Seminary Extension Schools.

KETTERING MEDICAL CENTER--PRESIDENT:

R. H. Pierson introduced George B. Nelson, who for a number of years has served at the Kettering Memorial Hospital as Administrator and more recently President of Kettering Medical Center. He is now ready to retire. The work done by George B. Nelson in leading out in the Kettering Medical Center is greatly appreciated.

Recently, upon the retirement of George B. Nelson, the Board elected Marlowe H. Schaffner, of Salisbury, Rhodesia, in the Trans-Africa Division, as President of the Kettering Medical Center. He has had experience in private practice, and served with distinction in the Trans-Africa Division as Medical Secretary. Elder Pierson introduced Dr. Schaffner to the Council as the new President of the Kettering Medical Center, and wished him every blessing of God as he assumes his new responsibility in the near future.
Attention was turned to the recommendations from the Home and Overseas Officers, and the following with amendments were adopted:

UNION CONFERENCE CONSTITUTION- AMENDMENTS:

VOTED, That the following paragraphs be added to the General Conference Working Policy, at an appropriate place.

ELECTION OF INSTITUTIONAL BOARDS. Institutional boards are to be elected by the constituency (or equivalent) of the institution and the election shall ordinarily be for the period between regular sessions of the constituency. (Local field institutions, 2 years; union field institutions, 4 years.)

APPOINTMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL ADMINISTRATORS. The appointment of institutional administrators shall be by the board of the institution and not by direct action of the constituency of the institution.

ORGANIZING MISSIONS INTO CONFERENCES:

VOTED, That the following be added to the policy, "Organizing Missions into Conferences" on page 42 of the General Conference Working Policy:

Local Conference Status Procedure - 1. The local mission organization desiring local conference status should make its request to the union committee.

2. The union committee, if it believes the local mission request to have merit, should ask the division to appoint a survey commission on which there will be division and union representation.

3. The survey commission after its investigation should report its finding to the division and union committees.

4. If, after studying the findings of the survey commission the union wishes to proceed with the status change, the union committee shall record an action to this effect at the time of its annual meeting and forward this request to the division for consideration.

5. The division should then take action on the request and advise the union of its decision.

ALLOWANCES TO PERMANENTLY RETURNED MISSIONARIES:

VOTED, That paragraph 18, p. 227 of the General Conference Working Policy be amended to read as follows:

When missionaries desire to continue their education instead of taking up denominational employment upon returning to their homeland and the General Conference makes a salary settlement in harmony with this request, the settlement shall include only salary, rent subsidy, medical assistance, automobile insurance, and educational aid for children attending elementary church school for the specified time.
OVERSEAS SERVICE PERIODS AND FURLOUGHS:

A committee was appointed by the General Conference Home and Overseas Officers on October 2, 1968 to study the question of overseas service periods and furloughs and particularly the proposal made by several divisions that consideration be given to reducing the term of service to three years for overseas missionary workers. In view of the fact that most divisions are allowing such workers to elect the short furlough after sixty per cent of the regular term, it was felt that the financial implications of a three year term with a three month furlough would not be great if extensions to the three month furlough are made only in very exceptional cases. The committee discussed the philosophical impact that a short term of three years might have but felt that this would be no real problem if it is made clear that overseas appointees are not generally appointed for a single term but that it is hoped and expected that they will return to the field for additional periods of service. The feeling was expressed that the shorter term may even result in longer total periods of service for many overseas workers.

VOTED, 1. That paragraphs 31 to 36 of the Furlough Policy, General Conference Working Policy, pages 209-211, be revised as follows:

31. The term of service for workers appointed to mission fields outside their home divisions shall be three years for families and two years for single workers.

32. The furlough period for families and single workers shall be three months inclusive of travel time.

33. The three month furlough shall not be extended for nonemergency purposes except at the initiative of the division and when the extension is considered by the division committee to be in the interest of the organization and approved by the General Conference.

34. Workers who, for educational or other reasons considered valid by the division committee, require additional furlough time beyond the regular three months may be allowed such additional time after longer periods of service in harmony with the following schedule:

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35. Upon the completion of two years of the current term of service the worker in consultation with his employing organization shall decide on the length of his term of service, and shall inform the division secretarial office regarding the period of service that he has elected. Single workers shall supply such information upon the completion of one year of the current term of service.
36. When workers are sent by their division to attend the General Conference session, Autumn Councils, or special meetings in their homelands, arrangements may be made for such workers to take their furloughs in connection with these appointments.

37. The term of service shall be reckoned as beginning on the date of arrival in the field, except in the case of workers who must qualify at some place other than their home base before proceeding to their field of appointment.

In applying the furlough policy to such appointees, one half of the time required in qualifying outside the division to which they are appointed and away from the home base, shall be applied on the period of service in the mission field.

38. The furlough period begins on the date of the worker's departure from his field of labor, and terminates at the time of his arrival back at the port of entry.


3. That workers presently serving in mission fields outside their home division be allowed to elect their next furlough on the basis of the policy in effect when they went out to the field or on the basis of the revised policy.

4. That any adjustments in the furlough policy that are found to be necessary in order to bring it into harmony with the revised provisions of the policy as voted herein be referred to the General Conference Committee.

5. Any adjustments in the furlough policy for workers who are serving in mission areas within their division shall be voted by the division committee and approved by the General Conference.

6. That the Northern European Division and the Southern European Division be authorized to continue the present terms of service and furlough arrangements for overseas workers in West Africa and Equatorial Africa, it being understood that study will be given to future adjustments in furlough arrangements for workers in these territories.

SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR MISSIONARY CHILDREN:

We recommend, that in cases where the division committee considers that there is no adequate secondary school facility for missionary children, the following plan be considered:

1. One or more secondary schools outside the division territory be designated as the "official facility" for the division.

2. Travel expense for the round-trip transportation from the student's home to the "official facility" shall be provided by the division, travel being by the most direct route and class of travel as the division shall approve. When parents desire their children to attend a secondary school other than the "official facility" and this is approved by the division, up to the equivalent cost of transportation to the "official facility" may be allowed.
3. Arrangements made for such children to spend the annual school vacation with their parents shall provide that the visit be in the division in which the parents are laboring, and that the minimum length of this visit be established by the division.

4. The division shall provide a policy for financial assistance on tuition and other expenses as is indicated by the needs in the division.

ASSISTANCE TO OVERSEAS STUDENTS ATTENDING ADVENTIST UNIVERSITIES:

Although it is usually more economical, where facilities are available, for students of overseas divisions to take courses of study within the territories of their own divisions than to do so in the United States of America, overseas divisions frequently grant financial aid for students to study in the United States.

Attention is directed to embarrassment that has come to Andrews University, Loma Linda University, and to certain denominationally sponsored students enrolled in these universities because the financial provisions made for the study programs were inadequate.

The needs for financial aid vary considerably as between students and as between divisions; consequently, it does not seem feasible to suggest a policy of uniform financial aid.

We recommend, That the following safeguards be observed in providing financial aid:

1. That our colleges and universities be advised to accept only such denominationally sponsored students from overseas divisions as are able to submit satisfactory financial plans for their study programs. It is suggested that the universities supply overseas divisions with full information concerning expense obligations for prospective students when negotiations are being undertaken.

2. Before agreeing to sponsor students for study programs at the universities, overseas divisions insure that the financial plans are adequate to meet the expenses of the courses to be undertaken.

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOKS:

WHEREAS, The church in its overseas divisions would be strengthened and benefit generally, could all its English reading workers possess the English editions of the Spirit of Prophecy books, thus fully capitalizing on the potential reading knowledge of these workers, and

WHEREAS, The incomes of these national workers are such as to largely preclude their securing the Spirit of Prophecy books in English for their personal libraries, and

WHEREAS, The North American Division publishing houses have made generous provisions in times past for the distribution of Spirit of Prophecy books, which is greatly appreciated,
We recommend, That the following plan calling for special discounts and subsidies on Spirit of Prophecy books in which the North American publishing houses and overseas divisions will cooperate, be adopted:

1. The publishing houses of the North American Division be asked to give favorable consideration to supplying Spirit of Prophecy volumes in English, in freight shipments, to overseas divisions at a cost at the port of entry of 50 percent of the catalog retail prices, it being understood that the books are to be made available to workers at a greatly reduced rate. Under this plan, all orders for Spirit of Prophecy volumes be placed with the publishing houses by April 1 each year.

2. Overseas divisions further discount the Spirit of Prophecy volumes in areas designated by the division committee to the level where the worker will pay up to 25 percent of the United States catalog price for an Ellen G. White book.

3. In overseas divisions, where the workers would benefit by the foreign language Ellen G. White books, the divisions be encouraged to set up a program in order to provide such books at a reduced rate.

4. Each division committee assign to a specific department the responsibility for promotion and distribution of the said volumes.

Recommendations were presented from the Officers and Union Presidents, and adopted as follows:

AUDITING COMMITTEE--COMPOSITION OF:

Question has arisen regarding "Article IX--Auditing Committee," General Conference Working Policy, p. 61, as to what is to be included in the expression, "and up to three members not in the employ of the conference."

VOTED, That in the model constitution of local conferences, General Conference Working Policy, pp. 59-62, "Article IX--Auditing Committee," be amended as follows:

The auditing committee of the conference shall consist of the members of the conference Executive Committee and up to three members not in the employ of the conference, appointed annually by the Executive Committee. This number may include additional laymen who are not members of the conference executive committee and/or persons representing other features of denominational work such as the institutions. This committee, acting together with one or more representatives from the union conference shall annually audit the salary and expense of all conference workers and set their salary rate for the ensuing year.

DEFERRED GIVING OFFICIAL NAMES:

We recommend, That terminology for the deferred giving program and personnel related thereto be standardized by using the title "Director of Deferred Giving" for the person leading out in this phase of the work at the General Conference, union conference and local conference levels; and further.
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That additional personnel engaged in this type of work in the field be known as "Deferred Giving Field Representatives" instead of the present designation of "Association Field Secretaries."

WORLD FOODS SERVICE SECRETARY AND ASI EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER:

VOTED, That the General Conference Constitution be amended to provide for Executive Committee membership for the World Foods Service Secretary and the ASI Executive Secretary-Treasurer, such to be approved in the 1970 General Conference session.

REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSE FOR DOCTORAL DEGREES:

VOTED, That paragraph 2, p. 102, of the General Conference Working Policy be amended to read as follows:

This reimbursement up to a maximum of $6,000 is to be made in annual payments at the end of each year of service at a maximum rate of one fifth of the total for each year that the individual serves the institution after receiving the doctoral degree. This policy shall apply only to faculty members employed after September 1, 1967.

INNER CITIES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

Inasmuch as it is not possible to continue for 1969 the special assistance, amounting to $100,000 which was made available in 1968 on a one-time basis, for work in the inner cities and among ethnic groups,

VOTED, 1. That a committee be appointed to study ways and means whereby future assistance may be provided for work in the inner cities and among ethnic groups.

2. That the unions and local conferences be encouraged to study what may be done in 1969 to supply the needs in the inner cities from their own funds, keeping in mind the increased support being made available in 1969 to certain conferences from the Smaller Conference Assistance Fund.

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Further recommendations from the Plans Committee were considered and adopted as follows:

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH MANUAL:

We recommend, The following amendments and additions to the Seventh-day Adventist Church Manual, for the consideration of the next General Conference session:

1. That the statement of "Fundamental Beliefs", pp 32 to 39, be amended by adding proof texts as recorded hereunder:

   After No. 2, p. 32: Isa. 44:6, 48:12; Matt. 12:32; II Cor. 13:14; Rev. 1:8,11
   After No. 14, p. 36: Dan. 7:9, 10; 8:14; Heb. 8:1, 2, 5; Rev. 20:12;
      Numbers 14:34; Eze. 4:6
   After No. 15, p. 36: Amos 3:6, 7; II Cor. 5:10; Rev. 14:6-12.

   That No. 13, p. 35 be restated as follows: That no prophetic period is given in the Bible to reach to the Second Advent, but that the longest one, the 2300 days of the prophet Daniel 8:14, terminating in 1844, reaches to an event called the cleansing of the sanctuary. (Dan. 8:14, Numbers 14:34, Eze. 4:6)

2. Chapter 6, paragraph beginning at the bottom of p. 79, amend the first sentence to read:

   The Office an Important One--In the work and organization of the church, except where a local pastor has been provided by the conference, if a pastor has not been provided by the conference or mission the office of elder ranks as the highest and most important.

3. Page 80, amend the first sentence of the first full paragraph to read:

   A Religious Leader of the Church--The local church elder in the absence of the pastor is always a spiritual leader in the church; in the absence of a pastor, he is the (italics) religious leader of the church.

4. Page 82, first paragraph, amend first sentence to read:

   Work of Church Elder is Local--The work of a church elder is The authority and work of an ordained local elder are confined to the church electing him.

5. Page 82, in the middle of the page, amend the first two lines of the paragraph to read:

   To Foster All Lines of Missionary Work--In the absence of a pastor Under the pastor and in the absence of a pastor, not only is the local elder the a spiritual leader of the church, but he is responsible for fostering all branches and departments of the work.

6. Page 83, after the first full paragraph, add: If the appointed pastor is a licensed minister, the local church or churches which he serves should elect him as an elder.
7. Page 83, last paragraph, amend the first sentence to read:

Conduct of Church Services—In the absence of the pastor, in counsel with the pastor or in his absence, the elder is responsible for the services of the church.

8. Page 84, second full paragraph, omit the first sentence and substitute the following:

The Marriage Ceremony—The local elder is not authorized to perform the marriage ceremony; this service can be conducted only by an ordained minister. In the marriage ceremony the charge, vows and declaration of marriage are given only by the ordained minister. Either the ordained minister, licensed minister, or the local elder, may officiate in delivering the prayer, the sermonets, or in giving the benediction.

9. Page 84, second paragraph, last full line, amend to read:

In such cases our members usually retire to the home or place of worship, where a special service is conducted by an ordained minister, to seek the blessing of the Lord upon the couple.

10. Chapter 7, p. 114, first full paragraph, add a new beginning sentence as follows:

The elder, particularly if he is a licensed minister, collaborates with the regular pastor in planning the order of the service.

11. Page 115, first paragraph, fourth sentence, amend to read:

During this time the minister, licensed minister, or elder, quietly walks to the door, where he will be ready to greet the people.

12. Page 117, first paragraph, fourth sentence, amend to read:

After the singing of a hymn the minister or officiating elder removes the white linen covering from the bread, then reads 1 Corinthians 11:23, 24, or a suitable passage from the Gospels, after which the blessing of God is asked on the emblems.

13. Page 117, last full paragraph, amend to read:

Each person should retain his portion of the bread until the officiating minister or elder has been served so that all may partake together. When the deacons return from serving the congregation the minister or officiating elder serves them; then one of the deacons, taking the plate, serves the minister or the officiating elder. If two ordained men (ordained as minister or as elder) are officiating, they serve each other. All should be seated and offer silent prayer while the bread is eaten.

14. Chapter 9, p. 174, first paragraph, second and third sentences, amend to read:

In such a case he is vested with the authority of a local elder but not more. His ordination as a local elder qualifies him to serve only in such churches as
have elected him as their local elder and then only on the advice of the conference committee or president function in all church rites and ceremonies, either officiating alone or jointly with an ordained minister in such churches as on the advice of the conference committee or president have elected him as their local elder.

15. Page 174, second paragraph, first sentence, amend to read:

Conference committees do not have the right to authorize a licensed preacher minister to go from church to church baptizing or performing other church rites pertaining to the functions of an ordained minister.

16. That the following new paragraph be inserted on p. 84, after the first two lines at top of page:

Business Meetings--The pastor shall serve as the chairman of the business meeting, and in his absence the elder shall officiate as chairman.

17. Page 104, last paragraph, be amended to read as follows:

It is understood that where there is a pastor appointed by the conference or local field, he is a member of the church board and serves as its chairman; or if, on occasions, he prefers not to act as chairman, he may arrange for the elder to preside.

18. Page 130, second full paragraph, be amended to read as follows:

Church business meetings duly called by the pastor, or in his absence the elder, may be held monthly or quarterly, according to the needs of the church. We recognize as a duly called business meeting of the church, a meeting which has been called at the regular Sabbath worship service, together with proper announcement as to the time and place of such meeting. At such meetings, at which the pastor, or in his absence, the elder will preside, full information should be given to the congregation regarding the work of the church; and at the close of the year, reports should be rendered covering the activities of the church for the entire year. When possible, reports should be presented in writing and should comprise the following activities.

19. In harmony with the 1967 Autumn Council action, paragraph 3, p. 135, be amended to read as follows:

Lay Activities Council--This council shall consist of the following: The lay activities leader (chairman), the pastor, an elder, lay activities secretary, treasurer, Dorcas-Welfare Society leader, Dorcas-Welfare Society Secretary, men's organization leader, director of the health and welfare center, medical secretary, radio-television secretary.

20. Page 158, first full paragraph, be amended to read as follows:

JMV Classes--Four personal development classes are offered junior youth. These are Friend, Companion, Explorer, and Guide Pioneer. An insigne is awarded to those who qualify in each class.
21. That a new paragraph be added following the first full paragraph, p. 158:

MV Classes--Two personal development classes are offered for senior youth. These are Guide and Master Guide. An insigne is awarded to those who qualify in each class.

22. Page 163, second last paragraph, be amended to read:

In junior academies, and in elementary schools with three or more teachers, the principal of the school should be a member of the board.

23. Page 234, paragraph 2, be amended to read:

2. Open violation of the law of God, such as worship of idols, murder, adultery and fornication and related perversions, stealing, profanity, Sabbath-breaking, . . . etc.

24. Page 237, paragraph 3, be amended to read:

At a Duly-Called Meeting--Members may be disciplined by the church for sufficient cause, but only at a duly-called business meeting of the church, provided the meeting is presided over by an ordained minister or a local ordained elder of the church concerned.

25. Page 263, first complete paragraph, be amended to read:

Insurance--The church, through its officers, is under obligation to see that the properties of the denomination, such as the church building, the parsonage and the church school buildings, and their contents, as well as other miscellaneous buildings, are kept adequately covered by insurance in safe companies. An insurance agent manager, usually the treasurer of each conference, has been appointed in practically every union conference, and is always ready to give advice on insurance matters and to secure the broadest possible multiple peril coverage in reputable companies for institutions and church properties. If the property is located in a section where tornadoes are likely to occur, insurance should include both fire and extended coverage. The General Conference Working Policy suggests that the coverage be on the basis of replacement values of buildings and contents where applicable. All insurance on church properties should be in the name of the corporation. Provision for this expense should be made in the church budget.

VOTED, To adopt by reading Numbers 1 and 25 of the foregoing recommendations and the remainder, without reading, be referred to the 1970 General Conference session for approval

BIBLE TEACHERS:

We recommend, 1. That the evangelistic and pastoral functions of classroom Bible teaching in secondary schools be recognized as a vital and integral function of the Seventh-day Adventist ministry.

2. That successful Bible teachers be regarded as candidates for ordination in the same way as those engaged in pastoral and public evangelistic work.
3. That classroom Bible teaching be recognized as requiring particular abilities and professional training, and that college students who give evidence of potential ability as Bible teachers be encouraged to add such training to the regular preparation for a place in the ministry.

4. That the curriculum for training Bible teachers on the various levels of instruction be as follows:
   
a. Elementary: A Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree or equivalent, with denominational teacher certification, including specific courses in the principles of Biblical theology and a book-by-book study of the Bible, a course in Methods of Teaching Bible.

b. A departmentalized church school or junior secondary school: A Master of Arts degree or equivalent in Bible, with denominational teacher certification.

c. Secondary: The course of study required of prospective ministers preparing to serve as pastors, with denominational teacher certification.

5. That students planning on secondary Bible teaching be regarded as equally eligible for conference and/or union financial sponsorship, with appropriate contractual arrangements for service—in field or classroom—in the sponsoring conference or union.

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

7. That prospective secondary Bible teachers should first spend some time in the pastoral-evangelistic ministry, if at all possible, before beginning or concurrently with their work in the classroom.

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GREETINGS:

W. R. Beach, Secretary, presented the following greetings from the medical staff of the North York Branson Hospital:

The Medical Staff of the North York Branson Hospital join in our institutional welcome to delegates to the Autumn Council and extend best wishes for a successful session. Signed/Erwin A. Crawford, Chief-of-Staff.

VOTED, To accept these greetings and to send an appropriate response.

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CHRISTIAN RECORD BRAILLE FOUNDATION, INC.—LEGAL MEETING:

Neal C. Wilson called a legal meeting of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., at 11:25 A.M.

A report was presented from the Nominating Committee, and it was adopted as follows:
VOTED, That the following be named to serve as the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., Board of Trustees:


Adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

AMERICAN TEMPERANCE SOCIETY AND
INTERNATIONAL TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION--LEGAL MEETING:

R. S. Watts as Chairman of the American Temperance Society and International Temperance Association, called a legal meeting at 11:30 A.M.

There had been distributed to the delegates a copy of the Executive Secretary's Annual Report to the Board of Governors.

Ernest H. J. Steed, the Executive Secretary, emphasized the spiritual ministry of temperance activity and its value as front-line evangelism.

Outlining the work of the worldwide temperance program and its rapid advancement, he summarized these under the subheadings of Spiritual, Educational, Prevention, Rehabilitation, and the Future.

Their plans for the future include a North American Five-Day Plan Congress to study and improve their follow-up services in 1969. They are exploring a positive spiritual approach to the alcohol problem similar to the Five-Day Plan. They will work toward a closer and stronger tie with overseas divisions for the extension of our worldwide temperance ministry.

Reports on various activities were given also by Euel Atchley, F. A. Soper, R. E. Adams, and A. V. Pinkney, as Associate Secretaries. R. E. Adams said that although he has accepted a call to the South American Division for service as Lay Activities Secretary, the temperance work will still have his interest. During the past seven years it has been a privilege to work with the temperance team.

F. A. Soper, Editor of Listen Magazine, reported concerning an opportunity offered to us by John Banzhaf in the United States—the extent of which we have never had before, to present on radio and television matters of public interest and concern related to smoking.

Health organizations such as the American Cancer Society, the Heart Association and others are going ahead and taking advantage of this opportunity. As a temperance organization, we are moving in with films and programming for radio and television, especially featuring the Five-Day Plan.

Changes in the American Temperance Society Constitution:

The following changes in the American Temperance Society Constitution were voted:
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Article II--PURPOSE

It shall be the purpose of this organization to

(1) Promulgate through popular education the positive principles of temperance and the facts concerning the evil effects of alcoholic beverages and narcotics, and

(2) Develop by pen, voice and vote an enlightened public opinion and popular sentiment in behalf of total abstinence.

Article III

Article III, Section 2 of the American Temperance Society's Constitution be amended to read, "The membership of this organization shall consist of junior, student, family, contributing, sustaining and supporting and life members."

The annual membership fees to be set by action of the ATS Executive Council.

Article VII--FINANCE

25% to the local church--20% to the local conference--10% to the union--35% to the American Temperance Society--10% to the International Temperance Association.

The meeting of the American Temperance Society and the International Temperance Association adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

Announcements were made by D. W. Hunter.

Educator Eric B. Jones gave the benediction.

Adjourned at 12 noon.

R. R. Bietz, Chairman
D. S. Johnson, Secretary
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary